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of this was to relieve it of the gas often formed in gun.

irons, and which, if not removed, creates globular cavities in the mass of the gun, and thereby de-

COMMENCEMENT OF THE CASTING.

The casting commenced at twenty-four minutes after twelve. Eighteen bushels of goal were allowed

atter tweive. Eighteen bushels of coal were allowed to each ton of iron to make the fusion. Furnace number five was first opened, and then furnaces number six and four. The scene was most animated and very exciting. The liquid fron, traversiog the sturdy runners, glared and sparkled with dazzling intensity. Along the black line of the runners corruscations and flery spray shot out into the air.

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The mould was surrounded by an eager crowd; the crants were lined with workmen; four men were busy with long, narrow pudding sticks, collecting the seum and scotte which gathered on the surface of the liquid iron. Small quantities of iron were thrown into the pit from time to time, in order

ENDING OF THE CASTING.

furnaces were opened at precisely twenty-four

closed at forty five and a half minutes past twelve

degrees; at the moment the casting was over i

casting was over it was at fifty-two degrees; eigh

THE CASTING ABUNDANTLY SATISFAC-

The casting was a perfect success. No result could

possibly have been more satisfactory. Nothing went wrong. Furnace No. 6 was the first to be

stopped, and the others, Nos. 4 and 5, were stopped almost immediately after. When the casting was

completed a blacking, consisting of ground coal, was

strewn over the top to prevent chilling. During the

n the flack, which is perforated in a thousand place

with these necessary accommodations, haif an inch in diameter. Three furnaces only were employed.

dent, but the necessity for its use was wholly pre-

inded. Only two or three tons were left over, after

the casting was completed, evincing a calculation o

The fourth furnace in reserve had a supply of ten tons, and a fifth twelve tons, which in any exigency

might have been drawn upon. After the casting was over, the mould, not being completely filled, owing to the gradual settling of the liquid mass, was sup-

plied with fresh liquid fron, or, in other words, was filled up with "shanks," All the fuel employed was

THE DRAWING OF THE CORE

was to take place about twenty-four hours after the casting. In this operation the supply of water is suddenly stopped off. The barrel is much expanded

AFTER THE CASTING.

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tor is Charles Knap, Esq.
THE VALUE OF THE FORF PITT GUN.

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Foundry, is estimated at thirty thousand dollars

(\$30,000). The outlay is at least that much. As a new gun of enormous mould, it has, as a necessity, been expensive. Future castings of guns of the

same dimensions will, of course, incur the expendi-ture of a much less amount.

THE WEIGHT OF THE SHOT.

The 20-inch is not intended for a long-range gur, but rather to do terrible execution within the range

which it will possess. In the manufacture of guns

of large calibre, the question which arises is, "to

which shall greatest attention be devoted, to the in-crease of velocity or to the bulk of the cannon-ball?" The weight of the shot has in this instance engross-

ed consideration. Shell will be almost exclusively used. Both shot and shell will be spherical, of great weight and enormous explosive force. The solid

shot will weigh one thousand pourds, and the shell

seven hundred and seventy-five pounds, allowing for

windage. No information of course can be given at

present in regard to the range of the gun. Whatever its range may be, it is certain that its execu-

tion will be unparalleled in its extent and devas-

THE KIND OF POWDER EMPLOYED.

Two kinds of powder are employed in gun service, viz: cannon and mammoth. Mammoth

powder, invented by Major Rodman, will be em-

ployed in the 20-inch gun. It is the same variety

as that used in 15-inch guns, and its grains are six-tenths of an inch in diameter, or about the size of

hickory-nuts. The gun will burn not less than one hundred pounds of powder. THE GUN'S DESTINATION.

New York is the destination of the 20-inch. It will be mounted in the Narrows, below Fort Hamilton. It will be mounted and in service probably

does not deviate in its general construction from the

wrought iron carriages of the 15-inch guus. No dis-tinctive title has been devised for the guu. It will

merely be characterized as a 20 inch gun, constructed

on the Rodman principle. The carriage is now being manufactured at the Watertown Arsenal, near

PECULIARITIES OF THE BORE.

