Register.

"Ours are the plans of inir delightful peace, Unwarp'd by party rage to live like brothers.

RALEIGH, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 19, 1862.

NOW AND THEN .- W. W. HOLDEN AND EX-GOVERNOR WM. A. GRAHAM.

While we design to make no assault upon Gov. Graham, for whom we have, through life, entertained the most exalted respect, and over whose policial successes we have often rejoiged, while the Editor of the Raleigh Standard was heaping upon him all the vituperation which his foul and corrupt mind could suggest, we intend to show Governor Graham and his real friends how much reliance they can place upon the obsequious professions of friendship for Gov. G. made of late by the aforesaid Editor of the Raleigh Standard. To this end we shall, from time to time, refer to the file of the Standard for the year 1846, in the summer of which Governor Graham was a candidate for re-election to the Executive Chair, and show, by the record, that the Editor of the Raleigh Standard was, for months, his malignant and vindictive assailant and libeller. To show the contrast between what he said then and what he says now, we publish in parallel columns the annexed articles from the Raleigh Standard of July 11th, 1846, and April 9th, 1862:

April 9, 1862.1

While there are many

cheerfully support for Go-

hesitation in saving that

our first choice is WILL.

A. GRAHAM, of Orange.

[From the Standard of From the Standard of July 11, 1846.1 Reasons why Wm. A. Graham should not patriotic and worthy gen-

He voted in the Legislature of 1834 against the right of the people to elect their Governor.

Having served since He is in favor of a Na-May last with Gov. Grational Bank, a High Proham as a member of the tective Tariff; and, in-Convention, we have had stead of giving the prothe best opportunities of ceeds of the sales of the observing his course. We Public Lands to the old believe he has the best in-States, he voted in the U. terests of the country at S. Senate to give each of beart, and that, since the the new States five hunrevolution commenced, he. dred thousand acres and has exhibited as little parten per cent. upon the ty feeling as any citizen in The new States the State. - In addition to were to have the meat; but superior administrative Mr. Graham kindly contalent, and enlarged insented to give the old formation of all kinds, he States -- the bone to pick. is more fully posted, per-haps, in military affairs He is a Federalist of the old blue light stamp. He than any mere civilian takes sides, from princiamong us; and in making ple, with the money power this statement as to his against the people, and is in favor of splendid knowledge of military af-

member of the Convention laboring classes enormously for the benefit of the abler or more patriotic privileged few. He was in favor of the man than Gov. Graham and no one who possesses whig movements in the to a greater extent the Legislatures of 1838 and public respect and confi-1840, by which the State dence. We trust he will was involved in debt to the consent to be a candidate tune of more than a miland that the people generally, disregarding party lion of dollars for the Raleigh and Gaston Road in this crisis, will elecand he acts with party leaders, the certain tenden man for the times. cy of whose measures is. to take the Common School Fund to pay the debts of insolvent corpo-

schemes, the result of

which must be to tax the

He went to the sale of Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road as the Agent of the State to exercise a sound discretion; and instead of exercising that discretion by endeavoring to sell the road at a fair price for eash, or, instead of getting the road for the State as cheap as he could, he bid at the first pop for tae road the enormous sum of three hundred and sixtythree thousand dollars .-He says it would not have been "dignified" in him to bid less; and therefore, according to his ideas of government, the more debt the more dignity.

He has USURPED POWER by appointing the Field Micers for the Volunteer Regiment from this State and not only this, but he claims, through the Raleigh Register, the right to appoint the Captains and Lieutenants of the Companies composing said Regiment. That paper states that Gov. Graham "authorized" and "AL-LOWED" the Companies to choose their Officers, and that paper, be it remem-bered, speaks for Gov.

He has appointed, in the midst of a War waged for the dearest interests and rights of the country, when all party spiritought to be forgotten, two of his leading Whig partizan olunteer Regiment; and the Register not only claims for Gov. Graham the right to appoint said Field Officers, but says he has the right to go out of the Regiment and appoint Officers for it from among those who have not vol-unteered—thus offering inbrave men who have so promptly and gallantly stepped forward to defend

their country. By his gross errors and blumders, and by his devotion to the interests of the privileged few, to the great detriment of the laborers and farmers of the country, he has shown himself to be incompetent for the post of Governor; and the people of the State will profit by their dear-bought experience, and give him permission to retire to pri-

