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Battle of Buena Vista—Gen. Taylor's Official Despatch.

The Washington *Union* of the 19th inst. is almost completely filled by two elaborate despatches—one from old Rough and Ready, giving a detailed account of the battle of Buena Vista—and the other from Col. Paul, narrating the several conflicts with the enemy, which preceded the complete subjugation of New Mexico.

At considerable inconvenience, and to the exclusion of much other matter, we publish to-day Gen. Taylor's admirable letter. It is crowded with interesting and stirring details, and is characterized by the simplicity, clearness and vigor of style, and absence of egotism, that mark all the effusions of its distinguished author. It will be perused by the whole country with the deepest interest:

Gen. Taylor's detailed report of the Battle of Buena Vista.

Head-Quarters, Army of Occupation,
Agua Nueva, March 6, 1847.

Sir.—I have the honor to submit a detailed report of the operations of the forces under my command which resulted in the engagement of Buena Vista, the repulse of the Mexican army and the re-occupation of this position.

The information which reached me of the advance and concentration of a heavy Mexican force in my front, had assumed such a probable form, as to induce a special examination to be made beyond the reach of our pickets to ascertain its correctness. A small party of Texan spies, under Major McCulloch, despatched to the Hacienda of Encarnacion, 30 miles from this, on the route to San Louis Potosi, had reported a cavalry force of unknown strength at that place.—On the 20th of February a strong reconnoissance under Lieut Col. May was despatched to the Hacienda of Hedionda, while Major McCulloch made another examination of Encarnacion. The results of these expeditions left no doubt that the enemy was in force near at Encarnacion under the orders of General Santa Anna, and that he meditated a forward movement for the attack upon our position.

As the Camp of Agua Nueva could be turned on either flank, and as the enemy's force was greatly superior to our own, particularly in the arm of Cavalry, I determined, after much consideration, to take up a position about, eleven miles in rear, and there await the attack. The army broke up its camp and marched at noon on the 21st, encamping at the new position a little in front of the Hacienda of Buena Vista. With a small force I proceeded to Saltillo to make some previous arrangements for the defence of the town, leaving Brig. Gen. Wool in the immediate command of the troops.

Before those arrangements were completed in the morning of the 22d, I was advised that the enemy was in sight, advancing. Upon reaching the ground it was found that his cavalry advance was in our front, having marched from Encarnacion. We have since learned, at 11 o'clock on the day previous, and driving in a mounted force left at Agua Nueva to cover the removal of public stores. Our troops were in motion enjoying a rest of remarkable strength. The road at this point becomes a narrow defile—the valley on its right being rendered quite impracticable for artillery by a system of deep and impassable gullies, while on the left a succession of ranged ridges and precipitous ravines extends far back towards the mountain which bounds the valley. The features of the ground were such as scarcely to permit to the artillery and cavalry of the enemy, while the infantry could not derive all the advantage of its numerical superiority. In this position we prepared to receive him. Capt. Washington's battery (8in artillery) was posted to command the road, while the 1st and 2d Illinois regiments under Colonels Hardin and Bissell, each eight companies, to the latter of which was attached Capt. Conner's company of Texas volunteers, and the 2d Kentucky under Col. McKee, occupied the crests of the ridges on the left and in rear. The Arkansas and Kentucky regiments of cavalry, commanded by Cs. Yell and B. Marshall, occupied the extreme left near the base of the mountain, while the Indiana brigade, under Brigadier General Lane, consisted of the 2d and 3d regiments under Cols Bowles and Lane, the Mississippi regiment under Col. Davis, the squadrons of the 1st and 2d dragoons under Capt. Steen and Lieut. Cooper, May, and the light batteries of Capts. Sherman and Bragg, 3d artillery, were held in reserve. At 11 o'clock I received from Gen. Santa Anna a summons to surrender at discretion, which, with a copy of my reply, I have the honor herewith to transmit ed. The enemy still forbore his attack, evidently waiting for the arrival of his main column which could be distinctly seen by our look-outs as they approached the field. A demonstration made on his left caused the 2d Kentucky regiment and a section of artillery to our right, in which position they bivouacked for the night. In the mean time the Mexican light troops had engaged ours on the extreme left, who opposed the parts of the Kentucky and Arkansas Cavalry dismounted, and a rifle battalion from the Indiana brigade under Major Gorman, the whole commanded by Col. Marshall, and kept up a sharp fire, extending the mountain side, and apparently endeavoring to gain our flank. Three pieces of Capt Washington's battery had been detached to the left and were supported by the 2d Indiana regiment. An active shell was thrown by the enemy into this part of our line, but with little effect. The skirmishing of the light troops was kept up with telling fire on our part until dark, when I became convinced that no serious attack would be made before morning, and returned with the Mississippi regiment and squadron of dragoons to Saltillo. The troops bivouacked without fires and lay upon their arms. A body of cavalry, some 1,500 strong, had been visible all day in rear of the town, having entered the valley through a narrow pass east of the city. This cavalry, commanded by Gen Minon, had evidently been thrown in our rear to break up and harass our retreat, and perhaps make some attempt against the town if practicable. The city was occupied by four companies of Illinois volunteers under Major Warren of the 1st regiment. A field-work which commanded most of the approaches, was garrisoned by Capt Webster's company, 1st artillery, and armed with two 24-pound howitzers whose the train and headquarter camp was guarded by two companies Mississippi riflemen under Capt Bowmar. Capt Sevier, with a field-piece commanded by Capt Snyder, 3d artillery. Having made these dispositions for the protection of the city, I proceeded on the morning of the 23d to Buena Vista, pushing forward all the other available troops. The action had commenced before my arrival on the field.