The length of the bore will be two hundred and

en inches. The bore will terminate in a semi-ellip-

sold, whose major axis will be thirty inches, and

The expense for each charge of the gun may be roughly placed at about seventy-five dollars, allow-

ing twenty five dollars for powder, and fifty for pro-jectiles. Fifteen or sixteen men will be required to

manage the gun when completed, nine being employed in the loading, and six or seven in traversing the gun. No formulæ can at present be given re-

specting the tensoity and hardness of the metal. The hydrometer determines its specific gravity. It is to be remarked, that by the interior cooling principle

surface of the bore. The fact of the gun being cast hollow, secures this.

THE 20-INCH TESTED.

The iron of which the gun is cast was thoroughly

that of the first 15 inch. The sample by which the

gun is to be proved is to be taken from the sinking-head, or the rough end cut off from the muzzle.

The metal has been once remelted before being charged into furnaces for the gun. The iron from

THE 20-INCH IN ADVANCE OF THE WORLD.

It is acknowledged by our numerous foreign visiors that the United States are certainly, in artillery

in advance of the world. The 20-inch gun is a living example of it. But it is not alone the 20-inch

which we are called upon to admire. Attention is attracted to the Fort Pitt Foundry, where the great

gun of the age was manufactured. The spot where such a gun is made is a spot which at once becomes

a matter of history. An inspection of the Fort Pitt

THE FORT PITT FOUNDRY

is, in the first place, in Pittsburg, fronts upon the river, and is bounded on its other three sides by O'Hara, Etna, and Walnut streets. The foundry

Foundry is a matter of almost as much impo

as an inspection of the guns there manufactured.

THE REMELTING.

which it is constructed is all of one grade.

ted, by Major Rodman, in the same manner as

ited, the hardest and best iron is that nearest the

COST PER CHARGE.

whose minor axis will be twenty inches.

within three months, certainly, within six.

THE GUN CARRIAGE

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the Pittsburg bituminous coal

the world has yet witnessed.

drawn out.

fourth furnace was in reserve, in case of any acci-

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Rodman in his report on the trial of the first 15-ioch

un, has long been a matter of theory. Prepara-

ions for its manufacture were begun in May, 1863 nd were continued from time to time as the exi-

gencies of the service permitted. In order, how-

ver, to bring intelligence to bear upon the casting

of this great gun, it will be advisable to understan

comething of the accessories to which it is indebted

NEW BUILDINGS NECESSARY.

The buildings, cranes, furnaces, patterns, fiask, and lathe, had to be entirely new constructed in

order to accommodate themselves to the immense

THE MODEL OF THE TWENTY-INCH GUN.

The model of the 20 lach is a projection of the first lo-inch gun. The length of the rough casting

is 26 feet : its maximum diameter 66 inches; and its

weight 180,000 pounds. The length of the finished gun will be 20 feet 3 inches; its maximum diameter

64 inches; and its weight 115,000 pounds. The diame ter of the rough casting at the muzzle will be four

feet, and that of the finished gun at the muzzle 34 inches. The whole length of the bore is 210 inches.

HOW IT WILL BE HUNG.

E. The gun will be hung on trunnions placed over its centre of gravity, and allowing no preponderance. This mode of hanging guns, introduced by Major.

easier than when a great preponderance is at the

THE PURE JUNIATA IRON EMPLOYED.

The metal from which the gun is manufactured i

the pure Junists iron, from the Bloomdeld-Junists, and Rodman furnaces, now in the hands of the pro-

prietor of the Fort Pitt Foundry. The gun is constructed altogether on the Rodman plan. The pub-

ic. however, so greatly prefer practice to principle

that we append a compressed description of the pro-

THE MOULD

consists of a flask (made in four pieces, bolted and clamped firmly together), and of the sand which it contains, and which forms the matrix of the guu.

contains, and which forms the matrix of the guid-the flask weighs twenty-eight tons, and the sand ten. The mould is formed by placing the flask over a wooden pattern, of the exact size of the rough cast-ing, and then ramming the sand between the pattern and the flask. The pattern is then withdrawn, the

mould is "slicked" or smoothed over, and then washed with a black coating made of ground coal. The mould is then placed in an oven, and baked until it

the case of the 20-inch, was rammed, finished up, blacked, and placed in the oven, by ten men, in twenty hours! The flask being removed from its

ovens, and clamped firmly together, is placed verti-

cally in a pit, made specially for its reception. Thus

with the mouth of the pit, and the centre line of the

THE PIT ITSELF.

