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WAR REMINISCENCES.

Chatham's War History.

Chatham's Cavalry Companies.

Nothing has been yet said about Chatham's cavalry companies. There were two full cavalry companies organized in this county (Co. E and Co. [illegible] of the 5th N. C. cavalry) and large detachments in other companies raised in other counties. We cannot now give a sketch of any of these cavalry companies, but with the aid of some of the survivors we hope to published full sketches hereafter. The most desperate fight that Chatham's cavalry engaged in was the one at Chamberlain's Run, a few days before the surrender. The following account of that fight was published by Gen. Rufus Barringer, in 1867:

"On the 27th of March, 1865, General Grant was reinforced by Sheridan with 9,000 additional cavalry from the Valley. Two days thereafter, the Federal commander began to move against Five Forks. On the evening of the 29th, Sheridan was at Dinwiddie Court House. The right of our army was guarded by the cavalry division of Major General W. H. F. Lee. It consisted of Beale's (Va.) and my (N. C.) brigades, and then lay at Stony Creek, 18 miles from the Court House. Rain had fallen in torrents, and our column was forced to make a long detour South and West of Dinwiddie, in order to [illegible] Creek. Marching night and day and leaving our trains behind, we effected a crossing late on the [illegible] [illegible] of that night on the [illegible] [illegible], near the famous Five Forks. This point is some six miles North West of Dinwiddie Court House, and was then held by Major General Fitz Lee, the ranking cavalry officer of Army Northern Virginia. Next day, March 31st, we moved out to feel the enemy. Our division marched to the right along the road crossing Chamberlain Run near Mrs. Crowder's. The Run is about midway between the Five Forks and the Court House. It was full past wading deep, and overflowing its low banks nearly one hundred yards. The enemy occupied, in force, its east bank.

This was my day to move in front. I had with me, 1st North Carolina, Colonel Cheek; the 2nd North Carolina, Lieutenant Colonel Gaines, and the 5th North Carolina, Colonel McNeill—about 900 men. My other regiment—the 3d North Carolina, Lieutenant Colonel Moore—was back, guarding the trains. As we neared the Run, I threw forward a squadron (Captain Lewis) of the 5th to reconnoitre. As soon as the Federals saw this, they crossed over a mounted force, formed line, and advanced towards us. I was ordered by General W. H. F. Lee, to dismount my front regiment, the 5th, and hold them in check. Protected by forest and undergrowth, the enemy pressed rather strong for Colonel McNeill. I was then ordered to dismount my whole command and attack.—Colonel McNeil held the right, Colonel Cheek the left, and Lieutenant Col. Gaines the centre—slightly to the rear of the 1st and 5th, the whole supported by Beale's brigade mounted, and by McGregor's battery (in reserve.) After a short skirmish, my line advanced, and under the personal direction of Gen. W. H. F. Lee, rushed upon the enemy with great spirit—the 2d pressing its centre, and the 1st and 5th sweeping its flanks.—Reaching the Run, Colonel Cheek and McNeill plunged into the water above and below the ford, dashed across under a deadly fire, and carried the Federal lines on the opposite side. Numbers of the enemy perished in crossing, and their whole force fell back rapidly towards Dinwiddie Court House. To finish their rout, General Lee ordered up his other brigade to make a mounted charge. General Beale found difficulty in crossing the Run, on account of obstructions in the ford, especially the killed and wounded—men and horses—impeding the way. His squadron over, it was hurled against the fleeing foe.—This small but gallant force, led by Colonel Savage, of the 13th Virginia, in person, was some how repulsed, and recoiled with heavy loss,—two thirds falling in the charge. Instantly the Yankees rallied, and just then receiving re-inforcements, they suddenly wheeled about, and, in turn, repulsed my two advance regiments. General Lee, seeing the advantage of the enemy, both in numbers and position, quickly ordered his whole command to re cross the Run, and hold the west bank. This effected, each party set to work fortifying.

In the midst of these spirited movements, Colonel Waller of the 9th Virginia, made a dash at the Yankee right and captured a number of prisoners.

Our loss in these spirited operations was:

The Virginia brigade, 24 killed and wounded.

The North Carolina brigade, 110 killed, wounded and missing.

My loss in field officers was disastrous. Colonel McNeill and Lieutenant Colonel Shaw of the 5th were both killed: Capt. Harris, acting Major of same regiment, painfully wounded: Lieutenant Colonel Gaines of the 2d, lost an arm: and Major McLeod, of the 1st, had a shot, well nigh fatal, through the face.

About the time this action began, General's Pickett and Fitz Lee, with a considerable force of infantry and cavalry, moved against the Federal lines further to the left—up the Run. They were there met by the main body of the Yankee cavalry. Towards evening, it was resolved to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] mournful proof of the patriotic ardor and heroic spirit that still animated the gallant sons of North Carolina. This spirit is further shown by the following incident known to be strictly true:

When the brave and generous [illegible] [illegible] fell, his brother sprang, for a moment, to his side. The hero said, "Turn me on my face; then hurry to the front!"

Frank Brown, a courier, bore a message to Major Lockhart, just as the latter gave his order to charge. The noble youth, unbidden, dashed to the head of the column and led the charge, the only man on horseback. For a moment he swept [illegible] [illegible], and, returning promptly to [illegible] [illegible] "We've whipped them! We [illegible] [illegible]."

