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## THE CONFEDERATE REUNION.

Columbia Warmly Welcomes the Old Veterans, Who Have a Glorious Time Within Her Gates.

The following is condensed from the reports of Col. August Kohn, the Columbia correspondent of The News and Courier:

The gallant veterans of the South Carolina Division, U. S. V., have once more marched to their Capital City.

In behalf of South Carolina Columbia gladly and proudly welcomed these defenders of Southern rights. For their sakes and in memory of their deeds her gates were opened wide and warm was the welcome that came from the hearts of a people.

The stars and bars were seen from the tops of houses, from windows, on vehicles and, best of all, they were waving in the hands of the fair daughters of South Carolina. Pictures of Jackson, Hampton and Lee were seen, always surrounded by the battle flags of the Southern Confederacy.

Secretary of State Gault had the State House decorated and Governor Heyward had his office floating the stars and bars and the Palmetto flag. The Governor's mansion was draped in these patriotic colors. They clung, with loving pride, around the marble monument to the Confederate soldier in front of the capitol, and, flower-laden and beautiful, they rested upon the old war cannon that stand silent and solitary around this monument.

The notes of the bugle and the drum were heard again and the band played "Dixie" and the "Bonnie Blue Flag." Electric lights in red and white lined the sides of the streets and overarched it at regular intervals. And peace was in the air, while the birds sang and the breezes blew softly for those fiery spirits whose valor gave the doom of battle in the bloody arbitrament of war.

The tents on the State House grounds were vivid reminders of the old fighting days. Adj. Gen. Frost was busy preparing this camp for the old veterans, knowing that they would like these resting places. The large tent held over 200 soldiers and the numerous small tents made things look regimental here.

### THE FIRST DAY.

The veterans came in the first day in large numbers. Every train on Monday night brought squads and companies and on Tuesday, the first and opening day of the reunion, the old veterans were in complete possession of the city.

The opening event was the welcome to sponsors at Wright's Hotel from 6 to 7.30 Tuesday evening. Numbers of the old veterans were there, "looking after" their sponsors and maids, and scores of sons of veterans were there "looking after" their fathers. Music was furnished by the Columbia Orchestra, and the event was a very brilliant one.

### RALLY AT THE THEATRE.

The opening convention was held in the Columbia Theatre Tuesday night. Not so large a crowd has assembled in one place in this State in recent years, and the enthusiasm of the veterans especially was inspiring.

The exercises were opened by W. D. Starling, commander of Camp Hampton. The address of welcome on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce was delivered by President W. A. Clark and on behalf of the city by Mayor Earle. The address of the evening was delivered by Miss Elizabeth Elliott Lumpkin, who made another of her remarkable and touching appeals. Gen. Carville then took charge of the convention and presented Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce E. J. Watson, who warmly welcomed "The Private Soldier." Other addresses were delivered and responded to by General Carville, on behalf of the veterans.

More than three thousand veterans had been assigned homes before the night of the first day.

### WEDNESDAY A BIG DAY.

The enthusiasm reached its height on Wednesday, when it was estimated that there were 15,000 visitors in

Columbia, and over 5,000 Confederate veterans. The chief feature of the day was the parade of veterans, escorted by the sons of veterans, the school children strewing the streets with flowers for the old soldiers to tread upon.

### THE PARADE.

The parade of veterans on Wednesday afternoon was truly a remarkable scene. It was a truly inspiring sight, one that could only be seen in the Southland, where the Confederate Veteran is held in the highest regard and deepest reverence. It showed how thoroughly the old soldier of the sixties holds the hearts of the multitudes. There was a parade here, a parade in which the Confederate Veterans were the central figures and held the place of honor. It had rained on and off during the day; the streets were muddy and slushy, but the old and tottering veterans, ever faithful to the call, formed in line and marched through Columbia's streets. It was a brave effort, but those who stood the trail won the plaudits of the thousands who waited their coming along Main street and upon the State House grounds. There were the Sons of Veterans in line, who wore the kaki uniforms of the regular army, and they made up the ranks of the three companies that acted as escort. Then there were the officers and marshals on horseback and in carriages and the charming sponsors of the veterans. More than three hundred school children, in Confederate colors, were in line, and, with Superintendent Dreher at the head of the column, through the muddy streets marched these three hundred children, each bearing a basket from which flowers were strown along the last part of the route, and for more than a block the gallant old soldiers marched over a bed of roses. Was it not indeed a picture? The old soldiers were deeply affected. There were from 1,500 to 2,000 veterans, who formed in twos to make the march and it was a glorious march for them. Along the entire route were crowded people who waved their hands and hurrahed until they were hoarse in their applauses. It is not an easy task for the soldier of the 60's to take such a march, but it must have had its compensation this afternoon.

