# THE ELK ADVOCATE

ELK ADVOCATE I day evening last a strong vein of gas and oil was struck, and the gas took fire

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Herechall the Presethe people's rights maint an ( named by party and unbrided by gain ; Pledged but to Trath, Liberty and Law, No favor sways us and no fear shall awe."

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and 10 State St., Boston S. M. PETTENGILL & Co., are the Agents for the ELK ADVOCATE and the most influential and largest circulating Newspapers in the United States and the Canadas- they are authorized to conract for us at our lowest rates.

\$55 Many of our Merchants are at present complaining of the duliness of the times, sales small &c. &c. We would call the attention of such to the Advertisement of F. W. SCHENING, Centreville, Elk Co. Pa., where they will find all the different goods he has on hand for sale noticed, through the proper medium, "The Elk Advocate." Mr. Scheening enters no complaint on account of want of custom; but on the contrary, when you visit Centreville (as a matter of courtesy, you must call to see "Fred,") you will find his store crowded with customers, all of which, was brot about from the fact, he advertiscs-thereby letting the people know what he has for sale. If those who are in want of customers, will do as he does, they will share with him, providing, they are as ac commodating and sell goods as low as he does.

ABOUT TO CLOSE .--- The Provost Marshals office of the 19th District, is about winding up business. The office for the last six months has been located at this place, on account of this being the most central point in the district. So far as consecrus the office, no matter where located , it is an institution that ice, as well as all other rational men, 1ejoice to see closed; in hopes that the like may never be opened again to dis-grace a free people. We can cheerfully say, that so far as the gentlemen that officiated in the office, from the Provost \* Marshal down to even the orderly, (Po, ney) were men of talent and ability, and treated all who were unfortunate enough to full in their hands, by way of draft or otherwise, with due respect; rendering unto each in turn, that which they by regulations and orders from the war de. partment, were compelled to do. We regret to part with those that composed the booard, but rejoice at the closing of the office.

OIL PROSPECTS .- The prospects of finding oil in this place, are daily in-

from a camp, causing an extensive con-flagration. The derrick was torn down and the fire finally extinguished on Sunday evening. It was a grand sight -especially at night. The column of water, oil and gas, sometimes extended 40 feet in the air. The derrick is again erected and the well being tubed. We hope to be able to give a favorable report of its operations next week. It is con-fidently expected that it will be a large flowing well .- Clurion Democrat.

Stunning Letter from General Sherman.

NEW YORK, May 25.

The following is the letter from Gen. eral Sherman complaining of the sup. pression of his official reports, already referred to :

CAMP NEAR ALEXANDRIA, May 19, 1865.

Dear Bowman !- I am just arrived. All my army will be in to day. I have been lost to the world in the woods for some time. Yet on arriving at the "settlements" found that I have made quite a stir among the people at home and that the most sinsiter motives have been ascribed to me. I have made frequent official reports of my official action in all public matters and all of them have been carefully suppressed, while the most ridiculous nonsense has been in. dustriously spread abroad through all the newspapers. Well! You know what importance I attach to such matters and that I have been too long fight ing with real rebels, with muskets in their hands, to be seared by more noncombatants, no matter how high their civil rank or station. It is amusing to baerve how brave and firm some men become when all danger is past. I have noticed on fields of battle that brave men never insult the captured, or mutilate the dead, but cowards and braggarts al. ways do. I cannot now recall the act,

but Shakespeare records how poor Falstaff, the Prince of cowards and wits, rising from a figured death stabbed again the dead Percy and carried the carcass aloft in triumph to prove his valor. So now, when the rebellion in our land is dead, many Falstaff s'appear to brandish the evidence of their valor and seek to win applause and to appropriate honors for deeds that never were done. As to myself, I ask no popularity, on reward, but I dare the War Department to pub. lish my official letters and reports. I

assert that my official reports have been purposely suppressed, while all the power of the press has been malignantly turned against me .--- I do want peace and security and the return to law and justice from Maine to the Rio Grande, and if it does not exist substantially, it is for State reasons beyond my comprehension.

It may be thought strange that one who has no fame but as a soldier, should have been so careful to try and restore the civil power of the government and the peaceful jurisdiction of the federal courts; but it is difficult to discover in

men choose to slander and injure others they can easily invent the facts for the purpose, when the proposed victim is far | ment, applicable to the geographical lim. away engaged in public service of their its aforesaid own bidding. But there is consolation in knowing that though truth lies in the bottom of a well, the Yankees have perseverence enough to get to that bottom. Yours truley, W. T. SHERMAN.

