

**A TRUE WAR STORY.**

**How a South Carolinian Held at Bay a Whole Army of Yankees and Killed All But One.**

The Charlotte Observer says: Col. D. Cardwell of Columbia, S. C., is a much welcomed visitor when he comes to Charlotte. This is not alone because he is a good fellow but because he is a loyal Confederate and a fine gentleman. The only trouble with the colonel is that he likes to tell war stories. He now forwards The Observer a story headed "North Carolina Modesty," which runs as follows:

"It was the custom during the war for all the gentlemen who from age or other disabilities were not in the army, to visit any soldier who came home sick or wounded.

"Bill Tucker lived in the piny woods not far from Col. L.'s plantation. He was wounded at Fredericksburg and came home on a furlough. As usual Col. L. no sooner heard that Bill was at home and wounded than old Dan was hitched to the buggy and a basket of "something good" was prepared by Mrs. L. Bill was not much hurt, and intensely flattered by Col. L.'s visit. It happened to be Sunday and several of the neighbors had dropped in, so Bill Tucker laid himself out to entertain his company.

"For some time the conversation was general and consisted of inquiries after the absent boys. Finally Col. L. asked, "Well William, tell us how you got hurt."

"We-e-ell, Colonel, I'll tell you," said Bill. "You see our brigade was on them big rollin' hills I was tellin' you about, and jest about day in the mornin' Gen. Lee rides up, he did, and he said, 'Whar is Gen. Hoke?' And Gen. Hoke, he says, 'Here I is, general,' says he, and Gen. Lee, he says, 'Gen. Hoke, who is the bravest man you've got in your brigade?' and Gen. he says, says he, 'General, Mr. Bill Tucker is the bravest man I ever seed.' and he says, 'Call him here,' and Gen. Hoke, he says, 'Come here, Mr. Tucker, if you please,' and I come, I did, and I tuck off my cap, polite like, and I says; 'Good mornin,' General Lee, good mornin,' General Hoke, and they both says 'Good mornin,' Mr. Tucker, and Gen. Lee, he says, says he, 'Them Yankees is a comin' after me again,' and I says, 'Gineral I'm powerful sorry, 'case some body's bound to git hurt,' and he says, says he, 'Mr. Tucker they tell me you are a brave man, and you must help me, here's a bran new belchin rifle and a box of explosion balls, and I want you to go out yonder behind that thar wall, and don't you let 'em come on me Mr. Tucker.' And I says 'Gineral, I'm gwine to do my best, but Gineral don't let 'em flank me, and he says, says he, 'Mr. Tucker, you can count on me doin' my best and I'll tell Stonewall Jackson to look out for you, too.'

"Well, sir, I went out and laid down behind that thar wall and I tuck out my explosion balls, and laid them handy in the cracks of the wall, and bimby, about sunrise, Gineral Hoke, he hollered out, he did, and he says, says he, 'Look out, Bill, they're a-comin-,' and here they come,

**Wins Fight for Life.**

It was a long and bloody battle for life that was waged by James B. Mershon, of Newark, N. J., of which he writes: "I had lost much blood from lung hemorrhages, and was very weak and run-down. For eight months I was unable to work. Death seemed close on my heels, when I began, three weeks ago, to use Dr. King's New Discovery. But it has helped me greatly. It is doing all that you claim." For weak, sore lungs, obstinate coughs, stubborn colds, hoarseness, la grippe, asthma, hay-fever or any throat or lung trouble its supreme. 50c & \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Rich Square Drug Co. and T. H. Nicholson, of Murfreesboro.

and I laid thar all day, I did, and I shot 'em with the belchin rifle and them explosion balls, agom' and a comin, I tell you. And bimby, way long yonder just afore night, one great, long high Yankee, he waived his handkercher till I stopped firin', and he got up, he did, and he says, 'Mr. Tucker, great Goddlemighty, is you gwine to kill us all?' And while I was a-foolin' talkin' to him, some one crep up and shot me in the arm, and I was bore off from the field, and two South Carolins and a Virginia regiment was sent up to take my place."

While this story is clipped from The Columbia State, the Colonel puts it on Dr. H. T. Bahnsen of Winston-Salem and says the Doctor told it to him 10 years ago. The hero of the story was really not a North Carolinian at all but was the Colonel himself, who is a South Carolinian. His modesty impelled him to disavow it in favor of the Old North State.

**From Menola.**

Mr. P. V. Chitty returned Wednesday to the duties of his position in Baltimore, Md. He left his father considerably improved.

Mr. C. W. Eley, a student of the State University, is at home for the summer vacation.

Mrs. J. T. Brown, Mrs. J. R. Brown and Miss Elizabeth Brown visited relatives near Eagletown Sunday.

Mr. E. T. Snipes of Ahsokie was here the first of the week.

Mrs. Sallie Garris who has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Floyd Vinson, for more than two weeks has returned to her home near Murfreesboro.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Griffith visited their parents near Murfreesboro Sunday.

Mr. William Brown and sister, Miss Deborah Brown, attended the Friends Quarterly Meeting at Belvidere last week.

Messrs. J. T. Chitty and Walter Chitty and daughter of Murfreesboro visited their brother and uncle, Mr. William Chitty, Sunday last.

Mr. Jordan Brown of George spent Wednesday night in the home of Mr. J. T. Brown.

Miss Gertrude Chitty left Sunday for Greenville, N. C., where she joined a party enroute to Washington City, Mt. Vernon, Va., and other places of interest.

The health of our community is exceptionally good just now. A few of our people are suffering from chronic ailments, but we have had little sickness of any consequence due to local causes. We hope that Menola's health record for the summer may be good.

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From the Baltimore Sun.)

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"No, sir," replied the lady.

"If I were you I would call it 'Good Idea,'" said Jones.

"And why Good Idea?" said the lady indignantly.

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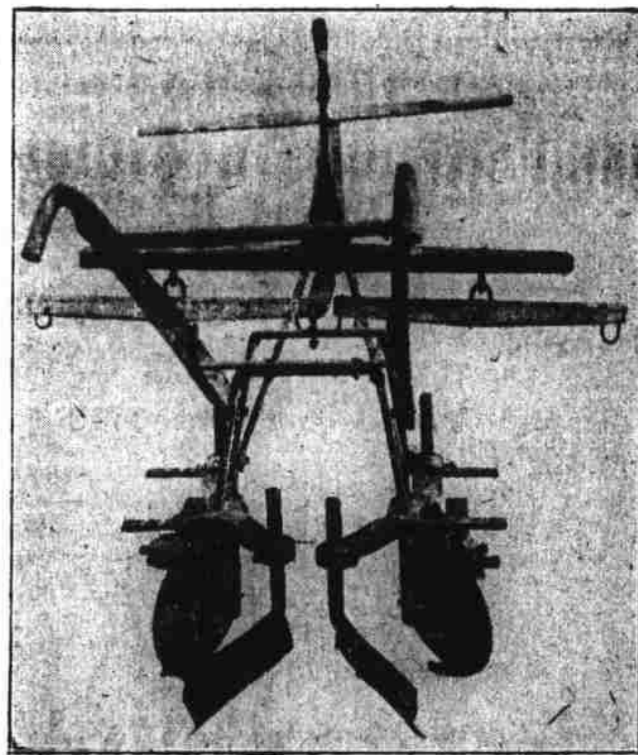
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