

[From the U. S. Army and Navy Journal.]
THE WAR OPERATIONS OF THE YEAR.

The year thus far has seen less action in our armies than the first quarter of any of the foregoing years of the war. This may be partially owing to the fact that the field of activity is now more limited than formerly, that the forces of both belligerents are better concentrated, and above all, to the fact that the valuelessness of small, desultory and indecisive action is better understood now than ever before. The two main armies of the Union and the two main armies of the rebels are, each of them, composed of stupendous masses of men; and the principal of our minor armies act as co-operating forces with the main bodies, instead of independent expeditionary columns as formerly. A large number of our battles and fights in other times were the result simply of the enterprise of one or other of the numerous commanders of separate departments and armies, and had little bearing upon the fundamental operations or the grand issue of the war. General Banks might fight in the Valley, General Fremont in the mountains, General Burnside near the seaboard, and half a dozen other Generals in tide-water Virginia, without any direct bearing upon the work of the Army of the Potomac, and without any co-operation or unity of purpose. So there were battles in Missouri, Arkansas, Kentucky, and Tennessee, which apparently had no other aim, and certainly had no other effect, than to show that our soldiers would fight with heroic spirit wherever there was a foe to confront them. Latterly circumstances have made such affairs of rare occurrence, and now it is almost impossible that they should ever again take place. We have now a single military head of all our forces, who, it is understood, freely controls one and both of our great armies, together with all detached military bodies, and who will so operate the whole as to unify their purpose and produce a comprehensive harmony of action. Now, for the first time, is the greatest effort of the nation's army possible, and now fortunately we have both of our great armies planted in positions where a victory for either of them, worthy of the name, must be largely decisive of the fate of the Southern Confederacy. We have a superb position at Chattanooga; and a victory over Joe. Johnston—though as yet we are hardly prepared to take full advantage of it—a victory such as some of General Grant's previous triumphs, and achieved at the proper moment, would carry our Western army to Atlanta, if not indeed to Augusta, and would make valueless all further rebel struggles West of the line of the Savannah River. So, again, a victory over Lee's army now would be a much more disastrous matter to the Confederacy than it would have been at any previous time; and that mainly because the productive capacity of the South, as regards men, is now exhausted. Were the Lieutenant General to break Lee's army as he broke Bragg's army at Chattanooga, it would never be itself again. It might reform once more, it is true, on the south bank of the James, or on the Roanoke. And, almost to a surety, it would. For it would be an extraordinary circumstance were an army of such solidity and spirit to be totally demolished by one blow, however great. But its thinned and reeling columns could nevermore stand full and strong as now, and with the loss of their capital, their spirit would be more than mortal if it did not begin to fail. We take it that it is conclusively proved that the whole able-bodied population of the South is now in their army, as this appears not only by the unanimous assertion of persons from that section, but is shown by the debates in the rebel Congress, and by the astounding conscription measures adopted in that body, and everywhere rigidly enforced.

It is now nine months since the army of the Potomac fought a general battle, and that was on the soil of Pennsylvania. It is seven months since the Western army marched into Chattanooga, and the last battle for the possession of that stronghold was fought in November. Both armies have done some work since but it has been fruitless. Both of them are now stronger than at the time of their last trial and triumph; and we judge that one of the two rebel armies—that under Lee—is stronger than it has been at any time since its last encounter. The season when the year's campaign must necessarily open is rapidly approaching, and there is all likelihood that it will be a very decisive one for the enemy. It is well that the energies of our Army and the lives of our men have not been wasted of late in small desultory and unproductive efforts.

—At a christening, while the minister was making the certificate, he forgot the date, and happened to say, "Let me see, this is the thirtieth?" "The thirtieth!" exclaimed the indignant mother; "indeed, but it's only the eleventh."

—It is a surprising proof of the spread of spiritualism, that a Sunday paper has been started in France, professing to be the organ of this delusion. It is published at Bordeaux, and bears the presumptuous title of *Le Sauveur des Peuples, Journal du Spiritisme*.

Wied:

At Pleasant Grove City, Utah county, April 4, MARY MEDRAH, daughter of Benson and Sophrona Walker, aged 6 years, lacking 3 days.

