A LIVELY LAND WAR. Virginians Attack and Capture Ben

Butler's Surveyors. The people in the upper part Bath county, Va., are in a state of wild excitement over a series of pitched battles which have been going on in that county between armed bodies of countrymen and a surveying party headed by Capts. Campbell, intervals until noon, when an hour is Strong and Barrett. About a year ago Gen. Benjamin F. Butler, of Massachusetts, gained possession of an immense tract of land known as the Indians as the greatest delicacy an immense tract of land known as never surrender, retired to the almost impregnable abodes, where they led which were forced upon them by the which Gen. Butler has gotten hold of, and red covering their arms, black is larger than a German principality, and breasts, whilst to the untamed, and embraces some splendid land. wild beast expression of their eyes During the latter part of last month tenfold ferocity is added by the bright he began to pay some attention to the vermillion with which their faces are property, and sent a full corps of sur- streaked. Every warrior has either veyors to divide it. The party, about twenty strong, began their task early shining breastplates and armlets or last week and proceeded for several days without molestation until they reached the vicinity of Dillin's mill, when their presence began to attract the attention of some of the deer hunters in that section. When the object of the survey was known, and when it leaked out that Gen. Butler was endeavoring to perfect arrange-

the excitement became intense, and the intelligence spread from cabin to cabin. The hardy mountaineers and farmers began to gather together very rapidly, all armed and ready to resist what they contended was an invasion of their rightful domain by a general against whom many of them had once fought, and for whom few of them had any love. Law or no law, they determined to resist the surveying party. Messengers were sent to Capt. Campbell with the information that he and his party must clear out or the place would be made too hot for them. The surveyors, who were well armed, took no notice of what they regarded as idle threats and continued their survey, but at the same time notified the hostile parties that it would be well for them to attend to their own business. The mountaineers and others then began to get ready for a fight. Wednesday a company of about fifteen of them, well armed with double-barreled shotguns. attacked the surveying party. Campbell and his companions, however, were well prepared for them, and, as soon as they came in sight, warned them to come no nearer. As the surveying camp at this time occupied a commanding position on the mountain side, and their force was larger than the attacking party, the latter withdrew for reinforcements. Their force was recruited rapidly, and yesterday they again moved on the surveying party with a force of seventy-five men, their cry being: "Down with Ben Butler's land sharks."

POSSESSION OF THE LAND.

THE SURVEYORS WERE WARNED of their approach, but did not retreat at that time, as they believed that the strength of the attacking party had been exaggerated. They, however, took the precaution to intrench themselves well in their position. Yesterday at 12 o'clock the two parties met, and a sharp engagement ensued, over 100 shots being fired in a few minutes. It was a kind of Indian warfare, the besiegers' force being scattered and keeping behind the trees. The surveyors held their oamp behind a natural fort of boulders, and for a time prevented their assailants from gaining on them. Three of the mountaineers were wounded in the engage-ment. Ten of the assailants were then sent out, and managed to creep through the undergrowth until they obtained a position higher up the mountain side behind the surveyors, and then they had an unobstructed range at them. The surveyors were surrounded, for when the skirmishers behind them began to pour shot down on them they had to throw themselves on their faces thus uncovering their assailand giving the giving t ants time to charge up to their fortress. This was done, with a triumph yelling of "Charge 'em boys!" Campbell had time to raise his white handkerchief on the end of his ramrod as a sign of surrender, and so saved the lives of many of his party.

The camp was at once taken possession of, and, although the party of Virginians and West Virginians which virginians and West Virginians which the deadway of the boat was checked and the campaign velled out: rod as a sign of surrender, and so composed the victorious foe were excited, they offered no violence to their "He's hooked!" prisoners. They simply warned them to leave the country, and notified them not to come back unless they wanted tar, feathers and brimstone. Particulars just received here are to the effect that seven of the combatants were wounded in the combatants were wounded in the beat a hasty retreat, and are now on their way to this place, having given up all idea, it is understood, of attempting to continue the survey. The people in this section are much excited, and insist that they will not submit to what they term "Ben Butler's lanb-grab." Gen. Butler, it is understood, has a clear title to the vast tract, but he will have trouble in getting it. The civil authorities may getting it. The civil authorities may be appealed to, and possibly the Virginis and West Virginia volunteers called out to aid the surveyors in completing their survey it necessary.

