

BATTLE OF HARE'S HILL.

Tomorrow is the fiftieth anniversary of the battle of Hare's Hill, as the Confederates call it, or Fort Stedman, as the Federals call it. While it was not one of the most important battles fought by the Army of Northern Virginia, yet it was the last expiring effort made by Gen. Lee to break through Grant's encircling lines around Petersburg and came near being successful. It was fought early on the morning of the 25th of March, 1865, and, as usual, the brunt of the battle was borne by North Carolinians. The heaviest losses were suffered by the division of Major-General Bryan Grimes and the brigades of Brigadier-Generals Matt. W. Ransom and Gaston Lewis, of this state.

The breastworks in front of Fort Stedman, which was on Hare's Hill, about a mile east of Petersburg, were very near together, probably not over 200 yards apart. Gen. Lee thought it possible to capture that fort by a sudden attack and then capturing the breastworks on each side, cut Grant's army in twain, and thus relieve the long siege of Petersburg. It was a desperate undertaking, but it was the only possible chance of driving back the Union army. Gen. Lee selected Gen. John B. Gordon to command the attacking force, and two days before the attack the latter with Gen. Grimes visited our lines at that point and acquainted themselves with the situation. This writer, being on the staff of Gen. Grimes, accompanied them but of course was not told the object of their visit.

In front of Fort Stedman there was an obstruction called a chevaux de frise, which consisted of sharpened rails stuck deep in the ground and bound together by a strong wire and pointing outward, that is, toward the Confederate lines. This obstruction had to be removed before the fort could be reached. The difficult and dangerous work of removing this obstruction was given to a body of selected men, who were armed with axes instead of with guns. Just before daylight, or as day began to dawn, these brave men left our breastworks in perfect silence and stealthily approached the chevaux de frise and with a few strokes of their axes removed the obstruction and thus opened a passage for the armed troops just behind them, who rushed forward, surprised the enemy and captured Fort Stedman and Battery No. 10 nearby.

The enemy being taken so completely by surprise made only a feeble resistance at first, and we captured about 500 prisoners and Brigadier-General McLaughlin, all of whom were sent at once to Petersburg. The main body of the attacking force then entered the enemy's works and a brilliant victory seemed within our grasp, but unfortunately our supports (Pickett's division) did not arrive, as expected, and the enemy being heavily reinforced opened a murderous fire on our men and inflicted a heavy loss, so that after maintaining the unequal struggle until a little after 8 o'clock the Confederates were forced to retire to their breastworks. One cause of the failure of this attack, besides the non-arrival of our expected reinforcements, was the failure to capture Fort Haskell (in the rear and to the right of Fort Stedman), which by some mistake was not reached in time.

The Confederates suffered a heavy loss in withdrawing from the enemy's works to their own, having to cross an open space between the opposing lines which was swept by a most deadly fire of infantry and artillery. This writer will never forget his experience in crossing that deadly space, when the bullets seemed to buzz around as thick as bees when swarming. About 2,000 of our men were taken prisoners, preferring to be captured rather than run that gauntlet from Fort Stedman to our breastworks. It was reported that 205 dead Confederates were found in that

deadly space between the opposing breastworks. The official report of the Federal commander shows a loss on their part of 2,080 killed, wounded and prisoners.

As soon as our forces had returned to their breastworks and the firing had ceased there was an armistice for a short time, during which some of the Federal and Confederate officers met between the breastworks and arranged a truce for two hours, from 2 to 4 o'clock that day, for the purpose of allowing our dead and wounded to be removed from that open space between the lines. At this conference between those officers, who had so recently been engaged in a fierce conflict, there was the utmost friendliness exhibited, and the Federal officers treated ours to liquid refreshments and cigars. We remember that Gen. William R. Cox (now living) was one of the Confederate officers who met the Federal officers at that conference.

All this was just fifty years ago tomorrow, and yet the incidents of that day are as fresh in memory as if they had occurred yesterday. It was Gen. Lee's last expiring effort to break the enemy's lines, and, although unsuccessful, it was through no fault of the men who made that brilliant and bold assault, so few of whom now survive.