Farewell my little daughter dear,
Sleep sweetly by your sister here;
Your father's gone far o'er the sea,
And I alone do weep for thee.

[M. Star please copy.]

In this city, April 22, MARY LOUISA, daughter of A. Milton and Ann L. Musser, aged 11 months and 22 days.

At Fort Ephraim, Sanpete county, Feb. 6th, of inflammation of the lungs, ELIZABETH, wife of Thomas C. Haddon, aged 35 years, 7 months and 19 days.

At American Fork, on the 8th inst., ANN, wife of Edward Robinson, aged 64 years.

New Advertisements.

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STRAYED from my Corral in the 17th Ward, a light-red, four year old COW, white spot on forehead, and some white on rump and other parts of her body. No marks or brands. Whoever will deliver said Cow to me, or inform me of her whereabouts, will receive the above reward. 32-1*

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60 COWS, HEIFERS and STEERS, 131 SHEEP; also, 2 WAGONS and 1 Set of HARNESS.

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A. RANDAL, Administrator.

Notice to Poll Tax Payers.

THE Poll Tax payers of the 20th Ward are notified to meet me next Monday, 9th inst., this side Jordan Bridge, at 7 o'clock in the morning, with wheelbarrows, shovels and teams to repair the road. 32-1†

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ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE.

I HEREBY give Notice that I have been appointed Administratrix of the Estate of the late Thomas Baty, deceased, of Box Elder county.

All persons having claims against said Estate are requested to present them for settlement; and persons indebted to said Estate are requested to come forward immediately and settle their accounts, as I wish to close up the business of the Estate at an early date.

EST. ER. BATY, Bear River Precinct, Box Elder Co. 32-2†

LIST OF LETTERS

REMAINING in the Salt Lake City Post Office, May 3, which, if not called for before June 3, will be sent to the Dead Letter Office.

Gents' List.

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Alisworth Joseph
Alen John P
Ammerman Wm
Andrews Jackson
Anway L B
Andrus M B
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Basley Daniel
Basird J W

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Langdon Nye 4
Lewellyn T
Lewis John
Lee J. s. ph
Lee James T 3
Lindsey A A
Lowling Wm S
Low J. v D S
Low J P 2
Lorry William 3
Lyons Theodore

Bestwick John
Beach David
Bethards Zedock
Bethards Thomas N 2
Benet David
Billins J M
Blumel Hinrich
Bowman Elsha 2
Bodwell E F
Borton Reuben
Brown Asa
Brasht John L
Brosses John
Brown Wm W
Bridge John
Bradford Thomas N
Brain Francis
Butler Asa T
Buck George W
Buchanan Jno C 2

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Ca y Christopher
Carson A C 2
Callaman W W
Carter Wm B
Carter Amos H
Carter Gleason
Camp John H 2
Carroll James
Chase Sison A
Chandler Clark 2
Clegg Wm 2
Clum John B
Clingan Philip
Clayton John 2
Collins E R
Courtright R P
Cox Chas 2
Collett Richard
Conger Leonard S
Cook J C
Cooplingham C G
Crawford E J. ah
Crack Allen
Crack Thomas B 2
Crandall M D
Cramer A C 2
Cumberland William
Cayler Robert
Curtis Samuel S

D
Davis Amos
Davis James H
Davis George H
Davies R E
Dixon George P 2
Dixon Robert
Doyle M R 2
Duppin Abraham
Duel John
Dykes Wm
F
Falkner H J
Fawcett William
Fargo Lewis J
Ferrin John
Feland S B
Fleming Joseph
Francis John H
Frueck Mark
Fuller Ruben
Fuller Francis W