United States and Commander in-Chief | States of the army and navy of the United States, do hereby appoint Wm. H. Holden Provisional Governor of the State of North Carolina, whose duty it shall be, at the earliest practicable period, to prescribe such rules and regula tions as may be necessary and proper for convening a convention, composed of delegates to be chosen by that portion of the people of said State who are loyal to the United States, and no others, for the purpose of altering or amending the constitution thereof, and with authority

to exercise within the limits of the said State all the powers necessary and prop. or to enable such loyal people of the State of North Carolina to restore the said State to its constitutional rela. tions to the Federal Government,

and to present such a republican form of State Government will entitle the State to the guarantee of Unite 1 States therefor, and its people to protection by the United States against fort. invasion, insurrection and domestic vio-

Provided, that in any election that may be hereafter held for choosing delegates to any State Convention as aforesaid, no person shall be qualified as an elector or shall be eligible as a membar of such Convention unless he shall have previously taken and subscribed to the oath of amnesty as set forth in the President's Proclamation of May 29th, A. D. 1865, and is a voter qualified as prescribed by the Constitution and laws of the State of North Carolina in force immediately before the 20th day of May, A. D. 1861, the date of the so called ordinance of secession.

And the said Convention, when con. vened, or the Legislature which may be thereafter assembled, will prescribe the qualifications of electors, and the eligi. bility of persons to hold office under the Constitution and laws of the State, a power the people of the several States be reserved till after the trials are comprising the Federal Union have rightly exercised from the origion of the Government to the present time; and I do hereby direct :

First. That the military commander of the Department and all officers and persons in the military and naval service aid and assist the said provisional Governor in carrying into effect this procla. mation; and they are enjoined to abstain from in any way hindering, impeding or discouraging the loyal people from the organization of a State Government as herein authorized.

Second. That the Secretary of that fact any just cause of offense to an State proceed to put in force all laws of , fifty per cont. in currency and fifty per collightened and free people; but when men choose to slander and injure others whereaf holongs to the State Davart, whereof belongs to the State Depart all claims over two the

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Sick and Wounded Soldiers in Hospitals. MRS. JEFF. DAVIS AT SAVAN.

NAH Wants to go to England and France.

Special of Western Associated Press.

The Herabl's Fortress Monroe special says : Jeff. Davis' health is very much impared, medical attendance wait on him daily. The greatest vigilance is observed respecting visitors inside the

The Herald's Washington special says : Rumors of disagreement between Secretaries Usher and Harlan have been exaggerated. There is an unfriendly feeling between these gentlemen, grow. ing out of certain appointments and contracts. A difficulty has also risen, relative to the Pacific Railroad Company's claim to have completed forty miles of road as required by law, and to be entitled to a certain amount of Government bonds stipulate to be issued to them when that portion of the road was completed.

amine the road, whose report Mr. Har. lan has rejected, and other commissioners have been appointed.

Davis. It may be in Baltimore or even

Ex.Governor Brown, of Georgia goes home on parole to try to organize and bring back the State to its first love.

Mr. Boyce, of South Carolina, is said

wounded soldiers in hospitals through. out the country. This number is being rapidly reduced by discharges of conva. lescents. A rule has been adopted in all departments, that where vacancies occur which is not essential should be immediately filled, they shall be kept open until some wounded officer or sol. dier shall be found competent for posi. tion. All minor places in departments applications from others are useless.

M'Culloch, in order to meet all demands upon the Treasury, has decided to pay

## FOREIGN NEWS.

Completion of the Atlantic Cable. British Press Against the Hanging of Jeff. ad State of Things in Richmond.

test of the Poor Whites and Negro Against Federal Officers.

Former Rebel Mayor Reinstated.

Refusal of Whites in Alabama to

Work.

Father Point, June 11. The following is a summary of news sent out by the City of London, which sailed from Liverpool, May 31st, for New York :

The Atlantic Cable was completed on the 29th May. At a banquet given by the contractors all parties seemed sat. isfied with the great results already obtained, and expressed almost a certainty of the enterprise being a great success.

In the House of Commons, in answer to a question, Mr. Cardwell said that efforts had been made for colonization of the Red River district, but without pre. sent results. The Government acknowledges the right of property in land by the Hudson Bay company under their charter.