During the evening and night of the 22d the enemy had thrown a body of light troops on the mountain side with the purpose of outflanking our left, and it was here that the action of the 23d commenced at an early hour. Our infantry under Colonel Marshall, who had been reinforced by three companies under Major Trail, 2d Illinois volunteers, maintained their ground bravely against a greatly superior force, holding the mountain under cover, and using their weapons with deadly effect. About 8 o'clock a strong demonstration was made against the centre of our position, a heavy column moving along the road. This force was soon dispersed by a few rapid and well-directed shots from Captain Washington's battery. In the meantime the enemy was concentrating a large force of infantry and cavalry under cover of the ravine on the left, with the obvious intention of forcing our left, which was posted on an extensive plateau. The 2nd Indiana and 2d Illinois regiments formed this part of our line, the former covering three pieces of light artillery, under the orders of Captain O'Brien—Brigadier General Lane being in the immediate command. In order to bring his men within effective range, Capt. Sherman with the artillery and 2d Indiana regiment formed. The artillery advanced within musket range of a heavy body of Mexican infantry, and was severely engaged at with great effect, but without being able to check its advance. The infantry ordered to its support had fallen back in disorder, being exposed, as well as the battery, not only to a severe fire of small arms from the front, but also to a murderous cross fire of grape and canister from a Mexican battery on the left. Captain O'Brien found it impossible to return his position without support, but was only able to withdraw two of his pieces, all the horses and cannoneers of the third piece being killed or disabled. The 2d Indiana regiment, which had fallen back as reported, could not be rallied, and took no further part in the action. Except a handful of men, under its gallant Colonel, Bowles, joined the Mississippi regiment, and did good service, and these regiments, who, at a later period in the day, assisted in defending the train and depot at Buena Vista. This portion of our line being at length entirely turned, and the enemy appearing in overwhelming force against our left flank, the light troops which had rendered such good service on the mountain, were compelled to withdraw, which they did, for the most part, in good order. Many, however, were not rallied until they reached the depot at Buena Vista, to the defence of which they afterwards contributed.

