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A Battle Expected at Romney.

The indications are that there will be warm work shortly at or near Romney, Va. Absent officers and soldiers have been ordered to report themselves at once and join their companies at that place. It is the general belief that there will be a battle soon in that quarter.

Gen. McClellan's Health.

The telegraph announces that General McClellan has so far recovered from his recent illness as to be able to ride out in his carriage. The General's illness was so serious at one time as to cause speculation as to his successor as Commander of the Army.

Who Told the Army Secrets?

It has been divulged that the rebels obtained their information in regard to the movements of our troops and the doings of our Generals in Washington, through a daughter of a "high official" in Washington. The Government *secrets* were talked of at the tea-table, and were communicated by the young lady to her lover, who is in the Confederate army. It is said some of the plans of the campaign have been changed in consequence of the news thus conveyed to our opponents. It is further stated that the father of this young lady has been seized with a sudden desire to take a tour to Europe to improve his health. The young lady should get married to improve hers.

Libel Suits

We learn that W. G. Sherwin, Esq., of this city, Captain of Sherwin's Battery, has brought suit against the proprietors of the *Commercial*, of this city, to recover sixty-eight thousand dollars, damages sustained in character and purse by the alleged assaults of the above paper. Sixty-eight thousand dollars would doubtless feel well in one's pocket about these times. We hope Mr. S. will start a bank when he receives the above amount, and lend us one half of it.

We also learn that a suit has been brought against the *Gazette*, of this city, by a gentleman now in the army, to recover damages sustained from remarks by that paper. This case, we learn, will be tried in Washington City.

One Way of Recruiting.

The Valparaiso (Ind.) *Republic* informs us of the style in which recruiting has been done in that region, "particularly by officers of Colonel Walker's Regiment. A short time ago a Frenchman, who lived in Porter Township, came to mill, leaving his horses tied up at Mr. Seger's, and came to town to pay Mr. A. J. Buell sixteen dollars for a plow, when he was nabbed by a Lieutenant, made drunk, and kept in that condition until the cars came, when he was shipped for Indianapolis, leaving his team at Seger's mill, which remained tied up there for three days." The *Republic* is decidedly opposed to any such *volunteering*, or to raising an *Irish* regiment by stealing *Frenchmen*.

GOING TO HAVE PAY.—The Cleveland *Herald* gives notice of the adoption of a new rule at the commencement of the New Year. Hereafter they propose to have pay for all the notices which they publish. Religious notices, fifteen cents; marriages and deaths, twenty-five cents; local notices, of interest only to the advertiser, ten cents per line. This is only strict justice, whether it be popular or unpopular.

A COSTLY COMPLIMENT.—It will be remembered that at the opening of the Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph-line, His Honor, the Mayor of San Francisco, sent his compliments to Mayor Wood, of New York, over the wires. Mayor Wood responded, and a few days since a bill of $22 was sent into the Mayor's Office for settlement, which was duly paid.

IT IS said that Secretary Seward has decided to issue no more passes to ladies. It has been ascertained that in nearly every instance where these favors have been granted to women, letters and other documents have been concealed in their clothes, conveying important information to the rebels. In future, the crinolines who even apply for passes will be searched.

At Cleveland, a few days since, there was a large sale of articles seized as contraband of war. Among these were ten thousand sewing-machine needles, that sold from $8 to $22 per package (worth $50 per package in New York), and two hundred thousand sewing needles, which went at sixty cents a thousand, worth one dollar per thousand in New York.

Mrs. Baxley, the Baltimore widow, from Dixie, with letters sewed in her under-garments, on being consigned to quarters with Mrs. Greenhow, refused to sleep under a blanket marked "U. S." After being confined she sent to an officer for different ones. She soon received notice to sleep under them or go without.

CANNEL COAL has been discovered at Crab Orchard, Ky., by the troops there, and the inhabitants are astonished at it. One man said that several years ago he had dug a well on an adjoining farm, through the "same sort of stuff," but it had never occurred to him that it was Cannel Coal.

MISS HUDSON, of Berne, N. Y., composer of the song so much rendered nowadays, "The Death of Ellsworth," has gone to the Potomac to become "daughter" of the Ellsworth Regiment. She is intelligent and good looking, and probably will not long remain the "daughter."

