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Gettysburg Memorial

Carolians Honor The Day of The Great Battle,

Colonel Lane's Speech

Grand Army Band Played Dixie. North Carolians Are Given a Most Cordial Welcome. The States War Record, Written By Mr. John Wilbur Jenkins Now of Maryland.

Sunday's News and Observer contained a complete account of the celebration by North Carolinians, at Gettysburg last week. We clip the following:

"The celebration of the fortieth anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg on the battlefield, of that famous and once bloody battle ground on Friday, July 3rd, 1903, by North Carolinians, was one of the most appropriate commemorative events in the history of North Carolina. Circumstances prevented the presence of a company of North Carolinians, but there were present 8000 men who gave immortal fame to Carolina. At no period of our history has North Carolina won so much fame as upon that battlefield. More than that, no regiment in any war in the history of any country won such renown as did the Twenty-Sixth North Carolina regiment at Gettysburg. It was a matter of gratification that Col. John R. Lane, the only surviving colonel of that famous regiment, could have been present on Friday and delivered an historical address. That regiment had three noted colonels. Zebulon Bair Vance, elevated to the great office of War Governor of North Carolina; Harry King Burgwyn, who gave his brilliant young life on the battle field for his country; and Colonel John R. Lane, of Chatham county who survives, strong in health, young in patriotism, and full of interesting reminiscence. The speech of Colonel Lane, delivered, near the spot where his glorious regiment made glorious history, Colonel Lane is not much given to public speaking. He has written here an autobiography that will live forever because he tells of deathless deeds of men whose fame will grow with every passing year.

"The idea of holding this celebration on the battle field of Gettysburg was born in the brain of Mr. John Wilbur Jenkins, Secretary of the North Carolina Society, of Baltimore, now on the staff of the Baltimore Sun and formerly on the staff of the News and Observer. He presented his idea to the North Carolina Society of Baltimore, which embraces in its membership many of the most patriotic living North Carolinians, and they enthusiastically undertook the celebration. The whole state owes a lasting debt of gratitude to that society for conceiving the celebration and carrying it out in a way to give honor and credit to the state of their birth.

The celebration was in every way a notable success. The Post's Guard Army band played Dixie and the people of that historic town gave the North Carolinians the most notable reception ever given to any body of southerners. There is no place in the world outside of this good state where North Carolina valor is esteemed at its true worth than in the town of Gettysburg. For thirty years the people have studied every position on the battlefield. They know where the troops of every regiment north and south met the furious rain of shot and shell, and they have learned the truth that while all were brave and all ready to give up their lives, that North Carolina went "furthest" into the Federal lines at Gettysburg. Of course, the event of the celebration that created most enthusiasm, was the presence of Mr. Charles H. McConnell, a member

of the famous Twenty-Fourth Michigan regiment, who forty years ago at the stone fence shot Colonel John R. Lane, Colonel of the Twenty-Sixth North Carolina regiment. When these two brave American soldiers formerly foes in battle, clasped hands near the spot where the Carolinian was wounded, there was an enthusiasm that was genuine, and touched every heart that can beat with patriotic fire. The climax of the day was reached, when Mr. McConnell, in a glowing speech declared that the "Tar Heels" were the greatest soldiers he ever saw.

"The celebration took place at the very hour and the very place at high water mark, where forty years ago the Confederates pressed furthest into the Federal lines in the most desperate soldiers he ever saw.

"Col. Lane, whose regiment went into the charge with eight hundred and twenty men, and came out with having lost seven hundred and eight men, was warmly greeted by the Federals and Confederates alike."

THE STATE'S RECORD IN THE CIVIL WAR.

(By JOHN WILBUR JENKINS.)

North Carolina, at the outbreak of the War between the States, had 112,589 voters. She furnished to the armies of the Confederacy 125,000 "Tar Heel" troops. She also furnished to the Union army 3,156 men. This record has never been surpassed by any country in the world's history.