Colonel Bissell's regiment, (2d Illinois,) which had been joined by a section of Captain Sherman's battery had become completely outflanked, and was compelled to fall back, being entirely unsupported. The enemy was now in possession of infantry and cavalry along the line of the mountain on our left, and was gaining our rear in great force. At this moment, I arrived upon the field. The Mississippi regiment had been directed to the left before reaching the position, and immediately came into action against the Mexican column which had turned our flank. The 2d Kentucky regiment and a section of artillery under Captain Bragg, and previously been ordered from the right to reinforce our left, and arrived at a most opportune moment. That regiment, and a portion of the 1st Illinois, under Col. Hardin, gallantly drove the enemy, and recovered a portion of the ground we had lost. The batteries of Captains Sherman and Bragg were in position on the plateau, and did much execution, not only in front, but particularly upon the masses which had gained our rear. Discovering that the enemy was heavily pressing upon the Mississippi regiment, the third Indiana regiment, under Col. Lane, was despatched to strengthen that part of our line, which formed a crotchet perpendicular to the first line of battle. At the same time Lieut. Kilburn, with a piece of Capt. Bragg's battery, was directed to support the infantry there engaged. The action was for a long time warmly sustained at that point—the enemy making several efforts both with infantry and cavalry against our line, and having always repulsed with heavy loss. I had placed the Mississippi regiment and two pieces of Capt. Pike's squadron of Arkansas cavalry under the orders of Brigadier General Wool, with directions to hold in check the enemy's column, still advancing to the rear along the base of the mountain, which was done in conjunction with Col. Kentucky and Arkansas cavalry under Cols. Marshall and Yell. In the meantime our left, which was still strongly threatened by a superior force, was further strengthened by the detachment of Capt. Bragg's, and a portion of Capt. Sherman's batteries, to that quarter. The concentration of artillery fire upon the masses of the enemy became the base of the mountain, and the determined resistance offered by the two regiments opposed to them, had created confusion in their ranks, and some of the corps attempted to effect a retreat upon their main line of battle. The position of the 1st dragoons, under Lieut Rucker, was now ordered up the deep ravine which these retreating forces were endeavoring to cross, in order to charge and disperse them. The squadron proceeded to the point indicated, but could not accomplish the object, being exposed to a heavy fire from a battery established to cover the retreat of these troops. While the squadron was detached on this service, a large body of the enemy was observed to concentrate on our extreme left, apparently with the view of making a desperate push upon the intervening ravine where our train and baggage were deposited. Lieut. Col. May was ordered to the support of that point, with two pieces of Capt. Sherman's battery under Lieut. Reynolds.

In the meantime the scattered forces near the hacienda, composed in part of Majors Trail and Gorman's commands, had begun to some extent organized under the presence of Major Munroe, chief of artillery, with the assistance of Major Morrison, volunteer staff, and were posted to defend the position. Before our cavalry had reached the hacienda, that of the enemy had made its attack, having been handsomely met by the Kentucky and Arkansas cavalry under Cols. Marshall and Yell. The Mexican column immediately divided, one portion sweeping by the depot, where it received a desperate fire from the force which had collected there, and thus gaining the mountain opposite, under a fire from Lieut. Reynold's section, the remaining portion regaining the line of the mountain, and charging in the charge at Buena Vista, Col. Yell fell gallantly at the head of his regiment; we also lost Adj't Vaughan, of the Kentucky cavalry—a young officer of much promise. Lieut. Col. May, who had been rejoined by the squadron of the 1st dragoons and by portions of the Arkansas and Indiana troops under Lieut. Col. Rusee and Major Gorman, now approached the loose of the mountain, holding in check the right flank of the enemy, upon whose masses, crowded in the narrow gorges and ravines, our artillery was doing fearful execution.

The position of that portion of the Mexican army which had gained our rear was now very critical, and it seemed doubtful whether it could regain the main body. At this moment I received from Gen. Santa Anna a flag of truce by a staff officer, desiring to know what I wanted. I immediately despatched Brig. Gen. Wool to the Mexican general-in-chief, and sent orders to cease firing. Upon reaching the Mexican lines Gen. Wool could not cause the enemy to cease their fire, and accordingly returned without having an interview. The extreme right of the enemy continued to occupy the mountain, and finally, in spite of the fire kept upon him, effected a junction with the remainder of the army.

During the day, the cavalry of Gen. Minon had succeeded the elevated plain above Saltillo, and occupied the road from the city to the field of battle, where they intercepted several of our retiring forces. Approaching the town they were fired upon by Capt. Webster from the position occupied by his company, and then moved off towards the eastern side of the valley, and shortly towards Buena Vista. At this time, Capt. Shover, posted rapidly forward with his piece, supported by a miscellaneous command of mounted volunteers, and fired several shots at the cavalry with great effect. They were driven into the ravines which lead from the lower valley, closely pursued by Capt Shover, who, after further supported by a piece of Capt. Webster's battery, under Lieut. Donaldson, which had advanced from the redoubt, supported by Capt Wheeler's company Illinois volunteers. The enemy made one or two efforts to charge the artillery, but was finally driven back in a confused mass, and did not again appear upon the plain.

