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THE EFFECTS OF THE ASSASSINATION.

The killing of Lord Cavendish and Under Secretary Burke will be very disastrous to Ireland. The reported conversation with Mr. Parnell shows that he fully appreciates the magnitude of the calamity.

What effect the assassinations will have upon the Gladstone Ministry we cannot pretend to anticipate. Strange to say, the tenure of the Premier's office was becoming hourly more delicate and uncertain.

Owing to a change of policy which was announced last week, there is also another threatened defection, and just as the Government was about to submit to a thorough discussion of the new policy, and the

lamented Lord Cavendish was the son of the Duke of Devonshire, and brother of the Marquis of Hartington. He has been for two years past Financial Secretary of the Treasury.

There are 271 merchants doing business in Wilmington. Of this number 240 are merchants proper, 10 are strictly commission merchants, and 21 deal in general merchandise and also carry on the commission business.

There are also, in addition to the above, 67 licensed liquor dealers. The licensed hotels and boarding houses number 40.

The burglar Glacier, Captain Small, who arrived here from New York yesterday, reports having got ground on Frypan Pan Shoals on Sunday morning last, about half past 2 o'clock, during a heavy fog.

There was a hard rain, but the crowd was large and cultivated. The State says: "His lecture on the Honors of Politics" was exceedingly amusing and gave great satisfaction.

Senator Vance's lecture in Richmond last Friday evening was well received. The Dispatch says: "The lecture lasted an hour, and was full of anecdotes and humor illustrative of the ups and downs of politicians."

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We hope their plans will be perfected and the great water power at Weldon utilized in the manner mentioned.

The Visiting Odd Fellows—The Trip to Wrightsville—How Our Visitors were Entertained, &c.

Owing to a similar difficulty to that which afflicted our visitors—a press of matter—we were unable in our last to devote that attention to the trip to Wrightsville on Tuesday, and the manner in which our friends of the Grand Lodge were entertained.

A large number of vehicles of different descriptions, including wagnettes and ambulances, were brought into requisition, and the large crowd were not long in finding themselves in sight and sound of "Old Ocean."

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Annual Grand Convention of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

The Annual Convention of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows met in this city last night, at 8 o'clock, in the Lodge Room of Cape Fear Lodge, with the following officers present: C. M. Busbee, Most Worthy Grand Master.

Justus Stuebmb, Right Worthy Deputy Grand Master. J. F. Payne, R. W. G. Warden. R. J. Jones, R. W. G. Treasurer. R. J. Jones and N. M. Jurney, Grand Representatives.

W. U. Steiner, Worthy Grand Marshal. J. L. McLean, W. G. Guardian. The Grand Master appointed P. G. Thos. Carrick R. W. Grand Chaplain. P. G. and S. M. Cherry R. W. Grand Conductors.

P. G.'s J. H. Paschall and J. H. Pugh Worthy Grand Heralds. P. G.'s G. C. Birdson Assistant Grand Secretary.

An invitation from the Ladies' Memorial Association to participate in the memorial exercises to-day was read and accepted, and the Lodge will turn out in a body.

The Grand Master appointed the following committees: On Returns—P. G. Pennington, Wolfe and Collins. Correspondence—P. G.'s Woolcott, Harrison and Smith.

Unfinished Business—P. G.'s Shultz, Dean and Earl. Finance—P. G.'s Holloway, Neathley and State of the Order—P. G. M. Edwards and P. G.'s Ellington and Gaskett.

Petitions—P. G.'s Barefoot, Nash and Whitaker. Decisions—P. G. M. Smith and Jurney and P. G. Wooten.

Lodges not Represented—P. G.'s Crowell, Korbes and Peel. On motion, the Lodge adjourned to meet this morning, at 9 o'clock.

From the reports of the various officers we learn that the Grand Lodge was instituted in this city, in 1848—thirty nine years ago—and now numbers 39 lodges, of 1,329 members. That the total receipts were \$8,500 10; and total amount paid out for relief was \$1,571 42; and that the Treasurer's receipts during the year were \$1,654 35, and his total disbursements \$1,397 50, leaving a balance of \$457 85 to a new account.

The Oriental Lodge Fund, as stated, was a certificate of deposit, drawing 4 per cent. interest since June 2, 1880, for \$725.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION. The morning session was called to order at 9 o'clock, and was mostly consumed in transacting private business.

Accidental Killing of a Former Wilmingtonian.

Henry Clay Hewitt, who was killed by an accident on the Florida Central Railroad on Thursday night last, was a brother of Messrs. W. S. A. T. and Louis M. Hewitt, of this city, and formerly resided here, having been born and raised in this vicinity.