The Owl says that the Canada delegates have established a complete mission with the Imperial Government as to the fortifications of Quebec and Montreal. They firmly believe the proposed confederation will be carried out.

The journals continue discussing the fate of Jeff. Davis.

The Daily News hopes mercy will be extended, not but that he fully deserves already vindication so triumphantly, that nothing can be added.

No punishment could be greater than failure, and mercy would cause no regret in future years.

The Times says after the enormous language of the President we can no longer regard the case with confidence or unconcern. It may prove a fortunate or fatal success, as the policy of the government may be so effected by the personal views of the President.

In the House of Commons, questions

Lord Palmerston said communications had been taking place for claims lately made which were of the same kind as formerly made. He could not say whether the instructions were issued by President Johnson or Lincoln. He said made into paper for Ayer's Almanacs, an impression prevailed since Johnson's and thus, after having wrapped the dead accession, that new claims had been made in a totally different spirit than formerly. That impression was altogether unfounded.

Mr. Saward said no fresh demands had been made.

The rupture between the Emperor

and Prince Napoleon was complete. The Paris correspondent of the Daily News says the Great Unpardonable was in the present delicate crisis on the Mexican question, Meloiu, chief of the cabinet Maximilian, had arrived in ! Paris and had since gone to Brazil. Advices from Florence state that negotiations are progressing favorably.

The Herald's Washington special says it is understood that Judge Sharky will be made pravisional Governor of Alabarra.

The Herald's Richmond correspondent says Gov. Smith, of Va., is about to surrender himself.

The Times' Washington special says the President will soon issue a proclama. tion putting an end to the purchase by government agents of products of late insurrectionary States, thus removing the 25 per cent. tax and leaving the products to be taxed under the general law, as in other states.

The World's Florence correspondent says a reconciliation has taken place be. tween the Pope and Victor Emanuel. and that the latter will be crowned Emperor by the former.

### New York, June 12.

We are officially notified that for the present the extent of the government business over the Southern wires necessitate the suspension of arrangements in progress, to re-establish the old relations between the Associated Press and editors South of Washington. Meantime, active efforts are being made to increase the telegraphic localities so as to insure a' prompt dispatch of all business to or from the South.

DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION POSTPONED .- At the formal meeting of the Democratic State Central Committee it was resolved that the State Conven. tion should be called to meet at Harrisburg, on Wednesday, the 21st day of June, inst., but having since learned from a majority of the Committee, and being advised by many other leading Democrats of the State, that a postponement to a later day would, on many ac. counts, be acceptable, and is generally punishment, but, because the principles desired. I hereby give notice that the of the federal government represent the next Democratic State Convention of Pennsylvania, will convene at the Hall of the House of Representatives, in the city of Harrisburg, on Thursday, the 24th day of August next at one o'clock P. M.

C. L. WARD, Chairman. TOWANDA, June 1st 1865.

-The Mummies of Theres. Messra Ayer & Co have received from Alexan dria a cargo of rags to pay for their medicines, which are largely sold in Egypt. They are evidently gathered were as to the reported demands of the American Government on account of the Alabama's depredations. linen turbans, loose breeches and flow-ing robes. Not the least part of their bulk is cloth in which bodies were embalmed and wound for preservation three for thirty centuries, are used to warm the living from the narrow house which they have so long inhabited, and to which, in spite of all our guards and cautions, we must so surely go.-Daily Evening Journal.

Wouldn't You Like to Know ?

I know a girl with teeth of pear!, And shoulders white as anow , She lives-ah ! well, I must not tell-Wouldn't you like to know !

NEW YORK, June 7.

Commissioners were appointed to ex-

The same special says it is not yet tully determined where to try Jefferson in Philadelphia.

to be on good terms with the Presi. dent.

over

There are about 60,000 sick and are being filled as they become vacant with wounded or disabled soldiers, and

The Times' special says : Secretary

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creasing. The well of Dickinson & Co.,

is now bored to the depth of 540 fect, and from last indications, oil will be found inside of two weeks, We only regret, that among our capitalists, we have only one "Dickinson." One well not being a fair test, others who were blessed with the "ready john," should have risked a small portion of their abundance, to test the matter, and not wait to see whether the "Judge" would RECONSTRUCTION POLICY OF be fortunate or not.

fto The different hotels in our village for the last ten days, have been filled to overflowing, by visitors. Some are cal. led here on business, others on speculating &c.