Eliphalet Case, Esq., once editor of the *Enquirer* of this city, has resumed the editorship of the Portland (Me.) *Advertiser*, after an absence of sixteen years. Mr. Case has been residing on a farm in Switzerland County, Ind., for several years past. He is a vigorous writer.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Philadelphia *Bulletin*, writing from the Southern blockading squadron, says that the sunken whalers in Southern inlets and harbors fail of their intended effect, and by sinking in the sandy bottom only make the channel deeper and more unchangeable.

IT is said that Paul Morphy, the celebrated chess champion, is about to join the staff of General Johnston, of the rebel army. Morphy has been some time in Richmond, Va., studying law.

Tea and coffee are high in Cincinnati. But we are well off compared with the people of Richmond, Va. It is said tea is selling there at $3 to $3 50 per pound; common boots, $25 per pair.

The War in Kentucky.

(Special Correspondence Cincinnati Press.)

BACON CREEK, KY., Jan., 4, '62.

Ever since my last letter it has not ceased raining for one moment, so you must imagine the condition of the camps. The mud is ankle deep all around, and in every direction. To see which of the camps were the most comfortable and best attended to, I rode out last evening to visit the several camps in this vicinity, and indeed I may say they are "legion;" for miles around you can see nothing but white canvas tents. Among all my visits, I found none neater, tidyer, or cleaner than the Fourth Ohio Cavalry, Col. Kennett's, although having only arrived here last evening late, his camp has all the appearance of a neat laid out, well arranged, exquisite garden. The only reason I can assign for this neatness is that Col. Kennett sees to the arrangement and laying out of his camp in person, and any officer who fails in doing likewise will never have a neat, tidy or healthy camp. My reason for paying my first visit to Col. Kennett's camp was to see if he had lost any of the taste exhibited by him at Camps Gauley and Dennison, and indeed it did my heart good to see and find him the same tasty and attentive Kennett; he sees to his men in person and has an attentive ear to their every complaint.

The result of this is, that he has no sickness whatever in his regiment. I don't believe a neater, tidier, or finer body of men ever entered Kentucky. They are a credit to their State, an honor to their country, and will be a terror to the enemy should they ever come in contact with them. It will be a source of pleasure to their numerous friends in Cincinnati to learn that they are consigned to General Mitchell's division, and they can rest assured that when called upon they are ready for action. To show how they are looked upon here I will just state that they have been called upon to-day as a body-guard to General Mitchell.

The Tenth Ohio have their camp most gracefully and tastefully arranged. Major Burke, the present commander, superintends the arranging and laying out of his camp in person, and if any thing is out of order he is certain to detect it, and see that it is done properly. The result of this attention is, that not one man has been in the hospital from the Tenth Regiment eversince their advent to Kentucky. This, also, is attributable to the care and attention paid to the men by Surgeon Muscroft. Dr. Muscroft is always at his post, and sees to every thing connected with his department. He leaves nothing undone, but works like a good fellow.

Colonel Lytle was expected last evening, but did not arrive. He will be here this morning.

I met a company of Cincinnatians, a few days ago, in the Third Ohio, commanded by Captain Fithian; and I understand that they are the best drilled in the regiment; if they are not it is not the fault of their commanding officer, as I see him busy every day drilling them. Then there is another company from Cincinnati in the Thirteenth Ohio, whom I happened to come in contact with a few days ago. If I remain much longer at this point I presume I will see every man from the city in this division.

About nine o'clock last evening some cannonading was heard at what was supposed to be Green River. I intend starting for there to-morrow, and see "what's up." It may be that Buckner has taken courage and is marching along; if so, we are ready to meet him, and give him a warm reception. It was too late for target practice, therefore something must be up.

This morning is extremely cold and very muddy. I start in a few moments for Munfordville, to see what our boys are at; so you must not expect a long letter.

M. E. J.

AMERICAN SHIP TIMBER.—The Grand Rapids (Mich.) *Eagle* has been informed that the purchases of ship timber in the United States for the British Admiralty have been so heavy as to nearly clear the market, and vast quantities are actually stored, awaiting transportation. Owing to the war, the supplies of live oak timber, which came from the South, have been cut off. The Virginia sources have also been partially closed, and at this moment, when Congress is about to urge the most energetic measures for doubling the navy, it is almost impossible for the American shipbuilder to find material for a single vessel. To stop this exhaustion of strength for the benefit of a foreign, and perhaps a hostile power, it will be necessary for our Government to look to its interests, and place an embargo upon the further export of ship timber, and rigidly enforce the protection of so necessary an article.

