

### LOYAL UNION LEAGUE.

On Tuesday Evening, June 2d, pursuant to a public notice, there was gathered at Lewis' Hall a large and enthusiastic Meeting, to form a Loyal Union League for the Town of Oxford.

The Oxford Brass Band were present and discoursed patriotic and soul stirring airs to the audience while gathering. Dr. GEORGE DOUGLAS was chosen to preside, and E. A. Bundy appointed Secretary.

On motion, Calvin Cole, J. W. Glover, C. A. McNeil, O. M. Westover and S. Bundy were appointed a Committee to report the names of permanent officers of the League.

Committee appointed on Resolutions, W. H. Hyde, Joshua Root, W. W. Ingersoll, W. Fraser and D. D. McGeorge.

H. G. PRINDLE, Esq., of Norwich, was then introduced to the audience, and in a most able and eloquent appeal pointed out to the assembly the emergencies and the necessities of the times, and the importance of sustaining the administration in its efforts to put down the rebellion in order that we may preserve to ourselves and to posterity, our Country and those free institutions that have been handed down to us by our fathers; that an unconditional loyalty to the government and an unwavering support of its efforts to suppress the Rebellion is an indispensable and bounden duty of every citizen if we would maintain the power, glory and integrity of the Nation. The speech abounded with eloquence and witticism—hits at the Copperheads and outbursts of patriotic sentiment which were greeted by the audience with enthusiastic cheers.

After the address, J. W. Glover Esq., moved the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That we hereby organize a Loyal Union League and hereby adopt without reservation the pledge which has been read here this evening.

This resolution was unanimously adopted. The Chairman of the committee on permanent organization then reported the following officers of the League:

*President*—GEORGE DOUGLAS.

*Vice Presidents*—John B. Wheeler, Edward A. Bundy, Dan H. Robinson, Daniel Dudley, Alexander Tucker, Asa W. Rhodes, A. N. Bemiss.

*Corresponding Secretary*—Wm. H. Hyde.

*Recording Secretary*—W. W. Ingersoll.

*Treasurer*—John R. Wheeler.

The Committee on Resolutions then reported the following:

*Resolved*, That two years of armed rebellion against the Government of the U. States, which has cost their most precious blood, the lives of their heroic youth and brave men, and the treasures and tears of

their patriotic manhood and devoted women, furnishes a sufficient reason only for traitors and rebels to "pause," while it should nerve with new strength and the energy of an undying patriotism, every heart that loves country better than party, that prizes Republican government above despotism, liberty above tyranny, and in which the motto "the Union must and shall be preserved," is not simply an empty sound upon the lips, but an active and actuating principle of the life and conduct.

*Resolved,* That amid the permanent and overwhelming perils which beset the Republic, all questions of policy, and all differences of opinion upon matters of administration sink into insignificance, and should be postponed until the rebellion has been quelled and the nation saved, and that we who are here assembled, do therefore pledge ourselves, laying aside all such differences of political opinion, to give our cordial and effective practical support to the Government, in its efforts to maintain the territorial integrity of the Union and the permanent supremacy of the Constitution of the United States.

*Resolved,* That while every part of the nation and the people throughout its length and breadth, were in the full and perfect exercise and enjoyment of all the rights, immunities and privileges secured to them by the Union and Constitution, the present rebellion was originated in defiance of the duly elected and constitutional authority of the United States, in open insult and denial of the right of self government by the people in a wicked and preconcerted attack upon the principles which are the basis of our Republican institutions, and that in the entire and complete overthrow of that rebellion can we only hope for the life of the nation, the salvation of the Republic, and the fulfilment of the duties which we owe to the world and coming generations.

*Resolved,* That we will consent to no peace which shall involve the separation of the American Union, a recognition of the right of secession or any change in the constitution of the United States, except such as may be made by the people in accordance with the forms and provisions which it prescribes.

*Resolved,* That to the gallant and heroic men who have willingly borne the hardships of the camp and braved the perils and sufferings of the battle field in defence of the life and liberties of the nation, we tender our cordial and heartfelt thanks and will hold their sacrifices and sufferings in the sacred cause of civil liberty in grateful and enduring remembrance.

On motion the Resolutions were adopted with acclamation.