The Twenty-Sixth North Carolina regiment at Gettysburg went into the charge of Pickett and Pettigrew with 820 men. It lost in that charge 86 killed, 502 wounded, and 120 missing a total of 708 men, the largest loss recorded by any command in either army in the war between the states. The three Colonels of the regiment were Zebulon B. Vance, Harry K. Burgwyn and John R. Lane.

In Capt. J. B. Carlisle's table of Casualties, in the Confederate Military History, page 502, he states that North Carolina lost 40,275 men in the Civil War, the next largest loss of any State being 17,682. The total dead of the Confederacy recorded in the rosters was 133,821 men, but General Stephen D. Lee declares that the total loss was 325,000.

Losses of the leading North Carolina regiments at Gettysburg were:

11th, 209; 45th, 219; 55th, 198; 6th, 172; 47th, 161; 3rd, 156; 2nd Battalion, 153; 52nd, 147; 5th, 143; 32nd, 142; 43rd, 147; 23rd, 134. Of the 27 regiments which suffered the greatest loss, 13 were from North Carolina.

WIFE BEATER IN JAIL.

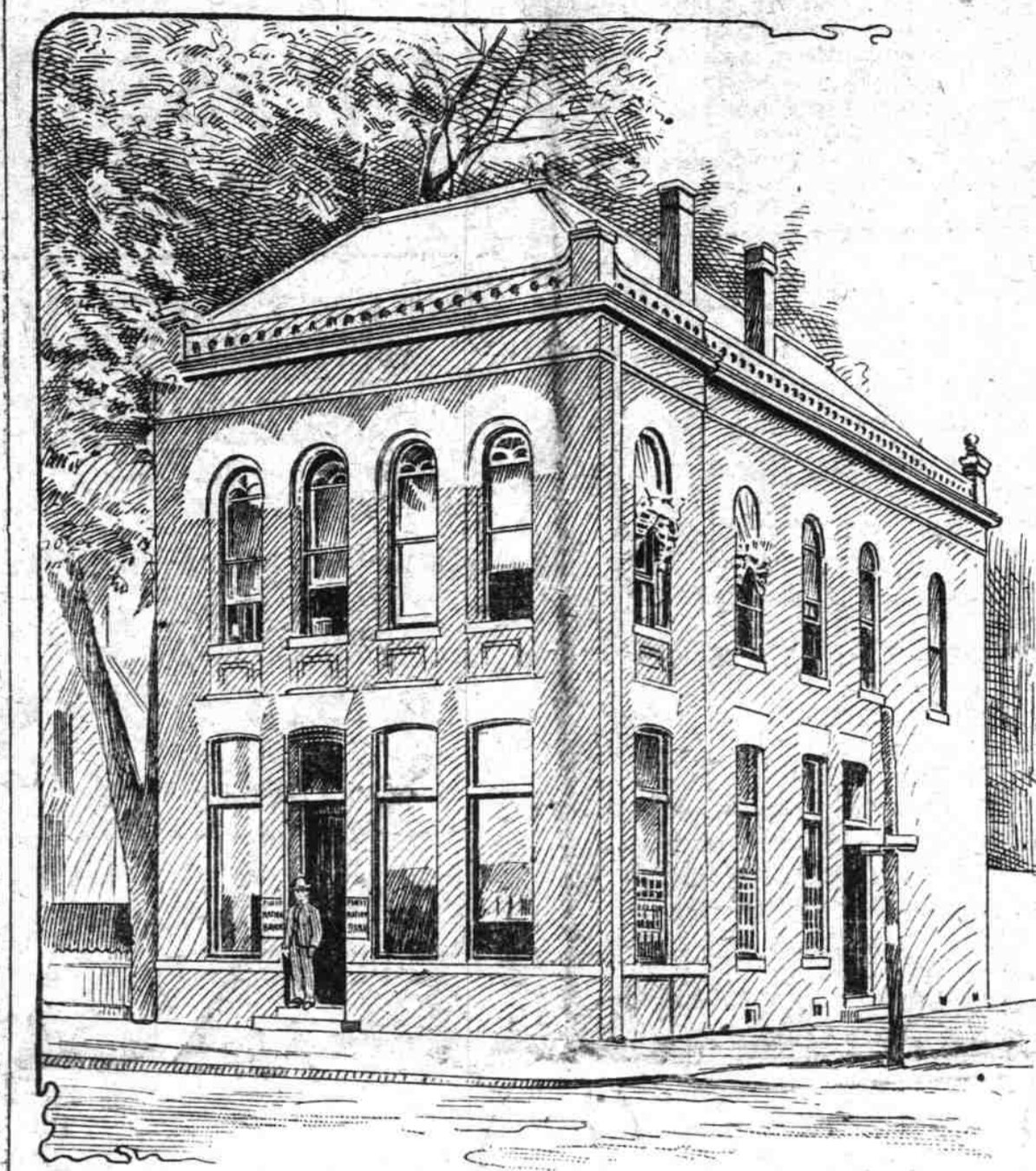
Conservative Citizens Avert Sensational Tragedy by Indignant Pensions.