SIGNS OF AN ADVANCE ON THE POTOMAC.—Straws show which way the wind blows, and I am more than ever convinced that the army of the Potomac will co-operate with Burnside. Happening to spend yesterday in Baltimore, I learned that orders had been received by General Dix to grant no more furloughs or leaves for a longer period than forty-eight hours, and then only to go to Washington, and after the 5th of January *to grant none at all*. One of General McClellan's staff, Colonel Sackett, who was here on Friday, inspecting the troops, reiterated the same statement, I am told, respecting the army of the Potomac, and I happen to know personally, that on Friday last, about thirty applications for passes and furloughs from officers and men in General Hancock's brigade were returned from his office, with the statement that he could not indorse them, as they would not, in any event, be granted. *Annapolis Correspondence of Chicago Tribune.*

GENERAL SCOTT.—General Scott is still sojourning at the Brevoort House, New York. The *Times* says:

The distinguished veteran expresses the liveliest satisfaction at the prospect of the confidence and quiet that are to succeed the late harassing fears of a war with Great Britain, superadded to the domestic troubles that already environ the Government of the United States. He does not hesitate, however, to express some apprehension that we have not yet seen the termination of our outside difficulties. The tone of sentiment abroad indicated the absolute necessity of an attitude cautious and self possessed in the extreme on the part of the American Cabinet.

BIG HOGS.—Mr. Joseph Bovey, who resides in Beaver Creek Township, Greene County, slaughtered an extra lot of hogs the other day, weighing as follows: 559, 424, 412, 395, 342. They were *young* hogs, and their weight was so unusually heavy that a large number of persons were present at the slaughtering, to see them.

On the night of the 30th inst. a fire broke out in the extensive wagon-shop of the State Penitentiary at Joliet, Ills., which was entirely destroyed, with its contents. The structure was a substantial stone building, and one of the range along the north side of the quadrangular inclosure. The total loss is about $15,000.

IS THE ICE STRONG ENOUGH?—Persons who have lately been through Platte County, Mo., say that every slave, as soon as he learns the stranger is from Kansas, asks the question: "Is the ice strong enough to cross on?"—*St. Louis Democrat.*

Speaking of the Paris boa constrictor, which died from the effects of swallowing its blanket, the Albany *Argus* says if the great boa contractor, which has been gorging on army blankets, should meet the same fate, no one would regret it.

In the last mentioned case of suicide in Paris, a young spark and his mistress lighted a pan of charcoal in a close room, and then coolly sat down to a bottle of wine and a game of dominoes, which amused them until the fumes brought death.

The Chicago *Tribune* states that the rebel agents a short time ago applied to a lithographic artist in that city to print $5 000,000 of Confederate bonds. He set detectives on their track, and the rascals vanished.

The thousandth birth-day of the Empire of Russia will be celebrated at Novgorod next August.

REBEL BREATHING HOLES.—The principal outlets for contraband traffic and communication along the Ohio River, now used by the rebels in Southern Kentucky, are between Henderson and Smithland. We learn from persons who have the best opportunities for ascertaining the facts that quite a brisk trade and correspondence is kept up by the rebels through several rebel towns on this side of the river. There are no Federal troops to watch these points, and smuggling goes on with very little interruption. The Confederates have a considerable portion of the country under their control between Henderson and the Cumberland, and while boats are allowed to land without restriction, the rebels will be very little annoyed by the blockade. On the Missouri shore no boats are suffered to land, except those in the service of the Government, from Cape Girardeau to Cairo, and it would probably be well to apply the same restriction to the Kentucky towns and landings referred to. We learned from a Government officer that a plot was actually laid very recently in one of these towns to seize the mail-boat, but was happily frustrated. Let this matter be attended to in time. It would be well for the Indiana officers to watch some accomplices of the rebels on their own side of the Ohio. These breathing holes of the rebels must be stopped. At this season, especially, we should not allow the enemies of the Government to have free access to clothing and provisions.—*Louisville Journal.*

