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THOMAS ROBINSON. - - Editor. M. W. SPEAR, Publisher. BUTLER PA. WEDNESDAY APR. 12, 1865

AP "Liberty and Union, Now and Forever, One and inseparable."-D. Webster Our readers will please notice the

advertisement of "Teachers Examination," in to-day's paper.

not circulating documents more freely.— On his behalf we wish to say, that the fault is in the printing bureau which, owing to the scarcity of labor and the killed in the fight. Who knows the renot circulating documents more freely .-

for promiseuous circulation, a great source of expense would be cut off, while the time of Congressmen, could be much bettime of Congressmen, could be much bet-ter employed in prosecuting their legiti-mate duties, which are often neglected, of necessity to attend to the franking and mailing of documents which, while they cost the government large sums of money. are often of little service to those receiving

them. Beg On last Friday afternoon, a dis-patch was received here, to the the effect that Sheridan had capturad half of Lee's army-and this was soon followed by an-ether, announcing the capture of Lee him-the cast born, and prays that this unboly war, this bloody conflict may cease, and that peace may be restored to the land. The wife of that son is not shouting fallen in battle-that her husband has fallen in battle-that she has been de-prived of a companion-a faithful help-war, and this was soon followed by an-the there are the the fallen in battle-that she has been de-prived of a companion-a faithful help-war, and the the childran was eventur. other, announcing the capture of Lee himself, and his entire army. The joy of our people was unbounded. A meeting was called at the Court House, in the evening, which was presided over by His Honor Judge MeGuffin. A minute of the pro-situated similar to us, who are mingling Judge MeGuffin. A minute of the proceedings of the meeting, will be found in another column. The speeches on the occasion was happy, and well received .--The excitement was much more intense and the demonstrations of joy much more emphatic, than those on Monday evening. which proved so offensive to the "Observer" of the Herald. . Our patriotic fellow citizens should make a sufficient apology, for this fresh evidence of their disregard for the sentiments of their "conservative" neighbor.

By the Commercial, of Saturday, we are informed of an impromptu meet ing of patriotic citizens of Pittsburgh. held in front of the post office, which was "engineered" by Hon. Thomas J. Bing-Most of the prominent citizens, ham. who happened to pass, seems to have been essed into service for a speech. Dr. M Cardless was also pressed for a song, which was forthcoming on condition that the veritable Senator would dance to the music, which he accordingly did. The meeting was finally adjourned by prayer by a Reverand gentleman. We recollect of a similar state of things the night of the last Presidential election, where DD's were found mixing freely in the foolish levity of inebriated politicians. We are not of those who believe that the clergy Certainly there was no conduct on that should not mingle in politics-far from it; but we do think that when they do mingle, they should labor to raise the moral standard of politicians, rather than to stoop to their (too often) low level But, under all circumstances, they should avoid countenancing intemperance. Indeed it seems to us strange that a community so etiltivated, and so religious as Pittsburgh and vicinity couldcountenance such indul-But let such howl, their fate is as surely gence on the part of her venerable Sena-senled as is that of their old Democratic ter, for, surely, if "all right," he would friends, who, for the last four years, have not make himself so redicilous as to act deluged the country in blood. History the part of a dancing-master for the will assign them their proper place among

an interest in the army—a son—a broth-er, or a husband, from those who were not represented therein. The Shoddy patriots, of the race of War Sneaks, who had nothing to loose in front of Richmond, who knew that those who bit the dust in the block applied areas the sources that bloody conflict, were unconnected with them, could throw up their hats, re-

with them, could throw up their hats, re-joice with exceeding great joy, and claim the victory as their own. For our part we could not join in the general jubilee. We rejoiced that the rebel stronghold had failen; but we re-gretted exceedingly, that its fall, by the mismanagement of those in authority, had been postponed to so late a day— that so many valuable lives had been uselessly, yes, wickedly sacrifice ', to pro-mote the political and persona interests of corrupt, aspiring men, before our gal-lant army was permitted to enter the reb-el capitol. The same mail which brought us the

