THE MINSTREL.

The moon has set-the signal light

Sends high its solemn warning

Yet to it every knee shall bow,

And every tongue confess it!

Again the signal light gleams forth,

The foe a freeman's greeting.

Friends, let there be no sighing; There is in all the universe

A few years more, a few years less,

What matters it, my brother?

Our duty done, we'll fearless pass

From this world to the other.

Our heavenly Father sees us;

Die humbly for the human race,

But see!-red shot and hissing shell

The southern skies illuming!

And hark! the northern answer, in The cannon's sullen booming!

Hurrah! the bugles sound the charge!

O, sturdy northern yeomen! With tempest stride and serried steel

Sweep down upon the foemen!

The trampled of the distant lands

The slaves shout in the barracoon,

Watch, pray, and hope, and wonder!

As through the breach we thunder!

MORAL & RELIGIOUS

The Crow's Nest.

Some vessels are furnished with a

look-out at the masthead, to which

seamen give the name of the crow's

nest. It is a frame work of wooden

laths, covered all around with stout

canvass, to furnish protection against the cold to those who are obliged to

The christian's closet may be com-

pared to this look-out. First, it is an

elevated place. The look-out at mast-

head is far above the din and bustle of

the ship's deck. This elevated posi-

tion has its own peculiar advantages.

The mind of him who occupies it is

not diverted, nor his attention distract-

ed from the proper business of the

hour by what is passing beneath him. So it is with the christian's closet,

when it is indeed a consecrated place

into which the world is not permitted

to enter. When the christian enters

such a closet, he is for the time eleva-

ted far above the daily labors, cares

and anxieties which too often burden

The look-out is an excellent place

for taking observations. This is in-

deed the special purpose for which it was constructed. Here objects may

be clearly discerned, which are but

dimly seen; or quite invisible from the

deck of the ship. So it is with the christian's closet. Here objects be-

come distinct to the mental and moral

vision, which are but dimly seen, or

not seen at all amid the labors, cares

In time of danger the look-out at

masthead, if not constantly occupied,

is frequently visited. The safety of

the ship often requires that some one

should keep a close watch from this

post of observation. In seas which

are encumbered with ice, it is necessa-

ry for the captain or some other officer

of the ship to keep this station for

hours, to pilot the vessel through packs

seen on the ship's deck are here dis-

covered and guarded against. So with

the christian's closet. Dangers which

escape his observation while pursuing

covered, and the soul is put on its

times of danger. Times of special

prosperity are times of danger. Then

the look-out should be often visited;

for the ship is sailing in seas where the

drift-ice of coldness, worldliness and

hardness of heart abounds. Times of

adversity are times of danger. Then

should the christian betake himself to

his look-out; for the dangerous rocks

of unbelief, distrust and repining are

near at hand. Here is the best place

for comparing the course of the ship

with the chart where these ice-obstruc-

ted seas and these dangerous rocks and

headlands are all mapped out. The

look-out and the closet, or, in other

words, the closet and the Bible, are

the two safeguards of the christian in

his life-voyage. It is through the dil-

igent use of these means of grace that

the Captain of his Salvation will guide

him safely to the harbor of eternal

rest .- Cor. S. School Times.

The closet should be often visited in

the daily routine of life, are here dis-

guard against them.

and excitements of daily life.

and disturb the mind.

occupy this exposed position.

As once died holy Jesus.

We march, etc

This thought shall sweeten life's last hour-

If we fall on the battle-field,

No better place for dying!

We march, etc.

We march, etc.

And hark!—the "long roll" beating! To arms!—fall into line and give

We sleep upon our arms to-night
And wait the battle morning.

us—We march beneath the Stripes and Stars,
God's banner!—let earth bless it!

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BEST Note and Letter paper at

What have you done for the Fair?

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 1864.

ARTEMUS WARD ON THE PRESI-DENCY.

