A Successful Occasion-Speech of Maj. C. Dowd-Flag Presentation to the

It was a typical 20th. Barring the dust, which was as bad as it ever gets to be in Charlotte, the day was finewarm, but clear and breezy-and the celebration was a success, albeit the crowd in attendance was somewhat smaller than it has been on previous occasions, and the exercises less elaborate and showy. The cannon salutes and the ringing of bells at sunrise were

have no cannon, but in all other respects spirited strains of a brass band, an-nouncing the arrival of the Governor's Guards, of Columbia, at 6 o'clock in the morning. They were met at the depot by the Hornets' Nest Riflemen, whose guests they were, and escorted to the armory where they were formally re-ceived by Capt. Watts in a brief speech, which was appropriately responded to by Capt. Wille Jones, of the Guards,

By 8 o'clock the streets were alive gaily, and everything indicated a general holiday. Shortly after the hour the country military companies, began to arrive, and various fire and military companies to move about the streets, preparatory to taking position in the procession. Shortly after 10 o'clock the procession was formed under the direction of Col. J. P. Thomas, chief marshal, with the right resting on Sixth street. The column was beaded. by Brigadier-General M. P. Faylor and

Mai. W. A. Cummings, Brigade Quartermaster, formerly of the Wilmington Light Infantif; Maj. John G. Young. Brigade Comissary, formerly of the H. N. R's, Charlotte; Maj. Geo. H. Hall, Brigade Crd mance Officer, for merly of the La Fayette Light Infantry, Fayette-ville; Capt. R. B. Miller, Senior Aid-decamp, formerly of the Cleaveland Guards, Shelby; Col. Atbert H. Worth, Col. commanding 2nd Regiment North Carolina State Guard, formerly of the Independent Light Infantry, Fayette-ville. The line was composed as fol-lows: Columbia cornet band; cadets of the Military Institute, commanded by J. P. Thomas, Jr.; Governors Guards, commanded by Capt Willie Jones; Hornets Nest Militaries, Capt. Watts; Polk Rifles, Capt. J. Younts; Charlotte Grays, Capt. W. W. Fleming; Mecklenburg Rifles, Capt. Davis; Officers of the Fire Department and the Presidents of each company mounted; Horotte fire carbon No. 100

and Ladder, No. 1; chaplain, orators and invited guests in carriages; citizens' on horseback and in carriages.

The fire engines and truck of the

cession as it passed.

Arriving at the entrance toother

grounds of the Carolina Military Institute, the procession opened ranks and the speaker and other officials of the occasion marched through, stopping near the centre of the large grove where the platform had been erected. Already a large crowd had collected in the grove, which rapidly filled up after the entrance of the procession. entrance of the procession.

and distinguished visitors were conducted to the stand, where the exercises were formally opened by a prayer by Rev. A. A. Boshamer, the Rev. L. P. O'Connell, who had been selected for this purpose being confised to his room from illness. The chief marshal then introduced Mr. F. B. Mc-Dowell, of the Southern Home, who read the Declaration of Independence of May 20th, 1775, with the names of

the signers. Maj. C. Dowd, was then introduced and delivered in an earnest and grace ful manner the following