muzzle end of the mould is on a level

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THE CORE is a long, hollow, sest-iron, fluted barrel, hung vertically precisely in the centre of the mould. It is exteriorly coated—firstly, by a coll of three eighths GRAIN BAGS.—A LARGE ASSORT. inch rope, closely wrapped, and a mile in length; and, secondly, with a luting of stiff clay, which is put on to separate the cast iron of the barrel from STAFFORD BROTHERS' AMERICAN
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221 CHESTRUT Street. the molten iron of the gun. The rope is used to keep the clay out of the grooves, and, by presenting a rough surface, to prevent it slipping off. The grooves allow the gas (mainly hydrogen), formed by the contact of the melted metal and the clay, to becape freely at the upper cud into the air, where it burns with quite a large flame. After the coatings SHIPLEY, HAZARD, & HUTCHIN-

are on the core is likewise baked hard in an oven.
Its cutside diameter is nineteen inches, one inch less than the finished diameter of the bore, thus allowing half an inch all round for the completion o HOW THE COREBARREL IS KEPT COOL. The core barrel is kept cool by means of a stream of cold water circulating throughout its whole length. A small pipe extending almost to the bottom of the core is traversed by the water which, rising, fills the barrel, and passes off at the top. Dustrial the barrel and passes of at the top. ring the casting the flow of water was sixty gallons

THE TWENTY-INCH GUN FURNACES. Three large reverberatory or air furnaces are used Two are of the capacity of twenty-five tons each. The third, of the capacity of forty tons, is believed to be the largest in the world. It was built expressly to accommodate the 20 inch. It was charged with thirty-nine tons, and each of the smaller furnaces was charged with twenty-three and a half tons. From these furnaces the iron is conducted through iron troughs, lined with clay, into a common pool near the pit. Thence it is conducted by two troughs into the gates of the mould. ter, extending all the way down the mould out the matrix of the gun. They communicate with the gun proper by means of smaller gates, cut through at intervals of fifteen inches, all the way up. The iron is thus conducted first into the bottom of the ld, and then through the side-gates, respectively, up to the top, as the metal rises in the mould. The difference between the reverberatory and the cupola furnace is that in the former the fuel and iron are

separate, and there is a natural draft through a large slack. In the latter the fuel and iron are together, and the draft is made by blast. THE ORANES. Two immense cranes are used in lifting this heavy mould, and in taking the gun from the pit. They have each the capacity of forty tons. They are worked by the steam engine, which not only holsts and lowers the load, but likewise causes the cranes

These cranes were designed and built at the Fort Pitt Foundry by Mr. Nicholas K. Wade, its former engineer.

A LATHE ON A LIBERAL PRINCIPLE. The lathe was built expressly for the 20 inch gun, It is sixty feet long, eight feet wide over the shears, and is driven by two engines, 6-inch eylinders, 12-inch stroke. In the foundation alone there are one hundred and twenty thousand bricks. The coally nature of the gun may be appreciated when it is remembered that the lathe which merely

turns and finishes it cost between ten and fifteen MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION OF THE MONSTER GUN. Special cars or trucks are being built by the Penn avivania Railroad Company for the proper conveyin a small space might prove fatal to continued mo tion. A very large truck is therefore rendered ne cessary. The length of the gun is thus distributed.

and a strain upon any one part altogether preclude THE PROVING GROUND. The new proving ground belonging to the Fort Pitt Foundry, and known as Fort Pitt station, is just seventeen miles out of the city, on the line o he Pennsylvania Railroad. A large traversin handle the gun. Two heavy triangular frames about forty feet high, support a movable beam on a steel knife edge bearing, from which heavy rods de-scend and catch the trunnions and breech of the gun. Suspended in these rods the gun will be three feet from the ground, and, after a firing, will vibrate, a prodigious pendulum, between the frames. The shot fired will be thrown into a steep bank of soft rock. Whether the big gun will be proved here

