

ELK ADVOCATE

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The Nation Called to Mourn.

GENOVA, April 15th 1865. Lincoln is dead. Mr. Seward and son were both stabbed, will not recover it is thought, Mr. Lincoln was shot in a theatre, through the head, the assassin has escaped, he went in to Mr. Seward's house with the pretence of giving Mr. Seward, who was sick, a prescription and stabbed him in four places, the servant then alarmed Fred Seward and the assassin stabbed him in several places, his recovery is doubtful, Mr. Lincoln has since died. This is official and signed by E. M. STANTON.

We ask a perusal of the article of Curtis W. Barrett, in reply to the Erie Dispatch, which forbids subscribers, in this county, paying to him any money on account of the Dispatch. Mr. Lynn can, and does lie, but his figures do not. See the following.

When Curtis W. Barrett accepted the agency of your villainously despicable sheet in Ridgway, he was not aware that he was seriously compromising his standing in the community, neither was he aware that it would require a length of time, to wipe out the disgrace which would attach to him and might even pursue him after death. He is, however, sadly aware, at the present time, and bitterly regrets that even for one moment he ever was connected with your establishment in any manner whatever. He has gained his experience sadly. He had learned well to expect nothing from you underhand slings and bold lying. You can afford to lie, "Mr. Lynn" you are entirely competent to endeavor to take from others, that which you never possessed yourself, a good character. But you never will gain one for yourself by such a course. Do not think it. There is no soil in your muddy composition, in which the seeds of goodness could germinate. Moreover those who are unfortunate enough to know you, were you to change from what you now are would never recognize you. But as he before observed, all things mean, you can well afford to be; for are you not loyal? Have not your hands dived deeply into the public funds, and have you not borrowed therefrom a goodly sum? Of course you are amply able, to curse, and swear, and lie and stab in the dark. Curtis W. Barrett was not unprepared, therefore to see in your paper, we mean your rag—a notice to your subscribers in this region, forbidding them to pay to him any money on account of the Dispatch; that he had received over three thousand copies, and had paid only seven dollars and twelve cents therefor; Now Mr. Lynn, he proposes to prove that you have lied, by a witness, you, probably, will not expect. He offers in evidence, first the account furnished by Mr. B. F. H. Lynn, and asks his readers to judge whether he ever received 3000 papers—

ERIC, Pa., Oct. 11th 1864. MR. CURTIS W. BARRETT To B. F. H. Lynn, Dr. Week ending July 25th to 15 papers 30 " " 30th to 75 " 1 50 " " Aug. 6th to 140 " 2 80 " " 13th to 180 " 3 60 " " 20th to 180 " 3 60 " " 27th to 177 " 3 54 " " Sept. 3d to 180 " 3 60 " " 10th to 180 " 3 60 " " 17th to 180 " 3 60 " " 24th to 162 " 3 24 " " Oct. 1st to 144 " 2 88 " " 8th to 135 " 2 70 October 10th & 11th to 48 " 96

CR. July 30th, By Cash 70 Aug. 24th, " 8 00 Oct. 1st, " 1 00 " 11th, " 8 50 \$8 20 Balance due \$27 72 You are convicted by yourself Mr. Lynn of lie number one. Accompanying the account is the following letter, ERIC, PA., Oct. 11th 1864. MR. CURTIS W. BARRETT, Ridgway Pa.

DEAR SIR:—Your favor of yesterday, is at hand, I have made the enclosed statement of your account, giving you credit for the cash received, several times, I believe you did not get your papers in time to sell any, not knowing the amount you have lost by it, I leave the deduction for you to make. Do not also the number of papers you let Mr. Bowers have, with a sufficient percentage to pay you for the trouble you have had connected with them.

Yours truly, B. F. H. LYNN, Pr Pollock. And again, Oct. 26th 1864, Mr. Lynn sends the following letter, ERIC, PA., Oct. 26th 1864. C. W. BARRETT, Esq. DEAR SIR:—Your favor was received some time since, I find you stand charged with \$35 92 Credit with cash, 8 80 Balance, \$27 12 For papers lost I will deduct \$10 00 For your services 10 00 Leaving a balance of \$7 12

due, which, if satisfactory, you may remit. I am under obligations to you for your attention, and will be glad to reciprocate favor when I can, Yours, &c., B. F. H. LYNN.

Mr. Lynn, your mode of reciprocating favors is perfectly unique. Its novelty entitles it to a patent. Mr. Lynn, you will perceive by this letter, that you claim a balance of \$7 12, provided Curtis W. Barrett deems it correct, or as you say satisfactor.

