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SIX MILES EAST OF LINCOLNTON, N. C. My Furnace is now in full operation, and I am prepared to exchange Iron of all kinds for Bacon, Corn. Oats, &c. Castings of all kinds will be furnished for provisions or money. Molasses Mills, Boilers, &c., cast to order on moderate

I want to hire for the ensuing year forty or fifty negro men-two or three of them must be mechanics.

Address me at Lincolnton, N. C. Spring Hill Forge, Dec. 19, 1864 NOTICE.

Application will be made to A. C. Williamson, Esq., Confederate States Depositary at Charlotte, after thirty days notice, for a Duplicate Certificate of the 4 per cent. Loan for Twelve Hundred Dollars issued in the furnishing copies hereafter. Of course those who name of Mrs. M. P. Robinson, Number 130, dated 1st March, 1864. The original of said Certificate having been lost, all persons are hereby cautioned not to trade JAMES P. LEAK, for the same. of Rockingham, Richmond Co., N. C.

Feb. 6, 1865.

NOTICE.

All persons having claims against the estate of Joel Alexander, deceased, are notified to present them for payment within the time prescribed by law, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

L HUNTER, Ex'r.

Feb. 6, 1865

Administrator's Notice.

As Administrator of Matthew L. Wallace, deceased, I will sell at the residence of Abraham Smith, on Friday the 3d of March, all the unwilled property of the scription. said deceased, consisting of two Horses, a few Cattle and Hogs, &c.

All persons indebted to the deceased are requested to settle, and those having claims against him must present them within the time prescribed by law, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. L. HUNTER,

Adm'r with the Will annexed. Feb. 6, 1865

S100 REWARD.

Ranaway from the residence of A. R. Henderson, on the Catawba River, about the 1st of September, 1864, a negro boy named JIM, the property of J. T. Jones, of Norfolk, Va. Said boy is about 12 or 13 years of age, brown color, very smart and intelligent, and quick to answer when spoken to. He is supposed to have gone off with some cavalry company towards Virginia. A reward of One Hundred Dollars will be paid for his mands in the field to which they may be respec. gallant little Fort to stand long. During the delivery to me in Charlotte, or for his confinement in tively assigned, and every discharge granted by an night shots were fired from the fleet at intervals any Jail in the Confederacy, with notice to me of such confinement, or I will pay half the above sum for any information that will enable me to recover him.

ROBT. F. DAVIDSON, Agent of J. T. Jones, Esq., of Norfolk, Va. it is set forth in the discharge. Charlotte, N. C., Jan 23, 1865.

PROVISION AND COMMISSION HOUSE OPPOSITE THE MANSION HOUSE, SPRINGS' BUILDING,

CHARLOTTE, N. C.

W. BOYD Will attend punctually to buying and selling Tobacco, Cotton, Cotton Yarn, Domestics Bank Bills, Specie, Bonds.

Stocks, &c , &c. Permit me to say to my immediate fellow-citizens that I have been raised among you, my habits and way and shall examine for discharge or recommendal moved on Gen. Hagood, and outnumbering him from Caswell county, but unknown to the writer of doing business are well known to you, and from a long experience in business I hope to share a liberal

I am prepared to store Tobacco, Sugar, Salt, Cotton Yarns, &c Rooms opposite the Mansion House in Springs' brick

building. Business hours from 9 o'clock a. m., to 5 o'clock p. m

REFERENCES .- Col. L S Williams, Capt. John Wilkes, John M Springs, H B Williams, Messrs Young, Wriston & Orr, James H Carson, President Branch Bank, J J Blackwood, President Bank of Charlotte, Rev. Geo M Barringer, Charles Dewey President State Bank N C, Raleigh; John A Everett, Goldsboro; J J Lawson President Bank of Yanceyville, N C; Rev. Thomas Hume, Petersburg, Va.; L D Childs, Columbia, S C.

"GARRETT DAVIS."

This well-known Horse will serve the public during the ensuing season, commencing the first of March. He will stand at my stable in Charlofte, and persons bringing their Marcs to town can be accommodated at TERMS-One hundred dollars for the use of the Horse

during the season, and \$10 to the groom-in all cases to be paid in advance. Provisions at market prices sary, shall be placed at their disposal. will be received in payment. R RABE.

