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GEN. FITZHUGH LEE.

HIS OLD CHAPLAIN ENTHUSIASTIC OVER HIS NAME AND DEEDS.

Rev. J. William Jones Talks Entertainingly and Relates Incidents in the Life of the Picturesque and Gallant American Who is Now a Major-General in the United States Army and Will be in the Thickest of the Fight in Cuba.

Rev. J. William Jones, of Richmond, the well-known preacher-author and noted Confederate soldier-chaplain, was in Norfolk recently and a reporter of the *Virginian and Pilot* had an interview with him. Naturally he talked of war and as naturally of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, remarking upon the fact that the Virginia boys want to march and fight under the famous cavalry leader. The *Virginian and Pilot* quotes Dr. Jones as follows:

"Well, I don't wonder. If the boys want to fight, want to be right in the thick of it, want to show the Spaniards that there is something in them above the mereenary, want to let the Dons see that the spirit of '76 and '62 burns as brightly and fiercely as ever, all they have to do is to follow the gallant Fitzhugh Lee, and if they have backbone he'll stiffen it, and he'll never send a man where he won't lead."

Dr. Jones was in a reminiscent mood, and his mind wandered back to the stirring days of '60's, when he was chaplain of the gallant Thirteenth Virginia regiment, attached to fighting General A. P. Hill's corps.

It was in those times that brought out the manhood in a man that Rev. Mr. Jones first encountered Lee.

"He was a gallant soldier, and every inch a man, a true Virginian gentleman; and his men fought about him like knights of old, for they loved their heroic leader," said Rev. Mr. Jones.

"Fitzhugh Lee was a cavalry instructor at West Point, when the war broke out. He resigned at once. They tried to retain him; but the blood of Light Horse Harry Lee, his grand-father, that surged through his veins would not be downed; his duty was to his loved southland, and amidst the genuine regrets of his comrades he laid down the sword of the Union and took up the cause of his dear Virginia.

"There is so much to tell of Fitzhugh Lee, but briefly the history of the Cavalry of the Confederacy is the war history of the man. He is inseparably and heroically connected with it. To leave him out of a cavalry charge is to leave a vacancy indeed. He was at the first Manassas battle, and went to the front as he did ever after. From Captain he rose rapidly to Lieutenant-Colonel, Colonel, Brigadier, then Major-General, which place he occupies again, and will again distinguish.

"Lee was desperate, daring, bold and courageous, but never reckless. I have seen Lee and Stuart go into battle singing, and their men joining in the chorus. They sang as they charged; sang with bullets flying about them; sang even as they ducked to dodge a vicious sabre cut.

"In camp he had a band known as Fitzhugh Lee's Minstrels, and many were the entertainments they gave. He did not neglect his men's souls; but had religious services whenever possible.

"At the second Manassas he captured some of his old West Point comrades, and they put in a night of fun and jollity. He told them he had a message to send through the Union lines; paroled them, sent them off on their horses, and one of his old comrades took that message and carried it through his own lines, under the fire of his own men. He had given his word and kept it.

"At Beverly Farms, in Culpeper, it was Lee that, with 800 gallant troops, drove Averill and his 3,000 men back, capturing many of them.

"In 1864, when Grant made his hurried march from the wilderness to Spottsylvania C. H., to get between R. E. Lee and Richmond, it was Fitz Lee who was sent to oppose him from 4 a. m. till late at night, until Anderson's division of Longstreet's corps came up, and General Robert E. Lee had formed his line at that historic spot.

"Fitzhugh Lee's name is inseparably and honorably linked to the Confederate Cavalry, and the history of Virginia, and the boys do themselves honor when they fall in behind him. He will lead them where honor lies or the soldier's grave."

Rev. Dr. Jones was a fighter himself, enlisting as a private in the ranks of the famous "Stonewall" Jackson's Foot Cavalry, and fighting like a parson can fight on many a hard-fought field.

The Cuban question and political issues sink into insignificance with the man who suffers from piles. What he most desires, is relief. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cures piles. Phil H. Thomas.

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It seems that the Commodore didn't stop to rest after reaching Manila.

ENSIGN BAGLEY.

