

STONEWALL JACKSON.

The Last Hours of the Great Southern Chieftain.

About daylight upon the Sunday of his death Mrs. Jackson, informed him that his recovery was very doubtful, and that it was better that we should prepare for the worst.

He was silent for a moment and then said: "It will be infinite gain to be translated to heaven." He advised his wife, in the event of his death, to return to her father's house, and added: "You have a kind and good father, but there is no one so kind and good as your Heavenly Father."

He still expressed a hope that he would recover, but requested his wife, in case he should die, to have him buried in Lexington, in the Valley of Virginia. His exhaustion increased so rapidly that at 11 o'clock Mrs. Jackson knelt by his bed and told him that before the sun went down he would be with his Saviour.

He replied: "O, no! You are frightened, my child. Death is not so near. I may yet get well."

She fell upon the bed weeping bitterly, and again told him, amid her tears and sobs, that the physicians declared that there was no longer any hope for his recovery.

After a moment's pause he asked her to call the family physician.

"Doctor," he said, as the physician entered the room, "Annie informed me that you told her I am to die today. Is it so?"

When he was answered in the affirmative, he turned his sunken eyes toward the ceiling and gazed for a moment or two as if in intense thought, then looked at the friends about his bed and said softly: "Very good, very good it is all right."

Then turning to his heart-broken wife, he tried to comfort her. He told her that there was much he desired to tell her, but that he was too weak for the undertaking.

Col. Pendleton, one of the officers of his staff, came into the room about 1 o'clock. Gen. Jackson asked him:

"Who is preaching at the headquarters to-day?"

When told in reply that the whole army was praying for him, he replied:

"Thank God! They are very kind." Then he added: "It is the Lord's day; my wish is fulfilled. I have always desired to die on Sunday."

Slowly his mind began to fail and wander, and he frequently talked in his delirium as if in command of his army on the field of battle. He would give orders to his aides in the old way, and then the scene changed. He was at the mess-table in conversation with members of his staff; now with his wife and child; now at prayers with his family. Occasional intervals of a return of his mind would appear, and during one of them the physician offered the dying man some brandy and water, but he declined it, saying:

"It would only delay my departure and do no good; I want to preserve my mind to the last, if possible."

A few moments before the end arrived the dying warrior cried out in his delirium:

"Order A. P. Hill to prepare for action!" "Pass the infantry to the front rapidly!" "Tell Major Hawkes--," then his voice was silent, and the sentence remained unfinished.

An instant later a smile of ineffable sweetness and purity spread itself over his calm, pale face, and then looking upward, and slightly raising his hands, he said quietly, and with an expression of relief:

"Let us cross over the river and rest under the shade of the trees."

And then without a sign of a struggle or of pain his spirit passed away.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

ITEMS GATHERED HERE AND THERE

BY CHARLES MORGAN.

SOME THINGS HE SEES AND HEARS AT POINTS WHERE WE HAVE NO REGULAR REPORTER.

Mr. Jno. Price is quite ill at his home near Kehukee.

Mr. N. A. Jones, of Rosedale, continues quite ill with typhoid fever.

Mr. C. L. Hinton, of Mumford, was in Norfolk last week purchasing horses.

Mr. R. Morgan contemplates improvements soon on his building near Mumford.

Mrs. Joe Corey, living near Weeksville, accidentally broke her arm on Monday last.

Mr. Seth Williams, of Mumford, was at Richmond, Va., last week for medical treatment.

Mrs. Mary Jones of Pennsylvania, is visiting relatives at Rosedale, Pasquotank county.

Messrs. J. L. Harris and Ernest Cooper spent several days last week with friends at Mumford.

Farmers in the upper part of Pasquotank county have planted an unusually large crop of rice this season.

Mr. W. H. Jennings, assistant post master at Elizabeth City, spent last Sunday with his parents near Berea.

Messrs. R. L. and Ernest Hinton, of Mumford, are engaged in the timber business near Lamb's Ferry, Camden county.

Rev. T. G. Wood preached to a large and attentive audience at Raymoth Gilead church, Pasquotank county, last Sunday.

Mrs. D. E. Williams, of Mumford, attended the Brothers-Joies wedding last Wednesday, at Roehylock, Chowan county.

Mr. T. C. Morgan, near Berea, is improving after a severe illness. His friends, no doubt, will be gratified to learn this.

Misses Louisa and Mary Burgess, of Norfolk, were at Rose Dale last week to see their brother, who was quite ill at the home of Mr. M. W. Bufkins.

Mrs. Thos. Davis, of Great Bridge, Va., made a brief trip to Pasquotank county a few days ago, having come to see her sick brother, Mr. T. C. Morgan.

Mr. C. E. Belch, living near Edenton, was seriously injured last week by a mule. He was trying to get the mule to go in a field, when he was thrown in a ditch and badly hurt.

The fish boat of Mr. Willie Nixon, of Rockahock, was capsized last week. Friends went to Mr. Nixon's rescue who would probably have been drowned had they not reached him in time.

Sweet-Minded Women.

