

THE ENTERPRISE

State Library

VOL. XI. NO. 29

WILLIAMSTON, N. C., FRIDAY, MAY 6, 1910

\$1.00 a Year in Advance

SPURS OF GEN.

PHILIP KEARNEY

Returned to His Son by Col. Wilson Gray Lamb of Williamston---Worn by the Gallant John C. Lamb at His Death---Interesting Facts Noted.

Capt. C. G. Elliot, Ast. Adj. Gen. Martin's Brigade, writing in Clark's North Carolina Reports, '61-'65, of the assault of the 20th of May, 1864, on the Federal lines at Bermuda Hundreds, Peninsula, Virginia, which resulted in the bottling of Butler's army, says:

"Lieut. Col. John C. Lamb, of Williamston, N. C., 17th Regiment, sprang on the breastworks, cheering his men and fell mortally wounded, a most gallant, able and efficient officer cut off in the bloom of his youth. He fell with the shout of victory from his beloved men resounding in his ears."

Col. Lamb, when killed, was wearing the spurs referred to in the following correspondence:

Williamston, N. C.,
March 1st, 1911.

Genl. John Watts Kearney,
Charlottesville, Va.,
My dear Sir:

The spurs accompanying this letter were won by my brother, Lieut. Col. John C. Lamb, 17th N. C. Regiment, Martin's Brigade, Hoke's Division, Confederate Army, when he was killed on May 20th, 1864, in the assault on Genl. Butler's lines, near Drury's Bluff, Va. My brother informed me that they were given to him by Major Sorrel, of Georgia, Inspector General of Longstreet's Corps, who later was promoted Brigadier General. Major Sorrel informed Col. Lamb that they were taken from the feet of General Philip Kearney, when his body fell into the hands of the soldiers of Longstreet's Corps, at the battle of Chantilly, and by some omission were not delivered to Genl. Pope, with General Kearney's body, sword and other effects.

I beg that you will accept these spurs and transmit them to your descendants as a testament of the heroic valor of your brave father, who gave his life to maintain the union of the States

With sentiments of highest regard, I am,

Yours,
WILSON G. LAMB,

Lieut. Col. F., 17th N. C. Regt.
Martin's Brigade, C. S. A.

R. F. D. No. 4 Charlottesville, Va.,
March 14th, 1910.

Col. Wilson Gray Lamb,

Dear Sir:—I duly received by express from Mr. John C. Daves, of Baltimore, the spurs worn by your brother at the time of his death at Drury's Bluff, which, upon his very good authority, once belonged to my father, Genl. Philip Kearney.

It is needless for me to assure you of my great and sincere appreciation of this your friendly act in transferring to me the ownership of this most interesting memento of the late war. It was very generous and self-denying in you to part with an article once belonging to your brother, which, for this reason must have a fascinating and endearing quality in it for yourself. I will cherish and protect the gift, and whatever disposition I may make of it, I will see to it that its double value will not be forgotten by those into whose hands it may hereafter fall.

As I intimated in a previous communication, my present idea as to the most fitting disposition to make of the spurs, is to present them to the State of New Jersey for safe-keeping. I hope this will meet

with your approval.

I have already given to the State the saddle upon which my father rode to his death, and it is now preserved in the State House at Trenton. I have no doubt that the State authorities will be glad to accept this gift and place it by the saddle. The authority, upon which rests the ownership of the spurs by General Kearney, is sufficient to give them a value on this account, and besides, independently of such ownership, they certainly did belong to a gallant and patriotic Confederate officer, who, like my father, gave his life to his country. This fact of itself makes a relic intrinsically worthy of public respect, and insures for them a lasting and tender preservation.

It seems to me that these spurs, possessing historic value, are in safer hands thus than in private keeping, where the charges incident to private life makes continuity more or less unreliable.

I am much obliged to you for your full statement of the facts concerning these spurs, which renders them still more impressive, as coming from another participant in the eventful struggle.

I am, very, sincerely yours,
JOHN WATTS KEARNEY.

Never hesitate about giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to children. It contains no opium or other narcotics and can be given with implicit confidence. As a quick cure for coughs and colds to which children are susceptible, it is unsurpassed. Sold by Saunders & Fowden and all dealers.

GOLD POINT ITEMS

Cecil Bunting was here Sunday.