ADDRESS | SPEND OF

LADIES AND FELLOW CITIZENS: We celebrate the anniversary of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, and it is the 20th of May. It is not the first anniversary, nor the 10th, nor the 50th, nor the centennial; but the 105th. More than a 20th, after this sleepless night of anxious the detailed of the anniversary of the 10th of informed the rotal, nor the south, nor the south, nor the centernial; but the 105th. More than a century has intergenced since the date to which we refer the verter we would to which we refer the verter we would this day commemorate, and again, and again have the people assembled to celebrate it, and to hond an expectation of the continuous points of the continuous points of the content of the continuous points of the stand retired to give this day commemorate, and again, and again have the people assembled to celebrate it, and to hond an expectation of the continuous points of the stand retired to give the story is the doir of the continuous points of the content of the continuous points of the stand retired to give the story is the doir of the continuous points of the stand retired to give the story is the doir of the continuous points of the stand retired to give the story is the doir of the continuous points of the stand retired to give the story is the doir of the continuous points of the continuous points of the stand retired to give the story is the doir of the continuous points of the stand retired to give the story is the doir of the continuous points of the stand retired to give the story is the doir of the continuous points of the stand retired to give the story is the doir of the continuous points of the stand retired to give the story is that the containt of the stand retired to give th ment of the occurrence should be very materially medified. In other words, that there is no such thing as a Meck-lenburg Declaration of Independence; that the people of Mecklenburg county did not purely a formula declaration of the people of Mecklenburg county. did not make a formal declaration of Independence on the 20th of May, 1775, tained that three copies had been made; a young man of splendid natural abilinor at any other time and, consequently, what we celebrate is all a myth and a fable. Certain patriotic resolutions,

it is admitted, were passed by a com-

pose such a Declaration, but on the con- Knitt Alexander, one of the secretaries street perpetuates.

The name Hornet is also with us a trary, that they negative the pre-existence of an assertion of Independence by and on behalf of the people of the county, and breathe toward the kingdom and crown of Great Britain a spirit of the atmost levalty and flevotion. It is not at all necessary at this late day to take very extended notice of, or invest with any degree of importance, the arguments or sophistries of these objectors and critics.

Custom, and an unbroken tradition extending along the sweep of an entire century must suffice to raise a presump

tion in favor of the verity of the occurrence, and custom and tradition do most unmistakably point to a Declaration of Independence as the fact, and the 20th of hay as the date of the conurrence. The burden of proof, therefore must be on lose who hold the negative of the issue, or tions, to affirm most unest the contract of the contract of the contract of the street of the contract of the burden who hold the negative of the issue, or tions, to affirm most unest the who hold the negacive of the issue, or tions, to affirm most uneces vocally that rather, who themselves have raised the 20th of May was the date and a De-But we have not been content | claration of Independence the occur-

to rest the case even upon this strong presumption in its favor. The fact has been proved by the posiof those who were present and themselves took part in the transaction.

The first objection came, as it will be remembered, from that illustrious statesman. Thomas Jefferson, who was the author of the national Declaration, made more than a year afterwards. Mr. Jefferson was in some respects a peculiar man, and he may have been, and perhaps was in this instance, influenced by peculiar motives. Men are affected by nature, as we know, with divers temperaments and idiosyncracies. Some are born skeptics, while others are naturally prone to easy or blind credulity. There is a class of metaphysicians who hold the doctrine that nothing can be absolutely certain to any man, except what has some in in the scope with the work with the scope wit

tion; and the law-writers tell us that secondary and hearsay evidence must be ondary and hearsay evidence must be rejected, if it is at all possible to produce what is original and primary. Unfortunately for the reputation of Mr. Jefferson he was skeptical on subjects other than the Mecklenburg Declaration. He is said to have had a like want of faith in the divine origin of the Old and New Testament and to have altour these calebrations will recur as the ages. ment. The great English historian, Mr. Hume, rejected the doctrine of the res-

lenburg Declaration is pronounced spurious is even less plausible than the falled of Mr. June; for this was no miracle, nor was it contrary to the laws of nature. The like had been done before, though never in this country. It was only a little too early in point of time for Mr. Jefferson. That was all. In the year 1819, that great and good man, the elder Adams, enclosed with a letter to Mr. Jefferson a newspaner con-tuning a copy of the Mecklenburg re-solves or Declaration. These illustrious compatriots, Adams and Jefferson, hav-

laws of nature, and to all experience.

But the pretext upon which the Meck-

gle, and now looking back after the lapse of nearly half a century, he says in the letter enclosing these resolves, the genuine sense of Anierica at that moment was never so well expressed before nor since."

