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BOT Mr. SAMUL BOGART, has sold his beautiful Farm and Plantation, located in ADAM UTT, for the sum of \$3,600.

can, two weeks ago, Dr. John published,

been sent to Washington, asking the Ex- year's men as the only equivalent to one centive pardon of the unrighteous military three-year's man, which is equally against sentence imposed up on our friend and fel- the law. centleman in B com-buty, by the name of a thus amount of the property in the groperty in the property is a possible of a possi Democrat,-who decas it no disgrace to

Abolition Idea of Jaxes

The New York Tribune thus cries loud ly for more taxes.

'Let us have a twenty-five per cent. income tog, if necessary, with a scarching of their own. inquiry into every man's business and reall lugaries and superfluidles."

Thus writes the man Greely, who, a few years ago, problaimed the American property as factus possible.

These tanne and leaves were all selected for oil purposes by he President of this Company, whose great a take oil business, stering integrity, and success to the di business, stering integrity, and tare of shatarter are too well known to require one tariff here.

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Exhibiting the diametric are too well known to require one tariff here. to the field. Our tax rates are fast approsching the Tribune's idea of "twentyfive per cent.' Would not it be better for the Government to take the whole of our property into its possession, and allow us a certain sum to live upon !

-- A Rebel Spy on Trial.

Some days ago a rebel officer named S. B. Davis, alias, W. Commings, a lieutennufacture, one of the LARGEST and ant in the rebel service, was recognized Ohio, as the former keeper of the rebel chedience to the laws of the land, prison pen at Andersonville. He was arrested on charge of being a spy, and is now before a court-marrial in Cincinnati. Thursday he made a speech to the court.

Gentlemen, I do not ask pity. My heart fears nothing on this carth. I am justice, if you or any other court on God's tion, globe can make me out a spy, hang me. Gentlemen I am not afraid to die. Young as I am, scarcely verged into manhood, ted States has proffered peace to the peo-I would like to live. But, gentlemen, I ple of the Confederate States. am no coward, and I deem a man who would stand here before his fellow-men, before soldiers who have faced the foe, who have felts bullets, and ask pity, does mation, I have no way to show that I done my duty. I have done it as best I ry, but never idles.

could. God knows what I intended, and He knows that I do not deserve death .-But if I die I go without pity, but as a soldier should die. I fear not death, and I can go to the judgement bar of God now to-morrow, whenever it may please the Chief Magistrate of this country to say

The Quota of Pennsylvania.

The manner in which the quota of Pennsylvania has been assigned, has called Gorernor for a long white. We regret we were repulsed. that we have not space to give it entire .- | Extract of another letter, from Serg't. | Col. TATE :-

'Sir: You may not have been hereto- 1865. under his editorial heading, a long and fore apprised of the fact that your subor I expect you have heard all about the was a deliberate theft-editorial fiching- ple. They announce on the one hand heavier than any one else on duty. and a bold case of "Medical Plagairism.", that although a three years' man counts | I expect in a few days to give further The Wrong Man -- We notice in the on which he volunteers, yet he shall be much in mud and smoke. last is ue of the Republican, an editorial counted as three one year's men, towards note, exhonerating Mr. I. W. Hartman, the quota on a future call. This is direct-(a very loyal young man of this place,) ly in the teeth of the law. On the other from the terrible sin of having append- hand they are cyphering out a deficiency ed his name to a petition, said to have on the last call by counting three one

ISAAC W. HARTMAN, a Printer and a Government requires more men. They are willing to furnish them, heavy as the burden has become on the industrial population. Let the requirement be made in the clear and definite shape which the law provides for, and it will be cheerfully complied with But it is hardly to be tolerated that your subordinates should be permitted longer to pursue the system of substituting, for the law, an eccentric plan

Sir, in behalf of the Freemen of this ernment in the prosecution of this war .that you enforce upon your subordinates as well as they and all of us. It is of evil military service.

Relying heartily on your wisdom and justice to set right what has thus been going wrong, and to compel henceforth on by soldiers on board a railroad train in the part of all, a proper respect for and I am, sir, very respectfully,

A. G. CURTIN." The War Meetings in Richmond.

The war meeting held at Richmond on the Eth, of which mention has been made in the telegraph, seems to have been one

"Resolved" That we spurp, with indignation due to do so gross an insult, the terms on which the President of the Uni-

"Resolved" That the circumstances unand stamp it as a designed and premeditated indignity to our people.

