

CITY ITEMS.

Baptist Union Association. The next annual meeting of the Maryland Baptist Union Association will be held in the High-st. Baptist Church, on Wednesday, November 13th, at 11 A. M.

Death of Mr. Thomas Hildy. This aged citizen who is well known as having been the founder of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in the United States, and one of its most earnest and valued friends, died this morning at the residence of his nephew, Mr. Augustus Wiley, at the advanced age of seventy-eight years.

A Soldier Meritoriously Assailed. At an early hour of Friday morning, Edward Heffner, Superintendent of Government Cemetery, was attracted by the appearance of the body of a soldier lying on the sidewalk near the Falls, in an insensible condition, who was found to have been beaten with clubs, and was in four different places.

Arrival of the Prize Schooner Beverly. The schooner Beverly, of Halifax, Nova Scotia, which was captured a short time since by the United States bark Genesee, off the Frying Pan Shoals, near the coast of South Carolina, while attempting to run the blockade, arrived in port yesterday in charge of a prize crew.

Found Dead in Bed. Mr. Bernard Bush, an old and respectable citizen, residing at San Domingo, on the Blair road, near the Baltimore Cemetery, was found dead in bed on Thursday morning. Deceased retired the previous evening in apparent good health. A verdict was rendered of death from natural causes.

Another Arrest. On Thursday Mr. John F. Foster, a well-known gentleman of this city, was arrested in Frederick city, on the charge of attempting to get into the Southern Confederacy. This is the third time Mr. Foster has been arrested, and on another occasion he was arrested for being successful in sustaining the charges.

Amusements. Holiday Street Theatre. Farwell Benefit of Mr. Brewster. This popular tragedian will take his benefit to-night, on which occasion he will appear in the two most successful dramas of the season, and which has attracted a crowded and fashionable audience.

THE UNDERSTATED has a desirable assortment of FINE CLOTHING, HATS, SHOES, GLOVES, &c., &c. Also, a large stock of FINE CLOTHING, HATS, SHOES, GLOVES, &c., &c. JOHN FAIR & CO., 109 BALTIMORE STREET.

COMMERCIAL RECORD.

SALES AT THE BALTIMORE STOCK BOARD. SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1861. \$1000 Baltimore and Ohio Railroad bonds, 75, 71 1/2

PORT OF BALTIMORE, October 19, 1861. ARRIVED TODAY. Steamer J. E. Thomas, from New York, to Baltimore.

MARRIED. On the 18th instant, by Rev. Father Foley, M. H. HENDERSON, of Kent county, to MRS. MARY A. WYLER, of this city.

DIED. On the 18th instant, Miss MARIAN E. MOORE, in the 16th year of her age.

LA HABANA. N. E. Corner Charles and Baltimore Streets. CHOICE IMPORTED HAVANA CIGARS.

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CHARLES L. SPIES' DANCING ACADEMIES are now open. AT CENTRAL HALL, ON WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY AFTERNOONS.

ATTORNEY AT LAW. No. 67 PATRIOT STREET.

NOTICE - CHANGE OF DAYS TO THE PATENT OFFICE. On and after Saturday, September 29th, 1861, the steamer GEORGE WEEMS will leave Baltimore every SATURDAY MORNING.

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MARYLAND INSTITUTE. EXHIBITION. THE ANNUAL FAIR OF THE MARYLAND INSTITUTE is now open, and will be continued until the 4th of November next.

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LATEST NEWS BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

THE VERY LATEST. FROM THE SOUTH!

THE DEFEAT OF THE FEDERAL FLEET AT THE MOUTH OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER!

THE VINCENNES AND NOT THE PREBLE SUNK! TAKING OF A PRIZE.

Latest from Fort Pickens.

FULL DETAILS OF THE BATTLE ON SANTA ROSA ISLAND

A friend has kindly furnished us today with a copy of the Richmond Express of Tuesday last, the 15th instant, from which we obtain full confirmation of the defeat of the Federal fleet at the mouth of the Mississippi. The details, though meagre, are sufficient to assure us of the accuracy of the previous reports.