One of the most deeply interesting sights of the kind that ever took place was to be seen on Thurs-

FIFTERETH Street. Philadelphia. ja2s-stuthlmip

FURNITURE. — RARE OHANCE.—
To those wishing to purchase FINE FURNITURE I would say that I shall offer my entire stock, at the WARKROOMS, No. 45 South SECOND Street, above Chestmu, at the coet of manufacture. The Furniture must he sold before the 16th of March, as the store is to be used for other purposes. The work and materials are of the vary best quality, and every article will be warranted as represented. 4 The stock comprises sound FARLOR SUITE, covered in Satu, Broestelle. Plush "Reps. and Hair Clothe ever offered also, solid Walnut Konnd corner fled stands to match: Parlor Tables, Chaire, Ritegeres, Easy-Arm and Studies Rocking Chaire Sideboards, Extension Tables, Dining Chaire, in Reps. Lounges, Sofas, Hair Racks, Hall Tables; in fact, every variety of Parlor, Dining Room, Hall, Library, and Chamber Furniture. Any doubts as to the above statement will be easily dispolled by cailing at the WARROOMS, No. 45 South SECOND Sireet, and examining the goods, which will be sold at cost, and will show for themselves.

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1. Examination of the sale by leaven o'clock. Whist the iron was running in the mould, it was constantly as the sale of the sale by limb limb. The furnaces were fired at five o'clock A. M.; the metal was all melted by eleven o'clock. Whist the iron was running in the mould, it was constantly as the sale of the sale of

THREE CENTS.

a three-story building. The first story consists of a sand shed and a machine shop, and the recondatory of a pattern shop. The third story is used for patterns. As many as fifteen machinists are employed solely to repair from time to time the majorines in this establishment. About two hundred and fifty man are employed in the Port Plit Equator. and fifty men are employed in the Fort Pitt Foundry. In the

BLACKSWITTES! SHOP. which is sixty by forty feet, all the blacksmithing work of the establishment is done. The work at the Foundry has been performed by the piece for some time. The number engaged is not as large as it otherwise might be.
RAILWAYS IN THE FOUNDRY.

From the foundry to Etna street is a serier of rallways, by which the guns are carried from the foundry to the boring mill, and thence to Etha street. On Etna street itself is a route connecting with the Allegheny Valley, Pennsylvania Central, and Pittsburg, Fort Wayne, and Chicago lines. The means of transportation are, therefore, very practi-OFIPPING SHOP SCALES. Two scales are at the extremity of the chipping-

were known into the pix from time to time, in order to light the gas which escaped from the sand through the small yent-holes in the flask. As the rods with which this process was effected struck the sides of the mould, a shower of fire-flakes descended into the cavity, and shot out scintillations upon the assembled sound. The case scanning form within bled crowd. The gas escaping from within, the iron pipe surrounding the core barrel was in a constant HOW THE FOUNDRY IS WORKED, state of ignition, and formed a pale, luminous crows of blue flame. The ories of "Hold on there!" "Ou of the road!" etc., and the constant excitement of the seene, added to the vividness of the new foundry The official report of Capt, Benet states that the

At the very latest accounts, the great 20 inch co-lumbtad was doing well. From the beginning to the end, it has progressed so favorably that it has left niputes after twelve; that the last furnace was and that, consequently, the time occupied in the casting included exactly twenty-one and a half THE TEMPERATURE OF THE WATER,
The temperature of the stream of water, which
tone minute after twelve commenced running into the core, stood at the commencement at thirty-six stood at forty-two degrees; four minutes after the minutes after the casting was over at seventy five and a half degrees; fourteen minutes after the casting, at eighty-one and a half degrees; twenty minutes after the casting, at eighty-nine and a quarter degrees; twenty-five minutes after the casting, at ninety-one degrees; and thirty minutes after the casting, at ninety-one and three quarter degrees. gave patronage to both.

it is in active service. Wherever and whenever that service may be ordered, it is positively certain that an amount of execution will be effected such as that an amount of execution with be enested state as has never before been wrought by one single instru-ment through all the long results of time, OFFICES OF THE FORT PITT FOUNDRY, The building which these comprise is a large fire-proof structure. One of its features is a testingnachine, which tests the strength of specimens of all guns cast at the foundry. This invention is built

which it is made is kept, a specimen being taken from each, and the specific gravity and tensile strength tested. Records of these are preserved. STEAM POWER EMPLOYED.

