

FIERCE FIGHTING

Continued Between the Indians and Regulars Under General Bacon.

SEVERAL BATTLES YESTERDAY.

Situation of the Troops Becoming Desperate—Reinforcements Hurrying to Their Support—Indians from Other Reservations Hastening to Join the Hostiles—Meagre Reports from the Scene of Action—Our Dead and Wounded—Still Fiercer Fighting Expected—Heroic Conduct of Our Officers.

Washington, October 6.—Commissioner of Indian Affairs Jones today received the following dispatch from Indian Agent J. H. Sutherland, dated at Walker, Minn., last night:

The trouble at Leech Lake originated in consequence of an arrest made by a deputy United States marshal of an Indian on a warrant. The Indians overpowered the marshal and rescued the prisoner. Troops were sent here to assist the marshal in arresting the rescuers. I have been here a week doing my best to get the Indians to give themselves up and save trouble, but they would not. Today the troops and Indians had several battles. The United States marshal has asked for more troops.

Up to the close of office hours the interior department had received no advice of a positive and reliable character since this fact caused much misapprehension. General Bacon's reports were received but the only one at all definite was one which reached Secretary Bliss at 2:30 p. m. It was very brief and said Major Wilkinson and five other soldiers and one Indian policeman had been killed, and eight privates and one Indian had been wounded. It came from Inspector Tinker and promised particulars later. The inspector had been slightly wounded. In his dispatch he stated that the two hundred troops in the camp were not enough. The war department has ordered additional troops to start immediately.

Major M. C. Wilkinson and Mr. Sheehan who are among the killed were well known in Washington. Major Wilkinson was a volunteer in the civil war and served throughout that conflict and received in his close commission in the regular army. He had participated in several Indian campaigns since the civil war.

Mr. J. Sheehan was captain in the Fifth Minnesota during the civil war and participated in the Sioux Indian massacre in which he was killed. He was in command of Fort Snelling on the frontier. There with a total force of about 12 men he withstood for two days the attack and slaying of over 1,000 Indians, finally repulsing them.

Minnesota, Minn., October 6.—A special to the Journal from Walker, Minn., says:

Major Wilkinson, six privates and one Indian policeman were killed. Stephen is slightly wounded. Thirty Indians are dead. The Journal dispatch has just returned from the scene of fighting all the morning. The Journal boat brought out H. S. Talman, deputy marshal, and showed that he is not badly wounded. He is shot in the abdomen. While the boat was transferring wounded men they were fired on from the brush. This was the signal for an immediate reopening of hostilities. The troops who are opposing the Indians and in a severe and as fierce a fight in progress as that of yesterday. Heavily wounded men were being carried to the boat. The firing became so hot we were compelled to weigh anchor and steam out into the lake. The Indians appear to be in force. Bacon's command is too small to take the aggressive. The detachment is entrenched in a good position and can hold out so long as ammunition lasts. The steamer Chief was sunk by our boat about eight miles out and has arrived before this. She carries a mass of armed men. Major Wilkinson was shot and killed while walking up and down administering the men. A better officer ever lived. The men in his command are crazed with rage. When reinforcements arrive they will wreak vengeance on the Indians in their own way. The fight is not half over yet, the biggest battle remains to be fought.

St. Paul, Minn., October 6.—A Walker, Minn., special to the Dispatch says:

A boat from the scene of action has just arrived. It brings the following news: Major Wilkinson, one sergeant and three privates were killed and eight wounded. Major Wilkinson, chief of Indian police, was killed. It was impossible to bring the wounded to town, for the Indians kept up a continuous fire. Additional troops will arrive here at 2 o'clock p. m. when they will be engaged in a regular battle. Not more than four Indians have been killed and only two wounded. Captain Sheehan, head

A NEW CHAPTER IN WAR HISTORY

Compiled from Federal War Records.

RALEIGH'S NEW CHURCH

The Church of the Good Shepherd to be Built at Once—Paying the Bills for the Volunteer Troops—A Decision in Favor of the Express Company as to Requiring Payment of Charges—Members of First Regiment Secure Discharges.

Raleigh, N. C., October 6.

Two ex-confederate soldiers today began the work of compiling from the records of the Civil War which the government is publishing the history of the North Carolina troops in that great struggle. The volume will be sold for the benefit of the soldiers' home here.

Orders are given for work to begin at once on the new church of the Good Shepherd in this city. Granite from Salisbury will be the material used in its construction. The interior will be of yellow brick, with pillars of white marble. The church will be in the form of a cross. Its corner stone was brought from Jerusalem last year by Rev. I. McK. Pittinger, the rector. The cost of the building will be \$25,000. The delivery of material has begun.

It is asserted by persons connected with republican state headquarters that forty-five printers are now at work on the new paper. The republicans are declaring that Senator Butler has set his heart upon the election of Judge Adams as congressman in the Fifth district, and that he is bringing great pressure to bear for him, in return for the republican endorsement of John E. Fowler in the Third district.

The state did not pay any bills incurred by the volunteers but simply "fathered" such bills and sent them to the war department. The latter returned them and required the state to pay them and then send the vouchers to Washington. This is being done and the government is paying the claims. The latter do not include those incurred under orders from Lieutenant Marshall, acting quartermaster and commissary, while he was on duty in Cuba.

