PRIVATE INFORMATION FROM THE NORTH.

A party just from the North, who has enjoyed peculiar advantages of informing himself of public sentiment, gives us some interesting news gathered by him during his visit.

In Washington, where he was for a long time, nothing was talked of but the news from Grant's army. Little interest was felt in other points of the war, and the popular heart seemed to be excited only by the grand movement now going on for Richmond. All the political cliques, office holders, members of Congress, discussed the prospect of Grant's success most anxiously, and it was admitted on all sides that the Presidential question hinged on the matter—that it would form the great and exclusive topic in the coming campaign; that if Grant succeeded the Republican party would walk over the course and Lincoln would be safe for another term; but if he was defeated, the Republican party would be ruined; the masses would see the hopelessness of the war; a desire for peace would spring up; the peace party would be strengthened, and Lincoln, Seward, Chase & Co. would go by the board. So it is regarded in the North—a political, as well as a military, crisis. Grant and Richmond is made to mean Lincoln and a prolongation of the war; on one depends the other. If Grant succeeds, Lincoln succeeds; if Grant is beaten, Lincoln is beaten. The politicians were pushing the administration to risk everything for Richmond, and to send Grant the last man. And this seemed the policy decided upon at the White House, for reinforcements have been passing through Washington to the front every day for more than two weeks. They were drawing troops from every point they could. Hardly a regiment has been left around Washington to man the defences. The cry everywhere was "On to Richmond."

From what our informant saw and heard in Washington, he does not think that Grant is going to risk a battle for Richmond. Indeed he says that it was openly advocated by the Republican Congressmen—and he was within earshot of them many a time—that the true policy was for Grant to get as close to Richmond as he can without a fight, and invest the city and move upon it after the manner of Vicksburg. This seemed to be so universally conceded in Washington to be the settled policy of the administration that it was generally rumored, and our informant heard no contradiction of it, that Lincoln had given Grant positive orders against risking a battle for Richmond, but had directed him to adhere closely to the same plan of operations as he did before Vicksburg, and that the much coveted prize would be as surely won by him as it was in that instance. * * * It is a common wager in the yankee capital, with great odds, that Richmond will fall by the fourth of July. Our informant tells us that he saw this wager posted on the table of the card-writer at Willard's hotel, offering to bet five thousand dollars in gold, that Grant would eat his fourth of July dinner in Richmond.

Our informant confirms the tremendous losses sustained by Grant in the battles about Spettsylvania C. H. The administration organs try to make it appear that his loss will not amount to over fifty thousand, but in private circles in Washington the lowest estimate admitted that it would reach seventy five thousand in killed, wounded and missing. The peace men of the North argue that Grant has lost more than three times as many men as any other commander of the army of the Potomac, and that he has accomplished nothing in a military point of view. They say that not as much confidence is felt in his ability to take Richmond as there was before he began to move, and in proof of this they point to the fact that gold is higher than when the campaign opened.

There is, no doubt, a great deal of discontent in the North, but our informant thinks that all depends upon the issue of the next battle. There is a great deal of talk of "peace," "peace men," "peace resolutions," but the question of the termination of the war has resolved itself into this in the North: If Grant is beaten, the North will be forced to admit the hopelessness of taking Richmond, and may probably go in for stopping the war; but if Grant whips, the whole North will be united for the prosecution of the war and the crushing of the rebellion.

Washington, as described by our informant, is one great seat of crime and corruption. There are gathered there all the flash women and men of Boston and New York, pugilists, politicians, gamblers; the city is one continual scene of debauchery and riot; and among its latest importations are the notorious *dance houses* of New York! The city swarms with garroters, and night is made hideous with the discordant sounds from the thousand dens of infamy which infest the city. There are no less than *five* theatres in full blast in Washington; all the hotels are mere houses of prostitution, and the whole city is said to be little better than Brigham Young's harem. Our informant thinks that he cannot better pray the morals and corruption at Washington than is done in the following paragraph, which appeared in a Republican paper (the Springfield Republican,) and which he clipped and preserved. It is interesting as a Northern confession of life in their capital:

"It is a sad, a shocking picture of life in Washington which our correspondents are giving us. A bureau of the Treasury Department made a house of seduction and prostitution. The necessities of poor and pretty women made the means of their debauchery by high Government officials. Members of Congress putting their mistresses into clerkships in the departments. An honorable Senator knocked down in the street by a woman whom he had outraged. Whiskey drinking *ad libitum*. The Government cheated in contracts and openly robbed by its employees. Writes our careful correspondent—a long resident in the capital—"Washington was never quite so villainously corrupt as at the present time. In the palmy days of Southern rule, of slavery, there was not half the corruption there is now." We doubt not this is strictly true, and we repeat, it is a sad, shocking picture."

Rich. Examiner.

From the North.—The Richmond Examiner of the 2d has yankee papers of the 30th ultimo. There is no great deal of news.