STRANGER THAN FICTION.—A maid servant is sent out for a pint of beer. She goes smiling into a public house, where she meets a young man who keeps company with her. When she leaves the house with the beer he follows her out. She offers him some of the beer, which he drinks; she takes her share, too, and between them the beer is soon finished. There is then nothing for this young couple to live for. "The wine of life was drawn, and the mere lees left this vault to brag of." The world was at an end for this pair with the pint of beer, and nothing left for them but to die; so they went to the Surrey Canal, and, according to the man's account, tied themselves together and rolled themselves into the water. The end was tragical, for the woman was drowned; the man, as usually happens in such cases of joint suicide, was more fortunate, but, as accessory to the woman's act of *felo de se*, he is committed to take his trial for murder. A short time ago a similar case occurred in France, with this difference—that a small fortune had been run out by a fond couple, instead of a pint of beer, and, when all was spent, it was agreed that the young man, a soldier, should kill the woman with a sword, and then himself. He did the first very effectually, but when it came to his own turn he had not the heart to give himself more than a slight flesh wound.—*Late London Paper.*

A NEW FIRE-ARM.—The editor of the Milwaukee *Sentinel* has seen a newly-invented rifle, which it considers worthy of a thorough practical test:

It somewhat resembles the volcanic repeating rifle, but appears to be far more efficacious, inasmuch as it requires no special preparation of the ammunition. A light tube with a spring feeder over the barrel holds sixty-six bullets, which may be spherical or conical, while another tube, beneath the barrel, holds half that number of charges of powder. The operation of cocking loads and primes the piece, so that as many as forty-five discharges have been made from it in a minute. For skirmishers and picketmen, as it may readily be loaded while the soldier is lying perfectly flat on the ground, we should suppose, from our cursory examination, that it would be very useful, while for ordinary infantry purposes it might also prove valuable. The cost, in quantities, to the Government, would be about one-third more than the average muzzle-loading weapons.

A SOUTHERN paper, in alluding to Bishop Hughes' absence abroad, says:

"It has been supposed by the people of the South that Archbishop Hughes, of New York, had been sent to Europe for the purpose of advancing the interests of the Lincoln Government, by using his influence to counteract the representations of the commissioners sent from the South. But the Staunton *Spectator* expresses its gratification at learning, from a satisfactory source, that this mission is for a contrary purpose. From a priest of the Church of which Archbishop Hughes is the head in this country, and who lives beyond the limits of the Southern Confederacy, the *Spectator* learns that the Archbishop has been deputated by a Council of the 'Fathers' of his Church to use his influence to secure the intercession of foreign powers in behalf of peace and a recognition of the independence of the Southern Confederacy."

ROBBING SOLDIERS.—The Richmond *Dispatch* says on this subject:

We doubt if any age of the world has witnessed a spectacle like that now complained of by our own soldiers, growing out of the difficulty of obtaining settlements, which has led to the establishment of offices in this city, as we are informed, where they go and have their claims *shaved* and cashed. Whether this arises from the neglect of high officials or from the arrogance of the underlings, it makes no difference. Certainly it should be a matter of pride and pleasure, as it is the business and duty, for every official to extend kindly aid to all persons seeking their just dues from the Government, and particularly such as are inexperienced. The people expect this at their hands.

PEACE ITEMS FOR GENERAL MCCLELLAN.—The way to improve Government finances. Fight.

The way to gain the respect of England and France. Fight.

The way to increase our army to a million of men. Fight.

The way to entertain rebels, pirates and traitors. Fight.

The way to sustain the Government and show we are in earnest. Fight.

The way, and the *only* way, to have peace. Fight.

The way to do justice and promote free dom. Fight.

The way to have Bible faith is to have works. Therefore, FIGHT.—*New York Independent.*

Two poor fellows were picked up in Washington the other day sick, and an order was procured for their admittance to the Seminary Hospital, and an ambulance to convey them. The order was given to the driver, who read it and drove straight to the Cemetery. He stops at the lodge. "Where are these to go?" "Got an order?" "Yes." "How many are there?" "Two." "All right, I'll show you," says the lodge keeper, and walks on, the ambulance following, till he comes to two freshly opened graves. "Back around there;" driver does so—railboard over the graves. The sexton lifts the curtain, and a soldier sits up and looks out. "What in thunder is this? I ain't dead yet, by a long shot."

A singular case is now pending before the English Court of Chancery, arising out of the singular behavior of a youth named Windham—a ward of the Court, and possessed of property valued at $25,000 a year. It appears that some time ago Windham married the mistress of one of his friends, and in the heat of his passion made a settlement in her favor of $7,000 a year. To invalidate this act and put the wretched young man under proper guardianship his relatives have got a commission of lunacy appointed to try his sanity. Windham, as might be expected, has been deserted by the outcast he married.

