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The man who fails is apt to lay the cause of it to circumstances. But failures come rather from lack of work or character.

"Who loves his work and knows to spare."

May live and flourish anywhere."

A boy of ten replying to the question "who made you?" said, "Lamenting the length of a baby with his hands, "God made me so long, and I grew the rest." The obvious mistake of the boy in leaving out the God of his growth suggests that we are partly self made. There is a divinity that shapes our ends, but it makes a difference whether we ourselves hew them rough or smooth. If you want to fill a round hole you must a ball of yourself. Circumstances do shape putty, but men make circumstances.

"We build the ladder by which we rise

From the lowly earth to the vaulted skies,

And we mount to the summit round by round.

True men are neither made nor ruled by circumstances. A distinguished American stopping at the home of Patrick Henry and gazing with kindling interest upon the surroundings of the great orator in boyhood said it is no wonder that he grew great in the presence of these inspiring landscapes and mountains. To which a suave and discerning countryman replied, these landscapes and mountains have been here all the time, but we have heard of no other Patrick Henrys.

It is interesting to us to hear of the organization of so many life insurance companies in the State. We recall eleven, one in Wilmington, three in Greensboro, one in Asheville, one in Charlotte, two in High Point, one in Raleigh, one in Elizabeth City and one in Fayetteville, which have been organized of late. Perhaps there are others. Insurance business has been profitable. At least the wide publication of the great assets of the big companies in New York City as an incident to the exposure of their wrong doings appears to warrant the conclusion. Hence the business has become an interesting field to capitalists. We are in sympathy with the movement to encourage home insurance. It is adapted to keeping our capital at home. But is there not danger in trying to do too much home insurance? Any business may be overdone. Our State can support only a definite number of companies. If more are organized all are imperiled. There are temptations to wrong doing and hazardous business ventures when the treasuries of companies are overflowing as in New York City. And likewise there are temptations when companies are doing a small business and making a painfully scant living. Men become desperate and moral obligations are lost to sight when they are about to be forced to the brink of bankruptcy. It is about time to call a halt, possibly it is already too late, in organizing these companies.

The progressive and generous spirit of A. W. McLean, Esq., in behalf of a monument to be erected at the capital of the county in memory of its Confederate Veterans is worthy of all praise. It is a stirring appeal that deserves a prompt and liberal response. The readiness and the heartiness with which the dead heroes and battle scarred old veterans that yet survive responded to the call to arms and the battle cry on many a bloody field should be that of the older and younger manhood of the county to rear this memorial shaft. There should be recompense enough to any giver in the emotions of joy and the consciousness of honor conferred it would inspire in the few living old men who wore the gray and added by their courage and fidelity to duty, new glory to arms in behalf of country and its rights. We hope the liberal offer and noble appeal of Mr. McLean will awaken new and deeper interest and that the funds needed to rear a monu-

ment worthy of the great county and her brave sons will be raised without delay.

The Raleigh Post has disappeared. In some way, The Times, an afternoon daily in Raleigh, has its outfit and is engaged to fill out the contracts with subscribers. We are sorry we shall see the paper no more. It was a clear cut and had clear cut convictions. Experienced newspaper men were in charge and did well under the conditions. It will be missed. It comes into our mind now perhaps the thousandth time to say we are sorry to hear of the severe sickness of Mr. J. P. Caldwell of the Charlotte Observer. We hope to hear quickly of his convalescence. His clear headedness and keenness of penetration and abounding conservatism is a great service far beyond the conduct of the great daily of which he is editor in chief.

The scope of the work already done as well as the work projected by the Conference of the Methodist church in session last week in Greensboro is inspiring. It makes the christian's heart tingle with pride and pleasure to see such evidences of work done and the daring of faith to sweep on with still widening enterprise for the future. There are noble and consecrated soldiers in that diversion of Immanuel's great army. They have the first prerequisite of a true soldier, obedience. And they have come up together for council and plan out of the field of self denial and heroic efforts where they have battled for a year. With new inspiration they will go out to the highways and hedges for another year and next November the survivors of the conflict will return to their meeting place, bringing the story of the sheaves or the stars that will shine in their crowns forever.