R. H. Weaver was in town Saturday.

R. T. Taylor is quite sick with rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. Will James were here Sunday.

B. L. Johnson, of Oak City, was in town Sunday.

Johnnie Edmondson came home Sunday evening.

W. A. Roberson, of Robersonville, was here Sunday.

J. H. Roberson and family, of Robersonville, were here Sunday.

Mrs. Carrie Williams was here last week with her sister, Mrs. A. C. Smith.

Mrs. Charlie Johnson, of Everetts, was the guest of Mrs. L. A. Taylor Sunday.

Misses Cina and Bessie Ward, of Bethel, were the guests of Miss Minnie Bryan Sunday.

The farmers are nearly through putting out tobacco plants. The acreage is very short in this section.

Augustus Powell and Miss Keel were married last Wednesday evening at the residence of J. O. Keel, father of the bride.

Engagement Announced

Mrs. Alexander Hall Smith announces the engagement of her daughter, Miss Nannie Hayes Smith to Dr. Joseph Hubbard Saunders, the wedding to take place on June the fifteenth in the Church of the Advent, Williamston.

This announcement will be received with much interest throughout the State, where the contracting parties are prominently and widely known. Miss Smith is a young woman of attractive personality and is popular with a large number of friends and acquaintances.

Dr. Saunders is a young physician of unusual merit and easily ranks with men of larger experience. He came to Williamston from Washington, where he was reared, and enjoys a lucrative practice in town and county.

University Notes

The memorial services to Dr. Eben Alexander, the late dean of the University, were held in Gerard Hall Sunday afternoon. The exercises were very personal and simple, as simple as the life of the great man in whose memory they were held. Rev. R. W. Hogue opened the services with a beautiful prayer. Dr. Kemp P. Battle presided and in an introductory address spoke of the brilliant mind, the statesmanship, and beautiful home life of Dr. Alexander. Mrs. A. H. Wolfe, president of the senior class, spoke feelingly of the student's love of Dr. Alexander. Prof. W. S. Bernard of the department of Greek, with simple eloquence, interpreted the life of Dr. Alexander. He found the outstanding characteristics of his life to be expressed by the Greek word *eidos*, a sort of pity, ruth, sympathy, and indefinable tenderness and something more. He exhibited this same fine quality whether at the Court of Greece, in the Dean's office, or the streets of Chapel Hill. The principal address was delivered by Mr. Josephus Daniels, the gifted editor of the Raleigh News and Observer. Mr. Daniels spoke for the trustees and alumni. In an interesting and comprehensive manner he sketched the life of Dr. Alexander. Sprung from forebears who were pioneers in the founding and building of the city of Knoxville, a high honor graduate and a loyal son of Yale, Chairman of the faculty of the University of Tennessee, professor of Greek in the University of North Carolina, American Ambassador to Greece, and Dean of the University are the facts with which Mr. Daniels paid a rare eulogium to a great man. Mr. Daniels gave his address a personal touch that added much to its interest and charm. He told of Senator Ransom's hesitancy in approving President Cleveland's appointment of Dr. Alexander and how the old general was finally won over by Dr. Winston's appeal to his love for his alma mater and his state.

Senator Ransom lived to bless the day he approved Dr. Alexander's appointment. The people of Greece and the press of both countries voiced the opinion that Dr. Alexander was perhaps the best minister that any country ever sent to Greece.

Tulane University of New Orleans is making arrangements for a pentangular debate between Tulane, North Carolina, Virginia, Vanderbilt and Missouri. This debate will require two years for completion. It will be one of most significant debating contests engaged in by any of the American Universities. Involving such cities as New Orleans, Nashville and St. Louis (not to mention Chapel Hill) and such states as Louisiana, North Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee and Missouri, this pentangular debate will be interstate and national in interest and consequence.

Carolina lost in baseball to the Navy 1 to 0, won from Georgetown 5 to 1, and from Wake Forest 1 to 0. In the Wake Forest game only 29 men faced Hedgepeth and not even a single man got even the semblance of a hit.

The chancicler hat proves that not only must city folks look to the farmyard for their living, but also for their styles.

The splendid work of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets is daily coming to light. No such grand remedy for liver and bowel troubles was ever known before. Thousands bless them for curing constipation, sick headache, biliousness, jaundice and indigestion. Sold by Saunders & Fowden and all dealers.