The Washington Star says: Grant is working out a plan which will put Lee off a double-quick again, or force him to accept a fair fight in the open field. The destruction of the Virginia Central railroad, above Sexton's junction, has been so complete that it will be utterly useless to the rebels; rails destroyed, cuttings filled, embankments thrown down, bridges burned, &c. &c. All the information from the front is in the highest degree encouraging.

A dispatch from Washington says: There are the best possible spirits to night in official circles, and every one is rejoicing over the success of Grant's late masterly move, which throws all his past operations in the shade for its brilliant success.

The Philadelphia Inquirer, in an editorial on the situation in Virginia, and the movements of Grant's army, says: "With respect to the advance of Gen. Grant, this grand fact must be always kept in mind. At every remove from Washington he shifts his line of communications, changes his base, and literally leaves no rear for the enemy to attack. This new point of supply will be the head of navigation of the Pamunkey, or some other affluent of the Chesapeake. Thus he continually advances, continually keeps his line of supply intact, and continually baffles his crafty adversary by leaving no exposed rear for him to attack. It is the same strategy which made the march from Bruinsburg to Vicksburg one unbroken series of victories, and upon this we found our deep conviction that the fate of Vicksburg and Pemberton's army is to be the fate of Richmond, and all that it may happen to contain, when the day of retribution at last arrives."

Gold is still advancing in the North. The Philadelphia Inquirer says: "Gold was active and sold at the opening at 155½, but as the day advanced rose to 186⅞, 187½ and 188, closing at the latter figure, an advance of 2¼ per cent. over the lowest figure of yesterday."

Yankee Warfare.—The Yankee warfare is becoming desperate. The press report from North Georgia declares that in their advance through the country, "they levy heavy contributions as they march, and burn all the mills, factories *and residences*." One can imagine the devastation. What stealing of spoons and forks; what chopping up of pianos; what burning of libraries, appropriation of pictures and wearing apparel! Women taking shelter, cowering and shivering in the woods, with their homeless little ones, and looking out from their covert upon the blazing roof trees of their own houses. Such is the great feature of this campaign everywhere. In the Peninsula, also, and on either bank of the James and York rivers, destruction of private property and outrages upon peaceful citizens have been reduced to a more perfect system than ever before; and the constant employment of negroes in these operations of war has given them an additional character of brutal ferocity which is grateful to the Yankee soul in its present mood. Seeing that they cannot subjugate the South, they mean to leave it a desert and a wilderness of ruins and ashes; they are happy in the thought that they can avenge the slaughter of their troops in open battle by torturing the helpless, unarmed people along their line of march; if they cannot trust their negro brigands to fight, they can trust them at least to burn, murder, cruelty and ravish. This we call desperation. It must be that they have given up all hope of conquering these Confederate States; and that feeling the effort of this year to be their last—and that effort a failure—their malignant hearts can devise nothing better than to hurt and harm us to the very utmost extent in their power, and make our independence cost us dear. It is very true that they are making it cost us dear; but then this riddance is worth the cost.

Richmond Examiner.

Capture of a Correspondent.—Our pickets at Tunstall's Station yesterday captured R. B. Francis, a correspondent of the New York World, who was on his way to the White House, under the impression that Gen. Baldy Smith had reached that point from the Southside. He had in his possession a number of letters, and his dispatches for the World. One of the letters stated that Sedgwick's corps started in the campaign with 30 000 men, and is now reduced to 12,000. The only important developments in this correspondence consist in the admission of the facts that Grant is to make the White House his base of supplies, that he contemplates a siege of Richmond, and that their losses have been terrible.

Rich. Dispatch.

Lee's Army on Sunday.—I rode along the lines to day, 29th, and found the men resting after their many marches and hard battles. Some were reading their well thumbed Bibles; some were inditing letters to the loved ones at home, to assure them of their safety; some were sleeping, perchance dreaming of the bloody work still remaining to be done; others were enjoying the music of the brigade bands, as they rehearsed those solemn and touching airs which the grand old masters of the art divine, in their most holy and impassioned moods, have given to the world; and others again were sitting under the trees, with their arms stacked near at hand, listening to the Word of Life, as preached by those faithful servants of God, the hardy, zealous, self denying chaplains of the army. As the army thus rested—its great heart quiet, its huge arms unstrung, its fleet feet still—I could but reflect, and wonder as I reflected, that this vast machine, this mighty giant, this great, unmeasured, and immeasurable power, should be so terrible in battle and yet so calm and gentle and devout in the hour of peace.

It has been unusually quiet to-day: not a gun has been fired along the lines.—*Rich. Dispatch.*

Yankee Outrages.—The Southern (Miss.) Native learns from reliable authority that Mr. Best, a son of Kinton Best, of Choctaw, who belongs to Wirt Adams' command, was captured by the yankees on their last raid and turned over to the negroes. These foul and inhuman wretches took him off his horse, stripped him of his clothes, and gave him five hundred lashes on his naked back. Then they shot him. Three ladies, who were hid in the woods by the roadside, witnessed this wretched affair, and when the negroes had disappeared they went to the spot and found the body of Mr. Best horribly mangled and lying lifeless on the ground. The ladies told the story to their neighbors who went and buried his remains.

