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### SOLDIERS' REUNION.

The Rough and Ready Guards in  
Camp

The second reunion of the survivors of  
the Rough and Ready Guards of the  
civil war was held at the camping place  
of the company on their first night out  
in 1861. This place is a beautiful spot,  
a few miles out in the Swannanoa Val-  
ley. Saturday evening the following  
sixteen out of thirty-five survivors  
answered to their names:

J. M. Gudge, captain; G. M. Williams,  
W. M. Gudge, lieutenants; N. B. Westall,  
sergeant; J. M. Green, I. V. Baird, cor-  
porals; R. N. Paice, J. H. Pless, J. R.  
Patillo, J. J. White, W. C. Garrison, J.  
Rector, A. E. Walton, W. R. Powers, B.  
F. Fortune, G. N. Penland  
The original number of the company  
enrolling in 1861 was one hundred and  
seven. A history of the company has  
been prepared; the account of each one  
being included.

On Sunday morning quite a number  
of visitors went out and a sermon was  
delivered by Rev. E. N. Price. From  
the Citizen's report we take the fol-  
lowing:

He said the day was being kept as be-  
came the men who were known all  
the days of the long and bloody strife none  
the less by their fighting powers than for  
their religious integrity. He told his  
hearers of the line drawn by God be-  
tween the righteous and the wicked and  
off their difference in character and des-  
tiny; of the faith of the good man, with  
his spiritual environments, of his love  
that took in "his neighbor as himself,"  
and of his sacrifices of obedient works—  
the exponents of his faith and love—as  
contrasted vividly with the selfish  
materiality of the man of the world.

The union sentiment that prevailed in  
this section in the earlier days of the  
struggle was dissipated immediately at  
the call of Lincoln for 75,000 men as an  
army of the invasion of their liberties—the  
love of liberty ineradicable in most  
men's hearts should be made the de-  
veloper of that larger liberty that comes  
to man as a free agent, assisting him to  
live a finished life with immediate hap-  
piness and of right, dying with its sure  
hope of immortality and a glorious resur-  
rection.

With words of tenderest pathos the  
chaplain then eulogized their dead. The  
first appearance of the grim destroyer  
was the death of Ebenezer C. Stradley  
on August 31, 1861; added interest was  
occasioned as the speaker announced the  
death of the Rev. Thomas Stradley, the  
father of Ebenezer, on the 2nd instant,  
at the age of 93 years! On September 1  
the command lost Amos Green and later  
Col. P. W. Roberts and Watson Young;  
of the one hundred and seventeen men  
mustered in as the "Fourteenth North  
Carolina" all but thirty-five have joined  
the silent majority.

At this point Mr. Price stated that  
steps had been taken to erect a massive  
monument to cost not less than \$1,200,  
to be inscribed with the names of the  
entire command, and asked a committee  
to wait upon the people for subscrip-  
tions. Members of the company sub-  
scribed \$400 on Saturday night. Much  
interest was taken in the matter and it  
is seemingly a question of but a short  
time before the monument will grace  
either our city or the camp ground. The  
congregation then sang "God Be With  
You Till We Meet Again," and was dis-  
missed with the benediction.

An old-time family dinner was then  
indulged in by all who desired to partake  
thereof.

The choir, under the direction of Mr.  
J. A. Porter, led the singing in a man-  
ner that was greatly enjoyed.

Among the many visitors present at

the services were Mr. R. R. Porter, W.  
L. Shope, Mrs. and Miss Lusk, Miss  
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Whitson,  
Mrs. Herndon, Miss F. May Gudge, Mr.  
and Mrs. Jas. Ingle, Mr. and Mrs.  
Laurence Pulliam, Mrs. W. R. Bearden,  
Mr. N. B. Wilson, Mr. R. G. Johnson,  
Miss Grace Warren and Mr. Alex. Webb.

"Get There."

Rev. Sam Jones, the noted preacher,  
delivered his lecture in the Opera House  
last Thursday night to a fair audience.  
It sparkled with wit, humor, good sense,  
and good advice.