Jan. 23, 1865.

Southern Express Company.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Nov. 21, 1864. On and after this date all Boxes which are securel fastened and strapped, containing stores for the N. C Troops in the field, marked to the care of Surgeon expense to either shipper or consignee, and will have preference over all other freight excepting that of the same class from other States.

L. F. BATES, Nov 21, 1864 tf

REHOBOTH FURNACE. In Blast,

Ass't Supt.

3 miles north-east of Iron Station, Lincoln co, NU The proprietors are prepared to do Casting of all Address, SHIPP & REINHARDT, Dec. 5, 1864. tf Iron P. O., N. C.

SALT! SALT!! VIRGINIA SALT.

In exchange for Bacon, Pork, Corn or Molasses. YOUNG, WRISTON & ORR.

Nov 28, 1864 CARRIAGE WORK,

11 David M Currin (decd) Wagon-work and Wood-work of all

kinds, and Blacksmithing.

The subscriber has removed his Workshops to the stand formerly occupied by Charles Overman, near the Presbyterian Church, where he is prepared to do all kinds of work in his line. Repairing will always receive prompt attention. He will work at old prices and take provisions

in payment at the same rates, or he will charge an equivalent in Confederate money. CHARLES WILSON.

Charlotte, Jan. 9, 1865

Notice.

All persons leaving Charlotte by Railroad are required to obtain Passports at the Provost Marshal's office. By order, Lieut. G. W. GRAGSON, Oct 17, 1864

NOTICE.

poor and rich-from fishing in our Mill Pond. Any time for which they received exemption by reason true. It carries one back to the days of the Revoone caught violating this notice will certainly be prosecuted. We can no longer bear the depredations that have been committed on our premises. Oct 24, 1864. PARKS & WALLIS.

containing the following laws, so that they can refer to it when desired, and save us the trouble of work for the purpose of hunting up papers containing laws of Congress:

CONSCRIPTION.

The Congress of the Confederate States of revoked. America do enact, That for the purpose of conducting the business of conscription, there shall be ics, who are engaged in the employment of the assigned to each State by the President, a General

except as hereinafter provided, shall be decided by scribe; and the names of all persons so exempted the General officers having charge of the business or detailed, together with the reason for the detail, of conscription in the several States. Appeals shall be submitted to Congress at the beginning of may be taken from their decisions to the Secretary each session. of War, but during the pendency of such appeals,

the applicants shall be liable to military service. Sec. 3. There shall be assigned from the Invalid Corps, or from officers certified by the proper medical boards to be unfit for active service in the field. a sufficient number of enrolling officers who shall report to and be under the immediate direction small earthwork on the west side of Cape Fear, and control of the General officers conducting the and nearly opposite the Sugar Loaf. This fire business of conscription in the several States.

medical boards of the army, after joining the com- that the disparity in forces was too great for the army medical board, shall be final and shall relieve of half an hour. The yankee Infantry had also the party from all military service in the future, advanced near the Fore, and early on Sunday when the disability is permanent, and the cause of morning the 20th inst., the Fort was evacuated on attacked by a band of some 35 deserters and tories.

enrolling officer of his county a certificate, under by Hoke's division, to be evacuated also, which hit; as was shown by blood found, but if any were oath, from a respectable physician or from any was done on the 20th. We fell back to within killed they were carried off by their friends. One army Surgeon, that he is unable to travel to the five miles of Wilmington, stopped and threw up of the men killed, viz: James W Soyars, was well command to which he may be assigned without works and waited for the approach of the vankees. serious prejudice to his health, a furlough shall be On the 21st they came up, and thinking the disgranted him until the next meeting of the medical comfitted Rebs had taken their final flight, did not board, hereigafter provided for.

gressional District a medical board, consisting of opens on them and the sharp crack of rifles from three army Surgeons, who, after due notice of the our line of battle caused them to halt, or rather time and place of their meeting, shall visit each perform the feat a la skedaddle. Next day, the plies designed for the support of our brave boys in county of the district at least once in two months, | 22d, the yankees on the west side of Cape Fear tion for light duty, all conscripts who have been greatly, succeeded in forcing him back, capturing of this. furloughed under the provisions of the preceding some prisoners from him. Next morning, the 221, section. Every discharge granted by the said we again took up the retreat; we started about 3 medical board shall be final and shall relieve the A. M., and as we passed through the town nothing party from all military service in the future, when | could exceed the death-like stillness that reigned the disability is permanent and the cause of it is around. Lights could be seen from but few win- ject of putting negroes into the army, clearly deset forth in this certificate.