Stand Watie.—This celebrated chief of the Cherokee Nation has recently been commissioned a Brigadier General in the Confederate army, to take rank from the 6th day of May, 1864. His promotion is well deserved. He is the first Indian that has ever attained the rank of Brigadier General.—*Richmond Enquirer.*

Confederate Bonds.—In the London market, the Confederate loan advanced on the 6th of May 4½ per cent., closing at 66@67. United States "five-twenties" were quoted same day at 54½@55½.

Capture of an Ohio Regiment below Alexandria.—Official information was received at headquarters at Camden, Ark., announcing the capture of an Ohio Regiment on a transport on Thursday last, by Gen. Majors, between Alexandria and Fort Deflussey. The regiment numbered 275 men, top ther with all their company and field officers.—*Pet. Ex.*, 2d.

Railroad Bill.—In the House of Representatives on the 2d, Mr. Fuller, of N. C., submitted a bill to aid the construction of a railroad from Fayetteville, N. C., to Charleston S. C., which was referred to the committee on Military Transportation.

Meeting of the Magistrates.

THE Magistrates of Cumberland county are requested to meet at the COURT HOUSE in Fayetteville, on THURSDAY at 11 o'clock A. M. of June Court next.

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CASUALTIES IN N. C. TROOPS

FOR THE OBSERVER.

HEADQUARTERS 28D N. C. REG'T, May 27, 1864.

Messrs. Editors: I send you for publication in the Observer a list of casualties in the 23d N. C. Reg't in the engagements of the 9th, 10th, 12th and 19th of May, 1864, near Spottsylvania C. H., Va., viz:

Field and Staff—Adjt T. P. Powell, wounded and captured; Sgt Maj Jno C. Ussery, wounded.

A—Killed: Jeremiah Morgan. Wounded: Capt Frank Bennett, Sgt Alex Duncan, Corp J J Cox; Thos Lockheart, H W King, W P Beverly, Jno R Munnerlyn, L Punch. Missing: J P Parker, Jackson Mayse, Caswell Leverard, Jas Townsend, Dennis Ratliff.

B—Killed: Jacob Pelt. Wounded: Lt W A Thompson, severely in leg; Wm Bysanger, slightly; A M Lambeth, leg amputated; Corp P D Seagle, slightly; Robt Haynes, slightly; P V Canole, thumb amputated; Noah Rash, severely in thigh. Missing: R Whitworth, David Wheelstine.

C—Killed: Lt A F Saunders. Wounded: Sgts E F Davis, severely in side; J A Epps, slightly in side; J W Harris, slightly in arm; Corp J M Lilly, slightly in leg; R F Harris, arm amputated; P Lippard, severely in leg; Wm White, severely in hand; Thos W Hall, in foot. Missing: Thos Bowden, H W Green, M V Green, R T Arp, M N Blackwelder, Ralph Mason, Jno S Robinson, J M Morgan.

D—Wounded: Sgts W A Gibson and W C Covington, W W Bounds, Jno Duncan, Thos Pennell. Missing: Capt A T Cole, Corp E S Hart, A R Bryant, M Keener, T J Smith, C C Crouch, N B McKinnon, Geo Walker.

E—Killed: Corp J M Hedin, R M Paschall. Wounded: Sgt D G Crews, slightly in shoulder; W H Duke, slightly, in leg; H R Chappell, slightly in hand; Jno Goss, slightly in head; D G Hobgood, shoulder, severely; J G Olsy, slightly in leg; G T Peace, leg amputated. Missing: Lt J T Bullock, R A Flemming, J G Ferrell, Jno Mize, W W Perry, N T Green.

F—Killed: Lt T W Wilson, Sgt W T Warlick, J A Yoder. Wounded: Sgt A G Propst, E F Rink, mortally; P R Speagle, severely; Wm Whisenhurst, slightly. Missing: Corp L M Angel, G F Jarrett, L M Miller, G L Peal, Levi Reinhardt, P A Havis, W D Shell, L Seitz, L Walker, N Whitner, A M Yoder, M S Bigman, M Lassiter.

G—Wounded: Capt J A Broadfoot, arm; Lt [illegible] Crocker, side; Sgt Fielding Vaughan, face; J V Tunstall, severely; Rufus Daniel slightly; W H Roberts, arm amputated; Sgt W S Reavis, face; W H Hunt, arm. Missing: Sgt G R Davis, Geo Ball, S T Dickerson, G C Robinson, Wm Faulkner, W Harp, N Adams.

H—Wounded: J B F Brisson, severely; R Bailey, slightly; J T R Damascoro, slightly; G W Jarrett, arm amputated; W E Reid, severely; W R Milling. Missing: N W Dormyre, W F Fiter, H Carson, J A Milling, R S Torrence, C E Torrence.

