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A Forward Step Toward Peace.

Washington Selected as Meeting Place of Peace Makers.—To Meet In September.

Washington, June 15.—America's national capital has been selected as the seat of negotiations between the plenipotentiaries of Russia and Japan for a treaty of peace.

Official announcement of the selection of Washington was made at the White House as follows:

"When the two governments were unable to agree upon either Chefoo or Paris, the president suggested The Hague but both governments have now requested that Washington be chosen as the place of meeting and the president has accordingly notified both governments that Washington will be selected."

As the Russo-Japanese war is drawing to a close, it may be of interest to review the losses of the two armies in the field. Outside of a few engagements prior to Liu-yang, the losses in the five great actions in the Manchurian campaign have been as follows:

RUSSIANS.

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The Japanese losses at Port Arthur are seen to be far less than is generally supposed. Taking the five battles, the percentage of loss for the Russians is about 20 per cent, and for the Japanese less than 14 per cent.

The Model Town.

Fort Mill, S. C., is a town that is best known abroad as the home of Captain S. E. White, but is deserving of fame in other ways. It is in all respects a model town.

New Orleans is Chosen For The Next Reunion.

Gen. Stephen D. Lee and Other Old Officers Re-elected.

Louisville, Ky., June 15.—The United Confederate Veterans today re-elected their old officers, as follows:

Commander-in-chief, Lieut. Gen. Stephen D. Lee, Mississippi; Commander from Mississippi department, Gen. L. W. Cabell, Texas.

Commander Army of Tennessee department, Lieut. Gen. Clement A. Evans, Georgia.

Commander Army of Northern Virginia department, C. Irvin Walker, South Carolina.

New Orleans had little difficulty in securing the convention for 1906. Nashville made a fight which surprised the convention, but the sentiment was strongly in favor of the Crescent City.

Fraternal greetings were read from the State encampment of G. A. R. of Indiana in session at Madison.

The spectacular feature of the reunion—the parade of the remnants of the south's once great army—will take place tomorrow and it is expected that the number of men in line will exceed that of any recent reunion.

The report of the history committee was then submitted by Gen. Evans of Georgia, its chairman. The object of the committee is to secure accurate history which is to be incorporated in the text books in southern schools.

HISTORY COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

"During the first two decades after the surrender an effort was evidently made to cast the general record of the southern States into an unpropitious shadow and also to infect the minds of the youths of the country with the opinion that there was nothing good in the Confederate cause.

"Therefore unfair history and other pernicious publications gained entrance into the schools and homes of nearly every section, north and south, and a disastrous inflammation of the sectional spirit was the result. The protest of Confederate associations caused investigations which resulted in the discovery that the south was permitting its sons and daughters to be taught that the gross charges against the southern people, of rebellion, treason and war atrocities and the like were historical facts.

"Since cooperating among those who desire impartial history which will inspire all citizens of our country with similar patriotic spirit is a consummation most earnestly sought for by this association, especially is this desirable in all histories of that strife which was the greatest American war. May not the story of that struggle be told with fairness to both sections? On the part of the south there is nothing to fear from truthful history. We ask for historical generosity and will give as much without stint."

The report recommends that each State establish a department of archives and history. The

reading of the report caused great enthusiasm. An amendment by Davengort of Americus, Ga.; a member of the committee, that the future histories show that Jefferson Davis was cruelly treated and unnecessarily shackled was accepted and the report adopted.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At the opening of the afternoon session Gen Lee introduced Capt. N. E. Harris of Macon, Ga., who delivered the annual address to the veterans. Capt Harris spoke for more than two hours and held the attention of his audience throughout.

Maj E W Anderson, first lieutenant commander of Charles Broadway Rous camp, No 1191, of Washington, D. C., offered the following resolution and the committee incorporated it in its report.

CARE OF THE GRAVES

"Whereas, the bill before congress for the care of the graves of Confederate soldiers buried near hospitals and prisons in the north has so far failed of passage by that body;

"Be it resolved, That this association of United Confederate Veterans in convention assembled, urges the passage of this bill, as a matter of right and duty, not only on the part of the senators and representatives in congress from southern States but also on the part of those from all other States of the United States, in that the government is charged with the sepulchre of those who died prisoners in its hands, according to the usages of civilization, of which the United States forms a large competent part."

This section of the report caused considerable discussion but it was finally adopted.