The same mail which brought us the intelligence that Richmond had been forced to surrender, conveyed the news that a brother, and other relatives, par-ticipated in the battles of the 25th ult. Some of our friends have been al-most ready to censure Mr. Williams, for the struggle which terminated in the cap-ture of the rebel citadel. Perhaps they pressure of business, is unable to do the printing in time to give members of Con-teress as opportunity of distributing them gress an opportunity of distributing them fear, singularly co-mingled together, senin usual quantities. Indeed were the government to cease printing large quantities of documents, yes, abss/intely refuse to mingle with the

exulting crowd. Mother is not tejoicing to-night. She is thinking of the bloody struggle; of her SURRENDER OF LEE! c ash of arms and is offering up prayers for his protection. But now the thought occurs to her that perhaps he is number-ed with the dead; She then weeps for Grant Suggests Surrender to Save the Effusion of Blood,

Lee Favors the Idea, and Want's to Know the Terms. A Salute of 200 Guns Ordered ate, and that her children may eventu THE ORDER MUST BE EXECUTED. ally be crying for bread.

Under such circumstances, surely it i Correspondence of Grant and Lee. with the mirthful crowd : but we are constituted that we cannot weep and re-joice at the same time. Let the Shoddy patriots howl-let the War sneaks ex-To ult; let those whose friends and relatives participated in the late struggle, mingle in the joyful crowd, if they can. For an official report of the surrender, this day, of General Lee and his ar-In the joynet crowd, it they can. For our part, we are not yet prepared to par-ticipate in such demonstrations. While we rejoice that another rebel stronghold --the capitol of the conspirators, has fai-len into the hands of our victorious forces my to Lieut. Gen. Grant, on the terms proposed by Gen. Grant. Details will be given speedily. E. M. STANTON, B. M. SHANDA, Sec'y of War. HDQ'RS ARMY OF THE U.S., April 9th, 4:30 P. M. Hon. E. M. Stanton : -we regret that so many brave men hav been lost-the number of widews and or phans-the number of weeping and af-flicted fathers and mothers have been largely increased throughout the land." Northern Virginia, this afternoon, up-

Butler, April 4, 1865.

on terms proposed by myself The ac-companying additional correspond-ence wik show the conditions fully. Now who is meant by "Shoddy patri-ots of the race of war sneaks" who " threw (Signed) up their hats" we are not able to say. Was it the old gentleman who wrung the

Court-house bell? Certainly not, for he April 9th, 1865. had a son in front of the rebel works, and General :-- I received your note of this morning, on the picket line whithdon't yet know whether he is among the living or dead. Still, with tears of joy, er I had come to meet you, and ascertain definitely what terms were emperhaps, running down his cheeks, he braced in your proposition of yesterlike a true patriot, rejoiced. It could day with reference to the surrender of this army. I now request an inscarcely be Sheriff Breckinridge who had beared his bosom to the rebel bullet, and terview in accordance with the offer you contained in your letter of yesterday der who has been identified by friends with almost every corps. Who, then, could it be who has so offended "Observer?" Very respectfully, R. E. LEE, General. To Lieut. Gen. Grant, Commanding U. S. Armies becasion that should have offended any loyal man. But to us it seemed quite natural that there should be a growl from

that quarter. It was not to be expected that those who have witheld their sym

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Gen. Lee surrendered the Army of

U. S. GRANT.

Lt. Gen

WASHINGTON, April 9, 9 P. M. J To Hon. James Lowry, Mayor

Pittsburgh :

Commanding U. S. Armies April 9, 1865. General R. E. Lee, Commanding C. S. A.: To reply to intro or Northern Vir-gia, is just received. Notice sent to me on this road where Notice sent to me on this road where the arguing of Northern Vir-gia, is just received. In reply, I would say that peace being the arguing of Northern Vir-gia, is just received. In reply, I would say that peace being my first desire, there is but one condition I insist upon, viz: That the men surren-dered shall be disgualified from taking up muss again against the Government of the Same purpose, at any point agreeable to road. I am, at this time of writing, about four miles west of Walter's from for the purpose of arranging definite-from to the me on this road where Notice sent to me on this road where the Avany of Northern Virginia will be the purpose of meeting you. pathy from the Union cause from the be ginning, should see the cause of their Southern brethren "go down in darknessin infamy, without uttering a protest.