There was some complaint of the man-  
agement of the Opera House for selling  
to some gentlemen the entire house, who  
attempted to speculate upon the popu-  
larity of Mr. Jones by advancing the  
price of tickets. The management of  
the Opera House is just as much a mat-  
ter of business as is the management of  
a grocery store—all to make money. No  
one patronizes the Opera House simply  
to benefit the manager; if so every time  
it were open it would be filled from top  
to bottom, whether the attractions on the  
board were good, bad or indifferent. It  
prices are more than the attraction on  
the board is worth, whether established  
by the management of the house, the  
lessees for the time being, or the manager  
of the attraction, why, the public will  
not go; and that was all that was in-  
volved in this case. Either the public  
did not think Mr. Jones worth the price  
asked, it matters not who fixed the price,  
or the purchasers of the house that night  
over estimated him as an attraction; and  
that is all there can be in that feature.  
We doubt whether those gentlemen who  
thought Mr. Jones worth paying a good  
price to hear and leased the house for  
that night will venture upon another  
such experiment; but neither the man-  
agers or the lessees are, in our opinion  
obnoxious to criticism for what was  
done. It is done everywhere, with more  
or less success. To complain in this  
instance looks like the complainants  
wished to hear a first-class lecture at  
third-rate prices. We regret Mr. Jones  
did not have a full house, for his lecture  
deserved it; we are also sorry the young  
men lost any money by this "strictly  
business" venture.

### Ride on the Minute Hand.

Here is a story from the Citizen which  
is too good to lose:

This morning one of Asheville's num-  
erous Sons of Leisure was noticed lean-  
ing against the tower on court place  
with his gaze fixed upon the court house  
tower.

He had stood there for some time be-  
fore he was noticed. Then some one  
inquired of him what he was ogling.

For answer the man pointed to the  
clock. Following the finger the ques-  
tioner looked and saw a tiny English  
sparrow sitting complacently on the  
long bronze minute hand. The first  
watcher said he had seen the sparrow  
alight on the hand at exactly 8 o'clock,  
and it was then 8:20. Gradually the  
crowd increased until there was danger  
of a blockade.

Unconscious of all this attention the  
little sparrow coolly sat on his elevated  
perch and would not move. When the  
hand pointed downward the little fellow  
hung on with tenacious grip, and the  
point was safely passed.

Wagers were made by those who were  
watching as to the length of time the  
sparrow would stay on the hand. Finally  
the hand reached the striking  
point and just as the first stroke of 9  
o'clock pealed out the little bird flew  
away chattering proudly over his  
achievement.

And the onlookers slowly dispersed,  
pondering over the lesson they had re-  
ceived.

### FOR THE DEMOCRAT.

#### MACON COUNTY.

Date of Organization—Historical Er-  
rors Corrected.

EDITOR DEMOCRAT:—On reading Col.  
A. T. Davidson's address delivered before  
the Lyceum, I see that he gives 1828 as  
the year in which Macon county was  
organized. I have just been looking  
through Mrs. Spencer's "First Steps in  
North Carolina History," and find that  
she also mentions the year 1828 as the  
year in which Macon was organized.  
This is an historical error which I desire  
to correct. This error has, perhaps,  
grown out of substituting the date of the  
passage of the act authorizing the orga-  
nization of the county for the date when  
the county was in fact authorized. I  
now have before me the old record show-  
ing the whole proceedings of that orga-  
nization. The General Assembly in pro-  
viding for the organization of the  
county, appointed thirty-three citizens  
living in Macon territory to serve as  
justices of the peace, and appointed Wm.  
Deaver, Esq., of Haywood county, to  
administer the necessary oath of office.  
I quote from the first page of the min-  
utes:

"Minutes of a court for Macon county,  
held for said county on the 4th Monday  
in March, 1829, agreeable to an act of  
the General Assembly made and pro-  
vided for said county. Present and  
organizing said county, from the county  
of Haywood, William Deaver, Esq., who  
appointed Joshua Roberts to administer  
the oath to the following justices of the  
peace for said county."

Then follows the names of the thirty-  
three persons referred to. Immediately  
after taking the oath of office this new  
county board of magistrates proceeded  
to organize themselves into a court by  
electing a chairman of their body and  
further proceeded to an election of all  
the county officers. Nathan B. Hyatt  
was elected clerk, and so on until every  
county office was duly filled.

While all this may not be interesting  
to many of your readers, yet I regard it  
important to have North Carolina history  
as nearly correct as possible. I purpose  
in the near future to write for the Frank-  
lin Press, our own county paper, a more  
detailed account of the early days of  
Macon county. I shall quote more fully  
from these old records, shall speak of  
her leading citizens, and of some of the  
acts and enterprises of the county.

