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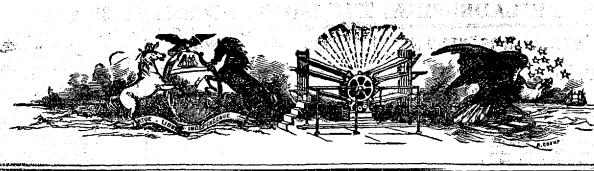
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lence of The Press. I NATCHEZ, Miss., Dec. 19, 1863.

The rebels in this violnity have not made their ong threatened attack. A short time ago General McPherson removed nearly all the troops from this nt, leaving only a small garrison for protection of the tawn. As soon as the robels word in formed of it they made preparations for an attack, and would doubtless have made a prize of the commissary and ordnance atores, if their plans had not been suddenly overthrown. While they were making their preparations news was taken to Vicksburg of the intended raid. Troops were at once hurried down, and arrived just in time. A plan was made for capturing a small force of rebels a few miles to the southward, but it falled in consequence for the rebels' superior know-ledge of the country. Rumor has it that the plan failed through the lack of caution on the part of an officer in his conversation with a Secession lady. As it was, our troops arrived at the junction of four roads just a half hour too late. The best they sould lo after this failure was to make Natchez secure The Mississippi Marine Brigade, under command of General Ellet, has lately been operating on this portion of the river. General Ellet's command consists of infantry, cavalry, and artillery, quartered upon the river steamers fitted up for the purpose, A portion of the horses are kept on board the boats, while the balance find quarters upon barges fastened alongside. Most of the infantry are provided with

mules, so that they can move with celerity in their operations on land. Since the brigade commence work upon the river, it has performed very efficient service in keeping off many of the bands of guerillas. It is a great mistake to suppose so small a body can keep the whole river but it is doing its part towards it. Among the captures made by General Ellet have been the captures made by creneral Ellet have been rebel mails, numerous lots of goods on their way across the river, and in one instance, nearly two million dollars in Confederate money. Last week he captured near Rodney, two thousand bushels of salt that was on its way from Louisians to Bragg's army. It was stored in houses on the west side of the river, and was to be taken across at night in skiffs. From Radney it was to be taken in wagons to Brandon, the nearest railway station, and thence by rail to Atlanta. Salt must be very scarce in the eastern part of the Confederacy when the rebels take so much trouble to obtain their sup-

plies. The expense of transporting in this way must be very great. At the time of capturing this salt Gen. Ellet also fell upon a wagon load of tobacco, which, like the star of empire, was taking its way westward. It was the property of a rebel autler, and was being transported all the way from Richmond to Alexandria, Va. Tobacco is almost as dear as quinine with the rebels, as they have no important portion of the tobacco district in their possession. Before the war they depended upon Kentucky and Missouri for the most of their tobacco. Their cigars were and consequently, when the blockade was cataba Habed, these articles were difficult to Drioure. They are now fabulously high. The sutler in question was anticipating a handsome profit on the sale of In one of the mails recently captured by General Ellet was a letter from the rebel Secretary of War to General Kirby Smith. It recommended the latter

to organize small bands of guerillas to cut off and harrass the navigation of the Mississippi. To secure this object was set forth, as absolutely necessary, an account of the bad effect to the Confederacy of the free navigation of the Mississippi. Foreign nations were looking upon it as indicative of failing strength, and a near approach to the end of the rebellion. It was suggested that the western bank of the river sould be lined with rebels, who should dispute every inch of the way with the passenger steamers. Every passenger boat was to be fired upon, no matter what her lading might be. It was determined to employ every possible means to close the river. No regard was paid to the fact that every boat has more or less women and children on board, and oftentimes many of the friends of the rebels themselves. of the friends of the reverse themselves.

