

The Roster of Confederate and Federal Troops

How the War Department Will Proceed—State Auditor Dixon Receives a Letter Giving the Details of the Plan

Yesterday State Auditor B. F. Dixon, has been designated by Gov. Aycock as the state official to confer with the war department regarding the preparation of the rosters of North Carolina troops to be published by the department in connection with the rosters of all states—Federal and Confederate. He received an important letter from Gen. F. C. Ainsworth, chief of the record and pension office, who is in charge of this work for the government. It states the policy of the department to be that no documents will be used in making up the rosters except original records of the war period, and that these will be borrowed from the state associations, camps, libraries or private citizens to be copied and returned.

Following out this policy Dr. Dixon will begin at once to use his best efforts to borrow documents of the character for the government's use. He will in a short time have a conference with Col. John Wheeler Moore, author of Moore's Roster of North Carolina Troops, the most accurate roster in existence. The letter from Gen. F. C. Ainsworth, chief of the record and pension office, war department, follows:

Seawell "Egging" Case Argued on Appeal

Supreme Court Hears Counsel in Case of S. F. Seawell vs. Carolina Central Railroad—Other Cases Heard

In the supreme court yesterday the case of H. F. Seawell vs. the Carolina Central Railroad Company, in which \$5000 damage was awarded in the lower court to Seawell for being egged in the railroad depot at Shelby, was argued on appeal.

A PLAN TO AID IN INTELLIGENT GIVING

The Object of the Proposed Associated Charities

The objects of the Associated Charities proposed for our city are obvious to those who have to deal with the poor. In the first place there are many beggars that no one knows anything about. The charities to turn them away. One way to aid them. But one can refer to a case to headquarters and have it investigated.

be in the possession of the state of North Carolina, or of historical societies, memorial associations and individuals of North Carolina and other states.

"The legislation authorizing the compilation of the roster is constructed by the department to restrict it, in making the compilation, to the use of original records made during the war period, and to preclude the use of the printed or manuscript copies or compilations made subsequently. For this reason and in order that there shall be no ground for doubt as to the accuracy of the proposed roster, the department will be unable to use in the compilation any of the rosters that have heretofore been published, but must in all cases seek the original records upon which those rosters are based.

"You will readily see that, in order that the compilation now in progress shall be as nearly as it is possible to make it, it is essential that the war department shall obtain the temporary loan, for the purpose of copying, of any original official rolls, lists or other documents that show the names of Confederate officers and men and that are now in the custody of state officials, historical or memorial associations, public or private libraries, or that are in the possession of private citizens.

"It is impracticable for the war department to communicate with the various holders of these scattered records, and consequently the department must rely upon each state to collect by loan or otherwise, such records of its own or other Confederate organizations as may be obtainable within the state, and to forward the collection when completed to this department, by which the records will be copied and returned to the state with the least possible delay. Of course the express charges incident to shipping records to and from the state will be defrayed by the department.

"Permit me to suggest, if the plan herein outlined meets with your approval, that you take such steps, through the public press and otherwise, as you deem to be advisable and proper to give the plan wide publicity, and to enable you to gather together all original Confederate records that can be collected in your state by loan or otherwise.

"If it occurs to you that a different plan from that indicated herein should be adopted, or if during the progress of the work you can make any suggestion tending to facilitate or improve it, you will confer a favor upon the department and myself by advising me freely and fully with regard to your views."

be needed at this season. This is a mistake. The work of uplifting the poor especially desire now to make a census of the poor, to look up their children and to endeavor to bring them into school, both religious and secular.

Such organizations work well in Goldsboro, Wilmington, Charlotte, Atlanta, Washington and indeed throughout the country. In fact only by such an organization can we really help the poor. At present our gifts are as likely to injure as to aid.

Solicitors will visit our people right away and every one is urged to generously subscribe, and if sufficient funds shall be subscribed, headquarters will be rented, a superintendent engaged, and work will begin. Let the people respond heartily.

COTTON OIL MILL

Hertford Goes Into a New Business Enterprise

Hertford, N. C., March 26.—Special.—A number of the business men of the town are organizing a cotton seed oil mill. Nearly all the stock has been subscribed. The promoters claim that this county produces nearly enough seed to run a mill for a short season but they contemplate sending out agents like the Norfolk and other mills are doing.

The "Commercial Club," composed of the business men of the town was organized last Monday night. At present the club occupies the rooms in the Eurp brick building, in Mason street, but will soon erect a building at the head of Main street. This club was organized for social and commercial intercourse. It has now about forty charter members. A banquet will be given in the near future.

A Progressive Company

Progress marks every statement of the Equitable Life Assurance Society and the Forty-third Annual Statement for the business of 1902 is no exception to the rule. Growth in assets, surplus, amount in force and new business; large increases in premium and total income, and in profits paid to policyholders; reduction in volume of claims by death together with an expense rate maintained at a minimum as in former years. These are features which show that the society moves forward with every year, and that it has reached a position of remarkable magnitude and stability.

In every respect that statement just presented contains evidence of wonderful growth and security. The assets have increased to \$39,395,537.72, the liabilities, including the reserve calculated by the company, of \$279,450,753 to \$284,288,040.55, and the difference which constitutes the surplus, is now \$75,147,497.77. This is an increase during 1902 of \$3,998,454.71. Besides adding to the surplus fund this large amount, the society paid during the year \$4,477,924.15 in profits on maturing policies. The total earnings for policyholders, therefore, during the year were \$8,476,378.86.

During the year just ended the premium income amounted to \$53,922,423.44, and income from the interest, rents, etc., to \$15,074,588.81, making the total receipts for the year \$68,997,012.25. From these receipts \$15,281,961.73 was paid for death claims, and the total payments to policyholders aggregated \$29,191,250.78. After providing for the total expenditures of \$42,248,101.45 the society was able to increase its invested assets by \$26,758,910.80. This saving of the income is 39 per cent. of the total income.

The amount of new business written was the largest ever issued in a single year by the company. It amounted to \$281,249,944. As a result of this enormous new business, the outstanding assurance amounts to \$1,292,446,595, showing the greatest increase in the society's history.

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Upgardson—On the strength of your recommendation I lent Bilcombe \$5 the other day, and now I find he's a confirmed dead-beat that never pays his debts. You told me he was a man of established reputation.

Atom—So he is. That's the reputation he has established.—Chicago Tribune. The total business of all kinds, including money orders sent and received, transacted in the New York postoffice last year was more than \$223,000,000.

Southern Railway Special Rates

\$2.75 Raleigh to Wilson, N. C., and return, account Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star. Tickets on sale April 5, 6 and 7, with final limit April 12.

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\$25.50 Raleigh to New Orleans, La., and return, account American Medical Association. Tickets on sale May 1, 2, 3 and 4, final return limit ten days from date of sale. Extension of limit may be obtained by depositing ticket with Special Agent, Mr. Joseph Richardson, and paying fee of 50 cents.

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