It will be seen from these articles how

much weight should be attached to any ! "promises to pay" of the Confederate Governopinion expressed by the Editor of the Raleigh Standard In 1846 he was the hireling agent of the Democratic party, to which he sold himself but a few years before, as a medium for libelling and traducing the best and purest men in the State, who might be candidates for offices which they (the Democratic party) wished to fill themselves .-Not very long before the canvass of 1846, Governor Graham had declined to aid W W. Holden, then a violent Whig, to pur chase the office of the Raleigh Star .-Here, then, was a glorious opportunity for the Editor of the Raleigh Standard, at one and the same time, to wreak his vengeance upon Mr. Graham, and signalize his new-born zeal for the Democratic party; and fully did he avail himself of it, as we will fully prove by extracts which we intend to make, from

time to time, from his file of 1846. In 1846 W. W. Holden denounced W. A Graham as incompetent, as partial, as usurper, as one utterly regardless of the interests of the State or people, -in a word, as one whose banishment to the shades of private life would be a great blessing to the the position which he has taken. He either

Now, in 1862, when the Editor of the Standard has been repudiated by the Democratic party, to which he sold bimself and then betraved it .- now, when he is a political vagrant, seeking shelter with the party which he deserted, and which he persecuted with a vindictiveness characteristic of renegadeism, Governor Graham has become marvellous proper man, and he now, out of the many patriotic and worthy gentlemen in the State competent to fill the Executive Chair, would choose Wm. A. Graham.

Again, we say, what is the good or bad opinion of such an unblushing political hack as the Editor of the Raleigh Standard

THE MISCHIEF-MAKER FRIGHT.

As was surmised by several persons who read our excoriation of the mischief-making-article which appeared in the Baleigh Standard of the 9th inst., the immaculate Editor of that paper has taken counsel of his fears, and in his issue of the 16th attempts to craw-fish from a position which he found rather dangerous to occupy. He denies having attempted to depeciate the credit of the Government, and if that denial is founded in truth, then is the fairs, we believe we will be sustained by every fact proved that the Editor of the Raleigh Standard writes at random, either ignorant The state contains no or careless of the truth of what he says .-But however careless be may be of the truth of what he says when it suits his purpose to be so, he was not, in this case, ignorant of the exact meaning which he intended to convey, or of the impression bostile to the credit of the Confederate Government which he designed him Governor. He is the to make upon the minds of his readers. We quoted his language fairly, not wresting it from its context, and there is not one candid reader in a thousand who will not agree that it is a part and parcel of his deliberately concerted attacks upon the Government of the Confederate States. He winds up a long series of charges against those in authority by saying, in substance, after charging upon them all manner of iniquity, that they will wind up their infamous career by "repudiation." The "repudiation" of what ? Why, Great God of Truth. surely, nothing else but the government debt. Individuals have not the power of repudiating their debts. None but governments have exercised that power, and they disgraced themselves by so doing. Is it not, then, the baldest subterfuge in the world for the Editor of the Standard to say that he had " no allusion to the government in the article referred to, but the article treated of the 'spirit of the times,' and of some of the men who are, unfortunately, clothed with power in this crisis?" . This miserable dodge of the Editor of the Raleigh Standard cannot impose upon, to use a strong expression, the most ignorant of even his own subscribers. He did mean to convey the charge that those at present invested with the power of the Confederate Government would repudiate its pecuniary obligations. He knows he meant this, as does everybody else who read his ar ticle. If his ability to do mischief was commensurate with his desire to do so. (which thank God, it is not, for be is only know generally to be contemned,) there is no telling the amount of mischief which he would, in the madness of insolent, presumptuous and disappointed ambition, inflict; for, if he was believed, his statements would either stop the operations of this war for life and liberty, and hand us over, bound hand and foot, to the Yankees, or would quadruple the debt which he says at last will be " repudiated," inasmuch as persons holding goods, wares and merchandise, or articles necessary to the maintenance of our troops in the field, would either utterly refuse to part with them for their equivalent in Confederate

notes, at par, or charge for them four times

their real value, in order to compensate them

against the risk of "repudiation" of the

ment which they would hold. Thus, for instance, A, having a horse which B, a Quartermaster, wished to purchase for the use of the army, and which A would, in ordinary times, se'l for a moderate price, would say to B, "In what sort of money do you intend to pay me?" B would reply, " In notes of the Confederate States." To this A would rejoin, either that you can't get the horse at all for that sort of money, or he would name an exorbitant sum, and when asked for his reason for his exorbitancy, would reply that the Editor of the Raleigh Standard had assured the public that those in charge of the Confederate Government would wind up by "repudiation." These would be the legalmate effects of the wicked attack of the Editor of the Raleigh Standard upon that pecuniary responsibility of the Confederate and State Governments, the unimpeachable character of which is so essential to the success ful termination of the conflict in which we are engaged. In this view we shall hold him up, over and over again, no matter how he may try to twist and wriggle himself out of meant what he said and what we have attributed to him, or he has exhibited an ignorance which should utterly disqualify him for the pest of an instructor of the people.