The number of students at the Agricultural college here is now 210, which is a record. Raleigh has representatives in the forces on duty in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, and soldiers from here landed at Honolulu and the Ladrone Islands.

It is now the opinion that the democrats in this, the Fourth, district will soon hold a convention here and nominate a candidate for congress. Cotton is opening up rapidly that the pickers cannot keep up with it. Not long ago the Southern Express Company required Kerners, Forsyth county, to make prepayment of freight charges. The firm made a case before the railway commission, claiming that the express company had no right to require such prepayment and its demurrer set forth that it has the right to require prepayment if it chooses. The decision was left to Chairman Caldwell, of the commission, and today he filed his decision, which sustains the demurrer, and says the company has the right to say whether the sender or the receiver shall pay the charges.

GENERAL LEE ON THE WAR.

He Gives His Views to the Commission.

FOR HAVANA OR MADRID

Lee Says His Corps is Ready to Go to Either Place—Promised the Command of the Troops to be Sent to Havana—His Opinion as to the Charges of Incompetence and Neglect of Army Officers and Sergeants—General Boynton's Praise of Southern Soldiers.

Washington, October 6.—The war investigating commission held two sessions today. The first session was devoted to the report of General Lee, which had been given yesterday and General H. H. H. Lee was heard in the afternoon.

General Lee dwelt upon the causes of the failure at Camp Thomas, charging the lack of sufficient care on the part of the regimental and brigade commanders in covering the retreat. He also stated that there was no foundation for the reasonable complaint in regard to the retreat. He also stated that there was no intentional neglect in the retreat.

General Lee testified before the war commission. He says his Corps is ready on moment's notice to go to Cuba or Madrid. He had been from the South There would not have been half the outcry of complaint.

General Lee says the President has promised that he shall be sent to Havana. The Episcopal General Council rejects several proposed amendments to the church constitution. The Corbett-McCoy Fight is Declared Off.

Our Government Does not Consider the Situation in China as Serious as Represented. It is Reliably Stated that the Emperor of China is not Dead. The Yellow Fever Situation at Oxford, Miss., is Critical. Chinese Officials Object to Increasing the Legation Guards by European Members at Peking.

Commodore Philip non Commands the North Atlantic Squadron. The Seventh Corps is Ordered to Savannah, to Embark for Cuba. Desperate Fighting with Indians Continues in Minnesota. The number of students at the Agricultural college here is now 210, which is a record. Raleigh has representatives in the forces on duty in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, and soldiers from here landed at Honolulu and the Ladrone Islands.

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DUFFY AND THOMPSON

Have a Joint Debate at Warsaw--The Doctor Completely Waxed Out.

(Special to The Messenger.)

Warsaw, N. C., October 6.—Rodolph Duffy, democratic nominee for solicitor of Onslow, met Dr. Cy Thompson here today in joint debate, and completely demolished him. As usual the doctor made his opponent speak first and Mr. Duffy had only thirty minutes remainder in which to ventilate his inconsistencies. But in this short time he so completely knocked to pieces the unblushing falsehoods of the doctor, and so held up to view his past inconsistent political life that one felt a kind of pity for him. Duffy and Thompson are both from Onslow and Duffy knows Thompson's unenviable career as few others do. There were about 200 present, 50 negroes; 50 populists, mostly leaders gathered from the furthest parts of this and Sampson counties, and 100 democrats. There was a notable lack of enthusiasm from the populists, but the negroes marched lustily. The democrats made the walking with applause as Duffy picked Thompson unmercifully to pieces. Thompson was so badly hacked that he could only find mangled words enough to fill twenty minutes of a 30-minute rejoinder.

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Yellow Fever Spreading in Mississippi

Jackson, Miss., October 6.—Jackson's fever report grows. For today it is seven new cases, six white and one colored and one death. Letta Harrison, Two of these cases are in the Baptist orphanage, an institution located about two miles northwest of town, in which there are a large number of small children. The patients are Miss Callie and Ida Flowers, the matron and assistant. In other cases are located in various portions of south and west Jackson. The Howard association met today, appointed an executive committee and perfected arrangements for active work among the sick and destitute. Hermannville, a small town on the Little A. branch of the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley railroad about fifty miles from Jackson, reports today three colored. Taylor's branch has four new cases. No report from Oxford. Water Valley has no new cases, only one case and two critical. H. Edwards, one new case and one death. A case of smallpox is reported at Louisiana, Miss. Dr. Southard, of the Louisiana state board, reports a case of yellow fever at Bowie, La. Forche Parish and Alexandria.

Spanish Troops Delayed by Storm

Havana, October 6.—Delayed by storm. The American military commission will enter the Spanish military commission at lunch next Sunday at the Trocha Hotel, Vedado.

Adjutant General's Report

St. Paul, October 6.—Adjutant General's report to the United States marshal at Walker, Minn., is that the Indians are still in the vicinity of General Bacon on the main land, southwest corner of Leech Lake and saying they are ready to give up. He has best position. Not moving. Major Wilkinson, five soldiers and one Indian policeman killed awaiting reinforcements.

Press Dispatches and Private Letters

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