High School Closed

The annual commencement of the Williamston High School ended Tuesday night. The exercises opened with the singing of "Carolina" by the school in which the entire audience joined. Prof. M. C. S. Noble, of the State University, made the address, taking as his theme "The Upbuilding of the State." Prof. Noble has long been engaged in the educational work of North Carolina, and his services are eagerly sought. He told of the waste which was once, but now is being utilized to develop the great resources of the best State in the Union. He was fortunate in the selection of his theme and in the manner of presentation, because it was such that would implant in the breast of even the youngest child present a desire for those higher things which make for the greatness of State and Nation. Rev. W. J. Gordon, whose early school days were spent under the supervision of Prof. Noble, introduced him as a distinguished educator and humorist. The words of introduction were fully verified, as his wit is such that always charms but never tires.

At the close of the address, John L. Hassell presented three prizes for the best spelling in the fifth and sixth grades. These were won by James Turner and Nettie and Ethel Carson. S. A. Newell in behalf of Miss Taylor, of the musical department, presented a prize to Hilda Crawford for the best work in music for the term. Sue Leggett was awarded the prize offered by the Betterment Association for the best work accomplished in music since the beginning of the spring term.

Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the graduating exercises were held. The spacious City Hall was filled with pupils and citizens of the town. Miss Frances Knight, at the beginning of the program, rendered a piano solo, and Misses Irma Woodhouse and Hilda Crawford each gave a selection. These pupils delighted the audience by their interpretation of selections which older pupils might fail to properly render.

The graduating class was composed of Miss Ila Jenkins, Dowell Burroughs, W. H. Harrell and Elbert S. Peel. "Tennyson's Ideal Woman" was the subject of an essay by Miss Jenkins, who was presented a prize for faithful work during the entire term. The orations by the young men gave evidence of careful thought, and were presented in a manner pleasing to the audience. The judges, Rev. G. J. Dowell, J. L. Hassell and J. J. Stroud decided to award the prize to Homer Peel, who delivered an oration on "Scholarship."

Much regret was expressed at the illness of Miss Taylor, who had arranged to have a musical recital on Monday evening. The class has done faithful work this term and is a very enthusiastic one. Miss Taylor gets the best out of pupils, and has trained them with the care of a talented and conscientious teacher.

An Ideal Husband

is patient, even with a nagging wife, for he knows she needs help. She may be so nervous and run-down in health that trifles annoy her. If she is melancholy, excitable, troubled with loss of appetite, headache, sleeplessness, constipation or fainting and dizzy spells. She needs Electric Bitters—the most wonderful remedy for ailing women. Thousands of sufferers from female troubles, nervous troubles, backache and weak kidneys have used them and become healthy and happy. Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by all druggists.

Notice to Telephone Subscribers

Subscribers of the Williamston Telephone Company will please make the following changes in Telephone Directory of July 1st, 1909: Change Daniel & Staton from 102 to 114-3 1/2; J. B. Hardison from 102 to 114-1 1/2; Simon E. Hardison from 102 to 114-4.

Discontinue the following: Ice House; Adams & Ward; Ellington & Leggett; Ben Ward; Jno. E. Pope.

Add to Directory the following new subscribers: Bunch, E. P., Residence No. 126; Dixie Tobacco Warehouse No. 121; Gurganus, George N., Residence No. 127; Hoyt, F. W., Residence No. 120; Hopkins, J. W., Residence No. 114-3; Leggett, W. H., Market No. 52; Mobley, Sidney A., Stables 122; Residence No. 123; Peed, Thos. A., Residence No. 87; Pope, Mrs. Bettie, Residence No. 88; Peed, R. J., Residence No. 125; Peed, Jas. S., Office No. 103 1/2; Roanoke Warehouse, Office 89; Simpson, J. Paul, Office No. 17; Ward, J. Herbert, Market No. 44; Waters, Jas. B., Residence No. 124; Williams, Dr. John W., Office No. 103 3/2; H. M. Burras, Residence No. 128; S. W. Manning, Store No. 114-2; James A. Roberson, Residence No. 114-1/2; J. W. Watts & Co., Stables No. 37; Gurganus, J. Henry, Residence 109-4; Griffin, Wm. W., Residence 102-4; Hardison, Joseph A., Residence 114-2 1/2; Leggett, W. H. Residence 78; Stubbs, Harry W., Office 130; Taylor, Eli, Residence, 107-1/2; Harrison, Louis C., Residence 73; Simpson, J. Paul, Farm 107-5; Carper, John L., Residence, 131; Cook, John S., Store, 132; Bynum Wynn No. 112-2 1/2; Cherry & Clark, No. 103 1 1/2; Baltimore Tailoring House No. 31; Meeks Mercantile Co., Everetts toll station 103-2 1/2; William H. Daniel No. 114 1/2 1/2; Henry Roberson No. 114 1/2 1/2; J. L. Peel and J. R. Griffin No. 114-5; Ed Daniel No. 114-4 1/2; O. C. Prices' Pressing Club No. 58; T. S. Hadley No. 107 1/2 1/2.

