

the war- and submitting to an immense increase in the prices of living, the people of Pennsylvania have nevortheless been able for three years to maintain a prosperity. and secure a healthy operation in all the branches thy of the past valor of her sons, and riod in its history, if the rights of its of their trade, unprecedented in the annals of any country while engaged in the prosecution of a war. In the their merits. Each virtue can only trials of this bloody war, with the struggle just reaching its climax, the people of Pennsylvania suddenly find themselves involved in a political contest invested with the highest importance, because frought with the most momentous issues. Ordinarily, heretofore, political contests meant only a choice of policy as to the manner of administering the Government The struggle of parties was for the possession of the powers of Government, and merely to control their operations. Now, however, our; political contests have resolved themselves into a direct and a positive issue for the safety and the nermanence of the Government: because, politically as well as sectionally, the contest at the ballot box and in the battle field must decide whether the Union shall exist or perish with the triumph or defeat of one or the other of the contending parties. Hence the unwanted importance with which our political campairns are now invested. Parties are now divided time may change the habits of such on issues which vitally concern the Government. They are composed of friends and enemies of that Govern- and their love of Government. It canment. To choose between there par-not lessen their ability for self-govern ties equally interests the cause of loy alty and that of treason. No man can stand neutral between the two, of the Government and the safety of ernment will be justly recognized as immediately. its enemy. Admitting that such is The Democratic leaders now oppose the new importance assumed by our the enfranchisement of the soldier. In political contests, we have an excuse the olden time the Democratic leadas well as a justification for entering ers, such as Jefferson, Jackson, Snyon the contest fast approaching, for der, and Shultze insisted that the electhe amendments of the Constitution, with all the zeal in our vature, and all which a soldier fought. If that flag the devotion that should characterize was potent, on the sea and the land, the patriot and the lover of his country in his effort to serve it. It would seem that on an amend-

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ment to the Constitution granting the tinuing his political franchises? If it Pennsylvania has many thousands of soldier a right to vote there should be made the deck of a vessel above which ber citizens now in the army. They supposed danger. The whole neonle no division. Among a free people it waved the soil of the country rep. have all gone forth inspired by a sub- of Kentucky must not be kept in a particularly, who are admitted always resented by it, regardless of the sea lime faith in the strength of a free state of suspense and real danger, lest to be the most intelligent, such a right or clime in which it floated, so also Government to crush a wicked con- a few innocent men should be wrongshould be so well grounded in com- does it carry with it for the soldier spiracy, and does it become us, while fully accused.

understand them, just so soon do we freeman while periling his life in its defence, is a despotism more fearful secure the strength and majesty of than that which denies all right to the the Government in the confidence and governed. It is not possible that such respect fo the governed-just so soon a government can last. At some pedo we make our good old State wordefenders be disregarded as the Demolorious in the future. American citiocratic leaders now deny the rights of zenship has its virtues, and these the franchise to the soldiers, it will need arms to protect it both from forbe exalted by serving the Governeign and domestic foes, and perish ment under which they flourish : but eventually, an object too mean for deif that service is made a badge of degredation, will it not be more natural fence

In advocating the soldier's right to for men of honor and spirit- and true vote, the loyal men of Pennsylvania courage to resist its rendition than voluntarily to accept its duties? The are sustained by a faith in the fact citizen soldier feels when he takes up that his service is such as to secure arms it is to defend, not destroy, his him not merely all the rights he enpolitical rights. The man who sacri joyed before he entered the army, but fices his business interests, and for increased dignity and power at the a stipulated time surrenders his per. hands of the Republic. The enemies sonal liberty, cannot understand why of this great principle oppose it only he should be deprived of his political for reasons of expediency. There was rights. The service of arms does not a time when the Democratic, leaders blunt the judgement or blur the abiliclaimed that the army was largely ty of a citizen to exercise the elective and even almost wholly composed of franchise. It rather gives him a new their partisan followers. When they title to the enjoyment of such a right, were most clamous in insisting upon and fits him for the highest privileges the recognition of such a claim, the of a free Government. Unlike the supporters of the principal, opposed politically to these leaders, were most masses of Europe, the great body of earnest and even persistent'in its ad the American people are intelligent, possessed of education affording the vocacy. 'To them it was a principle highest knowledge. While war for a of instice too sacred to be disregarded -too noble to be rejected-too impora people it cannot effect their sense tant in its relations to the very genius and vitality of the Republic to be of instice, their appreciation of power denied to all the people thereof, alike those who risk the perils of battle in ment. If it could, the war in which its defence and those who run no danwe are now engaged for the defence ger of life, limb or property in the service of the Government, and who still and all that are not fairly for the Gov- the public weal had better be stopped claim its highest immunities and most sacred privileges.