On motion of J. W. Glover, the following named gentleman were appointed a committee to circulate the pledge adopted this night for signatures: E. A. Bundy, C. A. McNeil, M. V. N. Brown, George Stratton, S. M. Robinson, S. A. Gifford, T. W. Shapley, A. N. Bemiss, George

Symonds, W. S. Newton, Wheaten Loomis, J. H. Gifford, Joel Webb.

On motion, a vote of thanks was unanously given Mr. Prindle for the favor of addressing the meeting, also a vote of thanks to the Oxford Band.

On motion, the League adjourned subject to the call of the President.

GEO. DOUGLAS, President.

E. A. BUNDY, Secretary.

**Oxford Items.**—The news of the two last victories, the surrender of Vicksburg and the fight in Pennsylvania, were appropriately celebrated last Wednesday evening. The celebration commenced by the firing of Bennett's Battery and the 6 pounder manned by returned soldiers; a high bonfire was kindled on La Fayette Square, and the Band played national airs; speeches were made by Mr. W. W. Ingersoll and others. The celebration ended at a late hour by the throwing of a quantity of fire-balls.

**LECTURE AT NORWICH.**—The Rev. C. E. Hewes, late Chaplain of the 14th Reg't, will deliver a Lecture on the "War in Virginia," especially the Campaign on the Peninsula, in Concert Hall, in Norwich, on Saturday Evening, July 11th. Tickets 15 cents; Lady and Gentleman 25 cents. Doors open at 7; Lecture at 8 P. M.

Mr. Hewes will preach at Boston Corners on Sunday, the 12th, forenoon and afternoon.

Chenango has raised and sent to the war all but about one hundred and five men of the quota called for under the two last levies. The deficiency is divided between the towns of Columbus, German, Greene, Lincolnen, McDonough, New Berlin, North Norwich, Pitcher, Plymouth, Preston, Sherburne, and Smyrna. The largest deficiency is in the towns of Sherburne, Smyrna and Greene.

—E. P. Pellet writes from Albany that of the original members of the Norwich Company some have deserted, and that Wm. H. Harris, New Berlin, who agreed to meet them at Utica failed to make his appearance. One of the deserters he says, is Hiram J. Cain, of Plymouth. He adds that "it is a good thing for Cain that he keeps away, for two deserters have already been shot." Pellet may have written this of frightened deserters, or he may have supposed it to be true. The fact is, however, that no deserters have been shot at Albany.

—The Chenango Volunteers complain bitterly of the food furnished them at Albany and of the red tape which encumbers a state action. A rifle company at Norwich has been disbanded in disgust because the State authorities would not accept them. The food at Albany made the men sick, and many of them swore they would desert if not better fed. It would be a fine thing if the rascally company and the officers who sanction their proceedings could be handed over to the tender mercies of the secessionists.

## HOME MATTERS.

### The Soldiers' Festival.

The Soldiers' Festival of New Year's Eve was pronounced a complete success. It was decidedly a Democratic affair; everybody was there, and each enjoyed himself in his own peculiar manner. Juvniles whistled, sang, laughed and made merry generally, over the trophies of the grab-box; while the sound of their merriment made the air vibrate with a jingle of discords. Down in the "Old Folks' Room" "novel-features" were truly presented. Days of forefather and pewter platters were lived over again, and an ancestral company had risen from their silent resting places to preside over a generous and well-spread board. Behold a veteran soldier in gilded epaulets, who seems resurrected from the fields of old Yorktown or Brandywine, just as he fell in battle—all crippled with rheumatism and deaf with the cannon's roar, to bring before us a reminder of the Revolution. He sits down at the board and, with a trembling hand, lifts a cup of hard cider to drink health to the living. Another representative of the olden time appears in white-silk stockings and knee-buckles. He wears a heavy white overcoat with a round cape of many thicknesses, and flourishes the carving-knife over a well-browned turkey. A bustling old lady, wearing a blue dress and having her collar fastened with an American Eagle, pours coffee; occasionally cooling herself with a fan—which might have officiated to separate wheat from chaff in the days of Ruth and Naomi—which she carried in a calico receptacle suspended from her right shoulder. Opposite her is a lady in a white cap, who turns tea with a quiet dignity. She might have graced the White House at Washington in her day. Yonder, acting as waiter, is a sweet lady with dark hair, in a high blue checked apron and lace ruff pinned close to her throat, carrying a handkerchief on her arm. Another has her waist encircled by a broad pink belt, and her shoulders enveloped in a wide muslin collar. Several matrons wear large-figured calico gowns, with waists a finger long, and their hair curled at the side and fastened with combs, while in the rear the head is supported by another comb reaching half way round. They move about, passing broad trays and pans of brown doughnuts, and seem to us like sainted mothers raised in their sleeping garments to minister to our caprice. A modest Quakeress, in the over-chaste white cap and neatly folded cape, serenely smiles on all as she replies to the "How does thee do?" for the fiftieth time.