The recent firing upon steamboats would seem to indicate that the rebels are carrying out their plan. The worst gathering appears to be at Morganzia, about fifteen miles above Bayou Sara. Gen. Mc-Pherson and Gen. Ellet have both been anxious break up this band of gebels, but as their locality is in Gen: Banka! department, they have heatened to do so. Meantime the rebels in that quarter are having things very much in their own way, with the exception of the slight attention paid them the gunboats. At the present stage of the river they have very little to fear from most of the gunboats, as their guns lie quite close to the water's edge. A few weeks from now the river will be in such a condition as to enable the poats to fire over the levees, and drive the guerillas from behind their embankments. The height of water in the swamps and bayous will also prevent

the retels reaching the river from the interior.

Once driven back, they must stay driven back until The worst damaged boats have been the Black Hawk, the Von Phul, and the Brazil. The first mentioned had her texas and pilot house burned off, and some thirty shot holes through her cabin. Two persons were killed on board and four wounded. On the Von Phul, the captain and three others were killed, and six persons wounded. Over seventy shots were thrown at the boat, forty of which took effect. All parts of the boat were struck, and the machinery was rendered useless by a shot in the boilers. There was just strength enough left to take the boat out of range before the steam gave out. The audacity of the rebels will be apparent when it is remembered that the Von Phul was under convoy of a gunboat at the time the fire was opened. No heed was paid to the gunboat, and not a shot was fired at her by the rebels until the Von On the steamer Brazil, recently fired upon near Rodney, there were two persons killed, both being women; one was a school teacher, on her way South. Several of the shots passed the length of the boat, cutting through both lines of state-roor listributing them along the bank, so that the steam-

er was under fire for more than half an hour. The passengers of the Brazil were landed twice, most of a voyage upon. For the past four days, no boats have been assailed. The Marine Brigade, in con-junction with some land forces, are working hard in the hope of breaking up the guerilla bands, and put-ting an end to the troubles. It is earnestly desired that they will succeed, though few are so sanguine as to expect it.

It is doubtful if the town of Natchez ever found itself more peaceable than it is at present. The strictest military discipline is kept up, both by day and by night. At all hours guards stand at the principal street corners, ready to fall upon those who show a determination to do wrong. Without any disparagement of other points, I can say that Natchez is the best regulated military post I have anywhere seen. On all the avenues of egress the sentinels are alive to their duties, and it is difficult for a person to get out of the lines unless he has a ect right to do so. No one unprovided with a proper pass can leave town in any direction. Inide the city limits the severest penalties are attached to any attempt at the sale of liquor to either

soldiers or civilians. In consequence of this regulation it is impossible to find a drunken man in a Before the war Natchez-under-the-Hill possessed a very bad reputation. It has not wholly recovered from it, but is far more respectable than it was of old. It is now possible to walk along the levee of the town at night without danger of being robbed. The military rule has been applied to this portion of the town so that it has become quite thoroughly renovated. If it shall continue to be so after the good growing out of the rebellion. In the region directly west of here there are a few roving bands of guerillas, none of them of much im dred rebels were approaching the river, and threat posite Natchez. How much foundation there was for the rumor it is difficult to say, but it is certain tha there was no attack. The rebels have renested! disturb it. Last week Col. Farrar, commanding the forces there, made a reconnoissance into the interior of the State in order to ascertain the rebel situation of them taken on Black river. At one place he surrounded a house where a dance was going on, and them is only one and a half per cent, on the amount of made prisoners of several of the male guests. His made prisoners of several of the male guests. His them is only one and a half per cent, on the amount of the male guests. His own officers made good their places, and the dance went on without serious interruption. No rebel forces of any importance were found.

A gunboat started yesterday to make the ascent of A gunboat started yesterday to make the ascent of Red river as far as possible. You will probably learn before long that the Red river has been occupied by our forces throughout its navigable portions. The rebels have several steamboats still remaining on that stream, two of which, the Webb and the Grand Duke, are gunboats. The Webb is a very fast steamer, and it is rumored that she is undergoing repairs to fit her for sea. There are fears that she may attempt to run the gauntlet: of the lower Mussissippi and escape into the Gulf, where she might do considerable damage. Measures should be taken to prevent it.

