Salutatory

Those who have time and taste for apologies can "pitch in," and make such as they think "suited to the occasion." We have neither time, nor taste, and we will only say that our paper is as good as we could make it, both as to matter and appearance, under the circumstances. Those may be summed up as follows: The military forces of "Uncle Sam," occupying the place, found a press and type, and the officers requested us to edit a loyal paper, which we agreed to do, if somebody else could be got to "run the machine." Most of the type in the office was in "pr"—there was too much "soldier duty" for the printers in the command to have much time to set type—there was no paper on hand, or obtainable, but paper—we had our proper official duties to perform, including the organization and setting up of a post hospital for forty paupers, besides the entire medical care of our own regiment—which itself, work for three medical officers—and the care of eight men of Col. Baxter's regiment of loyal Arkansans, wounded by bushwhackers on the march back. Consequently we could only write when other fellows were absent, and we ought to have been doing the same thing. If any body thinks they can get up a better paper under the same circumstances, they can occupy our "official chair," and we will throw in the "other assessments" of our position.

Consistency

Some of our friends suggest that our "immediate emancipation" policy in Arkansas, is not in harmony with our declared "conservatism" on the same subject in Missouri. We "can't see" the inconsistency. Missouri, as a loyal State, having never cast the Constitutional slate, is entitled to all its protections. No military necessity existing there, the President could not, in his military capacity, take the same step as with those States which were in armed rebellion, and using their slaves as an element of military strength or resources. By and under the Constitution, it was the right of the people of Missouri, by legislative action, to secede or repeal their slave code. They having desired to do away with it, in which, as a citizen of that State, we rejoiced, we felt and felt bound to respect their choice of time, manner, and manner, and accordingly opposed those who demanded, in effect, that the State should meet their impatient wishes for a more speedy emancipation; and that the President should interfere to compel this. He, wisely, we think, refused; doubtless on the clear ground that the Constitution gave him no right to interfere, as a civil or military officer, in the use of war power for a military purpose, under the States of facts existing in Missouri. Unfortunately, for the few loyal slaveholders in Arkansas, this State occupied a position which justified the President, in his military capacity, and by all the laws of war in prohibiting the abrogation of the slave code. We advance the endorsement of our order here for reasons stated in another article. We do not conceal our sympathy for the poor loyal Arkansans, who may lose their slaves by it, but they have those grand considerations which are not to be hit for the necessity which caused it. 2d. Their lives will be at worst, but partial, as the government will pay them a fair valuation for their slaves. 3d. What sacrifices it may cost them, not only for the country's good, but for the honor of the country, will hereafter become rays of glory in the annals of their land. 4th. The raising of the last of the war, and the certain breading of its end, with greater suffering from the miserably rough motion of the carriage, compelled us to leave him at a house near by, where he was promised and paid every care till he died. But our eyes grew misty as we thought of those poor fellows and the hard task he so nobly desired to meet before he died, and the de
dinal of this tender longings brought to his own eyes the tears which could not be wrung out by the pain of his incarcerated spine and limbs, nor yet by the prose, as we traced with it the course which the traitor's bullet had gone. Matt Hardin, too, with his shattered left arm, and another ugly bullet hole from the lower part of his forehead through to his right eye, lay patiently in the ambulance for a four day's march, clear in mind to within eighteen hours of his death, and strong in heart. at this last hour of his consolations. The same ball had torn and pushed from his socket his right eye; but said, "If that hole in my head grows bigger, I'll try the sight of my left one on a rebel yet, and he would have done it, too, had he lived. The rest, less dangerously, but still badly wounded, are doing finely now, and will most likely, all recover. If they do, we wouldn't like to wear some rebel's 'hides' that we know of. What adds to the bitter hatred of all against the bushwhackers, is that Hardin and Crigrer were shot after taking prisoners. Yet the rebels call themselves "honestable men"—well, we can say one thing, and that is these bushwhacking scoundrels in North Arkansas, with their "honestable" rebel allies, who have kept and encour-aged them, but better "sail out to white space," and leave this country, before Messrs. Baxter & Paddock get their regiment of "Steele Guards" organized, or somebody will get hurt, that deserves it. Meanwhile the "3rd Mo. Cav." is among the forces of this Post, and will accom-

The Wounded

The men of Col. Baxter's regiment (bushwhackers), on the march from Little Rock here, by—Peter M. Rawley, Wm. Crig-ley, Robert J. Drumright, Wm. Morrow, Thomas Burris, Mat. Hardin, Lorenzo Struggles, and one other wounded slightly in the face. Young Burwell was noble man, and our heart bled when we had to tell him his wound was mortal. "Well," says his reply, "I am willing to die for the Union, but, Doctor, I wish I could get up before I die!" Poor fellow, our already overcrowded ambulances, the hotter heat of the sun, and the certain breading of the war, compelled us to leave him at a house near by, where he was promised and paid every care till he died. But our eyes grew misty as we thought of those poor fellows and the hard task he so nobly desired to meet before he died, and the de-nial of this tender longings brought to his own eyes the tears which could not be wrung out by the pain of his incarcerated spine and limbs, nor yet by the prose, as we traced with it the course which the traitor's bullet had gone. Matt Hardin, too, with his shattered left arm, and another ugly bullet hole from the lower part of his forehead through to his right eye, lay patiently in the ambulance for a four day's march, clear in mind to within eighteen hours of his death, and strong in heart. at this last hour of his consolations. The same ball had torn and pushed from his socket his right eye; but said, "If that hole in my head grows bigger, I'll try the sight of my left one on a rebel yet, and he would have done it, too, had he lived. The rest, less dangerously, but still badly wounded, are doing finely now, and will most likely, all recover. If they do, we wouldn't like to wear some rebel's 'hides' that we know of. What adds to the bitter hatred of all against the bushwhackers, is that Hardin and Crigrer were shot after taking prisoners. Yet the rebels call themselves "honestable men"—well, we can say one thing, and that is these bushwhacking scoundrels in North Arkansas, with their "honestable" rebel allies, who have kept and encour-aged them, but better "sail out to white space," and leave this country, before Messrs. Baxter & Paddock get their regiment of "Steele Guards" organized, or somebody will get hurt, that deserves it. Meanwhile the "3rd Mo. Cav." is among the forces of this Post, and will accom-

Military Orders

POST HEADQUARTERS,
Jacksonport, Ark., Nov. 21, 63.

General Order,

No. 4.

1. Pursuant to orders from Major-General Steele the undersigned hereby assumes command of this Post.


1. I, First Lieutenant S. R. Nunez, Co. B, 1st Iowa Cav., am assigned to duty at Post Commanding.

1. First Lieutenant W. M. Johnston, Commissary of Subsistence of 3d Mo. Cav. is assigned to duty as Post Commanding.

1. Assistant Surgeon W. W. Granger, 3d Cav. Mo. Vol., is assigned to duty at Post Adjutant.


HEADQUARTERS POST,
Jacksonport, Az., Nov. 29, 63,

GENERAL ORDER,

No. 1.

I. Necessitated man of this command will be permitted to enter a private residence, or other building, without permission from his commanding officer, and then only upon necessary business.

1. All pilaging is strictly forbidden. Regimental and Company Officers will be held responsible for the conduct of their men.

1. Officers commanding foraging parties will permit each family to retain necessary supplies.

1. All contraband property will be turned over to the Quartermaster, by officers having it in charge, taking his receipt therefor.

By order of
THOS. G. BLACK

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