15 We call the attention of our citi. zens, and the citizens of the county gen. erally, to the advertisement of the made Commander-in-chief of the army GREAT WORLD CIRCUS which will visit Ridgway Elk county on Monday the 26th inst. Mr. Derry's circus being the firist to exibit in Ridgway, and the 2d States, and to take care that the laws be that ever visited the county, we can in faithfully executed ; good faith promise a profitable and pleasant time to the Proprietor and the company under his charge. Already we find a portion of our citizens as well ple of the United States against the ns all our youth, much excited and anxjously waiting the time of its coming.

The fact that slavery is dead, is necepted by all, and none realize it more fully than the people of the South. Democrats rejoice that this question is removed from politics. The party never was pro.slavery-but always was contended-as it still contends-that each all civil government; state has- a right to control its own do. mestic institutions-stavery included. Otherissues are now to be discussed. The abolition party never had any principles. It was confined to one idea-that was "nigger." And now that slavery is dead-that party will also soon be defunct. The Democratic party is founded on principles which originated, conducted and sustained this government, and it will never die. It has been de. feated, but not dismayed. Its principles are immutable, and will live for. aver. - Clarion Democrat.

THE DEER CREEK OIL WELL .-! his old well, which has been so much tranquility insured, the loyal citizens talked of, is now 530 feet deep-the rimmer which was fast in the bottom, havis gleen taken out, and boring commonand a couple of weeks ago. On Satur. I, Andrew Johnson, President of the

PRESIDENT JOHNSON.

A PROCLAMATION by the President of the United States of America :

WHEREAS, The fourth section of the fourth article of the Constitution of the tion, and some are here for the purpose United States declares that the United of breathing the pure mountain air, States shall guarantee to every State in drinking the best and purest of water in the Union a republican form of Govthe world and enjoying themselves, ernment, and shall protect each of them generally-by way of fishing, hun- against invasion and domestic violence.

> And whereas, The President of the United States is, by the Constitution, and navy, as well as chief civil executive office of President of the United

And whereas, The rebellion which has been waged by a portion of the peoproperly constituted authorities of the Government thereof in the most violent way and revolting form, but whose organized and armed forces have now been almost entirely overcome, has, in its revolutionary progress, deprived the people of the State of North Carolina of

And whereas, It becomes necessary and proper to carry out and enforce the obligations of the United States to the people of North Carolina, in securing them in the enjoyment of a republican form of government :

Now, therefore, In obedience to the high and solemn duties imposed upon me by the Constitution of the United States, and for the purpose of enabling the loyal people of the said State to organize a state government, whereby

justice may be established, domestie protected in all their rights of life, liber. ty, and property,

Third. That the Secretary of the Treasury proceed to nominate for ap. tors of customs and internal revenue, found on the 24th of May. and such other officers of the Treasury Department as are authorized by law, and put in execution the revenue laws of the United States within the geo. graphical limits aforesaid. In making appointments, the preference shall be given to qualified loyal persons residing within the district where their respective duties are to be performed ; but if suit. able residents of districts shall not be

found, then persons residing in other States or districts shall be appointed. Fourth. That the Postmaster-Gener. al proceed to establish post routes and put into execution the postal laws of the United States within the said State, giving the local residents the preference of appointment ; but if suitable residents are not found, then to appoint agents, &e, from other States.

Fifth. That the district judge for the judicial district in which North Carolina is included proceed to hold courts within the said State, in accordance with the provisions of the act of Congress. The Attorney-General will instruct the proper officers to libel and England or France. She also made a bring to judgment, confiscation, and enforce the administration of justice, within said State in all matters within the cognizance and jurisdiction of the sever. al courts.

Sixth. That the Secretary of the Navy take possession of all public prop erty belonging to the Navy Department within the said geographical limits, and put in operation all acts of Congress in relation to naval affairs having applica. tion to said State.

Seventh. That the Secretary of the Interior put in force the laws in relation to the Interior Department, applicable to the geographical limits aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the city of Washington, this 29th day of a trial of them, for he had found them May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, and

R. H. Gillette, Esq., of New Lebanon, Columbus county, N. Y., by letter, informs the Clerk of the Supreme Court of this District, that he is retained by some friends of Jeff. Davis, as counsel pointment assessors of taxes and collec- for the latter, under the indictment

The World's special says : The Republican asserts with great positiveness that the Government has not only not decided to try Jeff. Davis before the eivil court of this district, but it has not decided to try him yet before any civil tribunal. It intimates very clearly that his trial will take place before a military commission.