"Resolved, That in this presence, and in out of Richmond. As to gathering infor- and thus mutually pledge our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor.

THIRD ST& PENESYLVANIA AV have not done it. I know I have only VERBUM SAP. - Time is nover in a hur-

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letter from a Soldier. Camp on the Battle Field, WELDON R. R., Va., Feb. 11, 65. My Dear Purents :-

I have just returned from another Raid down the Weldon Rail street. Road around Beam's Station, and propose giving you a brief account of the adventure. justice is done in the case, and that here- overtook us, when we camped until, mid- and Indianapolis rail road. after the Government officials shall be night, when we took up the line of march guided by the laws of Congress in assign- again. We went into another engageing the quotas. It is the most manly and ment that afternoon which lasted some Greenwood township, this county, to Mr. independent letter we have seen from the three hours, with terrific fury, and in which

Medical Plagairism.—In the Republication The following is the closing part of it: Jesse C. Tate, dated as above, Feb. 13.

learned trilole, on the Small l'ox and its dinates are wholly disregarding the Act late battle, before this time. Well, I went made to my friends and relations. treatment. This article was cooly stolen of 24th of February, 1864. They are through the engagement, square on duty, by him from the New York Evening Post, proceeding in open and direct violation of and did not receive a scratch or mark and palmel off upon his readers as orig- it, and are thus creating naturally great But it was a fierce and bloody fight, and it inal in the columns of the Republican! It confusion and uncertainty among the peo- is reported that our Regiment (210th) lost firmly believed in and supported the Dem

only as a one-year man towards the quota particulars, as it is impossible to write

Your affectionate Son JESSE C. TATE.

Letter from the West.

PERU, MIAMI Co., INDIANA, ? February 14th, 1865.

low-citizen, Mr. John Ranz. Suppose Thus the quota of Pennsylvania, under years, married and raising a family of two events, can not willingly support the prinit were true, we would enquire of Mr. the call of 18th July last, was filled in children (a boy and a girl,) have accumu- ciple the Republicans are endeavoring to Isanah W. Hartman, how far it would accordance with the law by men to serve lated a little of this world's goods, and for carry out. I, for my part, shall never sub militate against other his humanity or for not less than one year. Term of ser- ought I know will spend the rest of my scribe to any such doctrine. I would christianity, to implore mercy for an un- vice of these men is not yet half expired, days here, which I trust will be many and rather sacrifice my life than do it. If a fortunate f. llow-being. But, we are most, and yet your subordinates are threatening blissful. I have not forgotten the place of principle is worth supporting at all, it is from such an act of common justice, and that very call, the existence of which they hang so many pleasing recollections of my till the last. heels which I now should have in my head, the influence of others, to abandon them Democratic Sentinel, at Orangeville, I days past and gone. it is my duty to incist, - and I do insist - have but few thoughts, for they are connected with too much hard labor and poor that obedience to the law, which you owe, pay, or I might say no pay at all. But I cannot refrain from thinking of the days example-it tends to enfeeble, may to de. spent in the old Columbia Democrat office, strey-the just power of the government- of the good times and the busy times, and that you should suffer your officers to of the sound scoldings the "boys" use to treat with open contempt any acts of Con. get by the Colonel for neglect of business gress, and especially those which you in his absense. These recollections and have yourself approved, and which regu- the recollections of the bountiful tables late a matter of such deep and delicate that we boys used to crowd around, got moment as the enforcing a draft for the ton up under the supervision of Mrs. TATE, who was ever mindful of our wants and happiness, cling to my mind as blissful moments of the past.

