

Telegraphic News.

THE WAR IN THE WEST.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—Dispatches have been received at General Halleck's headquarters, from Gen. Curtis, dated St. Louis, Mo., stating that the Federal forces have been successful in Northwestern Arkansas; a battle having taken place at Mongrove, Ark., which lasted an hour, resulting in the defeat of the Confederates, (whose forces were estimated at from four to seven thousand,) with the loss of all their artillery, and much camp equipage.

Gen. Curtis says that all the organized forces of the enemy in the West have been driven back to the Arkansas river, and that the army of the frontier has silently and successfully accomplished its mission.

MEETING OF GOVERNORS.

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—The Herald of this morning contains a special dispatch from Cincinnati, which says that the Governors of the loyal states will assemble next week at Washington to demand the removal of Generals McClellan and Buell, a more vigorous prosecution of the war, the enforcement of the Confiscation act, and the treatment of rebels as traitors.

Gov. Todd does not fully endorse the scheme. Gov. Morgan declines attending the meeting.

Wood for fuel is scarce and high still. Persons, in the neighborhood, who have wood for sale, would benefit themselves, and those in want, by sending it to market. We hope there will be no extortion upon the public necessities, in a matter of this kind, where the very poor suffer the most.

Cannon firing, in the distance, has been heard, occasionally, for the last two days.

Gold, in New York, yesterday, 131 and 132.

There have been very low tides in the Potomac, for the last few days.

Complaints were made to-day, of the "villainous compound of bad smells" in some quarters of the town.

Benjamin B. Brown, keeping a warehouse in Frederick, Md., for storing goods and in the employ of the U. S. Government, has just been arrested by C. B. Perkins, Government detective. He is charged with giving information to the Confederates while in possession of Frederick and also openly aiding them in taking away large quantities of Government goods from his own store and the express office of Messrs. Brumer & Markee.—He has been taken to Washington.

Gen. Fremont, in his recent speech, at St. Louis, Mo., says, that "he had been oppressed by injustice, under the attempts of subordinate to attain power;" complains of the Secretary of War; and estimates that he was supererogated for "striking the enemy a vital blow"—referring, we suppose, to the slavery matter.

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Will the authorities inform us whether the superintendent of the Fire Department has resigned or not—or whether there is a superintendent at all. The condition of the apparatus of the different companies does not look as if there was one.

FIREMEN.

SERIOUS DISTURBANCE—ONE SOLDIER KILLED AND TWO WOUNDED.—Last Night, about eight and a half o'clock, a party of soldiers, belonging to the 4th regiment, 2d Excelsior Brigade, called at the last house in Hunting Creek lane, occupied by some negroes, and called for supper, during the preparation of which one of the soldiers manifested some impatience, and finally seizing a basket, struck one of the negroes on the cheek, inflicting a severe wound. A general onslaught was then made by the soldiers on the inmates of the house and upon those attracted to the spot by the noise. A guard was soon obtained, who arrested the soldiers, but the arrested parties, being in the majority, commenced an assault on the guard, wrenching a gun from one of them, and stabbing him under the ear with the bayonet. Pistols were next drawn upon the guard, and some shots fired, when the guards discharged their muskets on the soldiers, two shots taking effect, one proving fatal almost instantly, the other making so serious a wound that recovery is considered doubtful. The guard then took the soldiers to the guard house, where they were confined. An investigation was held this morning, when the arrested parties were remanded to their regiment for trial.

THROWN FROM A HORSE.—William Nichols, a colored boy, while riding a horse up King street this morning, was thrown, at the corner of Pitt street, and severely hurt. The horse slipped in passing the flagging.

Information was received by the last steamer from England that Lord Lyons, who was to have started from Liverpool on the 11th instant, en route for Washington, has been ordered by his government to remain two weeks longer. He will sail for America by the steamer Scotia, which leaves Liverpool the 25th instant. This detention, it is said, is to allow time to Ministers to prepare despatches for the U. S. Government, which have been determined on by the last events which have occurred in this country.

Vandalism, belonging to the estate of the late Thomas Fairfax, in the neighborhood of this place, has been unroofed and otherwise injured.

Gen. Buell is very severely criticized in many of the Northern papers, and his removal from his command in the West much approved of. His failure to capture Bragg's army, is regarded as a proof of total incompetency.

Both sides are making desperate efforts to carry the State of New York in the election now close at hand, and the newspapers are stirred to a degree seldom witnessed in a struggle of this kind.

Some soldiers were playing with a percussion shell, near Newport, Ky., a few days ago, when one of them let it fall on a stone. It exploded and killed one man, and desperately wounded six other persons.

The return from Iowa show that the Union Republican State ticket has been elected by eight or ten thousand majority, and all the Republican candidates for Congress elected.

The number of prisoners now in the Old Capitol Prison is about three hundred. The number varies from day to day; arrests and releases are so frequent.

The special correspondent, at Harper's Ferry, of the New York Times, insists that the late movement upon Charlestown was the preliminary of a general advance of the army of the Potomac, notwithstanding the assertions that it was simply intended as a reconnoissance in force. In proof of this he cites the fact that the baggage and commissary trains accompanied the troops. The retrograde movement was determined upon through fear of a counter-movement on the part of the Confederates, which they might have executed before a sufficient body of Federal troops could have been moved across the river to render the advance secure.

The N. Y. World is of opinion that the exclusion of gold from the Stock Board will make the premium higher, and says there is no hope for the salvation of finances but a radical change.

The war is developing a vast business in the Pension Office, and pension and bounty agents all over the country have their hands full of new applications.

Apples are so plenty in Western New York that they can be bought for fifty cents a barrel! Potatoes show no symptoms of disease, and the best ones are sold for a dollar a barrel including package.

The visit of Admiral Wilkes' Squadron to the West Indies excites British ire. Canadian papers inform us that he insulted the people of Bermuda by entering the port of St. George's for coal. The Gov. at once hastened to present Admiral Wilkes with a copy of the Queen's proclamation relative to the twenty-four hours' limit, but on representing that his ship needed some repairs, Admiral Wilkes, with difficulty, obtained leave to stay from Monday, Oct. 6, until Thursday. Then he was induced to leave by a threat of the Governor, that if he did not leave he would be compelled to do so. The coming of Admiral Wilkes to Bermuda is declared to be a gross insult to England.

The steamer Ariel, with \$750,000 in treasure from California, arrived at N. York yesterday. A battle had taken place near Grenada, Central America, in which the Conservatives had been defeated by Mosquera with great loss. Several British vessels of war had gone to Callao in consequence of the imprisonment of several Englishmen by the Peruvian authorities.

The army correspondent of the New York Tribune writing on the 21st says:—"Gen. Lee has moved 10,000 or 12,000 men along the line of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad from Martinsburg to Hancock, and set them vigorously at work pulling up the track, burning the ties and bending the rails, and destroying every bridge whether large or insignificant. A line of smoke can now be seen along the road as far as the best telescope in both directions will permit you to look. Last night the Reamer House and all the railroad machine shops at Martinsburg were burned."

By an order just issued, Gen. Buell has been relieved from the command of the Federal army in Kentucky, and Gen. Rosecrans ordered to that position in his stead.

In the city of Pittsburg a number of workmen in the city are on a strike.

CLERK'S OFFICE, Alexandria County Court.
NOTICE.—All persons having claims against this county, are requested to file them, duly authenticated, in this office, before the 3d day of November next, that they may be listed for the county levy.
By order of the Court—test: J. TACEY, Clerk.
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