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MARTYRS SOUTHERN FREEDOM. THE GUILFORD DIXIE BOYS.

Written for the Patriot. Mr. Coble had no turn for farming, and though that was the occupation of his father, he never followed it...

At the time he volunteered, he was suffering with a slight rheumatism, of which he never was entirely well. In consequence of this, he was often not able for duty...

So rapidly was sickness prostrating the Regiment, that, on the 22d of August, for the purpose of relieving the sick, Gen. Johnston moved us to some healthier locality...

On the next day, it was announced, that cars would be at a point on the Orange and Alexandria Railroad, a half-mile distant from Camp Rheft...

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They were both born in Guilford county, Patterson on the 30th of March, 1836, and Rankin on the 6th of November, 1839. They are sons of Mr. Peter Clapp, who resides some five or six miles east of Greensboro.

During their boyhood, and they were sent periodically to the free and subscription schools where they learned to read and write; and they were brought through the arithmetic, which they studied.

When Patterson joined the company at Camp Hardee, after his brother's death, he did not complain of anything except extreme exhaustion; but before we moved from that place, he took a severe chill, which was followed by a high fever.

He was then my first lieutenant, and enough nurses for the sick, who stand with them and gave them all needed attentions. Dr. Tanner was sent to treat those who were left in the hospital at that camp.

Rankin and Patterson, - THE SOLDIER-BROTHERS. Our life and the world in which we move and live are full of mystery. The parched field may be overcharged with the water of the clouds...

Correspondence of the Patriot. FROM THE SIXTH REGIMENT. Camp 6th N.C. Troops, Fort Jackson, Va., June 17th, 1863.

MESSRS. EDITORS: I guess you will be slightly surprised to learn that our base has been changed to such a remote corner, but such is the way of military affairs that the soldier cannot even conjecture with any thing like precision, where he will be or what he may be doing one hour hence.

Major General Halleck, General-in-Chief, United States Army, Washington, D. C. GENERAL: Referring to my brief report of May 22, I have the honor to report that, learning from Colonel J. Richter Jones, commanding outpost, that he deemed it possible to capture the enemy's outpost...

Col. Jones ordered the Fifth, Twenty-fifth and Forty-sixth, with the artillery and cavalry, under the command of Col. Pierson, Fifth Massachusetts, to advance up the railroad and Dover road to attack the enemy's work in front, while the Fifty-eighth, Pennsylvania Volunteers, and the Twenty-seventh Massachusetts, Volunteers, under the immediate command of Colonel Jones, took a path through the swamp to reach the rear of the enemy's position.

The main column under Colonel Pierson, met the enemy's pickets at daylight on the 22d, and driving them in, commenced an attack on the front. Colonel Jones, with his command, owing to the character of the road they had taken and the men having to go by single file, did not arrive at the desired place until nine A. M. On arriving in the rear of the enemy's position, Colonel Jones deployed such batteries of his command as could be used to advantage, opened fire and advanced. The enemy fired a few desultory volleys; then broke and fled in great confusion, taking to the swamps and escaping by paths known only to themselves.

To all Christians at Home and in the Army. DEAR BRETHREN: We propose that in all religious services, whether in camp or in our churches, that special prayer be made on the 1st Sabbath in July, say the opening prayer, for a speedy peace.

Col. Jones, and being strongly reinforced from Goldsboro, re-attacked our outpost line on the afternoon of the 23d. I sent out a supporting force to Colonel Jones, and the enemy were repulsed at every point, but with a great loss to us, and the service in the death of Colonel Jones, who was shot through the heart, as he was leading on two companies of his regiment to dislodge the enemy from a position he had taken up.

By the death of Colonel Jones a most brave, zealous and able officer has been lost to the service and department. I have the honor to enclose a list of casualties, and a list of prisoners and articles captured. I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant.

Two killed, five wounded and one missing. Prayer for Peace. A pious correspondent in the following modest card, proposes a union of all Christians wherever they may be on the first Sabbath in July next, to pray for the restoration of peace.

Yankees at West Point. RICHMOND, June 24.—The train which left White House at 4 P. M. brought no confirmation of the reported landing at that place, but it is stated that a gunboat and two transports were at West Point, on Tuesday, and troops were discovered by our pickets at the wharf yesterday morning repairing the wharf.

From the New York Herald of the 10th. The Battle at Gum Swamp - N. C. Official Report of Gen. Foster. WASHINGTON, June 7th.—The following official report has been received at headquarters of the army of the United States: Headquarters, Eighteenth Army Corps, Newbern, N. C., June 2.

From South Carolina - Movements of the Enemy. CHARLOTTE, June 23.—We learn that there are eight regiments of the enemy's forces on our coast, between Polly and Seabrook Islands.

THE SOLDIER'S FAREWELL. Why should I weep? - To leave my home, Home, though dear, needs protection, Can I refuse to risk my doom? To stay those who seek its destruction, Like shadows o'er me sweep, I leave my dear home here, Oh! therefore let me weep!

Let me be treated with the lenity due to a good citizen no longer than I act as becomes one. This sublime sentence was uttered by Dr. Beattie. Oh! that all mankind would but adopt and act upon it, what a great and wide-sweeping reform it would produce in this sin-stricken and fallen world of ours.

Later from Vicksburg. JACKSON, June 21.—Several private letters dated Vicksburg, June 17th, state that the utmost feeling of confidence exists in the ability to resist any assault, and that our entire loss, including Wednesday's fight is only six hundred and twenty-five. Among the killed are Col. Garrett and Captain Gould, 29th Alabama.

From the West. OSKJA, June 22.—A courier from Kelton reports that Lyons captured, near Clinton, on Saturday, a foraging train of the enemy, consisting of sixty two wagons of commissary stores, two hundred and eight mules, thirty Yankees and some negroes. A deserter and one Yankee prisoner arrived here this evening from Clinton.

RELIGIOUS NOTICE.—A Protracted Meeting will be held at Pleasant Grove, Davidson county, commencing on Friday before the 5th Sunday of August next. I solicit ministerial aid.

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