

Biographical Sketch of Colonel Withers.

Colonel Robert E. Withers, the Virginia gentleman who has been thus honored by the representatives of the Old Dominion in the General Assembly, was born in Campbell county, Va., in 1821.

Colonel Withers entered the war at its beginning, and in April, 1861, came to this city in command of a battalion. Here he was assigned by Governor Letcher to the command of the Eighteenth Virginia regiment.

He participated in the battles of First Manassas, Seven Pines, and Gaines's Mill. In the last-named he fell dreadfully wounded while leading his regiment in the final charge, in which the enemy was routed.

He was before the close of the war assigned to the prison post at Danville, and held it until he surrendered to General Wright on the 22d of April, 1865.

When the war ended he was too much of a cripple for the country practice of medicine, and seeking some pursuit better adapted to the physical condition, he became editor of the Lynchburg News, and afterwards of the Richmond Enquirer.

The Colonel showed readiness and facility as a writer, and wrote with vigor and force, and we can say that for this honorable, fair, and manly conduct as an editor he was an ornament of the profession.

In the spring of 1863 he was nominated for the office of Governor, and canvassed the State against the Radical party and the then pending Underwood Constitution. He so aroused public opinion against the Constitution that the military authority (General Canby), fearing its rejection, postponed the vote upon it.

Before the campaign was over the "Liberal movement," as it was then called, was set on foot. It contemplated a union of Liberal Republicans and Democrats, and Colonel Withers being rather ultra, it was thought, for that time, the State being still out of the Union—he yielded to the wishes of many friends and withdrew.

Governor Walker was then nominated upon the Union ticket, and the grand triumph of that ticket followed, which is familiar to all the readers of the Dispatch. For Colonel Withers's magnanimity at that time it has been generally thought that he should have been honored with some prominent position, and his friends thought it a good opportunity, and nominated him as Lieutenant-Governor in August last.

GEN. GORDON'S SPEECH ON THE SALARY BILL.—Washington, Jan. 12.—The speech of General Gordon, of Georgia, in the Senate to-day on the salary question was listened to with great attention, especially that portion of it which partook of the nature of a personal explanation, and which referred to the surrender of General Lee at Appomattox.

He said he was one of those who held a command in the Confederate army when it surrendered to General Grant at Appomattox, and until that time he had never known what grief was. The negotiations occupied four days and four nights, and during all that time not one word of exultation escaped the lips of the Federal commanders.

THE TEXAS IMBROGLIO.—Austin, Jan. 14.—Governor Davis concludes a letter to the Legislature that it has been repeatedly held that the recognition of Congress and the Executive of the United States will settle the question as to what body of men constitute the Legislature and which is proper for the State government. This way affords a solution to be accepted by all.

Respectfully, EDWARD J. DAVIS, Governor.

Our Princely Printing.

The editor of the Port Royal Commercial, a Republican paper, but one apparently as sincerely opposed to the frauds and extravagances of the State government as the Conservative sheets are, has written to a number of treasurers of wealthy Northern States to ascertain the expenditures for public printing last year.

In Iowa the printing cost \$121,008, including the publication of the laws in all the papers of the State, which expense, the Treasurer says, will now be avoided by abolishing the custom.

In Massachusetts the sum paid was \$89,766.30, including some extraordinary work amounting to about \$20,000.

In Pennsylvania the amount paid was \$73,377.74.

In Ohio \$62,923.83.

In Maryland, the only Democratic State heard from, the cost was only \$38,000.

The aggregate population of these five States is between nine and ten millions, or more than twelve times greater than that of South Carolina, and the aggregate assessed value of their property more than thirty times that of this State.

These are facts and figures which should make our corrupt rulers pause, and impel our taxpayers to take speedy steps for the rescue of the State ere we be entirely undone.

COL. PIATT'S ESCAPE.

The President's Son and Brother in law Calling at his House Armed with Heavy Sticks—An Assault Contemplated.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The statement telegraphed from here last night in regard to a card published in yesterday's Capital was incorrect. I learn from General Banning, who is stopping at Col. Piatt's house, that the persons who called there and asked for Col. Piatt were Jim Casey and Lieut.-Col. Fred Grant. As Col. Piatt was absent Gen. Banning, on being told that the men refused to give their names, went to the door, whereupon the two took their departure. The way the assault was planned showed that serious injury was intended Col. Piatt.