The hanghty and imperious Jefferson could not brook such a sentiment coning from his old political rival. The National Declaration, of which he was the author, was not to be overshadowed, neither as to the date of its incention, nor as to the accuracy with which it portrayed the sentiment of the Ameri-

ply to Mr. Adams brands the document as "a fabrication—a spurious production and an unjustifiable quiz." He also stigmatizes one of the three delegates in the Continental Congress from North Carolina at that time, as the greatest tory in Congress, and another as altogether unreliable-"wavering or firm according as the day was clear or cloudy." Well, the people of Mecklen-burg county, and of the whole state of North Carolina, were astumished and justly indignant at such charges, pro-ceeding, as they did, from such an emi-

deliberation. They did not retaliate in gress."
epithets and resolutions of denunciation and invective, but they put their coolest and wisest heads to work to The fire engines and truck of the hook and ladder company were richly ornamented with lowers, and the Homers drew a carriage containing a little girl, "Our Pet," the vehicle being canopied and covered with flowers. The windows and balconies were filled with spectators who cheered the proyears had elapsed. Nearly all the par-ticipants had passed into their graves, and the ew survivors were scattered. some removed to distant parts of the country. It was no reasy matter to gather up the records and produce the evidence, oral and written. These brave,

The prator of the day, the reader, officers of the military and fire companies that the military and fire companies that the people of Mecklesburg county, consider the condition of the country and concert measures for the redress of grievances, assembled on May 19th,

> square; that they had a long and tu-multuous session lasting through the whole night. The American colonies were being grievously burdened and oppressed by the mother country. The exactions of the King and Parliament of Great Britain had become almost intolerable, and moreover, what greatly intensified the excitement and probably precipitated the event, it is said that even while this meeting was in pro-

the paper must be looked for in manu-

State, and some in other States. They

who was alleged to have borne the pro-ceedings to the delegates from Morth Carolina in the Congress at Philadel-Georgia in the 88th year of his age, and he fully and positively substantiated all that has been affirmed in this particular, giving some interesting incidents

phant answer may be given: Factum probatum, non possibile, non probabile; Gen. Gates at Camden in South Caroli-

and New Testament, and to have alto these celebrations will recur as the ages the discarded the teachings of the scriptures and the doctrine of the atone be honored by North Carolinians as the birthday, and Mecklenburg county, Hume, rejected the doctrine of the resurrection because it was miraculous, The booming of cannon will continue holding the opinion that it was more to usher in the day; banners and probable that a number of dredible wit- streamers will float in the breezes; soldiers and firemen and citizens will nesses should testify falsely, than that an event should occur contrary to the and the shouts and huzzas of the multitude will attest their joy as well as their

But there are other facts and events connected with the revolution, to ele-vate our pride and deepen our love for our county and State They are by far too numerous to be recounted, or even referred to upon an occasion like the present. A very few illustrations may be presented. Before proceeding to do so, however, I beg to remark that deeds of valor and patriotism are of little value in the history of a people who have been without faithful and friendly historians to record them, and our State

who also presented the H. N. R's with two heartiful wreaths which had been sent the by defined of columbia. The fault were they were given comfortable quarters for the day.

By 8 o'clock the streets were alive certainly no suspicions of their spuri- classical interest. Patrick Henry will the plantation of a Mr. Wahab. who with visitors and eitizens of the county; the flags which had been suspended near Independence Square with the stirring scenes of the mouth piece of resistance" and the near Independence Square with the stirring scenes of the "oracle of the revolution." In the spring fled in great precipitation, sixty of their revolution, and having closely followed and been involved in the varying formula of 1775, perhaps about the time the land been involved in the varying formula of 1775, perhaps about the time the land been involved in the varying formula of 1775, perhaps about the time the land been involved and caused to be adopted by the convention of Virginia, a resolution, "that the militia be organ-

ized and the colony placed in a state of defence." His talented biographer puts into his mouth a speech on this occasion that renders his name immortal, and places Virginia far in advance of her sister States in the march of the revolution. The fact is, our resolves, even of May 31st, are far in advance of Mr. Henry's, in spirit and in sentiment. The latter conveys the idea of an apprehended attack, and merely sounds the note of preparation for defence, can people at the time. Hence he re-sorts in the powerful weapons of de abrogate and annul all commissions isnunciation and ridicule; and in his re-ply to Mr. Adams brands the document action altogether independent of that government. I quote from these resolutions (May 31, about which there has never been any dispute) as follows: "1st. That all commissions, civil and

military heretofore; granted by the crown to be exercised in their colonies are null and void, and the constitution of each particular colony wholly suspended.

