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A Card of Thanks.

I wish to say that I feel under lasting obligations for what Chamberlain's cough remedy has done for our family. We have used it in so many cases of coughs, lung troubles and whooping cough, and it has always given the most perfect satisfaction. We feel greatly indebted to the manufacturers of this remedy and wish them to please accept our hearty thanks.—Respectfully, Mrs. S. D. Dory, Des Moines, Iowa. For sale by all dealers.

Now they are proposing Dewey for the vice presidency. At this rate he may be able to get a place on some ticket for register of deeds or some such good place.—Asheville Citizen.

PASSING



YEARS

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The Amended Amendment.

Following is the text of the important measure you will be called to vote on in August as passed by the Legislature June 13, 1900.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter 218, Public Laws of 1899, entitled "An Act to Amend the Constitution of North Carolina" be amended so as to make said act read as follows:

That Article VI of the Constitution of North Carolina be, and the same is hereby abrogated, and in lieu thereof shall be substituted the following article of said Constitution as an entire and indivisible plan of suffrage.

ARTICLE VI.

SUFFRAGE AND ELIGIBILITY TO OFFICE—QUALIFICATION OF AN ELECTOR.

Section 1. Every male person born in the United States and every male person who has been naturalized, twenty-one years of age and possessing the qualifications set out in this article, shall be entitled to vote at any election by the people in the State, except as herein otherwise provided.

Sec. 2. He shall have resided in the State of North Carolina for two years, in the county six months, and in the precinct, ward or other election district in which he offers to vote four months next preceding the election: Provided, that removal from one precinct, ward or other election district, to another in the same county, shall not operate to deprive any person of the right to vote in the precinct, ward or other election district from which he has removed until four months after such removal. No person who has been convicted or who has confessed his guilt in open court upon indictment of any crime, the punishment of which now is or may hereafter be imprisonment in the State prison, shall be permitted to vote unless the said person shall be restored to citizenship in the manner prescribed by law.

Sec. 3. Every person offering to vote shall be at the time a legally registered voter as herein prescribed and in the manner hereafter provided by law, and the General Assembly of North Carolina shall enact general registration laws to carry into effect the provisions of this article.

Sec. 4. Every person presenting himself for registration shall be able to read and write any section of the Constitution in the English language, and before he shall be entitled to vote he shall have paid on or before the first day of May, of the year in which he proposes to vote his poll tax for the previous year as prescribed by Article 5, Section 1, of the Constitution, but no male person who was on Jan. 1, 1867, or at any time prior thereto, entitled to vote under the laws of any State in the United States wherein he then resided, and no lineal descendant of any such person shall be

denied the right to register and vote at any election in this State by reason of his failure to possess the educational qualification herein prescribed, provided he shall have registered in accordance with the terms of this section prior to December 1, 1908. The General Assembly shall provide for the registration of all persons entitled to vote without the educational qualifications herein prescribed and shall on or before November 1, 1908, provide for the making of a permanent record of such registration and all persons so registered shall forever thereafter have the right to vote in all elections by the people in this State unless disqualified under section 2 of this article, provided such person shall have paid his poll tax as above required.

Sec. 5. That this amendment to the constitution is presented and adopted as one indivisible plan for the regulation of the suffrage with the intent and purpose to so connect the different parts and to make them so dependent upon each other that the whole shall stand or fall together.

Sec. 6. All elections, by the people shall be by ballot and all elections by the General Assembly shall be viva voce.

Sec. 7. Every voter in North Carolina except as in this article disqualified shall be eligible to office, but before entering upon the duties of the office he shall take and subscribe the following oath: "I,....., do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and maintain the Constitution and laws of the United States and Constitution and laws of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith, and that I will faithfully discharge my duties of my office at..... So help me, God."

Sec. 8. The following classes of persons shall be disqualified for office: First, of all persons who shall deny the being of Almighty God. Second, all persons who shall have been convicted or confessed their guilt on indictment pending and whether sentenced or not or under judgment suspended of any treason or felony or of any other crime for which the punishment may be imprisonment in the penitentiary since becoming citizens of the United States, or of corruption and malpractice in office, unless such person shall be restored to the rights of citizenship in a manner prescribed by law.

Sec. 9. That this amendment of the Constitution shall go into effect on the first day of July, 1902, if a majority of votes cast at the next general election shall be cast in favor of the suffrage amendment.

Sec. 2. This amendment shall be submitted at the next general election to the qualified voters of the State in the same manner and under the same rules and regulations as is provided in the law regulating general elections in this State and in

force May 1, 1899, and at said election those persons desiring to vote for such amendment shall cast a written or printed ballot with the words, "For Suffrage Amendment" thereon; and those with a contrary opinion shall cast a written or printed ballot with the words "Against the Amendment" thereon.

Sec. 3. The said election shall be held and the votes returned, compared, counted and canvassed and the result announced under the same rules and regulations as are in force for returning, comparing, counting and canvassing the votes for the members of the General Assembly May 1, 1899, and if a majority of the votes cast are in favor of the said amendment it shall be the duty of the Governor of the State to certify said amendment under the seal of the State to the Secretary of State, who shall enroll the said amendment so certified among the permanent records of his office.

Sec. 4. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified the 21st day of February, A. D. 1899.

C. A. REYNOLDS,
President of the Senate.
H. G. CONNOR,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Another Confederate Gone.