A PRIME BALL CHERNER.

A very simple and efficient ball-cleaner attracts the scrutiny of visitors. We understand that the inventor is Mr. Joseph Kaye, who has for a long time acted as foreman of the foundry, and is the introducer of several improvements.

A MACHINE TO FINISH THE RIM-BASES OF GUNS.

by heat. A large strain is put on by the ateam grane, almost sufficient to draw the barrel out. The barrel cools quickly, shrinks with rapidity, the strain of the crane springs it out about two feet, and it is then The casting of the great 20-inch gun having been

shook hands. "Bosses" and puddle-stickers alike dispersed. The Fort Pitt Foundry was, for the time left to itself to reflect at leisure on the greatest gun WHEN THE 20-INCH WILL BE COMPLETED. competent hands. The gun is expected to be ready in the latter part FORT PITT FOUNDRY. of May. The solid shot will weigh 1,000 pounds. The range cannot, of course, at this early date, be etermined, but will at least be equal to the 15-inch

ree large twelve inch rifles of the exterior dimensions of the fifteen inch guns of the Dahlgrer nattern, rifled after the respective moulds prepared by Rodman, Parrott, and Atwater, are now being con-atructed. These three are intended to test which of eranes and other facilities, at the proving ground for testing it, are of the most complete and thorough description. The enormous frame-work, by means hese modes of rifling is the least severe on the guns. and gives the most effective results, and they are likewise expected to prove that a 600-pounder rife of which the gun is along up by trunnions, is the largest structure of its kind in the known world. may be made entirely of cast fron, and endure all the requirements of the service. It is expected that The Fort Pitt Foundry, where the 20-inch gun has been cast, is in Pittsburg, on the Allegheny river, bethe use of a large rifle of cast-iron will not be inle with perfect safety. tween O'Hara and Walnut streets. Its sole proprie-

CAPACITY OF THE SHELL FOUNDRY. The capacity of the Shell Foundry allows it to onstruct seven 9-inch, seven 10-inch, and two 15nch guns per week, and likewise from six to ten FORT PITT FOUNDRY A NATIONAL INSTI-Fort Pitt Foundry, which was established in 1814.

THE WAR.

[Special Correspondence of The Press.]

HEADQUARTERS 12TH ARMY CORFS,

DETARTMENT OF THE CUMDERLAND,

TULLAROMA, Tenn., Feb. 6, 1864.

REVELATIONS OF A REBEL DESERTER. There was an interesting arrival from Rebeldom yesterday. A Tennessean, from Johnston's army, ook the oath of allegiance at this place, having de took the oath of allegiance at this place, having de-serted about two weeks ago, with twenty-five others. The party, after passing the left flank of the rebel pickets, divided into smaller squads, and pursued their way by different routes towards the Tennessee. The one who arrived here did not know what success had attended his companions, but exressed the highest gratitude for his own escape He several times came in contact with rebel cavalry scouring the country in search for deserters, but, having been so fortunate as to secure a citizen's suit rom a relative living near the rebel lines, he succeeded in eluding their vigilance. As he was not voluntarily communicative, interrogation was re-sorted to, and elicited full and intelligible answers. He did not speak in condemnation of the cause he had fought for, but acknowledged its failure, and asked only the privilege of becoming again a peaceful citizen. Being only eighteen years of age, and having been among the prisoners captured at Fort Donelson, he was consequently under sixteen when he enlisted. Transportation was furnished him to Kentucky, whither his parents had moved.
The testimony he brought was reluctantly given, and on that account has the greater title to our confidence. Just before his departure he had seen four-teen executions for the offence he was about to undertake, but resolved to hazard even life in preference to a longer endurance of the hardships of the Confederate service. Desertions would be ten fold more numerous were it not for the difficulty of escaping the rebel scouts; but this is not the only method adopted for its prevention. The soldiers are told that the Federals will lodge them for a time in camps and dungeons, and afterwards exchange them as prisoners of war, thus creating the belief that they will finally fall into the hands of the Confede rate authorities for punishment. This man had no heard of the amnesty proclamatio REBEL BOUNTY-BRAGG'S OLD ROAD.

