

Poetry.

VICTOR GALBRAITH.

Under the walls of Monterey. At daybreak the bugle began to play. Victor Galbraith!

The Eastern War.

THE DEFEAT OF THE ALLIES.

Our English files to the 4th inst. contain detailed accounts of the attack on the Malakoff and Redan Towers, made by the allies on the 18th ult.

HIGHTS BLOOMER SEBASTOPOL.

The original plan of attack contemplated a joint English and French assault of the Malakoff, which, as commanding the Redan and forming the grand key to the whole network of redoubts and batteries in front of the place, would, if taken, at once have rendered the place untenable, and placed the town and harbors at the mercy of the captors.

THE BAD BLUNDER TO BEGIN WITH.

Of our handful again, a large proportion consisted of raw recruits, recently arrived to fill up the gaps in the regiments selected for the service—regiments which, with one or two exceptions, have borne the whole brunt of our trench fighting, and suffered accordingly.

only a moderate reputation amongst the others now in camp.

FURTHER MISTAKES.

Later still in the evening preceding the assault, Sir George discovered that the major commanding the 23d was still laid up with a wound received in the attack on the Quarries, and that the senior captain—an officer, by the way, of some 18 years' service—would have charge of the corps during the storming.

A message to this effect was telegraphed to headquarters, but Lord Raglan, with a degree of common sense which was quite unamilitary, overruled his second's objection, and replied that an officer of Captain's length of service, be his rank what it might, should be quite as fit to lead his regiment into action as any field officer in the service, and, accordingly, that no substitution should be made.

REFLEXION ON PELISSIER.

Then another deviation from the original plan of the attack was made, also at the eleventh hour, by General Pelissier, to which both military sense and common sense agree in attributing no small share of both the French and our own failure.

DEFEAT PREDICTED.

Of course Lord Raglan complied, though forty-nine out of fifty of the subalterns in his camp would have foretold the consequences to be expected; and accordingly, soon after the first streaks of sunlight broke over the horizon, the doomed thousands rushed to defeat and death.

THE BOMBARDMENT BEGUN.

In just retribution for the disregard of their general to the good to be expected from a short morning's bombardment, they found the redoubts swarming with defenders, and guns bristling from every embrasure.

AN AWFUL SCENE.

With our own men, the space to be passed over from our most advanced trenches to the Redan was somewhere about seven hundred yards, and from the first moment of their rushing over the parapet towards the point of attack, they were met by the same awful and annihilating storm of canister and grape.

THE REPULSE COMPLETE.

I have already mentioned the confusion which characterized the first commencement of our movement; and coupling with the murderous preparation made by the enemy, you will be at no loss to understand that success was most

improbable. I shall presently mention what the Russians thought of our generalship, as repeated in my own hearing by one of themselves. During the whole affair Lord Raglan and Sir G. Brown were esconced within our eight gun battery; but, though this afforded a good view of the scene of the struggle and the disorder which marked it, for some reasons unknown to uninitiated spectators, they appeared unable to give an efficient direction for the correction of our multiplied blunders.

INDIGNATION AGAINST THE GENERALS.

I know not what may have been the feelings of your home public on reading the telegraph news of our defeat—for I presume the scribes at headquarters made no attempt to conceal the naked fact of our defeat—but here mingled shame and indignation were general throughout the camp.

THE CANNONADE RESUMED.

About midnight of Monday I was roused up by the sound of a terrific cannonade, and sustained musketry fire, along the whole front from our left to the French right, and on hastening out to the height in advance of the Victoria Redoubt, heard and witnessed what induced me to believe that a night attack had been made by ourselves and the French to retrieve the fortune of the day.

STIRRING SPECTACLE.

I have neither time nor power to describe the magnificent but awful pyrotechnic scene. A badly aimed shell from the Malakoff passed high over the Mamelon, and fell some sixty yards from where I stood; but though this was safe enough, I deemed it best to shift my ground, and so retired.

BURYING THE DEAD.

Next morning there was hardly a gun fired on either side; and about twelve o'clock we hoisted a flag to request the necessary truce for the burial of our dead.

Five minutes after, several Russian officers mounted the parapet and waved their caps, as if inviting us to renew the request; but Capt. refused, alleging that he must "wait for further orders;" and this, though many of our poor wounded fellows were lying within sight, writing in pain and thirst under a broiling sun.

INTERESTING INCIDENTS.

The Russians threw out an advance line of sentries to keep off prying eyes from the Redan, and a similar precaution having been taken on our side the neutral space was thus

narrowed greatly. The scenes of battle carnage have been often enough described, so I need only say that this was like the rest—harrowing to look on. Dead and dying lay over the ground.