others employed in the military service of the could be seen the red flicker and glare of some Confederate States, and not actually in the field, buildings which had been fired the night before Everbart, Rev. R H Griffith, Charlotte; Hon. D M nor attached to any army in the field, including On the north side of the town arose a dense black | Hon. E. Barkesdale House of Representatives, quartermasters and commissaries, commanders of smoke, so black and compact as to appear to come posts, provost marshals, officers of the ordnance, from the infernal regions. Chanticleer crowed in nitre and mining and medical bureaus, and others, his usual voice to welcome the beautiful day, ceipt of your letter of the 12th instant, with reto make certified monthly returns to the nearest | which alas was to be the beginning of sorrows to | ference to the employment of negroes as soldiers. conscript officer, of the names, ages and physical the people of this patriotic city. The watch dog I think the measure not only expedient, but necondition of all persons employed in the service, howled piteously, as though he knew his rights cessury. The enemy will certainly use them which returns shall be forwarded to the General were to be encroached on by a Northern invader. against us if he can get possession of them; and officer controlling conscription in the State.

Sec. 8. For the enforcement of the duties imposed by this act upon the general officers controll. appeared on the opposite bank Skirmishing en- not see the wisdom of the policy of holding them ing conscription in the several States, such detach- sued. The Railroad bridge was burned, the pon- to await his arrival, when we may, by timely acments of the reserve forces as they may deem neces. toons destroyed, works thrown up, and we waited tion and judicious management, use them to arrest

grain and provisions necessary for the use of the morning we again took up our line of murch to- without overtaxing its capacity and imposing great army and the families of soldiers, such overseers, wards Goldsboro' and marched 15 miles without suffering upon our people; and I believe we should farmers or planters as were not enrolled in the molestation, when, tired and foot sore, we stopped provide resources for a protracted struggle-not military service on the 17th day of February, 1864, for the night. Next morning, 24th, we got up, merely for a battle or a campaign. and who will be more useful to the country in the the rain descending in torrents, and put on Jeff's In answer to your second question, I can only pursuits of agriculture than in the military service, gear and marched 15 miles further, in mud and say that, in :ny opinion, the negroes, under proper shall be detailed upon the terms to be prescribed water knee deep. About 3 P. M., we arrived at circumstances, will make efficient soldiers. I General Warren, Raleigh, will be forwarded without by the Secretary of War, under the direction of this place, wet to the skin and shivering with think we could at least do as well with them as the the President. And in order to ascertain what cold. Fires were soon made, such fires as soldiers enemy, and he attaches great importance to their persons should be detailed under this act, for the only know how to make, and our miseries were assistance. Under good officers and good instrucpurposes aforesaid, there shall be appointed by the soon forgotten by memories of the past .- Cor. of tions, I do not see why they should not become President in each county, district or parish, an | Fayetteville Observer. agricultural board, consisting of three farmers or planters over the age of forty-five years, to whom shall be addressed every application for the detail of - overseer, farmer or planter, in their respective counties, districts or parishes, and whose duty it shall be to enquire and report upon the merits of such application. And if a majority of said board shall approve the same, they shall forward it, together with the reasons for their approval, to the general officer controlling conscription in the State, and if he approve such application, the detail shall be allowed. If the General officer of conscription shall disapprove such application, the applicant shall have the right of appeal to the Secretary of War, and if the said board shall disapprove such application, their decision shall be final, and no right of appeal shall exist.

Sec. 10. The bureau of conscription, the camps of instruction, and the office of commandant of conscripts, are hereby abolished, and all rules and regulations of the War Department, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

THE EXEMPTION BILL. The old exemption bill has passed both Houses

of Congress, with the following changes:

forces to serve during the war, approved February woman, who had offered any resistance to his band. 17, 1864, as exempts one person as overseer or agriculturalist on each farm or plantation upon which date thereof.

Section 2. No exemption or detail shall be Fayetteville Telegraph.

