

COMMUNICATION.

MIDDLETON, Va., April 25.—One fine morning, a week since, the people of this part of the Valley suddenly found themselves all on the same side of the Union question. The unanimity with which we elected Union men to the Convention was very gratifying; but the impulsive patriotism with which every man, woman, child, and servant hailed the movement of troops to initiate the correction, on the part of Virginia of the ill-advised government at Washington was electrifying. Refreshments and blessings of our matrons; smiles and waving handkerchiefs of our maidens; horses and vehicles of our sires; recruits by companies of our young men, were tendered lavishly and promptly, and are still the order of the day. The turnpike is trodden to dust with a summer's travel, and still they pass and repass, foot, dragon, and artillery.

We had some strong Union men here; who, we had others who, though voting the Union ticket, did not hesitate, nor cease to express the public mind with the fact that an entire disruption of the Federal Government, as between the slaveholding and non-slaveholding States, was proximate and inevitable. Their reason, freely given, for not favoring immediate secession, on the part of Virginia was, that they believed the deliberations of a conservative Convention would familiarize the whole people with the status of things, and thus, probably, when the event came, tend to seal the territorial integrity of the State. Moreover, this would be a dignified way of giving a decent respect to the opinions of mankind, and be the means of illustrating the justice of our cause to the whole world.

Sectional legislation is one of the fatal rocks on which the vaunted and magnificent ship of State was driven. Let us take warning for the future to ourselves.—Thrones and dynasties, crowns and republics have stranded gallant argosies here before. Let us erect a beacon that we may show it star off. Even in the arrangement of Congressional, or less important districts—the apportionment of a tax—the granting or refusal of a charter for a school-house or a railroad, let us shun sectional or unjust legislation.

The Ultraists in New York.

The tone of a portion of the press of this city is well fitted to excite alarm. Hitherto we have been generally a law abiding people, and with some slight exceptions, have recognized the legal and constituted authorities as the medium through which the public affairs were to be administered. Complaints have sometimes been made that oppression has been exercised through that medium, but until the present moment, bold threats of revolution have scarcely ever been heard among us.

There is at this time, if we may judge from the tone of a portion of the press which supported Mr. Lincoln in the late Presidential election, and which has until lately sustained his policy, a tendency, if not a concerted purpose, to "unravel" the President in his official functions, and to place "some representative" in his stead, or to exercise the power of a dictator. Nor should it be forgotten that in his present trying position, the President has the advice and aid of the first military man in this country, perhaps in the world. We do not presume to set up our judgment in military affairs over that of Lieut. Gen. Scott, the President, the Secretary of War, the whole Cabinet, and the military science of the country.

Yet, with one or two exceptions, the tone of the Republican press in this city is that of denunciation and abuse, of which not only the President, but Mr. Seward, Mr. Cameron, and General Scott, receive each their share. A proposition is made for a "representative" to "unravel" the President, and usurp the functions of the constituted authorities. Men who, while differing from the Administration in its policy, nevertheless recognize the obligation of every citizen to obey the laws, and to abstain from whatever tends to obstruct their execution, are pronounced traitors by those who suggest that the President be deposed, and the forms of constitutional government disregarded.—N. Y. Journal of Commerce.

WASHINGTON NEWS.—The following persons, charged with being in league with the South, have lately been arrested by members of Captain Miller's company, (U. S. Army), and company D, Washington Light Infantry, Captain J. Cross, Frederick Cunningham, Adam Grider, Alfred Wilkerson, Dennis Calahan, John Richardson, and Edward Bangs. They are under a strict guard.

On Saturday afternoon, the band attached to the New York seventh regiment proceeded to the south front of the Executive Mansion, and complimented Mr. Lincoln by the performance of a number of choice pieces. The President, accompanied by his private secretaries, Messrs. Nicolay and Hay, the ladies of the household, and the Secretary of War, soon made their appearance on the portico, and remained during the entire performance. The President's two little sons, each with a Union badge adorning his jacket were also on the portico.

A man named Pearson was brought to the city on Saturday, by the troops, charged with tearing the rails from the railroad in the neighborhood of the Annapolis Junction.—He was committed to jail for a further examination.—Wash. Rep.

MARRIED.

