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## JOTTINGS.

The Governor's Guard, of Columbia, S. C., an old company of heroic predecessors, have withdrawn from the State volunteer troops, rather than take the ironclad Tillmanite oath. The hand of the despot is over the people of South Carolina.

Col. Julian S. Carr has gained the notoriety of being the first Southern man to give money to a northern institution since the war. There is some originality about the Colonel and he is unable to see his money worthily needed nearer home.

A resolution has been introduced into the Legislature to investigate the conduct of a certain member who is charged with real old time drunkenness. Smelling committees generally scent something.

Pullman is said to have gone to Florida to keep from being a witness in the Debs case and the Judge says he is in contempt. The old man's cash can settle that little matter.

So the Railroad Commissioner must be a Republican to somewhat balance the long term Senatorship. Having been balanced, Butler is looking after balancing.

The New York Legislature has struck a blow at pugilists in passing a law against boxing and sparring exhibitions in that State. That sounds anti Foxey.

Miss Anna Gould, sister to George, is to marry Count De Castella, of Paris. A successful count is what he expects of her cash.

A Tennessee Judge recently jumped from a window, thirty feet from the ground to escape the falling court house. The Court did not forget itself.

Texas is trying to pass a law giving the surviving heirs of the lynched party, \$3,000. It should be entitled "An act to encourage lynchings."

The county government and election law bills hang fire between the fusionists. Clearly a case where the doctors disagree.

The Democrats have lost control of the United State's Senate. Yet they, or one, seems to control the bond business.

Spain makes 30,000,000,000 corks per year. And America floats them.

## Gen. Rufus Barringer.

Gen. Barringer, who died at Charlotte on February 2d, was a native North Carolinian. He was born in Cabarrus county, December 2, 1821. His grandfather, John Paul Barringer, was from Wurtemberg, Germany. He came to this country and settled first in Pennsylvania, but afterwards moved to North Carolina. One of his sons, Gen. Paul Barringer, was the father of Gen. Rufus Barringer.

Gen. Barringer received his early education at Sugar Creek academy, and afterward entered the University where he graduated in 1842. He studied law with his brother, Hon. D. M. Barringer, at Concord, and afterward with Hon. Richmond Pearson. He began his practice of law in Concord, and soon became prominent at the bar.

He was strongly opposed to secession, and took a strong stand against it, but when the war clouds began to gather he was ready to take up arms for his country. He was among the first to volunteer for service. He raised a company of cavalry in Cabarrus which was at first assigned, as Company E, to the First North Carolina Cavalry, his commission as captain bearing date May 16, 1861.

Gen. Robert Ransom was the first colonel of the regiment. Gen. Barringer became major of the regiment in 1863, and afterward became a colonel. On the death of Gen. J. B. Gordon, he was commissioned brigadier general, and succeeded to the command of the North Carolina Cavalry. His record was brilliant and military service was a peer alongside of the most cavalry leaders of the Confederate cause. On April 3, 1864, Gen. Barringer, together with Gen. Ewell and Gen. Custis Lee, was taken prisoner and sent to City Point. President Lincoln was there and requested that Gen. Barringer be presented to him. When he met Gen. Barringer and found him to be a brother of Hon. D. M. Barringer with whom he had served in Congress and who was his warm personal friend, he expressed himself as desirous of rendering the general any service in his power, and it was through President Lincoln's kindness that he was afterward transferred to Fort Delaware. After the war, on his return home, he was still a strong Union man. He cooperated with the national Republican party, and when, in 1875, the State convention was held to amend the constitution, he was elected as a Republican from the county of Mecklenburg. In 1880 he accepted the Republican nomination for Lieutenant Governor. He continued to vote the Republican ticket until 1884, when he cast his vote for Cleveland, and has since that time been a Democrat.

Gen. Barringer was thrice married. His first wife was Miss Eugenia Morrison, daughter of the late Dr. Robt. Hall Morrison, and a sister of Mrs. Stonewall Jackson, Mrs. J. P. Irwin and Mrs. John E. Brown. To them was born two children, Paul and Anna Barringer. The second wife was Miss Rosalin Chunn, of Asheville. She had one son, Rufus

Barringer, who is also still living. Miss Margaret Long was the third wife, and with one son, Osmond Barringer, survives.

