

REAMS STATION.

Next Friday, the 25th, is the forty-seventh anniversary of one of the last victories won by the Confederate troops, and it is a victory of which North Carolinians have especial cause to be proud, for it was won chiefly, almost entirely, by North Carolina soldiers.

After the disastrous repulse of the Federal troops on the 30th of July, 1864, at the battle of the Crater, Gen. Grant did not deem it prudent to attempt again to capture Petersburg by assault, and so he continued to extend his lines farther and farther to his left (and our right) in his efforts to cut off all communication from the south with Petersburg.

In August, 1864, Grant sent a large force of cavalry and infantry to destroy the railroad leading to Weldon and that force did destroy several miles of that road. Gen. Hancock had entrenched with a large Federal force at Reams Station and Gen. Lee determined to dislodge him and for that purpose sent Gen. A. P. Hill with several brigades of his corps and some from Longstreet's corps.

This assault was made late in the afternoon and was entirely successful, resulting in the defeat of the Federals, the capture of nine pieces of their artillery and about 2,000 prisoners. It required unusual courage to make this successful assault, after other troops had been repulsed, on the enemy strongly entrenched and superior in numbers.

Both sides fought in this battle with obstinate bravery, and although the Federals stood to their guns most manfully they could not resist the fury of the Confederate attack. Many fought hand-to-hand when our men rushed upon the breastworks of the enemy, neither side being willing to give away.

And yet, when he has the opportunity of helping to reduce this woe'n schedule, he not only refuses to help, but with his veto defeats the relief offered by the bill which Congress had passed by a large majority.

to drag the other by main strength over on his side of the breastwork apparently oblivious and indifferent to what was going on all around them. Finally with a mighty effort Capt. Lawhon pulled both the flag and its gallant defender over and across the breastwork and captured both flag and bearer.

So pleased and gratified was Gen. Lee with this victory of our North Carolina soldiers that he wrote a letter to Gov. Vance on the 29th of August, 1864, complimenting most highly the brigades of Cooke, Lane and MacRae, saying they had won the "admiration of the army."

CONGRESS has at last adjourned its extra session, which has lasted about five months, and yet all that time, labor and expense have been almost in vain because President Taft has vetoed the important legislation enacted.

This good work the Democrats in Congress, with the aid of some Republicans, at once undertook and successfully passed both branches of Congress several tariff bills that would afford much relief to the people, but their labors have been in vain because the President has blocked all their work with his veto.

The first of these tariff bills that President Taft vetoed was the one reducing the tariff on wool and woolen goods, and for this veto there is less excuse than for any other, for he himself had publicly declared that the wool schedule of the Aldrich-Payne bill is too "high and that it ought to have been reduced."

With respect to the wool schedule, I agree that it is too high and that it ought to have been reduced, and that it probably represents considerably more than the difference between the cost of production abroad and the cost of production here.

Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., is being tried this week for the murder of his wife near Richmond, Virginia, about a month ago. The trial began last Monday at Chesterfield court-house and is attracting much attention.

The Work of Congress.

Washington, Aug. 20.—Congress will adjourn before Tuesday night—possibly tomorrow—and the most strenuous session of recent years will pass into political history.

Canadian reciprocity was brought as near reality as the executive and legislative departments could advance it; statehood was assured for New Mexico and Arizona; campaign publicity legislation was enacted in a form satisfactory to its most earnest advocates; provision was made for an enlarged House of Representatives based upon the last census, and a few other measures of minor importance were passed.

A Democratic House, the first since 1895, seized upon this session as a vehicle to convey to the country the views of the Democracy on the subject of tariff revision, but executive disapproval rendered futile all efforts to impress those views upon the statute books.

Two tariff bills, one materially reducing the existing duties on wool and woolen goods of all classes, and the other placing on the free list articles of machinery and tools used by farmers, and amended to include many other items, were vetoed by President Taft.

The House, under the leadership of Representative Underwood, of Alabama, chairman of the ways and means committee, and speaker Clark, endeavored to pass the bills over the veto but the necessary two-thirds vote could not be mustered.

Tomorrow reunions of all the New York State regiments will be held at the various halls; there will be automobile trips through the country and trolley trips to Charlotte, the Coney Island of Rochester.

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 17.—It is Grandpa Teddy today. A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., early today.

Roosevelt a Grandfather.

Following their marriage the Roosevelts came to this city where Theodore, Jr., has been engaged in the carpet business. The Roosevelts were married in New York city on June 20, 1910.

Thirty Years Together.

Thirty years of association—think of it. How the merit of a good thing stands out in that time—or the worthlessness of a bad one. So there's no guesswork in this evidence of Thomas Ariss, Concord, Michigan, who writes: "I have used Dr. King's New Discovery for 30 years, and it's the best cough and cold cure I ever used."

Killed by Flying Stump.

Troy, Aug. 18.—Late yesterday afternoon at the close of a farmer's institute at Star a large number repaired to the new college grounds to witness an exhibition of stump-blowing by the Dupont Powder Company.

Negro Graveyard on Fire.

Winchester, Va., Aug. 18.—Tarrified negroes ran pell-mell shouting "Judgment day is here!" when fire was discovered in the Orrick cemetery in which hundreds of colored people are buried.

Baby Drowned in Pail.

The 13-month-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Fulp, of Winston-Salem, was found Wednesday afternoon drowned in a pail of waste water about one foot deep.

Died of a Broken Heart.

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 17.—Major David Castleman, son of Brigadier General John Breckinridge Castleman, of Louisville, Ky., died here yesterday from a broken heart, following the receipt of a telegram from Louisville telling him that his beautiful wife had filed suit for divorce.

Rats Cause Fire.

Spencer, Aug. 18.—Fire which is supposed to have been started by rats destroyed a large two-story store and postoffice building at Barber's Junction, Rowan county, early today, entailing a loss of \$5,000 with \$3,000 insurance.

Scarcity of Workmen.

In connection with the fact that Raleigh has never been known to have so much building under way at one time in her whole history there comes the serious complaint that numbers of buildings under way are almost at a standstill and others for which the preliminary arrangement have been fully made cannot be gotten under construction purely for the lack of workmen.

Fines on Absent Witnesses.

Asheville, August 21.—In the event that fines imposed by Judge Lane in superior court this morning on witnesses for failure to respond when called in the "search and seizure" case against George Cathey stand, the school fund will be enriched \$2,000. There were twenty-five witnesses who failed to respond. They were called out and the court ordered that fines of \$80 each be imposed.

Daring Robbery.

On Wednesday night of last week two negroes held up and robbed a drummer at the junction of the Southern and Atlantic Coast Line railroads three miles east of Princeton.

A King Who Left Home.

set the world to talking, but Paul Matulka, of Buffalo, N. Y., says he always KEEPS AT HOME the King of all Laxatives—Dr. King's New Life Pills—and that they're a blessing to all his family.

First Bale of Cotton.

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