

To the Honorable County Court of Salt Lake County:

Gentlemen.—Having decided to join the Republican party, the national party of my choice, and therefore not wishing to continue in office to which I was elected by the Liberal party, I hereby respectfully tender my resignation as selectman of Salt Lake county, hoping it will receive consideration at the earliest opportunity. Very respectfully,
JOHN BUTTER.

On motion, it was decided to lay the resignation on the table for a time.

THE TENNESSEE WAR.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 17.—Upon arrival of two hundred convicts here this afternoon the story of the surrender of the stockade at the Oliver Springs was learned. Last night some fifteen hundred miners seized three trains, and with drawn Winchester compelled the trainmen to take them to Oliver Springs. The warden of the stockade at Oliver Springs heard of their approach, and when the miners were at least a mile away, he assembled the guards and convicts and marched to the miners and surrendered. This action comes as a great surprise after the defense made last night. The guns of the militiamen were taken from them, and the miners placed the convicts and guards on the train and sent them to Knoxville.

The miners then went to Coal Creek where the men from the whole region congregated. The universal belief is that Coal Creek will be attacked before morning. It is impossible now to reinforce Capt. Anderson at Coal Creek and the whole brunt of the battle will fall on him and his command of 180 men. They have a commanding position, are heavily armed and should give a good account of themselves. The State is thoroughly aroused and men of all classes are ready to join the Law and Order party to aid the military in restoring quiet even at the cost of a few lives. The sheriff of Knox county called for 500 citizens to relieve the miners at Coal Creek. This is under authority of an order from Governor Buchanan and a petition has been sent to the governor asking him to call upon the general government for aid. Governor Buchanan also authorized the sheriff of Hamilton county to raise a posse of 500 men and proceed to Coal Creek.

At midnight the miners at Coal Creek received large reinforcements from Kentucky. The rumor is strong that Governor Buchanan tonight ordered General Anderson to withdraw the troops and come to Knoxville.

NASHVILLE, Aug. 18.—At 3 o'clock this (Thursday) morning a special train with about 100 troops and civilians left for east Tennessee in response to the governor's call for assistance.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—General Grant, acting-secretary of war, said this afternoon that the war department had no information whatever regarding the labor troubles in New York and Tennessee beyond what was furnished by the press dispatches, and no reason to apprehend a call for federal troops for interference in either case.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 17.—The sheriff is summoning every available man to the seat of war. Governor

Buchanan has called for 8000 recruits. One thousand are needed from this county.

Various estimates are made as to the number of miners involved in the trouble. The estimates may be greatly exaggerated but the lawbreakers doubtless have a reserve force which will number fully twenty thousand resolute men, and should they break into open rebellion and defy the troops it will prove a very difficult body to handle, familiar as they are with all mountain retreats and passes. Conservative people think they will hesitate to oppose the troops, their main object seeming to be to create sentiment against convict labor. Friends of the miners say the trouble will subside as soon as the mines are rid of the convicts, but most of the citizens fear it will take the whole power of the State and possibly aid from the national government to quell the disturbance. The full force of the State militia does not exceed 2000 men, and they cannot possibly be brought together inside of a week. In the meantime, if the miners persist they will have accomplished their end.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 18.—Late last night, after consultation with Adjutant General Norman and his attorneys, Governor Buchanan ordered all the organized militia in the State to the scene of trouble in the mining region and made requisitions on the sheriffs of Davidson, Hamilton and Knox counties for possses of a thousand men each; on the sheriffs of Anderson, Roane, Morgan and Marion for five hundred men or more, if they can raise them. The penalty for any sheriff refusing to obey his order, is a term of imprisonment and a fine of ten dollars. All the troops will mass at Chattanooga this morning, and the brigadier-general in command will proceed at once to Knoxville and from there to Coal Creek. The possses are armed with all sorts of pistols and guns. Two companies of infantry, one battery cannon and two galling guns compose the Asheville troops.

KNOXVILLE, Aug. 18.—This afternoon the court house bell rang the riot call and since then the city has been one large palpitating nerve.

The excitement is intense and beyond description.

At 2 o'clock the wires were cut at Coal Creek and the newspaper men and railroad men knew the last step was about to be taken.

Shortly thereafter the *Journal* received a bulletin that an attack had been made upon Camp Anderson and from the news obtainable the attack must have been a feeler, as no casualties were reported. In a short time another attack was made and then a third. In the last, Gatling guns were brought to bear on the miners with deadly effect. Many were killed and wounded.

AT SIX THIS EVENING the alarming news was brought in that Captain Anderson had been captured and was being held a prisoner with guards to prevent a faction from hanging him. The details reported that the capture had not yet been made but it is believed to some extent and will soon be ascertained. The militia, however, is fighting with desperation as they know that capture will be followed by the death of all at the hands of the infuriated mob.

Reinforcements are hurrying northward, but they are few in number, though brave fighters.

AT 8 P. M.

General Carnes and the West Tennessee troops had not yet arrived.

It is feared that the little band that left Knoxville this afternoon will be butchered before help can reach it.

This afternoon a posse was summoned by Sheriff Holloway and armed with Winchester rifles. It numbered eighty-five men, among them some of the most prominent business and professional men of the city, and commanded by Major D. A. Carpenter.

The posse was joined by the militia under command of Colonel Woolford, numbering probably a hundred men. The party immediately left for the scene of trouble. At Clinton they were met by a number of citizens of Knoxville, Clinton and Coal Creek, who urged that it was absolute madness going forward without reinforcements.

A thousand armed miners, they said, were drawn up

READY TO FIRE

upon them as they alighted from the train, and there was dynamite everywhere. Major Carpenter heard them through and then, turning to the men, said:

"Boys, I guess we go on," and they went beyond Clinton. They have not been heard from.

At Clinton the sounds of battle were heard and there is no doubt that deadly fighting raged beyond the mountains.

Thousands of angry and excited men line the streets and curse Buchanan for his weakness and the miners for their meanness. The court house bell is again ringing the riot call and excited people are rushing in that direction, and men volunteering, but there are no arms.

General Carnes with four hundred men has just reached Knoxville and

WILL GO IMMEDIATELY TO THE FRONT.

The opinion is growing that an awful loss of life of citizens and innocent men will only be avoided by prompt action of the governor in calling on the president to send federal troops to the scene.

AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK.

KNOXVILLE, Aug. 18.—At this hour the wires are still down and real news is not obtainable. It is known that a majority of Carpenter's Knoxville men reached Offutt, about five miles from Coal Creek, in safety.

It is possible the first heard of him will be inside Camp Anderson, after a skirmish with the surprised miners.

A courier came into Clinton at 11 o'clock with the news that the firing was kept up all the afternoon, that the Gatling gun was out of condition and

FOUR SOLDIERS KILLED.

No credence was given to this, however.

It now transpires that the firing has been desultory, no such attacks having been made.

The miners claim none of them have been injured, but this is not believed. A report also comes that General Anderson has been removed from the