I—Killed: Dennis Lynch, W C O'Bryan. Wounded: Sgt S L Puryear, slightly in side; Jas Clark, hand; David Duncan, slightly head; Thos B Frazier, right hand amputated; Jno Hart, Geo Newton and Thos L Newton, hand; Jno West, severely in thigh. Missing: Corp J A Jones, Jno Duncan, Barrister Robinson, Robt Sadler, Jno Newton, Robt West, Wyatt Currie.

K—Killed: J A Thompson. Wounded: A A Gabriel, mortally (since died;) J L Long, arm; R B Little, hand; H S Hunter and E Smith, foot. Missing: P S Sandleman, J L Workman, H H Howard.

Total, killed 11; wounded 68; missing 365.

J. P. LEACH, Lt & Ast'g Adjt 23d N C Reg't.

North Carolina papers will please copy.

Fifty Eighth N C T—Johnston's Army.

FOR THE OBSERVER.

HEADQ'RS 58TH N C VOLS, near Etawah River, Ga., May 21, 1864.

Messrs Editors: Will you please to publish in your paper a list of casualties, &c. in the 58th N C Vols, in the battle of Oostanulla on the 14th and 15th inst.

Co A—Wounded: John Dellinger, head, Sgt Snipes, face, Jos Dellinger, face; all severely.

B—Wounded: B Hobson, breast severe. Missing: S E Prestwood, Thos Gardner, Albert Hutchins.

C—Killed: Robt R Rowlin. Missing: M R Young.

D—Wounded: Franklin Townsend, arm slight; Sol Green. Missing: Anderson Grogen.

E—Killed: A B Reece. Wounded: Elijah Coffey, head, E Coffey, hand, W C Oxford, jaw; all slight. Missing: Jos C Baird, C C Hobbs, J R Sherrill, R O Phillips, G W Raby, Warren Mastin, Wm Redding, Jesse Thomas, Jno Gurley, G J Jossling.

F—Killed: Lt C Mero, private R R McKesic. Wounded: J A Nichols, face severe; Sam'l Harvey, leg; W H Higgs, thigh broken.

G—Wounded: Sol Miller, leg; Jno Lipton, arm; Sol Shaw, side; Lt J B Norris, shoulder with shell. Missing: Nat Stanbury, S W Luvet, Nat Phillips.

H—Killed: Private Austin Smith. Wounded: G W Harper, leg badly; Sam McClure, shoulder; R A Coleman, leg severe; J A Bottle, arm severe; A Conoy, hand severe; Julius Smith and Geo Taylor, finger; Wm Cryson, hand. Missing: J L Rice, N Watson, —— McDowell, Jas Harvell, A M Upchurch, J M Finceannon, J M Kirby.

I—Wounded: C J Cottrell, face serious. Missing: Private Jos Pierce, Anderson Jackson, Joel Dugger, Jno Matsis, B G Hilliard, Alf Hilliard, Sol Isaacs.

K—Wounded: Lt J W Duncan, slight; private A Siler, thigh severe; Henry Justice, breast severe.

L—Wounded: Sgt J M Calloway, breast severe; Corpl J Fowler, arm slight; private Moses Harvell, breast slight; Lt F M Hardy, explosion of shell. Missing: Wm Parsons, J H Denney, H S McClure, B Estridge, G W Bumgarn, Sgt Wm Blevins.

The Reg't behaved itself with great gallantry, and was highly complimented by our brave commander Brig Gen'l Reynolds.

T. J. DULA,
Lt. Col., Comd'g Reg't.

FOR THE OBSERVER.

Casualties Twenty Seventh Reg't, N C T, Cooke's Brigade, A N V, May 8th to 12th, 1864.

Lt Col G F Whitfield, commanding.—Field and staff.—Wounded: Maj T C Webb, Sgt Maj T B Pittman.

Co A, Capt J D Bryan comd'g—Killed: Sgt B J Rhodes, privates R Holloman, W Flowers. Wounded: Capt J D Bryan, slightly; Sgt A L Whitley, side, slight; Corpl J B Kilpatrick, hand severe; privates W Davis, head slight; Adam Drye, arm slight; W T Musgrave, head severe; T C Overman, shoulder severe; J Peacock, finger slight; J Price, hand slight; R Ward, wrist slight; L B Watson, side and arm; A Langston, thigh severe; Neill McLean, face slight; J S Maness, side severe; D Register, arm slight.

B, Capt J A Sloan comd'g—Killed: Privates S F McLean, L S Lineberry. Wounded: Capt Sloan, hip slight; Sgt Stratford, leg; W W Steiner, foot; Corpl W C Story, arm; privates Chilcutt, arm; D Coltrain, hand slight; W Donnell arm and side slight; T R Greeson, arm severe; W Horney, leg amputated; S S Hiatt, head; Wm Hunt, arm and side slight; Jas Harden, head severe; R B McLean, leg; Wm May, neck slight; Jno Siler, head severe; R B Tate, head mortally; W Williams, groin severe; Jas Wilson, side severe; Corp Hicks, knee severe.