\$1 00 of that \$7 12, Mr. Lynn, you are well aware was due from a subscriber in Ridgway township; and you are also, well aware that while you forbid your subscribers to pay money over to Curtis W. Barrett, on account of the Dispatch rag, you sent this account of \$1 00 to an employee of the Provost Marshal, in Ridgway, for collection, but you are not aware, nor is Curtis W. Barrett aware that you credited him with that amount. He knows, and so do you, that since you furnished the account of October 11th, 1865, he sent you \$3 00. He does not know, however, but you do, that only you sent him no receipt for the amount, but meanly endeavored to hold him out to the limited world of your circulation as a cheat, and a scoundrel—words, Mr. Lynn, which apply, to yourself, but coming from you would be a recommendation. This leaves Curtis W. Barrett in your debt, (by your showing) just 12 cents, which he remits to you to-day, without availing himself of any deductions.

"The only reply we have to make to the article in the Ridgway Advocate, in regard to the Dispatch and Provost Marshal's office is, that the writer for that sheet displays much more bad manners than good sense. If he was worth the ammunition we might consent to notice him."—Erie Dispatch, April 3d. Have we, then, fallen so low that a conceited ass presumes to kick at us? We could have borne all else. Verily the contumely heaped upon us by the Dispatch hath caused us to dive deeply in to ourself, and ponder much upon our villainous, and littleness; our want of good sense and abundance of bad manners, indisputable evidence it was in us, of lack of good manners and absence of good sense to notice the Dispatch. That sheet has told us so, and we must believe it in this instance. We have made a note on't.

When we lowered ourself to answer billings gate, by the truest reasoning of which we were capable, had we expected an answer, befitting a gentleman to give, we had been foolish in the extreme. We were aware at the time we noticed the slang of the Dispatch, that our argument was unanswerable; the ungentlemanly reply—it so we may dignify the squib at the head of our column—but confirms us, in our belief. Never yet was there a bound whose instinct did not teach it to avoid the lash. On the Dispatch was the burden of proof: it held the affirmative of the question. In a mode, peculiar to its class it made its charges—We denied them, and entered fully on our defense; whereupon the Dispatch with a drivelling ass's says it can not notice us.

Comment is unnecessary. During the past week or ten days our town has been literally crowded with people from all parts of the District—lucky recipients of a prize in Uncle Sam's lottery—(a prize, though, that a very large number seemed anxious to transfer.) There were people of every color, size and physiognomy—the Indian with his straight black hair and erect form; the "irrepressible nigger," with his tangled wool and heels sticking out a foot behind; there were Irish and Dutch; French and English; and for what we know a small springling of Feejee Islanders. Some came as substitutes, and I some to procure them. Some were here for the purpose of trying to get exempt, and some didn't care a darn whether they were or not. In fact it was a motley collection of the genus homo, and he who stood on the steps of the Provost Marshal's office for two hours any day last week, could not help but be amused at the many phases of character displayed.

The work of the officers and clerks in the Marshal's office for some time past has been of the most trying character; but perhaps none of them has had a more disagreeable or arduous duty to perform than Dr. Matson, the examining Surgeon. And yet we are unaware that any has censured him for unfairness in his examinations. Perhaps no one could be found in the District, who can so well fill the position to the satisfaction of those who have business with him. We understand that during the present week none of the drafted men will be required to report, an arrangement ordered into, we believe, on account of the bad state of the roads.

ACCIDENT.—John Taylor, the Clerk at the Fountain House, accidentally shot himself through the hand on Tuesday last, while carelessly handling a revolver. Persons cannot be too careful in the use of fire arms.

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War Department, Washington, April 12th, 2:30. To Maj. Gen. Dix: The capture of Selma, Alabama, is reported by Maj. Gen. Thomas. The surrender of Lynchburg, is also officially reported. (Signed,) E. M. STANTON, Sec'y. of War.

Headq'r Army of the Cumberland, Nashville, April 11th. To Maj. Gen. Halleck, Chief of Staff: I send the following just received from Westville, Ala., for the information of the Secretary of War: I am inclined to believe in all, though I have received no report direct from Gen. Wilson.