Unintentional Prophecy of the London To the Editor of The Press: SIB: In volume XXXII of "Punch," page 103, you will find the following unintentional prophecy: you will find the following unineartions prophecy:

"Confederate crew, your appeal to the nation,

Your failures and blunders, your recommendation.

Will teach you that England of honor so jealous

Loves not coalitions composed of such fellows."

This, I think, has been fulfilled.

Respectfully. G. D. THE grave of the Spanish poet, Luis de Clone, has been violated by robbers, who. It is thought, hoped to find the rich star of the Order of Charles III., which had been placed on the breast of the corpse laid out before interment. The decoration had, however, been removed. Still more adventurous Italian bandits have broken into the archbishop's palace of the town of Tortona, and compelled the ateward to give up the key of the treasury, which contained 6,000fr. At Castel Nuovo Scrivia, a silver bust, valued at 8,000fr., was stolen from a church. INCIDENTS OF THE WAR.

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"The operations of this branch of the Confederate service have been chiefly confined to preparations for ridding our waters of the enemy's vessels now blockading our seaports," but as we have yet to hear that the blockade of any of "our seaports" has yet been raised, the inference is that they have utterly failed in their main purpose; and as, according to the last message of Mr. Jefferson Davis, it is only a "paper blockade," this failure tells badly for the rebels. If, however, there is not much that is encouraging in this direction, Mr. Mallory finds great solace in the exploits of the rebel cruisers. The Florida has, it seems, during the past year, destroyed vessels and property "amounting to several millions," while the Alabama (Semmes) "has captured upward of ninety vessels, seventy of which were destroyed, the others being either bonded or released." The acknowledgment of the construction of iron-clad steam rams in England and France, already commented upon, is made in the most explicit terms. But although the British Government's "unfriendly construction of its neutrality laws? Mas plits at support on "the Emperonof Chinals" reserved to the have been taken sufficient to exempt her from the fale of her consorts." Those building in France had been subjected to so many official visitations that he forwarded instructions to cease operations upon them "until the result of negotictions now pending shall permit our agent to resume work upon them." These are little items that our authorities will coubtless have an eye to.

Of the Johnson's Island Plot, Mallory says, with much disappointment:

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During the months of July and August I sen wenty seven commissioned officers and forty trust orthy petry officers to the British Provinces, with refers to organize as gynedition and concerns with worthy petty officers to the British Provinces, with orders to organize an expedition and oo operate with army officers in an attempt to release the Confederate prisoners confined on Johnson's Island, in Lake Erie. From time to time I learned that the arrangements made were such as to insure the most complete success. A large amount of money had been expended, and just as our gallant naval officers were about to set sail on this expedition, the English anthorities gave information to the enemy, and thus prevented the execution of one of the best planned enterprises of the present war.

Three hundred and eighty, three commissioned Three hundred and eighty-three commission officers are attached to the Confederate navy. THE DIVERS OFF CHARLESTON.

During a recent visit to Port Royal I witnessed with considerable interest the operations of the divers employed to clean the bottoms of the Monitors, and perform other operations under the water. Meass. Joseph H. Smith and James B. Phelps have a contract with the Government for the performance a contract with the Government for the performance of this work, and have been of great use here. Their principal diver—appropriately named Waters—is so used to this work that he has become almost amphibious, remaining for five or six hours at a time under water. A man of herculean strength, and proportions, when clad in his submarine armor he beunder water. A man of herculean strength, and proportions, when clad in his submarine armor he becomes monstrous in size and appearance. A more singular sight than to see him roll or tumble into the water and disappear from sight, or, popping up, tlowing, as the air escapes from his helmet, like a young whale, can scarcely be imagined. Waters has his own ideas of a joke, and when he has a curious audience will wave his soraper about as "be bobs round" on the water, with the air of a veritable river god. One of his best jokes—the better for being a veritable fact—occurred last summer. Whilst he was employed scraping the hull of one of the Monitons, a negro from one of the up-river plantations came alongside with a boat-load of watermelons. Whilst busy selling his melons the diver came up, and rested himself on the side of the boat. The negro stared at the extraordinary appearance thus suddenly coming out of the water with alarmed wonder, but when the diver seized one of the best melons in the boat and disappeared under the water, the gurgling of the air from the helmet mixing with his muffied laughter, the fright of the negro reached a climax. Hastily acting his oars, without waiting to be paid for his melons, he put off at his best speed, and has not been seen in the vicinity of Station Oreek since. He cannot be tempted beyond the bounds of the plantation, and believes that the Yankees have brought river devils to aid them in making war.