C, Capt L G [illegible] comd'g—Killed: Privates S P Barron, S Holden. Wounded: B C Fields, arm and leg severe; L H Fields, shoulder slight; N Skinner, arm slight; W H Rouse, arm severe; Jno K Joice, leg severe; Isaac Braxton, hand slight; John Potter, hip and arm slight; Jno Brower, shoulder slight; David Savage, shoulder; Jno Edgly, hand slight; Jos Wine, foot; Jordan Potter, thigh; J H Wade, hand slight; J W Whitfield, right arm amputated; Jas Seymore, neck severe; A Holmes, arm slight; Powell Brown, thigh severe.

D, Capt C Herring comd'g—Killed: 1st Sgt J B Wootten. Wounded: Capt Herring, slight; Corpl J E Taylor; privates H Cunningham, W B Carter, B A Carter, Wm Davenport, Jno Mosby, J Potter and S Shrowd, slight; G Shrowd, H E Smith, severe; D C Lee, shoulder severe; J M Taylor, slight; D Quinn, leg amputated; B Gray, severe; Corpl S H Kennedy, slight.

E, Capt R W Joyner comd'g—Killed: Private C Canada, Corpl R J Long, slight; Corpl J W Walston, leg severe; privates Wm Corbitt, groin slight; D L Crawford, arm severe; W C Askew, arm and chest severe; N W Askew, head severe; J Elks, leg broken; T Mixton, side, arm and foot severe; J J Smith, left eye severe; A Shivers, leg and hip; S Nichols and J Hinson, slight; J Baker, arm broken; J Lang, thigh severe; T Moore, head slight; Corpl S Williams, foot amputated; Sgt Brantley, foot; F W Nobles, face severely.

F, Capt B S Skinner comd'g—Killed: Privates J A Waite, J H Price, Z White. Wounded: Sgt Berry, slight; Sgt Weeks, mortally head, since died; Sgt Hobbs, both thighs severe; Corpl T E Goodman, arm flesh; privates J Barcliff, slight; J Bundy, leg severe; W M Cross, shoulder slight; T J Fleetwood, arm, side and hand; F Foster, leg severe; J A Hall, shoulder slight; J Lane, shoulder slight; Geo Lacy, head severe; A Elliott, shoulder severe; J Miller, hip slight; D P Sharpe, thigh serious; W Sutton, head; J May, leg slight.

G, Capt S Dickson comdg—Killed: Privates R C Dawson, E Wood. Wounded: Sgt Whitted, face severe; Sgt O F Hatch, Corpl J Miles, severe; privates W H Crabtree, thigh severe; M Dutany, arm broken; G M Dorsey, face severe; C L Dannegan, shoulder slight, J C Paul, thigh slight; A Forrest, hand slight; M Ray, hand slight; J Smith, shoulder slight; E H Strayhorn, thigh and leg severe; W Thompson, face severe; Corpl A Roberts, arm and side; J Mitchell, shoulder slight; [illegible] A Graham, thigh painful.

H, Capt J F Manker comd'g—Killed: Private S A Stokes. Wounded: Lt H F Price, arm slight; Sgt S A Whitley, arm severe; Sgt S Moore, shoulder slight; privates E Adams, arm severe; J H Clark, arm slight; H J Collins, side and leg slight; G F Evans, hand severe; W N Edwards, knee severe; W B Garriss, hip severe; P P Lawrence, face; W B Overton, arm and thigh slight; W Oxley, abdomen severe; J B Quarlemus, hand and thigh severe; W J Sumrell, thigh slight; J A Lendley, head slight; W F Rountree, arm slight; E Wilson, leg and foot severe; Jesse Whitley, chest severe; J A Williams, neck slight; I L Thigpen, neck slight; J A Stokes, abdomen slight.

I, Capt W R Larkins comd'g—Wounded: Capt Larkins, side slight; Sgt G W Mattocks, arm slight; Corpl Lovitt, finger shot off; privates G W Barber, thigh and wrist slight; J W Buckhart, shoulder slight; H B Cox, head slight; A Gordon, side slight; J Hodnot, shoulder slightly; Cooper Huggins, arm slight; C King, shoulder slight; J M Lovitt, arm slight; S Odom, arm severe; J J Reed, arm slight; T J Polk, arm slight; J S Spease, thigh severe; C King, leg and thigh severe.

K, Capt H H Coor comd'g—Killed: Sgt R H Best, private A Langston. Wounded: Capt H H Coor, very slight; Sgt W Thompson, slight; N J Smith, slight; privates S B Coley, wrist severe; H Chase, slight; E S Beaman, slight; J H Ginn, slight; J W Holland, slight; W T Lancaster, slight; J C Long, neck and shoulder severe; E M Miller, slight; J Smith severe; P Snider, slight; — Mullis, shoulder.