A special to the Morning Post of July 3rd, from Salisbury, N. C., says: W. A. Cable, the wife beater, who was given a hearing before Justice Miller here, yesterday afternoon, is now in jail. The evidence brought out at the trial was of such a nature as to arouse the highest indignation of the entire community. The fact that a very sensational tragedy has thus far been averted is attributed to the cool heads and sound judgment of the citizens who are willing that the law shall have its course. In the trial witnesses testified that Cable forced his wife, at the point of a pistol, to place her head between his knees, where he held her and beat the blood from the bare skin. It was further shown that he then forced her to swear that she would never tell the matter to any one. This occurred in their own home, and the unfortunate woman made her escape only when Cable had gone into another room to get another pistol with which he said he would kill her. Cable has been notified by the Southern Railway, for whom he worked as a freight conductor, that his services will be no longer needed. Nothing has touched or aroused the indignation of the community so far years.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS TO HOLD REUNION.

Colonel J. B. Leigh, the enthusiastic adjutant of the Confederate Veterans of Currituck county, proposed to have a grand reunion and celebration of his comrades at Currituck Court House, July 23rd. It promises to be a great occasion. Pigs have been secured, and in fact the committee has spared no pains to make it a memorable event in the annals of Currituck. Hospitality will be lavishly extended,

The First National Bank Of This City



IT'S SUCCESSFUL CAREER OUTLINED IN DETAIL.

The Bank Has Made a Creditable Showing And is One of the Proofs of Present Day Prosperity. The Successful Career of Cashier Old.

The following compliment to one of the leading money institutions of Elizabeth City will be read with pleasure here as it is culled from the pages of the Raleigh News and Observer, where a compliment is always valued and always given to deserving, rather than to solicitous institutions. It is as follows: "No city or town in North Carolina has made greater progress in the last ten years than Elizabeth City. It has bounded forward in one leap from a small town to a flourishing, prosperous and rapidly growing city. It is easily the commercial metropolis of Northeastern North Carolina, and is destined soon to be the largest city in the State. One of the factors that has contributed most to the development and progress of Elizabeth City, has been the First National Bank, which was established in 1891 with a capital of \$50,000. It now has a sur-



COL. W. T. OLD.

plus and undivided profits amounting to forty thousand dollars, and during its existence has paid dividends amounting to forty-one thousand five hundred dollars. The following statement shows the steady growth of the deposits of this institution:

COMPARATIVE DEPOSITS.