New Orleans, October 14.—The expedition under Commander Hollins consisted of the Manassas, the iron clad ram, the cutter Ram, the 61-pounder Dahlgren gun—the steamer Calhoun (the flag ship) with one 24-pounder and two 18-pounder Dahlgren guns—the steamer Ivy with an eight inch 22-pounder, rifled—the steamer Jackson with two eight inch Columbiads—the steamer Melroe, with a 61-pounder mounted on a pivot, a 4 inch Columbiad, and a 24-pounder, rifled—the steamer Tuscarora, with one eight inch Columbiad, and a 32-pounder, rifled, and the cutter Pickens, with an eight inch Columbiad and four 24-pounder Carronades.

The blockaders had the Richmond, Vincennes, Preble, Water Witch, and the schooner Joseph H. Toome—in all 53 guns.

On Friday night our fleet started from Fort Jackson, on the Manassas leading the way. The night was intensely dark and the Manassas ran into a reef, striking her near the bow, and cutting into her upwards of twenty feet.

When the morning came our fleet commenced to pursue the retreating enemy, and a heavy cannonading began, which lasted till 8 o'clock. Several shots struck the Richmond. The shot from the Yankees were badly aimed, as they did not touch one of our vessels.

The vessel sunk was not the Preble, but the Vincennes. The remains of our expedition arrived on Saturday night.

From Pensacola. The Pensacola Observer was received on the 14th instant, at Augusta, Georgia. A despatch says: The Observer contains the correspondence between Gen. Brown in command at Fort Pickens, and Gen. Bragg, commander of the Confederate forces at Pensacola, relative to the hospital at the Navy Yard.

Gen. Bragg replies that the building now used as a hospital has already been used as such, and he intends to continue to use it for that purpose. He will respect Col. Brown's hospital, even though the Federal guns are directed to the destruction of the Confederate hospital.

The Battle of Santa Rosa Island. The Pensacola correspondent of the Augusta (Ga.) Constitutionnel furnishes the following hurried detail of the brilliant Confederate success at Santa Rosa Island:

At length, we have had an opportunity of being relieved from our state of "masterly inactivity," and of measuring arms with the enemy near this place.

During last night, an expedition composed of detachments of several Confederate regiments, set out for Santa Rosa Island, for the purpose of breaking up the encampment of the notorious Billy Wilson's Zouaves, who had taken a camp, and informed us that our regiment (the 5th Georgia) had captured twenty-odd men from the Clinch Rifles, and nineteen from the Jackson Volunteers.

Early in the evening, Col. Jackson visited our camp, and inquired to shoulder arms—two shoulder. The Captains then requested to pick out the men who were to be taken to the Clinch Rifles, and the rest to be sent to the Jackson Volunteers.

Col. Jackson accompanied the expedition, and the entire force, which consisted of about two hundred men, was under command of Gen. Anderson.

About 2 o'clock this morning we landed on the island, and marched about five miles through the enemy's lines and into his camp, which we completely destroyed, burning up his tents, &c., and killing his sentinels as we proceeded.

The Zouaves were taken almost completely by surprise, but as soon as they recovered they fought desperately, at times, however, they acted rather cowardly, but upon the whole, gave us some pretty warm work.

Our men acted with great coolness and bravery, and having accomplished the object of our mission, we returned to the main land. As we did so, we found that the balance of the regiment was advancing to reinforce us, but finding us coming back, they also returned to the camp.

Our loss has been very severe. Among the killed are Lieut. L. A. Neims, of the McBuffie Rifles, of Warrenton, and Aid to Col. Jackson, Joseph H. Adams and Fred. Cooke, of the Clinch Rifles; and J. Stanton, of the Irish Volunteers.

Among the wounded are the following:—N. Rice, of the Clinch Rifles, shot in the arm; Wm. H. Smith, of the same company, shot in the shoulder; J. H. Harris, of the same company, shot on the right arm.