MISCELLANEOUS,

Enny chap wot possesses the most obtoose intelleck can not fale to percev that a much-lier porshun of the rebs' Nuthern friens with the next Presidency. I must kon-duty. air in favur of George B Little Macklellan fer the next Cheef Magistrait. I make no hugely and muchly admire. Ef he was makes a tipptopp Pres. As President the shivalry with a longer stick! He's a visions, brigades, regiments, battalions or Geo. woodent irritate his Suthern bruthern doin' it now. Rather. Ef it wasent for a companies, or may order to be detached, much. Skarcely But I doant beleve fur ole frend of mine, I wood endorse Benjaenny length ove moments that Mack wood make the best Pres. the world ever saw. On the contrary, I think he wood make him "Beest Butler," is fit for treeson, stratthe wust—the it wood be pretty difficult to yjims an spiles! He wood swop orf his make a wuster than J. Buckannen. Geo. grandmother for a yaller dorg! B. woodent du fur a Union Pres. He hath his faults. Ef he was nonmynated for a Grave Digger, or a boss in a Iron Oar quarries, I wooden say neigh. As a digger, he's large. I mite say he's immense. As ril he's hunkier. That's his little falt. Cheef Magistrait of the U. S. he'd be skaky. Rather. Afore he'd ockupied the the nex Presidensy. cheer long he'd hev Washington sity dug up an lokated at Hoboken, N. Jarsy. Maybe he'd send mittens to the bare handed shivelry, afore they battled with the mudsills ov the North. Praps I'm rether cheef among 43 thousan, and the I altohevry on Geo. · Onct I endosed him. I kalled him Pennselvany's sun. I dident stop to enquire wether he was Abolitionist, too. He's bin runnin the meshene 2 yers, Copperheadishinest, Greelyishionist, or J. Bennetishionest, Gooist or Jentilist, so he wood skrush the Rebs as he promist to faled to stall him. He's a bringin her do-push'em to the wall as he sed he'd do. | throo all O. K , skrushing slavery, Secesh-Wen George hed kommand of the Potomick of the Army, he used ta maik stratergick movments toards Richmond, an im mejitly finde hisself in Washington. Now. Washington he will find hisself-sum uther plase-praps he'd retreet tu Salt river!

I doant think Klemment Vallanpigham wood maik a sootable Pres. fer the North. Klem has his little falts, 2. He's a forriwoant say what, but the fust letter sounds and Linkin begin with a L. Tha will vote like Trater. An that's what aileth him He was elected to remane in Kanada a few years. Them few years is not up. Klem wood soot the Suthern and Northern Rebs 2 a T, but ary a man wot has a hunk of patritism in his buzzem as big az a Copper hed's sole, wood preferr he continued being

Praps Mr. Tout Boorygard wood fill the Pca - it eny-prise party. I air free 2 confess that Tout wood fill the Presidentshul cheer with as much advantage to the North as eny other Copperhead, but he's not the pippin or squinch of the undersigned's eye. Hardly. He, 2, hath bis falts. Like them fust named, he sympathises with the

Thare iz other candydates named by the Peas Party. Shoodent wunder ef they had a hankering arter J. Buckanen again. Wen J. B. was President, he mixt things up soperbly. Ef it hadent a been fer Jeems an his festiv party, we coodent now boast of war; we coodent boast of payin 75 cents a pound for butter, an other things in proportion; we coodent boast-we coodent-we-we coodent boast! Cood we? But Jeems woodent be lected. I learn he was run for constable and was defeeted.

Perchans the N. Y. Peas men will bring out Mister Emma Wehh for the posish She might make a lavely Pres. in 1 cents, but not in another. She luvs the shivelry not too wisely, but too well. She has other falts. She doant ware the rite kind ov Close. E. Webb is out of her spere; it is in the sunny Sowth. Fer the benefitt ov thoze readers which hasent herd ov Emma, I will state that she air a femail who makes stumpp speechis occasionally fer J. Davice. I bet it she ever gits a huse ind heel hev to fly around!