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The Omaha Dance

From The United Service. The performances of the day open with the first part of the "Omaha Dance," participated in by men and women, the former furnishing the orchestra, the latter the "corps de ballet. Upon the grass are seated crosslegged a dozen young men, surrounding a large drum, upon which they beat with sticks, whilst a few yards off fifty or more squaws, formed in completed for the reception of a bride sale by Ish & McMahon.

single file, are dancing in a circle around a tent, keeping time with the music, and chanting in a weird, dismal monotone. In turn, each of the young men springs to his feet, and rushing to a camp fire, over which are suspended large pots, plunges in his naked arm, and draws forth a piece of meat from the seething, bubbling, boiling water. These performances are repeated at the Wilson survey. The land in-cludes several thousand acres stretch-increased when, at 1 o'clock, the muling across Bath county, Va., to titude reassembles, and the grand with the same material as the curtains, and what little of the framework is West Virginia. Much of it embraces gun. In rapid succession more than found to be heavily gilded. mountain fastnesses which have been a hundred braves bound through the the stronghold of illicit distillers, and crowd into the open. Each wears a bands of those daring men, who, after breech-clout and a head dress of gaudy Hudson Register. the war, boasted that they would colors, and their sinewy, lissome bodies, otherwise naked, are painted, some with allegorical pictures, suga wild and independent life, enjoying gesting battle and murder, others the occasional exciting skirmishes with legs encircled by stripes, and rough drawing of snakes, lizards and revenue forces. The Wilson survey, death's-heads in blue, black, yellow

twisting their bodies into grotesque shapes, keeping time the while to the pounding of the drum, and uniting their strident voices in a frightful medley of sound, like, more than anything else, the yelping chorus of a thousand curs. Outside, four gorge-

Meanwhile, toward the drum and back, again and again, the latter go, their motions each moment growing more rapid and furious, and the cho-rus louder and harsher, till, worn out with the violent exertion, they drop out of the ring one by one and seat themselves cross-legged in their re-spective places. The beating of the drum has now ceased, and those warriors who have won renown in battle successively rise to their feet, and, in few and dignified words, boast of their cunning in council and exploits in war. When these interesting and modest autobiographies have been concluded, and the breasts of the to imitate the deeds of men so heroic, the dance is again begun, and when at its height an Indian boy of fourteen, riding a beautiful pony, pushes rude-ly into the circle, and is at once surrounded by the excited and noisy dancers. They dance and yell around

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Towed by Shark.

Corr, Albany (Ga.) News, Heading across the bay of St. Simon's light, the man in charge of the

skirmish, but it is believed none were mortally hurt. The surveyors at once beat a hasty retreat, and are now on

a stump, and came back for help.

Four of us got on shore and commenced to pull Mr. Shark ashore. It all took could do, and two rifle balls to boot, to land him. When I tell you that he measured seventeen feet ten and a half inches from tip to tip you will know what a job we had. determined to prove that we caught this shark, so we gave two negros \$4 to cut him open and get his head off so that we could get his jaw over home. His teeth are wonderful, being about three and a quarter inches long, and so strong that he actually flattened out the iron hook. The negroes made quiet a prize. In his stomach they found eleven silver Mex ican dollars and one Spanish doub-loon, gold, and a whole lot of brass

buttons. A Gorgeous Bridal Chamber

who has never known the want of money and by whom \$100 is spent with as little thought as many people would a ten cent piece. The walls are covered with heavy white satin, tufted with gold buttons and mixture. ed with gold buttons, and mirrors are interjected here and there. The ceiling is painted in the most artistic manner and the curtains are of white silk, embroidered in gold and rich colorings of floral designs. The curtains are mounted on gilt poles, and, when drawn back, disclose lace-drop curtains that cost \$600 a window. The portierces are of white silk plush, with dado embroidery matching the curtains. The furniture is treated

Draw Poker as a Disease.

