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## Many Unknown Graves of Heroes all over the South

All over the South there are myriads of graves unknown to the loved ones at home. A lady in Georgia once remarked, in speaking of her life: "My riches are all in Virginia. I love the dear old State; she is keeping all my treasures for me; the dust of my five sons is beneath her soil." These almost forgotten heroes were buried in their native homes and in the valleys and along its hillsides, there are thousands of such mounds as these, which represent the costly and fearful sacrifice of the homes and hearts of the South paid in the struggle of the Confederacy, to be free. The world is beginning to understand that the greatest heroes of the war were not its officers. It is not probable that more than 30,000 officers, of all ranks, laid down their lives in defense of the Confederacy, and there were more than 400,000 privates who gave up their lives for that land. The largest proportion of the heroism and chivalry of the army of the South was in her ranks and the bravest men who died were those whose history will never be written. The scout, the picket, the men in the skirmish line, the men in the rifle pit, and on the parapet and in the trench, were the men who dared most, endured most and gave most in that struggle. The men who showed the greatest bravery, the truest self-devotion, the most splendid courage, were those who carried the guns and "never reasoned why, but only marched to do or die." This isolation in burial, this loneliness in death, speaks in no uncertain way of the poverty of the war's survivors and of the desolation which followed in the wake of the South's defeat, and of the dreadful consequences to its people when its banner went down before the storm. These almost forgotten heroes were best known to the wives and mothers and sisters of the South. It was woman's tenderness which sustained



GEN. CLEMENT A. EVANS, Commander in Chief United Confederate Veterans.

them and woman's heart which alone appreciated them and gave them their just place among the noblest of the earth. The boy who came back on his shield was to women the greatest and truest of all, and she worshiped and cherished him as woman alone can worship and cherish. The most sacred of all her treasures, the tenderest of all her memories, were connected with those whom she had given as a sacrifice to the South. She

loved best, remembered best, and in her heart lived longest and truest the deeds of those who, unknown to fame, surrendered their all on the altar of their country. For those who have been buried here or elsewhere without affection's recognition, the heart breathes out sweetest benediction and prayer. It may be that in these far-away homes they only hold some garment, faded, tattered and torn, it may be a gray jacket which loving hands prepared for the young soldier when he went forth to the

conflict for his country; now, as they touch this sacred and holy relic, in tears and in anguish they say: "Fold it up carefully, lay it aside, tenderly touch it, look on it with pride; For dear must it be to our hearts ever more." The jacket disgraced the dear jacket of gray. Can we ever forget when he joined the brave band, Who rose in defense of our dear Southern land, And in his bright youth hurried on to the fray, How proudly he donned it—the jacket of gray. "They've laid him to rest in his cold, narrow bed, No stones have they placed o'er his pillow— And the proudest of tributes our sad hearts could pay." He never disgraced the dear jacket of gray. Then fold it up carefully, lay it aside, tenderly touch it, look on it with pride, For dear must it be to our hearts ever more. The jacket of gray that our loved soldier boy wore. The severest and most trying of all tasks connected with the late war, was the watching and waiting for those who would never come; the uncertainty and the gloomy despair which gathered as days and months passed by and no tidings were brought of the father or son. This, towards the end, became the crowning sorrow of the sufferings which pursued the people of the Confederacy. Prisons, hospitals, death on the battle field, and the horrors which connected themselves with the awful word "missing"—which marked the last years of the war, left their deepest touch on the homes and hearts of the women who longed for a word or a line, or a report to tell them when, where and how the object of love had gone down into the shadows of the hereafter. The "Unknown List" carried with it a terror and anguish that over the most widespread bereavement could never impart. The activities of actual war alternated with its hardships and softened its privations. It was those who watched and waited who felt the keenest sorrow that followed in war's train. Death then oftentimes came suddenly and without hope of warning, and it was those at home who suffered deepest and longest; and the shappest of all its pangs was to yearn for forms that would never appear and to listen for voices which were hushed in

death. It was the home people—the people who mourn such dead as we are here to-day to honor—who realized the war's worst trials.