The Union party air also naming thair candydates John Charles Fremont is hinted at. Jonney is a hunky boy, but he has a kuple of falts. The 1st is, his time has not kum. The 2d, he woodent be lected. This larst falt is jest what ails me. I think your humble sarvint cood run for Pres. without gitting lected, as eesy as the next man, or eny uther man. Those hotbeaded chappys oll over the country who air usin John's name had better refrane. They should take B. Frank Scott's advise, an put "money in thar purse." But I think Jack Fremonte is a sensible, moril, uprite chap, there4 I opine he wount leav his name for to be used in those manner.

He must bide his time Sec. Chase has also been pushed forrard. Salmon wood make a calooshus President, thar's no 3 yase about it. But he has his falts, 2. 1 is he woant acksept. Another, he makes a good Seekretary. Them's not the worst falts he ken hev. Not enny. As secky has declined the nominash which was want to be thrust upon him by sum persons, I say Bully for him! The Cops beslime Salmon for cirkulating greenbax. I hev but one objection to him in those particular-which is, he cirkulates too few ov em in the imejiate vicinity of A. W., Jr's pockit. Ef the boges demos don't pear at such time and place to every per think theys luvly, let em emmagrate to the Suthrin Contheveracy, an locate among their frends, whar shinplasters air as plenty as Bishop Polkberries, an about as woth-

less. In the South the Union men wants at least four days previous to call-ten tu cum North, and the Rebs won't let em. | days for election, and when the company is In the North the Union men want the Cop paraded, the commanding officer shall ver-Rebs to go South, an tha woant go. This shows that we air the most generous ov day not exceeding thirty days from time

Gen. Butler-or, in the classick terms ov all Nurthern an Suthern traiters, "Beest fess "Beest Butler" is a "animile" that I dowt his frens think he wood make a swete in the Presidenshall cheer now, instead of Pres. Ackordin tu thair idee ov things, the shivalry stirring up the "animile" with he wood-2 sweet. Tha think J. Davice a long stick, the "animile" would stir up tion, tumults, or riots. May order out dimin. But B. F. air verry well sooted in his present locashe, an the cuss who calls

Gen. Grant air another hunky youth. Thare cood be wus men then Ulysses brot forrid. But he has his little falt. As a President he mite be hunk, but as a Gen-

An he's a goin to git it, 2. Praps youve heerd ov him. His 1st name is Mister Honest Old Abe Linken. cheef among 43 thousan, an the 1 altogether luvly. As a Pres. I air free tu admit that he's Gorjeus. Others think so with traters, copperheds, an other filthy varmin puttin on the brakes. But tha in, an a goodly porshun of the Confedrasy

Giv us Linkin or giv us-Ole Abe. We air not peticular, as either will doo. The ef he makes a stratergick muvement toards | Duchmen will vote fur Abe, becaws Liber ty, Linken, Logger beer, an Limberger chees begin with a L The Irish will vote fer him becaws Praties an Irish Whisky doant begin with a L.

under its wheel, in troo Juggernot stile.

The cops wornt vote for him becaws fer Geo. B., becaws Mizry, Murder, Missygenation, an MackLellan begins with a M. Thine onely,

A. WARD, JR.

#### The State Militia Laws.

In view of the fact that the militia of Pennsylvania will probably be called out in the course of a few weeks, we publish, for the benefit of our readers, an outline of the militia law passed by the last Legislature, which takes up some thirty three pages printed matter. The bill bears date March 30, 1864, and provides First, That every able bodied white male citizen, resident in the State, of the age of twenty one and under the age of forty five years, shall be enrolled in the militia, with the usuals exemptions of idiots, lunatics, paupers, &c.

Second, assessors shall annually, and at the same time they are engaged in taking the assessment or valuation of real and personal property, record all names of those liable to duty, and place a certified copy in the office of the county commissioners of seach county in the State, and such record shall be deemed a sufficient notification to all persons whose names are thus recorded bat they have been enrolled in the militia. When the roll is completed, assessors shall put up in public places notices similar to the United States enrollment.