It is romantically, and we hope truthfully, told that a young lady, now an operative at a shoe-factory at Lynn, Mass., was formerly one of the "upper-ten" in Central Europe. She received a superior education, learned three or four languages, moved in high circles in early life, and visited and flirted with the younger members of the royal family of her native land. She left her castle-home with a false friend, and, on discovering her position, preferred to earn her living by steady toil in an humble calling, rather than plunge into the gulf of vice.

VARIETIES.

The Madison (Wis.) *Patriot* contains an agreement signed by the heads of twenty-four business establishments of that city, to return to the cash system after the 1st of January.

A little boy came to a sad death last week at Two Rivers, Wisconsin. He was skating on the river, and when close in to the marshy ground, the ice broke and let him through. Either from the shallowness of the water, or his own efforts, he kept his head and shoulders out of the water, but was not able to get out. No one knew of his situation, and the poor lad was found the following morning, frozen to death.

We are told that smelters are paying in the neighborhood of $40 per thousand for mineral, the price being considerably spirited by the late British Mason and Slidell news. Forty dollars per thousand is a high figure for mineral, a price reached but once or twice in our recollection, and then only for a short period, and by speculation.—*Grant County (Wis.) Herald.*

We notice by the Detroit papers that Mrs. Perry, the actress and lessee and manager of the Metropolitan Theater in that city, for some time past, has left those boards. She went away quite unceremoniously, and in a private sort of way, leaving more or less creditors to mourn her sudden departure.

A vagrant, on Friday evening, contrived to raise the wind among the Worcester merchants by a hasty call at every store, for two cents to pay his penny post.

The town of Millbury, Mass., is now fully employed, the majority of her artisans working for the war. Guns, bayonets, ramrods, rifles, army clothes, etc., are turned out in great profusion.

Wm. Bartlett, formerly editor of the Bangor *Mercury*, was found frozen to death in the snow near his house on the 24th ult.

An effort is making to establish public libraries in each town and plantation throughout the State of Maine, using as a nucleus the State reports which are distributed annually.

The comet discovered at the Harvard College Observatory, by Mr. Horace P. Tuttle, on Sunday morning last, is easily seen with a small telescope in the zodiacal constellation Virgo, which does not rise till toward midnight. Encke's comet is just visible to the naked eye in the zodiacal constellation Aquarius, which is a little west of the meridian, early in the evening. The comet of last summer is fast getting beyond the reach of the largest telescopes, and is upward of three hundred millions of miles away.

A nondescript fish has been caught in the Connecticut River, and is now kept in an aquarium at Hartford, which puzzles the ichthyologists. It seems to be a cross between an eel and a pike, has no scales, a voracious mouth, and an eel's tail.

The Charleston fire swept over a space of a quarter of a mile in width and a mile in length of the most populous part of the city.

Three flower vases of fine Sevres porcelain sold in Paris recently for $80,000.

The Lynn horse cars are heated by furnaces placed beneath the floor. Why could not this method be applied on the steam cars? Some of the latter are wretchedly uncomfortable, being either too hot or too cold for almost all the passengers.

The Michigan Central Railroad has postponed its customary dividend, owing to the lowering aspect of public affairs.

Congress very wisely, as it now appears, voted $40,000 a year for ten years, to aid in constructing a line of telegraph to San Francisco. No better investment was ever made by the Government.

We observe in a London paper that Colonel Faller, formerly editor of the New York *Mirror*, has been announced to deliver a lecture in the British metropolis, advocating the Secession cause. In 1856 he supported Colonel Fremont for President.

An English sailor about being married could not find change enough for the parson's fees. The reverend gentleman, unwilling to tie the couple without the accustomed fee, demurred. Jack, placing his hand in his pocket, drew out a few shillings, saying, "Never mind, brother; marry me as far as it will go."

Mr. Dorion, upon his vaccinating tours among the natives in the settlements near Honolulu (Sandwich Islands), has met with numerous cases of a disease resembling leprosy, and which has proved fatal to many. The appearance of the patients is reported as shocking, and the disease appears to be contagious.

Why is the year which precedes 1861 like the year which follows it? Because one is eighteen hundred and sixty, and the other is eighteen hundred and sixty *too!*

"The ugliest trades," said Jerrold, "have their moments of pleasure. Now if I were a grave-digger or a hangman, there are some people I could work for with a great deal of enjoyment."