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The diver, when clothed in his armor, is weighted with one hundred and eighty-five pounds. Besides his armor he has two leaden pads, fitting to his armor he has two leaden pads, fitting to his armor had back. The soles of his shors are of lead, an inch and a half thick. All this weight is needed to overcome the buoyancy given by the mass of air forced into the armor and dress, the latter of India. forced into the armor and dress, the latter of India rubber, worn by the diver. When below the surface he can instantly bring himself up by closing momentarily the aperture in the heimst for the escape of the air. His busyancy is immediately increased, and he pops up like a cork, and floats at will upon the surface. The work of aeraping the bottoms of the monitors is very arduous. The diver sits upon a spar, lashed athwart the bottom of the vessel, so arranged as to be moved as the work progresses and with a as to be moved as the work progresses, and with a scraper fixed to a long handle works on both sides o bimself as far as he can reach. The mass of oyster that become attached to the iron hulls of one of the monitors, even during one summer here, is immense By actual measurement it was estimated that two hundred and fifty bushels of cysters, shells, and say weed, were taken from the bottom of the Montaul alone. The captains of the monitors have some times indulged in the novelty of a mess of oyster raised on the hulls of their own vessels. Resides cleaning the monitors, the divers perform other important services. They have ransacked thinterior of the Keokuk, attached buoys to lost anchors, and made under-water examinations of the rebei obstructions. Waters recently examined the sunken Weehawken, and met an unusual danger for the contract of the residence of the contract of the residence of the r

sunken Weehawken, and met an unusual danger for even his perilous calling. The sea was ao violent that he was twice thrown from the deek of the monitor. Finally, getting hold of the iron-ladder, he climbed to the top of the turret, when a heavy sea cast him inside the turret between the guns. Fearing that his air hose would become entangled he hade his way out with all possible speed, and was forest to give up his investigations and waterway weather offered a more favorable opportunity.

COT. Bullimore American.

GEN. MEADE'S ACCOUNT OF HIS LAST CAMPAIGN.
Rev. S. H. Ball, of Dover, N. H., recently visited the Army of the Potomac, and called upon Gen. Meade. He asked the general to explain his last campaign, and the general was kind enough to do so, as follows:

"I went over the river to fight, and if my orders had been obeyed I am confident that Lee's army might have been defeated. My plan was to cross at Germania Ford, take the road to Orange Court House, and push on rapidly. If Lee should send forces to atop me, to attack him in force and destroy that portion of his army before he could concentrate the whole of it to oppose me. But one of my corps commanders falled me. He was commanded to march at 6 o'clock in the morning, but did not move until 8 o'clock; he was directed, if Lee sent forces to oppose him, to attack at once; Lee did send Ewell down to Orange Court House road, just as I expected, but my general stood and looked at him all day, and did not fight. So we lost twenty-four hours, and that gave Lee notice and time to concentrate his army, and take so strong a position that it could not be carried without great loss and risk of losing our army. Such as fight would have damaged us, and encouraged the rebels, and prolonged the war, and I gave the order to retreat." The corps commander referred to was General French, who was probably too drunk to know or do his duty. CONFISCATED REBEL POETRY Upon the British officer arrested in New York as a rebel agent a quantity of printed poetry was found, of which the following verse from "Maryland in

a reven agent a quantity of printed poetry was found of which the following verse from "Maryland in Chains" is a specimen:

Are we free? Go ask the question
In the cells of Ladayette;
Ask it of your chain girt brothers
Shut within its parapet;
Ask it of the silent journals
Crushed beneath an iron hand;
Ask it of the mighty armies
Quartered on your groaning land.
To them let the question be,
Friends and brothers, are we free?
Another, entitled the "Guerillas," a Southern war-song, commenced thus:
Awake and to horse, my brothers!
For the dawn is glimmering gray,
And hark, in the crackling brushwood,
There are feet that tread this way.
Oh God! I sieken to tell;
For the earth seems earth no longer,
And its sights are sights of Hell.

