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THE DEATH OF WASHINGTON.

One Hundred Years Ago His Career Ended—An Account of His Sickness and Death—The Day Observed by Our People.

"Washington is dead! "Washington is dead!" These are the words that passed from lip to ear and brought sadness to many hearts a hundred years ago today.

Washington was a strong and robust man and his fatal illness lasted only about twenty-four hours.

The announcement of his death was a surprise to everybody. He was but sixty-eight years old, and the people had reason to believe that the great general would be spared to see many more years.

But knowing that his ancestors had never lived to ripe old age, Washington had already prepared for death and had arranged his business, written his will, and had his family vault made ready to receive his body.

On December 10, 1799, he wrote out extensive plans for the management of his lands. These plans he reviewed and completed on Wednesday, December 11th. Thursday morning was bright and sunny but the day ended with rain, hail, and snow. Washington returned to the house at 3 o'clock from a trip over the farm. He was cold and his great coat was wet and the snow clung to his hair.

Dinner had already been waiting for some time and he sat down to the table without changing his clothes.

The evening of the same day he wrote the last letter he ever penned. It was to Hamilton and was on the subject of establishing a military school.

On Friday, Dec. 13th, snow continued to fall but Washington went out a few rods from the house and marked some trees that he wanted to be cut down.

After returning to the house in the evening he complained of soreness in his throat.

This proved to be the beginning of the end.

About 3 o'clock on Saturday morning, Dec. 14, he called Mrs. Washington and with great difficulty informed her that he had a chill. At daylight he was bled, about a half a pint of blood being drawn from his arm. A vinegar stew was tried for the throat, but without effect.

Three doctors were called in, more blood was drawn from the arm and calamel was administered.

Late in the evening he said to Mrs. Washington, "Go to my desk and in my private drawer you will find two papers; bring them to me.

"These are my wills, preserve this one and burn the other."

At 5 o'clock he said to Dr. Craik: "I die hard, but I am not afraid to go." The other two doctors were asked to come in and he was raised up in bed. After a few moments he said: "I am just going. See that I am decently buried. Do not let my body be put into the vault till three days after I am dead."

A RETAILER CAPTURED.

Simon Kesler Arrested Here Wednesday on the Charge of Retailing Whiskey—Jailed in Default of a Bond.

On Wednesday Policeman Cruse captured a negro here on our streets named Simon Kesler. This negro, from the present evidence known, has been continually retailing whiskey but could not be caught enough to convict him.

While the negro was here on the streets Wednesday he was arrested and tried. In default of a \$200 justified bond he was put in jail to await trial in the Superior court. The negro has been carrying on his unlawful work near Glass in this county.

A Smallpox Scare Strikes Concord.

Manly Morris, of Forest Hill, a young man, came down street today to consult Dr. Archey as to his condition. The man's face was filled considerably with pimples, and one at first sight might think that he had smallpox. Dr. Archey, before finding the history of the case, thought that possibly this was a case, but it was found that the young man has not been out of town in three months and the symptoms do not show that he has the disease. The young man returned to his home at Forest Hill and there is no need of alarm over the report.

Upon being assured that these directions would be followed he said "Tis well." These were his last words. He calmly felt his own pulse, folded his arms across his breast and quietly passed away.

In this manner the great General met death.

The time was about 10 p. m. Saturday night Dec. 14, 1799. At 12 o'clock his body was carried down stairs and laid in the dining room and on Dec. 18 it was deposited in the family vault about 100 yards from the house and in sight of the Potomac. There it remained till 1837 when it was removed to a new vault a little farther down the river and where it now rests.

To this spot thousands of pilgrims resort every year.

It was before the old vault the great Lafayette stood in reverence and silent meditation upon his visit to America in 1824.

It was near the new vault that the Prince of Wales planted a tree with his own hands when he visited this country in 1860.

It is to the spot, too, that the Presidents of the United States, statesmen, lovers of patriotism and of history resort, and where President McKinley has promised to deliver an address this day.

Mount Vernon! Washington! what memories cling around these names. How they stir the heart of every American and inspire him with courage and devotion as nothing else can!

C. S. COLER.

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NO CURE, NO PAY.

That is the way all druggists sell Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic for chills and Malaria. It is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults refer to it as bitter, nauseating Tonic. Price, 50c.

THE WEARY AT REST.

Mrs. J. J. Barringer Falls Asleep in Death at the Age of 68—Motherly Ministrations Cut Short by Death's Summons.