Mrs. Prudence Stoddard, of Noank, Conn., aged ninety-four years, sends a pair of stockings of her own knitting to the Soldiers' Aid Society at Norwich, with a note attached stating that she has had the pleasure of knitting stockings for our soldiers in three wars, beginning with the Revolution.

During the last thirty years the quantity of lumber surveyed in the city of Bangor, Maine, was nearly four thousand millions of feet.

Mr. Cheever, of Ware, in this State, called a Miss Rich out of singing school last Monday evening, and shot her with a revolver, in his own house, because she declined to come and live with him, his wife being sick with consumption.

A new rifled cannon, which it is claimed will throw a projectile of six pounds weight a distance of six miles, is to be tried at Stonington, Conn., this week.

In St. Louis, on Christmas morning, the mothers of three children locked them up together in a room, and went to market. The children set fire to a basket of chips, and when their mothers returned were all dead from suffocation.

A young man named Irvine, of Bloomsburg, Penn., being enamored of two young ladies, married them both on last Sunday evening. The girls, of course, were ignorant that they were marrying the same man at almost the same time, and were greatly distressed when the fact was discovered. Two days afterward the bridegroom was in the county jail for taking more wives than the law allows.

The Eufala (Ala.) *Spirit of the South* chronicles a rumor that persons in Barbour County have been engaged in shipping cotton from Eufala to Columbus and thence to Apalachicola, whence it is clandestinely conveyed to the enemy's vessels and taken to the Yankees North.

Ebin P. Sturges, one of the oldest and most respected citizens of this city, died on Wednesday last. He has been a resident of Mansfield since about the year 1812, during which time he accumulated a large fortune, being, at the time of his decease, the wealthiest man in the city.—*Mansfield Democrat.*

As proof that the present suspension of specie payments is not warranted, and should not have occurred, it is stated that during the most severe wars of Napoleon he so managed that the national payments were always made in gold, and no bank suspensions of specie payment ever took place.

A writer, claiming to be a woman, publishes in the Augusta *Chronicle* a coarse and bitter article against the United States Government and all connected with it. From the superabundance of gall she pours forth, we judge that she must be a "galled jade."

The Richmond papers of the 28th say: "Charleston was fired in several places on Sunday evening last. Several wooden buildings of but small value were destroyed."

Ohio Legislature.

This body met in the State House at ten o'clock yesterday, and proceeded to organization. The officers nominated by caucus, as published yesterday, were chosen. The following is the vote for officers of the Senate:

For Chief Clerk—D. W. Rhodes (Union) of Delaware, 26 votes; Amos Layman (Dem.) of Marietta, 7 votes.

For First Assistant Clerk—B. J. Loomis (Union) of Cleveland, 25 votes; Sheridan (Dem.) 8 votes.

For Second Assistant Clerk—M. L. Morrow (Union) of Tuscarawas, 25 votes; Dildine (Dem.) of Seneca, 8 votes.

For Sergeant-at-Arms—James W. Sands (Union) of Vinton, 25 votes; Jas. H. Branch (Dem.) of Clermont, 8 votes.

For First Assistant Sargeant-at-Arms—J. B. Clegg (Union) of Dayton, twenty-five votes; Wm. C. Ralston (Dem.) of Richland, eight votes.

For Second Assistant Sergeant-at Arms—James Howard (Union) of Harrison, twenty-five votes; W. H. Hill (Dem.) of Allen, eight votes.

The rules of the last Senate were adopted.

Upon motion of Senator Sprague, it was ordered that the Senate shall be opened with prayer hereafter. It was remarked as an ungraceful omission that prayer was not offered in this body at the opening of the session.

The Governor's message was received at noon, when the Senate took a recess.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House was called to order by Hon. A. P. Russell, Secretary of State, when prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Smith, and members were qualified by Hon. Judge Sutliff.

The following officers were elected, viz:

For Speaker—James R. Hubbell (Union), of Delaware, 66 votes; George L. Converse (Dem.), of Franklin, 28 votes.

For Chief Clerk—Edward Kinsman (Union); of Cleveland, 59 votes; James W. Walton (Dem.), of Monroe, 23 votes.

For First Assistant Clerk—H. B. Stevens (Union), of Warren, 68 votes; Amos Layman (Dem.), of Marietta, 21 votes.