Here comes a red-cloaked individual with a boa creeping over her shoulder, and her head overshadowed by a huge black bonnet trimmed in flowers. Following this is an automaton figure surmounted by a gigantic *something*, probably belonging to the period of the glyptodón, or some other one producing mammoth specimens. One or two young damsels complete the circle. They are in full dress, with high back-combs and flaunting ribbons and wide embroidered collars, striving to be coquet-

tish with a peacock feather fan. These all discard hoops and seek for loftier spheres above their heads.

Another room furnished those who desired with oysters and coffee in the modern style; and still another with ice cream and cakes of various kinds in great profusion.

We know not which part of the evening's entertainment gave greatest satisfaction; but we do know that the Old Style People drew the crowd wherever they chanced to turn. True, the ladies who volunteered to serve their country in such a public capacity felt that they sacrificed some sense of propriety and fitness, but let them be comforted with the thought that they have been martyrs in a good cause, and did "what they could" for the sake of the soldiers.

We have heard of the man who would rather face a regiment of soldiers than half-a-dozen women. We are sure if the rebels be such men, a regiment like the Old Style People New Year's Eve, would like to see the whole army of the Confederates, and "Vive l' America" would shake the trees on every hill-top, and peace clasp freedom in a long embrace.

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### Loyal Union League.

We, the undersigned, Citizens of the United States, hereby unite in a call for a public meeting to be held at Lewis' Hall in the village of Oxford, on Tuesday Evening, the 2d day of June next, at 7 o'clock, to organize a Loyal Union League for the town of Oxford.

Dwight H. Clarke, Jabez Robinson, Samuel A. Gifford, Dan H. Robinson, Eli Willcox, Theodore Baker, Dolphus Burton, Alexander Tucker, Peter B. Padget, H. D. Fisk, S. H. Millard, Reuben Doty, H. W. Hall, Thomas Baldwin, A. M. Lathrop, R. E. Miller, Silas Maynard, C. M. Gray, T. S. Cone, M. V. N. Brown, Charles Holmes, Wm Haight, C. A. McNeil, John R. Clarke, J. C. Beardsley, Thos. Bush, S. H. Farnham, S. F. Potter, John H. Phelps, Wheaton Loomis, Charles F. Horton, H. H. Cooke, S. H. Fish, D. L. Sherwood, Josiah Mayes, Michael Higgins, John S. White, C. A. McFarland, H. E. Lewis, C. E. Stratton, J. R. Weeks, H. L. Miller, S. M. Robinson, A. Sharp, George Davis, Andrew M. McNeil, John Lord, Philetus Monroe, Nelson Barstow, James Padget, James H. Root, William L. Beardsley, James A. Glover, J. B. Galpin, Charles L. Hunt, Calvin Cole, John B. Wheeler, William H. Hyde, James W. Glover, William Fraser, William W. Ingersoll, George Rector, H. S. Knapp, G. H. Perkins, F. C. Towslee, Harvey Symonds, Munson Smith, John R. Wheeler, Edward A. Bundy, William Billman, William T. Church, George McNeil, Jesse Barto, George Stratton, C. B. Eaton, William S. Newton, James Hartwell, Davy D. McGeorge, M. M. Holmes, J. B. Stone, S. F. McFarland, C. D. Sharpe, Luman McNeil, A. N. Bemis, Silas Seeley, Joseph P. Turner, Simeon Turner, Richard Turner, John M. Green, James M. Gifford, Nehemiah Smith, Russell V. Willoughby, J. B. Parsons, Ira Willoughby, C. J. Holmes, Rufus Wheeler, Charles Walker, E. M. Shorn, G. S. Rowley, T. W. Shapley, J. W. Shapley, B. H. Aylworth, Jesse H. Gifford, John Nickerson, L. B. Gleason, Thomas S. Purple, John B. Willoughby, Thomas J. Purple, Clark McNeil, William Willoughby, John K. Havens, Clark Lewis, Aaron Main, Samuel W. Kinney, David Dickinson, John Gordon, David Shapley, David Gordon, H. A. McFarland, Willis Walker, Francis E. Root, James Shapley.

