

CIVIL WAR TIMES.

Some Experiences During the Trying Times 47 Years Ago.

To the Editor of The Robesonian:

Just 47 years ago today was fought the bloody battle at Fort Fisher and I was captured and carried to Point Lookout, where we suffered still more from cold, till the 4th of June, when we were set free. This day reminds me of my experience while in prison there, as the snow is deep here and it was the coldest day Saturday I can remember since we left Point Lookout. So I thought I would write a piece for The Robesonian about war times.

We of company D were stationed at the gate that is known as the Bloody Gate and of course we were the first to be captured in our face-to-face battle on Sunday afternoon, January 15. Then we were all surrounded by Federal men and kept there until Wednesday. Many of our brave and noble boys fell at that gate while fighting fearlessly for their country and there we lost our brave and gallant captain, James S. McCormick, who fell in that great struggle between the Confederates and Federals. The first man that crept to that monstrous parapet was Edward Williams of Co. D, 117th regiment of New York volunteers, but a bullet sent him to his death 2 weeks later. According to their own statement the Federal regiment went into the Fort Fisher battle 2,855 strong, of which 108 were killed or wounded. I am sorry to say I do not remember just how many we lost there. Colonel Lamb told us at the reunion in Wilmington, but my memory is not so good in my later days and I can't be positive just how many he said we lost. But many of our brave noble boys gave up their lives there for their country in that one great battle. Colonels Lamb and Whiting were both wounded there and so was General Curtiss of the Federal regiment. He lost one eye and with blood pouring from many wounds he made the first entrance to the fort. He climbed the battlements by sticking his sword in the ground to get up and we must admit that he was a brave foe.

There was everything but peace and plenty to eat at Fort Fisher for three days after this, then we started by way of steamer to Point Lookout and reached there the next Sunday, and we were overtaken by a severe storm going round Cape Hatteras, and the sailors almost gave up in despair. They said we were carried 50 miles out of our way by the storm and I have often thought of the way Rev. James Smith, of Wilmington now, stood up by a post and made the most solemn prayer that night to God that not one life on that ship should be lost. And I always have believed that prayer had something to do with the saving of our steamer and lives on that terrible night of storm-tossed billows and foam; and he was not a minister then, as he is now. You see, he was only a youthful soldier in gray. We called him "Little Jim" then, but that name will not do for him now. The last time I saw him he was large, and we now call him the Rev. James Smith. But the storm was not all we had to contend with. Many of our men were terribly seasick and one of them died of seasickness, by the name of Daniel McNeill. He was a distant cousin of my wife and the son of Sheriff Hector McNeill of Cumberland county, who was a noble Christian man, loved and revered by all who knew him, from the least child to the oldest man of his county, was Sheriff McNeill, and his grandson is now sheriff of Cumberland county, Hector McGeachy of Fayetteville.

I will close as I can't write much of a letter. If "Aunt Becky" or "Happy Jack" knew as much of war battles as I do they could write something worth while, but it just seems like I can't get it together right. Besides, it is my first attempt. I will wait till some other time when I will not be so cold and maybe I can do better.

J. C. Smith, Veteran, Red Springs, R. F. D. 2, Jan. 15, 1912

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SUGGESTIVE QUESTIONS

On the Sunday School Lesson by Rev. Dr. Linscott for the International Press Bible Question Club.

Jan. 21st, 1912.

(Copyright, 1910, by Rev. T. S. Linscott, D.D.) The Birth of Jesus. Luke II:1-20. Golden Text—For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. Luke II:11.

- (1) Verses 1-2—Who were Caesar Augustus, and Cyrenius? (2) Verses 3-4—What was the political or national status of the Jews at this time? (3) Judah had neither king nor law-giver at this time; what prophecy is there which intimates that Messiah was to be born under such conditions? (4) Why was Bethlehem called the city of David, and what does the name of the city signify? (5) Verses 5-6—What would be a correct designation of a man who does not willingly pay his taxes? (6) Why were Joseph and Mary not to be censured, for traveling abroad at such a momentous and critical time? (7) Verse 7—Do we need to do anything special, except doing our every day duty, to help God bring to pass at the exact time and place whatever he has planned for us? Give your reasons.

- (8) Why was it the plan of God that Jesus should be born in Bethlehem in a stable, and cradled in a manger? (9) Does God have more interest in the masses or the classes, that is in the poor or the rich? (10) How do you account for it that no person gave up his room in the inn, and that no private citizen offered hospitality to a woman of such respectability, in such a serious condition? (11) Verses 8-10—Which method assures us of the more Divine revelations and why, specifically seeking them, or devoutly attending to our every day duties? (12) May any godly person in these days ever expect to be visited by an angel?

- (13) Why is there never any reason to fear, either a natural or a supernatural revelation, if we are serving God? (14) Verses 11-12—Why was the birth of Jesus good tidings to the shepherds and to all men? (15) Does wealth, or social position, or education, make people more sensitive to the supernatural, than the opposites of these things? (16) Verses 13-14—Did this host of angels come at this moment, or were they already there and the eyes of the shepherds "suddenly" opened, and their ears attuned, to see and hear them? (17) What if any reason is there to believe that we are constantly surrounded with a host of angels?

- (18) Verses 15-16—How much hurt or help would this revelation have been to the shepherds, if they had gone to Bethlehem to see for themselves? (19) Verse 17-18—How much obligation rests upon Christians, to make Jesus known to the world? (20) Verses 19-20—How is it that when we find out the facts concerning Jesus, that our hearts are so mightily stirred? (This is one of the questions that may be answered in writing by members of the club.) Lesson for Sunday, Jan. 28th, 1912 The Presentation in the Temple. Luke II:22-29.

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