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He is Still an Anxious Enquirer--Christ
 Glad to hear from you," $\begin{aligned} & \text { Be " You ought ter be. In these } \\ & \text { times a feller don't know whether he }\end{aligned}$ will be heard from or not. When Igo
ter bed at night I expect. tor wake up
in the mornin' an' hear the Sheriff sellin' my property, but I
body would buy it anyway."
 sorter didnd"t. Where is the editor""
D. " Fll hitech you on to him" D. ""Ill hitch you on to him" "
R-"All right, Mr. Bilkine",
B.-"I wanter know erbout that
bomb proof business that you were
talkini about before Chistans. Has
Dr. Kingsbury explained how he kept out of the war?"
R.- "No, he is as silert as the grave B. - "Well, I reckin' that is natural
fch him to be that er wway. A man
who was never in te war dont like
fer his military record to be dragged er his military record to be dragg
eround fer the public to gaze on."
R.-"Yo are right. There are
good man
peoplese
a battle
longed to the 'home guard,'suttlers
the $A$
They
form
them
anyth R.-"I have heard a great deal of
this myself. but tee but litule. Those
who are falling from grace never have Whoen are eything. They yither jevined the
Order failed to pet what they expected. or
else they think more of polities than
 matter what turns up. She sed tha
all the men ought ter be wimmid unt
things
men
reform
and
 shake their feet all loose from the limb
they will wrap their tail eround
thelimb ann stay there right cent cotton ain't calculated to make for reform. I reckin' real prosperous
times would sorter make them careless
lime way now. This makes us see the need
of reform plainer than ever before. Betsy thin
independen Re- As usual Mrs. Bilkins is right
There is no use in our people waiting
until there is no way out on culty at all."
B. -"Hurrah? fer independence. Me ary $15 t$, 1891, till death. Good bye."





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