April, 1893	\$ 83,000.00
" 1896	126,000.00
" 1902	176,000.00

1903 276,000.00 It is managed with conspicuous ability and wise conservatism by the board of directors composed of seven of the leading business men of the city, as follows: Chas. H. Robinson, "The Fair," dry goods, etc.; James B. Blades, Blades Lumber Co.; J. B. Flora, of J. B. Flora & Co., Wholesale grocers; D. E. Bradford, president of Elizabeth City Hosiery Co.; G. M. Scott, secretary and treasurer of North Carolina Vans; W. T. Old, president of Bank of Plymouth, N. C.; M. H. White, Hertford, N. C. Charles H. Robinson, president, is one of Elizabeth City's foremost and most successful merchants. He has built up a trade that goes throughout a very large section of country and has a store that in size and equipment has no superior in North Carolina.

Vice President, J. B. Blades is a member of the famous Blades Lumber Company, one of the largest lumber companies in the whole south, with plants at Elizabeth City, New Bern, and in a half dozen other towns in Eastern North Carolina. He is a public-spirited citizen and leads in all progressive movements for his section.

The cashier, Capt. W. T. Old, was one of the original promoters and one of the first officers of the State Bankers' Association. He is one of the most progressive, useful and popular citizens of Elizabeth City, and under his active management the bank has become Elizabeth City's foremost institution. On September 1st, a Savings Bank and Trust Company will be opened for business. Captain Old has been elected president of that company. The other officers have not yet been chosen. The directors are: W. T. Old, J. B. Blades, E. F. Aylett, Geo. R. Bright, C. H. Robinson, C. W. Grice, J. B. Flora, C. E. Kramer, and W. H. Jennings. It will fill the need of a great and growing town like Elizabeth City, and under the cashiership of Capt. Old will rapidly grow into one of the State's strongest financial institutions. Capt. Old is one of the most popular officers of the State Guard, and one a leader in military affairs, boating and athletics as well as in business and in finance. Captain Old is also president of the Bank of Plymouth, a new bank recently established.

HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE.

(Communicated.)

Whenever any man, or set of men, show a magnanimous spirit, or do a noble deed, they deserve to be commended. Our suspicions of their sincerity, while they admonish us to be cautious, should not close our eyes to facts. It is a notable fact that a remarkable change is coming over the outward spirit of some of our distillers and liquor dealers. Not many years ago they openly ridiculed and defied public sentiment. They boldly boycott and financial ruin to any man or party that for a moment questioned their supreme authority. But their attitude seems to be undergoing a remarkable change. Not that they have surrendered the boycott method, but they do not talk so much about it now, tate public sentiment, which they once defied. Some temperance advocate may say that this is not sincere, but it is forced upon them by the faithfulness of temperance workers. Well, you may draw your own conclusions, the purpose of this article is to call attention to the change that has taken place.

At a recent convention of liquor makers and dealers held in Pittsburg the Executive Committee reported: "It is apparent that a wave of prohibition sentiment is again beginning to sweep the land, and this matter requires the immediate attention of the trade. The situation in the State of Texas is alarming, and in many other States there are indications that we are entering upon a period of hostile agitation." At another convention recently held in Raleigh it was brought out that there are now only about one hundred places in the State of North Carolina where liquor may be sold according to law. From all parts of the country similar reports go up to these conventions. The attitude of many religious bodies against the liquor trade was deprecated in the Pittsburg convention saying, "this prevents many engaged in our business from taking that interest in religious work which they would otherwise be glad to do." And this body of liquor solemnly (?) voted that there is "nothing in the Old or New Testament to justify such opposition." (Reader, hold your tongue here, Don't comment on the spectacle of a convention of liquor dealers for merely interpreting Scripture. They were very solemn. Remember that they proclaimed to the world that they considered the liquor business actually to diminish intemperance, and that the promotion of sobriety is their fundamental aim.) And if any one still doubts that they have actually joined the ranks of the philanthropists refresh your memory with regard to their attitude toward the "army canteen" law. When the country abolished the "Canteen" this noble company of philanthropists (sic) spent thousands of dollars to induce the country to adopt the canteen again saying that they sold more liquor without the canteen than with it. Think of it; spent thousands of dollars in trying to get a law passed which would hurt their business! That is what they said. Who ever heard of such unselfishness before? Is it not remarkable?