Huntsville, Ala., April 11th, 9 A. M. To Maj. Gen. Thomas: The following is just received from Colonel Hoover at Somerville: Men directly from Selma, report that place captured by Gen. Wilson's forces on the 2d inst. Gens. Forrest and Rhoddy, with their entire commands are captured. Our men dismounted and charged the entrenchments and captured all before them. They also report Montgomery captured. (Signed,) R. S. GRANGER, GEO. H. THOMAS, Major Generals.

City Point, Va., April 12th. To Hon. E. M. Stanton, Sec'y of War: Lynchburg surrendered yesterday to A. A. Cutenant of Griffin's forces, at the head of a scouting party. Gen. Grant has ordered McKenzie's brigade of cavalry to occupy the town, and take care of public property. (Signed,) C. A. DAVIS, Ass't Secretary of War. New York, April 12. The Portuguese authorities have ordered the rebel ram Stonewall to leave the harbor of Lisbon. The U. S. gunboat Sacramento was hourly expected. In the House of Commons Lord Elcho alluded to the debates in the Canadian parliament, where it has been decided that £50,000 was all that England would vote for Canada this year. Lord Elcho said he would bring the subject forward on the 14th of April.

Lisbon, March 28. The Stonewall has sailed from this port. The Niagara and Sacramento have arrived, and the Portuguese authorities have prohibited their sailing for 24 hours. The London Times says, that a short time since Confederate drafts were refused by F. Frazer & Co., of Liverpool, for want of advice. The requisite funds and instructions have since arrived, and the bills will be paid immediately. Lisbon, March 29—10:25 a. m. The federal frigate Niagara and Sacramento attempted to sail before the expiration fixed by the Portuguese authorities, and were fired upon by the Dalm fort. The Niagara was struck on the poop, and a seaman was killed. The vessels thereupon anchored.

London, March 29. Consols closed at 89 1/2 to 90 1/2 for money. U. S. 5-20's 56 to 57.

Paris, March 29. The Marquis de La Valette, Senator, has been appointed Mondir of the Interior in place of M. Monitor, whose resignation has been accepted to-day in the Legislature.

M. Kolb Bernard defended the Encyclical and its appended syllabus, and the conduct of the Roman Courts. Philadelphia, April 12th. Mayor Henry has by proclamation, fixed Monday evening next for a public illumination of the city in honor of Grant's victories and the peace.

New York, April 12th. The Commercial's special says there is reason to believe that the Cabinet has decided on a settlement contained in the President's speech. The commercial says rooms have been engaged at one of our Hotels for Gen. Robt. E. Lee, and is expected to arrive here either to-day or to-morrow.

New York, April 12th. By the Moro Castle, we have Havana dates to the 8th, advices from Vera Cruz 1st, and from Mexico 28th, have been received. About 12,000 French and Austrians are on their way to Leonora.

Emigrants from the United States to Mexico suffer terribly on their arrival in that country and there is no hope for their doing well. The blockade runner Little Hatie run out of Savannah lately, but soon returned with a hole in her smoke stack.

Albany, April 12. The Democrats at the charter election elected their city ticket by an average majority of 1349. The vote was light. Boston, April 12. The U. S. steamer Circassian arrived to-day from the Gulf Squadron, with a number of sick and discharged seamen. She left Key West on the 4th inst., the U. S. steamers Dale and Glancers. The health of the officers and seamen on the Southern coast was generally good. No news of importance was brought.

Boston, April 12. The steamer Asia, for Liverpool, proceeded down the harbor to-day, magnificently decorated with flags, in honor of our recent great victories. Phila delphia, April 12th. Jay Cooke reports the subscription to the 7-30 loan to-day at \$3,526,000. The largest Western subscription was \$102,000 from Chicago, and the largest Eastern was \$358,000 from New York. There were 2,468 individual subscriptions of \$50 and \$100.

New York, April 12. Gold 145 1/2. Grants Letter to Lee and Lee's Answer. Appomattox C. H., Va., April 9, '65. Gen. R. E. Lee, Commanding C. S. A.: In accordance with the substance of my letter to you of the 8th inst., I propose to receive the surrender of the army of Northern Virginia on the following terms, to wit: Rolls of all the officers and men to be made in duplicate, one copy to be given to an officer designated by me, the other to be retained by such officers as you may designate. The officers are to give their individual paroles not to take up arms against the Government of the United States until properly exchanged, and each company or regimental commander sign a like parole for the men of their commands.