This county lays about midway in the State, cast and west, and is seventy-five miles north of Indianapolis, the capital of the State. Its growth since I have been here is almost unbounded. In 1850, it ship of Exeter, accompanied by his own was to one unaccustomed to new country, dense forest or wilderness, dotted here and there by log cabine, reared and completed alone by the sturdy settlers; and by the strength of their arms and the enno coward. I, the the rest of you, have of the most cuthusiastic and firery of the terprise of the people, they have made faced bullets before co-day. Some of you war, and the resolutions adopted, as given Miami county to day what it is - a wealthy have marks of them; I con show them, below, show very little disposition toward fertile county, not surpassed in my mind, too. I ask not for pity; I ask but for anything but independence and sepera- by any of its neighbors. The soils laying upon the Wabash and Eel rivers are very productive, and doubly pays the farmer for the labor of planting and gathering his crops. Where stood the rustic cabin but ers replied : "We'll see about that," and a short time ago, now is reared the stately dwelling. The farmer that but recently der which it was made, add to the outrage, brought his produce to town with his trusty oxen, now drives his team of four. And while the sturdy yeoman have been so not deserve the name of man. Had I the face of the world, invoking the aid of fruitful, we of the town have not been thought that you could have regarded me Almighty God, we renew our resolve to slothful. The inhabitants now number as a spy, nothing could have forced me maintain our liberties and independence, over four thousand. Peru lays upon the dulged in liquor. They cooly informed Dr. Morris that they had shot a man, and north bank of the Wabash, which is a told him, he had better go and see to slope to the river, and presents a beau-

cost one hundred thousand dollars in cheap | erty-of a peaceful, quiet disposition. He | it all quietly, at length, informed them times, or from the hill on the opposite had never been drafted, and was not, we that, on finding himself buried, he waited side of the river, stretching for nearly one believe, liable to military duty. Had never for them to dig him out, until his patience er, in any way, rendered himself liable to military duty. mile its beautiful stately dwellings of litiary control, surveillance, or suspicionbrick and white frame, surrounded by when overtaken, and shot down like a dog dig himself out, and only the day before ever-greens and shrubbery, and large in the streets, by the despicable minions succeeded, for his ideas being somewhat shade trees, interspersed along every of this accursed military depotism, was in confused by the pressure of the earth at

there has been more business done in this We were ordered out of our comfortable place the past season than in any two sea- men-when will there be an end to these town of holden, six miles east of the Penquarters, at 3 o'clock, in the morning of sons previous. Twelve large brick busi- thing ?- North Branch Democrat. forth an able letter from Governor Curtin (Sunday) the 5th of February, and march- ness rooms have been crected, besides the to President Lincoln, in which the injus- ed some ten miles, at Hatcher's Run, when innumerable dwellings in all parts of the tice done to the State by the whimsical we were formed into Line of Battle, and town, not forgetting the mammoth Woolen inconsistency and unjust decisions of Pro- made a charge through the thick wood Factory of Messrs. Sterne, which is now vost Marshal Fry are clearly pointed out, and low swamp, on a breast work and being completed, or the elegant and comand the President called upon to see that took it. Then we marched on until night modious depot at the terminus of the Peru

Yours truly, T. M. B.

Letter from Canada. WELLANDPORT, Eeb. 11th, 1865.

Dear Sir-You will oblige me much by permitting space in your valuable pu-

per for the insertion of a few remarks I preferred leaving my country to being forced into the army to fight for what I believe to be unconstitutional. Those who

cratic doctrine previous to the accession to power of the present rulers and who have since enlisted into the army, aiding in destroying rights that the Constitution gives, are acting inconsistent with what they formerly believed and practiced. It those who now have the enumand of pub lie affairs are right, all before them must certainly have been wrong. Experience only is the instructor for some. But those Dear Democrat :- Al hough I have who read the Constitution, understandbeen a citizen of this place for the last eight lingly, and have closely watched past

Yours with respect,

W. J. K.

A Murder in Cold Blood

A Peaceable Citizen of our County shot down in the road, by a Deputy Provost Marshal, and his possee.

One of the most wanton, unprovoked, cold blooded murders, it has ever been our duty to record, occured 14th Feb., in the Township of Exeter, in this County. The facts as we have learned them are as

of our County, and Constable of the Townand another boy, was met on the public highway near his residence, by four aseassins, from Luzerne County, who seemed to be acting under Military authority, inter him when he was so effectually burbrutally murdered him, without the slightest provocation, or even a pretext of justification. It is said, that upon being asked who he was, and giving his name, some conversation of an unimportant character occured, in which he said he thought he had a right to travel the road without molestation. Upon this, one of the murderdrawing a pistol, took deliberate aim, and fired-at the same time the party drove to parts unknown. on. Mr. Sickler, who was shot through the heart, fell, and immediately expired .-The murderers, seeing their victim fall, drove to Brown's Hotel, a mile or two distant, where they took supper, and in-

tiful and most picturesque view from the Mr. Sickler, with whom we were intitower of the Court House, which building mately acquainted, was a man of some prop-

farmer and citizen of the county. In the Notwithstanding the cry of high prices name of God, of justice, humanity, and chare has been more business done in this christianity, and every thing dear to free-

Select Doeten.