On Sunday, the 25th inst., by Rev. Dr. Johnson, at Christ's Church, Mr. GEO. W. WEDDERBURN, of the District of Columbia, to Miss JENNIE M. LAWRENCE, of Washington City. [New Orleans papers please copy.]

On the 25th inst., by Rev. Geo. W. Harris, Mr. B. FENELON TAYLOR, of Wilmington, Del., to Miss ELIZABETH, daughter of Col. T. Taylor, of Loudoun county.

On the 25th inst., by Rev. J. M. Dillard, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. JAMES C. TAYLOR, of Alexandria, to Miss WILLIAM A. eldest daughter of J. J. Camp, esq., of Nelson county, Va.

On the 25th inst., by the Rev. J. G. Butler, JOHN FULLER and MATHIAS BAKER, both of Washington.

On the 25th inst., in Washington, by the Rev. C. Butler, D. D., JOHN C. BRONATH, of Virginia, and SALLIE C. daughter of the late Col. F. Taylor, U. S. Army.

COMMERCIAL.

Alexandria Fish Market, April 29. The arrivals of fish to day were more numerous, but the demand is still unabated, and many boat loads passed up to Washington. We quote shad at \$5 50 per hundred, and herring at \$4 50 per thousand.

THE WARRENTON SPRINGS, FAUQUIER COUNTY, VIRGINIA, will be opened on the 15th of May. In the interval, limited numbers of visitors will be received. Terms for board, \$30 per month, \$10 per week, \$2 per day. White and red tents—fourth class servants, and children under ten and over two years, half price. Horses, fifty cents per day.

ROBT. HUGGIN, Proprietor, Fauquier county, Va., pp 30—42w.

NOTICE.—All persons having claims against the estate of Charles A. Washington, dec'd., will please present them properly authenticated for settlement. Those indebted to said estate can pay over to the subscriber.

ROBT. F. WASHINGTON, Administrator of Charles A. Washington, dec'd., Waverly, Frederick county, Va., pp 30—1002w.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

On Wednesday our old town was alive with military. Six hundred soldiers in the Burg at one time changed the usually peaceful, quiet aspect of the place to martial enthusiasm and animation of the liveliest description. Company F from Richmond, the Caroline Grays, the Mercer Cavalry, the Mt. Pleasant Riflemen, our own Grays, Guards, Artillery, &c., were among the number.

The Richmond L. I. Blues, under command of Capt. O. J. Wise, arrived yesterday and other companies are daily expected.—The Blues and company F, were drilled in the evening in the streets before their quarters, the court house and Presbytery church. It is intended that the F. G. Grays shall be used as their encampment for the present. The Caroline troop, a fine looking set of men about 80 strong, arrived yesterday and paraded to-day.—Fred. News.

The Frigate United States was uninjured by the late fire at the Gosport Navy Yard, and has been towed to the narrows, where, with all her armament aboard, she was moored, and now commands all the approaches to Norfolk. Wishing some small craft to sink in the channel, Lieut. Sinclair was about taking one, when a schooner was seen coming into the harbor with the name, and "from Norfolk, Va.," painted in rather fresh letters. Upon reaching off the fresh paint it was found to be an Eastern vessel. She was immediately loaded with stone and sunk in the channel.

Gen. Scott is reported to have said that he would rather have received the resignation of every general officer than Col. Lee—now Gen. Lee, Commander of the Volunteers of Virginia. Besides Gen. Lee, we have now here in Virginia, General Johnston, General J. B. Magruder, Col. Kugleis, Capt. Carr, Captain Maury and others, all eminently distinguished for former service under the Government of the United States.

Troops are constantly arriving at Harper's Ferry, and it begins to wear the appearance of a grand military encampment. The removal of machinery from the armory buildings is being pushed along with industry, and in the course of several days nothing but the bare walls of the shops will attest it as the place known as the Harper's Ferry armory.

A large number of slaves are busily working upon the batteries and other means of defending the harbor of Norfolk. The services of many of these stalwart sons of Africa have been tendered by their generous owners, and they enter upon their new duties zealously and eagerly.

Gov. Letcher has issued a general order saying "the authority has been given for the impressment of horses for the State, and no such impressment will be made without special instructions. All horses which have been impressed will be immediately returned to their owners."