THE AFFAIR BELOW TRENTON. The circumstances attending the engage ment of a portion of our Cavalry with the Yankees below Trenton, on Sunday last, in which Colonel Robinson was wounded, and with about fifty of his men captured, were, Robinson, with three companies of the Second Regiment of Cavalry, lately commanded by Col. Spruill, came upon a body of about two hundred and fifty Yankees, and baving surrounded them, were about to deprive them of their arms, when one of his men cried out "Boys, a large party of the enemy are upon you-take care of yourselves." This alarm created a perfect stampede on the part of all our Cavalry, except Col. Robinson and about fifty men, who, as we before stated, were captured by the enemy whom we could so easily have taken prisoners. Thus, by the dastardly cowardice or blackhearted treachery of one of our own men, were we deprived of the opportunity of capturing a large number of Yankees, and lost, at least for the present, the services of a gallant officer and fifty men who bravely stood by him. We hope the coward or villain who gave the alarm can be identified, and that he will be speedily brought to a drum-head court-martial, and shot. If such conduct is permitted to pass unpunished, panic-making will become a trade amongst the soldiers.

VANKEE MENDACITY AND BLAS-

The Yankees are lying by wholesale about the result of the engagements at Shiloh .-Although they themselves admit a loss of twenty odd thousand men, they actually claim that they achieved a victory, and propose to set apart a day of public thanks giving for their success. Yes, they are not content to lie to their fellow-men, but are about, on their bended knees, and in the garb of religion, to pour their lies into the ear of the

Of course these lying accounts are, as usual, made up for the European market, but, thank heaven, they have overdone this business of deception. The leading European Journals have discovered that they have, several times, been duped by the mendacity of Yankee newspapers, and are now disposed to doubt the truth of their statements. The Yankees are over-checked in Europe, and hereafter their drafts upon European credulity will be protested.

THE FOURTH REGIMENT AND RAM-SEUR'S BATTERY IN A SKIRMISH.

We learn from a letter in the Petersburg Express, that on Tuesday, the 8th instant, the Fourth N. C. Volunteers, Col. Daniel, of which the Raleigh Rifles, Capt. Harrison, nd the Oak City Guards, Capt. Faribault, form a part, was engaged in a heavy skirmish with the Yankees, in which we lost eight men, for whose lives the vandals paid dear, as their loss is reported to be very heavy.-No names of the killed or wounded on our side are given.

On the day previous, Monday, the 19th Mississippi, with a detachment of Ramseur's Battery, repulsed an attack, slaying some forty or fifty of the Hessians, with no loss on our side.

HAS HE GONE MAD!

A friend writing to us from Iredell county, under date of the 15th instant, says, " Holden must be demented --- as crazy as a loon, and a fit subject for the institution which stands on the hill near Raleigh."

BANK OF COMMERCE. We call attention to the advertisement

the Bank of Commerce in to-day's paper.

RE-ENLISTED FOR THE WAR.

We take much pleasure in announcing the fact that the members of the 28th Regiment N. C. Volunteers, Col. J. H. Lane, have reenlisted for the war to a man. The Regiment has been re-organized, and has reelected Col. Lane its commander. This Regiment, we learn, is one of the best in the service from this State. It numbers upwards of 1300 men, rank and file, and is one of the best disciplined corps in the Con-

We are glad to learn, also, that the members of the 30th Regiment N. C. Volunteers, Col. Francis M. Parker, have nearly all reenlisted for the war, and re-organized, electing their old officers.

These examples of patriotism are worthy of the highest praise. The men composing these regiments are well drilled, have become enured to the diseases of camp life, and are, consequently, of more value to their country than double their number of new volunteers. We trust that other volunteers for 12 months will not hesitate to follow these patriotic

BUELL MORTALLY WOUNDED.

Telegraphic dispatches brought by the papers of Wednesday evening communicate the intelligince that Gen. Buell was mortally wounded, and Generals Crittenden, Sherman, and the two Wallaces killed in the battle at Shiloh. This is the Yankee account of the matter, and as it tells against them, we are compelled to believe it; as they would have no motive to lie about an event so injurious to their own interests.