The rebel bounty for re enlistments is fifty dollars, and the men are given to understand that if they wo not accept this they will be forced to remain where they are at any rate. A few regard it as the better plan to receive the money, but among the great mass there is a determination not to be conscripted. He proborates the report that Kentucky and Tennessee regiments were kept under guard, Georgians being assigned to this duty. General Johnston has announced that he was about to move on Kentucky by Bragg's old road." It was not generally know what route was referred to, and the rebel leader gave no explanation. During the visit of Jefferson Davis, he told the army that Tennessee must be retaken, if it cost three hundred thousand men. This offered no very pleasing prospects for the soldiers. Morgan had five thousand men in camp, and it was rumored that he was to have fifteen thousand more or the purpose of destroying the Nashville and

shop, by which the cannon manufactured an The whole establishment is worked by machinery. posisting of six boilers, which supply steam to no less than twenty-six engines, of various sizes. A very accurate dynameter, or testing machine, is included in the resources of the foundry. The origi nal was constructed by Mr. Wade. The one owned by the foundry is an improvement of Major Rodman. by the foundry is an improvement of Major Rodman.
THE LATEST NEWS OF THE LATEST GUNWONDER.

no room for the wishes or despondencies of its friends and well-wishers. When we have a few more guns like this, perhaps foreign nations, and not foreign individuals only, will be anxious to ab-knowledge our supremacy. No gun that has ever been cast in the wide world can at all compare with the 20 inch gun cast on Thursday at the For Pitt Foundry. No gun that will be made for some time to come will elicit the world-wide interest which attaches to this. Such a gun is literally a never-to-be-forgotten fact in military history. It may be looked upon as the infinitely careful result of years of toil and endeavor. The final result which is so happily achieved is honorable alike to the inventor, the constructor, and the Government which

THE 20-INCH AT HOME. The great 20 inch will never feel at home until upon the latest improved pattern of Rodman, which

one hundred thousand pounds.

NUMBERING OF THE GUNS. Every gun manufactured at the Fort Pitt Foundry numbered. A complete record of the iron of Almost all the heavy work, not only of lifting,

out also of moving the guns over tramways, is efoted by steam.

A PRIME BALL CLEANER.

Another efficacious and by no means complex incertion is a machine for finishing the rim-bases of guns. Mr. Edward Kaylor, who is the inventor, and also the foreman of the boring-mill, seems to have successfully solved the problem which has hi- aid and comfort to the rebels.

MANIPULATION OF GUN-IRON. The management and manipulation of the iron used in the manufacture of guns is a most delicate and responsible duty, and, as is very evident, is in RODMAN'S PLAN FIRST TESTED AT THE

Major Rodman's plan of casting guns was first tried at Fort Pitt Foundry. There the first fifteen-inch guns for the Government were cast, and there

as been casting guns and manufacturing them for

the Government during almost the whole of its existence. Its proprietor is now engaged in nothing out Government work. In 1858 the whole establish ment was burned down. It was not only rebuilt, of course, but at least one half the building, and its apacities, have been added since the commencement of the war. The Government demand has een very heavy, and the supply has been as perfect in quality as the improvements of the nineteenth century can realize or anticipate. Pittaburg is a ity of foundries and factories. The nail, glass, ron, steel, oil, and other works, are all exceedingly nteresting. But the national, and, therefore, personal, importance attaching to the manufacture of the 20-inch Rodman gun, at Fort Pitt, supersedes il other objects of national interest, and rivets for the time the attention of the world.

cast; or, The Brand of Society."

its attacks upon the Roman Catholic religion.

The Rosine Association.