CHENANGO COUNTY.

—A Union meeting will be held at Presto Corners, on Wednesday, May 22d. J. F. Hubbard and H. G. Prindle of Norwich will do the speaking.

—The Norwich company, under Capt. Tyrell, which passed through this city a week two since, has been attached to Col. Lausing Regiment and sent to Governor's Island.

**HOME MATTERS.**

**LOYAL LEAGUE.**

We, the undersigned, citizens of the United States, hereby associate ourselves under the name and title of the LOYAL NATIONAL LEAGUE.

We pledge ourselves to unconditional loyalty to the Government of the United States, to an unwavering support of its efforts to suppress the Rebellion, and to spare no endeavor to maintain unimpaired the National unity, both in principle and territorial boundary.

The primary object of this League is, and shall be, to bind together all loyal men, of all trades and professions, in a common union to maintain the power, glory, and integrity of the Nation.

The undersigned, subscribing to the above pledge, hereby unite in calling for a Meeting to be held at the

**EAGLE HOTEL,**

ON

**Wednesday Evening, April 22d, 1863,**

to organize a Loyal Union League for the town of Norwich.

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| D. L. Follett,      | Edward Childs,       |
| H. Phelps,          | Jas. G. Thompson,    |
| C. G. Sumner,       | Geo. C. Rice,        |
| N. H. Button,       | B. Gage Berry,       |
| John G. Pike,       | S. S. Stevens,       |
| Robert Harkness,    | Heinrich Hansen,     |
| John Mitchell,      | J. P. Hicks,         |
| E. B. Barnett,      | John Wait,           |
| David Maydole,      | A. C. Latham,        |
| Daniel Wait,        | J. R. Wheeler, Jr.,  |
| Hiram Smith,        | Wm. P. Chapman,      |
| George Nagle,       | John O. Hill,        |
| George Bavin,       | B. Chapman,          |
| Abel Comstock,      | E. D. Hollis,        |
| Isaac Foote,        | E. L. Brown,         |
| Daniel E. Teal,     | J. R. Edwards,       |
| S. S. Chapman, Jr., | Chas. A. Church,     |
| Stephen Smith,      | D. Bedford,          |
| Wm. H. Church,      | D. E. S. Bedford,    |
| Charles Rupe,       | Geo. W. Marvin,      |
| Charles Cox,        | M. L. Ward,          |
| George Wetmore,     | H. C. Brown,         |
| John Woods,         | A. N. Benedict,      |
| Volney Butts,       | H. G. Prindle,       |
| D. D. Adams,        | H. C. Bosworth,      |
| Wm. H. Olin,        | T. Rogers,           |
| Harmon Bennett,     | D. C. Rogers,        |
| T. D. Miller,       | James Gartsee,       |
| P. W. Clarke,       | D. Phetteplace, Jr., |
| Levi Harris,        | A. Berry,            |
| Ambrose Card,       | C. L. Teft,          |
| Jonathan Wells,     | D. A. Jackson,       |
| Lewis Kingsley,     | W. Thurston,         |
| B. B. Porter,       | Stephen Winsor,      |
| S. Chamberlin,      | C. L. Crowell,       |
| Geo. W. Marr,       | John W. Winsor,      |
| W. H. Sternberg,    | William Griffin,     |
| S. Brooks,          | John Wilkinson,      |

**NORWICH CHARTER ELECTION.**

**A STRUGGLE AND A VICTORY.**

**ALL FOR THE UNION.**

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## "The Citadel Secure!"

### ONE "SINKHOLE" CLEANED OUT.

The Charter Election for the Village of Norwich was held on Monday. The result is such as gives pleasure to the Union men here, and it cannot fail to gratify our friends in other sections of the State.