31d. As all former laws are now suspended in this province and the Congress has not yet provided others, we judge it necessary for the better the nent source. But these people, always judge it necessary for the better preser-distinguished for their conservation vation of good breer, to form certain net fire company. No. 1. Pioneer fire company, No. 2. Independent Hook and Ladder, No. 1; chaplain, orators and Ladder, No. 1; chaplain, orators

> Then follow a number of other resolutions providing in detail for the temporary government of the county,

down to the sixteenth resolution which is as follows:

16th. That whatever person shall hereafter receive a commission from the crown or attempt to exercise any such commission heretofore received shall be deemed an enemy to his country." And then they go on and provide for the apprehension and commitment of such offenders till the next meeting. of the committee who are to deal with them as prudence may direct.

to the Secretary of State, under date of streets of the city. They proceeded in June 30, 1775, that the people of this a tumultuous manner to the residence county and State, were in advance of of the Royal Governor, whither the alk others in measures looking to resist-ance, and separation from the mother country. He says "the position in which after having held various meetings to I find myself at present, my Lord, is indeed most despicable and mortifying. The resolves of the people of Mecklen-burg which your lordship will find in 1771, at the court house in Charlotte, then a ride structure tanding on high pillars, under which was the market, upon what is now called the public timent has yet produced."

Though the daring spirit and adven-tures of the people of Meeklenburg have seldom been recorded by a partial or even friendly historian, they have often petites as they had for the kingdom and couragement. A fearful crisis may be extorted the highest encomiums from their bitterest enemies. The British commander Tarleton, as appears fromthe notes of his campaigns, said, that the people by people of Mecklenburg county were more hostile to England than any other people in America.

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The people by the ballot box. Let us guard well the purpose of selling or giving any country, and above all, let us protect and pay for and cherish, honor and love glorious any person shall forfeit and pay for each and every offence the sum of lifty

When a foraging party at McIntyre's farm, rear filipp's mine, seven miles from Charlotte on the Beattie's Ford road, was surprised and a British cap-tain and several others killed and many

We have in our procession to-day display on part of his royal highness the Hornets' Nest Riflemen and the was calculated or intended to over-Hornets' Nest Kinemen and We marched shadow, or in some way, to use a mod-along Tryon street. The latter is the ern expression, get away with their idolized militia commander, (Col. Ashe.) script and not in print. It was ascer- name of a royal governor of this State, that one of them had been destroyed by lire in 1800; another had been placed in possessing some good and many bad the hands of a Dr. Williamson, who was

writing a history of the State, and this | cious disposition induced the Cherokees, mitter of the citizen of the county on the Blat of Mey, 175, but it is contended that they do not come up to the measure of Independence, nor indeed presup-

ing stung by bullets from the rifles of old men, and boys secreted behind fences and trees and hedges, and hence Curn wallis in an epistle written at the time, pronounced Mecklenburg The Hornets Nest of North Carolina."

A battle was fought in the streets of the town of Charlotte on the 20th of the town of Charlotte on the 20th of the town of the country 100 years.

September, 1780, now nearly 100 years ago. The place is described by the historians of the time, as "a village standing on elevated ground, containing about 20 houses built on two streets crossing each other at right angles." The forces on the one side were commanded by Cornwallis and Tarleton and on the other by Davie and Graham.
The latter took position in and about the court house which then stood at the crossing of the streets. connected with his trip from Charlotte now - called the public square to Philadelphia.