Mr. Wm. H. Clark, of Halifax, has given \$500 to purchase arms for the county, and \$500 more towards equipping the volunteers, and pledges himself to provide for the needy families of soldiers so long as his means hold out.

The battery at the Naval Hospital, Norfolk, would strike the military eye as an elegant affair. A large number of nine-inch Dalton guns are among the "baby wakers," and they would rake the channel for two miles down.

The grand fathers of Presidents Jefferson Davis and Abe Lincoln were both born in Rockingham county. The grandfather of Jefferson Davis, was first cousin of the late Hon. Daniel Smith, of that county.

A list of thirty-two worthy free colored men of Norfolk, who have offered their services in the work of defence, or in any other capacity required, has been sent in to the Captain of the Woods Riflemen.

We understand that George L. Samsun, esq., of Virginia, now residing in New York, has been threatened with mob violence in that city, and under that threat compelled to subscribe to the war fund.

Joseph Hillyer, a promising little son of Mr. John Diller, living near Taylor's Springs, Rockingham county, Va., was accidentally killed on Friday morning week, by a tree falling upon him.

"The Norfolk Savings Institution" have determined to issue for the accommodation of the community, small notes in sums of 25 cents, 50 cents and one dollar.

Captain F. R. Smith, of the Confederate army, is now in Norfolk for the purpose of raising recruits for a Regiment for Roger A. Pryor, in that army.

The small notes of the North Carolina banks are abundantly current in Norfolk—one, two, three and four.

Col. Lee's family are still residing at Arlington, opposite Washington.

Capital of the South.

Circumstances render it highly probable that Richmond will speedily become the Capital of the great Southern Confederacy. Its position—political, commercial, strategical, moral, and sanitary—gives vast advantages over all competitors.

President Davis, it is supposed, will make it his headquarters at an early day.

The following resolution on this subject was adopted by the Convention Saturday:

Resolved, by this Convention, that the President of the Confederate States and the constituted authorities of the Confederacy be, and they are hereby cordially and respectfully invited, whenever in their opinion the public interest or convenience may require it, to make the City of Richmond, and some other place in this State the seat of the Government of the Confederacy.—Rich. Whig.

RASCALITY.—We were informed by a gentleman on Wednesday, who has just passed over the Weldon and Wilmington Railroad, that an attempt was made to destroy the bridge about 1 1/2 miles north of Wilson, N. C., on Monday night, for the purpose of preventing the passage of troops from the South to our borders. Two soldiers were found to have been cut, and had not the discovery been made in time, it is supposed that great damage would have been the result, not only to the property, but by the breaking of the bridge on the passage of a train over it, to human life also. A man suspected of the deed has been arrested.—Petersburg Express.

S. M. Crawford, clerk in the third Auditor's Office, has resigned. W. T. Ballinger, of Va., has been appointed to a first class (S1, 200) clerkship in the Census Bureau. Hobart Berrien, chief clerk of the Navy Department, has been appointed Fourth Auditor ad interim.

REPORT OF ALEXANDRIA.—APRIL 29. SALLED.

McShay, John Warren, Lozier, New York, by T. J. McShay.

We are authorized to announce O. W. HUNT, esq., as a candidate for election to the House of Delegates from Fairfax county, at the next spring election, to be held on the 4th Thursday in May next.

Telegraphic Despatches.

RICHMOND, April 26.—Six thousand volunteers are in Richmond, ready for service. A State battery is being erected at Yorktown, and another three miles above Richmond. The steamship James-Edwards has been fitted up for war purposes. Four thousand arms are at Harper's Ferry and 3,500 at Norfolk. There will be 25,000 volunteers at Richmond by the close of the week. The schooner Anne J. Russell, with wheat, at Richmond, for a Massachusetts port, has been seized. It is reported that the troops at Harper's Ferry have been ordered to some other point.

CHICAGO, April 25.—Acting under orders from the President of the United States, an expedition of Illinois volunteers crossed over to St. Louis last night, advanced upon the Federal Arsenal at St. Louis, and brought immense stores of artillery, ammunition, and small arms, which had been stored at that post by the Government. The amount of Federal property thus secured of Missouri is of great value. Among the arms recovered were 21,000 stand of small arms and a park of artillery. There was no fighting.