### THE BOY HERO OF THE WAR.

And lo! thy matchless boy, O Tennessee! With plumed arms beneath the galloway. Look! forth, unmoved, into the wintry skies, The nut-brown ringlets falling o'er his eyes! He, by kind goeters, had been oft implored: "Speak but one word! To freedom be restored! The lifted signal, 'Hold,' the messenger cried: And springing up, stood by the hero's side. "My boy! This bitter cup must pass you by! Too brave, too noble, and too young to die! And when a light green gown they learn— Even now, perhaps, they wait your long return. Speak but one word—the real culprit's name! 'Tis he should bear this penalty and shame.



FROM MODEL DESIGN OF THE SAM DAVIS STATUE.

Live for your mother! Think a moment of the brand of fraud upon my brow! I and the 'culprit,' true, might both go free; The broken pledge would haunt not him, How light so'er what promise man may make.



BIRTHPLACE OF JEFFERSON DAVIS, FAIRVIEW, KY. THE RESIDENCE AS IT APPEARED IN 1858, WHEN REPLACED BY A BAPTIST CHURCH.

Should be kept sacred for his honor's sake! My mother! (And choking back the sob, but half-concealed) His head drooped low! At last must nature yield! "My mother" flashed again the tear-dimmed eyes. "At her dear knees she taught me how to die! Her loving heart would be too sorely pained. If to her lips were pressed her boy's with falchood-stained, "My brave, brave boy," the pleader spoke again; "A boy in years, but worth a thousand men. Like him for whom, the coward, traitor, You'd lay your own brave, young life down to naught. Speak out! Life is so sweet! Be free once more. "I never knew how sweet life was before! Still—words are useless, General, but forgive— You're kind; yet if I had a thousand lives to live, I'd give them all ere I could face the shame And wear, for one hour, a base, dishonored name. The die was cast! Our tears were idle tears. For him who gave one day and gained a thousand years! Centuries on centuries shall go circling by, But still he is not dead! SAM DAVIS cannot die. —From the Confederate Veteran.

Pure and Spotless. The South's flag, born in the vindication of State rights and nurtured by the blood of her sons upon an hundred battlefields, went down as pure and spotless as the breezes that play upon the bosom of the "Shining River."—Confederate Veteran.



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### THE SWORD OF ROBERT LEE.

Forth from its scabbard, here and bright, Stood the sword of Robert Lee. High over the brave in the cause of Right, Its scabbard sheathed, like a golden light, Led us to victory.

Forth from its scabbard, here in the air, Remains Virginia's glory. And they who saw it gleaming there, And knew who bore it, trust to swear That where that sword led they would dare To follow—and to die.

Out of its scabbard! Never and Waved sword from scabbard, Nor purer sword led braver hand, Nor brighter land had a cause so grand, Nor braver a chief like Lee!

Forth from its scabbard! How we pray'd That sword might victor be! And when our triumph was delayed, And many a light green gown array'd, We'll boast on while we claim the blade Of noble Robert Lee.

Forth from its scabbard all in vain, Bright flashed the sword of Lee; 'Tis shrouded now in its sheath again, 'Tis sleeps the sleep of a noble slain, Defeated, yet without a stain, Peacefully and proudly. —Father Abram Ryan.

### ALBERT SIDNEY JOHNSTON.

Ere yet the sun had pierced the eastern skies, Or dew of morn assumed their diamond guise, With diligence intent upon surprise, In steady lines old Southland's columns drew;

With sudden peal the voice of thunder roared, The hills that slept in Sion's solitude; And valor pressed through floods of fire and smoke, Inspired with hope and manly strength renewed.

When noble Fortune veiled her face the while, And sorrow filled the soldier's heart with grief, And Victory raised her scornful smile, And gently stooped to crown her fallen chief.

Where shades of Southland's dauntless hero dwell, To consecrate the spot where Sidney Johnston fell. —M. M. Stewart, Flemingsburg, Ky., is Confederate Veteran.