THE END! they observe their parcle and the laws the in force where they may reside. in force where they may reside. (Signed) Very respectfully, U. S. GRANT, Lt. Gen. HDQRS. ARMY OF N. VIRGINIA, April 9th, 1865. Lieut. Gen. Grant:

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LINCOLN

GENERAL-have received your letter

nto effect. Your obedient servant, R. F.

R. E LEE, General.

The following is the previous corres pondence between Lt. Gen. Grant and Gen Lee, referred to in the foregoing tel-graph to the Secretary of War: CLIFTON HOUSE, VA., April 9, 1865.

Hon. E. M. Stanto J. Secretary of War. The following correspondence has ta-ken place between General Lee and my-self. There has been no relaxation in the pursuit during its pendency. [Signed] U.S. GRANT. This Department has just received

the pursuit during its pendency. [Signed] U.S. GRANT. Lioutenant General. April 7, 1865. Gen. R. E. Lee, Commanding S. C. A: GENERAL:—The result of the last week must convince you of the hopeless. ness of further resistance on the part of the army of Northern Virginia in this straggle. I feel that it is so, and regard as my duty to shift from myself the res-ponsibility of any further effusion of blood by asking of you the surrender of that portion of the Confederate States army known as the Army of Northern Virginia. • ery respectfully your ob't servant.

ery respectfully your ob't servant. U. S. GRANT, Lt. Gen. Commanding Army U. S.

der [Signed] R. E. Les, Gen. To Lieut. Gen. U. S. Grant, Commandiag Armies of United States. To Gen. R. E. Lee: To Gen. R. E. Lee: General—Your note of last evening, in reply to mine of the same date, asking conditions on which I will accept the sur-render of the Army of Northern Vir-glaja, is just received.

usands of human lives and hundred rown from the cars upon the way down. of millions of property not yet destroyed. Sincerely hoping that all our difficulties may be settled without the loss of another life, I subscribe myself, Many of the bodies they cast away as so much carrion, were, of course, mere lifess clay; but, others, horrible to tellas our forces in advancing have since dis-covered, yot retained the vital spark fee-Very respectfully, your ob't serv't. covered, yot retained the *Thirdly*-bly burning in their bosoms, *Thirdly*-Many died within the rebel lines before the colls were made out. Never were

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THE UNION FURIENTER.

U. S. GRANT. Lieut. Gen. U. S. A WAR DEP'T, WASHINGTON, D. C.) April 9th, 1865, 9-30 P. M.) Lieut. Gen. U. S. Grant: the rolls were made out. Never were men in a civilized country in more destithe condition than those we have receiv-ed here. Two thousand were unable to walk, and were what is called technically

GENERAL—have received your letter of this date, continuing the terms of sur-render of the Army of Northern Virginia, as proposed by you. As they are sub-stantially the same as those expressed in your letter of the 18th inst., they are ac-cempted. I will proceed to designate the proper officers to carry the stipulations proner officer. Washingtry, Washingtry, D. C., t *Lieut. Gen. U. S. Grout*: Thanks be to Almighty God for the great victory with which IIe has this day your command. The thanks of this De-proper officers to carry the stipulations partment, and the Government rf the U. speaking, "stretcher patients." There was not a stout strong healthy man in the whole number we have received. The two thousand who were most deliberated partment, and the Government rf the U. States, their represees and honor have been deserved, and will be rendered to you and the brave and gallant officers and soldiers of your army, for all time, E. M. STANTON. are in the General Hospital. The others are scattered all over the city in different buildings devoted to hospital purposes.— Fifteen die every day, upon on average. Half their names cannot be obtained, as

GRANT, SHERIDAN, SHERMAN, THOMAS, AND HANCOCK.