We hope all our subscribers will save this paper granted by the President or Secretary of War, by virtue of said act, except of persons lawfully reported by a board of surgeons as unable to perform active service in the field; persons over the age of forty years, and of laborers, artisans, mechanics are not subscribers will not expect us to stop our and persons of scientific skill employed by or working for the Confederate or State governments, and shown by proper testimony to be such laborers, visions: Brevard Davidson, Mrs Torrence, Ezeartisans, mechanics or persons of scientific skill, and with the same exceptions all exemptions and The following bill "to regulate the business of details heretofore granted by the President or conscription" has passed both Houses of Congress: Secretary of War, by virtue of said act, are hereby A Ranson and John Beard.

Section 3. That all skilled artisans and mechangovernment of the Confederate States, are hereby officer, who shall report to the Secretary of War exempt from all military service during the time through an Assistant Adjutant General, to be as- they are so employed: Provided, That persons signed in the office of the Adjutant and Inspector whose services, labor or skill may be more usefully Sec. 2. All applications for exemption and detail, under such rules and regulations as he may pre-

THE EVACUATION OF WILMINGTON. BIVOUAC STH N. C. REGIMENT, Duplin County, N. C., Feb. 25, 1865.

On the 19th, eighteen gunboats and one monitor moved up and opened fire on Fort Anderson, a was kept up all day and at times it was very severe. Sec. 4. All conscripts shall be examined by the The Fort replied at intervals, but it was evident Sec. 5. If any conscript shall furnish to the compelled the lines on the Sugar Loaf, occupied men were killed. Some of the assailing party were wish to stop for our skirmish line, but run it in, port was on him. While the fight was progress-Sec. 6. There shall be assigned to each Con- when lo! to their surprise a Battery of Artillery ing the deserters exclaimed, "Surround the house dows, and these appeared to be the last rays of de- | fines his views on that important subject: Sec 7. It shall be the duty of all officers and parting hope; while on the other side of the river river. We had scarce crossed when the yankees him to penetrate many parts of the country, I canfor them to cross the river if they could, where we his progress. I do not think that our white pop-Sec. 9. In order to secure the production of could at least meet them on equal footing. Next ulation can supply the necessities of a long war

THRILLING AFFAIR IN ROBESON COUNTY, N. C .- A Lady uses a Repeater with Fearful Effect.-On Tucsday morning, 28th, about 1 o'clock, which we read in history, which owed their effia band of deserters and escaped Yankee prisoners. 15 in number, and led by a Yankee naval officer, attacked the house of Mrs. Dr. McNair, in Robeson county, and, after spending nearly an hour in the attempt, forced an entrance by breaking down the front door. Mr Wm. Stanton, of this county, come with the consent of their owners. An imwas staying at Mrs. McNair's on the night in question, and being called by that lady to her assistance, soon after the attack commenced, promptly "reported for duty." An exciting contest followed, Mrs. MeNair and Mr Stanton both being provided with Colt's repeaters and a rifle, which they used with fatal effect; one of the attacking party being killed and another wounded in the breast. We regret to learn that Mrs. McNair was badly burned and her face otherwise injured by fragments of glass

and powder. Mr Stanton was slightly wounded. Mrs. McNair and Mr Stanton having exhausted their ammunition, the latter, at the urgent solicitation of Mrs. McNair (who feared the desperadoes would wreak vengeance on him for the death of their comrade,) retired, and she remained alone to brave their fury. On approaching her, the Yan-A Bill to diminish the number of exemptions and kee officer in command was so struck with her bold and determined mien, that instead of harming her, The Congress of the Confederate States of Ame- he congratulated her warmly on her heroic conrica do enact, That so much of the act to organize duct, stating that she was the first person, man or

They carried off nearly all the valuables they could find, including silver ware and jewelry, six there were at specified times, fifteen able bodied thousand dollars in Confederate notes, and two field hands, between the ages of sixteen and fifty, breastpins, containing the pictures of Mrs. McNair's upon certain conditions, is hereby repealed; Pro. husband and son; the latter of whom fell in de-Provost Marshal. vided, that exemptions of persons over forty five fence of his country on one of the battle fields of years of age may be granted under the provisions Virginia. The courage and determination of this of the act aforesaid; and said persons shall be lia- noble woman savors more of romance than reality, We positively forbid all persons-white and black, ble to military service upon the expiration of the but the incidents given in this article are literally of having executed bonds for one year from the lution, when the fearless women of the Colonies performed so many feats of wonderful daring .-

For the Western Democrat. .