### A YOUNG CONFEDERATE.

Master Hugh T. Morton, Jr., illustrates the spirit of his class. His grandfathers were both colonels in the Confederate army, and the little fellow, though but eight months old, was manifestly as happy as older persons. He was evidently the youngest "Rebel" who participated in the memorable occasion of the Birmingham Reunion.



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### A CONSPICUOUS DAUGHTER.

One of the most conspicuous figures at the Confederate reunion in Richmond, Va., was Miss Mary Hall, of Augusta, Ga., a Daughter of the Confederacy, who occupies a unique position in the regard of the Southern people, and especially of the veterans who fought under the stars and stripes.



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bars. Miss Hall, who was an earnest adherent of the "lost cause" during the Civil War, still cherishes for it a feeling of reverence and devotion. She glories in the fact that she is identified with it, and as a token of her changeless loyalty to it she invariably wears a small Confederate flag or badge. She is the only woman who is a "full member" of a Confederate veterans' camp, and she marches for miles with the camp at reunions, attired in gray and wearing a campaign hat, which, with her close-cut hair, gives her quite a soldierly appearance. The crowds along the lines of march always give her an ovation. Miss Hall has placed six hundred silken Confederate flags on the graves of departed soldiers. At the reunions she is always an honored guest and receives many attentions.

Not a Minute Much. Carrots are said to be four times as nutritious as cucumbers. That is not saying much for carrots, either. —Mason Telegraph.

### GOOD ROADS MOVEMENT.

Davidson County Making Strenuous Efforts to Vote a Bond Issue For That Purpose.

Lexington, Special.—H. B. Varner has secured the promise of the good roads bureau of the Department of Agriculture to aid in the campaign for a bond issue of half a million dollars for the improvement of the roads in Davidson county. Mr. Varner had a very satisfactory talk with Mr. Paige, the head of the bureau, who agreed to send to the county a number of lecturers prior to the election. The officials in Washington are greatly pleased with this movement for road improvement on such a large scale. It is thought there is little doubt but that the people will approve this issue of bonds and when the work is completed Davidson will have the finest public roads of all the counties in the South. The investment is one of the best possible the county could make and that is the way our people are looking at the proposition.

### Granite Interest Combine.

Salisbury, Special.—A consolidation of the granite interests of Rowan county has taken place and the result is the W. A. Eason Granite Company, an organization with a paid in capital stock of \$1,250,000. A charter for the new company was sent to Raleigh Wednesday. The companies consolidated are now working 500 men at the quarries several miles from Salisbury and it is stated that soon the number of employes will have been increased to 2,000. The American Stone Company, The Rowan Granite Company, and the Balfour Pink Granite Company lose their identity in the new corporation.

### Confederate Monument.

Salisbury, Special.—The Confederate monument on Inness street is to be unveiled Monday, May 10, the ceremony taking place at 10:30 o'clock. Large numbers of veterans and others are expected, not only from this county but from a number of places, both in and out of the State. Mayor A. H. Boyden will be orator of the day, and Gen. Bennett Young, of Louisville, Ky., will also deliver an address. The memorial will be unveiled by Mrs. Frances Fisher Tiernan, daughter of Gen. Chas. F. Fisher. Mrs. Storewell Jackson, of Charlotte, and Gen. Robt. F. Hoke, of Raleigh, are among the prominent guests who have already signified their intention of being present.

### Summer Conference Discussed.

Chapel Hill, Special.—At the regular meeting of the Y. M. C. A. Tuesday night the "Summer Conference for Southern College Men" was discussed. Frank Graham, chairman of the Summer Conference committee, presided over the meeting and bore ample testimony of his deep appreciation of the conference by saying he had studied it for the last three summers and was looking with more than his usual zeal to this summer's conference, to be held at Montreat June the eleventh, through the twenty-first.

### Dynamite Hurts Boy.

Lenoir, Special.—Friday afternoon little Samuel Dyser, aged 9 years, had two fingers and a thumb blown off his left hand by a dynamite cartridge. He found the cap near the cemetery, and not knowing what it was started home and on the way undertook to strike a match on the cartridge and it exploded. It is thought the cap was left by some men who had been blasting nearby. The little fellow was badly frightened.

