

The Alexandria Gazette

THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 21.

U. S. CONGRESS.—In the Senate of the U. S., yesterday, Mr. Trumbull, from the Judiciary Committee, reported adversely on the bill introduced by Mr. Davis, to prohibit the trial of civilians by courts martial; also adversely on the bill to amend the act to punish frauds on the Treasury. A joint resolution was introduced requesting the Legislatures of the several States to cause a census of the industrial interests to be taken in June, 1865, and to send a copy of the original returns to the Secretary of the Interior. The bill to repeal the fugitive slave law was further discussed.

In the House of Representatives the Tax bill was under consideration.

Various houses and lots attached as the property of Wm. N. McVeigh, are advertised for sale by S. N. Garwood, sheriff of Alexandria, to satisfy claims in favor of The Asiatic Bank, Balderston, Ward & Co., Kemball Robinson & Co., F. Dane & Co., and J. H. Prentice, against C. A. Baldwin & Co.

The rival steamboat lines between this city and Washington have not yet satisfactorily adjusted their difficulties, and it is understood warrants have been served, and that the subject will undergo judicial investigation in Washington.

An officer who left Bull's Gap, East Tennessee, on the 4th inst., reports that Gen. Longstreet had withdrawn his forces, sending his infantry regiments to Richmond, and leaving three cavalry brigades, numbering 2,000 men, and an equal force of infantry, to guard the salt works near Abingdon, Va.

BUTTER.—The New York Times says:—"Speculators in butter had to succumb on Tuesday. The heavy receipts, restricted consumption, mild weather, and tight money market, proved too much for them. Prime State butter was sold as low as 33 cents in the open market, as against 48a50 cents per lb. a few weeks ago, and other grades declined proportionately. Even these comparatively low rates did not tempt buyers to make very liberal purchases, as a further material reduction was deemed inevitable."

The last foreign mail settles the question of the safety of Dr. Livingstone, the African explorer, who was reported to have been killed by the natives on the Zambesi. A letter from Bishop Tozer, dated at Murchison, on the 21st of December, states that Dr. Livingstone had come back from his expedition up the country. Dr. Livingstone and the party were well in health.

Rev. Calvin Fairbanks, who was implicated with Delia Webster in enticing slaves from Kentucky several years since, and who had served out twelve years of the sentence of fifteen years, passed upon him in the Frankfort penitentiary, was pardoned by Lieut. Governor Jacobs, while performing executive duties during Governor Bramlette's absence from the State.

The "sword contest," as it is called, at the Sanitary Fair in New York, between the friends of Gens. Grant and McClellan is very close. Grant's majority yesterday 78.

THE BATTLE ON THE RED RIVER.

The news from the Red River is singularly conflicting. The details of the battle fought on the 8th are given by a correspondent of a Chicago paper, whose letter is dated on the 11th, but in which no mention whatever is made of a renewal of the engagement, which it was positively stated, resulted in a severe repulse of the Federal forces, who were falling back to Grand Ecore, in a disorganized state. The Chicago paper, however, the next day, publishes extracts from private letters—dated on the 12th—which represent that on the day after the disaster to the thirteenth army corps the nineteenth army corps defeated the Confederates, capturing "two thousand" prisoners and "twenty cannon." Fleet Captain Pennock also telegraphs to the U. S. Navy Department from Cairo that he has received private letters from Grand Ecore on the 10th, and from Alexandria on the 12th, which state that the Federal forces met with a repulse on the 8th inst.; but that when the Confederates, following up their success, renewed the attack on the 9th, they were "handsomely whipped."

In the statement forwarded to the U. S. War Department—and which coincides in all essential points but one with the Chicago paper's letter from Grand Ecore on the 11th—it is said that the Federal advance under General Smith was worsted, as was also the thirteenth army corps, which came to the aid of Smith; but that "Franklin, with the nineteenth army corps, came up, and the enemy was beaten."

It was Gen. Stone, and not Gen. Stoneman, who commanded the Federal troops in the first day's battle.

THE ORDERS OF COL. DAHLGREN.