So great is the influence of a sweet-minded woman on those around her that it is almost boundless. It is to her that friends come in seasons of sickness and sorrow for help and comfort. One soothing touch of her kindly hands works wonders in the feverish child; a few words let fall from her lips in the ear of a sorrowing sister do much to raise the load of grief that is bowing its victim down to the dust in anguish. The husband comes home worn out with the pressure of business and feeling irritable with the world in general, but when he enters the cozy sitting-room and sees the blaze of the bright fire and meets his wife's smiling face he succumbs in a moment to the soothing influences, which act as the balm of Gilead to his wounded spirit. We are all worried with combating the realities of life. The rough school-boy flies in a rage from the taunts of his companion to find solace in the mother's smile; the little one, full of grief with its own large trouble, finds a heaven of rest on its mother's breast; and so one may go on with instances of the influence a sweet-minded woman has in the social life with which she is connected. Beauty is an insignificant power when compared with hers.

Mrs. A. Inveen, residing at 720 Henry St., Alton, Ill., suffered with sciatic rheumatism for over eight months. She doctored for it nearly the whole of this time, using various remedies recommended by friends, and was treated by the physicians, but received no relief. She then used one and a half bottles of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which effected a complete cure. This is published at her request, as she wants others similarly afflicted to know what cured her. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by W. W. Griggs & Son.

BEER IS SUPPLANTING WHISKEY.

As a Nation We Are Using Less Strong Stimulants.

The internal revenue receipts of the United States Government for the last fiscal year show an increase of about 1 per cent in the income from the tax on spirits, whereas the revenue raised by the tax on malt and other fermented liquors increased no less than 6 per cent. The rates of taxation were not changed, so that the increase in receipts corresponds with the expansion of the market for the liquors taxed.

These figures seem to prove that the consumption of spirits is not increasing in the United States as fast as the population. It is evident that the rate of growth in the last fiscal year was not much more than half as much as the rate of gain in the number of inhabitants.

On the other hand, the revenue from the tax on beer and similar liquors indicates that the use of such alcoholic beverages is fast outrunning the increase of the population. It is not probable that the number of inhabitants of the United States is growing at the rate of more than 2 per cent a year, and if that is so, the consumption of beer showed an increase last year about three times as great, in proportion, as the growth of the country.

This means that we are becoming more like the continental countries of Europe, as a nation, in the use of stimulants, and there ought to be much less drunkenness in proportion to the number of drinkers than there used to be when whiskey used to be the great American tipple.

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What to Say and What not to Say.

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Don't describe an unusual occurrence as funny.

Don't say not so good as, for not so good as.

Don't say I feel good, for I feel well.

Don't say she looked beautifully, but she looked beautiful.

Don't say these kind, but this kind.

Don't say I have blacked my shoes, but I have blackened my shoes.

Don't say fix my gown, fix this room but arrange my gown, the room. The best English authorities rarely use fix, except to indicate stability or permanence.

Don't speak of articles of diet as healthy, but as healthful or wholesome.

Don't say between three, but among three.

Don't say cunning for small, smart for bright or quick-witted, cute for acute.

Don't say had rather, had better, for would rather, would better.

A commercial traveler who was visiting with his uncle in the country, says an exchange, was suddenly called to say grace, and, not being accustomed to it, promptly tackled the difficulty in the following words: We acknowledge the receipt of your favor of this date. Allow us to express our gratitude for this expression of good will. Trusting that our house may merit your confidence and that we may have many good orders from you this fall, we are yours.

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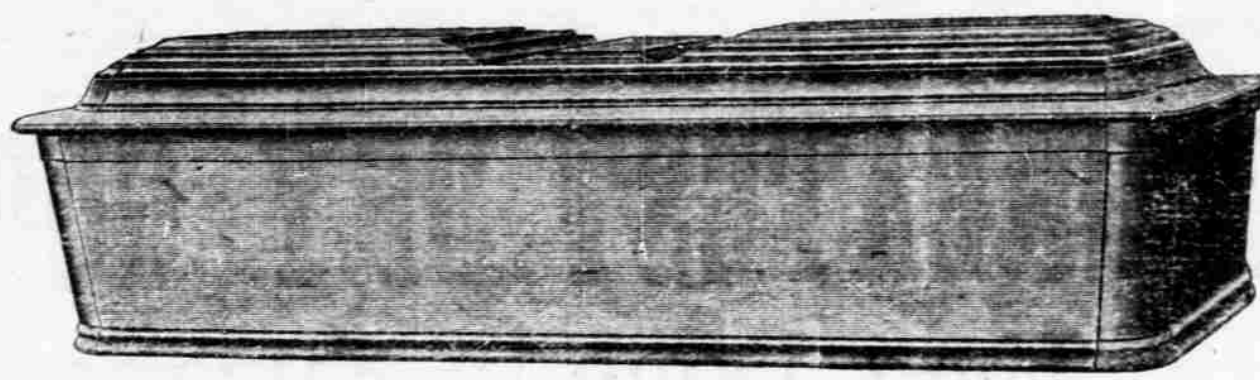
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