Gen. Barringer was one of eight children of the late General Paul Barringer, of Cabarrus county, four sons and four daughters. One of his sisters was the wife of General W. Means, of Cabarrus, and the mother of Col. Paul Barringer Means, of Concord; another is Mrs. Margaret Grier who, though 86 years of age, was present at the death of her brother.

General Barringer was one of four distinguished brothers, only one of whom survives him, namely Judge Victor Barringer, late Judge of the Court of Egypt, the other two were the Hon. D. N. Barringer, ex-Minister to Spain, and Rev. William Means, a clergyman in the Methodist church.—Exchange.

## Grant's Spat With Johnson.

Gen. Grant was a special favorite with the school children, knew many of them by sight; and when he would saunter down the street smoking his after breakfast cigar, as was his daily habit, he would often stop them, call them by name, and inquire of their parents' health. They all knew him, and many of them were on terms of friendly familiarity with him. He was especially liked at a popular Catholic school on New York avenue, and nearly every morning some of the school girls would wait at the gate to get a kindly smile from the old warrior. An incident is related to be by an old friend of Mr. Grant, who was witness to the occurrence. One morning after President Lincoln's assassination General Grant was carelessly riding down Pennsylvania avenue, when he saw a group of gentlemen, all of whom he knew. He stopped his horse and found these gentlemen excitedly discussing something they heard Andrew Johnson was just about to do at the White House. A spokesman told General Grant that Andrew Johnson had determined to revoke the parole of certain Confederate officers. Grant listened quietly slowly smoking his cigar. When his informant finished Grant remounted his horse, rode rapidly towards the White House and went straight in to interview Andrew Johnson. He asked:

"Mr. President, I understand you are determined to revoke the parole of certain of the Confederate leaders who surrendered to me at Appomattox."

"I am considering the matter," replied the president.

"By whose authority," asked General Grant, "do you revoke a parole signed by me?"

"By the authority of the United States," replied Andrew Johnson, with some asperity.

"By the authority of the Commander-in-chief of the armies of the United States, that parole shall not be revoked;" and turned on his heel and quietly left the White House.

Johnson knew Grant. He knew the army of the United States was at his back. Nothing more was heard of the matter.

## FROM ROAN TO ROANOKE.

The residence of Judge H. R. Bryan at New Berne, was almost destroyed by fire last week, the loss on house and furniture amounting to near \$3,000 more than the insurance.

W. W. Fuller, of Durham, has been appointed general counsel for the American Tobacco Co., with a salary of about \$50,000 per year, and will move to New York.

A negro woman living near Faison, gave birth to four children on the 9th. They were two boys and two girls. One has since died, the others are strong and healthy.

A. J. Lyman, a lawyer of Asheville, has been arrested charged with misappropriating \$34,434 for Mrs. K. L. Youman's, of New York.

Edward B. Englehard, son of the late Maj. Joseph A. Englehard, and a promising young man of Raleigh, died on the 11th inst.

Three prisoners set fire to the Alhambra jail last week and escaped. One refused to escape and saw the building burn down.

H. H. White, superintendent of Buncombe county convict farm, has been suspended and will be tried for cruelty to convicts.

The twenty inmates of Union county jail are congratulating themselves that they have no Democratic associate.

Eugene Davis, now four years old, had an arm and a leg cut off by a freight train at Asheville last week.

Robert W. Winston has resigned his Judgeship and become a partner in the Fuller law firm of Durham.

E. Stanley Walton has been appointed deputy State Treasurer, by Treasurer Worth, at Morganton.

Superior Court, special term convenes at Washington next Monday, Judge Boykin, will preside.

A New Berne man donned his straw hat last Saturday, while the mercury was zero-wards.

Rev. C. E. Todd, of Charlotte, has been elected president of Due West, (S. C.) Female College.

The fusionists continue to unseat Democrats and put in their men in the Legislature.

Five hundred foreign carpenters are in Charlotte willing to work for thirty cents a day.

Three "Tillman spies" have recently been in Wilmington watching whiskey shipments.

Thousands of fish benumbed by the cold, have been picked up in New river.

Mrs. Lily Blake addressed the Legislature on Woman Suffrage last week.

Bess Atkinson, col., died in Wayne county on the 11th inst., aged 103 years.

Some towns in the State favor a local dispensary law.

A section of Polk county is troubled with mad dogs.

Ice in the sounds is interfering with navigation.