[illegible]

An Ingenious Prisoner.

[illegible]

tack along the whole Confederate line. When told of this purpose, I pointed General W. H. F. Lee to the shattered condition of the troops left me, and to the hazard of the attempt in my front, and respectfully asked a re consideration of that part of the order.—General Lee concurred with me. But the order was promptly repeated. The attack there was decreed essential to the success of the day; and I prepared to make it.—Gen. Lee leaving the details entirely to myself.

I saw but one hope of success. That was to *surprise the enemy*. To that end, I resolved to feign an attack *in line* and then suddenly assault *in column*. I, accordingly, deployed the 1st regiment in an open line, some 150 yards above the ford, with instructions, at the proper time, to march across, dismounting their carbines—thus engaging the enemy, and drawing their fire. I next formed the 2d regiment—Major Lockhart commanding—in close column, by sections of 5, and concealed it near the ford, with instructions to charge across and assault the Federal works just opposite. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

The General now, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Pickett and Fitz Lee, and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

The loss of the enemy I could never learn.

General Sheridan frankly admits a defeat at this point. In a dispatch that night to General Grant he says: "The enemy, [illegible], again, attacked at Chamberlain Creek, [illegible] [illegible] Smith's position. And in his [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] brunt of their cavalry which was borne by General [illegible] [illegible] which had so gallantly held the crossing of Chamberlain Creek, [illegible] morning. [illegible]

[illegible]

The cavalry [illegible] [illegible] of the 1st regiment, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

So far as I know, this was the last decided Confederate victory. As such it sheds a halo of glory around our lost cause and reflects imperishable honor on the troops that won it, especially the cavalry. An impression prevailed in the army of Northern Virginia, that the safety of our cause depended, in great measure, on the defeat of Sheridan, and his haughty troopers. My own brigade was inspired with a lofty enthusiasm to achieve this result. Gloom, despondency and despair had seized the heart of the Confederacy. But the true and brave men of this brigade clung to their colors, and rallied to their standards. With one voice they resolved to do or die. The long and noble lists of killed and wounded at Chamberlain Run, March [illegible]

A North Carolina Millionaire.

Chapel Hill, N. C., Oct. 11.—The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] He is now a millionaire, proprietor of Bromo Seltzer, and President of the Emerson Drug Company. Dr. Isaac E. Emerson. He is still the same generous, warm hearted, active, pushing man as when he worked for his board. He has given the same mater one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

Alamance Gleaner: The roller flouring mill, run by steam, near [illegible] [illegible], was burned last Saturday. The mill belonged to a joint stock company. The fire was accidental. About $[illegible] insurance was carried on the mill and two hundred dollars on stock, but the loss is nearly twice the amount of insurance.

Balloons in Weather Service.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 11.—The United States, said Professor Allen Hazen, the meteorologist of the Weather Bureau, this morning, is the only one of the great powers which does not possess a dirigible, or steering balloon. England, and Germany each own balloons of this character, but the United States thus far has taken no steps toward securing one.

Professor Hazen has in contemplation a series of balloon ascensions to discover the movement of storms [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Mexico's Democratic [illegible]

[illegible]

Town Wiped Out by Fire.

[illegible]

Poisoned at a Wedding.

[illegible]

A House and Occupants Burned.

[illegible]

A Foot Ball Victim.

[illegible]

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A correspondent writing the Elkin Times from Longtown, Yadkin county, says: Near here there lives a respectable young man, aged about 22 years. He was born where he now lives and has never stayed away from home over a night in his life. He has never seen a court house nor even been to any town.

Durham Sun: Several days ago a very amusing incident happened at the white Graded School, so it was learned from one of the scholars. Prof. W. [illegible] Tomas, the [illegible] superintendent of the public schools of this city, was addressing the school and was trying to impress upon their minds the necessity of being industrious. He was denouncing laziness and said that no lazy person could go to Heaven. At this juncture a little girl, who was sitting in the rear of the audience, was heard to whisper "poor papa". It caused [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Ga.,

[illegible] LINE.

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[illegible]

THE [illegible] [illegible]

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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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[illegible]	Fayetteville,	Leave, 2.45 "
[illegible]	[illegible]	" 12.50 "
Arrive [illegible]	[illegible]	" 11.50 "
[illegible]	[illegible]	" 10.20 "
[illegible]	Mt. Airy.	" 7.05 a. m.

North Bound No. 4.	STATIONS	South Bound No. 3.
[illegible] Leave	Bennettsville	Arrive 7.20 p. m.
[illegible]	Maxton	Leave 6.12 "
[illegible]	Red Springs	" 5.40 "
[illegible]	Hope Mills	" 4.54 "
[illegible] Arrive	Fayetteville	" 4.35 "

North Bound No. 16. MIXED.	STATIONS.	South Bound, No. 15, MIXED.
[illegible] Leave	Ramseur	Arrive 6.00 p. m.
[illegible]	Climax	Leave 4.20 "
[illegible] Arrive	Greensboro	" 3.00 "
[illegible] Leave	Greensboro	Arrive 2.40 "
[illegible]	Stokesdale	Leave 1.35 "
[illegible] Arrive	Madison	" 12.55 "

Daily except Sunday.

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