Section third provides severe penalties or any assessor, clerk or commissioner, who shall refuse or neglect to perform any of the duties provided.

Section 4. The enrolled militia shall he subject to no active duty, except in case of war, invasion, the prevention of invasion, the suppression of riots, and to aid the civil authorities in executing the laws of the Commonwealth, in which case the Commander in-Chief shall order out, for actual service, by draft or otherwise, as many of the militia as necessity demands.

Section 6. Every soldier ordered out for active duty by the proper authorities, who has not some able bodied substitute. shall serve, or pay the sum of seventy five dollars within twenty four hours from such time. Exemptions are similar to those provided by the United States service, giving members of the Legislature exemption while on duty, and fifteen days before and after the time of their actual term.

Section 10 provides that the city of Philadelphia shall be divided into four brigades, and the city of Pittsburg to have ne brigade each, where they have the minimum number. A number of sections are devoted to the

arrangement of various counties of the State into military divisions, etc. . Section 64 provides for armories for

Section 66. When a commander orders

his company for military duty or for election of officers, he shall order one or more commissioned officers or privates to notify the men belonging to the company to ap son whom he is ordered to notify; if he fails to do so, he shall forfeit no less than twen-

Section 67 provides for time of notice The whole number resulting from yester-

bally notify the men to appear at a future of such parade, which verbal notice shall be a sufficient warning.

Section 70 to section 81 provides for

Section 82 to 91 provides for rosters, orderly books, rolls and returns.

Section 92 provides for calling out the militia in case of war, invasion, insurrec parts or companies thereof, or any number of men to be drafted therefrom.

Section 93 provides for compensation, giving pay and rations same as United States Government

Section 97 provides that proceedings and court martial and courts of inquiry shall be conducted in all respects as provided for in the army of the United States, and punishments as in like cases in said army. Provided that the same are not in Larstly, there's another man naimed fer consistent with the provisions of this act.

Section 98 provides that all penalties, not exceeding one hundred dollars, by summary conviction before any alderman of a city shall be without exemption or ap-

## WAR NEWS.

#### SEC'Y. STANTON'S OF-FICIAL BULLETINS.

WASHINGTON, May 24-10.30 p. m. A despatch from Gen. Grant dated at eleven o'clock last night, states that the army moved from its position to the North Anna, following closely Lee's army.

The 5th and 6th Corps march by way of Harris' Store to Jerico Ford, and the 5th Corps succeeded in effecting a crossing and getting a position without much opposition. Shortly after, however, they were violently ner. He's sumpthin else likewisely; I Liberty, Love of Country, Liek-the Rebs; attacked, and handsomely repulsed the assault without much loss to us. We captured some prisoners. Everything looks exceedingly favorable to us.

Another despatch, giving in detail the movements of our Corps and speaking of the rebel assault on Warren's position, says: "He was attacked with great vehemence, I have never heard more rapid or massive firing either of artillery or musketry. The attack resulted in a destructive repulse of

"At "the position attacked by Hancock the rebels were intrenched and in considerable force between the creek he had crossed and the river, and made a pertinacious resistance to his onset, but before dark he had forced them from their works and driven them across the stream." It is also said that in these engagements

the slaughter of the enemy was very great, but our losses inconsiderable. The rebels charged against our artillery, and suffered especially from canister.

LATER.

A despatch from Gen. Grant, dated this morning at 8 o'clock, has been received. It is stated that the enemy have fallen back from the North Anna and we were in pursuit. Negroes who have come in say that Lee is falling back to Richmond. Other official despatches from headquarters say that Warren, Burnside and Han

cock are pushing forward after the retreating army.
Gen. Warren captured a good number-

of prisoners last evening, but has not had time to count them, or ascertain the loss. Hancock, in storming the rifle-pits this

side of the river last evening, also took between one and two hundred prisoners, and drove many rebels into the river, where they were drowned. Warren also captured some official papers, amongst them an order calling out all the boys of seventeen years of age to garrison Richmond. Ambulance men and musicians are also ordered to the ranks.