With this the matter rested. But street, from and below College street, strange to say, long after the sage of and where the Central Hotel now Monticello had been laid in his tomb, stands, and on the side opposite. Three and when the old controversy was sup-several times did the royal posed to have been buried forever, the forces charge bravely up the hill, echo is caught up by a new set of critation and were as often repulsed ics, and the old sophistries are rever- with serious loss. A number were berated and repeated. It would be idle killed on both sides, and others woundto prolong the discussion. The inevi- ed; by far the heavier loss falling on table answer to every objection is the the Royalists. This was the reception given at Charlotte to the haughty in value of any value. To every suggestion of doubt or difficulty the triumdisaster and defeat of our army under

the battle of King's Mountain atook place which so materially contributed to durn the tide of war in favor of the colonies. - Am incident of the battle of Charlotte is worthy of mention: The main body of the army of Cornwallis, was encamped at the Waxhaws, which, I suppose, is in the upper partion of Union county, while a detackment of his forces had been left on the south side of the Catawba, in what is now Lancaster county, South Carolina. It is said by some of the historians, though it need not be mentioned here except in march to the inspiring strains of music, a whisper, that this detachment on the South side of the Catawba was a sort of body guard to a rendezvous fof North Carolina tories who were hovering about Cornwallis's army. If our South Carolina friends should be disposed to taunt us or make merry over this, it will only be necessary to remind them that these tory people, finding things rather uncomfortable on this side of the line, had crossed over perhaps in quest

of more congenial associations.

The army under Gen. Davie had tak-

en post at Providence, some 10 or 12 miles from Charlotte, and for some cause Gen. Davie conceived the design of making the circuit of Cornwallis's army in the night, to beat up the camp of the tories on the South side of the river. With a select party of mounted men he turned the left of the British headquarters, and a little after daylight struck the camp of the Loyalists, on dead and wounded being left on the grounds. "But the British drums beat to arms in the centiquous quarters, and the stay of the rebels must needs be short. Capt. Wahab, the owner of the premises, spent the few minutes halt in delicious converse with his wife and children, who ran out as soon as the firing ceased, to embrace their long lost beloved protector. Sweetly passed these moments, but they were succeeded by the utmost bitterness. The British troops reaching the house, the commanding officer yielded to diabolical fury, and ordered it to be burned; and the intrepid Wahab, moving away in the distance, saw the only shelter of his helpless and unprotected family wrapped in flames, without the power of affording them

any relief.' While these scenes were being enacted on the Catawba, the region of the Cape Fear was likewise the theatre of stirring events. The people of New Hanover and Cumberland were scarcely behind the people of Mecklenburg and Rowan in measures for resisting oppression and defending the right of self-government, and they were espe local affairs.

The hurling of a cargo of tea into Boston harbor by a company of disguised men, in defiance and contempt of British authority, was esteemed an act of heroism unequaled in the annals of the past, and it sent a thrill through the entire American continent. It has been heralded and proclaimed by historians and orators throughout the civilized world, and

"Pealed and chimed on every tongue of fame."
But a much more bold, daring, defiant and dangerous act of a similar characsloop-of-war arrived in the Cape Fear with stamp paper for the use of the colony. The people of Wilmington marched down to the dock, seized the We have the evidence of the Royal ship's boat, and placing it upon an oxGovernor Martin, in a letter or report cart, carried it in derision through the streets of the city. They proceeded in so on this account. They convey valuatives stamp-inaster had hastened for refuge and demanded that that officer be forthwith surrendered to them, which being done only after much persistence and Another incident is related to have occurred about a year later, in the same city, which in some respects seems almost incredible. And if true, it shows that these Cape Fear rebels had about laws of Great Britain. The cruel but obsequious governor who impersonated royalty in that city, sought occasionally the militia, Cold Asher for whom the people had the greatest affection, was a portly, graceful and fine looking and they deliberately marched up to the table, the Governor standing at its head, their contents into the street-all unmay seem tons as the Meck lenburg re-solves did to Jefferson, an "unjustifiable quiz," it is nevertheless related by several historians as a serious and sober reality. Time fails me to dwell upon