I will send you the casualties in the Irish Volunteers as soon as I can obtain them. They have one killed and two wounded. The Clinch Rifles, Irish Volunteers and McBuffie Rifles, faced the front all the time.

James Gorman, of the Volunteers, captured one prisoner, J. S. Harris, of the Clinch Rifles, is set down for two of Abe's dead men, and several others were killed and wounded on our side, but I do not know the exact number. We also took some 30 or 40 prisoners.

One of our men got \$340 in cash; Wm. E. McToy took a gun from one of the enemy; another took the Zouave Major's hat; others took coats, hats, caps, swords, a fine pair of navy pistols; one of our mess captured a fine German silver horn.

Ben Holt—son of Judge Holt—is missing; we think he has been taken prisoner.

The whole regiment was anxious to participate, and were about crossing over to the island this morning, when they met the expedition returning, and all came back to camp.

We set out, and before daylight were landed on Santa Rosa Island, among Billy Wilson's Zouaves, away below, and marched five miles, fighting several battles before we got to the island.

I never did see as calm a set of men in my life as last night. We killed the Federal sentinels all the way up, and took the enemy by surprise. I was by Gen. Anderson's side, and fired, by his orders, more than a dozen times—among them the colonel's assistant; we also burnt up 200 barrels of flour, several cases of hay, and many other articles.

I killed two of Abe's men, and took two prisoners, while burning the camp. Jim Gorman, of the Irish Volunteers, took one. Barney Hancy is a bruiser, and Lieut. Joseph Cummings is as good a man as you'll want to find. Gen. Anderson goes in for destroying rather than killing. By mistake we had some of our men killed by their own fire.

We laid down to fire, and many times the sand flew in our faces by the balls striking the ground. I claim the honor of killing the man who killed Nelms. Two of us fired at the same time, but I am satisfied that my shot took effect.

Under its local head, the Enquirer contains the following items: The Genesee. Quite a number of these useful and ornamental articles of national value and interest were yesterday being conveyed from the Richmond to the city by a point in the upper section of the city. Some persons pretend to believe that these frequent movements of artillery are intended to affect ultimately, the peace of mind of the Yankees, but they are, of course, prejudicial in their opinions.

Arrival of Yankee Zouaves.—Twelve Yankee prisoners, members of the 11th New York (Zouave) regiment, were yesterday brought to this city by the York River Railroad, from the Peninsula. They were captured on Saturday last, while on a foraging expedition. The prisoners, who are said to belong to Ellsworth's Zouaves, are, perhaps, the most villainous and rascally looking soldiers ever offered as food for gunpowder. They were properly secured.

Pensacola.—Judge Connor, late of Kentucky, Democratic candidate for Governor of that State, has been arrested at the Spotswood Hotel. The venerable Judge is lineally related to the eminent statesman of that name.

Underground Railroad.—We have been requested to state that the original underground railroad to Maryland has resumed its trips, with every prospect of uninterrupted success. It will run tri-weekly.

Condition of General Wise.—General Wise, we regret to say, is considered to be growing worse. His condition is now regarded as critical indeed.

The Enquirer says:—Calvin Huson, Esq., one of the civilians captured at the battle of Manassas, died yesterday morning of Typhoid fever, at the residence of one of our citizens, to which he was carried several days ago, with the consent of General Winder. Mr. Huson had been ill since early in September, and received every necessary attention, not only from the prison authorities, but from Mr. Ely, also a prisoner, whose competitor he was as a Democratic candidate for the U. S. Congress from the Rochester District.

Mr. Huson was formerly prosecuting attorney for Rochester, and married a niece of William H. Seward. His remains will be interred at Hollywood Cemetery this afternoon.

Federal Attack on the Eastern Shore. We learn that an unsuccessful attempt was made last Friday week by a party of Federals to land a force at Chingoteague, on the Eastern Shore, for the purpose of destroying a vessel on stocks that was nearly completed. They came up in the steamboat, and a portion of them effected a landing, but they found to their cost that a force had gathered there to give them a welcome.