It was Cowper for one who, when asked why he thought so highly of his intellectual abilities, replied at once, because I know myself so well. He then added, the implication of the question is possibly a mistake. I do not estimate myself to the belittling of others. My standard of value for my performances is high for myself and for others as well. I claim that I place a higher value on the worth of my achievements than others do and I claim also that I place a higher value upon the achievements of others than men at large do and than they do for themselves. This is all very ingenious. It is pleasing to find folks who are not both in season and out of season belittling other folks. Such a spirit is all too prevalent. It is born of a depraved heart and is usually conspicuous in envious men of small mental calibre. The big headed, big hearted man is capable of seeing good and great things in others and is not afraid to help them by saying so.

Notice to Cotton Growers.

There will be a meeting of the Cotton Growers Association of all the townships on the first Saturday in December, for the purpose of electing new officers for 1906. Also to elect delegates to the County Convention, to be held on the second Saturday in December in Lumberton. And all members who will to pay five cents on each of cotton raised this year to pay expense of the Society. Such a good and grand work can't go on without money, grit and brain. Raft Swamp Meeting will be held at twelve o'clock on the first Saturday in December, and all who are interested in the price of cotton, are especially invited to meet with us and it is hoped that everybody in this township will attend and take a lively interest and show to the county, she will do her duty, pay her dues, hold her cotton, when necessary. That is the motto of Raft Swamp.

W. K. Culbreth,
Chairman.
Cotton Growers Association.

Road Superintende W. G. Allen spent Sunday in Raleigh, visiting his family.

Township Meetings.

President A. J. McKinnon is sending out the following letter: "Don't fail to attend the Township meetings and elect your Township Officers on the 1st Saturday in December, and be sure and have your report and all go to Lumberton on the second Saturday to elect your County Officers, receive the Township reports, hear R. W. Livermore speak and have a day of rejoicing over the victories won and renew our efforts for greater things. We are at last on the saddle and lets never surrender until we have made our Country the richest Country and our people the best educated and the greatest people on the globe. We have been slaves to England and speculation for forty years or more, lets rule the balance of time, its with the individual. Will you be a slave or a ruler? Every price set by the Association has been reached, those who obeyed their instruction reaped the benefit. Will you be one to reap future benefits?"

A. J. McKinnon,
President.
Robeson County Cotton Growers Association.

Alfordville Items.

A few of our people attended the meeting at the Baptist church at Rowland last week.

Rev. W. T. Walker is assisting Mr. Ferguson at Midway this week.

There was Rally day at Purvis. We were sorry Mr. Bradley could not be there.

Misses Agner Evans and Mary Edna McCallum spent Friday night with Miss Nina McGirt.

Mr. J. B. Bullock will soon have his new house completed.

Sorry to announce the illness of Mr. J. W. D. McLean.

A colored boy, on Mr. Hasty's plantation, got his hand shot, Sunday night.

Miss Agnes Evans, the popular young music teacher of Alfordville, has been unwell for some days. Hope she will soon recover.

The Alfordville school girls have capital times playing basket ball.

We would be glad to have Mr. Allen here to work on the roads and get the lumber out of the swamp that was intended for a bridge, but if we are not mistaken, it is floating down the run of the swamp.

All the crops are about gathered now and the "possums" and "tatters" will see hard times.

The party of Illinois "home-seekers," who have been here several days prospecting with a view of locating and developing the fine trucking lands in this immediate vicinity, went over to Chadbourn on a special train yesterday morning. A number of fine farms all along the route were inspected and the visitors were shown just what may be accomplished on any of the lands on the coast. It is understood that the Prairie State folks are well pleased with what they have seen and heard and that there is a strong probability of a colony of thrifty people here.—Tuesday's Star.

Dr. Beckwith is expected to arrive here about the 6th of December and will with his family take room at a hotel until the 1st of January, when they will move into the house at present occupied by the family of Mr. Geo. M. Whitfield. He has rented and fitted up an office over the National Bank.

Mr. J. L. Stephens spent Sunday with relatives at Ashpole.

A Worthy Movement.

