

ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S REPORT.

General Johnstone Jones, Adjutant General of North Carolina, has kindly furnished us a copy of his report of the State Guard for the year 1887.

It is not gratifying to learn that our military force is no greater than it is. In the United States, there are about 95,000 men enrolled in the various State organizations, of which North Carolina furnishes only 1,192, officers and men.

Three times during 1887, portions of the State Guard were called upon by the civil authorities to aid in the preservation of law and order and "in each instance," Gen. Jones reports, "prompt effective service was rendered and the great value of the institution as a conservator of the peace fully demonstrated."

The State Guard came into existence as voluntary organizations, and without State aid. As the old militia system had fallen into disuse, and was practically obsolete, it gradually dawned upon the State, mainly through the efforts of Gen. Jones, that the State was under obligations to do something to sustain a force, its sole reliance to maintain domestic tranquility, and its only evidence of its compliance of the general law to maintain a militia system.

"In 1853, the legislature gave the first pecuniary aid—an appropriation of \$150 a year to each company, limiting the number of companies to twenty-five. In 1857, this appropriation was increased to \$300. With this aid, and the Federal appropriation of \$10,000 per annum in arms, ammunition, equipment and clothing, etc., the Guard is now on a solid financial basis, and needs but little more, in the way of public aid, to bring it up to the highest standard of usefulness and excellence, and make it indeed an honor to the State. Chiefly, it needs a fund for an annual encampment." There is not a town in the State which should be without its military organization. No county should be without one, because every county is, abstractly, if not actually, liable to militia duty.

Among these we hope Asheville will soon be one.

THE INTERNAL REVENUE REDUCTION BILL.

The law imposed upon the country two burdens that ever since have weighed it down—a heavy protective tariff, and an iniquitous and unjust internal revenue system. Both were the work of the Republican party; and it has been the work of that party to perpetuate both in their full vigor of oppressiveness. The Democratic party, on the contrary, has made strenuous warfare upon both, and its platforms have abounded with pledges and promises to reduce the one and abolish or modify the other. The selfish principles which govern human nature have worked in some leading Democratic members of Congress, involved deeply in the interests of protection, had successfully thwarted even the introduction of measures for tariff reform. The trumpet voice of President Cleveland, animated by the distress of the country and the duty of the Democratic party at this session of Congress, aroused the representatives of that party to a sense of its obligations and their work in the form of the bill for a revision of the tariff

or looking to the reduction of imports and the enlargement of the free list is before the country.

Now, in the order of performance comes the bill in relation to the internal revenue. That the Democratic party had pledged itself to reform, reduce or abolish as there was practicality of doing either, and without reference to the tariff on imports. The Republican party had made a feint of doing the same but it did so that the protective features of the tariff might be saved. The appalling growth of the surplus convinced even that party something had to be done for relief, but in doing something the interests of its friends must be protected.

In the bill now presented the committee has gone straight to its mark. It had first, as an independent proposition, presented a tariff bill by which a reduction of \$55,000,000 was to be secured. Now the modification of the internal revenue gives another reduction of \$25,000,000.

The first section sweeps away all taxes on manufactured chewing and smoking tobacco and snuff, and all special taxes upon manufacturers and dealers in said articles, and all taxes upon wholesale and retail dealers in leaf tobacco; and all restrictions upon tobacco (by the producer and others) are removed. The tax on cigars and cigarettes is retained.

The tax on brands made from fruits, apples, peaches, grapes, &c., seems to be retained, but the manufacture is made free from the restrictions imposed upon spirits made from grain. And no change is made in the tax on spirits, but very important ones are made in the machinery of the law which is stripped of much of its offensiveness. It will be no longer possible to arrest parties on frivolous charges, to drag them off to distant courts with the sole object of getting fees, and fines and penalties may be compromised by the commissioner of internal revenue with the approval of the secretary of the treasury, and fines, penalties and forfeitures may be remitted by the same authority; and the apparatus of distilleries, seized for violation of the law, is not to be broken up and destroyed, but removed to a place for safe keeping and sold.

As the bill is published in our columns, we only refer to the above points, leaving our readers to read the bill in full.

In regard to the retention of the tax on spirits, Congressman Johnston told us some time ago that so long as the payment of the enormous pension claims was continued, it would be vain to look for the abolition of the spirit tax. But an enormous gain has been made in the removal of the offensive features of the enforcement of the law which was the chief grievance.

North Carolina will not gain all it asked when it demanded the total repeal of the internal revenue laws. But it has gained a great deal. Let us be content for the present with that. The Democratic party has gone as far as it could go in the bill presented. It has fulfilled its promises as far as could be done.

Let us see, if in this measure, the Republicans will be equally sincere. The wrath of Messrs. Reed and Kelly upon the presentation of the bill does not give promise of their support, but the contrary.

The Verdict Unanimous. W. D. Solt, Druggist, Bippus, Ind., testifies: "I can recommend Electric Bitters as the very best remedy. Every bottle sold has given relief in every case. One man took six bottles, and was cured of Rheumatism of 10 years' standing." Abraham Hare, druggist, Belleville, Ill., affirms: "The best selling medicine I have ever handled in my 20 years' experience, is Electric Bitters." Thousands of others have added their testimony, so that the verdict is unanimous that Electric Bitters do cure all diseases of the Liver, Kidneys or Blood. Only a half dollar a bottle at H. B. Lyons' drug store.



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Table with columns: No., STREET, SIZE, PRICE. Lists various lots for sale with their respective details.

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