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The Battle-Field. what we could-of course, not always in the olden days was Neville Grange, lie to despair for a moment, and intermit her

Once this soft turf, this rivulat's sands. Were trampled by a hurrying crowd, And fiery hearts, at d armed hands Encountered in the battle cloud.

BY W. C. BRYANT.

Now all is calm and fresh and still Alone the chirp of flitting bird, And talk of children on the hill. And bell of wandering kine are heard

No solemn host goes trailing by
The black mouth gun and staggering wain
Men start not at the battle cry. Oh, be it never heard again !-

Soon rested those that fought: but theu Who minglest in the harder strife For truth which men receive not new,

Thy warfare only ends with life. A friendless warfare! lingering long
Through weary days and weary years,
A wild and many-weaponed throng
Hang on thy front, and fank, and rear.

fet nerve thy spirit to the proof. And blanch not at thy chosen let;
The timid good may stand aloof,
The eage may frown, yet faint thou ust.

Nor beed the shaft so surely cost, The foul and hissing bolt of scorn : For with thy side shall dwell at last,

The victory of endurance born. Truth, crushed to earth, shall rise again: The eternal years of God are hers: But Error, wounded, writhes with pain,

And dies among his worshippere. Yes, though thou lie upon the dust, When they who help thee fee in fear, Die full of hope and manly truet, Like those who fell in battle here.

Another hand thy sword shall wield, Another hand the standard wave, Till from the trumpet's mouth is pealed The blast of triumph o'er thy grave.

From the New York Tribune.] Magnanimity in Triumph.

We had hoped to print herewith the President's Proclamation of Amnesty and oblivion to the partisans of the baffled rebellion, and we do not yet despair of receiving it before we go to press; though no portion of it has yet been received. We are apprised, however, by telegraph from Washington, that its tenor was publicly debated in that city yesterday, while our State Senate was agitated by a kindred discussion. We cannot that our even to the fact that strenuous efforts are being made to swerve the President from the course to which his judgment and feelings alike incline him by stigmatizing it as involving infidelity to Principle or to Party. Others will be heard on this point, though we were to keep silence: we claim, thereas they shall be deemed to deserve.

We hear men say-" Yes, forgive the great mass of those who have been misled into rebellion, but punish the leaders as 609 seek they deserve." But who can accurately draw the line between leaders and followers in the premises? By what test shall they be discriminated? Some of the arch

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But we cannot believe it wise or well to take the life of any man who shall have submitted to the National authority. The execution of even one such would be felt as a personal stigms by every one who had ever sided the rabel cause. Each would say to himself; "I am as emigable as he; we differ only in that I am deemed of comparatively little consequence. A single Confederate led out to execution would be evermore enshriped in a million hearts as a conspicuous here and martyr. We cannot realize that it would be wholesome or safe—we are sure it would not be meguanimous to give the overpowered. disloyalty of the South such a shrine. Would the throne of the House of Hanover stand more firmly had Charles Edward been caught and executed after Culloden ! Is Austrian domination in Hungary the more staple to day to the benging of Nagy Sandor and bis twelve compatrice

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We have borne for a quester of a century the unjust imputation of hating the Bouth, when we haved and reagne to see of gazed in silent admiration at the beaution of the patrice of the patr vert only slavery, the scourge anne of guarantee and the sole cause of ful sight. "It is small, as you see: it has thoughts which disturbed that transfer transfer in their in W E ARE OF PRINTS

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wisely—to baffle, to circumscribe, and ul- on the other side of the cottage, which my calculation, a shadow that spoke of fear, timately to overthrow the Slave Power. At length, through a succession of events Our present abode is so small that, with passed over her face. If it had been poswhich no human being could have devis- our large family, it requires some close ed or foresen, the end which we sincerely hoped but hardly expected to see, is plain. We can persuade to relieve our solitude. ly before us. American Slavery is visibly in the agonies of disolution; if we live a within a dozen mules, except the curate." year longer, we shall almost certainly see it laid in the grave; and, whenever abolished here, its expulsion from the last rood of Christendom which it now curses cannot be postponed five years. Let us take care that no viudictive impulse shall be suffered to imperil this glorious consumetion.

