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ON THE GROUNDS

Where Nearly Forty Years Ago Shot and Shell Were Hurled at Those Who Are Now Enjoying the Grand Reunion.

Editorial Correspondence.

Charleston, S. C., May 9, 8:15 p. m.—Camp 212 arrived without event, gay and jolly, all heads level. Yes, there were events; Sheriff Peck, C F Walter, S W White and Daniel Stiller got relieved of surplus cash. The pickpockets failed on G E Ritchie.

The Confederates have captured Charleston for a fact and the city bows to the inevitable.

Vast arrangements are made and there are few privations. But it is night and we can see little of the city. We arrived at 5:30 but have been busy getting supper, etc. There has been some unavoidable confusion.

But the nocturnal shades have gathered upon us and the weary frames of the veterans are stretched out for a night's repose from which they have no fear of the "long roll" beat.

We think and think, what will Charleston reveal to us and what dreamy fancies that we have been entertaining will be realized and even surpassed. While thus we muse we take up the historic telescope and peer into the past and trace some of the steps by which the noble city has attained her proud heights.

We see the primitive forests as they are ranged by the bear, the wolf, the panther, the catamount and, little more, the savage red man, till 1670 there came a colony and took up their abode on the west banks of the Ashley river, but in 1780 it picked up and planted itself between the Ashley and Cooper rivers.

Many French Huguenots cast in their lots and Charleston was a growing, thriving settlement.

Her importance was felt in the Revolutionary War, for an English fleet of 50 vessels attacked it. Col. Moultrie had constructed, out of palmetto logs, the famous fort that bears his name and the English fleet found itself more than matched.

'Twas here and then that a British ball cut off the flag staff and the Stars and Stripes fell outside the wall, when the fearless Jasper sprang over, caught it up and hoisted it high. For this he was offered a commission but declined. The flag given by the Charleston women to the regiment was firmly held in his grasp when he fell at Savannah in 1779 when Gen. Lincoln and D'Esgtang made that terrible but fruitless attack. This flag became the winding sheet of the lamented Jasper.

But Charleston fell into the hands of the British on May 12, 1780, after a four month's siege and the gallant Lincoln had to hand over his sword to Gen. Cornwallie, a humiliation atoned for when assigned by Gen. Washington to receive Cornwallie's sword on October 19th, 1781 at Yorktown, Va.

It was here in 1860 that that thorn in the flesh, negro slavery, formed a wedge that split the Democratic party and Stephen A Douglas, with "Squatter Sovereignty plan," walked no more with his former political household. The results are well known. With two Democratic tickets, one Whig ticket and one Republican ticket, the anti-slavery or

abolition party came into power. Secession followed. Here it took its birth and the ordinance was passed on December 21, 1860.

It was Charleston that first heard the crack and bellows of that terrible war when Gen. Beauregard commanded to fire at 4:30 o'clock Friday morning, April 12th, 1861. Could a canvass rise and stretch across Charleston bay with a panoramic picture of the grief and suffering that followed the echo of that shot, we would hide our faces from the scene and hie us homeward. But we are not here to see the dark side of the picture.

Robert E Lee, famed for engineering skill in the Mexican war, set the defenses in order here before he took his place at the head of the army of Northern Virginia. His work told, and with Gen. Beauregard in command Charleston defied all the Federal naval hosts. Admiral Dupont with a fleet of iron clads attempted to dash past the forts as Farragut did in the Mississippi but found it more than a hornets nest. The Kookuk was sunk and an officer, after getting out of the range, declared that the shots from the Confederate forts kept time with the ticks of his watch as they bailed upon his vessel. The "Robs" got the guns from the sunken ship. But Gen. Gilmore succeeded in getting Battery Wagoner. The enemy, too, had erected on a platform on driven piles the famous gun known as "The Swamp Angel," which hurled its shots five miles, landing them in the city. But joy to the Charlestonians, it burst at the 36th shot.

Many of the 8th regiment remember these stirring scenes when Fort Sumpter was reduced to a mere mass or pile of brickbats which Major John Johnston, now Rector of an Episcopal church here, we believe, so manipulated as to make it still impregnable. What a defense that was at Charleston in the 60's, and it was only when Gen. Sherman approached it from the rear that it was evacuated on February 18, 1865.

But what was the war with all its horrors, drawing out four years, compared with the next and greatest of all events in her history, the seismic convulsions of August 31, 1886, when her 50,000 people were threatened with instant destruction.

Truly Charleston is rich in her collection of historic events. But there is a time for all things and Charleston has killed the fatted calf and has music and dancing now.