Recapitulation—Officers, killed, none; enlisted men 14. Wounded: Officers 8, enlisted men 163. No. of officers and men carried into action 340. Total loss killed and wounded 189.

W. A. KNIGHT,
Adj't 27th Reg't, Cooke's Brigade, A. N. V.

14th N C Troops—Lee's Army.

Field and Staff—Col R T Bennett, in south, slight, now on duty; Sgt Maj N E Jenkins, in leg severe.

A—Killed: J J Lancaster. Wounded: Sgts R M King and L C Newsom, Corps Geo W Rooker, Danl C Hardy and J F Newsom, J R Linch, E Hardester, Danl Hicks, S O Adams, J J Pendergrass. Missing: Sgt Z J Shearen.

B—Killed: Lt C P Jones, Geo Moore, Geo Baker, Jno Braxton. Wounded: Sgt J L Stroup, Corps L J Myers and A Sink, Robt W Mentonan, J H R Beck, (since dead;) T D Andrews, W F McRory, P L Ledford, J C Welborn, J G Smith, Wm Baker.

C—Killed: Martin V Tyson, Ed F Billingsley, Burk Taylor, mortally wounded, since dead, Wm D McPherson, Jas Brigman. Wounded: Lt Wm A Liles, slightly; Sgt Jno W Weatherger, leg, knee severe; Sgt Josh A Smith, side, severely; Corp A B Morton, thigh slight; Corp Jule A Henry, head, slight; J H Alford, wrist, severe; Stephen H Gaddy, thigh, flesh, severe; Geo A Morton, hand severe; Peter F Morton, hand severe; Wm H Saunders, leg, flesh, severe; Jas L Smith, hand, slight; Ed J Smith, knee, severe; Wm L Stanback, thigh, flesh, severe; Miles Threadgill, shocked by shell; Wm [illegible] Threadgill, thigh, flesh, severe; A A Waddill, ankle, slight; Thos J Watkins, mouth slight. Missing: A D Lilly.

D—Killed: Corp B R Kinney. Wounded: Sgt W J Dickson, W E Dickson, A W Hannon, E D Griffin, P Motley, T F Tippet, severely; R C White, A S Moss, R C Cobb, slightly.

E—Killed: Jas W Woods, W H Hubbard. Wounded: Lt J M Hinson, Wm A Sturdivant, L Ross, C Carter, R H Whitaker.

F—Killed: Tisdale Stepp. Wounded: Capt Jas M Gudger, Lts Gay Williams and G H Murray, (since dead;) Sgts J M Whitmire, W B Westall and D W McGalliod, Jesse Stepp, W H Clark, E Campbell, W Fonts, W F Lewis, D M Puetts.

G—Killed: G B Wells, J O B Jones. Wounded: Corp S F Jones, W G Snow, A J Bragg, H S Rawley, J M Wright, W W Stubblefield, A P Taylor.

H—Killed: Hugh Pusser. Wounded: Sgt C A Shankle, head, slight; Sgt H A Kendall, neck, severely; Sgt Bennett Russell, leg, slight; Corp E Lowder, head, severely; J H Avett, (since dead;) Green Melton, wrist, severely, D G Barringer, leg, flesh; B F Snuggs, hip, flesh; J W Snuggs, leg, severely, and captured; J H Clodfelter, thigh, severe; Jacob Austin, arm, slight; Jno Dry, hand, slight; W E H Davis, arm, slight; W H Melcher, hand, slight; Jos A Shankle, head and hand, slight.

I—Killed: D Clodfelter. Wounded: Corp C Smith, C M Thompson, G W Reid, J E Workman, G A Hedrick, L C Goss, G W Goss, Jas Security, W A Sullivan, D F Gallimore, W B Cornelison, G W Swicegood, Jas Conrad.

K—Killed: Jno Martin. Wounded: Capt J Jones, Lt C W Beavers, Sgt Jno D Thompson, J Ingram, Corps T J Jolly and C Adams, H J Worrel, J W Solomons, W L Gooch, Wm Leatherman, J Cox, A M Adams, W E Friedle, W Gooch. Missing: J B Harris.

38d N C T. 5th and 20th May.—Lee's Army.

Field and Staff—Wounded: Col C M Avery, right thigh broken and left arm amputated.

A—Wounded: Sgt P B Dalphin, Corp J L Henry, J R Bass, Tim O'Connell, W D Johnston, J H Fink, D M Fink, A Allen, L Tucker, W S Holland, S Barus, D H Petre, J F Tuldy. Missing: J H Barns.

B—Killed: Lieut H P Lyon, Corp W B Warbritton. Wounded: J O Nelson, I Osborn.