(Charlotte Observer.)

In Sumter fray, and now in Cuban war,
The "Old North State" shoots the first martial star
Athwart the front of Mars.
Not Death dismays, but like a mighty man,
To War's red height she ever leads the van
With fielders and her tars.

Poor Bagley! Now she mourns thee, gallant boy!
The daring hero of a naval toy
Too frail to bear the Soul
Of thy imperial being, thro' the hell
Of brazen Battle's crash of shatt'ring shells
To death-eclipsing goal.

Too young to die in even angel cause,
With Gushing grandeur, in the foaming jaws
Of hydra-headed doom
Ye proudly dared, and battled till the last
Infernal belch of Balaklavan blast,
Riddled they floating tomb!

Bravo, young Patr iot, in thy laureled sphere!
Fame gilds thy name and Freedom frames thy bier,
And love thy grave will deck;
For no high deed from height of history
Sublimer gleams than thy white chivalry
That lights the Winslow's wreck!

Farewell, brave warrior, in the listless loam,
All hail, blest Hero, in thy higher home
Beyond the booming flood;
For God has written, "Cuba shall be free,"
On the blue margin of a tropic sea,
With thy avenging blood!

JOSEPHLEE MAY.

Norfolk, Va.

DEWEY'S SON TALKS.

Describes the Manner and Characteristics of His Father.

The only son of Admiral Dewey is George Goodwin Dewey, of New York City, who recently went into business there, after taking his degree at Princeton. When the news of his father's great victory was known, the young man was literally beseiged by reporters, all of whom he received very considerately. He talked frankly and enthusiastically about his father as follows:

"My father is deliberate, cool, business-like, without fear, gentle, very fond of children, good hearted, and kind to everyone. He is most thorough, determined, and energetic. He is a disciplinarian, and everything under his control must be as near perfect as possible. You can easly imagine why I have such faith in father's ability when I appreciate these strong points in character.

"He is so very kind hearted, yet nothing can stop him in the performance of his duty, no matter what the results may be. He loves a good horse, and is particularly fond of horseback riding, yet he always considers the comfort of the animal he rides. He will not allow his horse to trot on hard road, or to be hurried up a steep hill. He is devoted to children, and always enters into their pleasures.

"That is one side. But when it comes to the necessity of fighting, he believes in being most thoroughly prepared, and striking quick, hard and with deliberate intent of accomplishing the purpose of war—that is, putting the enemy in a condition where he cannot fight.

"I was very much impressed by his last letter, received a month ago. He said nothing about expecting war, but said he was very busy. Now, 'busy' is a little word, but I know what it meant with him. He meant that he was practising his crews in every duty. That they were handling the ships and guns, firing at targets, and doing everything that would bring them to the maximum of perfection in case they were called into action. The result of the battle of Manila shows that I was right. He as busy when he wrote, and busy for a good purpose.

"He believes that our ships and men are the best in the world. He is right, and has proved it. Farragut is his ideal of a naval commander, and we all know what Farragut was."

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If you want to keep your health and strength without consulting the doctor so often, the best thing you can do is to write to the World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y., for a copy of Dr. Pierce's great book, the "People's Common Sense Medical Adviser." Send 21 one-cent stamps to cover cost of mailing only. It is a large book of 1008 pages, with over 300 illustrations. It is the same book of which 680,000 copies were sold at $1.50 each. The only difference is in the binding, which in the free edition is of strong manilla paper. There is no other such complete family doctor book in the English language. It is a veritable medical library, complete in one volume. Send now before all are given away. They are going off rapidly, therefore, do not delay sending immediately if in want of one. The above generous offer is limited to 500,000 copies.

A warm and tender heart is an invaluable possession, and we all pay a well deserved tribute to it in our love and honor. Yet, when it is united to weak judgment and an irresolute will, how often do we see dire results ensuing.

COURAGE.

It is not they that never know
Weakness or fear who are the brave;
Those are the proud the knightly few
Whose joy is still to serve and save.

But they who, in the weary night,
Amid the darkness and the stress,
Have struggled with disease and blight,
With pitiful world-weariness.

