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TOWANDA:

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Original Poetry.

COURAGE, SOLDIERS!

By Bernard Beane. Courage, soldiers, fear no danger, Let your step be firm and bold— And your deeds in future ages, At many a fireside shall be told.

Selected Tale.

THE ESCAPE.

On a cold, bleak evening, late in November, a female, enveloped in a weather-beaten cloak was seen hurrying along the sidewalk of a fashionable street in one of the Atlantic cities. Once she ascended the doorway of a splendid mansion, and was about to open the bell, when a sudden burst of mercantile from within seemed to deter her, and she again resumed her course with an air more dejected and timid than before. Having passed a dozen or more houses, she paused in front of one that, compared with the other, wore a quiet, secluded air. After some hesitation, she ventured to ring the bell. The door was opened by a servant, of whom she inquired if she could see the mistress of the house.

"And old Barner, whose property is said to exceed a million?" "I have." "Well, it seems that Barner took a fancy to Miss Winthrop, and asked her guardian's leave to propose for her. Mr. Draper's consent being readily obtained, he proposed and was rejected. Not satisfied with this, he continued to prosecute her with his addresses, and, finally, it is said, offered her guardian a heavy sum if he would either by persuasion or threats induce her to marry him.

"I am very anxious," said the female, approaching the lady, "to obtain employment in some family for a few months—are you willing to furnish me with some?" "What kind of employment would you like?" inquired the lady. "I should prefer needle-work, either plain or ornamental, but am willing to undertake any labor whatever, that I can perform to your satisfaction."

At a regular meeting of the Liberty Corners Guards, on Saturday, August 3, 1861, a large number of ladies of the vicinity appeared on the parade grounds, for the purpose of presenting to the company a beautiful flag which they had prepared for that purpose. The company was drawn up in the proper position, and the Rev. D. Clark, in behalf of the ladies, presented the flag, and delivered the following extemporaneous address.

ORIGIN OF THE BAYONET.—The bayonet was invented, it is said, at Bayonne, in 1641, and employed in 1670 in the regiment of the king's fusiliers. It sensibly modified the system of military art in Europe, as it made cavalry less redoubtable in infantry, and caused the fire of lines of battle to be regarded as the principal means of action. The bayonet has, in fact, often proved the decisive arms of the combat.

Educational Department.

Teachers' Institutes.

The Teachers Institutes for Bradford Co., for the Fall of 1861, will be held at the following times and places. Each Institute will commence on Monday, at 2 o'clock, P. M., and close on the following Saturday at 12 noon:

- At Athens Borough, Sept. 2d for the towns of Athens, Ridgely, Burlington, Litchfield, Smithfield, Ulster and Sheshequin. At Rome, Sept. 9th, for Rome, Wysox, Herrick, Pike, Orwell, Warren, Windham, Standing Stone, Sept. 16th, at Columbia X Roads, for Columbia, Wells, South Creek, Springfield, Troy, Armenia, Canton, West Burlington. At Tyrantown, Sept. 23d, for Wyalusing, Tascara, Wilmet, Terry, Asylum. At Monroe, Sept. 30th, for LeRoy, Granville, Franklin, Albany, Overton, the Towandas, and Monroe.

Good Manners.

We know a young man, slow, sullen, heavy-browed and ungacious, who, whenever you speak to him, answers as if it were an effort to be even decently civil; and who, moreover, seems to be quite content, and even proud, of his incivility. And we lean to the charitable side so far as to think this is nothing more than a bad habit of his, which has insensibly fastened upon him; and that he goes through the world—a world of mutual dependence—little aware of the fact, that so small a thing as his manners is constantly producing impressions, and fast forming a reputation, such as ten years hence he may regret as the greatest blunder of his life.