Evening Telegraph

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1864.

For The Evening Telegraph.

THE WOUNDED VETERAN'S REGRET.

BY L. W. S.

A note of the bugle, a tap of the drum,
Sound sweetly to me as they cheerily come
From the field where the conflict is raging, and where
The groan of the dying, the sinner's last prayer,
Join with shoutings of hope and with cries of despair.

The noises of battle, the clashing of steel,
The rattle of muskets, the peal upon peal
From the lips of the soldiers, as bleeding they lie,
Sound sweeter to me than the music on high,
Created when seraphs with cherubim vie.

Ah! well I remember, when first into fight
We marched to do battle for justice and right;
When first we stood fire; when first at my side
A beloved companion fell forward and died,
While murmuring faintly the name of his bride.

But onward we rush, in the face of the foe,
While many a comrade by death is laid low;
And many a rank is now cleft into twain,
And the shot and the shell fall amongst us like rain,
Bearing carnage and blood in their fiery train.

The smoke now grows denser, the flashes less bright,
The vast scene of strife disappears from my sight.
I redouble my speed; rushing forward I go
Where, whither, I care not, I wish not to know,
Except that I run with my face to the foe.

And now the wind severs the thick clouds in two,
And shows us, triumphant, the brave boys in blue,
Bearing proudly the banner of freedom on high,
While the traitorous foemen confusedly fly
From that standard whose birthplace was up in the sky.

But these things are past; and now as I lay,
Forever a cripple, throughout the long day,
I list to the tones of the trumpet, afar,
As it tells me of glory, of honor, and war,
And I long to rush into the contest once more.

Once more for to feel as in days that are gone;
Once more to rise up with the earliest dawn,
All blithesome with hope; but I only can sigh,
As writhing in torture, despairing I lie
Disabled—a cripple forever and aye.

M. VATTEMARE—A REMARKABLE MAN.

A Paris correspondent of the Cologne *Gazette* gives the following interesting particulars in regard to a well-known gentleman, who had a large acquaintance and many friends in this country:—"One of these days an auction will be held of the property of the late M. Vattemare, which will draw, no doubt, a great many collectors of autographs and other curiosities, to the Hotel des Ventes. M. Vattemare was a remarkable person, who, some thirty or forty years ago, furnished the press with material for numerous interesting paragraphs. Many of our readers may remember him, under the name of Alexandre, performing as ventriloquist in the principal cities of Europe, and exciting the admiration not only of the masses, but of the most distinguished men in art, literature, and science. His course of life was a very curious one. When a young man he entered the French army as surgeon, and fell into a Prussian prison after the overthrow of Napoleon. He lived several years at Berlin, where his agreeable person, his amiable, gentle temper, and his rare social talents, attracted much attention, and opened the doors for him to the highest circles. His extraordinary talent for imitating different voices, and to accompany them with appropriate gesticulation, won him so great a reputation that his friends advised him, and he resolved accordingly, to make a living by it, particularly as a very honorable feeling forbade him to take service in the Prussian army, or to offer his services to the Restoration. Thus he began his career, visiting all the larger theatres in Europe, performing alone all the parts in the plays which had expressly been written for him. In the same play he acted as peasant, officer, fruit-seller, coachman, student, cobbler, drunkard—in short, in the most heterogeneous parts. Leaving the stage at one moment as a postilion, he entered it in the next as a young, bashful maiden. In England he acted forty different parts in one evening. We see such things frequently now-a-days without being astonished; but at that time the spectators thought nothing much short of sorcery could enable him to change his costumes, and to adapt himself to another part at such miraculously short notice. He almost invariably performed in public on the stage; in a very few instances only could he be induced to show his skill before private circles in the palaces of princes. One of his great admirers was Sir Walter Scott, whom he visited at Abbotsford, in 1824, and who addressed him in a clever poem. Old Blumenbach was a warm friend of his. Goethe became fond of him, and gave him a gracious letter of recommendation, which is still to be found among his papers. Princes and princesses liked him, and admitted him frequently to their presence. One of his principles was to take no money presents; consequently he received as marks of favor rare autographs and drawings, which, in the course of time, have swelled to a considerable collection. He was not without higher aspirations, and liked to act as medium of international exchanges in mental productions; he tried to bring about what railways and other inventions are doing now, that every country should know and possess all the important productions in science and literature of other countries. He pursued the same object in the United States of America, where he spent many years, enjoying the favor of the best men. For many years past, Vattemare has lived retired, and quietly at Paris, solely in the intercourse with some friends, for whose benefit he sometimes recalled the adventures of his life, speaking of Goethe, Tieck, Alexandre von Humboldt, Schleiermacher, and other literary notabilities, with grateful remembrance. As to his collection, it is not now what it used to be, for his good nature has often been abused. He could not refuse easily, and this generous disposition was well known by collectors, who did not spare his treasures; yet so abundant were these that much is left worthy of attention."

