

THE REBELLION.

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Exciting Rumors in Washington in Regard to its Safety.

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Shaking hands again, General McClellan conducted General Scott to the car, where they parted without a word being exchanged.

The train left the depot at precisely five o'clock. General Scott was accompanied by his own staff, the Secretary of War, the Secretary of the Treasury, Major General Butler, Adjutant General Thomas, General Van Vliet and others.

THE NEW GENERAL-IN-CHIEF. THE PHILADELPHIA SWORD TO GENERAL McCLELLAN—THE PRESENTATION SPEECHES—WHAT GEN. McCLELLAN THINKS OF THE DURATION OF THE WAR.

The ceremony of the presentation to General McClellan of the sword ordered by the Common Council of Philadelphia in July last, took place last evening at the private quarters of the General, at the corner of Sixth and H streets.

The sword is of solid silver, heavily coated with gold, and mounted with the arms of the city of Philadelphia and of the State of Pennsylvania, heavily worked in gold. The following is the inscription:

TO MAJOR GENERAL GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, APPROVED JULY 31, 1861.

The sword is of solid silver, but had in the gold electroplating bath for six days, and the appearance of solid gold. It is surmounted with a solid gold eagle, forming the head. The grip of the hilt is adorned with thirty-four pearls, interwoven with thirteen diamonds, the first representing the number of States in the whole Union, the latter the old original thirteen States.

Among those present at the ceremony were the Secretary of the Navy, General Andrew Porter, all the members of General McClellan's staff, Dr. McClellan, brother of the General, and many other persons of distinction in civil and military life.

Henry J. Fogarty, Sergeant-at-Arms of the Council of Philadelphia, was bearer of the sword.

The following gentlemen were present, as the committee of the Philadelphia City Council:

Stephen A. Burton, S. W. Cattel, F. Hamilton, Geo. F. Johnson, W. S. Stukley, J. D. McLean, J. W. Kerr, J. W. Stokes, W. R. O'Neil, A. T. Dickson.

At seven o'clock the committee entered the room without ceremony, and through their chairman addressed the General as follows:

General—The Council of Philadelphia, the city of your birth, have sent as here upon the pleasant duty of presenting to you this sword, a testimony of their appreciation of your services to your country.

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HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, OCT. 29, 1861.

RECEIVED AT WASHINGTON FROM OCTOBER 30.

To Major General McClellan, a report of crossing at this place this afternoon, and at the same time started a reconnoitering party towards Leesburg from Harrison's Island.

REPORT OF FOREIGN MINISTERS WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

The English and French Ministers had protracted interviews with the Secretary of State to-day. No answer was received by the government to the communication of Secretary Seward to the English, French and Spanish governments respecting their designs in sending an expedition to Mexico.

THE ARMY RETIRING BOAR.

The Army Retiring Board has nearly completed its labors, having disposed of all the cases which have come before it. The last two were acted upon to-day.

RESIGNATION.

The resignation of Col. Stephen, Ninth Infantry, has been accepted, to take effect Nov. 1, 1861.

ALL QUIET ALONG THE UNION LINE.

All has been quiet to-day and to-night along our whole line.

RECOVERY OF THE BODIES OF SOLDIERS.

Five bodies of soldiers were taken from the Potomac river this morning. They were found by the Chain Bridge, and were brought to the city.

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in the Potomac. The rise at the Navy Yard was about seven feet. The battery was half submerged, and the water overflowed the yard for fifty feet from the wharf.

APPOINTMENT OF A SKAMAN, AS ACTING MASTER IN THE NAVY.

The appointment of Charles A. Austin, a seaman, as Acting Master in the Navy, is the first instance on record of the appointment of a seaman in our Navy as Acting Master. It was made as an acknowledgment of merit. He was shipped at Boston and drafted as a gunner's mate at Washington, where his intelligence, perseverance and meritorious conduct obtained for him this honorable distinction.

NEWS FROM MISSOURI.

REPORTED ATTACK ON GENERAL LANE ON THE REBEL ARMY.

A negro who says he left a part of General Price's army in Sarcoxie, in Jasper county, on Monday night last, reports that General Lane had just made an attack on the rebels, but he knows nothing of the result.

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CITY AND STATE POLITICS.

The Election Tomorrow—Party Lines Obliterated—Number of Voters Absent from this City and in the Army—An Effort to Vote Men in the Names of the Absentees—Prospects of a Quiet Election and a Small Vote—The State Tickets—The County and Judicial Candidates—The Senatorial and Assembly Nominations, &c., &c.

This is the last day that the politicians have to arrange their forces for the battle to-morrow. We doubt if there has been a general State election for the last ten years where there has been so little noise attending the preparations. Bonfires, processions and public meetings have been almost unknown, and the matter is all parties and every candidate now before the people are upon the platform of sustaining the administration in the vigorous prosecution of the war.

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