Secretary of Wa

Find their names cannot be obtained, as they are too weak to pronounae them, and have no papers which can lead to their identification. Most of them on their re-ception here, in a nearly naked condition. Some were entirely so, and the best elad had only rags for covering. Everywhere in the lower part of the WAR DEP'T, WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9th, 10 p. m. *Ordered*—That a salute of two hund-red guns be, fired at the headquarters of overy army and department, and at overy post and arsenal in the United States, and at the military academy at Wast. Point at the military academy at West Point, en the day of the receipt of this order, in commemoration of the surrender of Gen. R. E. Leo and the army of Northern Vireity the eye is afflicted by the sight of skeletons of men arrayed in every sort of uncooth garb. You look at their strange,

Jeff. Davis Turns Up.

hospitals and sun themselves upon

April 6. a this date. Though not entirely of the opinion you express of the hopelessness of the further resistance on the part of the Army of Northern Virginia, I recip-rocate your desire to avoid useless effu-sidering your proposition, ask the terms you will offer on condition of its surren-der [Signed] R. E. LEE, Gen. To Lieut, Gen II S

reached there in the afternoon, and was the guest of Mr. Southern, who convayed him from the depot to his residence in a private carriage, which had been awaiting Jeff's arrival for several hours. He also says that on Tuesday, Bcaure-gard telegraphed. Davis that Stoneman was engaged in destroying the railroad at High Point, between Greenstoro and Danville

March 24, 1865.) SIR:-In your letter of 22d inst. you ask whether the 14th section of the Act approved 3d March 1865, entitled 'An act to amend the several acts heretofore act to amend the several acts heretolore passed to provide for the enrolling and calling out the national forces, and for other purposes, is applicable to the call for troops made by the President 19th December 1864. The section is as fol-

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breathe into his veins, and then he will be

Important Decision.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE,

March 24, 1865.

districts. But the 15th section has a pro-viso, which expressly prohibits the appli-cation of the rule therein given to the pending draft. From the fact that there is no such proviso to the 14th section, it would seem that it was intended that credit.should be given when the mustering in under the pending call. But the 14th section has a proviso, the peculiar language of which would, at first blush, seem to favor the idea that Congress

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blush, seem to favor the idea that Congress intended that the rule, in that section pre-scribed, should be future to the pending call, and not future to the passage of the Act. That result is the passage of the call, and not future to the passage of the Act. That proviso declares that credit shall not be given, excest for men actually furnished on said on said call or the pre-ceeding call. The manifest purpose of the proviso is to limit the time within which a credit may be demanded. This section must be regarded as tak-ing affect from the nessage of the Act

ing effect from the passage of the Ast, unless such a construction is consistent with, or forbidden by, other parts of the Act.

As is stated in my opinion to you of the 13th of March, it appears from the face of the Act, that, at the time it was passed. there was a pending draft under the call there was a pending draft under the call for troops in December, 1864, and it is carefully provided that nothing in the Act shall operate to postpone the pending draft, or interfere with the quotas assign-ed therefor. Now, the rule for giving ordits at the time of *mistering* in with not postpone the present draft or interfere with the vuotas assigned therefor.

The postpose of the present dual of material of with the violas assigned therefor. It seems to me that there is nothing in the Act that prevents the application of the 14th section to the present dualt, unless it may be the provise thereto. It was intended by that provise simply to limit the time within which credits might he claimed and not to postpone the application of the rule of credits, when mustering in the future cells.

tion of the rule of credits, when matering in, to future calls. I am of the opinion that the 14th section of said act is applicable to the call for troops made by the President on the 19th De-1864 I have the honor to be. very respect;

fully, your obedient servant, JAMES SPEED,

Atones Strich, Atoney Geol. Hob. E. M. STANTON, Sec'y. of War. Published by order of Brig. Gen. E. W. HINKS A. A. P. M. G. Harrisburg Pa. J. W. KIRKER, Capt. Pro. Mar. 23d District Pa.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

CONNOQUENESSING LODGE, No. 278, I. O. of O. F. holds its stated mystings at the Hall, on Main Street, Butler Penna. every 000 six o'clock. Brethren from sister Lodge y invited to sugard. By order of the N. G.