THE supreme court of this state has reversed Judge Peebles in his contempt case against the two editors of a paper in Goldsboro, whom he had sentenced to jail for having published that he was drunk and unfit to be a judge. Shortly after the adjournment of the court at Goldsboro, held by Judge Peebles last year, the editors of the "Weekly Record" published an editorial severely reflecting on him, and they were arrested by his order, and, after a hearing before him, were sentenced to pay a fine and go to jail for sixty days, the judge himself finding as a fact that the charges against him were untrue. Of course the editors appealed to the supreme court, and, as above stated, that tribunal has decided that Judge Peebles had no right to punish them.

Judge Hoke, in delivering the opinion of the supreme court, declared that Judge Peebles, like any other person, must seek redress (if he was slandered) by a civil action for damages or by a criminal prosecution before some other judge and a jury. The court also held that no editor could be punished for contempt because he published an article criticizing a judge or jury after the adjournment of court, but that untrue and libellous publications were made during the progress of the trial, because such publications then made might interfere with or obstruct the due administration of justice.

All fairminded men will be pleased at this exposition of the law of contempt, for it comports with common sense and simple justice, and deprives any judge of arbitrarily wreaking personal spite and trying to abridge the freedom of the press.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees of the National Child Labor Committee Rev. A. J. McKelway declared that "North Carolina has the least effective child labor law of all the industrial states." This assertion deserves notice because of the position occupied by the person making it, he being the southern secretary of the committee and having once been a prominent Presbyterian minister in this state. Is the assertion true? We cannot believe it.

On the 5th of last January Mr. McKelway, at a meeting held at Washington City, stated that this state allowed the cotton mills to impose on children of too tender an age, and his slanders on our state were then very positively denied by Mr. David Clark, of Charlotte, who is as well acquainted with the condition of child labor in our mills as any man in this state. The men who control the cotton mills of this state are among our very best citizens in every respect, and they would be the last men to allow any improper child labor.

WITH its usual journalistic enterprise The News and Observer published last week a "legislative" edition, as is its custom after the adjournment of every legislature, giving information as to the work of the legislature, such as a brief synopsis of the important laws enacted and short sketches of senators and representatives. As the laws are not published by the state printer until several months after the adjournment of the legislature these special editions of the "Old Reliable" are the only way the people can learn what the legislature has done. We will give the readers of THE RECORD, from week to week, some of this information now published by The News and Observer.

THE committee appointed by the legislature to investigate the charges against Judge Frank Carter and Solicitor Abernethy met at Raleigh last Monday, and there is no telling when they will finish or how much the investigation will cost the state. If we may judge from the evidence of the witnesses examined last Monday there will be no impeachment proceedings, for nothing like any "high crimes and misdemeanors" (which are the impeachable offences) were proved.

State Government Expense.

From The News and Observer.

That the affairs of North Carolina have been managed most admirably by the Democratic party is clearly shown in the figures which tell of the capita expense of the government of the various states. The people may from the figures of the general government realize that the affairs of no state have been more economically conducted than have the affairs of this state.

The figures which give to North Carolina the first position in the matter of the economy with which its affairs are managed are set out in a recent issue of a publication of the United States census bureau, this entitled state revenues and expenses. The figures given show that the per capita cost of government in North Carolina for 1912 amounted to \$146, this amount less than that in any other state, South Carolina alone excepted, the expenses in that state also being for 1912 the same \$146 per capita.

The comparison with other states shows that the cost of our state government per capita is way below that of those states. The higher cost per capita is to be found in Nevada, where the cost per capita in 1912 was \$10.45.

HELPS FOR HOME MAKERS.

Edited by the Extension Department
of The State Normal Industrial College.

Reduce High Cost of Living With a Garden All Year Round.

E. E. BALCOMB.

The old folks keep a sayin' that livin' gettin' high,
That wheat an' pork is goin' up, an'
money's gettin' shy;
That you must min' your spendin',
NEVER BUY WHAT YOU CAN
RAISE
An' tend the pigs an' dairy cows, an'
keep the hens what lays,
An' you must grow a lot o' things, not
just depen' on cotton,
'N'en you will have some stuff to sell
when war makes prices rott'n.
'N' put a G-R-E-A-T BIG GARDEN
in, an' min' what you're about
Er the HARD TIMES 'll git you
Ef you
Don't
Watch
Out!

