



THE GAZETTE.

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1813.

The disastrous news which our paper to-day communicates, is calculated to produce the most unpleasant and gloomy reflections; and from the intelligence and respectability of the writer of the letter, scarce a solitary gleam of hope remains, that the information he communicates is unfounded, or, we fear, even exaggerated. The next mail will probably release the public mind from the painful state of suspense in which it at present is placed, on account of the absence of a more specific detail of the lamentable occurrence.

A company of United States' troops under the command of Lieut. Z. Morgan, arrived at this place from Morgantown on Monday last. To the utter shame and disgrace of the government, be it said, that these poor fellows encountered this long march, and have traversed the bleak wilds of the Alleghany mountain, clad in their light summer's dress!!! Their march through town thus equipt, could not fail to give rise to reflections most degrading and humiliating to the improvident, incapable set whom we look up to, to prosecute this ruinous war with effect. To add to this disgraceful neglect, there is not even a suit of warm clothing at this rendezvous with which these men can now be rendered comfortable—and what also proves beyond contradiction, the incapacity or unwarrantable neglect of the administration is, that not a cent of public money has been in the hands of this detachment since October last. It is a fact that several of them were enlisted without receiving the bounty, and it is said that with proper funds, 100 men might have been enlisted. Private funds were resorted to in several instances. These particulars are derived from one of the detachment, and if incorrect, will, on the suggestion of Lieut. Morgan, be corrected.

IMPORTANT.

Extract of a letter from Gen. Harrison, to Gov. Meigs, dated Headquarters of the North Western Army, Rapids of the Miami, January 20 1813.

I have the pleasure to inform you that the detachment under col. Lewis, was completely successful in its attack upon the part of the enemy at the river Raisin—their force then consisting of some hundreds of Indians and a company of militia which were placed behind pickets, were attacked by our troops about 3 o'clock on the 13th inst.

The action lasted until night, when the enemy were completely routed. The Indians suffered considerably—their allies ran off with a piece of artillery in the commencement of the action—our loss is about 10 killed and two captains and 20 privates wounded.—General Winchester marched yesterday with 250 men to take command at the river Raisin—He will have about 1900 effectives, and I am at this moment despatching five companies more of Gen. Perkins' brigade...*Sup. Extra.*

Melancholy News.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Chillicothe to another in this town, dated, February 2d, 1813.

"The advance of our North-Western Army, consisting of 1000 men, commanded by Gen. Winchester, are totally defeated; not more than 40 escaped! We know not how many are made prisoners, but calculate, that far, far the greater part fell victims to the tomahawk and scalping knife. The best authority we have justifies the disagreeable thought, that they were completely surprised. These troops were principally from Kentucky."

WASHINGTON, February 6.

The Senate have passed the Loan Bill sent to them by the House, without amendment. The bill only requires the signature of the President to become a law.

The Senate have for several days been much engaged on business of a confidential nature. We have reason to believe that they yesterday came to a conclusion, on the proposition which has been the subject of deliberation during their secret sittings.

The House is still occupied in the discussion of the bill for regulating the employment of foreign seamen in the service of the United States. The committee of the whole have refused to strike out the first section of the bill, by a considerable majority.

The Senate of Pennsylvania, have rejected the bill from the House of Representatives, for building a Frigate & sloop of war—there were but four votes in favor of the measure.

The bill to authorise the issuing of Treasury Notes.

This bill authorises the president of the United States to cause to be issued treasury notes to the amount of 5 millions of dollars; and also if he shall deem it expedient, to issue a further amount not exceeding five millions of dollars, provided the amount issued under the latter provision shall be deemed and held to

be in part of the loan of sixteen million of dollars authorised by the bill passed this day. The notes to bear interest at the rate of five and two fifths per cent per annum, to be redeemed one year after the day on which they are respectively issued.

The following is the vote on the LOAN BILL, on its final passage.

YEAS—Messrs. Alston, Anderson, Archer, Avery, Bacon, Bard, Basset Bibb, Blackledge, Brown, Burwell, Butler, Calhoun, Carr, Cheves, Cockran, Clapton, Condit, Crawford, Cutts, Davis, Dawson, DeSha, Diasmor, Earle, Findley, Franklin, Gholson, Goodwyn, Green, Grady, B. Hall, O. Hall, Harper, Hawes, Johnson, Keat, King, Laeock, Little, Lyle, Moore, M'Coy, M'Kim, Mitchell, Morgan, Morrow, Nelson, New, Newton Ormsby, Pickens, Piper, Pleasants, Pond, Ringgold, Robertson, Rhea, Roberts, Sage, Sawyer, Sevier, Seybert, Shaw, G. Smith, J. Smith, Stow, Strong, Talliaferro, Troup, Turner, Whitehill, Widgery, Wright.—72.

NAYS—Messrs. Baker, Bigelow, Bleeker, Foyd, Breckenridge, Brigham, Champion Chitenden, Cook, Davenport, Ely, Emott, Fitch, Gold, Goldsborough, Gray, Hufty, Jackson, Lewis, M'Bryde, Milnor, Mofely, Pirkin, Potter, Quincey, Randolph, Reed, Ridgely, Sammons, Sherry, Stuart, Sturges, Taggart, Talmadge, Tallman, Wheaton, White, Wilson.—38.

NASHVILLE, (Ten.) Dec. 29.

We learn that the troops enlisted in East Tennessee will descend the river from Knoxville, as soon as the Holston breaks up—it is now frozen over, and may be some time in that situation. For many years the Holston has not been frozen over before this.

Extract of a letter from Kingston, dated December 14.

"I have just conversed with a gentleman from Georgia; he informs me that the Americans have possession of East-Florida. The detached militia of the state of Georgia are stationed at Point-Petre, col. Smyth is lying before the fort of St. Augustine, within two miles of the fort. He states the Indians will be compelled in a short time to sue for terms. He speaks in the highest terms of the bravery of col. Newman—his conduct has excited the highest praise.—The garrison of St. Augustine consists of 800—500 blacks, and the balance of a mixed kind. A number of blacks who have run away from Georgia, have also joined the Spaniards. Col. Smith has 700 as brave fellows as any in the world, who are more than a match for the garrison."

OGDENSBURGH, January 20.

On Friday evening last, seven men, belonging to capt. Kellogg's company of volunteer artillery approached within se-