Company G, 18th Mississippi Regiment, Camp near Richmond, Va., February 24, 1865. the members of Co. G, 18th Mississippi Regiment, send our thanks to the following named persons of Mecklenburg county, N. C., for their kindness in sending us several nice boxes of prokiel Alexander, D A Caldwell, Mrs Esther Smith. Mrs R B Hunter, Andrew Alexander, Miss H Hux,

The following named ladies furnished our Company with socks: Mrs E R Harris, miss N R McCauley, miss Lizzie Beard, miss Lizzie David-

son, miss E McCraven.

These articles could not have come in a better time. It is the nicest treat we have received since General, to the duty of receiving returns and rewe left Mississippi in May, 1861. We have not ports and issuing all orders in relation to conon the sworn testimony of disinterested witnesses, this winter. It was quite a treat to us to set down to choose whether they will contribute such comto ham, eggs, biscuit, butter, molasses, white peas, missary and quartermaster stores as they can possbeans, turnips, Irish potatoes, &c., after living on libly spare to support an army which has already a piece of corn bread and bacon twice a day. We borne and done so much in their behalf, or retainare the members of Capt A P Hill's company [a ling their stores, maintain the army of the cnemy brother of Gen D H Hill, who left North Carolina engaged in their subjugation. I am aware, that a when quite young.]

We hope Sherman's blue coats may never wave their flag over the town of Charlotte and lay waste | charge to his neighbor-but I am confident that the homes of quiet citizens, as they did our homes onr citizens will appreciate their responsibility in in Mississippi. MEMBERS OF Co. G. 18th Miss. Regt., Humphrey's Brigade.

Correspondence of the Western Demacrat.

FEBRUARY 28th, 1865. On the 25th of Feb'y, a little before day, while a party of about 18 of our Senior Reserves, mostly from Caswell county, were encamped in a house containing tithes collected for the Government at Julian's X Roads in Randolph county, they were account of being no longer tenable, which of course A number of shots were exchanged. Two of our known to the writer of this. He was an excellent man and was very useful in his sphere. He leaves a wife and children whose sole dependence for supand burn it," thus showing the double purpose of killing true southerners and destroying the supthe army. The other man killed was named Cook

LETTER FROM GEN. LEE ON THE once NEGRO ENLISTMENT.

The following letter from Gen. Lee, on the sub-

Headquarters Confederate States Armies, February 18, 1865.

Richmond : Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge the re-We pursued our line of march toward North East as his present numerical superiority will enable

> soldiers. They possess all the physical qualifications, and their habits of obedience constitute a good foundation for discipline. They promise a more promising material than many armies of ciency to discipline alone. I think those who are employed should be free. It would be neither just nor wise, in my opinion, to require them to serve as slaves. The best course to pursue, it seems to me, would be to call for such as are willing to pressment or draft would not be likely to bring out the best class, and the use of coercion would make the measure distasteful to them and to their own-

> I have no doubt that if Congress would authorize their reception into the service, and empower the President to call upon individuals or States for such as they are willing to contribute, with the condition of emancipation to all enrolled, a sufficient number would be forthcoming to enable us to try the experiment. If it proved successful, most of the objections to the measure would disappear, and if individuals still remained unwilling to send their negroes to the army, the force of public opinion in the States would soon bring about such legislation as would remove all obstacles. I think the matter should be left, as far as possible, to the people and to the States, which alone can legislate as the necessities of this particular service may require. As to the mode of organizing them, it should be left as free as possible. Experience will suggest the best course, and it would be inexpedient to trammel the subject with provisions that might, in the end, prevent the adoption of reforms suggested by actual trial.

> > With great respect, Your obedient servant.

R. E. LEE, General.

RAISE FOOD .- It is the duty of every man to raise all the ford he can. Southern independence cannot be obtained if we are not provident of food. The government must have a part of what is made, be it much or little.

TO THE PEOPLE OF NORTH CARO-LINA.

Fellow Citizens: - The uccessities of our country, as represented by our Confederate authorities. impel me, again, to appeal to your generosity.