Since the above was in print we have received later intelligence stating the fact that Gen. Buell was certainly killed.

THE LONDON TIMES ON THE MER-RIMAC.

The London Times is greatly delighted with the performances of the Merrimac, and takes the ground that no more wooden vessels should be built for war purposes, and urges that such of the vessels of the British Navy as are capable of being changed shall be altered in the manner which has made the Merrimae so formidable.

DEATH OF HON. RICHARD KIDDER

We deeply regret to learn from the Petersburg Express, of Thursday, that the Hon. Richard Kidder Meade died at his residence in that city on Wednesday evening. His disease was gout of the stomach. We knew Mr. Meade well, and sincerely sympathize with his family in their bereavement.

FIFTIETH N. C. TROOPS.

At the election on Tuesday last for field officers of the Fiftieth Regiment, the following were elected:

Marshall D. Craton, of Goldsboro', Lieut. Colonel of the 35th Regiment, was elected

James A. Washington, a Captain in the 2nd Regiment, was elected Lieutenant Col-

George Wortham, of Granville, a Captain in the 12th Regiment (2nd volunteers,) was

VANCE'S LEGION.

We call attention to the advertisement of Col. Z. B. Vance in to-day's paper. Here is presented a splendid opportunity for enlisting under the command of one of the noblest and most gallant officers in our army. Vance has shown that he will fight and knows how to fight. He is just the right sort of man to engage the affections of his men and to inspire them with the fullest confidence in their leader.

GREELY ON MCCLELLAN.

A late number of the N. Y. Tribune is terribly severe on General McClellan. We would republish the article but are prevented from doing so by its extreme length.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH REGIMENT. It will be seen from a notice in another column

that Col. Chas. C. Lee, of the 37th Regiment. him to obtain without delay all that he may desise. He is one of the best officers in our State.

CHATHAM RAIL ROAD COMPANY.

At a meeting of the Stockholders of the Chatham Rail Road Company, held at the Yarborough House on Wednesday evening at eight o'clock, Dr. Richard Haywood was called to the Chair, and W. R. Richardson appointed Secreta-

The Secretary reported 2610 shares represented, and upon the vote being taken for President, resulted as follows:

For K. P. Battle,

For Jno. Manning. Mr. Battle, having received a majority of rotes, was declared elected.

The salary of the President was fixed at \$1500 per annum, and that of the Treasurer not exceeding \$1000 per annum.

The following gentlemen were appointed Di-

opened by the damnable Yankees, in order that they might strip the coffins of their silver plating, was that in which reposed the remains of the illustrious Gaston. Can i just God smile upon a cause advocated by

From the Richmond Examiner of Wednesday: THE CONSCRIPTION BILL.

This important measure was yesterday passe by the House and the i junction of secrecy re moved from the bill, though not from the various amendments it received, or which were offered to it. We are unable to say whether it has or has not yet received the Executive sanction.

the use of said received and approved musket, rifle At a late hour a copy of the bill, as printed after the second reading, was placed in our hands with the information, which we belive correct. that it passed its third reading without altera-

We give the entire copy of the most important of all public measures, as follows:

BILL TO BE ENTITLED "AN ACT TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLIC DEFENCE."

In view of the exigencies of the country, and the absolute necessity of keeping in the service our gallant army, and of placing in the field large additional force to meet the advancing columus of the enemy now invading our soil; there-

SECTION 1. The Confederate States of Ameri-

ca do enact, That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to call out and place in the military service of the Confederate States, for three years, unless the war shall have been sooner ended, all white men who are residents of the Confederate States, between the ages of eighteen and thirty five years at the time the call or calls may be made, who are not legally exempted from military service. All of the persons aforesaid who are not now in the armies of the Confederacy, and whose term of service will expire before the end of the war, shall be continued in the service for three years from the date of their original enended : Provided, however, That all such companies, batallions and regiments, whose term of original enlistment was for twelve months, shall have the right, within forty days, on a day to be fixed by the commander of the brigade, to re-organize said companies, battalions, and regi-ments, by electing all their officers, which they had a right _eretofore to elect, who shall be com missioned by the President. Provided, further, That furloughs not exceeding sixty days, with transportation home and back, shall be granted to il those retained in the service by the provisions this act beyond the period of their original enlistment, and who have heretofore not received furoughs under the provisions of an act entitled "An act providing for the granting of bounty and furloughs to privates and non commissioned officers in the Provisional Army," spproved 11th December, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, said furloughs to be granted at such times and in such numbers as the Secretary of War may deem most compatible with the public interest; and Provided further, That in lieu of a furlough the commuation value in money of the transportation hereinabove granted shall be paid to each private, musician, or non-commissioned officer who may elect to receive it at such time as the furlough would otherwise be granted; Provided, further, That all persons under the age of eighteen years, or over the age of thirty-five years, who are now enrolled in the military service of the Confederate States, in the regiments, battalions and companies hereafter to be organized shall be required to remain in their respective companies, battalions and regiments for ninety days, unless their places can sooner be supplied by other recruits not now in service, who are between the ages of eighteen and thirty five years, and all laws and parts of laws providing for the re-enlistment of volunteers and the organization thereof into companies, squadrons, battalions or regiments