They who have yearned to stand among
The free and mighty of the earth,
Whose sad, aspiring souls are wrung
With starless hope and hollow mirth—

Who die with every day, yet live
Through mereiless, unbrightened years,
Whose sweet right is to forgive
And smile divinely through their tears:

They are the noble, they the strong,
They are the tried, the trusted ones,
And though their way is hard and long—
Straight to the pitying God it runs.

—Harper's Weekly.

A GREAT record of cures, unequalled in medical history, proves Hood's Sarsaparilla possesses merit unknown to any other MEDICINE.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

THEIR GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION AND COMMERCIAL RELATIONS.

A Country Rich in Resources but Held Back in Its Growth and Development by Spanish Greed and Oppression—Our Sudden Interest in These Newly Acquired Possessions of Uncle Sam Call for More Information Concerning Them.

(National Intelligencer.)

While awaiting the next decisive move in our war with Spain, whether it be on land or sea, the great, overtopping fact of the present is that the American flag has been firmly planted on the East Indian possessions of Spain by virtue of Admiral Dewey's victory on May 1 at Manila. Not only is the power of the United States now supreme in the Philippine Islands, but it appears to be the policy of our government to maintain its foothold there indefinitely. Hence our sudden interest in that far off island and the desire for all the light obtainable on these new possessions of Uncle Sam.

So something of the geography and character of the Philippines and their people is here given.

HELD BACK BY SPAIN.

Lying right in the track of the world's inter-continental commerce, and with one of the finest harbors in the world, the Philippine Archipelago has remained closed to free commercial intercourse through all the years since Magellan staked out the Spanish claim in 1521. Spain has held the groupe in her greedy hands, constantly squeezing for an excess of revenues, thus preventing natural growth and development, and trying to monopolize the trade of the natives. That they have not of late succeeded in this was shown in the recent remarkable report from the American consul at Manila which was recorded in last week's Pathfinder. As if anticipating the political event that report showed how 64 per cent. of the exports of the Philippines have been absorbed by American traders.

The Philippines lie in the north tropic zone and separate the South China Sea on the west and the Pacific ocean on the east. The eastern shore of Luzon, the principal island, is about 600 miles east of Hong Kong; it is the largest and most northern island of the great group—a group which, extending from 5 degrees to 20 degrees north latitude, and over a longitude of 10 degrees to 107 degrees east of Greenwich, covers a north and south line of 1,050 miles, and an east and west line of about 700 miles.

It is estimated that this group comprises 1,400 islands, of which by far the larger part are mere islets. They are of coral and volcanic formation, the cones often having tremendous eruptions. Next to Luzon, with its 41,000 square miles area, is Mindanoa, on the southeast, having an area of 37,456 square miles. The total area is computed at 114,000 square miles. There are a half a dozen other islands in the central and western part of the group, the areas of which range from that of Rhode Island to that of Connecticut.

THE INHABITANTS.

The islands had a total population last year of about 10,000,000, according to the estimate of Catholic priests in correspondence with Papal Delegate Martinelli, although encyclopedias (out of date) place the figures as low as 6,000,000 and some estimates are at 8,000,000.

A dwarfed race of "Negritos," now driven into the mountains and interior lands, seem to be the descendants of the aborigines.

The bulk of the population is Malayan, of whom there are numerous tribes; the dirtiest and most pagan is known as the Igorrotes, and yet they display very exemplary qualities. They are one of the most important tribes of Luzon and are amongst the population who virtually escape omnivorous Spanish taxation. They are good farmers, laying out terraced fields on the mountains, constructing irrigation canals and having a considerable reputation as metallurgists. Their domestic morality is favorably in contrast with that of their neighbors.

Another element of the population are the Chinese and their Mestizos, or decendants of mixed Semitic and native blood. There is scarcely a community on these islands where the Chinese are not found.

LIFE OF THE PEOPLE.

The climate of the Philippines varies little from that of other mountainous tropical countries. The range of the themometer during the year is from a little over 60 degrees to about 90. The year may be divided into three seasons; the first cold an dry, commences in November; the second, warm and still dry, commences in March, the greatest heat being experienced from April to the end of May, and the third which is excessively wet, continues from June to the middle of November.