NORFOLK, April 25.—All the lights had been extinguished in the Capes and Chesapeake Bay, with the exception of Willowby light-ship, which is lighted by the crew of the U. S. ship Cumberland. The light had been put out several times by the people from the shore, after being lighted by the crew of the frigate. On the 25th inst. a guard had been detailed from the frigate to prevent similar proceedings.

PERYVILLE, April 26.—The steamer Wyoming has just arrived here from Annapolis. She sailed at 10 o'clock this morning. Two steamers of the New York fleet the Marion and Montgomery, under convoy of the brig Perry, bringing three regiments, arrived at Annapolis during last night. The 69th Regiment was disembarking. It was reported that the road is clear to Washington, and Gen. Keim had gone on. It is supposed that the Constitution would sail for New York to-day, having the Midshipmen from the Naval School on board of her.

WILMINGTON, Del., April 26.—Gov. Burton has issued a proclamation calling out troops to "defend the Union."

TRIDENT, April 25.—A portion of the Hudson Brigade arrived here to-day, and were quartered in tents near the State Arsenal.—The troops are now being furnished with clothing, and it is thought a portion will be sent off on Monday.

HARRISBURG, April 28.—The Governor's forthcoming message to the Legislature will recommend the passage of a stay law. The declaratory part will say that Pennsylvania will open a route leading from the North to Washington as essential to trade and transit. Whether the capital is to be in or out of the Union, hostile fire will be permitted to the Government, and the States loyal to the Union, Rebellion must be crushed and the nation restored to its entirety. National property seized and in possession of the rebels must be retaken at every expense.—The Governor will recommend an appropriation of several millions of dollars—perhaps five.

ST. LOUIS, April 27.—Governor Jackson has declared that his policy is a peace policy. That he convened the Legislature only for the purpose of more perfectly organizing the militia and putting the State in a proper attitude of defence. He told Sterling Price, the President of the State Convention, that that body ought not to be called together for the passage of a secession ordinance. That he is in favor of retaining the status of the State, leaving it to time and circumstances as they may arise to determine the best course for Missouri to pursue.

LOUISVILLE, April 25.—The municipal authorities have returned from yesterday's conference with the citizens of Madison and Cincinnati, expressing confidence that amicable relations will be preserved between the three cities during the status of affairs. The troops which left for the Southern Confederacy yesterday went unarmed, and against the advice of the Governor. The report that arms belonging to this Commonwealth were forwarded for their use, is denied by the highest official authority.

BOSSON, April 27.—Hon. Caleb Cushing has tendered his services to the Governor in any capacity.

PHILADELPHIA, April 28.—C. J. Ingersoll invited Ex-Presidents Buchanan, Pierce, Fillmore, Tyler, Van Buren and Hon. Mr. Brown, to act as arbitrators between the North and the South. There is but little expectation here of any good resulting from the project.

A despatch from Concord, N. H., says that Ex-President Pierce, in obedience to a dispatch from Mr. Ingersoll, of Pennsylvania, has gone to Philadelphia, and perhaps Baltimore, on a mission to mediate between the Government and the South.

Richmond Items.

A special despatch to the Petersburg Express says:—Capt. Andrew Talbot has been appointed State Engineer. He constructed the Danville Railroad and bridges.

Up to Saturday the number of volunteers who have tendered their services to the Governor to defend the State, was 89,000.

Wm. F. Ritchie, Esq., left this evening for France to bring home his accomplished wife.

The number subject to militia duty in the State is, according to the Census returns, 150,000. This with the former force would enable Virginia to bring into the field in three months considerably upwards of 200,000 men.

About 20 companies are encamped on the new Fair Grounds. The cars run to and fro between that place and the city every half hour.

Rev. Chas. Chapin, of Danville, preached to the volunteers this evening in the ladies' tent.

There was service at St. Philip's (colored) Episcopal Church this evening. For the first time, by the Rev. Henry Kepler.

Ten companies between Richmond and Lynchburg will soon be quartered in the latter city.

Fayette McNeill is at the Spotswood House electing-in for a seat in the Southern Congress.

About 250 troops arrived Saturday evening from South Carolina.