One by one the old Confederate soldiers drop out of line. On May the 29, 1900, Joseph Cornell while operating a saw mill near his home was thrown upon the saw and was so mangled that he died in twenty-eight hours afterwards.

He was born about the year 1812, and was married to Rebecca Harman about the year 1865, from which union there were seven children, all of whom survive him.

He was baptized into the fellowship of the church at Antioch about the year '66. By an unfortunate misunderstanding between him and others, he was excluded from the fellowship of the church and he never again applied to be restored. He often referred to it, but said he was excluded unjustly and could therefore make no acknowledgment, and the writer is confidently of the opinion that his exclusion was unjust. Whatever his mistakes may have been we will throw over them the mantle of charity, and we are pleased to state that from his family we learn that during the last months he was with them his life was all they could desire, and he gave the satisfactory evidence that he was restored to divine favor and was ready and willing to go.

To the bereaved ones we would say that they have our heartfelt sympathy in this dispensation of Providence and may the Lord help them so to live that they may meet their loved ones in heaven. Remember children, how suddenly your father was taken away, and this should warn you that you may be taken at any hour. "In the midst of life we are in death." Prepare, oh! children, prepare for that solemn hour.

G. W. TRIVETTE.

The Confederate Reunion.

Editor Democrat:

It would prove abortive were we to attempt to give a detailed description of the official program of the recent sessions of the United Confederate Veteran's Association held in Louisville, Ky., May 30th, June 3rd.

It is sufficient to say the meeting was a grand success in every particular, saving the weather. Rain prohibited much of the exercises appearing on time. The bombardment of Fort Donaldson was put off from Thursday evening till Saturday night. So also the fire-works and parade was postponed and only appeared Saturday and Sunday night; all these exercises were brilliant affairs.

But to know anything of the enjoyment of these reunions one must be present, no pen can describe it.

To the people of Kentucky and especially to Col. Burnet H. Young and James A. Shuttleworth are the old soldiers of North Carolina indebted for much of their enjoyment. To the two gentlemen above named and to Col. Carr of our own State is due the fact that North Carolina had, and maintained the grandest headquarters of any State represented in the reunion. To them is due the honorable position North Carolina occupied, both in the Reunion Hall, and in the parade, being awarded first place in both.

The Reunion Hall, or Auditorium was the largest structure we have yet seen built for Reunion purposes, holding 10,000 chairs.

The number of old soldiers attending was said to be in excess of any former Reunion. The entertainment was all one could wish. Col. Benet H. Young and James A. Shuttleworth were the hosts of the "Tar heels" and right royally did they the honors.

Our incident illustrating the feeling of the Blue and the Gray, may not be amiss. When the good wishes and fraternal greetings of the G. A. R. was presented from Gen. Daniel Seagies, and a proposition was made for acceptance and reciprocation of the same. Someone arose for remarks, and proceeded to inveigh against the reception. As soon as the old vets caught the trend of his discourse they howled him down. Thousands at once crying, "put him out, kick him out," nor did they cease their noisy demonstrations so long as he remained on the stand.

One other incident we would relate. When the daughter and granddaughter of president Davis was presented to the convention, Gen. Gordon after introducing them turned and kissed the granddaughter, amid the shouts of the old soldiers to "pass it round."

The ladies of Louisville seemed untiring in their endeavors to entertain and amuse the old soldiers. Each evening they gave music and amateur theatricals at our headquarters, much to the delight of all.

But realizing that anything I might say only is tame in view of the facts, I'll quit.

B. A. D.

The Amendment Not a Party Measure.

It seems to us that the consideration of the Amendment is far above the average political question. In fact, it appeals to the interests of all, regardless of politics. Therefore it should not be termed as a Democratic measure, but the people's measure; a measure framed by the best men of all political parties. We mean this: if all the white men of North Carolina, irrespective of party, could have assembled in a great convention, and submitted our suffrage amendment to the people for ratification, it would not have improved the amendment, or the object of of the amendment, but it might have removed the unreasonable objection that it is a Democratic measure.

With a great many men in the State this objection is not counted, especially in the east where the negro and his baneful effects is in evidence everywhere; but in the west, among some Republicans who are not so familiar with the conditions of the east, they do oppose it. But even some of these are departing from party lines in order to rid the east and their own party from this negro incubus.

By the time it comes to a vote all white men in North Carolina will find that the adoption of the amendment appeals directly to the best and most intelligent citizenship, and will regard it not as a party measure, but a measure that vitally affects the best interests of all our people and the entire State.

It is claimed that Roberts found a city empty of Boer soldiery when he entered Pretoria; that the burghers had been preparing for that event for some time, and that there is method in their present system of conducting the war. It is declared that the Boers have preserved their guns and are amply prepared for another year of as vigorous fighting as they have practiced for the past eight months, and that it is their determination to wear Great Britain out and compel a settlement which shall leave the republics as independent as they were at the beginning of the hostilities.—Ex.

Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased. Kidney trouble becomes so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If the child urinates too often, if the urine scalds the flesh or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depend upon it, the cause of the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose.

Women as well as men are made miserable with kidney and bladder trouble, and both need the same great remedy. The mild and the immediate effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It is sold by druggists, in fifty-cent and one dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also pamphlet telling all about it, including many of the thousands of testimonial letters received from sufferers cured. In writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure and mention this paper.