We have won a victory against odds this time. The Democracy had out their whole force and were confident of victory from the moment the polls were opened, while the Union men failed to show their usual spirit and determination. Our opponents took up a collection in the morning, and their readiness to pay as high as from two to five dollars for votes proved that they had cash and were using it freely. They took all the "floating capital." In spite of their efforts, however, they were beaten by majorities ranging from twenty-one to forty-eight.

The following is a summary of the result:

TRUSTEES.	
Union Men.	Democrats. maj.
Matthew Ransford, . . . 277	Lewis A. Rhodes, 242 . . . 31
John P. Hicks, . . . . . 275	Jas. H. Sinclair, . . . 243 . . . 27
George Bavin, . . . . . 275	Andrew J. Avery, 254 . . . 21
STREET COMMISSIONER.	
James Brooks, . . . . . 275	William Jones, . . . 246 . . . 29
CLERK.	
William Wheeler, . . . 277	Charles H. Fish, . . . 246 . . . 31
COLLECTOR.	
Bradley F. Weed, . . . 271	Lewis Nash, . . . . . 246 . . . 29
TREASURER.	
W. Porter Chapman, 236	Dennis Conway, . . . 238 . . . 48

The two candidates upon the Democratic ticket, having the lowest vote, have been in the habit of wearing Copperhead badges about the streets.

Our candidate for Treasurer has much the largest majority. His personal popularity is great, but this alone does not account for the result. His opponent is an Irishman, and some of his own party must have taken especial pains to strike off his name on that account. The men who joined teams with the remnant of the old Know Nothing party last fall would be quite likely to do a sneaking thing of this kind. The Democracy are very fond of using Irishmen to "rope in" voters, but when it comes to giving them an office they "don't see it."

Our readers will please recall the fact that at the Town meeting the Democracy of this town had a majority of sixty-seven. Our majority now, contrasted with our defeat then, shows that there is a great and gratifying change in the sentiment of our citizens taking place.

## OXFORD TIMES.

OXFORD, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 1863.

### The Loyal League Meeting.

The meeting at Lewis Hall, Tuesday Evening of last week, for the purpose of organizing a town League, was a great success in every respect.

Although very short and imperfect notice had been given, the Hall was well filled, including a considerable number of

ladies, and the proceedings throughout were conducted in the best spirit, and with great cordiality and unanimity. The address of H. G. PRINDLE, Esq., although necessarily lengthy, embodying as it did a faithful delineation of the origin, progress and present aspect of the rebellion, was a very eloquent and able effort, and was very acceptable to the large audience. The speaker was particularly happy in his appeal in favor of the union of all patriotic citizens in a loyal and hearty support of the Government, and deservedly severe in his condemnation of the partizan spirit of those who are attempting to divide and distract the loyal sentiment of the country, in opposition to the administration and its efforts to put down rebellion. The speaker was frequently applauded, and chained the attention of his audience from the beginning to the end of his speech.— The proceedings will be found more at length in another column.

#### CHENANGO COUNTY.

—There was a great Union meeting in Norwich, last Thursday, which was adjourned to Saturday. A company of volunteers (heretofore alluded to,) has been enlisted in Norwich, and \$6,633 raised for their families. At the meeting, a handsome flag was presented to the volunteers.

—A Union meeting has been held in Sherburne.

—A Committee has been appointed "for the purpose of taking such measures as may be thought best to organize a regiment of volunteers for Otsego and Chenango counties." The following is the committee appointed :

Otsego—J. L. Gilbert, Butterouts; A. C. Church, Morris; A. Ferguson, Oneonta; N. R. Brown, Burlington. Chenango—A. L. Pritchard, New Berlin; Peter B. Rathbone, Greene; J. F. Hubbard, Jr., Norwich.

—One Union meeting was held at Oxford Tuesday evening, April 23d, and another Saturday evening the 27th.

#### A Beautiful Record.

At the late Peace Convention for this Assembly District, which met in this village, to appoint delegates to Fernando Wood's conclave of copperheads, the following resolution was adopted :

*Resolved,* That in appointing delegates to the Peace Convention on the 3d of June, this Convention do not design to interfere with the regular Democratic or any other political organization, but pledge themselves to act with vigilance, as they always have done, to sustain the regular Democratic organization, and assist in electing the candidates that may be nominated by the Democracy at their regularly organized Conventions, with all their ability and power.