The artillery companies are encamped on the Baptist College grounds. The Rev. M. D. Hogg preached to them this evening.

The Rev. Henry A. Wise arrived here this evening from Philadelphia.

The city is devoid of excitement.

ARMS AND MONEY WANTED.—Gen. Leslie Combs has telegraphed to A. L. Saunders, at New York: "Mr. Critchenden is absent.—Can we get arms and money for self-defence in the Union? When and how?" This dispatch was forwarded by Gen. Wool to President Lincoln, and Mr. Saunders also sent to President the following communication:

"If the State of Kentucky assumes the position of a strict armed neutrality, remaining in the Union—not permitting troops from the Confederate States to pass over her soil—it will be necessary for the Federal Government to march its troops through that State when required to send them South to suppress the revolution in the Cotton States?"

"A. L. SAUNDERS, of Paducah, Ky."

No response to the above can be received for several days, cut off as all regular communication is between New York and Washington.

WANTED.—I wish to hire two good farm hands the balance of this year, at Brandy Station. D. G. WISE.

LOCAL ITEMS.

MILITARY AFFAIRS.—The following orders and notices have recently been issued in this division of the State:

NOTICE.—All military officers and other persons, are hereby positively forbidden to interfere with the officers and employees of any railroads. The routing and management of all trains will be entirely under the control of the railroad officers.

R. E. LEE, Major General Com. in Chief, Headquarters, Richmond, April 26, 1861. HEADQUARTERS POTOMAC DIVISION. Alexandria, April 27, 1861.

General Orders, No. 4. The following companies, comprising the sixth battalion of Virginia volunteers, under command of Major M. D. Corse, represented by him to have gone on duty on the days herein affixed to their names, are hereby mustered into the service of the State of Virginia, as from those dates respectively, to wit:

Captain Morton Marry's company of light infantry, from April 17th, 1861.

Captain Samuel H. Devaux's company of light infantry, from April 17th, 1861.

Captain Arthur Herbert's company of light infantry, from April 17th, 1861.

Captain Delaware Kemper's company of artillery, from April 17th, 1861.

Capt. Thorton B. Triplett's company of artillery, from April 25th, 1861.

Captain Jas. Edw. Towson's company of light infantry, from April 25th, 1861.

And the staff of the battalion, to wit: Surgeon J. M. S. McGuire, Quartermaster Wm. B. Richards, jr., Paymaster John A. Field, Adjutant A. J. Humphreys—from April 17, 1861.

Also, the cavalry companies of Capt. E. B. Powell and Capt. M. D. Ball, both of the county of Fairfax, the former as from April 20th, 1861, the latter as from April 25th, 1861.

By order of Gen. P. St. George Cooke: M. D. CORSE, Acting Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS.—The headquarters of the general commanding the Potomac district have been fixed at Culpeper Court House, and will place the commanding general was escorted a few days since by a battalion of National Volunteers.

ALEXANDRIA, April 29, 1:30 P. M. J. Special Orders, No. 7. The commanding general, being about to change his headquarters from Alexandria, hereby orders that Major M. D. Corse take command of the troops now in Alexandria, under orders.

21. J. S. Barbour, jr., esq., is hereby appointed first volunteer aide-de-camp to Brig. Gen. Cooke, commander-in-chief of Potomac division, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

By order of P. St. Geo. Cooke, Brigadier General Potomac Division: M. D. CORSE, Acting Assistant Adjutant General.

AN HYBRID.—We by no means are partial to hybrids of any description, but for a cross between a yankee and a Washington hackman, we entertain a wholesome disgust. It is seldom that these curious animals visit our city—only when some benighted Alexandrian, or visitor here induces them to leave their accustomed haunts by pandering to their insatiate lust for money.

On Sunday night last we saw one of these creatures at Green's Mansion House, a perfect specimen of his class. He had agreed to bring a gentleman down from Washington for the moderate sum of ten dollars, and when he reached here refused to take a Virginian money. He was then offered a Washington note, which he also refused, declaring he could have no gold. This gentleman properly declined, telling him he might take the Virginia note which had been offered, or not.

Another gentleman standing by offered the creature a note on the bank of Washington, which he in his foolish and furious, though concealed anger, took, disguising a good note for one which soon will not be worth one cent. He then left for his new military home, muttering threats of vengeance.