Wherever the Vandal cometh, Wherever the Vandal cometh,
Press home to your heart with your steel,
And when at his bosom you cannot,
Islie the serpent, go strike at his heel.
Through thicket and wood go hunt him,
Oreep up to his camp-freede,
And let ten of his corpses blacken
Where one of our brothers has died.

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NEW REBEL MILITARY ROUTE.

An article in the Danville (Va.) Register indicates that the rebels are exerting every energy to complete the Piedmont Railroad, which will give them a line of communication with the Gulf States, and enable them to obtain their supplies without using the Weldon and Goldsboro' route, or even the East Tennessee road. Switches and all branch roads are taken up to get the iron for rails, and the Davis dynasty have taken the construction of it into their own hands, in lieu of the corporation created by the Legislature of North Carolina. HENRY WARD BEECHER AND CONSCRIPTION .-At the reunion, in behalf of the New England Soldiers' Relief Association, at the New York Academy of Music, Henry Ward Bescher said:

Has our population sensibly decreased? I am very sorry to see that we seem to have too much population. I will confess to some feeling of shame at times to see so many robust men in our streets—so many young men in civil employments where women could take their places just as well, and enable those to give their services to the country. I would not say anything opprobrious. I would certainly say nothing unjust to those engaged in an honest industry. I know that many of them are so circumstanced that they have depending upon them those at home that they must needs support, but out of the swarming tens of thousands of the healthy and hearty young men, they have not all of them widowed mothers or orphan brothers and sisters. I am sure there are hundreds and thousands of them who ought to be in the camp. This is one of the reasons I have for desiring conscription to end this mercenary volunteering, and to place the burdens of the war equality upon all. True, we feel the want of laborers a little in our various branches of industry, but we are receiving fresh blood from across the water, and I believe need this foreign blood that is enterprising enough to some to this country. Our danger is not want, but luxury. of Music, Henry Ward Beecher said:

in no instance can these terms be deviated Iford very little more than the cost of pay AN POLIMATORS OF SPRINGING BY BUT DO ALORIN OF INE WAR PRESS.

To the getter up of the Club of ten or twenty, and extra copy of the Paper will be given. THREE CENTS. PERSONAT. -A correspondent of the Herald gives the following description of Mrs. Patterson Allan, arrested

> Miss D'Hart, whose family name is one of the most honorable in Northeastern New Jersey. Mrs. Maye. of Richmond, the mother of the wife of Lieutenant eneral Winfield Scott, was Mrs. Patterson's sister. and therefore aunt of Mr. Patter The gallant Commodore Daniel C. Patterson, Unied States Navy, who commanded the flotilla on the Mississippi which co-operated with General Andrew Jackson in the defence of New Orleans against the

they had just told him that they heard little or nothing of the opposition deputy's speech—an as-surance which caused considerable hilarity. - At Little Rock, Ark., on the 28th ult., C. D. Levett was playing the character of Robert Shelly, in "The Wife's Trials," in the theatre, and made a desperate effort to render the dying scene real by plunging a dirk knife into his own breast, and inplunging a cirk kille into his own breast, and in-flicting what he supposed at the time to be a mortal wound. He is recovering. It seems that he had all the previous day contemplated the act, as he had in-vited many of his acquaintances to visit the theatre that night to witness the best effort of his life.