The report recommended the creation of office of vice commander-in-chief but after much discussion, this feature was defeated. The remainder of the report was adopted.

The election of officers was then taken up and the present officers were quickly re-elected.

It was just 6.30 when Gen Lee declared the union of 1905 adjourned sine die.

Killed Himself as Result of Nervous Attack

Asheville, N. C., June 15.—W. H. Verner of Columbia, S. C., committed suicide at Morganton, N. C., about 40 miles east of here, at half past six o'clock this evening. A bullet hole in the head caused instant death. He was found in a lumber yard. From the meagre details that can be obtained he is thought to have come to Morganton on the Southern railway train No. 11 today to enter the hospital there for treatment for a nervous disease.

A Lawyer's Scheme.

Agentleman once asked a lawyer what he would do provided he had loaned a man \$500 and the man had left the country without sending any acknowledgements.

"Why, that's simple. Just write him to send an acknowledgment for the \$5,000 you lent him, and he will doubtless reply stating it was only \$500. That will suffice for a receipt, and you can proceed against him if necessary."

A North Carolina editor declares that the man who will read a newspaper three or four years without paying for it will pasture his goat on the grave of his grand father.—Fort Mill Times.

Wants Farmers to Celebrate.

President Harvie Jordan Issues a Call Asking Them to Hold Gatherings on July 4th.

President Harvie Jordan of the Southern Cotton association has decided that the farmers in all of the cotton growing counties should meet in their respective communities on July 4th, have barbecues, speaking and make the day one of general rejoicing this year on account of the splendid work accomplished by the farmers in reducing the cotton acreage in 1905.

President Jordan's call follows: Office Southern Cotton Association, Atlanta, Ga., June 9, 1905. To Southern Cotton Growers:

Every report issued on the cotton acreage of 1905, including the United States government report of June 20, indicates beyond all question of doubt that the cotton acreage for this year has been materially reduced by the farmers, thereby making another abnormally large crop with extremely low prices an impossibility. Southern cotton growers are to be highly commended for thus standing so loyally by their pledges and promises, which will save the south from financial ruin and disaster. The farmers also held their cotton from the markets during a most depressing period in January and February, thereby emphasizing their ability to protect their interests from the devastating influences of speculation. The cotton holding movement has saved the south \$50,000,000 in the value of the cotton unsold on January 26th, and the reduction in cotton acreage will insure 10 cents per pound for the staple next fall. We should therefore have a day of general rejoicing for the great work accomplished.

FOURTH OF JULY SELECTED.

The Declaration of American Independence from the yoke of foreign domination was signed on July 4, 1776. I think that a fitting day for southern cotton growers to assemble together and declare their freedom and independence from foreign combinations which in the past have dictated the price of the great money staple crop of the south. I therefore issue this call, earnestly asking that the cotton growers all over the south meet on Tuesday, July 4, 1905, either in their local heats, townships, militia districts or at their county seats, and have barbecues or basket dinners, speeches and make of the day one of general rejoicing. I trust also that strong resolutions will be passed at these meetings emphasizing loyalty and patriotism to each other and agreeing that no cotton shall be sold during the balance of the present year for less than 10 cents per pound. I call upon the business and professional men in the various towns of the south to assist and take active part in these meetings. It is the duty of every southerner to assist the farmers in this patriotic duty and to commend them for the great victory they have won. I ask that copies of all resolutions passed at these meetings be mailed to the headquarters of the Southern Cotton association for compilation and publication. Such a meeting of the cotton growers and their determination to demand better prices for cotton would have a tremendous effect on the spinners of the world who have sold their goods ahead and have yet to secure the raw cotton to fill their contracts. Let every community act and act with determination.

Yours truly, Harvie Jordan, Press Southern Cotton Association.

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- The Ledger, The Atlanta Journal, Semi-weekly, and The Southern Cultivator, all three one year for \$2., but must be paid for in advance.

Foley's Kidney Cure makes kidneys and bladder right. Don't delay taking. Sold by Funderburk Pharmacy.

Rev. Mr. Little Sued For Damages to Character.