An informal meeting of the Washington City Councils in joint session was held last week in the city Hall, at which all the members of both branches were present. Resolutions with a lengthy preamble were presented, and requesting the President of the United States to express a willingness to live in peace with the Southern States, and to suspend all hostilities between the contending parties until the meeting of Congress. Doubts were expressed as to the policy of the City Council taking any action whatsoever in relation to the national difficulties; and the resolutions were withdrawn without any vote being taken upon them.

The banks of Washington have in circulation, in all, an aggregate of but fifty thousand dollars.

The following is a copy of the "notice to quit" (whether bogus or genuine) which was served on a gentleman of this city. Recent developments—the ruthless murder of Cornelius Boyd—may determine the authenticity of it.

WASHINGTON, April 25, 1861. MR. G. W. LOCK—SIR: You are hereby notified to leave Washington City in twenty-four hours. By order of "COMMITTEE UNION."

THE FAUQUIER WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS.—The Fauquier White Sulphur Springs have been reopened for the season and already a number of visitors have arrived.—Among those who have already arrived are the following: Judge Campbell and family; Robert Ould, esq., and family; Captain Magruder and family; Judge Bruce and family. The Springs have been placed in excellent condition and will doubtless soon be crowded with visitors.

UNACCOUNTABLE AND DESPICABLE OUTRAGE.—On Sunday night last the family of Lieutenant B. W. Hunter who reside on the east side of the Washington Turnpike, were, as may well be imagined, very much alarmed by the rapid succession of two gun reports. Upon examination, it was discovered that the contents of both guns entered the building. No clue to the perpetrator of the diabolical outrage can, as yet be obtained.

FIRE.—Yesterday morning, about 10 o'clock, a small fire tenement on an alley running into Wilkes street, between Fairfax and Royal, and occupied by a colored man named Joseph Williams, accidentally caught on fire. The engines were soon on the ground and the building saved, but not until it had been considerably damaged, as was some of the furniture in the hurry of removal.

RETURNED.—Mr. E. R. Roxbury, son of Mr. Jacob Roxbury, of this city, who has been for some time in the West, has returned to this city to join the gallant sons of Virginia in defence of her homes and her firesides. He reports that the intelligence of the secession of Virginia was received in the Southwest with the most intense excitement.

GEN. HARNAY, who was arrested in Harper's Ferry and taken to Richmond and released by the Governor, arrived in this city yesterday afternoon via the Orange and Annapolis Railroad, and at once proceeded to Washington.

LATEST NEWS.

IMPORTANT FROM WASHINGTON.

GUARDS AT THE LONG BRIDGE.

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS.

Threatened Blockade of the Fishery of Alexandria. PRODUCT OF THE POTOMAC FISHERY TO BE SENT TO WASHINGTON.

ARRESTS OF UNOPPORTUNE CITIZENS. NO EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY FOR THE SOUTH ALLOWED.

MARTIAL LAW. NORTHERN TROOPS ARRIVING. GENERAL SCOTT. STEAMER BAL TIC.

ARREST FOR LOADING BOMBS WITH SAND AND SAW-DUST. TELEGRAPHIC COMMUNICATION.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—Guards of soldiers are at both ends of the Long Bridge. On the Virginia side, the gallant yeomanry of the Old Dominion, under the blue canopy of a Virginia sky, act as vigilant sentinels, while on the Northern extremity, the paid hirelings of the present Administration, lounge about the front of their comfortable barracks.

It is said, though the truth of the report is not vouched for, that on to-morrow the Heights at Arlington are to be taken possession of and fortified by the Federal troops; also, that the U. S. Government vessels, now in the river, will, as a means of retaliation for the non-permission of provision to enter Washington from Virginia, lie off the city of Alexandria, and compel all the boats that come from the fishing shores on the Potomac to proceed to that city with their loads of herring and shad.

Numerous arrests of peaceable and unoffending citizens were made to-day by the agents of the Lincoln administration, who are numberless. Citizens of the Southern States are cautioned by their friends against expressing their honest sentiments, lest they should be seized and imprisoned.

