

STANTON SPECTATOR

STANTON, VA.

TUESDAY MORNING, 7 MARCH 1862

A Glimpse over the Field.

The country are now preparing to attack us with very large forces, at many places. These notes of preparation are now heard all around our Confederacy...

So far, they have been able to effect nothing, and our forces seem to be confident of defeating that city with success. From late despatches it seems that a boat to attempt the capture of Port Hudson...

In speaking of the skirmish down the Valley, the Rockingham "Register" says: "The force of the enemy attacked was greatly superior to ours, when General Jones rushed upon them; but our force increased, as soon as it became evident that the Yankees preferred to give a race instead of a fight."

From the above it seems that General Jones prospects for reinforcements, when he "rushed upon them," would have been quite "blue," if it had not been come "evident that the Yankees preferred to give a race instead of a fight."

When we maintained, in our article last week upon the subject of improvement, that justice to the farmer, and policy on the part of the Government, demanded that the farmer should be allowed for his produce "full and fair compensation," measured by the standard of the "local market value," we were not aware of the interesting fact that that is precisely the policy adopted by the "Father of his Country" in the trying times of our first revolution.

The concert given by the Stanton, 25th Va. Regiment, Band on Tuesday night, was so numerously attended that many were unable to get into the Church. The proceeds of the concert, destined for the benefit of the soldiers, amounted to \$400.

The concert was repeated on Wednesday night for the benefit of the families of the soldiers. The proceeds of this night amount to \$108. The money destined for the benefit of the families of the soldiers was placed in the hands of Mr. Wm. A. Barnett to be properly doled out.

The first conflict of arms in this district was in which blood was spilled on Monday morning, the 23rd day of March, 1862, at a place to be remembered by all our gallant soldiers, Lecky Church, in this county, and so patriotically and bravely defended by the 25th Va. Regiment.

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Concept Bill was amended and sent back to the Senate, where the House amendment was concurred in, and the bill passed with only six votes against it.

That the skies are now dark there can be no denying. We should prepare to meet the crisis with courage and fortitude. The Richmond Examiner says that "the inauguration of an absolute sovereignty over the Northern States of the late Union, has a significance of vital importance to every man and woman in this country."

We have no fear for the general result of the approaching campaign. The Confederate armies have never been equal to what they now are. The president of the coming collision which has already been witnessed are most encouraging. Wherever they have touched, the Southern troops have made their mark.

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The Richmond Examiner truly says that "this war has thoroughly tested the true manhood of our people. When our country was blessed with peace and plenty, there was a class of chivalrous knights of the Don Quixotte school, who despised the usual routine of business, and desired, above all things, that an opportunity might be granted them to display their fighting qualities."

PLANT CORN.—We hope that every good citizen who has a garden spot or unoccupied piece of ground, large enough to spread a blanket upon, will turn it to good account this year, by planting corn or vegetables thereon.

THE LATE TERRIBLE ACCIDENT ON THE SOUTHERN RAILROAD. The Salem (Ala.) Reporter, of February 26th, has the following: "On Monday, February 25th, a passenger train of the Southern Railway, consisting of a locomotive, a passenger car, and a freight car, was wrecked near the town of Wetumpka, Alabama."

THE CHIEF MEMBERS OF THE YANKEE ARMY WHO RECENTLY VISITED THE CONFEDERATE ARMY AT PORT HUDSON. The Richmond Examiner has published a list of the names of the chief members of the Yankee army who recently visited the Confederate army at Port Hudson.

Mr. Wright, Democrat, has been elected U. S. Senator from New Jersey, for six years, commencing on the 3rd of March next.

THE M. T. "REPUBLICAN" CORRESPONDENT, WRITING FROM ALBANY, SAYS: "One class of my countrymen are in the habit of saying that the Southern States are in a state of anarchy, and that the Federal Government is the only power left."

THE SMALL POX IS PREVALENT TO AN ALARMING EXTENT IN THE CONFEDERATE ARMY. As many as fifteen die daily. The disease is now spreading rapidly, and is causing much suffering and death.

THE BALTIMORE "GAZETTE" SAYS: "If it be true that the Government of the United States is now in a state of anarchy, and that the Federal Government is the only power left, then the Southern States are in a state of anarchy, and the Federal Government is the only power left."

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