

## THE WAR NEWS.

All was quiet along the lines at Petersburg yesterday.

Grant said, "I will fight it out on this line if it takes all summer." This boast was uttered in Spotsylvania in the flowery month of May, three months and two days ago. Yesterday was the last day of the summer alluded to, and it found Grant south of the James and Appomattox, having pretty effectually fought himself out, if he has not fought "it out." The summer being concluded we presume he will consider himself relieved from all obligations to fight or remain longer on "this line," and free to seek another. *Apropos* of this idea there is a report that he is preparing to cross to the north side of the James and Chickahominy rivers, at Wilcox wharf and Forge bridge. This report originates in certain of his operations on the lower James which have recently attracted the attention of our authorities.

A rumour was brought over from Petersburg yesterday evening that McClellan had been nominated by the Chicago Convention on a thorough peace platform. Northern papers of Tuesday, received last night, extracts from which will be found in another column, expose the falsity of the rumour:

### FROM THE VALLEY.

Letters received from officers in General Early's army state that there was a considerable fight on last Saturday, and that the Sixth Yankee army corps being engaged, was very roughly handled. — The letters say the engagement was brought on by General Early feigning a retreat. The Sixth corps pushed out of Harper's Ferry in pursuit of him, and was ambuscaded and terribly cut up.

### WHEELER'S MOVEMENTS.

It will be seen from the telegram, in another part of this paper, that Wheeler has turned up in East Tennessee. Loudon bridge is thirty miles south of Knoxville and about seventy-five northeast of Chattanooga; it is seventeen hundred feet long, and is one of the finest structures of the kind in the United States. Marysville, which we presume is meant by the telegram, is about twenty miles east of Loudon. New Market is about the same distance east of Knoxville.

We will not say where we think Wheeler will be when next heard from, but leave the Yankees to track him by his achievements.

### FROM MOBILE.

We have authentic intelligence from Mobile so late as Tuesday, the 20th instant. Since the fall of Fort Morgan nothing of importance has occurred in that vicinity.

The force of the enemy recently gathered in Northern Mississippi, as it was supposed, for a rear attack upon Mobile, are moving towards Memphis, they say for the purpose of reinforcing Sherman. Trustworthy information has been received at Mobile that a Yankee raid is organizing to issue from Vicksburg.

Though the Yankee force moving from Mississippi towards Memphis say their destination is Atlanta, we think the truth is they are going to hunt up Forrest and Wheeler, both of whom have recently mysteriously disappeared in Sherman's rear.