But that is not an isolated case; it has actually been exceeded right here in our town. The whole world should turn its eager eye to this favored part of the "Moral (?) vineyard." Here the very business itself is about to be put under the ban by those who are engaged in it. The saloon men of Berkley, after a heated contest in which they won a temporary victory, had it published in all the daily papers that they, of their own accord would place many restrictions upon themselves, such as not selling on Sunday, to minors and after ten o'clock at night. They verily thought they were making a wonderful display of generosity, and no doubt, would become indignant at the man who would dare suggest that they did it to curry favor with the public. But these noble spirits ought to take lessons in philanthropy from the brethren in our progressive city. Here, our saloon men are so opposed (?) to the sale of liquor in any form that they are said to be circulating a petition for an election which shall make even a dispensary impossible.

This is an interesting situation. Such a change of front is phenomenal. Some unsympathizing people may be disposed to ridicule these philanthropists, and say you are not sincere. But remember, friends, that all people do not see alike. CLAUDE W. DUKE.

District Conference

Methodists at Hertford; Conclude Their Meeting.

Sunbury the Next Town

Regrets Were Numerous as to the Closing of the Greensboro Female College. Delegates Are Chosen. Preachers Report to the Assemblage. The Doctrines Discussed.

In the report of the Conference published last week, it was stated that three of the preachers were absent. Two of these arrived later, leaving only one absent. This one was Rev. G. W. Starling of Perquimmons Circuit, who is in the western part of the State with his sick wife. There was present fifty lay-delegates and local preachers, making a total enrollment of seventy.

The reports of the preachers were more interesting than any that have been presented heretofore. This was due to the fact that they were made out of special blanks prepared for the purpose. A great many facts as to the state of the churches in the District were brought out that had been overlooked at previous sessions. Much emphasis was given to such subjects as family prayer, infant baptism the Lords Supper, etc.

From these reports it was seen that the Epworth League work in the District is not in a satisfactory condition. The following were made a standing committee on Epworth Leagues Revs. W. F. Craven, A. J. Parker and C. L. Reed. It is hoped that through the efforts of this committee a much needed impetus may be given to this work.

On Friday afternoon the interest of the Woman's Missionary Societies were considered. Mrs. C. W. Hollowell and Mrs. J. E. Underwood presented the work of the Woman's Home Mission Society, and Mrs. T. C. Blanchard presented the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Many expressions of regret were heard as to the closing of Greensboro Female College, and the Conference by resolution expressed the hope that it might yet be reopened and continued as a Methodist College for Women.

The following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference: L. G. Roper, W. S. Blanchard, W. J. Woodley, S. A. Griffin, Alternates; Z. Fearing, G. H. Riggs, J. W. Evans, H. B. Cross.

The next session of the Conference will be held at Sunbury, in Gates county.

Mr. President and Members of the District Conference.

Brethren:—We, your committee on Temperance, beg to report, that we appreciate the fact that there is a general awakening in the great cause of temperance. There is a growing sentiment towards the enactment and support of temperance legislation. That the force of this sentiment may be felt in the direction of good there is need of organization. We, therefore, heartily endorse the Anti-Saloon League in the State, and League in every county and community where it is practical to appeal to every friend of temperance who can possibly do so to give his presence and influence at the State Convention called to meet in Raleigh, July 7th. We hope to see this convention put an active campaigner in the field who will give himself wholly to the work. Until we shall do this, we cannot reckon ourselves as seriously engaging in conflict with the great drink evil.

We want to see our people thoroughly awakened to this great cause of temperance, then, all aiming at the common destiny strive to reach the topmost height of temperance legislation. Not until we take an active part in these conventions, and cast our votes right in the sight of God at the ballot boxes we will have our state, our communities and our beloved homes freed from the abominable curse of liquor. T. J. DALY, Chairman. S. C. PUGH, Secretary.