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the latent patriotism of our people, and of your own glorious deeds, we ask that of keeping alive our love of country and you receive and keep it as a souvenir be-

been well written or preserved. Its trust in your honor and dependence, on treasures lie buried beneath the rubbish | your valour, and on yours a promise of of a century—in musty archives, the defence and perpetual protection.

desks of ancient families and the fading To this Capt. Harrison Watts retraditions of the past. Much that is valuable has already been lost and much more will soon have perished forever. We would fain hope that some friendly my pleasant duty to receive this flag, and competent hand may yet be found and to thank the ladies, through you, to lay hold on these precious materials, for this their beautiful gift, and with and shape and fashion them into come- heart overflowing with love and gratiliness and beauty,

quenched when they too, by their your every call and command, and

feel as if I were gazing upon the ruins urable recollections of this day, but of some splendid castle, or treading the should this not be, we promise you that courts and halls of some deserted editions of this day, but should this not be, we promise your that it shall wave where the brayest are, or fice, wherein broken pictures, the frag- late have been; that its green and gold ter was performed by citizens of Wilmington in the year 1765, and scarcely a note has anywhere been made of it. A around me, and yet I know that in know, but whether, as to day it waves BOTTLED LAGER BEER,

ble and most instructive lessons. Let us annually, on the return of this and our sacred honor. festive occasion recur to them and refree people, must be preserved for ourselves and for our posterity. The task Selling Lighter our Sunday-Impor that lies before us is neither light nor easy; we may need inspiration and encouragement. A fearful crisis may be Chap. 11, Sec. 1, of the printed cordinapending over us, and the battles. of mances of the city provides: the first revolution may have to be "That any person having license who fought again, if not upon the tented shall deliver to any person, any beer, fields, in the halls of legislation and at cider, wine, or spiritious liquor, or openvery traffsparent flattery and cheap but the ballot box. Let us guard well the his or their shops on the Sabbath for

FLAG PRESENTATION.

Gentlemen of the Hornets' Nest Rifle

It is the pleasure of the ladies of Charlotte that I should have the honor to The condemned men were to have been present to you, the Captain and repre-sentative of the Hornets' Nest Rifleand seizing this cooked monster by its legs, tumbled it into the Cape Fear River. And what seems still more innever be tarnished by battle stains, but ever float and ripple in peaceful airs over free and happy homes. But we do know if ever war's rude alarm sounds, this flag will be borne by brave men to a noble end. It may not be always to victory, for success is not the invariable reward of valor. The truest, bravest, credible to the thirsty descendants of | never be tarnished by battle stains, but | these illustrious sires, it is said they ever float and ripple in peaceful airs overturned these barrels and emptied over free and happy homes. But we do tasted! This is not fiction; although it | this flag will be borne by brave men to | to go the orphans at Oxford? True, fesa noble end. It may not be always to tivals are numerous in Charlotte, but victory, for success is not the invariable reward of valor. The truest, bravest, noblest men the world ever saw have noblest men the world ever saw have way if the matter was taken in hand. reality. Time fails me to dwell upon these most interesting incidents in our early history, or to tell of King's Mountain, Cowan's Ford and Ramseur's Mill, which especially belong to the history of Mecklenburg.

Of the events to which I have referred, it is impossible to give any new version consistent with the truth of history or to draw any new lessons from

them. We can only revive and repeat brave men of yore or, blood-stained and the old ones in the hope of rekindling torn, it becomes the eloquent witness tween us a testimonial of our mutual The early history of our State has not | regard-on our part an assurance of our