NATURE HAS A "HAND OUT"

for the Tar Heel 365 days in the year. In the Old North State Nature never needs a rest. She is handing out good things to the gardener all the year round.

The first requisite for a successful garden is to have it carefully planned. Too often the garden, especially in the country, is not seriously thought of until planting time. Then a few seeds are hastily scratched into the ground with the hope that kind Mother Nature will atone for all neglect on the part of the would-be gardener.

PLAN YOUR GARDEN.

Plan your garden and lay it all out carefully on paper.

To aid in this, we furnish a diagram each month, by the aid of which the inexperienced gardener will be able to see at a glance what seeds to plant, what plants to tend, what tender vegetables to gather, and what produce the family can use.

Every family should be an "I CAN" FAMILY.

They should "eat what they can and can what they can't."

By following the general scheme suggested it is planned to have the garden contribute something every day to help the health, happiness and contentment of the family and to reduce the high cost of living.

A RECIPE FOR A GOOD GARDEN.

The old-fashioned recipes used to start off with "take a cup of sugar, a pint of milk, two eggs, etc., sit on a hot stove and stir constantly." So I say, "take a rich piece of well drained, loamy land and stir constantly." This "stir constantly" applies to both the gardener and the soil.

Poe says—
"If vain our toil,
We ought to blame our culture, not
the soil."

There is a great deal of truth in it. However, it is essential to choose good, workable, well-drained soil. Heavy clay, or soil with the coarse or excessive sand, causes the gardener grave annoyance. The plants die, therefore "grave" an' advance.

WOMEN BE AS LAZY AS MEN

and plan to have a horse do the work. Wherever possible the garden should be long and narrow, instead of small and square. Cultivation with the horse is then possible. This saves much drudgery by hand labor. The rows should run lengthwise an' be 24 to 30 inches apart for horse and 15 inches apart for hand cultivation.

The garden should be as handy to the house as an apple in a boy's pocket—"it is there for home consumption." Half an acre well worked will furnish more "garden sass" than even the fortunate farm family frequently has.

FEED THE GARDEN WELL IF YOU WANT IT TO FEED YOU.

In the autumn all of 10 or 12 loads of stable manure must be plowed under so that it will be well rotted by spring. Grow a cover crop preferably legumes, on any unused portion during the winter. The soil must be thoroughly pulverized before planting in the spring. A good soil mulch is the best means of saving a garden in time of a drouth.

In the plans given it will be taken for granted that a new piece of ground is used for the garden, and that none of the ground has any crop on it except that suggested each month.

It is recognized that all gardens will not be of the same size or shape. All readers will not have exactly the same climatic and soil conditions. But it is believed that the necessary allowances can be easily made. It is also recognized that information presented in this definite way will be much more easily criticized than articles which give only general information. Our articles are intended for the inexperienced worker in the garden. The veteran gardener needs no simple directions.

Died After Praying.

From News and Observer. 22nd

Just after he had concluded a fervent and beautiful prayer at the regular Sunday morning services at the state hospital yesterday morning, Mr. W. V. Craig, nephew of Governor Craig, expired in his seat.

Mr. Craig was a large man and was apparently in good health and was in fine spirits when the service began at 9:30. He occupied a seat by Dr. Anderson, superintendent of the hospital. Dr. Anderson who was looking elsewhere when Mr. Craig had finished his prayer, in a moment or two turned around and noted that Mr. Craig had passed away.

Mr. Craig was about 61 years old and had held the position of steward at the institution for nearly two years.

A Specific Against Colds.

"If there is such a thing as a specific against colds, it is to be found in the sleeping porch or the open bed room. Next to that comes the cold sponge bath in the morning," says the Youth's Companion. Beas careful as you can you will occasionally take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a great help in enabling you to get rid of it. Try it. Obtainable everywhere. adv

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Health Promotes Happiness.

Without health, genuine joy is impossible; without good digestion and regular bowel movement you cannot have health. Why neglect keeping bowels open and risk being sick and ailing? You don't have to. Take one small Dr. King's New Life Pill at night, in the morning you will have a full, free bowel movement and feel much better. He opens your appetite and digestion. Try one tonight. adv

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The Court of Last Resort.