Draw poker is a most fascinating yet deceiving game. One of the pe-culiarties of the game is that the beginner, as soon as he finds out that one certain kind of a hand beats another, and that a bluff, if successful, beats any hand, thinks he can play the game better than any man. If he holds a poor hand once, and bets big on it and scares out an old veteran, when he rakes in the money he cocke his hat on one side and thinks how rich he might have been if he had learned to play poker before. He wonders why everybody does not give up business and play poker and get rich. As he counts over the chips he has won so easily by a simple discocked on one side and when he loses he wears it straight. At first it is one side most of the time, then he gets to wearing it straight pretty frequent until he finally loses every dollar he has got and goes out and clubs himself. Countrymen who think they ously dressed braves, mounted on ponies painted and richly caparisoned, can play a pretty good game of poker find themselves in large cities, and they are not contented till they get form a guard of honor around the into a game, and nine times in ten they get so everlastingly scooped that they can't tell their own names till they look at it pasted on the inside of their hats. However good a man plays, there is always some one that plays better, and they are always laying for a fellow that can't play as well as they can, while the countryman is always laying for some one that can play better. There is no game better calculated to take the conceit out of a man than poker. We have had it taken out of us seventy-five dollars' worth by a cuss that didn't seem to know half as much as we did.

A man has to have the conceit taken out of him about eleven times before young men fired with a noble desire it will stay out, but after he has once got it eradicated from the system he never catches it again. He can live right amongst it, where all around him are down with it, and he will not take it - not if he knows himself. It is as though he had been vaccinated, and very likely he has. If you have the horse and rider, grasping the an idea you are a good poker-player, former as he rears and plunges by the mane and tail and bridle, until the the conceit worked out of you, and the boy, seemingly anxious to leave the sooner you get it out the better. surging crowd, makes a pretence of Some can get it out by losing \$100, escaping. When near the outer edge others have to lose a farm or a house "Down of the dancers a visiting Indian shoots and lot. In some cases it takes years to get it out, and in other cases it takes years an arrow into his thigh. Whereupon the youth, turning in apparent fury, be got out in one evening. Do not strike the assailant with a stick, and other cases it takes years to get it out, and in other cases it takes years of the strike the pouth, turning in apparent fury, be got out in one evening. Do not strike the assailant with a stick, and other cases it takes years of the strike years of the strike takes years of the strike years of the years of t then dismounting, turns the pony your system is in the condition to re-loose, to be caught by the squaws and handed over to the visitor, whose property he now is. The boy is then you lose enough, then call yourself a given in charge of the squaws, who, monumental, colossal, enigmatical ass, after dressing his wound, twine a and jump the game. You will never chaplet of leaves around his brow, and dance and sing about him till night-fall.

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What a Surveyor Missed.

Detroit Free Press. A surveyor who was running township lines in a new county in this State last fall was engaged by a farmer to survey the line between his farm and that of a neighbor. They had a line fence, but had engaged in several disputes as to whether it was on the divide. The surveyor was making preparations when the owner of the other farm approached and inquired: "What are you going to do now?"
"Find the exact line," was the re-

At this the man wheeled and went off on the gallop, and he was seen no more until the line had been run. The surveyor and the first-named farmer had just completed the work when the other came up to within about ten feet

of them and asked: "Well, have you got through?"

"Yes, all through "And is the fence a foot on his

farm?" "No; he has two feet of yours, and the fence must be moved so that you can have it." The man sprang upon a stump, faced

The man sprang upon a stump, faced a thicket about five rods away, and relied out. yelled out: "You there-Reuben and James

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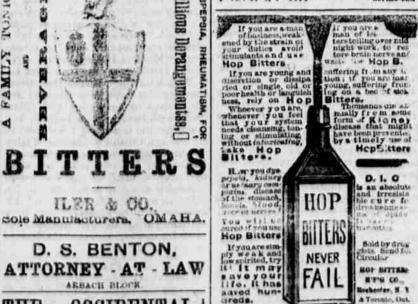
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