C—Killed: Corp J M Moore. Wounded: Lieut J D Fain, Sgt F Barnhardt, Corp D S Sides, J H Hayes, J F Fink, W J McGraw, D Blackwelder, E Teague. Missing: J F Misenheimer, W F Sather, J Evans, A Walls, W R Jenkins, T P Jenkins.

D—Killed: J Childers, L Carter, W D Wiles. Wounded: Lt W Y McIntire, Sgt E Jennings, Sgt J Land, W Bowers, J E Childers, A Coleman, M Lane, J Bowman, C Pardew, L Pardew. Missing: D Coleman, C Carter, J Wagoner.

E—Killed: M Anderson, T Jones. Wounded: Corp E Cross, Corp B F Smith, J Byrd, J Bare, E Everett, T Cross, C Harsell, W Corbitt. Missing: Sgt J Hare, C P Griffin, T Bancum, J Porter, J Mathias, J W Dilly, P Lane, K H Bare, R Coker, S Weeks, J Clark, J Brinkley.

F—Killed: H J Ward, H Scott. Wounded: Lieut J W Tate, Sgt S S Gibbs, T J Yates, T Oates, W H Douglas, J R Durham, A M Harriss, T Hawkins, Wm Turner. Missing: Corp R R Neal, A Oates, A Copley, R B Gibbs, W R Gibbs, S Gill, S Loyd, S B Malone, D Midgett, W J Walker.

G—Killed: S B Baxley, J T Martin. Wounded: Sgt J O Davis, J S Anderson, head; J W Woorley, back; N Hare, foot; J K Powers, hand; S Jones, leg; W J Mitchell, prisoner. Missing: J Bradshaw, D K Denson, S Vest, C Slater, J Long, D J Hare, D J Sterling, E Cline, G W Hughes, A D Singletary.

H—Killed: Lt J L Farrow, Sgt G W Jackson, Sgt C N B Topping, V Ingraham, J Ryan. Wounded: Zeb Boomer, Sgt N E Jarvis, W Kizer. Missing: W N Lassiter, J S Manning, M A Tigue, W Smith, J Long, J E Spears, W Spivy, T G Johnson.

I—Killed: W H Faircloth. Wounded: Captain W F Avery, Lt J N Anderson, Lt W L White, Sgts J J Marshall, F N Ketner, W C Hine, W F Hunt, B Myers, B Flynt, T Lane, A Bowen, T Harriss, L Stone, E A Snore, J M Westmoreland. Missing: W Brinkley, J Brinkley, A West, F McCray, K Walls.

K—Killed: R H Peel. Wounded: Lt J G Rancher, Corp J B Gibson, W C Nicholson, H A Harbour, P Wade, S Ford. Missing: J Measom, J Sneed, M P Taylor.

FOR THE OBSERVER.

CAMP 44TH N C T. May 30, 1864.

Messrs. Editors:—You will please publish the following casualties in Co. F, 44 th N C T, in the battle of the Wilderness:

Killed: Capt Jno C Gaines; Sgts W C Hilliard and G A Cline; Corp M C Elliott; Private Frederick Shores. Wounded: Privates W P Caudle, severely in ankle; P W Hilliard, foot; C N Wright, head; J B Coggin, severely in face; Whitson Tolbert, face; Alex Harris, thigh; P G Stokes, ankle; Wm Russell, arm; J T Hall, thigh.

G. W. MONTGOMERY, 1st Lt Comd'g Co.

FOR THE OBSERVER.

CAMP 51ST REG'T N. C. T., NEAR PETERSBURG, VA., May 30, 1864.

Messrs. E. J. Hale & Sons:—Seeing in your paper of 23d inst., an article copied from the Petersburg Express, in which quite a compliment was paid two companies of the 51st N. C. in an engagement near Petersburg, I think justice requires that the name and letters of the companies should be given in full. The companies thus engaged were E and F, from Robeson county, and commanded by Capt. Norment of Lumberton.

Our Wounded.—We are pleased to hear from our surgeons, and to record for the public gratification, the most favorable accounts from the numerous wounded in our hospitals here. There are times when wounds exhibit, as a sort of epidemic, an angry character, with tendency to gangrene, and small disposition to heal. Whatever those unfavorable symptoms may be due to—whether to atmospheric causes, or to the state of the system when the wound was received—we are happy to learn that there is great freedom in our hospitals from all such unpleasant manifestations, and that wounds are healing kindly. Great numbers of our wounded, of those able to sustain the journey, have been furloughed for visits to their homes. Wherever they go, or whether they go or stay, let them be the objects of the ladies' tenderness and of every good man's pride and generous solicitude. It is impossible to do too much for them, for do what we will they deserve more.—*Rich. Sentinel.*

The New Fives.—The new $5s have made their appearance in small quantities in Richmond.

THE CAMPAIGN IN VIRGINIA.