All Robeson county papers are requested to copy the following article written by Mr. M. G. McKenzie, chairman of the Monumental Association:

For the last five or six years there has been much said about building a monument some where in Robeson county to the memory of the Confederate dead, the brave patriotic sons who gave their lives to the Southern cause and whose bones have been resting under the clove of every Southern State, and some, oh yes many, near or by Northern prisons, who tho' dead yet speak, and the heart of every true Confederate soldier in this county has been made to bow in sadness and grief at this unpardonable neglect of a suitable monument to the memory of their heroic brothers, over whose mounds the blighting winds of winter and the blazing sun of summer have beat for 40 long years.

About five years ago Camp Ryan appointed a committee whose duty was to make an energetic effort to secure funds for the erection of this long cherished memento to their dead comrades, memory and at that time considerable effort was made and our hopes were beginning to grow bright, but alas only to be soon crushed by seeming carelessness and want of fund, but the ladies of Maxton did come to their rescue and raised \$25.00 which amount has been held by Mr. J. A. McAllister, county treasurer of the Monumental Association, as a nest egg.

Last summer during the Home coming week at Red Springs, another effort was begun and the following amounts subscribed, with the understanding that each dollar subscribed should entitle the donor to cast one vote as to what place in the county the monument should be erected and the town receiving the largest number of votes should have the monument within its borders. This was considered a just and equitable way of deciding the locating of the much desired structure. On a subscription list reading in substance as above, the following amounts were subscribed:

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| Capt. Tom McBryde | \$50.00 |
| W. H. Graham | 25.00 |
| J. A. McAllister | 50.00 |
| J. A. Brown | 25.00 |
| D. P. McEchin | 25.00 |
| W. F. Williams | 5.00 |
| W. P. Humphrey | 5.00 |
| J. C. McKenzie | 5.00 |
| H. F. McKinnon | 5.00 |
| W. K. Culbreth | 5.00 |
| A. C. McKinnon | 5.00 |
| A. D. McCallum | 5.00 |
| J. F. Culbreth | 1.00 |
| This with the | 25.00 |

from Maxton ladies gives us all told for the monument \$286.00

Last week we received a letter from Mr. A. W. McLean offering to pay \$200.00 to the erection provided nine other citizens pay like amount to said fund. The monument to be erected at the court house in Robeson county.

Saturday evening we received a very pleasing note from Messrs. McIntyre & Lawrence subscribing fifty dollars to said fund.

Now these late subscribers, by the sons of the Confederacy do our hearts great good and inspire new hopes, and it seems our long cherished aims and ambitions are to be realized, Mr. McLean's letter speaks for itself, and breathes sentiments worthy of a son of a Confederate soldier. The private note from McIntyre & Lawrence tells in loud terms the patriotic sentiments that lie in the bosom of the sons of the defenders of the Southern cause, and we be-

lieve the time is ripe for an energetic move for a creditable and suitable tribute be paid to the memory of the Confederate dead from Robeson county. Feeling that every Veteran and son of a Veteran will come forward and do their duty, and we feel sure the ladies of the county and Daughters of the Confederacy will do their part.

Subscriptions to this cause will be received and acknowledged by the Citizen, Robesonian, Argus and Scottish Chief, or by Mr. J. A. McAllister, treasurer, or by any member of the Monumental Committee consisting of the following gentlemen:

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| Capt. Tom McBride, Red Spg's. |
| S. B. Townsend, Red Springs. |
| Col. S. J. Cobb, Lumber Bridge. |
| B. Stancil, Allenton. |
| J. S. Thompson, Lumberton. |
| W. G. Graham, Rowland. |
| M. G. McKenzie, Maxton. |

The above committee are requested to meet at the court house in Lumberton on Saturday December 9, at 12 o'clock to take proper action in this important matter.

Since writing the above we have received an additional \$200. to the above fund from Mr. Berry Godwin of Lumberton.

The Jewish Massacre in Russia.

