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## ORIGINAL LINES.

On the Western N. C. R.R., Near  
Mooresville, August 27, 1891.

How sad to think of those that  
have departed friends,  
Whom they were sad and sudden torn  
A sweet soul, a gentle heart,  
A heart that could read and tell the tale  
Without a tearful eye,  
A heart that would truly weep  
For those that there did die,  
O who can tell the depths of woe,  
Of loving ones at home,  
How sad and painful it to know  
That they no more will come,  
Here now will shed a tear  
For Captain William West,  
He was a well-known engineer,  
And one among the best,  
No more the signal he will sound  
That he is coming night;  
His form now lies beneath the  
ground,  
To death's embrace to lie.

The Freeman, poor Warren Fry,  
And Hugh K. Lanier, too,  
Near to the engineer did lie,  
In life like his woe,  
Perhaps here some were sound  
Asleep,  
Who had just moved the train,  
That soon went down the dreadful  
slope,  
And never woke again.  
Alas, poor Miss L. A. Pool,  
How sad her mother's fate!  
Her weakness there her love did rule  
Although her love was great.  
Oh, it did fill a bitter cup  
When waters were around,  
She could not hold dear mother up,  
And mother sank and drowned.  
A loving couple late had wed,  
On a beautiful day,  
They soon did meet with wounds  
Most dread,  
And still afflicted sore,  
To loving friends how sad the sight,  
And did afflict them sore;  
Such were the forms of Mrs. White  
And Miss Opelia Moore.

## A GENTLEMAN.

It is not the easiest thing in the  
world to do to furnish a definition of  
a gentleman; so many elements enter  
into the meaning of the term in its  
fullest comprehension.  
It takes something inside to make  
a gentleman, but it takes something  
outside also. Along with the essen-  
tial internal qualities, principles,  
sentiments and impulses, there must  
likewise be manifested a certain pro-  
priety and refinement of speech and  
manner. Where the spirit is wanting,  
the hollow outside will seldom  
impose for any length of time on a  
naturally acute observer. On the  
other hand a man cannot have the  
true internal spirit without it en-  
crusting itself outwardly. A person may  
have the true spirit of a gentleman,  
and also the manners of one in a  
degree to entitle him to the appella-  
tion and yet lack the delicate de-  
ference and courtesy which stamp  
with an inexplicable charm the  
thoroughbred and perfect gentleman.  
Nobility of soul, honor, the  
courage to do right, respect for God's  
image in every human soul, delicacy,  
gentleness and kindness of spirit are  
essential in every gentleman's gen-  
eral make up.  
He is one who never takes credit  
when he does not deserve it.  
Neither gold can buy, nor wild  
horses drag him from the path of  
right. The scorn with which he  
repels all attempts upon his honor,  
is some times called pride, but it is  
very different from the mere self-  
esteem and self-importance, arro-  
gance and superciliousness which  
demand homage from all, seeking to  
baffle others. It is rather a feeling  
of disdain and disgust at what is  
base, and that earnestness of spirit  
which must accompany the con-  
science of merit. Your real gen-  
tleman has respect for everything  
respectable in others, and while  
modest in speaking of himself, he  
expresses frankly, freely, gladly in  
praise of others' nobleness.  
Respecting God's creatures his  
impulses towards them are delicate  
and considerate, prompting him to  
gentle thoughts and kind judgment,  
and these sentiments are manifested  
in speech, tone and manner. So many  
people are merely civil or polite out  
of regard for what is due themselves.  
They lack the true ring of gentility  
which will never deliberately, wan-  
tonly, needlessly wound the feelings  
of others, trample on their self-respect,  
or self-love, or in any way  
discompose them, put them out of  
countenance, or make them ill at  
ease. This is what we call courtesy.  
—The outward and visible manifesta-  
tion of a gentle and kindly spirit,  
which comes from and goes to the heart.  
True courtesy is the perfect out-  
ward form of the gentle and kindly  
spirit—the flower and aroma that  
springs from those two roots, and is  
one of the most graceful and gracious,  
lovely and winning things that  
adorns human eyes, and charms  
human hearts.—Greenville News.

The world is full of "death traps,"  
but death has never yet been trapped.

## WHERE THE TEXANS CHARGED.

A Memorial Stone at Historic Spot  
in the Wilderness.

