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VETERANS' DAY.

Concord in Gala Attire—Tramp, Tramp, Tramp Boys We're Marching—Oration by a One Armed Veteran—A Sumptuous Dinner—Confederate Songs—Social Joys—All Busy With the Happiness of Others—Five Thousand People Make Merry.

No event for many years has so thoroughly stirred the tender emotions of our citizens as that of the reunion of veterans yesterday.

The initiation was made by the drum corps who fired the awakening shot, and then paraded the streets and disengaging the unwaked remnant from Morpheus' embrace.

At an early hour people came pouring in till it was plainly seen that the occasion was destined to come fully up to expectations.

At the hour appointed Concord's peerless drum corps with gaudy uniforms made the call to fall in.

Something of the enthusiasm of thirty-six years ago was manifested as the veterans quickly took their places and stepped proudly to the most inspiring of all martial music—the fife and drum.

Capt. D. A. Caldwell, of model physique, bedecked in commanding style, was mounted and directed the movements.

A number of little girls fantastically dressed with the red, white and blue, most charmingly arranged in pleasing gracefulness, headed the procession in a trap; next came the drum corps that brought down the old "Vets" left foot with solid thud, while the fife discoursed choice marches; next came the Cabarrus Black Boys in full arms and uniform, commanded by Capt. Ed. Hill, showing that military pride that nerves the ordinary man for heroism; then came a line of survivors of that bloody struggle and of various fatalities of 32 years since, that amazed the beholders and made glad the hearts of the noble ladies and others whose energies have been bent on pouring full cups of joy into the appreciative hearts; then came Concord's beautiful wheel brigade, with their "pets" all bedecked in rich colors and variegated styles.

The procession formed in front of the court house and moved up Main street along its inviting shades, then westward along Mill street to Spring street and along Spring street to Depot street and then eastward by Depot street to Main street again, returning to the court house yard where the veterans formed three sides of a hollow square which was occupied by the drum corps, the military company and the wheel brigade. All along this march decorations greeted the eye and happy smiling countenances poured their loveliness upon the heroes of the day.

To bring up even more of the long ago, one jolly good fellow with a grip full of cannon crackers reproduced the familiar artillery thunder that always brought forth the "rebel yell."

From the court house veranda, Rev. W. M. Shaw opened the exercises with a suitable prayer, after which "The Old North State" was rendered, the "Vets" joining in the chorus. Col. P. B. Means with his strong, aud-

ible voice and measured words, giving vent to deep and pathetic emotions, introduced the orator of the day, Rev. J. D. Arnold.

With fiery enthusiasm, burning eloquence and richness of thought, he thrilled the hearts of those who could hear him, being often disturbed by the overflowing good cheer of his audience. Having left his right arm at Malvern Hill, his left is used with peculiar oratorical force.

Then, ah then! The line was formed again and the marchers were filed in through an opening where a large inscription said "Welcome Old Soldiers, Wives, Sons and Daughters," and were soon brought up to tables bountifully spread with all the good things that woman's cuisine can bring forth when she is bent on making a hungry man feel good. It was immensely more than the "Vets" could eat, it was clearly seen, so, after, as words of grace, the expecting participants, led by Rev. Simpson, repeated the Lord's Prayer, all felt to, and soon there was abundant evidence that the cookery in and all around the county seat is up-to-date in every particular.

It was a stupendous job to fill all the crowd but there was doubtless enough for sufficient refreshment and if any lacked it was probably due to the fact that some may have invited a first class case of dyspepsia by over indulgence.

Dinner ended, the tireless joy venders sang to eager ears such songs as "Bonny Blue Flag," "Dixie" and others.

Miss Caloway sang a solo, "Lee's Sword Unsheathed."

Capt. Chas. McDonald, the chairman of committee of arrangements, then called for three cheers for the laddies, the drum corps and other contributors to the success of the occasion. Three cheers were also called for for the women of the South during the war. All were heartily and roundly responded to, when the ceremonies ended and the evening was given over to social enjoyments and business cares.

It is current remark that, for wholesouled goodheartedness and merry sociability, unmarred, probably, by a single frown of anger, word of reproach or accidental discomfort, nothing like it has been witnessed here for a long period, if ever in the history of the town.

The committee of arrangements grew in their zeal, and it is difficult to see how any committee could have done better.

The Drum Corps, not satisfied with its "rub-a-dub-dub," dealt out lemonade by the glass, but to the extent of barrels, all free to the "Vets," and Mr. Dan Moore set on their table on tap a whole barrel of choice apple cider, just right, to be dealt along with the free lemonade.

From the size of many baskets emptied, we suspect that the temporary supply in many a pantry is as light as the heart of the contributor.

But who should be enlogized? Crowning success is gained by one way only and that was found—all vied with each other.

Several of the surrounding coun-

ties were represented and the crowd was as large as it was jolly and genial. It is estimated that 5,000 people crowded about the court house yard and 295 Veterans registered and it is fair to say that 400 participated in the joys of the day.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

—Mr. Dolph Young, of Charlotte, is in the city.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Stone returned to Charlotte today.

—Mrs. Elam King and little daughter have gone to Charlotte.

—Miss Emma Phifer is visiting friends at Heilig's, Rowan county.

—Sheriff and Mrs. Buchanan are spending the day at Mt. Pleasant.

—Capt. Alex. Parker of Salisbury, was one among the many veteran visitors yesterday.

—Mr. G. W. Fisher has returned to the city, after spending several weeks in Rowan county.

—Mrs. G. T. Crowell and children have gone to Charlotte, to visit relatives, for several weeks.

—Merchant C. D. Robbins is off for a few days on the Wilmington excursion.

—Mr. D. R. Hoover left this morning for New York and Boston, on a business trip. He will be gone for several weeks.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Dick and child and Miss Katie Lentz have gone to Mt. Pleasant to spend a week or ten days.

—Mr. E. G. Buchanan, of Charlotte, spent yesterday in the city, the guest of his brother, Sheriff M. L. Buchanan.

—Master Ralph Odell has gone to Greensboro, where he will spend several weeks with his grandmother, Mrs. B. E. Sergeant.

—Mr. C. B. Little, wife and child, who have been visiting in the county for several weeks, returned to their home in Albemarle today.

—Mrs. W. R. Barker, Mrs. J. W. Gunnels, Miss Dorothy Gunnels, Miss Bertha Brown and Miss Beulah Barker, who have been the guests of Miss Nannie Alexander for a week, left this morning, returning to Salisbury.

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