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LIFE IN MANILA.

Jay Sims Writes Home of the Days Passing in the Philippine Islands.

All are glad to hear from our Concord boys who are now living the lives of soldiers in Manila. A letter has been received by his folks from Jay Sims.

The letter was written in La Loma church near Manila, which is a Catholic church taken by the Americans. In the building can be plainly seen holes made by Uncle Sam's eight-inch guns. On its wall is to be seen a life size crucifix of our Saviour.

The letter was written on the 7th and 8th of November. They arrived at Manila on the third and took a train to Caloocon, five miles from the city. The soldiers have nothing to do these days but pass away their time fighting mud and mosquitoes. The weather is hot, and though now is considered the dry season it has been raining every day.

Every tropical fruit grows there. The soldiers have no work to do, as Uncle Sam hires men to wait upon them. Jay says that the band alone has two men and a buffalo cart to wait on them.

On his way to Manila on the ship he spoke of having passed a burning volcano on one of the Caroline islands.

In his letter he made mention that it was then noon of the 7th there and to us here it would be about midnight of that same date. Pay day has never yet come to the boys.

All of the boys are well, though if there was much sickness he could not write of it as news as to the workings and condition of the army will not pass by the hands of the censor. As in Cuba the people bury their dead in one large boneyard. Before closing his letter he said that Fletcher Foil and two others had gone to the city after a barrel of water, so it seems that water is scarce there. Almost all furniture used there is made of bamboo.

Jay's letters are always interesting and we are always glad to hear the experiences of our far-away soldier boys.

The Attorney-General Here.

As noted some days ago Mr. Jno. W. Griggs, Attorney-General of the United States, is now in our county enjoying himself shooting at our game. He is with Mr. T. E. Smith, our New Jersey friend, who comes here each year. They are staying at Mr. Martin Bost's at Bost's Mills. The attorney-general will spend only a few days.

Concord Boys Doing Well.

Principal Gray, of Bingham School, at Mebane, reports that our Concord boys, Brandon Means and Gordon Johnston, are working hard and doing well at Bingham.

NO CURE, NO PAY.

That is the way all druggists sell Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic for chills and malarial fever. It is the only medicine that cures. Price, 50c.

MR. R. BENTON WHITE DEAD.

Passes Away at 5 A. M. Tuesday at the Age of 73—A Good Man in Every Relation of Life.

Mr. Benton White died at his home at 5 o'clock a. m., today (Tuesday) at the good ripe age of 73 years.

He had been stricken with paralysis some years ago, which ended as above stated.

Mr. White married Miss Martha Alexander, who preceded him to the grave some twelve years ago, leaving also three sons and one daughter; viz. Mrs. Tom Alexander, of Mecklenburg, Rev. Osmond White, deceased, Mr. Ed. White of the firm of Swink & White, of this place, and Walter P. White, who lived with his father under the home roof.

Mr. White has left a good name both as a citizen and member of the church.

Though connected with Zion Presbyterian church, the body will be laid in the cemetery of Rocky River church by the side of her who was his earthly stay and comfort in life. The funeral rites will be conducted at the home Wednesday at 10 o'clock.

His Plan to Fight the Tobacco Trust.

Mr. J. F. Jordan of Greensboro proposes a plan by which to fight the great American tobacco trust that seems practical and just. He says:

"My plan contemplates the organization of a company to buy the entire crop of bright tobacco grown in the States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee, and all the farmers will have to do is to enter into an iron-clad agreement, refusing to allow the American Tobacco Company to have the chance to purchase a single leaf of their product for five years. Instead of selling at public auction in warehouses, as they now do, they will bring their tobacco to the warehouses in the several markets and it will be priced by a committee consisting of two farmers elected by themselves and two leaf men, to be selected by the new organization, and every farmer is to receive the same price for the same grade. After being priced in this way it is to be appointed out to the various dealers on each market, who have facilities for rehandling it and putting it in through keeping order, and then stored in storage warehouses. Thus all the markets, including warehouse men, leaf dealers, independent factories and storage houses, can be kept intact and nobody will suffer save a few salaried buyers now on the markets for the trusts. And even they can have employment if they desire it."

We see little hope of thwarting the trusts with litigation while fastened by our tariff system and we long to see the day when the frugal producers will cooperate and themselves reap the benefits of an unvarying price for their products.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. in each tablet.

THE U. D. C.

An Interesting Meeting--The Report of Their President Read to the Members. Written for The Standard.

The Daughters of the Confederacy were called together Friday afternoon, Dec. 8th, to hear their president give a report of the proceedings of the U. D. C. held in Richmond three weeks previous.

This the president did in a most charming and entertaining style, and was listened to with great enjoyment by all present.

Among other things she told of a letter received and read before the assembled U. D. C. from Col. Ellyson, mayor of Richmond, also president of President Davis' Memorial Association, in which he turned over the funds on hand, amounting to over \$20,000, to the Daughters of the Confederacy as their part towards the Jeff Davis monument. The Daughters are to raise the rest of the money for the monument.