He was for a considerable length of time overseer for Col. T. C. McElhenny, in the brick business, and at one time ran a shifting engine on the Wilmington & Weldon road. Not long before the war he went out to Jacksonville, Florida, where he was employed as an engineer, but subsequently returned to Wilmington.

After the close of the war he again made Florida his residence, and has ever since been employed there in his old business of an engineer. He was the first man to pull a throttle in Florida, as was stated in the dispatch. He was also in the Confederate navy during the war. Deceased was about 49 years of age and leaves four children to mourn his loss.

The Jacksonville Times says of the accident: "The collision did not occur, as was reported, a mile beyond the White House, but at the switch a little this side of that famous mansion. The trains met there regularly and Engineer Hewitt, having his heavy load on the rising grade tried to run past the switch and back on to the siding—when he saw a collision inevitable, he reversed his engine and started to jump off. He was caught between the engine and tender and crushed to death. Both he and Engineer Stebbins, of the passenger train are noted as old and careful engineers."

One of the Unfortunate Arctic Explorers. One of the unfortunate men of De Long's party was Dr. James M. Ambler, a first cousin of Rev. T. M. Ambler, Rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church in this city. He was about thirty-four years of age, and was a passed assistant surgeon in the United States navy and the son of Dr. Richard Cary Ambler, of Fauquier county, Virginia.

In 1870 he graduated at the Maryland University School of Medicine, and for three or four years practiced in Baltimore. He was also for a short time engaged at the Marine Hospital during the administration of Dr. J. S. Connor. He has a number of relatives in Baltimore, among whom are Mrs. W. H. Brune, Colonel Charles Marshall, Messrs. Randolph Burton, James Mason Ambler and John Ambler.

Fire in the Country. A dwelling house located about two miles west of Castle Haines, near the mill of the late D. S. Sanders, in this county, occupied by Mr. C. J. Miller, was destroyed by fire on Saturday night last, about 10 o'clock, together with its contents, consisting of clothing, furniture, rations, tools, etc., to the value of about \$225, upon which there was no insurance.

There were evidences to show conclusively that the house had been broken open and robbed, and then set on fire to conceal the crime. Those who first arrived at the scene saw where a staple had been wrenched from one of the doors, and immediately after the fire search was made among the ruins for the remains of a gun which was known to have been in the house at the time, and no sign of it could be discovered.

Mr. Miller, who has no family, was in the city at the time of the destruction of his property. The loss on the house will probably be heavy.

The Clarendon Water Works at Hilton. The grounds at Hilton, embraced in the enclosure of the Clarendon Water Works Company, are being beautified by planting grass and turfing the slopes, and we learn that choice plants for flowers will be added as soon as practicable.

The grounds and the surroundings have already become quite a favorite place of resort, and will be more so as the work of improvement progresses. Not much use has been made of the stand-alone road, but we understand that about twenty feet of masonry will soon be added to the foundation and about ten feet to the structure itself, which will be furnished with a bottom not liable to leakage.

The Little Bridge Road. The county road leading into the northeastern limits of the city is the only avenue of approach for a large number of country people from portions of this and the surrounding counties, and is also used by people going to and from the County Poor House.

Foreign Exports for the Month of April. The following is a statement of the foreign exports from the port of Wilmington for the month of April, as compiled from the books in the Custom House: Rosin and Turpentine—39,387 barrels, valued at \$36,633.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Its Observance in Wilmington Under the Auspices of the Ladies' Memorial Association—Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows—Address of Capt. C. B. Denson—The Military—Salutes—Decorations, &c.

This anniversary, sacred to the memory of those who fell at the noblest place where man can fall, in the faithful discharge of a sublime duty, has again returned, and once more it has been our high privilege to join in the solemn services of the day, and to deck with evergreens and flowers the graves of those who were the gray.

It is a beautiful custom, and one that we hope will never cease to be observed among us. Far back into past centuries, among all nations and among all peoples, we will find this reverence for lofty deeds and unselfish patriotism universally displayed. It is not only the dead that are honored by these observances, but the living also, for that people must be base indeed whose hearts do not throb with kindling emotion at the recital of brave deeds and noble enterprises.

And surely, if ever a people had cause to do homage to the memory of their noble dead, we of the South are certainly that people. For the pages of history, song or story exhibit no more dauntless valor or more sublime devotion to duty than was displayed by those whom we have delighted to honor. They gave their lives for their country, and their country should honor them, not only by public demonstration, but they should be enshrined in our hearts and held in perpetual remembrance.