On the second day of August ensuing this question will come practically before the people of Pennsylvania. We do not doubt the result of the

tive franchise followed the flag under tion of the soldier's right to vote. But we would be false to the creed which we adore, if we failed to avow in ad- We, the military, must do it, and we to protect a man in war, why should vance our approval of granting this have right and law on our side. All it not possess the other virtues of congreat right to our brave defenders. governments and communities have a

mon and statute law as to need no who fights beneath its folds any politi. enjoying the blessings of peace at lat. You may order all your post

In the Field, Big Shanty, Ga., June 21, 1864. General Burbridge, Com'g Dis., Ken'y GENERAL: The recent raid of Morrived at. gan, and the concurrent acts of men styling themselves Confederate partisans or guerillas, call for determin-

ed action on your part. Even on the Southern 'State Rights' theory, Kentucky has not seceded. Her people, by their votes and by their actions, have adhered to their

allegiance to the National Government, and the South would now codants of anarchy. erce her out of our Union and into I am, with respect, your friend, theirs, by the very dogma of 'coercion' W. T. SHERMAN, Major General. upon which so much stress was laid at By command of Maj. Gen. Thomas. the outset of the war, and which carried into rebellion the people of the Official:

middle and border slave States. GERMARD HOFFMAN, A. A. G. Put politics aside, these acts of the so-called partisans or guerillas are nothing but simple murder, horse stealing, arson, and other well defined SELF-EVIDENTLY DRUNK .--- Old Judge crimes which do not sound so well under their true name as more agreeable ones of warlike meaning.

Now, before starting on this campaign, I foresaw, as you remember, that this very case would arise, and I asked Governor Bramlette to at once organize in each county a small, trustworthy band, under the shcriff if pos sible, and at one dash arrest every man in the community who was dangerous to it; and also every fellow hanging about the towns, villages, chance, the friend dived into the and cross-roads, who had no honest calling, the material out of which gue- and put the note where the money rillas are made up ; but this sweeping had been. exhibition of power doubtless seemed to the Governor rather arbitrary.

The fact is, in our country personal liberty has been so well secured that public safety is lost sight of in our empty, he thunderedlaws and Constitution : and the fact is we are thrown back one hundred

wered the friend. vears in civilization, law, and every election as to the acceptance or rejec- thing else, and will go right straight to anarchy and the devil if somebody don't arrest our downward progress. been very drunk!"

I'll give you a glass of cider. "Me ! I right to guard against real and even never told a lie." That'll do. Boy draw him the cider

> lown east, they say, went a whole excraciating.

Maj. Gen. L. H. ROUSSEAU,

Commanding District of the Ten.

an "end to strife," and the honest, incian for publicly defying and spitting dustrious people of Kentucky and the on a military order, deemed ossential for the nation's cause. whole world will be benefitted and re-I heartily approve the President's joiced at the conclusion, however ar-

Emancipation Proclamation, and his solemn declaration that no slave of any I use no concealment in saying. State, whether on the border or furthat I do not object to men or women ther South, who fights for his country, having what they call "Southern feelshall ever wear the chains of bondage. ing," if confined to love of country, I am for the most vigorous exertions and of peace, honor, and security, and to reinforce our armies by the largest even a little family pride, but these become "crimes" when enlarged to possible addition of colored troops, and only regret that the persistent opposimean love of murder, of war, desolation to them by the enemies of the Adtion, famine, and all the horrid attenministration, their Congressmen and

their presses, has retarded their organization: when had they unitedly aided in the work and encouraged it, we might have had, ere now, 400,000 of WM. D. WHIPPLE, Chief of Staff. such soldiers instead of 100,000 and avoided all impending drafts.

