

FRANKLIN, MO., October 4, 1864—12 m.
(Received 12.25 p. m.)

Major-General PLEASANTON:

I learn from Major-General Smith that Price is on the Union road from Union to Jefferson City, but don't know at what point he will cross the Gasconade. General Smith is moving his command from here to-day to Gray's Summit; will find Price. Has telegraphed to General Pike to come up here with his command and General Pike is on the road now. Nothing new of General Ewing; when last heard from was thirty miles from Rolla, cut off, but fighting his way through toward Rolla.

H. GARVENS,
Captain and Assistant Quartermaster.

VICTORIA, MO., October 4, 1864.

Colonel MARSH,
Assistant Adjutant-General:

I have Colonel Goodwin in camp at the burnt bridge in a good natural position. He will only have to make one short line of works to defend his camp. A train is now distributing troops in the block houses.

M. MILLER,
Brigadier-General.

CARONDELET, October 4, 1864.

Colonel MARSH,
Assistant Adjutant-General:

Colonel Melcher has notified me that he is now at the bridge—De Soto. I will accompany Colonel Goodwin and will advise you from below.

MADISON MILLER,
Brigadier-General.

CARONDELET, October 4, 1864.

Colonel MARSH,
Assistant Adjutant-General:

I have just returned from the bridge. Troops all distributed, and operator at the Meramec bridge relieved. Everything quiet along the line. The bridge can be rebuilt this week if no time is lost. It is not a very long one.

M. MILLER,
Brigadier-General.

CARONDELET, October 4, 1864.

Colonel MARSH,
Assistant Adjutant-General:

The aggregate strength of the First, Second, Eightieth, and Eighty-fifth is about 1,925. I have had no official report from the First and Eightieth Regiments, and have been awaiting the reports to give you an official statement. Will forward as soon as they can be obtained.

MADISON MILLER,
Brigadier-General.

MERAMEC, October 4, 1864.

Col. C. W. MARSH,
Assistant Adjutant-General:

The train is here. General Miller has sent no instructions. I will move at once and occupy the road. Send me instructions at Pevely or Victoria.

S. H. MELCHER,
Lieutenant-Colonel.

VICTORIA, MO., October 4, 1864—11.30 a. m.
(Received 11.50 a. m.)

Major-General PLEASANTON:

Mr. Edmonds is just in from Richwoods. He reports there were last night at Richwoods some 200 rebels, and that this is the only organized force in that region; are commanded by Bill Willoughby, formerly of Potosi. There are stragglers and also several squads gathering cattle, &c. Shelby is reported at Saint Clair. I presume that is old, however. General Cabell was at Richwoods on Sunday; also Jeff. Thompson. Thompson has no command.

S. H. MELCHER,
Lieutenant-Colonel, &c.

MANCHESTER, October 4, 1864.

Col. J. H. BAKER,
Commanding First Sub-District:

I am again notified by General Miller that my command must move to Fenton Ferry. It will move early to-morrow morning and leave the bridges between Kirkwood and Franklin unguarded. There is an urgent necessity to guard every bridge at once.

WM. P. FENN,
Colonel, Commanding First Enrolled Missouri Militia.

CAPE GIRARDEAU, October 4, 1864.

General ROSECRANS:

The commander at New Madrid informs me by telegraph that his scout has returned and reports that General Mower passed Pocahontas last Tuesday and Wednesday and crossed Black River, at Poplar Bluff, last Friday and Saturday, going in the direction of Greenville.

H. M. HILLER,
Lieutenant-Colonel, Commanding.

SAINT LOUIS, MO., October 4, 1864—3.25 p. m.

Brigadier-General MCNEIL,
Hermann:

Your dispatch October 1 received. The enemy were not more than 15,000. You see how they are scattered. Smite them sorely. Get me news of General Mower and of your own movements. We are now in strong force at Franklin waiting for news of you and Mower. The enemy must be hurt if possible.

W. S. ROSECRANS,
Major-General.