We cannot do too much to show our appreciation of their self-sacrificing devotion, their utter abnegation of self, their fearless disregard of consequences and their sublime faith in the justice of the cause in which they were engaged. We all admit that the cause for which they fought is forever lost; admit, if you will, that the cause was wrong—they believed it right, and with a heroism unsurpassed offered themselves a willing sacrifice upon the altars of their country.

We should strive in every way and by all means within our power to keep alive the recollection of their deeds, to emulate their virtues and to hold up to future generations the glorious example they have bequeathed to us. Marble and bronze will crumble into dust, but so long as virtue exists in the world their memories will ever remain fresh and green in the hearts of a grateful people.

This annual memorial observance, organized by our women of the South, is a beautiful and touching service. It had its inspiration in the loving heart of woman; woman who is always the first in acts of gentleness and love, always true to the noblest aspirations of our nature, and the last always to forsake even though clouds and thick darkness surround the object of her affections. To her love of country and devotion to the memory of our dead are we indebted for the privilege we yesterday enjoyed, and that hallowed spot with all its beautiful surroundings, where sleep our dead who have sunk to rest, is woman's offering to self-sacrificing patriotism. It is indeed a sacred spot, endeared to all of our hearts by the fondest associations, for here lush youth and vigorous manhood, fallen in defence of the same great cause, sleep side by side. Let us all continue unabated our interest in these sacred duties; it is not only a duty but a high privilege we thus enjoy. Let gentle hands continue to twine together the cypress and the laurel, mingling grey mosses with evergreens and shrubs, and a mother's blessing, a sister's kiss, a wife's devotion, hallow each offering and give a sweeter perfume to the flowers that are strewn upon their graves. Let all continue to bring some token of remembrance for our honored dead, even should it be nothing more than a poor handful of earth, and lay them tenderly upon each grave, for it is consecrated dust—

Of the warriors, tried and true, Who bore the flag of our nation's trust And fell in the cause, though lost, still just And died for me and you.

THE PROCESSION. Under command of Capt. O. A. Wiggins, Chief Marshal, was formed on Market street at and near its intersection with Fourth street, and was composed of three divisions, the first in charge of Assistant Marshals John L. Dudley, H. M. Bowden and A. G. Hankins; the second in charge of Assistant Marshals S. P. Collier, John H. Pugh and H. McL. Green, and the third in charge of Assistant Marshals Peter Smith and L. H. Bowden; each division making the places assigned them in the programme. The Wilmington Light Infantry was in the procession, but we regretted to see the appearance of this excellent company with such thin ranks. The procession was not as full as usual in other respects, owing probably to the excessive heat and abundance of dust, which was easily disturbed notwithstanding the sprinkling it got. The Association of Officers of the Third North Carolina Infantry and other Confederate organizations were in ranks as usual, together with the Ladies' Memorial Association, the Children's Memorial Association, schools in charge of their teachers, and all headed by the Cornet Concert Club, which discoursed music fitting to the mournful occasion.

THE SERVICES, ADDRESS, &c. Arrived at Oakdale Cemetery, where the procession had been preceded by a large number of people, who crowded the avenue to the Confederate lot and surrounded the beautiful enclosure, the various organizations filed into the lot, where a stand had been erected for the speaker and other arrangements made for the accommodation of those who were to participate in the ceremonies. The stand was occupied by the orator of the occasion, Rev. T. Page Ricard; and Capt. O. A. Wiggins, Marshal in Chief, who announced the exercises of the hour in the order in which they appeared in the programme. First came a beautiful dirge by the Cornet Concert Club, which was followed by a very touching, impressive and appropriate prayer by the Rev. Mr.

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Ricard. The Marshal next announced another dirge by the band, which was well rendered, and was succeeded by the singing of a beautiful Memorial Ode by the choir, consisting of Messrs. C. H. Robinson, H. M. Bowden, R. H. Grant, Wm. T. Fitey, D. B. Mitchell and F. M. Fremont; Prof. VanLaer officiating at the organ.

At the conclusion of the singing Capt. Wiggins, in a very neat and appropriate little speech, introduced Capt. Denson to the large audience, when that gentleman delivered a somewhat lengthy and exceedingly appropriate address, which was listened to with profound attention. His delivery was good, notwithstanding the very serious disadvantages under which he labored, in having the sun in his face a good portion of the time and being exposed to a stiff breeze of wind, which interfered materially with his manuscript, and must have caused him considerable annoyance.