NEAR MECHANICSVILLE, May 31.—Yesterday morning about 8 o'clock Gen. Early, was ordered to move from his entrenched position on our then right wing, and reconnoitre the enemy's position, for the purpose of determining the strength of his works and some approximate estimate of his force. This Gen. E. proceeded to do, taking with him Rodes's and his own divisions. He had not proceeded far before his line of battle, consisting of Daniel's, Battle's and Pegram's brigades met the enemy about one mile this side of Bethesda church, the force of the enemy being Warren's 5th corps of yankee infantry mainly. A severe fight ensued, and the enemy were repulsed and driven back nearly two miles, to their line of entrenchments, behind which they sought shelter, and which proving too strong for our forces, they retired to their original position, having accomplished the object for which they went forward—the result of their reconnoissance being that the enemy were strongly entrenched, in heavy force, on our right (their left.) Our losses will foot up 275 wounded and 40 killed. The losses of the enemy in killed and wounded cannot be ascertained. Their loss in prisoners foot up 130, chiefly of the fifth corps.

This morning everything on our right is comparatively quiet. There has been some firing in Mahone's front and it is said that between three and four o'clock this evening the enemy advanced with three lines of battle in Wilcox's front, but that he repulsed them with considerable slaughter.

The enemy are evidently shifting ground towards the York river road, and Grant is doubtless awaiting Butler's presence in order to renew the butchery.

The roads are quite dry, and the weather exceedingly warm. Grant is busy fortifying and his entrenchments are in full view of our lines.—*Cor. Richmond Dispatch.*

RICHMOND, June 1.—Yesterday morning an engagement occurred five miles beyond Mechanicsville, in which considerable artillery appears to have taken part. The firing commenced at an early hour and continued sharply until an advanced hour in the day.

We ascertained last night that the enemy commenced moving his right, soon after daylight, in the direction of Tunstall's Station, on the York River Railroad. Our troops were engaged in paying attention to their movements, when a portion of our skirmishers, in Hill's front, from Lane's brigade, stumbled upon the enemy in a field about 2 miles east of Sandy Grove church, and about 5 from Mechanicsville. The enemy immediately threw our their skirmishers, while the main body of the brigade seized a favorable position and commenced throwing up breastworks, while our skirmishers engaged those of the enemy. Our line of skirmishers being inferior in numbers to those of the enemy, were forced to fall back, whereupon the enemy's supports advanced in three lines, intending to drive our men from their position. They had not proceeded more than 150 yards before sections of Walker's artillery opened a raking fire upon them, creating terrible havoc, and causing the enemy to break in confusion and retreat, our infantry aiding the artillery in accelerating their speed. This fight commenced about 12 o'clock, and the cannonading continued until about 3. Skirmishing commenced at different points in the vicinity early in the forenoon, and was continued until late in the afternoon. Our loss was very slight. The field occupied by the enemy in their assault upon Lane's brigade was dotted with dead and wounded yankees. They lost heavily.

The situation of the enemy is between the Pamunkey and Chickahominy rivers, their right resting east of Atlee's on the Central and their left near Tunstall's, on the York River Railroad. Their cavalry pickets extend their lines up to Hanover Town and vicinity. The Central Railroad is entirely clear. An inspection tour to the scene of their recent occupation of this road between Hewitt's and Anderson's stations, disclosed the fact that they had torn up and mutilated the track for the distance of 5 miles, rendering about 2½ miles of the iron entirely worthless for railway use. The track will nevertheless be speedily repaired.

Persons from the army on yesterday report that Butler has landed with the best portion of his army at West Point. Every indication points to a speedy renewal of hostilities, but until Butler completes his junction with Grant, no such renewal will be initiated by the latter.—*Enquirer.*

The facts stated elsewhere make it certain that Butler is shipping his forces to Grant. We suppose that his transports are already arriving or will arrive to-day at West Point and the White House. That Grant will seek to force his way to the same locality, in order to effect a junction is also certain; and if a battle shall take place in advance of that junction, it must be because Lee makes it by cutting off Grant's access to the White House and the York. It is ascertained that Grant has left Hanover C. H., after burning the station near by. The prisoners picked up there believed that he was retiring towards the White House, which is doubtless the fact.—*Sentinel.*

RICHMOND, June 2.—It was the common impression yesterday that an extensive, if not a general engagement was in progress between the armies of Gen. Lee and Grant. This, however, was an error. There was skirmishing in several quarters, and on some parts of the line it was very heavy; but our line of battle had nowhere, we believe, any part in the operations, at least up to a late hour yesterday evening.

Early in the morning there was heavy cannonading on the extreme right and left of our line, the former beyond Atlee's Station, the latter near Cold Harbor. The collision beyond Atlee's is believed to have been between cavalry. Wickham's brigade was engaged, and with success. Near Cold Harbor, Gen. Longstreet's skirmish line is reported to have driven the enemy some distance, ejecting him from some intrenchments which he had there thrown up.

The skirmishing was pretty active in front of Early's Division about mid-day. The writer, who was there on a visit at the time, was struck with the cool *nonchalance* of the troops under the rattling fire of musketry and the shelling with which it was int