When the servant went to answer the bell he found young Grant at the door accompanied by another large man, both being armed with heavy sticks. They asked if Col. Piatt was in, and the servant replied that he would see, and asked what names. Fred Grant said that did not matter. The servant went down stairs to the Colonel's library, and not finding the Colonel, in told Gen. Banning that there were two men at the front door who wanted to see Col. Piatt and refused to give their names.

"Who are they?" asked the General, replied the servant.

General Banning hurried up stairs—the Colonel's library is in the basement—and on reaching the hall he was met by Casey and Fred Grant, who had entered the house and placed themselves in a position to knock the Colonel on the head. As soon as he appeared, finding the wrong man in, they took a hurried leave. What makes this piece of ruffianism all the worse is the fact that Mrs. Piatt is in feeble health and any excitement would probably prove fatal. Col. Piatt spends most of his time at his office. He passes the White House twice a day, and it was not necessary to go like assassins to his house if the two brave champions of the Administration wished to attack him.

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1874.

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Atlanta & Rich. A. L. Rwy Co. This Schedule to take effect Monday, Dec. 8, 1873, at 6 o'clock p. m.

DAILY PASSENGER GOING NORTH—No. 1. Stations. Arrive. Leave.

Atlanta, 6:48 p. m. 6:00 p. m. Gainesville, 8:11 " 8:15 "

Toccoa City, 9:48 " 9:51 " Seneca City, 11:12 " 11:18 "

Central, 12:03 a. m. 12:09 a. m. Greenville, 1:43 " 1:54 "

Greer's, 2:42 " 2:42 " Spartanburg, 4:03 " 4:03 "

Gaffney's, 5:06 " 5:06 " King's Mount'n, 6:09 " 6:12 "

Gastonia, 6:54 " 6:57 " Charlotte, 8:06 " 8:11 "

DAILY PASSENGER GOING SOUTH—No. 2. Stations. Arrive. Leave.

N. C. R. R. J'n, 8:45 p. m. 8:39 p. m. Charlotte, 9:51 " 9:57 "

King's Mt, 10:36 " 10:39 " Gaffney's, 11:54 " 11:57 "

Cowpens, 12:39 a. m. 12:39 a. m. Spartanburg, 1:18 " 1:21 "

Wellford, 2:03 " 2:06 " Greer's, 3:29 " 3:24 "

Greenville, 4:45 " 4:51 " Central, 4:45 " 4:51 "

Seneca City, 5:36 " 5:39 " Toccoa City, 7:03 " 7:18 "

Mount Airy, 7:52 " 7:54 " Bellton, 8:33 " 8:36 "

Gainesville, 9:18 " 9:21 " Fly Branch, 9:48 " 9:51 "

Buford, 10:12 " 10:15 " Swannee, 10:33 " 10:36 "

Duluth, 10:54 " 10:57 " Norcross, 11:12 " 11:18 "

Norville, 11:33 " 11:36 " Goodwins, 11:51 " 11:54 "

Atlanta, 12:24 p. m. B. Y. SAGE, Supt.

Sale of Valuable City Property. By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Mecklenburg county, offered for sale the property in the city of Charlotte, on Trade Street, known as the residence of Mrs. A. C. Williamson, containing four city lots.

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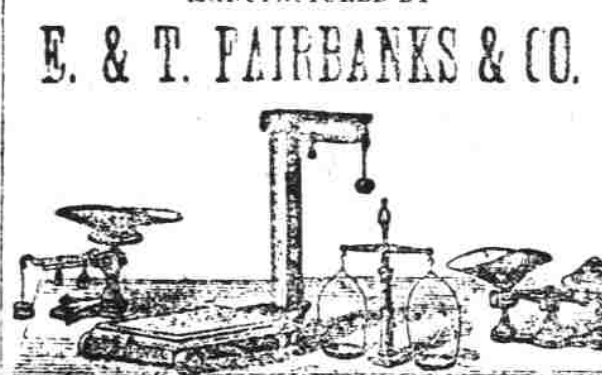
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