The Star says preparation are going forward to try Davis before a civil court in about ten days.

The bridge crossing the Rappahan. nock is being rebuilt, and the old short line from Washington to Richmond will be resumed in a few days.

The long disputed French tobacco in Richmond is now in course of shipment to France, most of it was found unharmed by the great fire in that eity.

The Tribunc's special says ; Colonel George C. Rogers, Fiftcenth Illinois Veteran Volunteers, has been brevetted Brigadier General at the instance of

Generals Grant, Logan and Blair. The Savannah Herald mentions the

arrival of Mrs. Davis and party from Fortress Monroe, and says, Mrs. Davis expressed great anxiety to go to Europe and inquired for vessels to Nassau or any other place which she could get to remark that she had probably seen Mr. Davis for the last time. CHARLESTON, June 7 .- The steamer

Grenada, Captain Baxter, from New York, arrived here this morning at 7 o'clock.

steamer Dosen. Most of the naval vessels of this

South. The North and South Atlantic block ading squadrons are to be consolidated under Commodore Radford.

wrecked off Fort Johnson.

of the independence of the United speaking, as well as allaying the irrita.

Camp Dennison, O., June 12.

The 89th Ohio volunteer infantry, colored, numbering 330 men and a detachment of the 17th O. V. I., numbering 85 men, arrived yesterday at 8 A. M., from Petersburg, Va.

New York, June 12.

The steamer Liberty brings Havana dates of the 7th. The order for the defi. nite evacuation of San Domingo had been received from Spain.

The news from Mexico unimpor. tant

The Era Novelle does not think American emigration would be danger. ous to the interests of the Empire.

Apolostic Nuncia Neglia had left for Europe

The entertainment given to the officers of our ironelad fleet passed off in a most satisfactory manner. The authorities had visited the monitor, expressing great gratification.

The Tribune's Richmond correspondent details the treatment negroes are subjected to in that city and vicinity, showing that poor people are treated by our authorities both before and after the rebellion.

An appeal from the Richmond ne. groes for protection is also published. They state that they are required to get come white person to give them a pass to enable them to attend to their daily occupation, without which they are marched of to the negro bull pen.

The rebel mayor Mayo has been reinstated, and he has re-appointed his rebel policemen, who were notorious and infamous negro hunters, and who now occupy themselves in cutering houses of inoffensive negroes, dragging them out and imprisoning them.

The Times' Mobile correspondent represents a terrible state of affairs in Alabama. There is absolute social demoralization. Labor is so despised by the whites that they actually prefer starvation or begging to work in any form, and even in their penury and wretchedness they show the most violent spirit of disaffection. Military protection is necessary against the destruction of the whole population of anarchy. The Herald's Savannah correspondent

War, Judge Campbell, and R. M. Hun-ter, have been taken to Fort Pulaski for confinement.

Her sunny hair is wondrous fair, And wavy in its flow; Who made it less One little tress-Wouldn't you like to know?

Her eyes are line (celestial hue !) And dazzling in their glow; On whom they beam With melting gleam-Wouldn't you like to know ?

Her fingers are lilies fair When lillies fairest grow, Whose hand they press Wouldn't you like to know ?

Her lips are red and finely wed, Like roses ere they blow ; What lover sips Those dewy lips-Wouldn't you like to know ?

Her foot is small and has a fall Like snow flakes on the snow ; And where it goes Beneath the rose-Wouldn't you like to know?

She has a name, the sweetest name That language can bestow :

'Twould break the spell

If I should tell-

Wouldn't you like to know?

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE .- Letters of Administration cum testamento annexo, on the estate of Authony Kuntz, late of the borough of St. Mary's, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to said estate are re. quested to make payment and those having claims to present them without delay to

ADOLPH FOCHTMAN, St. Mary's, Elk Co. Pa. June, 1st '65 .- 6w.

NOTICE .- All persons indebted to late Firms of C. Luhr & Co, and Fred Schuning & Co., are requested their accounts by the firs, of July next, either by note or other-wine, when the accounts will then be left

St. Mary's, May 15th 1805.

The steamer Delaware has been

"Brown's Bronchial Troches."-Rev. Charles S. Robinson, late of Troy, now of Brooklyn, N. Y., writes of Brown's Bronchial Troches : "Rev Mr. Booth gave me two or three from his pocket a few years ago, recommending me to make very servicable after the weariness of

Admiral Dahlgren goes North in the squadron have gone home North or