Though Martial law has not been proclaimed, it has been in full force some say, since Sunday at eleven o'clock. Whether this is correct or not, it is impossible to state, but certain it is that passengers go to and come from Alexandria with as little inconvenience, excepting the fare, as they ever did.

The remaining portion of the Rhode Island Regiment came in to-day. In their ranks were three women—two dressed as bloomers—the other one wearing a blanket. They all had their hair cut close to their scalps.

Gen. Scott evidently and unquestionably manifests the effects of old age. A gentleman who had an interview with him yesterday describes him as a decrepit old man, whose legs are swollen, and whose shoulders are affected by rheumatism.

The steamer Baltic steamed out this evening to the mouth of the Eastern Branch, where she was loaded from a lighter which came from the Arsenal. She then proceeded to the mouth of the Potomac.

Two of the men who were engaged in loading the bomb shells at the Navy Yard with sand and saw-dust have been captured and incarcerated.

Among those who have been compelled to fly the city is Daniel Radcliffe, esq., an eminent lawyer and distinguished citizen, formerly a resident of Alexandria.

Telegraphic communication with the North, will, it is said, soon be completed.

LATEST FROM TENNESSEE. GEN. YELLOU IN CHARGE OF THE DEFENCES.

BOAT FIRED INTO AND MAN KILLED. ARRIVAL OF ARMS FROM LOUISIANA FROM CAIRO.

ALBEMLE OF TENNESSEE CAPTURED AT CAIRO. BULLETIN OFFICE, APRIL 25, 5:30 P. M.

We regret to learn that the Steamer C. E. Hillman, with \$175,000 worth of arms, purchased in St. Louis, and destined for Nashville, was captured at Cairo.

The Commander of the military forces at Cairo having been made acquainted with the large amount of ammunition on board the Hillman, started the steamer "Swallow," a steamer which has been fitted up as a sort of man-of-war, and started up the river to meet the Hillman. About 4 o'clock this morning the "Swallow" met the Hillman, about eight miles above Cairo, and Captain Corbit of the Hillman being hailed from the "Swallow," and supposing that they merely wished to make some communication, permitted her to land alongside, when an officer, backed by soldiery, presented himself and demanded possession of the boat. Captain Corbit, was compelled to obey. He, however, refused to land at Cairo, but did at Byrd's Point, on the Missouri side, and the officer threatened to open the battery upon him, but he persisted in his refusal, saying that if he wished to destroy the boat they might do so, but he would never land at Cairo!—Afterwards, the soldiers had the Hillman towed over to the Cairo side of the river, and he was told he would wait till the arms and ammunition were taken out, he might have his boat. But he refused to take the boat unless they would let him have his contents. This was refused him, and he and all his crew left his boat, and took the first train for Nashville.

The Hillman's cargo consists of about 700 kegs powder, 350,000 blank cartridges, and 200 tons of lead, besides corn, oats and hay. There were 1,600 soldiers already at Cairo and that 800 more were expected on the next train, the soldiers at Cairo being mostly German and Irish, and perfectly raw in military matters.

GEN. YELLOU has taken charge of the defence of this portion of Tennessee. He will not leave this city till we are assured, that no longer need be apprehended. Every measure will be adopted at once which military skill can suggest and tireless energy accomplish to render a successful attack impossible.

The steamer Aleck Scott, with four of the largest size cannon and an immense amount of smaller arms, sent from the Governor of Louisiana, reached the city, this morning.—The 32 pounders have ere this been placed in position, and the other arms are already in charge of the Military.

One Thousand Volunteers En-route for Virginia. MONTGOMERY, Ala., April 28.—The Third Regiment of Alabama volunteers, Col. Jones M. Withers, commanding will leave to-night for Lynchburg, Va.

Ten full companies, consisting of one hundred men each, compose this regiment, all splendidly armed and equipped. A finer looking body of men never pulled trigger.

Col. Withers is a graduate of West Point, an accomplished gentleman as well as soldier, and is the present Mayor of Mobile.

Delegates to Southern Congress.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE GAZETTE.

RICHMOND, April 29.—The Convention to-day appointed as delegates to the Southern Congress at Montgomery, as Representatives of Virginia, the following gentlemen:—R. M. T. Hunter, Wm. C. Rives, William B. Preston, Judge Camden, and Judge Brokenshrough. No other news of importance.