Richmond Times.  
On May 6, 1864, the advanced  
forces of the Army of Northern Vir-  
ginia confronted the army of Gen-  
eral Grant in the "Wilderness of  
Spotsylvania" in its grand move-  
ment to Richmond.  
General Grant had two days  
before successfully, without opposi-  
tion, crossed his army over the Rapi-  
dan at Ely's and Germanna fords  
and was making toward Gordonsville.  
Ewell, with the second corps  
—Stonewall Jackson's old command  
—occupied the left on the Confed-  
erate front, covering the old turn-  
pike, and in his advance was to  
meet and check the enemy. His  
corps had been in winter quarters  
about Orange court house, and  
hence was nearest to the enemy.  
Longstreet with his corps, was in  
winter quarters about Gordonsville,  
and did not arrive upon the scene of  
impending conflict, on the Confed-  
erate right, until May 6th, when he  
arrived in time to give much needed  
relief to the troops of A. P. Hill,  
who had been fighting steadily dur-  
ing this and the day previous. The  
battle line of Ewell's corps extended  
across the turnpike, which was  
about his centre, and on which was  
their heaviest fighting. A. P. Hill  
and Longstreet's troops marched  
down and occupied the Orange plank  
road. The turnpike and plank road  
each runs from Fredericksburg to  
Orange court house. Palmer's old  
field on the turnpike and Tapp's old  
field on the Orange plank road, the  
site of the memorial stone just  
erected, are about five miles apart  
and were the centres of heaviest  
fighting in the battle of the Wild-  
erness.  
In commemoration of the heroism  
and devotion to General Lee shown  
by the Texas brigade this stone was  
erected. The scene, the memory of  
which we would thus perpetuate,  
is graphically told by the Rev. J.  
William Jones in his "Personal  
Reminiscences of Gen. R. E. Lee."  
It was a crisis in the battle when  
Longstreet's corps first came upon  
the field, headed by the "Texas  
brigade," led by the gallant Gregg,  
"General Lee rode to meet them,"  
and was advancing as their leader  
in the charge. The soldiers perceiv-  
ing this shouted: "Go back, Gen-  
eral Lee! Go back!" "General  
Lee to the rear!" "A ragged veter-  
an stepped from the ranks and  
seized his bride's rein." The com-  
mand refused to advance until their  
"beloved chieftain had retired." Then  
these gallant Texans nobly rushed  
forward and drove the enemy from  
the field. Around the hollowed  
spot where this stone now stands  
are the open graves of about forty  
of that fearless and devoted band  
who attested their love for General Lee  
and their country. Their remains  
were removed and now sleep in the  
Confederate cemetery of Fredericks-  
burg. General Longstreet was soon  
after wounded by his own men near  
this spot while leading a victorious  
charge. Had the record of him  
then been—"Dead on the Field of  
Glory"—his happy fate would have  
been like that of "Wolfe falling in  
the arms of victory on the Heights  
of Abraham."  
This stone, four feet high, of mas-  
sive white field quartz, lay on the  
side of the "old turnpike" just on  
the advance battle line and breast-  
works of Ewell's corps. Subjected  
to a "bomphonic fire baptism" of  
battle, it became a fitting memorial  
tribute from the hard-fought and  
victorious lines of Ewell's "second  
corps" to her sister corps under  
Longstreet to now and forever stand  
as a battle monument above these  
graves of the Texas brigade.  
It was a pleasing spectacle to see  
with the Confederate veterans of the  
neighborhood their children and  
grandchildren with zeal and en-  
thusiasm assisting in the noble work  
of removing and erecting this me-  
morial stone. It stands upon and  
is buttressed by quartz rocks, which  
were used as a part of the rifle pit  
breast works on the skirmish line in  
their front. It is beautifully shaded  
in a grove of oak and hickory, pine  
and cedar in Tapp's old field, and  
sixty feet north of the Orange plank  
road and eighty feet in rear of the  
Confederate breast works to the east.  
Near to that great forest known  
as the "Weird Wilderness Woods,"  
where, like shells buried in ocean  
depths, have been caught from the  
roar of contending waves and cliffs  
perpetual murmurings, so here the  
myriad pine-tops have caught from  
the din of battle and the shock of  
arms a requiem which they whisper  
in musical monotony over the graves  
of our martyred dead.  
A lot surrounding this stone is to  
be deeded by the owners of Ellwood  
estate to the Ladies Southern Mem-  
orial Society to be held in trust for  
ever for the sacred uses and objects  
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"give us pause." Life-long Repub-  
licans of recent importation or in-  
stantaneous conversion are doubtful  
leaders to follow, and naturally com-  
ing under the heading of "suspects."  
Beware of those, for sinister purpose  
and transparent is at the bottom.  
The movement took root in a recent  
Convention in which our State and  
in fact the entire South was virtually  
unrepresented, and which was com-  
posed mainly of the most radical  
elements of the North. Is such a  
body fit midwife to usher in a scheme  
effecting our well being through all  
time to come? What was proposed?  
To formulate on the instant a sub-  
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Any feeling that takes a man  
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Eddie says Eve was not afraid of  
catching the measles because she  
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In this world it is not what we  
take up, but what we give up, that  
makes us rich.  
The burden of song might be  
said to be too great when the singer  
cannot "carry the tune."  
Some crimes are never punished.  
Whoever heads of a ball player being  
arrested for stealing bases.  
It is just a little singular that  
the product of the soil should make  
men who inhibit it so noisy.  
Nothing is ever done beautifully  
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Help somebody worse off than  
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