Unquestionably, there are men in the South who have richly deserved condign punishment. Whoever is responsible for the butchery of our black soldiers vanquished in fight, or the still more atrocious murder of captives by wanton exposure and privation in prison-camps; stands in this category. But the immediate issue concerns not the dispensation of justice to individuals but the pacification of a vast republic. He who fancies that all the exhibitions of cruelty and perfidy have been the work of rebels has but 'a superficial knowledge of our current his-

Those who invoke military execution for the vanquished, or even for their legiers, we suspect will not generally be found among a few who have long been exposed to unjust odium as baters of the South. because they abhorred Slavery. And, as the long oppressed and degraded blacks, so lately the slaves, destined still to be the neighbors, and we trust at no distant day the fellow-citizens of the Southern whites, we are sure their voice, could it be authentically uttered, would ring out decidedly, concrously, on the side of Clemency-of Humanity.

### From Blackwood's Magazine. Guy Heville's Chest.

No: I have met plenty of ghost-seers, and have beard them tell their stories. with a sincerety of awe and a shuddering recollection of the terror past that left no ition. sort of doubt as to their belief. And his- it We reached Neville Grange, and were on end, and their blood curdle with fear. into the drawing-room, Charles undertook But I never saw a ghost myself, except to show me up stairs; and for this, rememribly frightened.

Resolutions of '98" to the discipliss of summer mostly wet, and August dense and present cottage which had renewed the never dies in his bed? Ah, you may mounted except, to convey dispatches oppressive.: Charlie was a pleasant mem- i name of Neville Grange. her of a pleasant family, and the idea of My toilet made, I left my room, with-1850—than to the John Bells, Humphrey once more enjoying the society of young out bestowing much attention on the deladies a species unknown in the neight tails of its appearance. I was joined by highhold of my prison house was enough Charles and when we reached the drawto excite my spirits to the uttermost, ing room he introduced me to his mother, Even a long railway journey, in a carriage a lady still beautiful and elegant, in midfrom which the presence of an asthmatic die, age and widow's weeds, and to her director-looking old gentleman banished eldest daughters, girls between sixteen alike the breath of fresh air and the hope and twenty. Annie, the younger, resemof tobacco, failed to subdue them. It was bled her mother. Her heauty was of the in a fovous mood that I sprang upon the best Saxon type; that which, in spite of platform at Windemere, value in hand, fair hair, blue eyes, and clear, soft comand looked out for Charlie.

A big dog mad his appearance first, fined elegance about the features, and of who, after suspiciously glancing and antif- intellectual expression in eye and brow, fing at a traveling suit which retained an from the painfully close resemblance to a atmosphere of the printing office about it, war doll, which is so generally characterrubbed his nose against the hand that istic of Teutonic leveliness. Flora was held my value, just as my friend came up thoroughly Norman-such as might have and shock me heartily by the other.

walked to the phaeton. "He was more house of Neville-with slender form a friendly than I expected, and more formi- hand which every sculptor must have addable than I liked."

sled by the smell of factory-smoke, and qualle shape, with ringlets of raven blackcotton fluff about you. If it had been to a ness and the only instance I ever show of beconsmoke and cigar-sales he would see black their thety was not consider an have recognized it. But Coser always soft and fine as her esteric | Her eyes finds out a gentleman. There is a baronet were dark of their exact color i never of my acquaintance who goes about in toould satisfy myself, but of their brilliance such rage that the servants offer him a shere sould be no doubt of lorgetfulness, penny when he calls for the first time on not yet of that exquisite astness which a friend; but Cour recognized his title at belongs only to dark eyes when carnest first sight, and made him the humblest emention finds unconscious expression in obsisance. And the best dressed of burnt, their upturned gaze, Why I did not fall out tailors or shipwrecked sailors, in whom in love with Flora in not now to the pur-I might expect a visitor, cannot take in pose But so penetrated was I with in-Chesar. He never lets them open the terest in her and admiration for her beangate. Dogs are the most aristocratic of the than during the evening I could not My companion proceeded.

which Charlie, who, quartered the King- the pessibility of a doubt that some pain Generals after the surranger or vitagos; and vivacity. This occupied our tongues bring color to be supported by his aged father add a brother, a more of his troopers were now fast approaching, when a plead his now provided by the popy traversed many miles of fading fluidies; when amended his peeps contains the local section of the local many miles of fading fluidies; when a support of the fight, the popy traversed many miles of fading fluidies; when a support of the fight, the popy in the local many miles of fading fluidies. This occupies as in the local many miles of the fading fluidies. This occupies a fading fluidies of the fading fluidies of the fading fluidies. This occupies a fading fluidies of the fluidies of the fading fluidies of the fading fluidies. This occupies a fading fluidies of the fluidies of the fading fluidies of the fluidies of th Generals after the mirrorder of Vilagos and vivacity. This occupied our tongues bridg color so her cheek in warm, fast be History: We pleed for a restoration of the Union; against a policy which would the Union; against a policy which would afford a momentary; gratification at the resched the valley, at the other end of thinker—can even discriminate between the history on the saddle, went with the valley, at the other end of thinker—can even discriminate between the saddle, went with the valley, at the other end of thinker—can even discriminate between the saddle, went with the valley at the resched the valley, at the other end of thinker—can even discriminate between the saddle, went with the valley of the hair, or so sair, take comfort to obtain of periods that and back the golden-light of the same a deration which is preparing for the fact that have short hair, or so sair, take comfort to which the windows of Neville Grange modifative thought and that disable from the same and the same and