Deacon John Phillips, of Sturbridge, Mass. is now in his one hundred and fourth year. This venerable man was born in Massachusetts when George II. was King of Great Britain. He was drafted in 1776, and served in the early part of the American Revolution, and has a distinct recollection of the battle of Bunker Hill, which took place when be was fifteen years old. What an interest such a life wears simply when contemplated as a chrone-logical measure—a visible bridge between the pre-

- Colonel William S. King, in his general orders, usual stilted style. In a recent order he calls attention to the propriety of saluting. " Courtesy costs nothing, and it is quite as easy for officers to exnot personally acquainted, as to eve each other askance, like strange cats, as is now unfortunately too often the case." In another section, the Colone

and seat it as his typir. It publied the from syor considerably, and it was some time before he discovered the meaning to be Fernando, I Am Beaten the Cathedral by His Lordship, the Metropolitas, to Miss Ells Magruder, the lovely and accomplish-ed daughter of Commodore Magruder, late of the Boston, where they will spend a few days. — W. Gilmore Simms is said to be "hard up" in Charleston. His once popular books were copy-righted, and published by New York publishers,

rom whom he cannot receive a farthing.

"Previous to the breaking out of that wicked rebellion, which at this moment is alike convulsing and regenerating your country, so prolific were the plantations of the South, so excellent was the quality of the fibre grown, so comparatively near was the field of production, and so established were the trade exchanges and correspondence between England and America, that eighty-five per cent of all the cotton we consumed came from your slave-cursed shores. While this was the state of things, there was not the slightest possible encouragement to other countries to grow cotton in competition with the produce of the Southern States. Hence our bondage to the slaveholders seemed complete and inexorable. By their own act we have been emacipated, and shall never again be enthralled. The cunning have been taken in their own crattiness. Yaulting ambition hath o'erleaped itself.

"How marvelously have events, even in themselves, worked toward the furtherance of ends beneficent and good!" OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES' AUTOGRAPH CON-

my possession:
Mr. — to X —

serpents?
Answer. The simple fact that they secrete their venom when they can find it when wanted.
9. Why do the above questions amuse you more than the answers?
Answer. Because the person who asks the question is the querist.
As to the other questions about which you ask my opinion, my answer must be brief.
Eighteen hours' study out of the twenty-four is too much, I think, for delicate young persons. It does not allow sufficient time for sleep, recreation, and meals.
I doubt about the introduction of capital punishment as a part of the ordinary sollege discipline. It will have a good effect on the survivors, no doubt.
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THE WORK OF THE MONTORS.—The officer in charge of the shot and shell division of the monitor Patapaso, before Charleston, furnishes a transcript from his record of the expenditures of chot, shell, and powder, by that vessel during less than a year. Up to November 4th the Patapaso expended, for her 200-pound rife, 44 tons, 640 pounds shot, or altogether 109,200 pounds. Expenditure of powder for rific gun 6 tons, 1,530 pounds, or 14,970 pounds, or 17,130 pounds of shot. Expenditure of powder \$\frac{1}{2}\$ tons, \$\frac{1}{2}\$ os pounds, or 12,085 pounds, or 17,130 pounds of shot. Expenditure of powder \$\frac{1}{2}\$ tons, \$\frac{1}{2}\$ os pounds, or 12,085 pounds, in the amounts of powder expended is included the bursting charges of the shells. The total of this expenditure amounts to \$\frac{1}{2}\$ tons of shot and 12 tons of powder; a large amount certainly to be fired from one vessel carrying only two guns. The expenditure in other moultors has been nearly or quite as large as that of the Patapaso. The latter has been in twenty-eight engagements, and has been struck over four hundred times.

in New York. Her husband's mother is the daughter of the late John W. Patterson, of Elizabeth-town, New Jersey, and Mr. Patterson's wife was a

and tried in Richmond on a charge of high treason, in the shape of a letter addressed to the Rev. Morgan Dix, D. D., rector of Trinity Church and parish