Generally speaking, the natives are mild and amiable, predisposed to religious observances, extremely superstitious and very hospitable. Those of Batangas, Cagayan and Southern Ilocos are better and more industrious laborers than those of the other provinces. During their youth they work with energy and a certain mental vigor, but on reaching a more advanced age lapse into indolence which is one of their greatest defects.

The women are adverse to idleness, have a spirit of enterprise and often engage in various trades with success. They are economical and sacrifice themselves cheerfully for those to whom they are attached. Petty trade and banking are almost entirely in their hands. Europeans and their descendants are not numerous here, although there is a consiberable breed of half-castes, derived from European fathers.

SPANISH OPPRESSION.

It was not until the close of the sixteenth century that the archipelago passed under Spanish domination, during the reign of Philip II. About the middle of the century an expedition sailed from Mexico in five ships but accomplished little. In 1565 Don Miguel Lopez de Legazpi reached the islands and founded a Spanish settlement at the town of Cebu, and it is in his correspondence that the name Philippine Islands is first recorded. It was given in honor of his sovereign. Under this monarch an ecclesiastical organization, principally of monastic orders, was established.

The history of these islands during the ninteenth century has been one of oppression, restrictions on commerce and ferocious taxation, in which the ecclesiastics used their influence for the support of the Spanish sovereignty. The last revolt broke out in 1896. The conspiracy was discovered before the day appointed for the rising, and the plans of the insurrectionists were disconcerted. Yet when the authorities proceeded to arrest those known to be involved the rebels mustered in force, amounting to several thousands, but were dispersed when they offered battle in the neighborhood of Manila. The insurgents established themselves in the province of Cavite, on the north shore of Manila bay, eight miles southwest of the port of Manila, and held it until the arrival of 25,000 reinforcements from Spain and of a considerable naval fleet enabled the government to suppress them.

In the inaccessible parts of the islands there are still unsubdued savages. In the last census returns the number of natives not subject to the civil government and paying no tribute is given as 602,853, while the number of natives paying tribute is returned at 5,501,356.

THE PRODUCTS.

The latest records of the Philadelphia museum furnish these statistics:

The public revenue of the islands is about $15,000,000, of which the larger part is raised by direct taxes, poll taxes, customs, monopolies, and lotteries.

The chief articles of produce are sugar, hemp, tobacco, coffee and copra. The foreign trade is confined to the ports of Manila, Iloilo, Cebu and Jamboanga. Gold, sulphur and large deposits of excellent steaming coal are widely distributed over the country, and an intelligent government, coupled with enterprise in business and humanity of spirit, could rapidly turn this fertile region into a source of great wealth for mankind.

The chief seaport of the group is Manila, overlooking the spacious bay on the southwest shore of Luzon. The other chief ports are Iloilo and Cebu, on islands of the same name in the central part of the archipelago.

The following distances by ocean routes from various strategic points to the Philippines, as given us by the Hydrographic Office, have an interesting bearing on the situatation:

Cadiz to Manila, via Cape of Good Hope, 12,350 miles; via of Suez Canal, 8,425 miles; New York to Manila via Cape of Good Hope, 13,630 miles; via Suez Canal, 12,065 miles; San Francisco to Manila direct, 7,050 miles.

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Hood's Pills are the only pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla. Easy, yet efficient.

First In Three Wars.

(Raleigh Post.)

The whole country knows that the first American to fall in battle in the war with Spain was a North Carolinian—our honored townsman Ensign Worth Bagley. It is also a well stated fact that the first Confederate killed in the war between the States was Henry L. Wyatt, a native of North Carolina. But it is not so well known that the first blood of patriots spilled in armed resistance to the British in the events leading up to the Revolution, was that of citizens of this State. It is a fact generally understood by our own people, for it is recorded in our histories and taught in our schools; but outside of North Carolina few have ever read or heard of the Regulators who fought Governor Tryon's royal troops on the field of Alamance. That was long before Lexington, Concord and Bunker Hill.