Relief it is, for there is no other gentleman

costume, and with his back turned to us, was climbing at some little distance a steen path which led to a little farmhouse, the residence of one of the poorer of those time; but men do not like to be "statesmen" who are the pride of the lieve that there can be anything to be English Highlands. "I think even your fastidious eyes will admit him to have besutiful girl, the air of a gentleman." "No; that is not the curate. That is

that farm longer than history runs backprobably in the days of Alfred. I don't know who the man is-some tourist. I' suppose. It has a look of Guy Monthermer, my cousin : but Monthermer is with. his regiment in India, and, if he were not, he would hardly come so near us."

I remembered that there had been a fierce quarrel between Guy Monthermer and Charlie's father, who was Monther mer's guardian. Guy was a few years senior to Charlie, but very young at the time of the quarrel. He had been fooliah enough to make the feud public by challenging his relative, but had, of course, been met with a contemptacus refusal. Thus much I knew; but I did not know then, nor do I know now the exact merits of the quarrel or the demerits of day Monthermer. I can only tell my readers that he distinguished himself, in India alike by his courage and his insubordingtion; that, some years after the date of the Garibaldian expedition; and that full hour and a half." but the rest they will hear from my story, who, however, was too distant for recogni-

tory secures me that, ever since the days | greeted with hearty welcome by two boys Homer, and perhaps before then, ghosts and three little girls, the junior branches have from time to time been seen of men, of the house, who had rushed out to meet and have made the hair of the seers stand their brother at the door. Without going once. And then? Yes; then I must do bering. Cosar's opinion of my traveling that for six menths in the year alternates of these Charles opened. Two downward the wall, and smoked in peace. between for and sleet, and for the rest be- steps led into a small room, oak-floored. tween for and rain-a town where nobody with scauty carpet, and oak-panelled lives except to make a fortune, where no walls, on which hung two or three modern whence, the fortune made, every one goes the other, in a strange situation, just be lit so-that hangs over us." as far away as possible to spend it. I had side the fire place, reaching to the ground, been a prisoner, or slave, all summer, and without sill or sash, apparently a mere it was now September. All the more did hole in the wall, looked out upon a net-I delight in my journey, knowing that Sepul work of broken walls, mouldering and Westmoreland, where May is cold, the trace the ruins of a larger house than the full maturity of manhood, and that he

plexion; is redeemed by something of rebeen the heiress of Warwick are her mar-"Is that monster yours?" I said, as we risge with the last hereditary chief of the miredoin merfect despair of imitation; a "Ah," said his master, "Cooper was pur- head small, gracefully set on, and of exliving creatures."

And this commenced a discussion, in which made me aware bertain beyond help observing her with a cioce attention

NUMBER 47. grandfather built on part of the old site. and of something that seemed like shame sible to associate with that face and form, first he was in favor with the King, and packing to take in the few guests whom so evidently belonging to the highest rose to rank and influence in the royal "aristocracy of nature," so lofty and so service. His father died, believing that pure, any thought of dianonor or untruth, fall was well, and more hopeful for his son "Is that the curate?" I asked, pointing innocent scrapes of childhood, I should proted at home. But he wrote, arranging te an elegant figure which, in a sporting have said that she anticipated some fatal for his brother's education under the care

> We talked pleasantly and frankly, all voice that "like a silver clarion rang." though only like the clarion's notes subdued by distance, and something noble as well as novel in what she said, gave our conversation its chief zest and charm. I had fallen into the bachelor habit of smoking a cigar immediately after the evening meal, and that digestive had become to me as necessary as the meal itrelf; and Charlie was fully of my mind. But after tes that evening-for the Nevilles dined early, and Charles was too true a gentle man not to know that nothing so annoys a guest as household changes made for him-I was pleased that there was no excuse for the accustomed departure of the ladies, and deaf to his hints, that pointed towards sunses clouds and meant tobaccosmoke. And when bedtime came-their hours were early-my regrets were more sincere than Annie believed them.