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/To CONSUMPTIVE sufferers will receive a valuable pre-iption for the cure of Consumption, Asthma, Bronchi-and all throat and Lange effections, (free of charge, joy ding their address to Rev. EDWARD A. WILLSON, Williamsburg, Kings co. New York. Dec. 7, 1864::3mo

EDITOR OF CITIZEN: DEAR SIR:--With yoar permis-sion I wish to say to the readers of your paper that I will send, by retaan mail, to all who wish it (free) a Re-eipe, with full directions for making and unsing a simple , with full diffections for instant and ctable Balm that will effectually remo ples, Blotches, Tan, Freekles, and al Skin, leaving the same soft, clear, gpo "That hereafter all nersons mustered titul. J. yill also mail free to those haying Bald Heads, or gare Faces, simple directions and information that will evable them to start a fail growth of Lawrinat Hilfs? Whitees, or a Mossfache, in less than thirly days. Whitees, or a Mossfache, in less than thirly days. The start of the start of the start of the start charge. Respectively yours, THOS. F. CHAPMAN, Chemist, Star Broadway, New York. Butler, March 1, 1865::3m

unnatural faces and wander whether these ginia to Lieut. Gen. Grant and the army under his command. Report of the re-ceipt and execution of this order to be made to the Adjutant General at Washare the visages of living men or not rath-cr parchment skins drawn over a fleshless ar parchment skins drawn over a fleshless skull. Their eyes are sunken, and you searcely see that they have vision. They are often hatless, and you will see the head of a young man or boy bald as an old man's pate. A few weak straggling hairs is all that suffring has left, or that starved nature has been able to sustair. These poor beings, when they are strong enough to creep about, wander a little away from their heseitals and an themselves men E. M. STANTON, Secretary of War

He and the Rebel Cabinet at Danville

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH CORPS.

their nospitals and sun themselves upon cellar-doors and lie on brick payements.— In the hospitals are men with wounds in which worms breed and feed on the living flesh. You see men whose toes have been eaten into by disease and maggots, till the joints have dropped off. These men have there for theman un races and they hol-Rebel Pproperty Moved There.

their feet bound up in rags, and they hob-ble slowly about, supporting their falter-ing footsteps by rude sticks. You would suppose that those men had reached the very pit of human misery, but if you con-verse with them they will tell you that they are happy. They have been in the

Danville. Sheridan, in a dispatch to Gen. Grant

amusement of the promiscuous throng on the enemies of their country. Fifth street.

We believe this is a fitting time to be joyful, but the joy of the true patriot is per this week, we trust, will be satisfa

The official dispatches in our pa-

U. S. GRANT, Lt. Gen.

Church, and will push forward you. If for terms upon which the purpose of meeting you. If for terms upon which the purpose of meeting you. If for terms upon which the purpose of meeting you wish the interview to take place, will meet me. Will meet me. Were respectfully, Lt. Gen. Commanding Aamy of U.S. April 8th, 1865. Our released Prisoners.

A. Gen. Commanding Aamy of U. S. April 8th, 1865. GENERAL :--I received, at a late hour near note of the *Press* confirm the tale of hor-irors so often told in regard to the barbar-tives or otherwise, shall be credited to the The Wilmington (N. C.) correspond-

The Vinington (X - C) correspondence of the matting o

lows:

The Bridal Chamber.

A note of exercise and advice to those suffering with Sominal Weakness, Georgenetal Dubility, or Preparate Di-cay, from whatever cause produced. Read, ponder, and reflect I. Be wise in time. Sont FREE to any address, for the benefit of the af-floted. Sent Dy return mail. Address

JAS, S, BUILER. 429 Broadway, New Butler April 12 1865::3mo.

Announcement

Mn. Rowsson-Deer Ser-Allow me tooffer through the Clitzen, the name of JOHFSTON WHITE, of Mid-diexer Tp, as a candidist for Commissioner Mr. White is one of our oldest and mostfaithful clitzens. He was the candidate of the Whig party for this office a great junny years ago, when the party area in the minority, and shared the fate of his party. He cannet near being moninated again by the Republican party: his nonina-by his name thesem but fitting, and would be accepted by his name thesem but fitting, and would be accepted nominated again by the Republican party. He came max being tion now, would seem but fitting, and would be accepted by his many friends as a great foror to a worthy citizen. April 12, 1865. CHNTON,

New Millinery Store

THE subscriber has opened a NEW MILLINERT STORE, in Butler, Pa. opposite the Lowry House, where she s prepared to do all kinds of work in her line, such as DRESS MAKING , TRIMMING DONNETS, 4c,

ortment of Trimm MACHINE STITCHING & BRADING

DONE TO ORDER.

She hopes by strict attention, to please her customer Orse her a call. Krs. E. HERTSBERGER, Builer Mar. 22 '65:5 mos.