With the exception of a resolution



naming the delegates, and another providing for publication in the 'Chenango Union,' this comprises the entire list of resolutions which appear in the published proceedings. What a magnificent record of overflowing patriotism is this to hand down to posterity. When the nation is in a struggle for its very existence, the most gallant and noble army that was ever gathered, are striving against a most atrocious and groundless conspiracy, to destroy the Union and subvert the Democratic principles which form the basis of our Government, while the Western army is pouring out its blood as free as water to destroy the last citadel of rebellion on the Mississippi, and while a prayer for victory is upon the lips of every true patriot, these constipated and shameless partizans, meet and adjourn without even expressing a desire for the preservation of the Union, a word of admiration or sympathy for our soldiers in the field, nor a wish even for the success of our Republican form of Government. The entire sum and substance of their resolves is, that they will continue to be Democratic partizans whatever may betide the country, and here begins and ends their aspirations, their hopes, their endeavors, and their desires. What a magnificent record with which to greet their innocent children, when they shall advance to take their places on the stage of action. And yet the *Chenango Union* says, that this peace convention was conducted throughout with judgment as well as *patriotism*. It must be so. The record shows it.

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## LOCAL.

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### Explanatory.

The *Chenango Union* of last week copied an article from the *Freeman's Journal* of Coopers-town, an equally *reliable* paper, which attempts to cast obloquy upon a worthy and upright officer connected with the Provost Marshal's department in this District, and by implication, upon the entire Board of Enrollment. We refer to the case of E. G. Waldo, Esq., one of the Deputy Provost Marshals of this District, residing at Edmeston, Otsego county, who, it is alleged, wrongfully altered the enrollment list for the said town by erasing his son's name therefrom. The statements are not worthy of notice coming from the source they do, but for fear the false coloring given to the matter by these papers may be believed by the people, and produce a wrong impression and injury to the service in this department, we propose to state the facts of the case, which are briefly as follows:

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William E. Waldo, a young man of full age had left his home in Edmeston some weeks before the enrollment was commenced, for Oneida county, and was engaged as a laborer in the pistol factory at Utica. During the fore part of the enrollment he was at his father's residence on a visit, and was called upon by the enrolling officer, whom he informed he was a resident of Utica, and not of Edmeston. The enrolling officer called upon Deputy Waldo for information in regard to the matter, and was informed by him that his son was a resident of Utica and liable to be enrolled there, and that upon his next visit to Utica he would make enquiry and advise him further. In a few days he went to Utica and made enquiry at the boarding house of his son, and was informed that his son's name had been given to the enrolling officer there, and was, doubtless, enrolled. When he returned he advised the enrolling officer of the fact, and was informed by him that his son had been enrolled by him. Mr. W. protested against the enrollment in Edmeston, as his son was a resident of Utica, and the enrolling officer told him that he would erase his name. Some few days after this the rolls were sent to Mr. Waldo's house to be by him delivered to the Commissioner, Mr. Gorham. Mr. W. examined the rolls and found the erasure not made, and went at once to the house of the enrolling officer to see about it and found him absent for the day, and as the rolls were to be returned that day, Mr. W. drew his pencil over the name and delivered them to the Commissioner. Upon the return of the enrolling officer, Mr. Waldo informed him of what he had done, and that officer said it was all right, and that his failure to cross off the name was an oversight. In this condition the rolls were delivered at Headquarters at Norwich.

Young Waldo was not liable to be enrolled in this, being a resident of another District, and it was upon this ground that the name was erased. Subsequently at the request of Mr. Waldo, the father, and with the consent of Mr. York, the enrolling officer of Edmeston, erased the pencil mark over the name, thus restoring the name as it was originally enrolled, in order that the son might have the right to lay the whole matter before the Board for adjudication upon appeal. It is proper in this connection to state that the last paragraph of the article referred to, to wit;—"that the two gentlemen who went to Norwich found it necessary to add to the second class the names of the Deputy and the town enrolling officer"—is simply a wilful and malicious falsehood.

This extent hath Mr. Waldo's offending, nothing more; and we believe that those gentlemen who have lent themselves to the base use of Copperhead politicians to bring into disrepute a worthy officer, for sinister purposes, will see the day ere long that they will regret it. This is a last card of traitors. When the law is growing rapidly in the public favor they seek to restrain its operation by such means as is employed in this case. Verily, they have their reward.