"You will get your cigar with Charlie. and thank us much for going.' I know my visit to Neville Grange, he engaged in the has been watching for ten o'clock a

"I plead guilty to the cigar, Miss Noand I will not spoil it by anticipation. I ville; but I, who have that every night know then only enough to let my com- of my life, and enjoy ladies' acciety only panions remarks pass unanswered. He by such rare chances as this, would readilooked for some time after the stranger. ly go to bed cigarless if you would postpostpone your retirement but half an hour."

"Take care lest they take you at your word," said Charlie, in horror; and his sister, smiling, followed Mrs. Neville and Flora from the room. Charlie and Lturned out. The wind blew hard; it generally blows in Westmoreland throughout the antumn, and to smoke, save under shelter, had been impossible. We wrapped the ghost the justice to say that I was hore suit, I was not ungrateful. The part of railway rugs round us, and sought shelter the cottage into which I was introduced in an angle of the ruins. A wall, some that they may be accorded such weight. I was very glad to accept Charlie Ne- was clearly of old date. The oak flooring sight feet high, joined that of the cottage of vindictive hatred towards the sovwille's invitation to pass a few day with was perfectly black; it had become irreg. just beneath the second window in my creign who had refused to treat his quarone of the pleasentest valleys in West, thing of the walls, and it was broken at chained, stood at a little distance by what of private combat, and dealt with him not moreland-right through which valley uncertain intervals by capricious steps. had once been the opposite wall of a as a duelist, but as a murderer. In Holruns the road from Langashire to Scot. The walls were panelled with dark old small room or closet, apparently enclosed land he fell in with Puritan exiles, who. runs the road from Lancashire to Scot. The walls were panelled with dark old track old house. Here it while not pretending to palliate his crime, to my deak in one of the dirtiest, gloom- with old-fashioned latches in place of was impossible to light a match; here we encouraged and fostered his lust for year iest, dampest towns in England—a town hidden locks and rounded handles. One found seats upon the fallen fragments of

but his fortune till he has made it, and One window gave a view over the valley; if your modern principles will let me call of their conspiracies.

in perhaps a sceptical tone.

Do you not know," my friend asked. race should end with him , and yet never terrent him. since Sir Guy's time have two brothers of our blood been men together. And naver few miles from hence, and gave chase.

So I asked him.

occurred, though you have no better reason to believe it, you are more likely to."

Sir Guy's ploture hangs over your fire-

named once and government of the section of the sec monntains.

That is my home," said Chapling, as I decountry observation, the clearer-bedding the old man called him, to his, chamber another column, and he to Hall & Warden

bifious of heart, unforziving of ten Many things may plungs your ment clouds may come between you and your routh before you return home. You will not see him again for many years, and time changes affection and wears out memory. Swear to me that you will never wrong him or neglect him; that he shall never have reason bitterly to feel the difference of the contract of t ference between a father's and a brother's love.' 'May God forget me; may good fortune desert me and my house, answerwered Guy, 'if by fault or default of mine thy brother come to harm. And with them words Sir Guy left his father and wout forth into the world.

or if Flora had been young enough for the than he had ever been. Then he was exdiscovery-was scheming to avoid being of the venerable elergyman of the parish, " found out." Most men, perhaps most and came not. He had ties at Court; the woman, are subject to such alarms from wife of a great nobleman, one of the loveliest in Henrietta's train, had fixed his fancy, and, as he thought, had smiled "found out" in the mind of a young and upon him. He was a man of ungovered passions and fearless temper: he persued the lady with a fierce fervor which terriof us. Flera spoke unfrequently; but fied herself, and with a reakless vehe-Crosthwaite's house. His family have held when she did speak, the clear tones of a mence which endangered both. Whether the yielded or not was never known; enough was said to excite suspicion, and her husband, a man of calm and generous disposition, but of unflinching determination, resolved to save his wife, if there were yet time. He obtained from the King a foreign appointment for young Neville. It was persuptorily and not very respectfully refused. Lord - then withdrew his wife from the Court, and sent her te his country seat. Sir Guy suspected his purpose, and was infuriated. In those days it was easy to force a quarrel, even on so eminent a man. Guy Neville contrived publicly to insult his enemy; a duel followed, and Lord --- was mortally wounded. Ere his enemy had quitted the ground, Lord ----'s mother, who had suspected the nature of his engagement. came to the spot in time to see her son expire. Beside his bleeding corpse she cursed his assassin, and prayed that; as he had brought desolation on a happy home, so his own might be desolate; that as he had out short an honorable and useful. life, so might his own life, and the lives of his descendants, be cut short in their prime. Sir Guy cowered beneath her curse, and it was with difficulty that his second harried him from the field. He had to hide himself for the time, of course. Presently he learned that there was no such chance of pardon for his crime as he had hoped. The childless downger had thrown herself at the King's feet, and Charles, greatly moved, had promised her justice in the emphatic words of David, As the Lord liveth, before whom I stand, the man that bath done this thing shall surely die.' Sir Guy fied his country and took refuge in Holland, tormented alike by the bitterness of remorse and the fury geance against the King who had sought to punish it. Sir Guy became the amodi-"." This place," said Charlie, " or rather ate of Puritans: married a daughter of some ten feet above our beads; was the one of their chiefs; and, while refusing to some of the family tragedy from which land the life of an ascetic, joined heart body does anything or thinks of anything sketches and one ancient portrait in nils. our house dates its decay, and the doom-- and soul in the wildest and most wiched