It will be remembered that a short time ago it was stated that the Confederates had caused the orders which were found on the body of Colonel Dahlgren, after he was killed near Richmond, to be photographed in order to be used as evidence. It now appears that the Confederates desire that their authenticity may be officially established, and therefore General Lee, under a flag of truce, sent a letter to General Meade, inclosing photographed copies of the alleged orders and asking whether they were sanctioned by Col. Dahlgren's superior officers and approved by the government.—General Meade referred the matter to General Kilpatrick, who denied that they were the instructions he gave Colonel Dahlgren before he parted with him during the raid. The reply was communicated to Gen. Lee, and General Meade also replied that he had given no instructions to the late cavalry expedition not warranted by the necessities of their situation and sanctioned by the usages of warfare.—[Wash. Cor. N. Y. World.]

A Washington dispatch to a Baltimore evening paper says: "It is rumored that important changes will soon be made in the command of several departments of the North and East. Gen. Fremont, it is said, will succeed General Butler in his command of Gen. Dix's department of the East. Burnside's resignation—action upon which has been for some time suspended—will be accepted it is thought."

The Adamantine Candle Works of O. H. Grant & Co., Philadelphia, were entirely destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss \$100,000 mostly insured. The firm did an extensive business, shipping 18,000 boxes of candles per month to California.

Washington correspondents of New York papers assert that it is doubtful whether the Baltimore Convention will ever be held.

FOREIGN NEWS.—By the arrival at New York of the Australasian, European advices to the 16th are received. The captain of the United States steamer Kearsage, in a letter to Marquis Clannierde, defends himself from the remarks made by the Marquis in Parliament, and denies that he has enlisted men; but, on the contrary, says the Kearsage has more than her full complement. Mr. Laird, in reply to inquiries, said that the English consuls had confirmed the accounts of kidnapping Irishmen in New York and Boston, and Lord Lyons had made representations of the fact to the U. S. Government, and an answer was soon expected. The bombardment of Duppel was vigorously sustained on the 7th. The bombardment of Sonderburg recommenced on the 8th with extraordinary violence. The conference meets in London on the 12th. All difficulties as to the Mexican crown have been adjusted. Maximilian receives the deputation on the 10th to formally accept it, and sails on the 11th or 12th for Mexico. It is asserted that the relations between France and England are again very friendly.

In Rhode Island oil has been substituted for coal in one of the largest manufacturing establishments, and at less than half the cost of coal.

It is said that the Jewish population in the United States is 700,000.

MARRIED.

On Tuesday evening April 19th, SAMUEL B. CORNWELL, of Prince William county, Va., to MARY G. VERNON, of Alexandria.

DIED.

At Charlestown, Jefferson county, Va., on the 11th inst., CHAS. G. STEWART.

LECTURE AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH.—Rev. Alexander L. Hitzelberger will deliver a lecture at St. Mary's Church, this evening at 7 1/2 o'clock. Subject—"Plus the 9th and his times." Tickets 50 cts., to be had of the gentlemen of the congregation generally. Doors open at 6 1/2 o'clock. ap 21-11*

A widow lady, this morning lost her POCKET BOOK, on King street containing \$80 in U. S. Treasury \$20 notes, all the money she had, which leaves her entirely destitute.—The finder will receive a widow's thanks by leaving it at the Gazette office. A reward will be paid if required.

250 BBLs. Jackson White POTATOES, just received per Schc. Bullwinkle, for sale by R. H. GEMENY, ap 21-11 No. 7, cor. King and Union sts.

WASHINGTON & ALEXANDRIA STEAM FERRY COMPANY.

ON and after Monday, the 18th instant, the steamers YOUNG AMERICA, Capt. Talbot, and MARY F. RIPLEY, Capt. Stackpole, will run regularly between WASHINGTON & ALEXANDRIA, leaving each city every hour during the day, from 7 o'clock, A. M., to 6 o'clock, P. M.—Berth at Alexandria, foot of King street, at Washington, foot of 7th st. ap 18-11

EXTRA FLOUR.—100 bbls. EXTRA FLOUR, of approved brands just received and for sale by SAMUEL MILLER, Jr. ap 19-1w cor. of Cameron and Royal sts.

HAMS! HAMS!! Just received a large invoice of George & Jenkin's justly celebrated Maryland Spiced HAMS. W. F. HENDERSON, ap 18-1w No. 226, King st., cor. Alfred.

5 HDDS. Cuba and Muscavado SUGAR, in store, and for sale by W. F. HENDERSON, ap 18-1w No. 226, King st., cor. Alfred.

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