During this proceeding a number of Russian officers mingled amongst our party, and several of them spoke English fluently, a good deal was said. Their "pumping" inclination, however, was so marked as in most cases to defeat itself; though one of our officers was guilty of the indiscretion of informing a very suave interrogator that their grape did sad injury to our men in possession of the lately taken Quarries—a remark which procured his instant order to the rear by Gen. Airey.

It was by one of these polite foes that the inquiry was made by an Englishman at my side whether "our generals had really been drunk or not during the recent assault." The Russians having helped us to gather in the dead, the whole sad duty was soon performed, and the truce brought to an end.

THE LOSSES OF THE ALLIES.

It appears from statements in the Paris papers that the losses of the allies in the affair of the 18th June were much heavier than the previous advices led us to suppose. The Union states that the French had upwards of 5,000 men put hors de combat.

Miscellaneous.

HOLY LIFE.

The beauty of holy life constitutes the most eloquent and effective persuasive to religion which one human being can address to another. We have many ways of doing good to our fellow creatures, but none so efficacious as leading a virtuous, upright, and well ordered life.

The Latest Snake Story.

The Concord (N. H.) Patriot gives the following, and as if conscious that few could be found to credit it, gives the assurance that it is true:

"About two weeks since, a little girl, near six years of age, Collista Hill, of Gilmanton Centre, was searching for berries in the field, when her attention was arrested by a peculiar singing noise, and on looking up she perceived two large black snakes, one of which was in an erect attitude and gazing fixedly upon her, accompanying its vibratory motions by, as she says, 'a most beautiful singing.'"

lowing: "The little girl was asked if she was not frightened when she saw the snakes. She said she was terribly frightened; and when asked why she did not run, she said she tried but could not; she also tried to scream for her mother, but could not speak a word. The idea is that she was paralyzed by the magnetic power of the snakes. The first time she remained with them a long time—could not tell how long. Afterwards daily she staid with them several hours, feeding them regularly. She said they liked sweet things best, and that she stole three cakes of maple sugar that her mother had laid away, and sweet gingerbread whenever she could, to give them. The big snake would try to drive the small one away from her when fed, and she cuffed him several times, and he returned the compliment by taking her fingers into his mouth several times, without doing much harm. Consequently she don't love this snake as much as she does the other one, though she is generally fond of him."

Medicines.

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Dry Goods.

NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS! THE LATEST SPRING STYLES! I am now receiving from New York and Philadelphia an immense stock of new, desirable and cheap goods, which I would call the attention of all my old friends and customers, as well as the public generally.

NEW STYLE DRESS GOODS. Is large, complete and beautiful. Another lot of these elegant and cheap BLACK SILKS, embroidered handkerchiefs, sleeves, collars, ruffles, edgings, and insertings, a stock that for extent and cheapness defies all competition.

CARPETS AND MATTINGS. An entire new stock of three ply, Ingrain, cotton and venetian carpeting, bought very cheap and will be sold very low. Also white and colored Matting.

DRY GOODS NEW STORE & NEW GOODS! The undersigned is now opening in the store room of William Leonard, on the corner of Hanover and Louthier streets, in the Borough of Carlisle, a large and general assortment of STAPLE AND FANCY DRY GOODS, embracing almost every kind and variety of goods adapted to this market, together with an assortment of GROCERIES.

NEW SPRING GOODS. A subscriber is now opening a large and general assortment of LADIES' DRESS GOODS, consisting of Black and Colored Silks, Challis, Bareges, Mous de laines, French and English Lawns, also a general variety of goods for boys wear, a full assortment of Ladies and Childrens Hosiery, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, also English and other STRAW BONNETS, Bonnet Ribbons, Bonnet Lawns, with the usual variety of Spring Goods at moderate prices.

DRY GOODS NEW AND SEASONABLES. The undersigned having enlarged and fitted up the Store-room formerly occupied as the Post Office, immediately opposite the office of the American Volunteer, in South Hanover Street, has opened a large and general assortment of NEW AND SEASONABLE DRY GOODS, comprising a great variety of fancy and staple British and domestic goods, a general assortment of Ladies' Leghorns, Straw, Neapolitan and Gimp Bonnets, Blosoms of various kinds and quality, Gentlemen, Youth and Childrens' Panama, Leghorn and Straw Hats, white and colored Carpet Cloths, Greenings &c. &c. all of which will be sold at the lowest price.

BONNETS, BONNETS. The subscriber is just receiving another supply of Spring and Summer Bonnets consisting of English Straw Caps, French Straw Hats, New Italy, and Ten Hair, also a new supply of very cheap Colored and White Bonnet Ribbons, &c. &c. in 12 1/2 and 15 cent widths. At an early assortment of Ladies' and Men's HATS and Bonnet Ribbons. May 16, '55.

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