Around the stove of the cross roads grocery is the real court of last resort, for it finally settles all other cases. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been brought before this court in almost every cross roads grocery in this country, and has always received a favorable verdict. It is in the country where man expects to receive full value for his money that this remedy is most appreciated. Obtainable everywhere. adv

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator of Cornelia F. Gunter, deceased, I hereby notify all persons having claims against said decedent to present the same on or before the 24th day of March, 1915. This March 24th, 1915. M. T. WILLIAMS, Administrator. Pittsboro, N. C. Hayes & Horton, Attorneys.

Oil Mill Burned.

From the Sanford Express.

The plant of the Hoke Oil and Fertilizer Company, of Raetord, was destroyed by fire Tuesday morning about 3 o'clock. Fire was discovered in the lintel room and before anything could be done it had spread all over the building. All the machinery was completely ruined. The seed house, gin house and hull and meal houses were saved, they being some distance away. The loss is estimated at about \$20,000, beside the insurance. We understand the plant will be rebuilt at once. Mr. Paul Barringer, who was until a year or more ago connected with the Lee County Cotton Oil Company, is secretary-treasurer of the company.

Keep Your Bowels Regular.

As everyone knows, the bowels are the sewerage system of the body, and it is of the greatest importance that they move once each day. If your bowels become constipated, take a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets just after supper and they will correct the disorder. Obtainable everywhere. adv

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The rivers of the United States carry to tidewater every year 270,000,000 tons of dissolved matter. This 783,000,000 tons represents 350,000,000 cubic feet of surface soil.

Proper Treatment for Biliousness.

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Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedial measures. The only reliable remedy for deafness is the only one that cures deafness. It is a matter of fact that deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed, it is swollen, and when it is swollen, it is blocked up, and when it is blocked up, it is not taken out, and this tube is thus closed. It is not a matter of fact that deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. It is a matter of fact that deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. Dollars for any case of Deafness cured by Catarrh Cure. Send for circular, free. J. C. HENREY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

An election is hereby called to be held in Pittsboro on the 4th day of May, 1915, to elect a mayor and five commissioners for said town.

G. R. Pilkington is appointed Registrar and G. W. Moore and W. L. Powell Judges of Election to hold the same.

There will be a new registration of all the voters of said town. The books for registering will be open in Pilkington's drug store from the 1st day of April to the 24th of April.

The election will be held in the court-house in Pittsboro.

B. M. POE, Sec'y.

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Buy 4 gals. L. & M. Semi-Mixed Real Paint 98¢ and 3 gals. Linseed Oil 1.25 to mix with it at estimated cost of 2.40. Makes 7 gals. Paint for \$10.59. It's only \$1.54 per gal.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.—Having qualified as the executor of the estate of Sophronia J. Awater, deceased, late of Chatham county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at No. 140 College Place, Greensboro, N. C., on or before the 10th day of March, 1915, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

S. B. TURBENTINE, Executor. This the 10th day of March, 1915.

REAL PAINT IS PURE WHITE LEAD. ZINC AND LINSEED OIL—the best known paint materials for 100 years.



Notice is hereby given of the dissolution of the partnership heretofore existing under the name of Moncre Furniture and Coffin Company, composed of T. J. Harrington, J. W. Womble and E. E. Walden, who have sold out to the undersigned, who will continue the business under the firm name of Lambeth & Bro., and will collect all debts due since the 1st of June and settle all indebtedness of said co-partnership.

T. B. Lambeth,
E. E. Lambeth,
Moncre, N. C. March 1st, 1915.

W. L. London & Son, Pittsboro, W. A. Mabry, Durham, Mebane Supply Co., Mebane.

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Notice is hereby given of the seizure of the following property for violation of the Internal Revenue Laws of the United States: At near Hougemo, N. C., March 13, 1915, 1 grey horse, 1 horse wagon and 1 set of wagon harness of unknown persons claiming the foregoing property will file their claims within thirty days as required by law, or the same will be forfeited to the use of the United States. J. W. Bailey, Collector, Raleigh, N. C. March 17, 1915.