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British, in 1814, was the brother of John W. Patter son, and, of course, uncle of Mr. Patterson Allan's mother. Mr. Allan is of a distinguished Richmond family, which may be justly classed among the very gravitat I. I. V.'s. His wife, the lady whom he so faithfully and honorably attends and protects while arraigned on the charge of loyalty to the Government of the United States, is of Northern birth and ancestry. Before her marriage she was Miss h ary Caroline Wilson, of Cincinnati. A Paris correspondent indicates that the liberty of speech possessed by the opposition deputies in the French Chamber is more apparent than rest M. Thiers has spoken but little; but, when on one occasion he attempted to do so, the noise was second that he had to set down. Aparthy constitute great that he had to sit down. Another opposition deputy having been forced to give up speaking by the noise and interruptions, President Morns jocosely told the Chamber that the reporters would report no more of the speeches than they heard, and

sent and a most wonderful past!

cautions the soldiers and citizens against boisterous singing in the streets of Lexington: "For such -A good story is told by a New York correspondent of a Boston paper, apropss of the late munisi-pal election there. Towards the close of it, when the voting had ceased, Fernando Wood sent to Bools the voting near tensent, reamonto vi con seur o locale to enquire as to the prospect; when he, taking a sheet of paper, wrote his initials F. I. A. B. Qu it, and some it as his reply. It puncted the from spot - The Montreal Transcript of the 23d gives the fol-lowing: Yesterday morning, at 3½ o'clock, Lieut. Col. Lord Abinger, S. F. Guards, was married at United States navy, and niece of Major General Magruder, commanding Confederate forces in Texas. Among those present were the members of the Magruder family, the bride's sisters acting as bridesmaids; Lieut. Gen. Williams, K. C. B.; Maj. Gen. and Lady Sarah Lindsay; Col. Connolly, who acted as best man, and a number of officers of the Guards, comrades and friends of the bridegroom. The happy couple left town yesterday afternoon for

Cotton not King. George Thompson writes to William Lioyd Gar-rison from England that the cotton famine in that country has greatly abated. Here are his facts: George Thompson writes to William Lloyd Gardinate with nish at the true tolking with any out with all possible speed, and was foreat a more favorable speed and was foreat to give up his invastigations until william to george the way out with all possible speed, and was foreat to give up his invastigations until william to george the way out with all possible speed, and was foreat the way out with all possible speed, and was foreat the way out with all possible speed, and was foreat the way out with all possible speed, and was foreat the way out with all possible speed, and was foreat the way out with all possible speed, and was foreat the way out with all possible speed, and was foreat the way out with a foreat the care the state of the works white speed and the way of them having of the home leves until for the army, but not was favored with the following letter:

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> Dear Sir: You ask me for a list of questions in
> natural history, with answers subjoined, for the use
> of the instructor. I submit a few, which I think
> will serve your purpose for the proposed examination of the scientific class:
> I. What animal produces one of its own parents?
> Answer. The beaver, which is well known to construct its own dam. truct its own dam.
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> 2. Is the Dodo extinct?
>
> Answer. It is not, as shown by the following bill

3. What is the largest quadruped?
Answer, The mole of Adrian;
4. What is the lightest quadruped?
Answer, The lynx, The lynx weighs less than an owner.

5. When does a horse stand on six legs?
Answer. When he stands on his fore legs and his two hind legs also.

6. What other insect is the bee afraid of?
Answer. The beetle—(scare a bee-na.)

7. Is the otter of roses obtained from that animal when fed on other vegetables—cabbages, for instance. Answer. Probably. The musk deer furnishes his perfume when fed on water-melon.

S. What instance can you give of the cunning of

mercenary volunteering, and to place the burdens of the war equally upon all. True, we feel the want of laborers a little in our various branches of industry, but we are receiving fresh blood from across the water, and I believe need his foreign blood that is enterprising enough to some to this country. Our danger is not want, but luxury.

ENGLISH SPORTSMEN.—A party of English sportsmen, headed by the Duke of Cambridge, received the large of the place of the replies are employed in the established diplomatic way to conceal thought. Jonathan Wild invites Mr. Bluesling and Count Faro to an anti-burglar and fair by the larger and fair by