Association a little space in your paper for the folowing statement and appeal on an important mat-

re-collistivents being so runnerous as to produce consternation, the furioughs being given when they could not take advantage of the absence of our regiments, and the veterans to return just as the spring campaign is likely to open. The second event is the Presidential election. They have not forgotien the promises of aid from the North, and though it has not shown itself in any substantial manno not shown itself in any substantial manner, they bolmer themselves up with the belief that it is not much longer to be delayed. It is upon the prospect of success of the Northorn anti-Government party that the South builds its hopes for the success of Secession. The failure of one is the failure of both

REBEL PREPARATIONS TO RECOVER REBEL PREPARATIONS TO RECOVER

NORTH CARCLINA.

A despatch dated Newbern, Feb. 7, gays: "The enemy are again threatening our communications at various points. They made another demonstration this morning on Newbort Barrzeks, which point they will evidently attempt to hold. The rebel ironclad at Kingston, on the Neuze river, some thirtyfive miles above Newbern, is considered a very formidable affair by those who have seen it, who report
that she is about ready to act in concert with the
moving force which threatens Newbern. Everything
insticates, on the part of the enemy a long sizes
against Newbern and Washington."
The Wilmington Journal says: "A powerful effort
will doubtless be made to drive the enemy from
Eastern North Carolina. Should our army fall in
this effort, the State will be lost to the Unifiederacy."

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Property of the second which time they keped to everpower us; but this proved a weak foundation on which to build, the

THE WAR IN WEST VIRGINIA.

Correspondence dated Feb. II, says: "Captured private letters from persons wishin the rebei lines coatsic much curious and interesting information in relation to the serious difficulties resulting from the enforcement of the rebei conscription law. These letters tell of daily encounters between citizens and soldiers. Some of the letters refer to cases where the encounters have been attended with lors of life. All the letters refer to the enforcement of the conscription, and speak of it generally in anything but a favorable manner.

"General George Crook, from the Arms of the Cumberland, has arrived here to command theorem." THE WAR IN WEST VIRGINIA.

HARRISBURG.

special Correspondence of The Press. J HARRISBURG, Feb. 19, 1364. An interesting debate took place in the House to-day, which will be resumed to-morrow. Mr. Kelly, of Washington, submitted the following resolution Whereas, There is reason to believe that the rebet invasions of Pennsylvania were, in a great measure, brought about through the connivance had by the encouragement of disloyal persons from our own State; and whereas, claims for damages conc quing those invasions are now being presented to this Legislature: therefore,

Resolved, That the relect committee to whom are
referred all matters in relation to claims arising out
of the alleged losses from the rebel raids of 1862 and
1863, be instructed to report as part of their hill, if
they report a bill, a clause requiring the parties presenting claims to furnish satisfactory proofs of their
lovalty.

Upon the reading of the above, the Demogratis members seemed eager and ready for a fight-of words. To them it had a political bearing, and, impliedly, it was charging the Democratic party with disloyalty. As yet, no remarks had been made by Republican members. The word Democracy had not been spoken. No one had thought of opening up a political debate, or charging a want of loyalty upon any political organization.

The ball was opened by Mr. Purdy, from Northumberland, who made a political speech, which evidently suited his party friends. Mr. Purdy is a fair speaker, a man of some ability, but I should judge radical in his politics. Mr. Sharpe, of Frank-lin, also opposed the resolution in a speech of some length, which was more moderate in sentiment and convincing as an argument. They both contended that they were not in favor of giving anything to sympathizers; that none but loyal men should be the recipients of the bounties of the State. Yet they, with all their might, bitterly opposed a measure which only discriminates between loyal and disloyal. Mr. Watson, of your city, defended the resolution in a strong and foreible speach, which evidently caused some uneasiness upon the other side of the House. Messrs. Kelly and Price also made good speeches upon the side of the resolution, and showed conclusively that there were disloyal persons in this State; those who had given material

()ne fact connected with the raid came out in the course of the debate, which I have never seen in print. It appears that when the rebels came into our State, in 1862, Gen. Jenkins, commanding the rebeil cavelry, called at the house of Col. McClure, in Franklin county, and after helping himself to what he wanted, inquired for Mr. McClure. Mrs. McClure told him that her husband was not at home. Jen kins said he knew that. Said he, "your husband left here yesterday morning, upon a gray mare;"
and in reply to the question as to how he came by
his information, said he, "I was told so by your

Constitutional neighbors."