The speaker alluded to the conspicuous part the South took, consecutively, in the war of the revolution, the war of 1812, the Mexican war, and finally of their heroic struggle in the late great contest for independence, and spoke particularly of the part North Carolina took in each, but more especially in our late struggle. He paid a glowing tribute to the self-sacrificing devotion of our troops throughout the great civil contest, and the deathless renown which they achieved on every battle-field from Bethel to Appomattox, and referred particularly to the fact that the first blood shed was that of a North Carolinian at Bethel, and the last gun was fired by a North Carolinian at Appomattox Court House, where the noble Lee surrendered to the victorious Grant the remnant of his brave army. He also alluded in equally complimentary terms to the important mission performed by the women of the South, and particularly of North Carolina, in the great struggle which eventuated in the "Lost Cause."

The address was received with every evidence of appreciation. The speaking concluded, the choir sang another beautiful Memorial Ode, which was succeeded by the doxology and benediction, after which the Marshal read the Roll of Honor. A salute was then fired by the Wilmington Light Infantry, under command of Capt. J. L. Cantwell, and the immense crowd dispersed.

THE DECORATIONS. The mound at the base of the statue was handsomely decorated. On the west side was the inscription in flowers, "They are Sleeping—God Has Given Them Rest," surmounted by a shield, on each side a beautiful bouquet of flowers, and at each end two handsome wreaths, while above, on the monument, was resting a Confederate battle-flag, with the letters "C. S. A." worked in flowers, and containing the names of all the battles fought in Virginia. On the north side was a small staff-flag and handsome floral crosses. On the east side a shield with the inscription, "Twill Live in Song and Story," and on the opposite side the representation of a Confederate battle-flag. Above it was a beautiful crown made of flowers, and the inscription on cloth, wreathed with evergreens, "They Sleep, the Brave of the South," and on the Confederate flag, bearing a lone star made of flowers, while at the base of the monument was a magnificent floral representation of a gate ajar.

Everything passed off without accident or mishap, and the large crowd returned to their homes with the consciousness of having performed a solemn duty in thus contributing to keep green in the memories of our people the brave deeds of their heroic dead.

The bells of the churches were tolled during the movement of the procession, and that of the Cemetery Lodge as it approached the enclosure.

GETTSBURG. Joint Reunions of Veterans to Fix Historic Points of the Battle. [By Telegraph to the Morning Star.] BOSSOR, May 9.—A committee of ex-Union and Confederate officers, comprising Generals Dudley, Seals, Davis and Ayers, Colonels Manning, Aiken and others, appointed to arrange a series of joint reunions of veterans of the Army of the Potomac and of the Army of Northern Virginia, to fix historic points for a government history of the battle of Gettysburg, have decided on June 7th for those engaged at or near "Peach orchard" west field, Devil's Den and Round Top; June 14th for those engaged in the first day's battle, and October 18th for those engaged at or near Colper Hill, or Center Hill, or East Campden Hill. The hour and place for the meeting to be Eagle hotel, Gettysburg, at 8 P. M. Other reunions will be called as the history progresses.

NEW YORK. The State Assembly—Report of the Investigating Committee Concerning Judge Westbrook and Ex-Archbishop General Ward. [By Telegraph to the Morning Star.] ALBANY, May 9.—In the Assembly to-day Mr. Roosevelt, of New York, rising to a question of privilege, stated that as the result of an investigation by the Judiciary Committee into the acts of Judge Westbrook and ex-Archbishop General Ward, he was prepared to say that Judge Westbrook should be impeached, but that as the committee had not concluded its work, and a final adjournment on the 19th inst. would defeat the object of the investigation, he asked that the adjournment be postponed to the 20th inst. A resolution was accordingly adopted.

FLORIDA. Two Youths, Respectably Connected, Confess to a Series of Robberies and an Attempt at Murder. [By Telegraph to the Morning Star.] JACKSONVILLE, May 10.—Donald McDonnell, son of a prominent lawyer, and J. A. Fowler, son of an ex-postmaster, were arrested yesterday on suspicion of having entered the postoffice and robbed the mail bags and money drawers. McDonnell confessed that they committed the deed, also to robbing a store at Green-Cove Springs, several minor robberies in this city, and two highway robberies, with one attempt at murder, within a few weeks. McDonnell is 16 and Fowler is 18 years old.

HORSFORD'S ACID-PHOSPHATE In nervous debility.—Dr. Edwin F. Vose, Portland, Me., says: "I have prescribed it for many of the various forms of nervous debility, and it has never failed to do good."

THAT HUSBAND OF MINE is three times the man he was before he began using "Wells' Health Renewer." J. D. Deane, Depo. G. H. Myers, Wilmington, N. C.

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