G
Gale Seneca
Gault John M
Gavner George
Gates J H
Gaston John A
Gillist George
Gilliland Jesse R 2
Gibson Timothy
Gleason John
Gonua John
Gonn John W 2
Godrich James
Graham Wm
Green Daniel D
Green Wm
Green Cornelius
Green C B
Grisamore David
H
Hanson Horatio
Hargett Andrew
Hanford Edwin H
Hazelrigg James G
Hansen Anders
Hart James N 2
Hartzell Judson
Hall Richard C 2
Henrichsen C H
Hill George
Hill John H 3
Hopkins Edmund A
Hope E
Hoggan Walter
Holt William G
Howell Lewis M
Howell Thomas W
Hughs L M
Hulse Charles W
Hitcheson Thomas J L 2
Hutchens George
Hudgens James W
Hysell Jeremiah B

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Irving William
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Jameson John
James Even
Jacks n Amos
Jones Isaac
Johnson John W
Job Eli. ba
Jones Miles
Jones John H
Johansson N
Jones John D
Jones J K
Johnson Danl S

K
Kemp Frances L
Keeler George
Kirkland Jas
King John W
King James 2
Kotter William
Krogh A P
L
Ladies' List.

M
Martin Jesse B
Martin John
Mallory Samuel 2
Mann William
Mannet Thomas A 2
Mathews John
Mathew John S
Mathews Jerry W
Miller Eleazer
Minty F R
Miller W H
Miller Lorenza D
Morton Patrick
Moreland Andrew J
Macallister Ceas H
McAlister James
McLanahan David
McClain R. bert G
McGars S P
McCarthy Daniel
McDonald William L
McGough Mathew J
McKay Angus
McMurray James

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N. wman E B
Newton James B
Newton John
Nelson R
Norton James
Noyes Edward O 2
Noyes Ephraim 2
Nye Charles
O
Ollinghouse Elias 3
P
Payton John P
Patterson Adam
Parsons John H
Pender H C
Penn W L
Perry Joseph B
Pendleton J B
Peasen Syndergaard M
Peterson A
Phillips Ira S
Primrose Charles
Prince C H
Purcell Patrick

R
Raney Samuel H
Rench Saml H
Reid ed John
Reid Peter
Rey Sylvester
Rice William C
Ritchie Geo C
Ridinger George W
Rogers Alred W
Ro h Isaac
Ryce L
Robinson Jeff rson
Rose Hugh W
Robinson Thomas J
Ryan William

S
Saunders James
Sanders W P
Seace F
S. ranage George
Scott Sheldon
Scott Horatio B
Scudder John
Sessions H V 3
Seibert G W
Sheffield Edward
Sherman Jno S
Sherman Saml J
Shelton Robert
Simwarth Abind
Sill H C 2
Simpson William 7
Sloan William
Smith Jerry B P
Smith S H B
Sommer Frank
Solomon J
Southworth Chester
Spencer Edwin
Stephens Thomas
Stanley Everett L
Stirling F M
Stieff Thomas
Stick Albert W
Sullivan John
Sunderfield R B
Swartz George H

T
Tayler James
Taysam Andrew J
Taylor Rudolphus R
Terri Daniel
Thorman Mr
Thompson William
Thomas John 3
Thomas George
Thomas A S
T. ler Daniel
Travis Wesley S
Travis Chester M
Van Dike Ed
Vanderwerzen David 2
W
Ward John C
Waters J W
Watson John H
Ward John E
Walters S W
Wale W
Walker Edmund
Watson James
Walker Edwin
Ward John W
Wells B
West C H
Wesley John
Wesley G W
Wells R H
White G W
Winge Christopher
Widmann Henry
Witbel William T
Williams Christopher
Wilson Reuben

Ladies' List.

M. fl. Jannet
Norton Mrs Agnes 2
Petersen Mrs K
Petersen Petred
Pitman Mrs Elizabeth
Powell Martha
Rasmussen Ane Sofie 2
Seddan Hannah
Stokes Mrs Jane
Sprague Mrs Mary
Stephens Mrs Alva
Stormfeldt Mrs Charlotte
Venn-rholm Julie
Way Mrs Mary P
Webb Mrs Ann 2
Webb Mrs M
Webb Mrs Jane
Wells Elizabeth
White Mrs Sarah M
Williams Mrs Esther
Witbel Fanny
Wight Mrs S

P. S.—In asking for the above, please say they are advertised and give date.
T. B. H. STENHOUSE, P.M.
G. S. L. City, May 2, 1864.