Mrs. J J Barringer died at 8 o'clock five minutes Wednesday night, the 13th, of pneumonia, at the age of 68½ years. She had been enfeebled by lagrippe and her vitality could not bear this virulent attack of double pneumonia. She was ill but five days.

Her maiden name was Mary Louisa, the oldest child of David Barrier, deceased, and the only full sister of Mrs. G E Ritchie and J D Barrier. She was also the half sister of F V W D and E D Barrier.

At the age of 11 years she became motherless, and with a precociousness rarely met, she assumed much of the parental oversight of two brothers and a sister, a tact which was conspicuous through her whole life and was in full exercise when bidden to lay down this mother care.

In 1856 she was married to Mr. John J Barringer, to whom she bore eight daughters and one son. The son, Albert, died at 8 years of age, and one daughter, Mrs. John Holdbrooks, died leaving four small children, who became the objects of her maternal charge.

The surviving children are Mrs. Jackson Safrin, Mrs. Jno. A Cline, Mrs. L A Ridenhour, Mrs. A J Lippard, Mrs. Jno. A Lippard, Mrs. J M Blackwelder and Mrs. T E Evans.

She leaves a husband, seven married daughters, and 31 grandchildren to mourn her death in the midst of her years of greatest indarment.

The deceased became in full connection with St. John's E L church at an early age under the ministry of Rev. Jno. D Scheck, and her generous self-sacrificing ministrations to others all through life embellished her Christian character.

She did not enjoy all the advantages desirable, but made the best use of her talents, and it may well be said of her, "She hath done what she could." Memory's tribute stamps hers as a life of unvaried, persevering, provident beneficence to those within her reach.

The earthly remains were laid to rest today (Thursday) at St. John's church amid sleeping ancestors and her nearest of the dead, after the funeral rites by her pastor, Rev. S D Steffey.

Concord Is Known by Them.

Each year Concord and Cabarus county is a rendezvous for the Northern men who wish to come to the South and spend a while hunting. Some of them come regularly each year and recommend this place to others. Already this year a number have been here, among them the attorney general. Last week four arrived here in the county from New York and on Wednesday two more came from Pennsylvania. These men too are always sociable and willing to pay for all favors shown them by our people.

Will Continue Another Year.

Mr. Jesse Hamilton, who is now connected with the Paragon Pharmacy in Asheville, had several months ago decided to return to his position on the road but has recently reconsidered and will be with the Paragon another year.

Red Hot From the Gun

Was the ball that hit G. B. Stadman of Newark, Mich., in the Civil War. It caused horrible Ulcers that no treatment helped for 20 years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him. Cures Cuts, Bruises, Burns, Boils, Felons, Corns, Skin Eruptions. Best Pile cure on earth. 25 cts. a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold at Fetzer's Drug store.

A Junior Band.

A number of smaller boys have now joined the Concord band and it is the intention to have two bands at a later date. Some of the smaller members of the No. 1 band will assist the No. 2 boys.

As a cure for rheumatism Chamberlain's Pain Balm is gaining a wide reputation. D B Johnston of Richmond, Ind., has been troubled with that ailment since 1863. In speaking of it he says: "I never found anything that would relieve me until I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It acts like magic with me. My foot was swollen and paining me very much, but one good application of Pain Balm relieved me.—For sale by M L Marsh & Co. Druggist.



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Department.

(BASEMENT.)

These goods have been selected with special reference to their fitness for holiday giving—beauty with utility and low price. We quote some special low prices that should throng this department with people who have never visited this part of the store. It's something entirely new, nothing ever in town like it. It's just like a separate store. 'Tis a pleasure for us to show you over the stock.

Beautiful China tea sets of 56 pieces, real value ten dollars, only \$7.50. China dinner sets, charming decorations, moderately priced at \$22.50. The English porcelain in plain white or blue decoration in all kinds of dishes. China cups and saucers either plain or motto from 10c to 48c each. Are you puzzled as to a suitable gift, then think of a cake plate, salad dish, pin tray, rose jar, set china plates, cups and saucers, vases and what not.

We are simply hurrying the wind with prices on fancy lamps at \$2.25. We show you a lamp with rich floral designs on dark or light ground with large flat bowl set on brass feet and large round shape globe with real value of \$3.50. Just for a flyer to advertise this department we put on sale Thursday morning 25 fancy decorated lamps, large shade, brass feet, worth \$1.50, so long as they last only 98c.

Crockery, tinware and glassware of every description in this new department. All kinds of lamps and lamp chimneys.

H. L. PARKS
& Company.

We Say!

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

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