Honeycutt-Stiefel Marriage:

Mr. David Honeycutt, a young man of our town, was married Wednesday night to Miss Mary Elizabeth Stiefel, daughter of Mr. John Stiefel of Cannonville. The affair took place at the bride's home, performed by Rev. T W Smith. The bride and groom left for Augusta on their bridal tour.

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MEMORIAL DAY.

Hundreds of Children Together With Numbers of Citizens Pay Their Tribute to the Confederate Dead—A Strong Oration Delivered—The Monument Laden With Flowers.

The Memorial services, per programme gotten up by the General Ramseur Chapter of Daughters of Confederacy, directed by the President, Mrs. Jno. P Allison, occurred Wednesday evening at 4 o'clock.

From the Graded School ground the procession marched to the Court House. The new Concord Band, clad in attractive duck uniforms and caps to match, leading were followed by school children, each grade in charge of the teacher. The little sons and daughters of the veterans bore flowers, their contribution to the service of honoring the dead heroes of the great struggle. At the court house the crowd was swelled by citizens of the town until the room was packed with beauty, patriotism and devotion.

The band under the leadership of that born musician, Prof. R L Keesler, also the musical director of the Graded School, made its first appearance in public and dispensed some sweet music—an addition to the usual memorial service. The "Old North State" was sung by the school children. Mr. H M Barrow sang a solo and the band and school children played and sang "Nearer My God to Thee."

The exercises were opened by prayer by Rev. J D Arnold, of Forest Hill M. E. church. The large audience followed deeply touched and moved by this fervent prayer of beautiful thoughts, earnest appeals, soldier-like submission and striking appropriateness. During this solemn exercise many eyes were moistened by the beautifully sincere words of the minister, himself one of the veterans.

H S Paryear, Esq., always ready, after strong words for the South as she is today and laying much of the inspiration now as in '60-'61 at the feet of the women, doing this in his happiest style and manner, introducing the orator of the occasion, Luther T Hartsell, Esq., a son of one of Cabarrus' representatives in the great struggle of the 60's.

The Standard had prepared to publish much of Mr. Hartsell's magnificent address, but this can not be done. Space will not admit all and to cut out and cull from it will spoil the beautiful structure, built from the very facts of history and nature itself. Mr. Hartsell, a fine representative of physical, mental and moral manhood, himself, was sensibly moved by the evidence of undying love for the braves whom we honor and by the words he was about to utter. In briefly referring to the causes of the war in a forcible manner he maintained that the Southern heroes but fought for that principle which the constitution itself upheld and by the courage of their convictions did that which a number of Northern States for much less provocation threatened to do.

"The cause for which the Con-

federates contended," said the speaker, "has often been called 'The Lost Cause,' and such no doubt it is so far as it involves a dissolution of the Union, but the principle for which they fought is not dead—it is eternal."

Mr. Hartsell deplored the fact that the historian, in many instances, perverted the truths of history; but he believed that the brief existence of the Confederacy had achieved a renown and bequeathed to the future a story that can never perish.

The speaker told, too, how quick the people of Cabarrus rushed to arms, in answer to the call to duty, by Governor Ellis. "When I say that Cabarrus soldiers were as brave and true as any North Carolina sent to the Confederate army, that is equivalent to saying they were equal to the best in the world," is the accepted truth by all Americans.

The speaker's concluding words are as follows: "The records show that before the war was half ended one man out of every ten from Cabarrus lay dead on the battle field.

"Shall we hesitate to speak of these things and fear to praise the sublime deeds of our fathers lest we be accused of disloyalty. No, we prove our loyalty by being loyal to human nature and to the memory of the heroes who died for us. Shall we forget to honor these men of whom our great adversary, President Lincoln, said at Gettysburg: 'I am proud to call the men who charged these heights my countrymen.'"

Many people said this was the finest effort they had ever heard upon a memorial occasion in Concord. Mr. Hartsell was congratulated by several whose lives began beyond the Mason and Dixon line. This is a graceful act for them and a compliment to him.

After this the Confederate monument in the court house lawn was decorated with many flowers and the crowd dismissed with the benediction by Dr. Davis, of All Saints' church.

AN EPIDEMIC OF WHOOPING COUGH.

Last winter during an epidemic of whooping cough my children contracted the disease, having severe coughing spells. We had used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy very successfully for croup and naturally turned to it at that time and found it relieved the cough and effected a complete cure. John L Clifford, Proprietor Norwood House, Norwood N. Y. This remedy is for sale by M. L. Marsh & Co.

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