Sheridan was this morning at Dunkirk. and will be at Milford to-night.

No despatches have been received today from Gen. Sherman, and none are expected for several days.

Despatches from Gen. Butler have been received to-day, relative chiefly to the respective forces. Admiral Lee in a telegram dated the 22d to the Secretary of the Navy, states that "last night (Saturday night) the enemy attacked the army and were handsomely repulsed."

A despatch from Major Gen. Canby, dated the 18th, at the mouth of Red river, states that Gen. Banks' troops had arrived at Semmesport yesterday, and will reach Morgansea to-day. The army is in hetter condition than was expected, and will soon be ready to assume offensive operations. E. M. STANTON,

Secretary of War. WASHINGTON, May 25, 9 p. m. The latest news from Gen. Grant's head quarters received by this department is dated at Mt. Carmel church, I o'clock p. m. yesterday.

The despatch says: "Everything is going on well "Warren has 400 prisoners, Hancock some 300, and Wright has picked up some.

day's operations will not fall short of a thousand.

"Warren's loss is not over 300 killed and wounded.

"The prisoners captured are in a great part North Carolinians, who are much dis-

couraged, and say Lee has deceived them. "The pursuit is delayed by the great fatigue of the men. Still Hancock and Warren will reach South Anna by night-

General Butler, in a dispatch dated at headquarters in the field 71 o'clock this morning, reports that "Major Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, lately promoted, made with cavalry, infantry and artillery, an attack up-on my post at Wilson's wharf, on the north side of James river, below Fort Powhatan, garrisoned by two regiments, all negro troops, (Brigadier General Wild command-

ing), and was handsomely repulsed. "Before the attack Lee sent a flag stating he had force enough to take the place and demanded its surrender; and in that case the garrison should be turned over to the authorities at Richmond as prisoners of war; but if this proposition was rejected he would not be answerable for the consequences when he took the place.

"General Wild replied, "We will try

"Reinforcements were sent, but the fight was over before their arrival.

"The loss is not yet reported." No other reports of military operations have been received by the department since telegram of 9.30 last evening.

E. M. STANTON, Sec. of War. WASHINGTON May 26.

Despatches from General Grant, received this morning, inform the Department that the retel army still hold a strong po-sition between the North and South Anna, where their forces appear to be concentra-

It will probably require two or three days to develop his operations, which are not now proper subjects for publication. The 9th Corps has been incorporated

with the Army of the Potomac. No despatches have been received from any other field of operations.

EDWIN M. STANTON, Secretary of War. WASHINGTON, May 26-11 p. m.

The dispetch from General Grant, mentioned in my telegram this morning, was dated at Jericho Milis, at 12 noon, yesterday, the 25th.

An official dispatch from headquarters at Quarles' Ford at eight o'clock this morning, has just been received. It details movements in progress since yesterday, of which it is not proper now to say more than that they manifest their result in twenty four hours.

Our sick and wounded at Fredericksburg have been transferred to Washington, and the army material and supplies are removed to points nearer to the present field From the mouth of Red River on the

21st of May, General Cauby reports that the army from Red River was delayed in crossing the Atchafalaya. The crossing was completed to day, and the army is now moving across the Mississippi. Brigadier General A. J. Smith had a

spirited engagement with Polignac's Rebel division on the 18th instant, defeating it, driving it several miles, and capturing three hundred prisoners.

In the report at 10.45 to day, General Butler says :-

'Further official reports show that the repulse at Wilson's Wharf was even more complete than I telegraphed. The enemy retreated during the night, leaving twentyfive of their dead in our hands, and showed loss of killed and wounded of more than two hundred. From the accounts of every officer the negro troops behaved most spien-

Nothing has been heard from General Sherman's command. E. M. STANTON, Sec. of War.

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