THE BEGINNING OF THE DAY.—In different nations and ages, the modes of reckoning the beginning of the day have been various. According to the computation of the ancient Syrians, Babylonians, Persians, and the inhabitants of Hindostan, the day commenced at the *rising of the sun*; with the modern Greeks it is the same. The Athenians, and other ancient inhabitants of Greece, as well as the ancient Gauls, began theirs at *sunset*; which mode is still followed by the Jews, the Austrians, the Bohemians, the Silesians, the Italians, and Chinese. The ancient inhabitants of Italy computed their day from midnight; which mode is now in common use with us and all other European nations, with the above exceptions. The Mahometans calculate from one *twilight* to another. The ancient Egyptians dated from *noon* to noon, which mode is at this day, and has always been, followed by astronomers; because that *instant of time* can be ascertained with greater precision than any other.

COLORING GAS-LIGHT.—An ingenious Englishman was lately permitted to try some experiments at the gas-works at Malines, in Belgium, the most successful of which was the sudden appearance throughout the city of a beautiful clear red light, which threw around rays of the most brilliant description. It is said that by the addition to the gasometer of some chemical salts, an increase of light and change of color can be instantaneously produced.

The French Telegraph.

Charivari (the French *Punch*), in a late article, shows up Mr. Telegraph as one of the deaf who won't hear, in first-rate style. I give a part of an interview with the aforesaid functionary and a messenger from General Grant, which proves that all the world on this side of the water is not imposed on. (Enter General Grant's envoy.) Mr. Telegraph:—"Who are you?" "I am Aide-de-Camp of the General-in-Chief of the Armies of the ——." "Ah, of the South; pray be seated." "I beg your pardon, of the North." "What of the North? then be so good as to stand where you are." "As you please, Mr. Telegraph; I only wish to have the use of your office—" "Indeed, changes in office you say," interrupts Mr. Telegraph, growing suddenly very deaf. "No, no; I—" "The devil, this is serious; this is another proof of the instability of your Federal Government." "A change in office, eh! I must telegraph this piece of news to Europe immediately." "Once more, I beg—" "Excuse me," (rings the bell); "this must be sent off at once." "Upon my word," exclaims the envoy from the North, "this is coming it a little too *strong*." "Certainly," replies Telegraph, eagerly, "the South is too *strong*. I am glad that you admit it at last," (writing another despatch). "The officers of the North themselves recognize the superiority of the South." (Our military friend indignant.) "How do you dare to twist in this *unnatural*—" "I am quite of your opinion; it is a most *unnatural* war that you are waging," (completing the last despatch,) "and curse the chiefs who conduct this impious struggle." "Mr. Telegraph, you abuse public confidence most unworthily; I have come here to request you to announce a brilliant victory—" "Excellent, the South has gained a brilliant victory." "But—just the contrary—" "I am not at all surprised at it." (Telegraphing)—"Great battle; the South has triumphed."

"This is too much. I tell you that it is the North that has triumphed; we have taken fifty cannon." "They have taken a hundred cannon. Splendid!" (Telegraphing)—"The Northerners have left a hundred and fifty cannon on the field."

"This is more than I can bear. You shall allow me to speak (bawling out). The North has inflicted a great defeat on the South! Do you understand?" "Perfectly; you have had to submit to a great defeat. I have already despatched it." "You lie!" "Eh, what do you say, Mr. Aide-de-Camp?" "It is the South which is defeated." "The devil!" "And has lost six thousand men." "Indeed! but if it has only lost six men, it could not have been much of an affair." (Telegraphing)—"An insignificant skirmish has resulted unfavorably to the Secessionists; they had only three men wounded." "I tell you ——" "No more, if you please; the despatch is finished, and sent off." "I repeat, ——" "And printed everywhere." "But ——" "Your servant—I have other business—my affairs are very complicated—Mr. Ambassador from the North, I bid you good day."

Charivari assures its readers that is an exact reproduction of the scene that is enacted every day, and that the natural conclusion is that electricity is the greatest practical joker of the day.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

PHILADELPHIA AND READING Railroad Company, Office No. 227 S. FOURTH Street.

PHILADELPHIA, December 12, 1864.

Notice is hereby given to the Stockholders of this Company that the Annual Meeting, and an Election for President, six Managers, Treasurer, and Secretary, will take place on the second MONDAY (9th) of January next, at 12 M.

WILLIAM H. WEBB, Secretary.
12-13 tl-7

UNION LEAGUE HOUSE, NO. 1216 CHESNUT Street,

PHILADELPHIA, December 13, 1864.