The resolution was put over until to-morrow morning, when it will be again resumed. Several speeches will be made upon each side, and then it will finally pass by a party vote. Mr. Pudy is the publisher of a Democratic news-paper in Northumberland county. Some days since his office was entered by a returning regiment of New York volunteers, his exactum was invaded his type knocked into "pi," and, finally, they made a general clearing out of the establishment. They

did this, as they alleged, because of cortain article which had appeared in his paper. Mr. Purdy alluded to this circumstance in his speech, and it is but fair to him to state that he alleges that the sol-diers committed these acts of violence upon the allegation of "Union-League" men, that he, Purity, had a retel flag in his possession, and that the sol-diers only found an American flag, which they car-An important bill will soon be reported from the Committee on Military Affairs, which will materially change our militia system. I understand that a bill something like that of Massachusetts will be

reported. The Military Committee are preparing this bill with great labor, and when it comes from them will be likely to pass without much amend-A Batch of New Novels.

"Dudley Carleon; or, The Brother's Scoret," is the title of another book, by Miss M. A. Braddon, published by Dick & Fitzgerald, New York. It really contains three short tales, curiously based upon some breach of moral law in every instance. As specimens of the early writings of a very eminent novel-ist, these tales have a certain degree of interest. These publishers announce, as in the press, a long fiction, also by Miss Braddon, entitled "The Out-

Mrs. Henry Wood, amid her multitudinous wri ting, lately found or made time to produce a story called "William Allair; or, Running Away to Sea." which adults may read with pleasure and boys with a certainty of being instructed while gratified. Sel-dom has the title of a book more accurately given an idea of its contents. It is a tale of adventure,

John Bradburn (successor to M. Doolady, New York) has lately published a brace of novels. The first, entitled "The Rival Volunteers; or, The Black Plume Rivals," by Mary A. Howe, is a story of the war-as uninteresting as most of the war romances are. The second, called "Inez; a Tale of the Alamo," by Augusta J. Evans, author of "Beulah," is a story of the Texan War—well-told, as far as warincidents are involved, but intolerant to a degree in

J. E. Tilton & Co., publishers in Boston, send us a remarkable work of fiction, bearing the title of "Cudjo's Cave," and written by J. T. Trowbridge, author of "Neightor Jackwood," and some other popular books. Oudjo is a fugitive slave in Tennessee, who discovers the cave which gives a name to the atory. Penn Hapgood, the hero, is a Pennsylvania Quaker schoolmaster, who, because of his bylvania Quaker schoolmaster, who, because of his Union principles, is tarred and feathered by the Secessionists in Tennesses, and only escapes death by being hidden from his murderous enemies in Cudjo's Cave. Villars, a blind clergyman; his daughter, Virginia; Carl, a German lad; Cudjo, and his fellow ex slave, Pomp; and Blytheweod, villain of the story, are the chief personages. For simple unc painful interest, we prefer this tale to "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

To the Editor of The Press : Sin: Will you allow the managers of the Rosine

Nearly seventeen years ago, a number of benevolent ladies in this city formed themselves into an association for the purpose of rescuing as many as possible of the abandoned of their own sex, so many of whom were sinking into vice and degrades tion around them. The association was called the Rosine Association of Philadelphia, the name being derived from Rosa Govona, an Italian girl, who had labored with great self-denial and success for the poor and unfortunate girl of her own country. poor and unfortunate gills of her own country.

This same association has been going forward these many years, aided in the holy work by the prayers, the benedictions, and the generous charity of this benevolent city. It has done a great and good work in arresting the steps of many a young unfortunate, just entering the dark and dreadful way of sin and shame, and bringing her with love and sympathy, and with weman's own voice and hand, back to the path of virtue and life.

Mr. Editor, shall such an institution hesitate to make its wants known to the public? We have

make its wants known to the puolic; we have been much straitened for a long time in our present quarters, and the surroundings have now become very disagreeable. We have long for the need of a place where the innutes could breaths a feasher place where the innutes gould breaths a feasher which the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in which the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in further the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in which the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in further the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in further the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in further the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in further the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in further the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in further the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in further the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in further the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in further the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and four drying ovens, in the guns are cast, and the gund are cast, and the air, and have more room for exercise and recreation.