shall be, and the same are hereby repealed. SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That such sandrone, battalions, or regiments organized, or in process of organization by authority from the Secretary of War, as may be within thirty days from the passage of this act so far completed as to have the whole number requisite for organization actually enrolled, not embracing in said organizations any persons now in service shall be into the service, of the Confederate States as part of the land forces of the same, to be received in that arm of the service in which they are authorized to organize, and shall elect their company, battalion and regimental

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted. That for the enrollment of all persons comprehended within the provisions of this act, who are not already in service in the armies of the Confederate States, it hall be lawful for the President, with the consent of the Governors of the respective States to employ State officers, and, on fai ure to obtain such consent, he shall employ Confederate officers charged with the duty of making such enrolment in accordance with rules and regulations to be prescribed by

SEC 4. Be it further enacted, That persons enrolled under the provisions of the preceding section shall be assigned by the Secretary of War to the different companies now in service, until each company is filled to its maximum number, and the persons so enrolled shall be assigned to companies from the States from which there

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, That all seamen desires to increase his regiment to 1250. We federate States, enrolled under the previsions of presume it will only be necessary to state that this act, may, on application of the Secretary of gallant commander desires to obtain recruits, for the Navy, be transferred from the land forces to

the naval service.

of regiments, battallons, equadrons or companies, sufficient to absorb the number of persons subject to military service under this act, belonging to such State, then the residue or excess thereof to such State, then the residue or excess thereof shall be kept as a reserve, under such regulation as may be established by the Secretary of War, and that at stated periods of not greater than three that at stated periods of not greater than three months, details, determined by let, shall be made from said reserve, so that each company, shall, as nearly as practicable, be kept full. Provided, That the persons held in reserve may remain at home until called into service by the President. Provided, also, that during their stay at home, they shall not receive pay. Provided, further, That the persons comprehended in this act shall not be subject to the rules and articles of war until mustered in the actual service of the Confederate States; except that said persons, when enrolled and liable to duty, if they shall refuse to obey said call, each of them shall be held to be a deserter and punished as such under said articles; Provided further, That whenever, in the opinion of the President, the exigencies of the public service may require it, he be authorized to call into rectors: Geo. W. Mordecai, Dr. W. J. Hawkins,
J. E. Allen, S. S. Royster and Elias Bryan.

A resolution was passed authorizing the President and Directors to call for two per cent of the subscriptions to be paid within thirty days and after adoption of by-laws the meeting adjourned.

YANKEE VANDALISM IN NEWBERN. ing the same: Provided, The troops raised in any

battalion, squadron, or company organization wit troops raised in any other States.

SEC. 7. Be it enacted: That all soldiers now suring in the army or mustered in the military service of the Confederate States, or enrolled in said service under authorization heretofore issued by the Secretary of War, and who are continued in the service by virtue of this act, who have no

received the bounty of fifty dollars allowed by existing laws, shall be entitled to receive said bounty SEC.8. Be it further enocted, That each man who may hereafter be mustered into service, and who shall arm himself with a musket, shot gup, rifle or carbine, accepted as an efficient weapon, shall be paid the value thereof, to be ascertained by the mustering officer under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Sectetary of War, if he is willing to sell the same, and it be is not, then he shall be entitled to receive one dollar a month for

shotgun or carbine.

SEC. 9. Be if further enacted, That persons not liable for duty thay be received as substitutes for

those who are, under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Scoret wy of War.