For Second Assistant Clerk—A. P. Miller (Union), of Fairfield, 68 votes; R. Riblett (Dem.), of Crawford, 20 votes.

For Sergeant-at-Arms—Robert Hedger (Union), of Hamilton, 69 votes; George W. Ury (Dem.), of Ashland, 20 votes.

For First Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms—L. W. Chamberlain (Union), of Marietta, 66 votes; James Culbertson, sr. (Dem.), of Wyandot, 21 votes.

For Second Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms—Peter Chance (Union), of Stark, 66 votes; G. W. Mathews (Dem.), of Perry, 22 votes.

Brownlow Discharged.

In the Confederate Court at Knoxville, on Friday, a *nolle prosequi* was entered in the case of Parson Brownlow, on the ground that he had surrendered himself voluntarily, on the condition that the government would agree to convey him out of East Tennessee, and protect his exit. The faith of the government being pledged, his discharge was ordered. The Knoxville *Register* remarks on the arrest as follows:

"Whether Brownlow was well enough to leave the jail last night, or what has become of him, we have not learned, though we understand it was the intention of the commander of the post here to hold him under arrest, with a view to his safe conduct beyond the lines.

"The indignation of the soldiers here, upon hearing of his release, we understand to have been intense. What may follow we cannot conjecture, though we presume the military authorities will see that he is protected and transported beyond the lines, where he may be able to co-operate with Johnson and Maynard."

Secretary Seward is wonderfully graphic and frank in ordinary conversation. Talking with a stranger, the other day, at Washington, he said:

It is unreasonable to expect every man to be equal to his office. There is many a general who should be a captain, many a captain who should be a general. I am by no means equal to my own office of Secretary of State. But that shall not prevent my doing the best I can. And all that the public should expect of us, in such a life of misallotment, is that we make the most of capabilities and opportunities, such as they are, to serve the country.

A few months ago the editor of the Charleston *Mercury* prayed that our ships might be sunk. Quite a number of them, laden with stone, have since been sunk right before his eyes. We hope he is grateful for the answer to his prayer.

Isaac Jones, of Sheffield, Mass., although one hundred and two years old, supports himself by sawing wood, at the rate of about half a cord per day. He is so deaf that he has not heard thunder for twenty years.

HOME INTEREST.

☞ A. S. YOUNG, Clocks, Watches and Jewelry, No. 271 Central-avenue. Cash for old Gold and Silver.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE SOCIETY.—The Twenty-sixth Anniversary of the Cincinnati Young Men's Bible Society will be held in Finding Chapel, corner of Clinton and Catter-streets, THIS (Tuesday) EVENING, 7th, at 7 o'clock.

The annual reports will be read, after which the remaining time will be occupied with impromptu addresses from friends of the Bible who may be present. a*

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.—THE Regular Monthly Meeting will be held in their room, St. Nicholas Exchange, corner of Vine and Longworth sts. THIS (Tuesday) EVENING, January 7, at 7½ o'clock. a*

BACON'S MERCANTILE COLLEGE, corner of Fourth and Walnut-sts. OPEN DAY AND EVENING. Rates lowest. Call or send for catalogues. J. H. DOTY, Principal. 1jan-tf

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Dated December 9, 1861. de10-cTu

DIED.

HORNE.—In Newport, this morning, January 7, Louis Horne, son of Jos. N. Horne, Band-master, Newport Barracks, and Sarah Horne, aged five years and eighteen days.
Funeral at 2 o'clock on Wednesday, from No. 32 Columbia st., Newport. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

TAAFFE.—On Saturday, January 4, Elizabeth Taaffe, wife of John H. Taaffe, after a short and painful illness, which she bore with Christian fortitude.
The funeral will take place from St. Paul's Church, on Wednesday, the 8th inst., at 1½ o'clock. Friends are requested to attend without further notice.

SWIFT.—On Sunday morning, Jan. 5, at 8 o'clock, Mr. Thos. Swift, sen., at his residence, near Pleasant Ridge, Hamilton County, Ohio, in the fifty-second year of his age.

MCGROARTY.—In this city, on Monday morning, Jan. 6, in the twenty-sixth year of her age, Miss Catherine Letitia McGroarty.
Her funeral will take place from the residence of her mother, No. 152 Barr-st., to-morrow (Wednesday) morning at 8½ o'clock. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend without further notice.

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