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Written for The Patriot. TRIBUNE TO THE GENIUS AND WORTH OF JOHN M. MOREHEAD.

BY WILL LAFAYETTE SCOTT.

Though "honor's voice" thro' the sincerest regard "soothe the dull cold ear of death," yet it is a sad pleasure to one, who admires sterling genius and loves exalted worth, to sit down by the graves of the distinguished dead and there review the parts which they acted in the great drama of this life.

Unlike too many of the gifted, JOHN MOTLEY MOREHEAD lived to some purpose. He acted his part, in the drama of life, well, effectively, illustriously.

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amined a witness with the sweetness and witchery of one seeing for the love of a beautiful damsel, and seldom did he fail to run up upon the witness as to make him a better friend of his client than of his adversary; and, at other times and when this plan failed, which was infrequent, he would plead the witness with the impetuosity and terror of the driving storm.

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dollar's interest in the Banks—I owe them not one copper cent!" What a change in the crowd! His friends looked as joyously as a mother to whom a babe has been restored unharmed; and his enemies, like the lords at the banquet of "Uncle of Athens, when he cries out: "Uncover, dogs, and lap!" they obeyed every thing before him.

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was Gov. Morehead's character—such was his selfishness. While he made a mere pittance out of the large amount of capital invested in Edgeworth and his lovely grounds, the citizens of this town and county and even of adjoining counties and States were largely benefited; merchants and farmers at home and patrons abroad, the merchant and farmer in the latter receiving back their daughters thoroughly and elegantly educated. In this wasn't he selfish?—nobly and eminently so in carrying on such an unpaying institution for upward of thirty years?

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district in the Provisional Congress. He served for a short time in that body, which permanent place to what was called the Provisional Congress. He never filled another office during the rebellion, nor since. Here his public life closed. Like a number of other illustrious names which might be mentioned, he was not of that school of politicians, who were called into places of trust and responsibility by the Chief of the Confederacy. Nor did that "lost cause" have the benefit of his genius and ability to keep it from sinking, as it has, irretrievably and forever.

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On retiring from the Presidency of the North Carolina Railroad Company, in his farewell address to the Stockholders at this place, July 12th 1865, he stood in conclusion—words so thrilling I never have forgotten them—"Living, I have spent five years of the best portion of my life in the service of the North Carolina Railroad—dying, my sincerest prayers will be offered up for its prosperity and its success—dead, I wish to be buried along side of it in the bosom of my own beloved Carolina!" That wish is realized.

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