The immediate work of the Dodson Ramseur Chapter is the raising its part of the funds for this monument to our beloved President Davis.

A soliciting committee was appointed to get what it could, also a committee to arrange for an entertainment to be given some time in the near future.

Some other business was disposed of. After the closing of this very interesting meeting refreshments were handed, served in the hostess' delightful manner.

The meeting adjourned, each member leaving with her heart fired with fresh enthusiasm and with renewed determination to do everything in her power to assist in this sacred cause.

Organization Should Begin.

Chairman Simmons has called a meeting of the Democratic State Executive Committee for December, 11th. This meeting at this time is wise. In fact, we can depend on Chairman Simmons to do the right thing at the right time. There can be but one object and result in the meeting, and that is to lay the plans for organizing the white men in the State in the interest of the amendment and good government. The committee should proceed at once on the work of the next campaign. It is true that the State convention will name a committee and there may be a new chairman—though we think not and hope not; yet there is work for the present chairman and his able assistants. They must hand over to the State convention the white voters of the State as a solid mass for the amendment. In no way can this be done so well as in club organization. The unions in the last campaign were the most powerful factors in the great work that was done. There must be perfect precinct organization. The name of every white man must be at hand and each individual supplied with literature on the amendment.—Windsor Ledger.

—Rev. J. C. Davis returned home last night from Lexington.

TO GIVE A HIGH TEA.

The Young Ladies' Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian Church to Have an Evening at Mr. Elam King's.

On Thursday evening from the hours of 5 to 9 o'clock at Mr. Elam King's, the Young Ladies' Missionary Society will give a high tea to at least 150 invited friends.

At a conspicuous place there will be a basket in which the invited ones can contribute a free will offering.

At Miss Willie Richmond's Monday afternoon all arrangements were completed for the evening's enjoyment.

These means are taken to invite as a whole the Woman's Missionary Society.

An elegant meat supper will be served to the guests. Mrs. B. E. Harris was selected as manager of refreshments, assisted by Misses Rose Harris, Willie Richmond, Lida White and Nona Boyd.

The committee on invitation is Misses Janie Richmond, Agnes Moss, Kate Gibson, and Mrs. S. J. Ervin.

Committee on decorations—Misses Cassie Watson, Catherine Morrison and Alice Sims.

At the table the following ladies will serve supper: Misses Hurvey and Goss, Mrs. Jas. Hurley, Misses Julia McConnell, Janie Ervin, Rosa Mund, Lena Leslie, Margaret Cannon, Mary Johnson and Lucy Lore.

Pay Only for What You Take

An old Scotchman, not feeling well, called upon a doctor. The doctor gave him some verbal instructions as to how to regulate his diet, advising him, among other things, to drink no spirits for a time. The Scotchman rose to leave, when the doctor said: "I am in the way of charging for my advice. I will trouble you for half a crown."

"Oh, maybe," said the patient, "but I'm noe gaun to tak' yer advice!"—London Telegraph.

Fine Health at Bingham School.

In fourteen years there has been no serious case of sickness, and in a hundred years no case of fever at the location of the Bingham School, Orange county, near Mebane, N. C.

—Rev. W. H. L. McLaurin spent today here on his way to Mocksville.

We Say!

Do you hear those "Wedding Bells" They be ringing loud and clear, Evidently calling you to the

Furniture Store of Bel, Harris & Co.,

where they make present a "specialty"—useful as well as ornamental at prices that suits everybody. Come and see. Xmas will soon be here. If you want a present for Father, Mother, Brother, or Sister, or some other body's brother or sister, we are the people, so our customers say that keep everything at prices way down. We like you in fact; we love you; and the larger your bill the better we love you. Increase our love won't you.

Bel, Harris & Co.

Residence Phone...90. Store Phone...12.

JNO. PROPST FREE.

A Telegram Comes from Mr. Mauney Asking That He be Released—His Brother Held at Salisbury.

The negro, John Propst, who was brought here to jail from Gold Hill on the charge of shooting Mr. Dolph Mauney, is now at liberty. A telegram was received Monday from Mr. Mauney himself asking that John Propst be released. Postelle Propst, John's brother, is confined in jail at Salisbury, both on suspicion of being the one who shot Mr. Mauney and also because he had a pair of brass knucks when arrested.

Strong School Faculty.

There are more college and university graduates in the faculty of Bingham School, Orange county, near Mebane, than in any high school in North Carolina.

PERSONALS.

Mr. Will Peden returned here Monday night from Albemarle.

—Prof. Preston Lewis Gray, principal of the Mebane High School, is here for a few days.

—Miss Mary Bernhardt and Messrs Arthur Reynolds and Harold Shemwell returned to Salisbury this morning.

—Miss Lena Wade, a student of the seminary at Mt. Pleasant, is spending today at Rev. W. B. Oney's on her return to Davidson county.

A Nice Line

— OF —

Home-made Mince Meats

— AT —

S. J. Ervin's

Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idaville, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he is all run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents, at Fetter's Drug Store. Every bottle guaranteed.