I endorse most heartily the policy of confiscating the property of rebels voluntarily in arms against their coun try; and who, guiltier than the parri cide, seek to involve country and citi-

here, is known as one who never pays zen alike in a common destruction. a debt if it can be avoided. He has I am for striking at slavery, the plenty of money, however, and is a the cause of all our woes. and the jolly rollicking old chap. He gets progenitor of this gigantic rebellion, pretty drunk occasionally, when of with every power under our controlcourse, his triends, who are all his war power of the army, the naval powcreditors, take good care of him. Not er of the navy, and the proclamation long ago, he fell into the hands of one power of the President; and for its final and irrevocable extirpation from "Awh, my good woman," said be, "I of the Philistines, to whom he owed a considerable sum, for which he had the land, by an amendment to the given his note, and as it was a last Constitution, which shall make that instrument, as well as the Republic Judge's wallet, took out the amount, itself, foreverfree; and thus, also, obey the Divine infunction. "to break overy yoke and let the oppressed go free."

When the Judge awoke to conscious I am against treason, whether it ness, as was his wont, he took out his roars its hideous form in front of our wallet to count how much money he patriotic and gallant armies, or under was out. Finding his purse almost the roof of our capitol; in the streets of New York, or within the borders

"How did I spend all my money? of Indiana; and I am against any se-"You naid off that note I held," an verance of the Union by the sword of rebellion, by a disgraceful compromise, "Well," muttered the Judge, quietly or by a base surrender of the sacred stowing away his wallet," I must have cause in which so many martyrs for the right have so sadly, and yet so

bravely fallen. 100 Tom tell me the greatest lie And, to sum up, I am for Abraham now. you ever told in your life, and Lincoln-the pilot who shrank not in the darkest hour-and for Andrew Johnson-" faithful among the faithless found"-for the highest offices in

the nation's gift, of which they are 159. A very handsome young lady each so worthy. Very truly, yours. day without going to her looking glass. Her suffering must have been MARK L. MCCLELLAND, Valparaiso, Ind.

ly, the painter, a man distinguished for refinement of manners as well as his success in art. At a party one evening, Sully was speaking of a belle who was a great favorite : 'Ah l' says Sully, 'she has a mouth like an elephant.' 'Ob, oh | Mr. Sully | how can you be so rude ?' 'Rude, ladies ! what do you mean? I say she has got a mouth like an elephant's, because it's full of ivory."

ma The Chinese picture of ambition is 'a mandarin trying to' catch A comet by putting salt on his tail.'

ush_A little urchin, begging in the city the other day, was asked by a lady who had filled his basket, if his parents wore living. 'Only dad, marm,' said the boy. 'Then you have enough in your basket now to teed the family for some time.' said the lady. Soid on analting 'Oh, no, I haven't neither,' said the lad. 'for dad and me keeps boarders ; he does the housework and I does the marketin.

HOW TO RUN UP A WASHING BILL. A needy swell, who had ventured to give a laundress a single shirt to wash, was astonished when she presented a bill for six pieces, instead of one. gave you but one single article,' "True," replied the woman, "but that same one article was so old and ragged that it washed into six pieces. and it would puzzle Old Nick to put them ogether again." 1

The eye of the law has become so weak from the want of proper practice in the different courts, that it is going to advertise for a pupil.

A crusty old bachelor says, that Adam's wife was called Evo, because when she appeared, man's day of happiness was drawing to a close.

Kor" "Awls gone now," said the cobpler, when his last awl snapt in two.

"Ma, what makes sister Ellen shake and shiver so when she sings?' Why, my child, she took a ticket to the opera, and it struck in and gave her the delirium screamers.

Tom Thumb and wife were' robbed of \$1,297 at White Hall, New York. a chaite is which is start.