### The Morning Star Sold.

A deal has been consummated by which a stock company has secured The Morning Star, Wilmington, which has been published for 40 years by Maj. W. H. Bernard. The purchase price was \$28,000.

### Crushed Skull With Plank.

Troy, Special.—A misunderstanding over the incorrect driving of a mule team at the Guilford Lumber Manufacturing Company's shops Rufus Smith struck Mark Thompson with a piece of plank Friday and crushed his skull and Thompson is not expected to live, whereupon Smith was arrested and taken to jail to await the results of the wound.

### Death of N. D. Emerson.

Wilmington, Special.—Telegraphic advices Friday morning conveyed to hundreds of friends the news of the death of Neil Davis Emerson, only son of President T. M. Emerson, of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad which occurred Thursday night at Phoenix, Arizona, where he had been for some time with the hope that the climate would be of benefit to his health. He improved for a time until his heart began to fail and his decline was rapid.

### Military Commission.

Adjutant General Armfield Friday issued the following military commissions: —C. H. Banks, captain; J. A. Turner, first lieutenant; and J. R. Perry, second lieutenant, Co. D, Third Infantry, Louisville.

## A CYCLONE SWEEPS SOUTH

Property Losses Will Run Into Many Millions, The Loss in Tennessee Alone Being \$1,000,000 Hundreds of Dead and Mangled Bodies

Atlanta, Ga., Special.—Cyclones and tornadoes, like the one which have not been known for years, swept through the South Thursday night and all Friday leaving in their wake hundreds of dead and mangled bodies, and the dismantled wrecks of property worth many millions.

Tennessee was an especially heavy sufferer. At 9 o'clock Friday night careful estimates indicate that at least 50 people were killed in that State alone, with monetary losses at \$1,000,000. At Franklin and in Hillsboro there was loss of life. The latter town is said to be practically destroyed, while at Centerville and adjoining villages the loss is reported very heavy both in lives and property. Near Pulaski, Giles county, the death list reaches twelve, and many are injured.

In the vicinity of Chattanooga the storm was felt at its worst. Telephone and telegraph wires were blown down and the movement of trains was greatly hampered. The hurricane followed the Cumberland valley, wrecking small towns and destroying farm houses. At Ebenezer eighteen houses were blown down.

At Charlestown the storm swept over the Hiwassee river, destroying property. At Fayetteville three are known to have perished. At Cuba many houses were blown down and at Chatsworth not even a shed was left standing.

Memphis reports heavy loss from towns within a radius of 100 miles in three States. At Horn Lake, Miss., half dozen lives were lost and the property damage was very heavy.

In Arkansas eight persons were killed near Mammoth Springs and a score of buildings wrecked. Other points in Arkansas report heavy loss. Atlanta and most of Georgia escaped with only slight property losses during the blow. But two young people, brother and sister, William and Pearl Withers, lost their lives here Friday afternoon by the capsizing of a rowboat during a sudden squall.

The hurricane continued upon its course of destruction in Alabama Friday night. Huntsville sends word of heavy loss of property, with probably several lives sacrificed near the Tennessee line. At Danville, in Morgan county, Alabama, the storm struck with terrific force. At Hartwell at least one is dead and many hurt.

Soon after dark Friday night the storm winds began shooting across the railroad telegraph and telephone lines connecting Atlanta with Chattanooga and Knoxville and wire communication, which had been kept with great difficulty during the afternoon, ceased entirely. The Western and Atlanta Railroad offices here reported that south of Chattanooga, near Emerson, Ga., several big trees were blown across the railroad right of way, tearing down wires and holding up the trains.