Capt. Fletcher, a militia officer in that vicinity, had gathered some of his boys, with their duck guns and fowling-pieces, and with these means they attacked the Federals, who sought shelter in the ship-yard behind the frame of the vessel. But notwithstanding this, they were so roughly handled by the Eastern Shoremen, that 15 of them came in for their allotment of land in Virginia, besides a considerable number carried off from the scene of action wounded. One of our men slightly wounded. They were finally driven off, and effected their escape to the steamer amidst a shower of balls from Capt. Fletcher's men, who then determined to burn the vessel themselves, and did so accordingly.

Denial of the sailing of the Nashville. The Enquirer has the following important paragraph: Some of our Southern Exchanges announce the sailing from Charleston—and consequently the breaking of the blockade—of the Confederate States steamship Nashville for Europe, having on board Messrs. Mason and Slidell, our Ministers to England and France. We have the very best authority for saying that the Nashville is still in Charleston Harbor, and our Ministers did not sail in that vessel.

FROM WASHINGTON. Washington, Oct. 19.—Three tug-boats, the Fusesy, Robert Leslie and another, name not given, went down the river last night to give assistance to any vessels coming up, but in consequence of the bright moonlight and afterwards of the thick fog, they were ordered not to attempt to pass the batteries.

It is thought that no vessels passed the Confederate batteries up or down last night. Firing was heard from the batteries about midnight, but the cause is unknown. There are indications that the Confederates are erecting prominent batteries at Cockpit Point and on the Eastern Point. Considerable bodies of Confederates were seen hard at work at these points yesterday.

Twenty-six vessels are known to have run the batteries night before last. It is believed that vessels drawing not more than eight feet of water can hug the Maryland shore sufficiently to escape harm from the Confederate batteries.

The only steamers now at the Navy Yard are the Hays, Hartzell, Annapolis and Courier de Lion. It is announced that the steamer Nashville has returned, taking the telegraph cable as far as Annapolis Creek.

Parties were also sent to Avotank and Pohick, and on a road leading up the Avotank creek. This latter party met the Confederate pickets, who immediately fell back and gave the alarm.

The long roll was immediately beaten at their camps across the creek. From information received there are no Confederates between the telegraph and the river this side of Occoquan, and but few at the latter place.

Washington, October 19.—The only advices received at headquarters from the upper Potomac is a very brief despatch sent by the operator at Sandy Hook last night, saying the Confederates were about burning Bolivar, in the rear of Harper's Ferry.

FROM MISSOURI. Rolla, Oct. 18.—Gen. Price has made a stand at Carthage, and Gen. Johnson has been placed in command of all the Confederate troops in Missouri.

A letter is published in the Fort Scott Times from John Ross, the Indian Chief, giving his address to the Confederate cause. It states that a mounted regiment of Indians would be immediately placed under command of Col. John Drew.

General Fremont and his Economy. St. Louis, Oct. 18.—The order of the Secretary of War to stop work on the fortifications has caused general reaction here. The Confederates think now is their time to act, and are more energetic than ever. The communication between them within and without the city is doubtless.

When Gen. Fremont arrived here, there were 7000 men, which had been 4 weeks under way. He found that they could not be completed in time to be effective, and started 6 more. The ones he ordered are now completed.

Col. Black was released two weeks ago upon Gen. Scott's order, and has not since been arrested. He is here in St. Louis.

From the North. Our Northern Exchanges to day are barren of news of interest. We find the following explanation of Seward's circular in the correspondence of the Philadelphia Ledger:

Parties in a position to be well informed of what is going on at the Mexican capital, are confident that as soon as the Expedition arrives, Juarez will at once declare against Spain, and that will bring to her aid England and France.

This will so complicate matters, that it will be impossible for the United States to keep out of the strife, and, hence, Mr. Seward believes that gives an advance note of alarm.

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