EEC. 10. Be it further en acted, That all vacancies shall be filled by the President from the company, batta ion, squadron or regiment in which such vacancies shall occur, by promotion according to seniority, except in cases of disability or other incompetency: Provided, however, That the President may, when, in his opinion, it may be proper, fill such vacancy or vacancies by the promotion of any officer or officers, or private or privates from such company, battalion, squadron or regiment who shall have been distinguished in the service by exhibition of valour and skill, and that whenever a vacancy shall occur in the lowest grade of the commissioned officers of a company, said vacancy shall be filled by election Provided, That all appointments made by the President shall be by and with the advice

consent of the Senate. SEC. 11. Be it further enacted, That the provisions of the first section of this act relating to the election of officers shall apply to these regiments, battalions and squadrons which are composed of twelve months and war companies combined in the same organization, without regard to the manner in which the officers thereof were originally appointed.

SEC. 12. Be it further enacted, That each com oany of infantry shall consist of one hundred and twenty-five rank and file; each of field artiller; of one hundred and fifty rank and file; and each of cavalry of eighty rank and file.
SEC. 13. Beit further enacted, That all persons

subject to enrolment, who are now in service, upder the provisions of this act, shall be permitted previous to such enrolment to volunteer in companies now in the service.

We take the following items from the Richmond Examiner of Wednesday

DESIGN FOR THE CONFEDERATE FLAG. - We learn that the Committee of Congress on the flag have agreed upon a design which will be report. ed to-day, and a model of it prebably displayed in the hall of the House. It is understood that the design is horizontal bars of red and white, with a saltier (yellow, we believe,) in the corner

THE ENEMY'S GUNBOAT EXPEDITION UP THE RAPPAHANNOCK.—Dispatches have been received by the government giving the intelligence that an expedition of the enemy's gun boats is making its way up the Rappahannock river.

The enemy had shelled and taken possession of

Urbanna, and had at last accounts advanced as far as Rappahannock, which was also shelled and possessed by the enemy.

The gunboats are not attended by transi and it is supposed that nothing more that a raid is contemplated. It is said that the depth of water is not sufficient for them to get up to Frede

NEWS OF THE CORINTH BATTLE IN WASH-INGTON.-We have reliable advices from the North, which state that a Federal victory was claimed at Corinth, and that it had been honoured by a vote of the pub ic thanks in Congress to the officers in command. The Northern speak of immense carnage, and state their loss in killed, wounded and missing at from fifteen to twenty thousand men, but declare that the loss on the Confederate side was double their own.

GEN. A. S. JOHNSTON.

Since the commencement of the war no officer as fallen, and perhaps none could have fallen, whose death would have visited upon the young pation more intense regret, than has been experienced at the less of General Albert Sidney rienced at the loss of General Albert Sidney Johnston. The circumstances surrounding his fall on the bloody field of Shiloh, where he was struggling to uphold the nener of his country's flag, have test an an impression upon the public mind, and a feeling in the public heart, which will cause his name to be handed down as one of the most illustrious of freedom's martyrs. In connection with his honoured name, in reading a biography published in Harper's Weekly, of January, 1858, we have been struck with a remark attributed to the gallant and impetuous Worth. who knew Johnston well. In a large gatherin of officers and gentlemen, Worth was asked the question, who was the best soldier be had ever known? His reply was, "I consider Sidney John-ston the best soldier I ever knew."

DESERTED.

We understand that our scouts and pickets now extend their observations in the division of the Army, as far as Manassas. On Friday a couple of men made their appearance at Manassas, and stated that they came through without molestation. and ordinary seamen in the land forces of the Confederate States, enrolled under the previsions of this act, may, on application of the Secretary of the Navy, be transferred from the land forces to the naval service.

SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, That in all cases where a State may not have in the army a number. McClellan's grand army who so recently made the earth fairly quake beneath their tread, is to be seen. Some think that an army might now march upon Washington and meet with little

THE PEOPLE'S NAVY.

In the Newberry Sun, of Thursday last, we find call for a public meetting in the following

"A project having been set on foot, and being now under consideration by the Navy Depart-ment, for raising, by gift from the people, a naval armament for the defence of the Confederate States, a meeting of the cutizens of Newberry District, willing to aid in the furtherance of the scheme, will be held in the Court House, at Newberry, on the first Monday of April, instant, at 12 o'clock m."

The ladies of Augusta. Ga., have resolved to rive an entertainment partaking of the nature of a "Hot Supper" and a fair, about the last of this

month, the proceeds of which are to be der to the benefit of the Southern Naval Fund. This is the right spirit, and it must be pro-tive of good results. We hope that such in ings will be held generally.—Col. Guardian.