What is the Use.

What is the use of trimming a lamp,
If you never intend to light it?
What is the use of grappling wrong,
If you never intend to fight it?

What is the use of removing your hat. If you do not intend to tarry? What is the use of wonding a maid. If you mover intend to marry? What is the use of buring a cont.

If you never intend to wear it?
What is the use of a house for two
If you never intend to thate it? What is the use of gathering gold, If you never intend to keep it? Visit is the use of sowing a field. If you never intend to reap it?

What is the use of buying a book.

What is the use of beying a wagon, For a horse that runs away with it? What is the use of taking a paper, If you never intend to pay for it?

Life is But a Span.

Life is but a span of horses; One is 'Age' the other "frime," Up and down the hill our course is; "Go in" ponies—"make your time."

Boyhood plies the whip of pleasure; Youthful foily gives a stroke; Manhood goads them at his letsure, "Let 'em' rip, they' e tough as oak.

"Hi ya! there;" the stakes we'll packet. To the winds let care be sent; Time 2 40-whip in socket; "Give 'em string and let 'em went." On the sunny read to fifty.
"Prime" is drowned in Lethe's strea in ;
"Age" is left, old, unthrifty;
"Life then proves a one horse team."

Age jogs on, grows quite unsteady. Reels and sinckens in his pace: Kicks the bucket, a ways ready, "Gives it up"—Death wins the rare.

A Good Story.

nious whom we'll call Barns, was employ- have!" asked the waiter, who hurried to THE THEY THERE PLE CENT. PLE MONTH | happy in being able to exhonorate him a draft to fill an alledged deficiency on my boyhood—the place around which the duty of its supporters to adhere to it ec by a farmer living in a town some six our customer as quickly as possible. or seven miles westerly from the Penob "Tell the landlord to come here," retake pleasure in informing him, and the attempt to make out by persisting in their school-boy days, of the many times 1 These are my views, and I hope that 1 scot river, to dig a well. The soil and sponded the rapper. re t of mankind, that there is another unlawful and unsubstantial theories and "played truent" to get an education in my may never become so foolisk or be led by substratum being mostly sand, old Barnes, "Is it the boss you would see?" after having progressed downward about "Yes, I would see the proprietor." of the many sound thrashings we got from Excuse me for digressing, I shall revur to forty feet, found one morning, upon go-"Cotty" Foster, for locking him out and that which more immediately attracts my ing out to his work, that the well had es- mers behind the bar formenst ye." locking him in, and far mischief generally. attention. Friends and relation, it would sentially caved in, and was full nearly to These things often crowd in upon my mind afford me great enjoyment to be with you the top. So, having that desire which in my recollections of by-gone days, but -to share the happiness you may enjoy - men have, of knowing what will be said minute our friend Jim made his appearno more frequent than the incidents that as in former days. But on occount of of them after they are dead, and no one succ. occurred during my "devilship" at the circumstances over which I have no con being astir, he concealed himself in a rank "Are you the landlord, sig ?" inquired Berwick Gazette office, which was cwned trol, I can not for a while, but hope that greath of burdocks by the side of a board the stranger. and conducted at that time by L F. Ig. the time is not far distant, when those fence, near the mouth of the well, having WIN, & Co., and edited by the former- who left their homes on account of being first left his frock and hat upon the windthan whom a better and kinder man never drafted, or to escape the Lincoln despot- less over the well. At length breakfast, to his plate with his appoint a good stew! lived. Of my connection with the Cam- ism, may return in peace and without fear being ready, a boy was dispatched to call ceipts, with double the present taxes on Commonwealth, who have always given a paign, published in Bloomsburg, in the to their native land to re injuy the happi him to his meal, when lo ! and behold it cheerful and hearty support to your gov- summer of 1856, and our "starting" of the ness of associating with their friends as in was seen that Barnes was buried in the grave unconsciously dug by his own hands. The alarm was given, and the family as- taste !" sembled; it was decided first to cat breaktast and then send for the coroner, the taste !" minister and his wife and children. Such apathy did not flatter Barnes' self-esteem Another Victim of Military Des- a bit, but he waited patiently, determined to hear what was to be said, and see what was to be seen.