In the meantime, the firing had partly ceased upon the principal field. The enemy seemed to confine his efforts to the posts of the artillery, and I had just the pleasure for a moment when I was recalled thither by a report of musketry fire. On regaining that position, I discovered that our infantry (Union and 2d Kentucky) had engaged a greatly superior force of the enemy—evidently his reserves—and that they had been overwhelmed by numbers. The moment was most critical. Capt. O'Brien, with two pieces, had sustained the heavy charge to the last, and was finally obliged to leave his guns on the field—his infantry support being entirely routed. Captain Bragg, who had just arrived from the left, was ordered at once into battery. Without any infantry to support him, and at the imminent risk of losing his guns, this officer came rapidly into action, the Mexican line being then within a few yards from the muzzle of his pieces. The first discharge of canister caused the enemy to hesitate, the second and third drove him back in disorder, and saved the day. The 2d Kentucky regiment, which had advanced beyond supporting distance in the affair, was ordered back and closely pressed by the enemy's cavalry. Taking a ravine which led in the direction of Captain Washington's battery, their pursuers became exposed to his fire, which soon checked and drove them back with loss. In the mean time the rest of our artillery had taken position on the plateau, covered by the Mississippi and 2d Indiana regiments, the former of which had reached the ground in time to pour a fire into the right flank of the enemy, and thus contribute to its repulse. In this last conflict we had the misfortune to sustain a heavy loss—Colonel Hardin, 1st Illinois, and Colonel McKee and Lieutenant Colonel Clay, 2d Kentucky regiments, fell at this time while gallantly leading their commands.

No further attempt was made by the enemy to force our position, and the approach of night gave him an opportunity to pay proper attention to the wounded, and also to refresh the soldiers who had been exhausted by incessant watchfulness and combat. Though the night was very cold, the troops were compelled for the most to bivouac without fires, expecting the morning would renew the conflict. During the night the wounded were removed to Saltillo, and every preparation made to receive the enemy should he again attack our position. Seven fresh companies were drawn from the town, and Brigadier General Marshall, who had made a forced march from the Rinconada, with a reinforcement of Kentucky cavalry and four heavy guns, under Captain Prentiss, 3d artillery, was near at hand, when it was discovered that the enemy had abandoned his position during the night. Our scouts soon ascertained that he had fallen back upon Agua Nueva. The great disparity of numbers, and the exhaustion of our troops, rendered it inexpedient and hazardous to attempt pursuit. A staff officer was despatched to General Santa Anna to negotiate an exchange of prisoners, which was successfully completed on the following day. Our own dead were collected and buried, and the Mexican wounded, of which a large number had been left upon the field, were removed to Saltillo, and rendered as comfortable as circumstances would permit.

On the evening of the 25th, a close reconnoissance was made of the enemy's position, which was found to be occupied only by a small body of cavalry, the infantry and artillery having retreated in the direction of San Louis Potosi.—On the 27th, our troops resumed their former camp at Agua Nueva, the enemy's rear guard evacuating the place as we approached, leaving a considerable number of wounded. The latter were found there, the army having passed on in the direction of Matehuala, with greatly reduced numbers, and suffering much from hunger. The dead and dying were strewed upon the road, and crowded the buildings of the hacienda.

The American force engaged in the action of Buena Vista is shown by the accompanying field report, to have been 334 officers, and 4,125 men exclusive of the small command left in and near Saltillo. Of this number, two squadrons of cavalry, and three companies of light artillery, making not more than 450 men, composed the only force of regular troops. The strength of the Mexican army is stated by Gen. Santa Anna, in his summons, to be 20,000, and that estimate is confirmed by all the information since obtained. Our loss is 267 killed, 456 wounded, and 23 missing. Of the numerous wounded, many did not require removal to the hospital, and it is hoped that a comparatively small number will be permanently disabled.—The Mexican loss in killed and wounded may be fairly estimated at 1,500, and will probably reach 2,000. At least 500 of their killed were left upon the field of battle. We have no means of ascertaining the number of deserters and dispersed men from their ranks, but it is known to be very great.

Our loss has been especially severe in officers, twenty-eight having been killed upon the field. We have to mourn the death of Capt. George Lincoln, assistant adjutant general, serving on the staff of Gen. Wool—a young officer of high bearing and approved gallantry, who fell early in the action. The Mississippi regiment, the army in the field that that of Col. Hardin and McKee, and Lieut. Col. Clay. Possessing in a remarkable degree the confidence of their commands, and the last two having enjoyed the advantage of a military education, I had looked particularly to them for support in the hour of battle. I need not say that their zeal in engaging the enemy, and the cool and steadfast courage with which they maintained their positions during the day fully realised my hopes.