From some cause North Carolina his-  
tory is quite imperfect. Let us, how-  
ever, by all means see to it that the  
history which pertains to our own gen-  
eration be correct. Suppose some com-  
petent person in each county, especially  
west of the Blue Ridge, write an account  
of the organization of their respective  
counties, giving the names of the first  
county officers, etc. Thereby we may  
be able to leave an intelligent record for  
the future historian of North Carolina.  
What say you, Mr. Editor?

C. D. SMITH.

### County Business.

The County Commissioners met on  
Monday and granted the petition for the  
new township of Morgan Hill, to be  
formed of portions of Flat Creek and  
Ivy, of which notice has been advertised  
for some weeks in THE DEMOCRAT.

T. W. Patton, J. P. Sawyer, G. S.  
Powell, Rev. H. J. McDuffy and Ed-  
ward Stephens were appointed to con-  
sider the subject of a county hospital for  
the colored people.

Sheriff Reynolds was granted to June  
1st to settle the county tax.

A special term of the Criminal Court  
was ordered for the first Monday in  
June.

### The Official Figures.

Below are the official figures of the city  
vote in the municipal election of Mon-  
day:

EAST WARD.

The following is the official vote in the  
East ward:

For Mayor—  
Chas. D. Blanton  
Henry T. Collins  
Frank M. Miller

For Aldermen (regular term)—  
John D. Brevard  
Jas. M. Gudge  
T. C. Starnes  
T. C. Starnes  
T. C. Brown  
Fred A. Hull  
H. B. Brown, colored,  
John W. Starnes  
T. J. Loftain  
Frank M. Miller

For Aldermen (unexpired term)—  
W. T. Reynolds  
Street Appropriation—  
Approved  
Not approved  
School Appropriation—  
Approved  
Advisory Committee—  
M. J. Bearden  
P. A. Cummings  
A. T. Summey  
H. C. Hunt  
Geo. F. Scott  
J. A. Conant  
John Child  
A. D. Cooper

WEST WARD.

The following is the official vote of  
the west ward:

For Mayor—  
Chas. D. Blanton  
Henry T. Collins

For Aldermen (regular term)—  
John D. Brevard  
Jas. M. Gudge  
T. C. Starnes  
Fred A. Hull  
T. C. Brown  
H. B. Brown, colored,  
H. A. Gudge

For Alderman (unexpired term)—  
W. T. Reynolds  
Street Appropriation—  
Approved  
Not approved  
School Appropriation—  
Approved  
Advisory Committee—  
M. J. Bearden  
Geo. F. Scott  
A. T. Summey  
H. C. Hunt  
P. A. Cummings  
J. A. Conant  
E. J. Aston  
Geo. S. Powell  
S. Hammerslag  
T. C. Smith

### RECAPITULATION.

For Mayor—  
Chas. D. Blanton  
Henry T. Collins

Blanton's majority  
For Aldermen—  
John D. Brevard  
J. M. Gudge  
T. C. Starnes  
W. T. Reynolds  
Street Appropriation—  
Approved  
Not Approved

This gives the appropriation a major-  
ity of 17 over the entire registered vote  
of the city. The registration books,  
however, have not been revised. When  
that is done, it is believed that the ma-  
jority will be over 100.

The school appropriation carried, of  
course, receiving 1,452 votes.

The following is the advisory board  
as elected: M. J. Bearden, Geo. F. Scott,  
A. T. Summey, H. C. Hunt, P. A. Cum-  
mings, J. A. Conant.

We are deeply pained to learn of the  
death of Mr. E. R. Stamps, of Raleigh,  
which occurred at Tarboro on April  
30th. Mr. Stamps suffered an attack of  
grippe in the winter, and recently was  
paralyzed as a result of his previous ill-  
ness, from which he died. He was a  
good man, an able lawyer, and will be  
missed by his community. His family  
have our sincere sympathy.

## SALT, SODA, WAFERETTES.

GRAHAM WAFERS,  
OAT MEAL WAFERS,  
VANILLA WAFERS,  
TAFFY WAFERS,  
CAFE WAFERS,  
GINGER SNAPS,  
MILK CRACKERS,  
LEMON CRACKERS,  
SODA CRACKERS,

MOLASSES COOKIES,  
GERMAN LEBKUCAEN,  
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