> pro-peeting the scene of the catastrope, more, and then I will be satisfied ?" as is usual in such cases. At length they drew together to exchange opinions vince himself that there could be no misas to what should be done. The minister take recasted it at once gave it as his opinion that they Barnes remain; 'for,' said he, 'he is now beyond the temptation to sin, and in the ISAAC SICKLER, a respectable citizen day of judgement it will make no difference whether he is buried five feet under the ground or fifty, for he is bound to come forth in either case.' The coroner like-wise agreed that 'it would be needless expense to his family or the town to disied,' and therefore entirely coincided with the minister. His wife thought that as the had left his hat and frock, it was hardly worth while to dig him out for the rest of his clothes;' and so it was settled to let him remain. But poor old Barnes, who had no breaktast, and was not at all pleased with the result of the inquest, lay quiet until the shades of evening had stole over the land-cape, when he quickly departed

> > three years, one morning he suddenly ap- off the table, and the way that Jim pourpeared (hatless and frockless as he went,) ed some fresh oysters into a clean howl, at the door of the farmer for whom he and (at the request of the stranger) soused agreed to dig the unfortunate well. To the stew pan previous to cooking them, say that an avalanche of questions were was a caution to all oyster caters, rained upon him as to his mysterious re- Before leaving the premises, our rap-

was exhausted, when he set to work to the pursuance of his quiet duties as a the time he was buried, he had dug very much at random, and instead of coming directly to the surface, he came out in the

No ferther explanations were asked for by those who were so distressed and sorrowful over his supposed final resting

How Jim Tasted the Oyster Stew.

You remember Mr. S---, better known as Jim S, who kept a celebrated oyster salcon, a few years since, nearly opposite the (other Chatham) Na tional Theatre. It was quite a while ago, before "Shanty" turned the "b'hoys" upside down with his inimitable Mose. Jim was a first rate fellow, and made the best stew that could be found in York ; in fact, they were incomparable and not to be beat. Consequently, he had a great rush, especially between the pieces, and after the performance in the theatre.

Jim was one of the best natured fellows in the world, and the only possible way of 'geiting him off' was to ran down his commodities; tell him his stews were bad or his raws spawny, when he know they were otherwise, and he would be "riled" some; and no one could blame him for it, But I must tell you how he got "taken down."

"Waiter !" cried out a customer one night, just after having been served with a smoking hot stew. "Waiter!" and then he rapped vociferously on the table with his spoon. "Waiter!" and again he rapped, not mysteriously, like the Rochester rappers, but determinedly, as though

he meant to be heard. Some years since an eccentric old ge- "Plase, sir, what would ye be plased to

"He's engaged, sir, sarving the custo-

The waiter disappeared, and in half a

"I am, sir," replied Jim.

"Well, sir," do you call that' (pointing

"A good stew !- certainly sie." "Taste it, sir."

Jim tasted it. "Well, said the customer, "how does it

"Well, said the customer, "how does it

"Very well, indeed, sir. I never tasted a better stew in all my lite, nor you neither." replied Jim. "Will you," asked the customer, pur-

Presently all parties arrived and began dear sir, just oblige me by tasting it once Again, Jim tasted the stow, and to con-

ting on an air of suavity, "will you, my

"The stew is a good one, sir, a first had better level up the well and let rate one, and if you say it is not, why, you

are no judge of the article," replied Jim, waxing somewhat wrathy. "Do you mean to say, sir," replied the grumbler, that there is nothing peculiar in

its flavor." "Nothing peculiar at all, sir, and if you think it does not taste well, your mouth must be out of order, and you should have taken a dose of medicine, rather than an

"My dear sir, don't get into a passion; I said nothing about the taste of your

stew ; indeed I did not taste it " " Not taste it," said Jim.

" No; I saw those animals in it," (turning up two giant cock-reaches with the spoon,) and I thought I would get one to taste it who was a better judge of the ar-

ticle than L." Oh now it would have done you good After remaining incognitic for about to see how soon that stew was "hustled"

appearance, etc., would convey but a fee- ping hero drank and smoled at Jim's exble idea of the expitement which his bodily panse, promising faithfully never to dipresence created. But the old wan bore vulge anything about tasting the stew.