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Headquarters Department of Fairfax, Virginia,

ARLINGTON HOUSE, May 25, 1861.

A PROCLAMATION

*By Major General SANFORD, New York State Militia, in the service of the United States.*

Fairfax county being occupied by the troops under my command, I deem it proper to repeat publicly the assurances I have personally given to many of the good citizens about me, that all its inhabitants may return to, or remain in their homes and usual pacific occupations in peace and confidence, and with assured protection to their persons and property; as the United States forces in Virginia will be employed for no other purpose than that of suppressing unlawful combinations against the constituted authorities of the Union, and of causing the laws thereof to be duly respected and executed.

BY ORDER OF MAJOR GENERAL CHARLES W. SANFORD:

GEORGE W. MORELL,

*Division-Inspector.*