sponded as follows: "On behalf of the company I command, the Hornets' Nest Riflemen, it is tude to the donors, one and all, I find We are told by an ancient historian great difficulty in expressing in fit and that two young men of nable birth, on proper terms the feelings and emotions beholding the statues of their ancestors, which now overpower me. I do not were simultaneously affected with the intend adding another to the eloquent profoundest excitement and agitation, and soul inspiring address you have alboth mental and physical, and being ready listened so attentively to, but inspired from that time with almost must try to thank you, and will only re supernatural zeal, soon became the most fer to this the day we celebrate, to this, eminent personages in the kingdom, the anniversary of your independence. "It could not be," says the historian, "the to say that as the Hornets-of-the inanimate marble which possessed this olden time helped your ancestors magic power. It was the recollection in their times of utmost need, that we, of noble actions which kindled the gen-erous flame in their bosoms, only to be as ready, and will as heartily respond to achievements and virtues, had acquired ever guard and protect this your gift; equal reputation." The voice of history to protect it as we would the honor of is the utterance of wisdom, and the ex-perience of the past is the light of the guard it as we would the loves of our sweethearts; to keep it as we would

Our ancestors achieved for them-selves and for us the priceless blessing over, guard and keep it as pure and as unof self-government, and we must pre-serve it and transmit it, or we shall be hands through this bud chosen from unworthy of our glorious lineage. As the grandest efforts of a people are those which culminate in the achievment of their liberties, so nothing can and stormy days of more than 100 years are those days that fried men's souls be more ignoble and disgraceful than ago; those days that tried men's souls, to destroy them or suffer them to per- when the mothers of Mecklenburg aroused the Hornets from their peaceful Effeminacy and luxury, indolence nest and bid them resist the invaders, and apathy on the part on of the and with their sharp stings drive them people, corruption and bribery, vault- from their beloved land. We see upon ing ambition and lust of power on the the other side the arms of our own part of the public men, are the quick- grand old North State, a perpetual resands of liberty and the arch enemies minder of the duty we owe to our State. of free institutions. Such are the teach- The perfect whole, did we need any reings of history in all ages and countries. minder, would teach us that in protect-Athens we know was once the prouding, guarding, watching over and lovest and noblest of the Grecian States, ing the givers, we are but fulfilling yet in process of time she was the first our whole duty to our traditions, our to surrender her freedom to the golden state, our country and our God. You bribes of Philip. And it is an old story have blessed your gift with your faith that Rome was once the mistress of the and love, and it shall be forever blesscivilized world, spreading her glittering ed. You have given it in faith, we re-eagles from the Alps and the Pyrenees, ceive it in trust; you have given it in Whiskies and Tobaccos, and sending her victorious legions love, we accept it with gratitude; you from the South Seas to the frozen regions of the North, and even that splendid empire is long since decayed, and utterly perished from off the face of the utterly perished from off the face of the misplaced; you have given it in purity, Thanking his friends the strength of the misplaced; you have given it in purity, the bestowed on his

ladies and gentlemen, I have many apologies to offer for my imperfect performance of duty on this occasion. It was to me in many respects a most uninviting task. When I look at the sadly neglected history of our State, I feel as if I were gazing men the face of the misplaced; you have given it in purity, we will ever guard it spotless as wolfer from them that he has made arrangements with the distillers in the mountains that enable him to keep a full supply of North Carolina Corn Whiskey and Apple Brandy on hand, and he is prepared to offer special inducements to close buyers, and thinks he can make it to their interest to see him pray with you that we may never have to associate it with any but the pleasure of this day but the pleasure of the second or him in the past, he begs to interest the mountains that enable him to destillers in the mountains that enable him to the distillers in the mountains that enable him to destill the past, he begs to interest the p this heap of rubbish there are gems and jewels of priceless value.

We must not turn away from these relics of the past history of our State because they are neglected and almost becau we pledge you our fortunes, our lives The interesting ceremony concluded.

spect them, and patiently and attentive- the flag was delivered to Sergeant ly listen to their teachings. The study Blackwelder and the company marched of them will elevate our State pride and off to take its position in the procession, our appreciation of public virtue and which, the exercises of the day having him to take a solemn oath never to attempt to execute his office or to enforce the odious stamp act in that community.

The FAVORITE SUMMER RESORT

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