I perform a grateful duty in bringing to the notice of the government the general good conduct of the troops. Exposed for successive nights without fires, to the severity of the weather, they were ever prompt and cheerful in the discharge of every duty, and finally displayed conspicuous steadiness and gallantry in repelling at great odds a disciplined foe. While the brilliant success achieved by their arms reissure me from the natural necessity of appealing to any cause of bad conduct before the enemy, in the event of an increased obligation to mention particular corps and officers, whose skill, coolness and gallantry in trying situations, and under a continued and heavy fire, seem to merit particular notice.

To Brigadier General Wool my obligations are especially due. The high state of discipline and efficiency of several of the volunteer regiments was obtained under his command, and to his vigilance and arduous services before the action, and his gallantry and activity in the field, a large share of success may be justly attributed. During the time of the engagement he was in immediate command of the troops thrown back on our left flank. I beg leave to recommend him to the favorable notice of the government. Brigadier Gen. Lane (slightly wounded) was active and zealous throughout the day, and displayed great coolness and gallantry before the enemy.

The services of the light artillery, always conspicuous were rendered unusually distinguished. Moving rapidly over the roughest ground, it was always in action at the right place and the right time, and its well-directed fire dealt destruction in the masses of the enemy. While I regret to add to the particular favor the gallant conduct of the duties of Major Munroe, chief of artillery, and Captain Washington, 4th artillery, and Sherman and Bragg, 3d artillery, commanding batteries, I deem it no more than just to mention all the subaltern officers. They were nearly all detached on different times, and in every situation exhibited conspicuous skill and gallantry. Captain O'Brien, Lieutenants Brent, Whiting, and Couch, 4th artillery, and Lieutenant Topographical Engineer, (slightly wounded) were attached to Captain Washington's battery. Lieutenants Thornton, Reynolds and French, 3d artillery, (severely wounded) to that of Captain Sherman and Captain Shover and Lieutenant Kilburn, 3d artillery, to that of Capt. Bragg—Captain Shover, in conjunction with Lieut. Donaldson, 1st artillery, rendered gallant and important service in repulsing the cavalry of General Minon. The regular cavalry, under Lieutenant Colonel May, with which was associated Captain Pike's squadron of Arkansas horse, rendered useful service in holding the enemy in check, and in covering the batteries at several points. Captain Steen, 1st dragoons, was severely wounded early in the day, while gallantly endeavoring, with his authority, to rally the troops which were flying in the rear.

The Mississippi riflemen, under Col. Davis, were highly conspicuous for their gallantry and readiness, and sustained throughout the engagement the reputation of veteran troops. Brought into action against an immensely superior force, they maintained themselves for a long time unsupported and with heavy loss, and held in check a large part of the field until reinforced. Col. Davis, though severely wounded, remained in the saddle until the close of the action. His distinguished coolness and gallantry in the face of the enemy on this day entitle him to the particular notice of the government. The 3d Indiana regiment, under Colonel Lane, and a fragment of the 2d, under Colonel Bowles, were associated with the Mississippi regiment during the latter part of the day, and acquitted themselves creditably under the heavy attempts at the enemy to break that portion of our line. The Kentucky cavalry, under Colonel Marshall, rendered good service dismounted, acting as light troops and skirmishers, and, with a portion of the Arkansas regiment, in meeting and dispersing the column of cavalry at Buena Vista. The 1st and 2d Illinois, and the 2d Kentucky regiments, were particularly conspicuous for their excellent conduct throughout the day. The 2d Illinois, under Colonel Bissell, was severely engaged, and I deem it a willing testimony to their excellent conduct throughout the day. The squadron of cavalry with which the 1st Indiana and 2d Kentucky were armed, and which in the morning, restored confidence to that part of the field, while the list of casualties will show how much these three regiments suffered in sustaining the heavy attack of the enemy in the afternoon. Captain Conner's company of Texas volunteers, attached to the 2d Illinois regiment fought bravely, as captain being wounded and two subalterns killed. Col. Bissell, the only surviving colonel of these regiments, merits praise for his coolness and bravery on this occasion. After the fall of the field officers of the 1st Indiana and 2d Kentucky regiments, the command of the former devolved upon Lieutenant Colonel Weatherford, that of the latter upon May Fry.