"The rebellion broke out, and his day "And what is that doom?" I inquired. Neville returned to England, and Joined the armies of the Parliament. He held a command in a force which was operating "that in no generation does more than in the north of Lancashire. One day intember is the pleasantest of months in moss-covered in which it was possible to one male of the house live to reach the formation was received through a spy that a massenger had been sent, with a smile. But so truly have we believed: in from the royal partisans in the same quarthe doom, that every chief of my line has ter to the Marquess of Montrose, and Sir married before he reached my age, lest his Guy, with his troop, was detached to in-

"They came up in eight of the escort a

has any head of the family died save by a Seeing themselves completely outnumviolent or a sudden death My great bered, the Cavaliers set apure to their grandfather fell at Yorktown; his father horses, sud, being admirably accumused had been drowned while bothing in Gran-mere: my grandfather was killed at Bada pursuers. Neville, with a few of his the riot unquelled; the blaim of civilian ter drew bridle, turned round, and rode imbecility laid on the soldier; the for full upon this vanguard, evidently intendbearance slandered, as cowardice, the sen- ing to overpewer it before the remainder tende of the court-martial avoided by sul-o of the troop could come up. The leader didas four months before Charlie's young of the Royalists was a very young man, est sister was born. I remembered for without a beard, and with a mustache alwhat cause his mother wore the widow's most silken in softness, with slender form weed's she had never abandoned. The and very youthful air and figure, but with superstition of my friend began to south the same stern expression, the same dark me. I would not turn to indifferent mat- deep set eyes and black eyebrows that you fere, as I might have done had any other will recognise in the portrait of Sir Guy. man spoken to me of his family misfor. His long lovelocks, which escaped from times : for Charlie was my intimate friend: his steel cap and, fell over his shoulders, were of raven black. In a word, we have And what is the story of the crime to his portrait; to-morrow you shall see it. which this doom has been entailed on all Flora resembles it as much as a girl may Sir Guy's posterity?" Tartie resemble a man. The Cavalier rode "What, have you never itestiff the legend straight at Meville, who was a yard or so of our bouse? Well, it is not so strange, in advance of his foremost troopers, and for it is not one of which we care to salk swords were crossed. Sir Guy was a firstto strangers; and even to you, I should rate swordsman, but in the young Royalhardly have cared to speak of it anywhere jet he had met his match in skill and but here. Elsewhere you might have courage. It was to sheer strength that doubted it or smiled at it; here, where it the Roundhead owed the advantage which enabled him twice to overnower his onpopent's guard, and inflict two fearful I felt that there was some truth in this. wounds, one on the head, and one on the shoulder. The Cavaliers, meanwhile, had beaten back the rebels; two of them rode place. It is worth a careful scrutiny, for to the rescue of their young chief, and it much of his strange and wayward charac. was only by a desperate exertion of his which charing, and quartered the hand could ful anxiety was pressing sepon, her mind. teria to he face in the manufacture of the matter and Ranged Staff, and could ful anxiety was pressing sepon, her mind. teria to her face in the linear substance of the matter and could ful anxiety was pressing sepon, her mind. teria to her face in the linear substance of the lin of Barnat, bore his part with great white resident notice from the children, would I Court of King Charles I., leaving behind made good his retreat. The remainder bim his aged father and a brother, a mere of his troopers were now fast approaching.