The horrible massacres of Jews in Russia instigated by the government and perpetrated by the Musjiks populace, who are paid by the government about 15 cents per day to kill and torture Jews, for the only reason that the Jew has always been the first in every movement for freedom and the tottering Russian government gratifies its thirst for revenge upon the Jews. Women are first criminally assaulted, then put to death, tender children killed by spikes driven in their heads, etc. The sufferings have evoked civilized humanity, especially those of the United States, nearly a million dollars has been forwarded to the sufferers in Russia from American Jews alone, the money is distributed among all, without any distinction of creed, every Jew or deserving Gentile is given aid, also the tender feelings of our Gentile friends have been aroused at a meeting in New York City of the members of the 1st Baptist church. \$56,000 was raised and handed over to the treasurer of the National fund, Mr. Jacob H. Schiff. Two hundred and fifty dollars was given by our Gentile brethren at Darlington, S. C. At the first call the most of the few Lumberton Jews have responded as follows: Mr. A. Weinstein, \$25; Danie Brock & Shochet, \$25; M. Margolies, \$5; J. Margolies, \$3; S. Weinstein, \$3; S. Berman, \$3; Harry Weinstein, \$2; H. Lazarus (a drummer) \$2; E. Margolies, \$1; Louis Weinstein, \$1. All those were at once forwarded to the treasurer of the National fund. We do not solicit contributions, yet every donation will be thankfully accepted.

Respectfully,
A. WEINSTEIN,
President.
M. B. SHOCHET,
Sec. Lumberton Hebrew Cong.

Mr. E. Fisher, of Ashpole, was here on business Saturday.

We are informed that Mr. Godfrey, of Fayetteville, will take charge of the Waverly Hotel next year.

Mr. N. A. Brown, of Red Springs, has been appointed local agent at that place for the Southern Life Insurance Company.

Mr. J. A. Singleton and family expect to move this week into their handsome new home at Red Springs.

Lumber Bridge Locals.

Mrs. L. W. Love has sold her residence to Mr. Carl Howard. She will probably move to Wilmington or to Red Springs. The town that gets her will have a valuable acquisition.

Changes in residences are rife so to speak. Mr. W. B. Lancaster has bought and moved into the house occupied of late by Mr. J. A. Chason and Mrs. Cottingham has purchased the residence now occupied by Mr. Carl Howard and will move into it ere long.

Mr. Dan Monroe has moved his family from Hasty to Lumber Bridge. He rented the house made vacant by the removal of Mr. D. B. Lancaster to his own dwelling.

Messrs. N. Shaw and J. L. Shaw are jurors this week and are missed in business circles.

Mrs. John Shaw, who has been visiting at Mr. Neill Shaw's, left Thursday.

Mrs. F. D. Royster, of Norfolk, Va., visited her brother, Dr. Thomas Stamps, this week.

D. P. Shaw, Esq., of the Lumberton bar, came up Wednesday night and left next day for Georgia and Florida on important legal business.

Mr. Henry John, one of the best citizens of the county, has purchased the splendid farm of the late Col. Malloy about two miles from town and will make it his home.

Rev. R. D. Cross left for his new field of labor, Morehead City, We were sorry to lose him and his wife as christian workers among us.

Lumber Bridge township made probably 300 bales more cotton this year than last year. All the townships of the county have not been so fortunate as to make any increase. Lumber Bridge is often a leader.

Miss Cammie McCaskill, of Maxton, passed through Thursday night en route home from the wedding of Mr. J. W. McLaughlin and Miss Christiana McFadyen. She and Miss Maggie Rose were the only outsiders present. Rev. L. A. McLaurin performed the ceremony. It was a beautiful one in the home of the mother of the bride and in the very bosom of the families of the happy pair. They were exceptionally happy at the new venture and left on the first train for a tour of the northern cities. They will be absent about two weeks. Their friends are numerous among us who wish for them many years of wedded happiness.

Red Springs.

Mr. R. F. DeVane has purchased the residence of Mr. B. W. Townsend opposite Hotel Townsend.

Mr. W. J. Council is getting ready to build on his vacant lot corner Third avenue and Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Pearsall and Miss Ethel Johnson, have returned home from a delightful Wilmington trip.

Mr. J. W. Smith, of Biscoe, Montgomery county, has bought the Haywood house, and will move into it the latter part of this month.

We note with pleasure that two of our former townsmen are visiting friends in this section, Messrs. Dan McKinnon, now in the turpentine business in Florida, and A. C. Brown, of Elmvilie, this State.

The friends of Capt. Alex Campbell are sorry to hear of his mishap. He is confined to his bed-room from injuries received by the tripping over a piece of iron on his train. During his absence from service Capt. York has charge of his run between Fayetteville and Bennettsville.

Mr. M. G. McKenzie, of Maxton, spent Saturday in town.

Misses Stewart, who are teaching near Ashpole, were here yesterday shopping.