Doubtless there were collisions between civilians and soldiers before the day of Harman Husbands and his Regulators, and it is not questioned that some sealed their patriotism with their lives, as the histories relate; but to North Carolina belongs the honor of having been first to oppose force to force in battle array, and the first to mourn the loss of sons killed in actual war.

Alamance, Bethel, Cardenas. What imperishable glory do they recall, and what an inspiration to our people will they prove in all the coming years.

A Narrow Escape.
Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D.: "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lung, cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four Doctors gave me up saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advisied to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at M. Dorsey's drug store. Regular size 50c and $1.00; guaranteed or price refunded.

THERE'S SENSE IN THIS.

IMPORTANCE TO THE SOUTH OF THE NICARAGUAN CANAL.

John Barrett, United States Minister to Siam, Calls Attention to the Vast Trade Possibilities of the South, in the Far East—In the Direction of a Wider Market for Raw Cotton Especially Does a Mighty Opportunity Await Us if Improved.

(Norfolk Public Ledger.)

Mr. John Barrett, United States Minister to Siam, in a letter from Bangkok to the Baltimore *Sun*, written a month before Commodore Dewey achieved his celebrated victory in Manila Bay, gives a glowing description of the trade possibilities of the South in the far East, and especially in the direction of wider markets for raw cotton. A mighty opportunity, he says, awaits the South in that portion of the world, and yet it is an opportunity appreciated or improved by few. "After Cuba and the Klondike," says Mr. Barrett, "the far East to-day attracts the world's attention, but it has riches in store for the South that Cuba and Klondike combined can never give." "The far East," he says, "wants the South's cotton; it wants it now, and it will want it in increasing ratio every year; and it will take it too, in such quantities as to add millions of dollars to the amount of the South's income from her king staple, and so directly add to the prosperity of every Southern State—provided only the South seizes the magnificent opportunity open to her, pushes the market, developes the demand, meets with fearless force the competition of Indian, Chinese and Egyptian cotton, insists on low through rail and water rates from the productive centres of the South to the ports of consumption across the Pacific, and finally—and above all the grand consideration—secures an all-water, unbroken bulk route from the seaports of the cotton belt to those of manufacture in the far East through a completed and open Nicaragua Canal!"

"Let us look," says Mr. Barrett, "at a few facts. A portion of the world whose combined area is nearly 5,000,000 square miles, or 1,500,000 greater than the United States, has its chief borders and only gateways of commerce on the trans-Pacific seaboard, directly opposite our own Pacific shores. In these lands dwell 500,000,000 human beings, a number greater than that of Europe and South America, and five times the population of all North America. Of these 500,000,000 inhabitants 400,000,000 are a cotton-clothed, cotton-using people, and of the 5,000,000 square miles, 4,000,000 are a section of country where cotton goods or products are used and always will be used more than all others combined, but where not over 100,000 square miles are well suited to cotton cultivation and only a tithe of the raw cotton is raised that is required to satisfy the demands of the entire population and area. Do not these facts suggest something to the planters and exporters of Dixie?"

Mr. Barrett says that about one hundred cotton factories have recently been constructed in Japan, and twenty in China, and that more are being constructed or planned in both countries. He says that he has personally visited nearly every mill and met nearly every manager in China and Japan, and that a preference was everywhere expressed for American cotton, the only drawback being the freight rates. He urges the planters and exporters of the South to combine to obtain the low through rates needed, and, if necessary, urge the steamship companies to provide increased factilities.

Here is what Mr. Barrett says relative to the effect that the construction of the Nicaragua canal would have upon the South.

"Another fact, and the final and most important one: If the Nicargua Canal were dug and in operation the whole problem would be solved. A mighty fleet of steam carriers would immediately commence to ply between our Southern ports and those of the far East, and the cost of transportation would be so lowered that not only would our American cotton supply and rule the Asiatic market, but the South would be no longer dependent on the demands of the North and England alone.

"This assertion about the canal is not a fantasy, but a fact—not a creation of my imagination, but a conclusion of careful observation and study of an economic and transportation condition. I have discussed this point repeatedly with the leading shipping men of Europe and Asia, and they are almost unanimous in agreeing that the canal and its mighty revolution of the world's commerce and trade would enable the South to supply the splendid present and prospective cotton market of trains-Pacific lands.