Rev. J. W. Rowell of Jackson township has sued Rev. J. W. Little for damages for defamation of character. This is the present culmination of a hot dispute that has been going on for six months in the neighborhood of Waxhaw Baptist church, and which has badly split up the neighborhood and the church. Rev. Mr. Little now lives near Sanford but is pastor of the Waxhaw church. He preached there Sunday, and at the close of his sermon made remarks that caused a scene and resulted in the trip of Mr. Rowell to town yesterday and the institution of the damage suit. The controversy is a most wonderful one and seems to be about as follows:

Some time ago Rev. Mr. Little circulated the statement that while on a trip in the Waxhaw neighborhood in February, he was waylaid by two men who pulled him off his vehicle and hit him a stunning blow in the side, knocking him down. On recovering he rose with a stick and knocked both the men down. When they in turn recovered they begged the preacher's pardon and asked him to say nothing about the affair. This was agreed to, they all made friends, had a love feast and entered a solemn compact to drop the matter and tell no one what had occurred. It seems that Mr. Little regarded the compact as binding only as regards the names of the party, for he went to telling it about, but always refused to give any names. It seems that for some reason of past differences the community began to point to two or three men as the ones who had been the fighters. So about three weeks ago the following circular was distributed:

To Whom It May Concern:

"Rev. J. W. Little, the Gatlin gun evangelist, has very strongly intimated and left the impression on a few prejudiced people, that we were the ones engaged in the notorious fight he has published in this community. We take this method of informing all who are not acquainted with the circumstances that we are not We know nothing at all about it and are in no way connected with the evangelist, his illogical fights, nor his manner and method of abusing people. Therefore we challenge him in all his notoriety, any of his zealous followers, or any human being to prove to the contrary.

J. B. Godfrey, John D. Godfrey, J. W. Rowell.

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Foley's Honey and Tar contains no opiates, and will not constipate like nearly all other cough medicines. Refuse Substitutes Sold by Funderburk Pharmacy. Foley's Honey and Tar for children, safe, sure. No opiates.

Pleasant Valley News.

Our farmers, after a valiant struggle with that wary old chieftain, "Gen. Green," have at last succeeded in overpowering him.

The election on May 30 to determine whether the Pleasant Valley high school should have a special three mill tax, resulted in an almost unanimous vote in favor of the tax.

Messrs. O. Barber and S. H. Kell have purchased the plantation of Mr. J. S. Miller, who moved to Pineville last year.

Mr. Green Garrison, son of the late Monroe Garrison, was married on the 1st inst, to Miss Ethel Hamilton, of Mt. Hill, N. C. The marriage took place at the home of the bride's parents.

Mrs. J. Z. Ballew has been suffering from an attack of bronchitis, but is now convalescent.

Misses Annie Alderson and Eva Gulp are attending the summer school at Yorkville.

Quick Delivery,

Low Prices, and extra Quality of Goods are winning us trade.

Look Here!

- Rice 5 cents per quart. Best Granulated Sugar 15 lbs. for \$1. Coffee, 15, 20 and 25 cents. Canned Peaches—Best quality 25 cents; good quality 15 cents. French Sardines—Yawl Club, 20 cents; Milan & Co, 15 cents. Tobacco and Cigars—a full line. Come to us for a good chew or smoke.

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Sliced Ham, Nice Beef—Roast or Steak, Breakfast Strips, Pork sausage in pickled vinegar. We are headquarters for everything in the meat line.

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Vegetables for dinner. Our's is the place to get them fresh every day.

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State of South Carolina.

COUNTY OF LANCASTER,

J. E. STEWART, Esq. Probate Judge.

WHEREAS, J. A. BRIDGES made suit to me, to grant him letters of administration of the estate of and of the effects of Robin DUNSON.

THERE ARE THEREFORE, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of said Robin DUNSON to show cause, if any they have, before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Lancaster, S. C. on Tuesday, June 27th, next after publication thereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why said administration should not be granted.

Given under my Hand this 14th day of June Anno Domini, 1905. J. E. Stewart, Probate Judge.

Notice to Colored Teachers

A two weeks' summer school for colored teachers will be held in the Lancaster Normal and Industrial Institute of this place, beginning on July 20th 1905.

W. M. Moore, Co. Supt. Ed.

Examination for Scholarships

Notice is hereby given that on Friday, July 7th, 1905, examinations will be held at the Court House in Lancaster, S. C., for scholarships in Winthrop College and in the normal department of the South Carolina College, and in the College of Charleston. W. M. Moore, Co. Supt. Ed.

Notice to Debtors and Creditors of C H Lathan

All persons having claims against the estate of Charles Harvey Lathan, deceased, will present them properly proven to the undersigned for payment, and all persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment to the same. John T Green, May 12, 1905-1m. Executor.

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