

Morning Herald' of the 28th Jan., 1838, relates a similar anecdote:—

“THE WESTERN FRONTIER.—There is nothing new or of any interest from Buffalo or Detroit. The following is a *verbatim et literatim* copy of the document, which Colonel Ransom chose to consider as General Scott's manuscript, and on the strength of which he gave up the cannon to the rogue who presented it. A fine compliment to the General's literary reputation, and the accomplished Colonel's own discernment. This gem of military correspondence reads thus:—

‘Buffalo Head Qr Jan'y 18 1838.

‘Col H B Ransom commander in Chief at

‘Tonawanda.

‘Pleas sen on those pieces of Canon which are at you place let the same teams come on with them.

‘Your in hase,

‘W SCOTT* Commander

‘in Chief on the Frontiers

‘of Niagara.’”

It was in the bare-faced manner above published, and explained by American authorities, that as fast as volunteers could be collected in the United States for the invasion of Canada, they were allowed to arm themselves from stores of artillery, muskets with bayonets, rifles, and knapsacks, which the American Govern-

* This General Scott is now a candidate for the Presidency of the United States.