### The death totals were swelled Friday.

Tennessee: Youngs Crossing, 4; Fayetteville, 15; Noblesville, 1; Hartman county, 1; Medina, 4; Clarksville, 1; Centerville, 1; Franklin, 1; Hillsboro, 4; Somerville, 3; Laconia, 2; Bells, 2; Quitort, 8; Giles county, 12. Mississippi's most disastrous point was Horn Lake, where 18 met death. Arkansas has four dead near Hartwell. Missouri has seven killed at Bonnet ville and 11 at Golden.

### SUGAR COMPANY PAYS U. S. CIVIL CLAIMS

New York, Special.—The American Sugar Refining Company, of New Jersey and the New York corporation of the same name Tuesday paid into the treasury of the United States \$399,000, completing a settlement aggregating \$2,134,000 in settlement of all civil claims arising out of the fraudulent weighing of sugar on the docks of the refineries in Brooklyn and Jersey City. The companies further agree to give up their right of appeal. The settlement was made upon the advice of the company's lawyers. A

### FARMERS PLAN A BIG WAREHOUSE MERGER

Charlotte, N. C., Special.—President H. Q. Alexander, of the North Carolina division of the Farmers' Union, is very much interested in the plan proposed for the organization of the several cotton warehouses in the individual Southern States into one gigantic corporation. The warehouses which have been erected by the Union

### THE MOSLEM DISORDERS IN ADANA CEASE

Constantinople, By Cable.—A welcome message was received Thursday from the town of Hadjin, in the province of Adana, where five American women missionaries have been alone with thousands of refugees who sought safety there from bands of Moslems seeking to put them to the sword. Hadjin has withstood a siege for the past eight days and the missionaries have been sending out frantic appeals for help. Thursday a message reached here from Miss Lambert, the daughter of Bishop Lambert, timed 10:22 a. m., which said: "With the arrival of the troops

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Washington, D. C., Special.—The Department of Commerce and Labor has decided upon a plan for the furnishing of immigrants with definite and reliable information which it believes will meet with the co-operation of Middle Western and Southern States in particular. Assistant Secretary McFarland is preparing plans to make a section of the immigration act effective which has hitherto been a

day night by three lightning victims at Monroe, Ga. Late in the afternoon a rushing windstorm, accompanied by blinding lightning, broke over Monroe and one of the bolts struck the residence of M. B. Barrett, running down the chimney. Barrett, his wife and his 77-year-old daughter were killed, and a 10-year-old son and a younger child were seriously shocked.

### Storm in the Middle West.

Chicago, Special.—Related reports show that the death and destruction caused by the terrific storm that swept over the Middle West Thursday night, were more extensive than at first indicated by the meagre damage first carried over. Damaged wheat, three men were killed in Chicago by the collapse of a factory. Homeless men, women and children spent Friday in strange houses in many suburbs, where the storm had upset substantial houses.

In the path of the storm before it reached the Great Lake region, great destruction of property is reported. At least eleven persons were killed.

At Golden, Mo., a part of the town was destroyed and many homes wrecked. Five persons lost their lives.

At Summerville, Mo., the wind created havoc and two persons were killed. Many were injured.

The storm was furious in Southern Illinois and at Texas City, near Carroll, four persons were killed and many seriously wounded. The town was wrecked.

Great damage to property and crops was caused in Michigan on the east shore of Lake Michigan. Bentham, Michigan and South Haven being in the path of the storm.

In Wisconsin, for many hours there raged a severe snow storm, causing damage to property. At Lacrosse and Superior, traffic was hampered because of drifts.

### Many Killed in Storm.

Louisville, Ky., Special.—Dispatches, gathered throughout the South by the Associated Press Friday night, indicate that a least 114 persons met sudden death in the great wind that spread havoc throughout the region south of the Ohio. The number of injured is probably threefold that of the killed. It is ascertained that 114 persons were killed, distributed among the following towns:

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### Settlement from the latter was made public Friday night in which they say that the settlement seemed wise because of the fact that the government had threatened otherwise to bring other suits for amounts ranging nearly \$5,000,000. The settlement while it discharges all the civil claims made by the government against the companies, does not prevent the bringing of criminal prosecutions against the men responsible for the use of the fraudulent device by which false weights were recorded.

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