Regimental commanders and others who have rendered prominent service in general terms of its good conduct of their officers and men, I refer to the specified many names, but the limits of this report forbid a recapitulation of them here. I may, however, insert as Lieutenants Rucker and Campbell, 1st dragoons, and Captain Pike and Ark. cavalry, commanding squadrons; Lieut. Colonel Field, Kentucky cavalry, Lieut. Col Roane, Arkansas cavalry, upon whom the command devolved after the fall of Colonel Yell, Major Bradford, Capt Shover, Lieut. Donaldson, and Adjutant Gethin, Mississippi regiment, Lieutenant Colonel Haddon, 2d Indiana regiment, and Lieutenant Robanson, A. D. C. to General Lane, Lieutenant Colonel Bowles, (severely wounded,) Lieut. Colonel Hamer, Lieutenant Colonel Morrison, Major Trail, and Adjutant Waterson, 2d Illinois regiment, (severely wounded,) and Major Fry, 2d Kentucky, all having severally noticed for gallantry and good conduct. Major McCulloch, quartermaster in the volunteer service, rendered important services before the engagement, in the command of a spy company, and during the affair, was associated with the regular cavalry. To Maj Warren, 1st Illinois volunteers, I feel much indebted for his firm and judicious conduct while exercising command in the city of Saltillo.

The medical staff, under the able direction of Assistant Surgeon Hitchcock, were assiduous in attention to the wounded upon the field, and in their careful removal to the rear. Their skill, in respects and in the subsequent organization and service of the hospitals, the administration of that department was everything that could be wished.

Brigadier General Wool speaks in high terms of the efficiency of his staff, and I take pleasure in bearing testimony to the long witnessed their activity and zeal upon the field. Lieutenant A. D. C. McDowell, Colonel Churchhill, inspector general, Captain Chapman, assistant quartermaster, Captain Thompson, topographical engineers, and Captains Hitchcock and Eaton, commissary service, are conspicuously noticed by the general for their gallantry and good conduct on the field. Lieutenant Colonel Fenton, Harrison, Burgess, and Duesenberg, attached in various capacities to Gen. Wool's head-quarters, are likewise mentioned for their intelligent alacrity in conveying orders in parts of the field.

In conclusion, I beg leave to say that of my own staff, to whose exertions in rallying troops and communicating orders I feel greatly indebted.

Major Bliss, assistant adjutant general, Capt. J. H. Eaton, and Lieut. R. S. Ewell, aide-de-camp, served near my person, and were prompt and zealous in the discharge of every duty. Major Mansfield, besides rendering valuable service as chief of artillery, was constantly exposing himself as were also Colonels Churchill and Belknap, inspectors general, in rallying troops and directing them to the defence of the train and baggage. Capt. Whiting, quartermaster general, and Capt Eaton, chief of the subsistence department, were engaged with the duties of their departments and also served in my immediate staff on the field. Capt. Crossman, assistant commissary, was necessarily left with the headquarter camp near town, where his services were highly useful. Major Mansfield and Lieut Benham, engineers, and Capt. Swift and Lieuts Pope and Franklin, topographical engineers, were employed before and during the engagement in very active in bringing information and in conveying my orders to distant points. Lieut. Kingsbury, in addition to his proper duties as commissary of subsistence, Capt Chilton, assistant quartermaster, and Major Dix and Peck, served also as extra aids-de-camp, and were actively employed in the transmission of orders. Mr Thomas S. Crittenden, of Kentucky, though of no rank in the service, volunteered as my aid-de-camp on this occasion, and served with credit in that capacity. Major Craig, chief of ordnance, and Surgeon Craig, medical director, had been detached on duty from headquarters for some days, and reach the ground until the morning of the 24th, too late to participate in the action, but in time to render valuable services in their respective departments of the staff.

I respectfully enclose returns of the troops engaged, and of casualties incident to the battle.

I am, sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Z. TAYLOR,
Major General U. S. A. Comm'g.
The Adjutant General of the Army, Washington D. C.

City Intelligence.

First District Court.—The case of Wm. Nutley, charged with manslaughter, was resumed yesterday, and at 5 o'clock, P. M., the jury rendered a verdict of "Not Guilty." We understand, that Judge McHenry, notwithstanding this verdict, refuses to discharge the prisoner.