You are aware, that in consequence of interruption to our railroad communications by recent movements of the enemy, the subsistence of Gen. Lee's army has become greatly jeopardized. For at lesst a few months that army will have to rely Mrs Sarah Hux, Mrs McCauley, R C Beard, Rev for subsistence upon North Carolina and Virginia alone. I am informed by the Commissary Department, that the usual methods of collecting supplies will be insufficient for the purpose.

In reference to this point, I need only cite the authority of General Lee himself, who writes as follows in regard to a similar appeal to the people of Virginia:

"I cannot permit myself to doubt that the pedgeneral obligation of this nature, rests lightly on most men-each being disposed to leave its disthe case, and will not permit an army, which by God's blessing and their patriotic support, has hitherto resisted the efforts of the enemy, to suffer now through their neglect."

It seems, therefore, that our all depends upon the voluntary action of the people of North Carolina and Virginia; and trusting that whatever you have to spare, will be promptly and patriotically brought forward for the use of your country, in its bour of trial-the following plan is submitted, which is being acted upon in the State of Virginia with the best results. It is understood also, that provisions will be received either as sales, loans or

to furnish the rations of one soldier for six months, without designating any particular soldier as the recipient of the contribution. 2. Let those thus pledging themselves furnish,

1st. Let every citizen who can, pledge himself

say 80 pounds of bacon and 180 pounds of flour, or their equivalent in beef or meal, to be delivered

to the nearest commissary agent. 3. Let the donor bind himself to deliver one half of the amount above stated, viz: 40 pounds of bacon and 90 pounds of flour (or its equivalent) IMMEDIATELY, and the remainder at the end of three months, unless he prefers to adopt the better plan of advancing the whole amount pledged, at

4. Let the pledge of each individual, subscribing and furnishing the rations of one soldier for six mouths, be made the basis of larger subscriptions. Those whose generosity and whose means will enable them to do so, may obligate themselves to provide the rations of 5, 10, 20, or any number of soldiers for six months; while even the poor, who could not afford to supply the rations of one man, may, combining, authorize one of their number to make the designated subscription of, at least, one ration for one man for six months.

To effect this, I carnestly recommend that county and neighborhood meetings be immediately held in every portion of the State, at which subscriptions may be taken up; and, that a committee of responsible and reliable gentlemen be appointed by such meetings, to wait on those who do not attend, and ascertain what can be raised at the earliest possible moment.

And rest assured, that no patriot can better ser e his country than in so doing. By this means every possible ounce of provisions which can be spared for the support of our army, may be made available.

Should you not, Fellow Citizens, respond to this call, you may calculate, not only upon seeing your own sons in the army suffer and defeated in the field, for want of those supplies, but you will have the mortification to behold them seized and appropriated to the support of the enemy who comes to destroy us. Advancing as he does, through the interior of the land, without either water or railroad communications in his rear, he is now subsisting by the plunder and ruin of the people of South Carolina, and must necessarily do so, when he enters our State. He assured, therefore, that every pound of bacon or beef, and every bushel of meal which you withhold from your own army, is a certain contribution to the maintainance of that of the enemy. You have, therefore, to choose whether you will feed your sons, who are bleeding in our defence, or our ruthless enemy who arms our slaves and lays waste our country.

To show you, fellow citizens, the earnest impression I have of the necessity of this action, and that I will call upon you to make no sacrifice which I will not share with you, I have tendered to the Commissary Department one half of my entire year's supply, and expect to put my own, family upon the limited rations allowed to our soldiers, regretting that I have so little to offer That which is left me to subsist upon will be doubly sweet, because it will be the bread of honor and indepen-

Confidently relying upon the generosity and patriotism of a people to whom I have often appealed and never appealed in vain, I am, fellow citi-

Your obedient servant, Z. B. VANCE.

LAUGHABLE .- At a church of "color," not twenty miles from this city, the other evening, the minister noticing a number of persons, both white and colored, standing upon the sents during sing-

ing service, called out in a loud voice-"Git down off dem seats, boff white man and color, I cares no more for de one dan de odder." Imagine the pious minister's surprise on hearing the congregation suddenly commence, in short

meter-"Git down off dem seats, Both white man and color: I care no more for one man

Den I does for de odder."

Death is only death as viewed from the earthly side; as viewed from the heavenly side, it is