At the Stated Meeting of the Union League, held December 12, 1864, the following Officers were elected to serve during the ensuing year:—

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GEORGE H. BOKER, Secretary.
12-14-4t

PITTSBURG, 8TH DECEMBER, 1864.—DIVIDEND.—The Directors of the ROSS OIL COMPANY have this day declared their third monthly dividend, for November, of THREE PER CENT. on the Capital Stock of the Company, payable after the 15th inst. to the Philadelphia subscribers at the office of McCutcheon & Collins, No. 240 N. FRONT Street.

WM. McCUTCHEON, President.
ROBERT WRAY, Jr., Secretary. 12-15

OFFICE OF THE CITY BOUNTY Fund Commission, Commonwealth Building, No. 613 CHESNUT Street.

PHILADELPHIA, December 10, 1864.

Notice is hereby given, that the Bounty offered by the City of Philadelphia was withdrawn on FRIDAY, December 9, and that no bounty will be paid to men mustered in or enlisted after that date.

In future the Commissioners will meet on TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS, and SATURDAYS, from 5:30 to 4:30 P. M.

JOHN BLAIR, Secretary.
12-12-6t

HEADQUARTERS SUPERVISORY Committee for Recruiting Colored Regiments, No. 1210 CHESNUT Street.

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1864.

The Supervisory Committee for Recruiting Colored Regiments having resolved to adjourn sine die on the 31st instant, all persons having claims against the said Committee are requested to present them for payment to H. M. CORSON, Agent, at the Rooms of the Committee, on or before the 20th instant.

12-8-12t CADWALADER BIDDLE, Secretary.

OFFICE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY.

PHILADELPHIA, November 4, 1864.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Shareholders of this company are notified that, under Resolution of the Board of Directors they are entitled to subscribe to the stock of the Company the amount of TEN PER CENT. on their respective interest, as shown by their books of the 2d instant.

Each shareholder entitled to a fractional part of a share, under the terms of the Resolution, shall have the privilege of subscribing for a full share on the payment of fifty dollars.

This Stock will be issued at the par value of fifty dollars per share. Accrued interest at SIX PER CENT. will be charged from the 1st instant until payment is made.

The Books for subscription and payment will be open on MONDAY, the 7th instant, and will close on the 31st of December next, after which no further subscriptions will be received under the resolutions.

11-18-12t-31 THOMAS T. FIRTH, Treasurer.

OFFICE PHILADELPHIA GAS WORKS, November 30, 1864.

Proposals will be received at this Office until noon of the 1st of January next, for the sale to the Trustees of the Philadelphia Gas Works, of stock in the

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WILLIAM FENNELL, Cashier.
12-2-1m

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.—Department of Arts.—The examination of the College Classes, at the close of the First Term, will be held in the following order:—

Monday, 12th.—From 9 to 11, Juniors, by Professor Kendall (Analytical Geometry), written. From 11 to 1, Seniors, by Professor Frazer (Astronomy), oral.

Tuesday, 13th.—From 9 to 11, Seniors, by Professor Kendall (Integral Calculus), and Sophomores, by Professor Coppee (Clark's Elements of the English Language), written. From 11 to 1, Juniors, by Professor Frazer (Mechanics), oral.

Wednesday, 14th.—From 9 to 11, Seniors, by Professor Jackson (Horace's Epistles), and Sophomores, by Professor Frazer (Hylology), written. From 11 to 1, Juniors, by Provost (Intellectual Philosophy), oral.

Thursday, 15th.—From 9 to 11, Juniors, by Professor Allen (Antigone of Sophocles), and Freshmen, by Professor Kendall (Algebra), written. From 11 to 1, Seniors, by the Provost (Moral Philosophy), oral.

Friday, 16th.—From 9 to 11, Sophomores, by Professor Kendall (Geometry), written. From 11 to 1, Seniors, by Professor Coppee (Mahan's Field Fortifications), oral.

Monday, 19th.—From 9 to 11, Freshmen, by Professor Allen (Xenophon's Hellenica), oral. From 11 to 1, Juniors, by Professor Jackson (Cicero de Amicitia), oral.

Tuesday, 20th.—From 9 to 11, Sophomores, by Professor Allen (Thucydides, Sicilian Expedition), oral. From 11 to 1, Freshmen, by Professor Coppee (Weber's Universal History), oral.

Wednesday, 21st.—From 9 to 11, Sophomores, by Professor Jackson (Tacitus's History), oral.

Thursday, 22d.—From 9 to 11, Freshmen, by Professor Jackson (Livy), oral.

GEORGE ALLEN,
12-15-9t Secretary of the Faculty of Arts.

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