JAMESVILLE CENTRAL

A. C. L. R. R. Depot No. 8, Brown Bros. store No. 6, S. R. Biggs Drug Co. No. 3, B. S. Edwards residence No. 13, W. H. Ellison store No. 5, Dr. U. S. Hassell store No. 10, Lilley & Martin store No. 11, Dr. J. E. Smithwick residence No. 7, W. H. Stallings store No. 9, W. W. Waters, store No. 12, Geo. S. Williams office No. 8, Norfolk & Southern R. R. No. 12.

Respectfully,

Williamston Telephone Co.,
This April 14th, 1910.

An enterprising exchange has a long catalogue of work for rainy days; but, then, who wants to work on rainy days.

Mr. S. G. Burroughs Dead

The death of Samuel G. Burroughs at his home near Williamston, on Saturday, April 30th was not unexpected, as he had been suffering for about five weeks from a stroke of paralysis. He was born in Martin County some sixty years ago, and married Miss Dorothy Smith, who survives him together with eight children. A brother, John B. Burroughs, also survives him.

The deceased was one of the county's best citizens and enjoyed the confidence of all who knew him. For thirty years he had been a member of Skewarkee Lodge, and on Monday afternoon was buried with all the honors due a Master Mason.

Elders Sylvester Hassell and G. D. Roberson conducted services at the residence. The interment was in the family cemetery.

ROBERSONVILLE

NEWS ITEMS

Local Happenings and People who are Coming and Going, Here, There and Yonder as Gathered by our Regular Correspondent.

J. B. Coffield was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Mollie Rawls has returned home.

W. T. Britton is still ill with mumps.

Miss Fancy Taylor was in town Sunday.

Mrs. Susan Gray was in town Tuesday.

Miss Nina Roberson is on the sick list.

Miss Ida James is visiting in Grindool.

Mrs. F. S. Purvis was in town Saturday.

Herbert Rodgers spent Sunday in Everetts.

Dr. Long, of Hamilton, was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Henry Congleton spent Monday in town.

Mrs. G. A. Crofton spent Sunday in Gold Point.

Miss Isabelle Morton spent Monday in Williamston.

Miss Effie Roebuck spent several days here last week.

J. W. Gardner, of Scotland Neck, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Roberson spent Sunday in Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Roberson spent Sunday in Gold Point.

W. A. Roberson and family spent Sunday in Gold Point.

Willie Roebuck and Miss Lizzie Mooring spent Sunday in Bethel.

Miss Annie Mooring and John Gardner went to Bethel Sunday.

W. A. Ross conducted services at the Baptist Church Sunday night.

Several from here attended the funeral of Mr. Sam Burroughs Monday.

Mrs. Mahala Highsmith and Mrs. J. L. Roberson are visiting in Jamesville this week.

Frank Crofton, Herman Rawls, William Gray and Arthur Johnson spent Sunday in Hassell.

Miss Effie Riddick, who has been spending some time here, returned home Wednesday.

Mrs. W. G. Barnhill and Mrs. Maniza Manning spent Wednesday with Mrs. G. D. Roberson.

Closing of Colored School

The Williamston Colored Graded School will have its closing exercises on the 10th instant. The principal play will be "Crowning of Flora," a musical by the Intermediate Grades.

On Wednesday evening, May 11, the Uplift Literary Society of the school will give a concert for the benefit of the library. There will be a debate by seven boys, subject: "Which is of the greatest benefit to his country, the warrior, statesman or poet." J. F. Ruffin, William Johnson, S. L. Andrews, J. A. Hassell, Benjamin Huff and J. T. Ormond will debate the question. Another feature will be the play, "Who will be Queen of May" by 28 girls.

All are invited to attend each night of the exercises. There will be an admission fee of 10 cents on the night of the concert, which will be used for the benefit of the library.

W. V. ORMOND,
Principal.