"As a nail which I would drive home to clinch this contention, I would cite that influential Directors of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha and the Peninsula and Oriental, two of the most powerful steamship companies in the world, have more than once told me that if the Nicaragua Canal is constructed, their respective companies will put on fleets of ten to fifteen steamers at once on round-the world runs, via the Suez and Nicaragua canals, with the special consideration that they can carry cotton from America to Asia via the Nicaragua route."

Mr. Barrett says that although he is a Yankee, and is now a resident of the Pacific coast, his six years' residence in the South enabled him to study her resources, and now that he has an opportunity to acquaint our people of the immense possibilities of the Eastern trade, he thinks it his duty to furnish such information to the South as well as to the North and East. He says:

"With a knowledge of the situation which has come from thorough investigation, extending over a period of six years and carried on in every land from Siberia and Japan to Siam and Java—with unshaken confidence in the splendid future that awaits the Pacific and Pacific lands—I appeal to all those interested in the welfare of the South and the extension of American commerce—for commerce is the life-blood of nations—to study this mighty Pacific opportunity, and to all those having active interests, not only to study, but to enter, exploit and make a conquest of these vast markets.

"Let Dixie's argosies, laden to the gunwales with her great staple, seek the shores of far Cathay and bring back the riches of its coral strands."

The letter deserves a wide circulation, and we trust that the commercial bodies of our Southern cities will take steps to place it, in its entirety, before our merchants and planters.

"One Minute Cough Cure is the best preparation I have ever sold or used and I can't say too much in its praise."—L. M. Kannon, Merchant, Odell, Ga. Phil H Thomas.

The Two Acts Together.

(Philadelphia Press.)

A Southern State gave the first victim of the war under the flag of a reunited country—Ensign Bagley, of North Carolina.

The Senate without debate and without dissent passed the measure repealing all disabilities of every order under the Fourteenth Amendment. Let the House with equal speed and in the same spirit, pass the same measure.

The two acts together. On the bier of the young Southern hero, who died on the deck of the Winslow, bearing the name of a Northern commander, there will be laid by the nation the united pine and palmetto. To-day and henceforth they stand for the same country, they represent the same patriotism, they support the same flag and they stand rooted in the soil of the same motherland. Let no line on the statue book remain to disable or prevent any man from serving the country he loves, and for whom a Southern State, a Southern home and a Southern mother give the precious tribute of this young life, cut off untimely, save that no man dies too soon who dies where duty calls and where his country commands.

Late to bed and early to rise, prepares a man for his home is the skies. Early to bed and a Little Early Riser, the pill that makes life long and better and wiser. Phil H. Thomas.

GLADSTONE HAS PASSED AWAY.

Death of The Great English Commoner.

Hawarden, May 19.—Mr. Gladstone died a 5 o'clock this morning. He had been unconscious practically all day, though at times he seemed to recognize for a moment some of the watchers about him. Certainly he did recognize his wife, who was beside him all day, except when the physician prevailed upon her to rest. She tenderly clasped her husband's hand as she watched him. Apparently he slept a good deal; occasionally he uttered a few words in an incoherent, dreamy way, words which those who were watching him were unable to catch. Their only consolation was that he was not suffering pain. No narcotics were administered.

Though a national funeral will probably be accepted by the family, there is little doubt that the remains of Mr. Gladstone will be laid to rest in the peaceful graveyard a Hawarden, adjoining the church where he was married more than a century ago. At Hawarden the happiest portion of his life was passed, and it is truly a retreat sweet enough for any laborer.

The late Right Hon. William Ewart Gladstone, M. P., P. C., was the fourth son of the late Sir John Gladstone, Bart., of Fasque, Kincardine, N. B., a well-known merchant of Liverpool, and was born there, December 29, 1809. He was educated at Eton and Christ Church, Oxford, of which he was nominated a student in 1829, and gratuated, taking a double first-class, in Michaelmas term, 1831. Having spent some time in a continental tour, he was returned at the general election, in December, 1832, in the Conservative interest, for Newark, and entered Parliament just as the struggle of parties was at its height.

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