Requisition for more troops.—The Governor has been authorized by the Secretary of War to raise five more companies of Cavalry for service during the war with Mexico. His Excellency will issue his proclamation in due time.

Before Recorder Genois.—Yesterday was a very dull day with Recorder Genois. His honor had nothing to do besides committing before the First District Court, two individuals, charged with assault and battery.

Jacques Vitau, charged with larceny, was arrested by the First Municipality Police. His case will be examined this morning.

Judge Boyle.—The Special Committee appointed by the House of Representatives to enquire into certain charges brought against Judge Boyle, submitted yesterday a majority report recommending the removal from office of this magistrate by the constitutional majority of both branches of the Legislature. A counter-report will shortly be presented by the minority of said committee. For account of yesterday's proceedings of the House

Council of Municipality No. Two.—The Council met last evening pursuant to adjournment. Recorder Baldwin in the chair.

The weekly report of the Treasurer was read as follows:

Balance on hand last Tuesday,	$33,941 65
Amount received since,	36,338 93
Total,	$70,280 58
Disbursed this week,	37,200 56
Balance on hand	$33,079 52

A message from the Mayor was read, enclosing for approval a resolution passed by the First Municipality Council, authorizing the tapering of Canal street; and making the appointment of a Committee of Conference to act upon this matter. On motion of Mr. Forest, the President appointed on said committee Messrs. Peters, Rogers and Divers.

A petition from Mr McCue, the contractor for cleaning the streets of the 3d ward, praying the Council to cancel his contract, was referred to the Committee on Streets and Landings.

Mr Peters, from the Finance Committee, submitted a long report, relating to the official conduct of Mr Francis Isley, Recorder's clerk.—The report states that Mr Isley received jail fees to the amount of $196 70, out of which he has paid only $20, leaving due $176 70: that he received several months ago $32, found on the person of a prisoner named James McMahon, and which he had not since returned to McMahon, though several applications had been made.—The committee, therefore, recommended the adoption of a resolution instructing the Treasurer to pay over the above amount to said McMahon, and that the aforesaid amount be deducted from any money that may be due to said Francis Isley. This report, together with the resolution was unanimously adopted.

The same member presented a resolution instructing the attorney of the Municipality, to take an appeal to the Supreme Court in the case of Keagan vs Municipality No 2. Adopted.

Mr. Peters, from the Committee on Streets and Landings, submitted a long report relative to the bad state in which the streets were kept. The committee recommended the passage of a resolution instructing the surveyor to make the necessary repairs at the expense of the contractors. Carried by 11 yeas—2 nays.

After the passage of several other resolutions, the Council adjourned

Municipality of New Orleans,
April 27th, 1847.

In accordance with the 6th section of the Act to regulate representations in the Municipal Councils of the city of New Orleans, approved 26th January, 1847, the undersigned, Mayor and Recorders of the several Municipalities of the city of New Orleans, met this day at the Office of the Mayoralty and there proceeded to the examination of the returns of the election held on Friday, the 23d instant, in the fifth ward of Municipality No. One, for an Alderman to represent the said fifth ward in the Council of Municipality No. One, and hereby certify the following to be the result thereof:

F. M. Summers obtained	125 votes
James Lilly	122 votes
Z. Latour	56 votes
Blank vote	1

A Protest having been entered by Mr James Lilly, contesting the election of Mr F. M. Summers, who obtained a plurality of the votes polled, the undersigned, Mayor and Recorders of the First and Third Municipalities, are of opinion that the whole matter should be referred to the Council of Municipality No One.

(Signed) A. D. CROSSMAN, Mayor.
JH GENOIS,
Recorder of Municipality No. One.
P. SEUZENEAU,
Recorder of Municipality No Three.

The undersigned, Recorder of the Third Municipality, insists upon expressing his opinion that the 6th section of the Act entitled "*An Act to determine the mode of election of the Mayor, Recorder, &c.*" approved March 26, 1846, providing that the Council shall be judges of the election of their members, has not been repealed by any of the provisions of the Act entitled "*An Act to regulate representation in the Municipal Councils of the city of New Orleans*" approved 27th January, 1847.

(Signed) JH GENOIS, Recorder
Recorder of Municipality No. Two.

The undersigned, Recorder of the Charity Hospital, insists upon expressing his opinion that the 6th section of the Act entitled "*An Act to determine the mode of election of the Mayor, Recorder, &c.*" appro