The arms, artillery and public property to be parked and stacked and turned over to the officers appointed by me to receive them. This will not embrace the side arms of the officers, nor their private horses or baggage. This done, each officer and man will be allowed to return to their homes not to be disturbed by United States authority; so long as they observe their parole and the laws in force where they may reside. Very respectfully, U. S. GRANT, Lt.-Gen.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA, April 9, 1865. Lt.-Gen. U. S. Grant, Commanding U. S. A.: General—I have received your letter of this date, containing the terms of surrender of the army of northern Virginia as proposed by you. As they are substantially the same as those expressed in your letter of the 8th inst., they are accepted. I will proceed to designate the proper officers to carry the stipulations into effect. Very respectfully, your ob't serv't, R. E. LEE, General.

KILLING OF MOBLEY, THE GERRILLA.—A letter from Sandy Hook, dated the 5th inst., gives the following information: Mobley, the noted robber and murderer, and right hand man of Moseby, was shot by a Union soldier on Wednesday afternoon, not far from this place. His body was tied to his horse, said to be a thorough bred animal, and thus driven to Gen. Stevens's headquarters. The soldier who captured the bandit has been promoted to the rank of major. Mobley was so entirely illiterate that he could not tell one letter of the alphabet from the other. He has robbed and murdered quite a number of the residents of Loudoun county, Va., and the aged and the young have been ruthlessly slain by him.

MISSOURI is in a bad way. The authority of the Federal Government has been upheld by Provost Marshals, that of the rebels by bands of guerrillas.

Between the two, the people of that State have been bound between the upper and nether millstone. What was once a fair and flourishing State is now, for the most part, a desert—the abode of beasts of prey in human forms. This is one of the ineffable charms of civil war. To kites, vultures, cormorants, and jacksals it is a rare good send. We stop the press to announce the following order, which we find in the Erie Dispatch of the 14th inst. NEW YORK, April 13th 1865. To MAJ. GEN. DIX: The Department, after mature consideration and consultation with the Lieutenant General upon the results of the recent campaign, has come to the following determination, which will be carried into effect by appropriate orders to be immediately issued: 1st. To stop all drafting and recruiting in the loyal States. 2d. To curtail purchases of arms, ammunition, quartermaster and commissary supplies, and reduce the expenses of the military establishment in its several branches. 3d. To reduce the number of general and staff officers to the actual necessities of the service. 4th. To remove all military restrictions upon trade and commerce, so far as may be consistent with public safety. As soon as these measures can be put in operation, it will be made known by public order. (Signed) E. M. STANTON, Secretary of War.

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EXECUTORS NOTICE. Whereas, Letters Testamentary having been granted to Jno. Stockman and Anton Fechtman, Executors of the last will and testament of Lorenz Stockman, late of St. Mary's, dec'd, all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate will make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement. GEO. ED. WEIS, Register & Co.

NOTICE.—The Stockholders of the "Pensylvania Cannel Coal Co," the "Shavnut Cannel Coal Co," and the "Shavnut and Ridgway Rail Road Co," are hereby notified that a meeting will be held at the office of the Treasurer of the first named company, in the city of Boston (J. F. Juckerman No. 20 City Exchange) on Friday the fourteenth day of April next at 11 o'clock a. m., to consider the acceptance of a charter consolidating the three corporations. J. Saltonstall, Pres't., P. C. C. Co. W. S. Eaton, Pres't., S. C. C. Co. Henry Souther, Pres't., S. & R. R. R. Boston, March 21st 1865.

Two Valuable Lots for sale in the Borough of St. Mary's Elk Co., Pa. To be sold on the first day of May, A. D. 1865, at the School house in the Borough of St. Mary's aforesaid, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Upon one of the lots is erected a good School house, nearly new and in good condition, 20 by 40 feet. This lot has 61 1/2 feet on the Philadelphia and Erie Rail Road. The road leading to the rail road depot running through the South end of the lot, the lot contains exclusive of the road 8694 square feet, 5594 square feet on the North side of the depot road and 3100 square feet on the South side of do. The other lot contains 8739 square feet, 5884 square feet on the North side of the road and 2855 square feet on the South side of the road leading to the rail road Depot. This lot has 61 1/2 feet on the rail road and 183-6-10 feet on St. Michals Road. The road leading to the rail road Depot, runs through the Southern part of the lot. The above lots will be sold single or together, as may suit purchasers. Plans of the above lots may be seen on application to Geo. Walmsy, Surveyor, St. Mary's Pa.

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Died.—On Friday, March 31st '65, William Taylor, Jr., son of William and Mary Taylor, aged 27 years, 6 months and 10 days.