As soon as the parade reached the State House Governor Heyward was introduced, and standing in the rain, he made an address of great force and eloquence.

During the day speeches were delivered by General Carville, General Walker, Col. James Armstrong, Mr. G. Rice Smith, of Augusta, and others. In the evening the sponsors were introduced to the veterans by Col. James Armstrong. The scene took place in the hall of the convention. The presentation of sponsors was followed by the addresses of the gentlemen mentioned.

### EDGEFIELD GIRL BRIDE.

One Instance in Which the Course of True Love Does Not Run Smooth.

News and Courier.

Mr. Charlie Spradley, quite a respectable young man, formerly of Edgefield county, but now of Augusta, was lodged in jail a few days ago upon a warrant sworn out by Mr. Barrell Abney, charging him with abduction. It appears that Mr. Spradley and a daughter of Mr. Abney were married some months ago, the Rev. Mr. Edwards, of Batesburg, officiating. It was a runaway match and Mr. Abney claims that the happy bridegroom persuaded his daughter to leave him, she being, as Mr. Abney contends, under the age of 16. Mrs. Spradley, with a woman's fidelity, asserts to the contrary, and says that she is of contractual age and that she voluntarily and of her own volition married her husband, it being a love match pure and simple.

Although Mr. Spradley is to undergo a criminal trial he and his faithful young bride are now living together in supreme happiness.

The Southern Baptist Convention, said to be the largest and most harmonious ever held, closed in Savannah on Monday night.

## SKETCHES OF ANTE BELLUM TIMES.

X-Confed Tells Something of the Life of Col. Jno. R. Spearman and that of David Moats.

Col. J. R. Spearman, the subject of this sketch, was born in the fork of Little and Saluda rivers in No. 7 Township. He was the son of Frank and Margaret Spearman. He married a Laurens lady and lived near Cross Hill in Laurens County, but in '60 or '63 he moved to Newberry County on the place now owned by his son, James S. Spearman. Col. Spearman was a very successful farmer and raised fine crops of corn, cotton, wheat and oats. He loved fine cattle and had a nice herd of Jerseys. Col. Spearman was captain of one of the companies the Holcombe Legion Cavalry, but resigned when the conscript act was passed as he was over the army age. He was afterwards Colonel or Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of State troops on the coast. He was for a long time one of the deacons of Mt. Zion church and did a great deal for the up-building of Mt. Zion church and the cause of Christ. He died a few years ago and his body with his beloved wife's is awaiting the final resurrection in Mt. Zion graveyard. His living sons are all members of Mt. Zion church and own the old homestead, also the homestead of their grandfather in No. 7 Township.

David Moats was an original character. He never owned any slaves but was a good liver. Always had plenty to eat at home and something to sell. He was an honest and upright man. Gave a full bushel or 16 ounces to the pound, and never wanted more than the old time price. Uncle David always said the old times were better than the later times, and never would acknowledge that there was any improvement except in threshing wheat. Uncle David was opposed to the stock law and to the overskirts and frills, etc., on women's dresses. He never raised much cotton but always had some money to loan and would not take over seven per cent. interest. He listed his property at full value for taxation, paid his taxes promptly and always went to the polls and voted for who he believed was the best man for the office. He raised a large family and lived to a good old age. His family still own the old homestead.

### X Con Fed.

### WHAT AILS McLAURIN?

Another Sudden Turn In The Ex-Senator's Fortune To Turn Farmer Again.

The reorganization meeting of the Brunswick and Birmingham Railroad, held at 100 Broadway, New York, on Monday, developed a big surprise. When Col. Machon sold out last week those interested in the road were startled, but matters quickly quieted down, when it was stated that a reorganization would be immediately effected, with former Senator John L. McLaurin, of South Carolina, as president and general manager. McLaurin was already vice president of the Mohawk Valley Steel Company, of Georgia, which is owned by the railroad. What transpired at today's meeting came like a thunderbolt, it was so unexpected. Senator McLaurin went into the meeting slated for this presidency. He came out an hour later without any interest in either railroad or steel company. It was announced that McLaurin had accepted an immediate offer to purchase all his interests, had been paid cash and had resigned his offices in both companies. Robert Fairbairn, a New York banker, is acting president of the road, and it is understood will probably accept the presidency. He is being urged to take it.

None of the gentlemen interested would discuss the extraordinary moves of the last few days. Senator McLaurin was seen to-night at the Waldorf and asked to give a statement regarding friction in deals. He said: "You can say that amicable arrangements were made by which Mr. McLaurin retires from both com-

panies, resigning his offices and selling his entire interest. Perhaps I am better fitted to farming in South Carolina than to railroading and Wall street. I will return to Carolina very shortly."

### SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Items of More or Less Interest Condensed in the State.

Treasurer J. B. Donthit, of the Farmers' State Alliance, has given out a statement in which he says that it would be a mistake to have a receiver appointed. There is on hand now about \$17,000, subscribed in \$50 shares by sub-alliances all over the State.

Services were held in the Dno West A. R. P. Church on Sunday commemorative of the organization of the A. R. P. Synod at the Old Brick Church in Fairfield County 100 years ago last Saturday.

The Masons of Florence at an early day will erect a temple to cost \$10,000. The lot has already been purchased and arrangements perfected. The Presbyterian Church of Florence will erect a new church building at a cost of \$5,000.

Jas. W. McCormick, Esq., of Syracuse, N. Y., 412 Kirk block, has written Governor Heyward asking if there are any sons or grandsons of Jno. C. Calhoun living.

Toy Sanders, of Barnwell, a son of the late Rev. F. J. Sanders, killed Wm. Lutz, near the old Sanders settlement, in Barnwell, on Sunday. Sanders surrendered to the sheriff, claiming self-defense.

Mr. B. W. Spake was in Columbia this week looking for three little girls, his daughters, which he said were kidnapped from Asheville.

King Williams, colored, accidentally shot and killed Mary Tucker, colored, near Spartanburg on Monday night.

The dead body of a child was found floating on Tuck's pond, ten miles from Spartanburg, on Tuesday.

On last Saturday afternoon two white men, named Phillips and Upton, brothers-in-law, while going homeward, in Cherokee County, began to quarrel and Upton stabbed Phillips in the breast, killing him. Both had been drinking heavily.

By a vote of 300 to 80 the town of Greenwood has voted bonds to the amount of \$25,000 for the erection of a new school building.

In a discussion over a church affair on Sunday between two negroes in Cheraw, John Monk shot Sallie Bruson, probably fatally wounding Sallie.

The Charlotte Observer prints a dispatch from Lancaster which says that Clyde Boone, a well-known farmer of Lancaster County, has been arrested for making a criminal assault upon his 12-year-old daughter. Boone is about 60 years of age.

About fifteen employees in the card room of the Walhalla cotton mill went out on a strike this week. They demanded higher wages. The mill keeps running and there is no excitement.

Mrs. W. W. Bell, who was accompanying her husband in a buggy to string wire for the Postal Company along the track of the Southern railway, was killed by a train while trying to drive her horse across the track near Spartanburg on Tuesday.

W. H. Abrams, a young man of Conway, was shot and fatally wounded by Lannan Stackhouse, a son of Senator Stackhouse of Marion, on Wednesday. Stackhouse had come to Conway on business. As he was walking up town, he was interfered with by Abrams, who was drunk. Abrams when told to hush reached towards his hip pocket and rushed towards Stackhouse, who shot him.

Reports from all over the State indicate that the cool weather is interfering seriously with the cotton crop—that in some counties it is already more than three weeks late.

## GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

Items of More or Less Interest Condensed Outside the State.

A schooner was completely wrecked on the jetties at the mouth of the St. John's river Monday. The crew narrowly escaped with their lives, barely reaching with the boats another schooner.

Ex President Cleveland has contributed a check, accompanied by a letter, for the benefit of the fund to erect in Richmond a monument to General J. E. B. Stuart.

Four negroes were killed in a race riot in New Orleans Saturday night. The negroes armed and threatened violence because one of their number was beaten. The whites met them and a pitched battle ensued with the result of the death of four of the negroes. Peace was then restored and the trouble is over.

The betrothal of Prince Andrews, fourth son of King George, of Greece, and Princess Alice, eldest daughter of Prince Louis, of Battonburg, who was Queen Victoria's favorite grand-child, has been officially announced.

There was an attempt to lynch three negroes in Ohio Saturday night. One of the negroes was supposed to be a murderer and the Northern mob wanted to lynch the three.

434 shipwrecked Portuguese immigrants, 390 men and 34 women, driven ashore on the North Carolina coast in a terrible storm on last Saturday night, were still being cared for on the coast this week. One perished from starvation before rescue. The immigrants will be taken to Massachusetts, where their ship was bound.

The question of child labor was discussed at the National Conference of Charities and Corrections in Atlanta this week. The prevailing sentiment was that child labor is injurious and should be prohibited by law.

Capt. Porshing's American forces in the Philippines have engaged in several fights with Moros during the past month. The Americans lost only two killed and four wounded, but hundreds of Moros were slaughtered.

The strike of employes of the Mobile and Ohio railroad has been playing havoc with business in Mobile, Ala., and other points along the route this week. Passengers have been moving on time, but the fruit trade is incommoded, and cargoes of vessels coming into the ports are practically valueless.

At a recent meeting of the stockholders of the Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Co. the purchase of the stock by Morgan & Co. was approved and the capital stock increased \$20,000,000.

Reports from Guatemala confirm the rumor that over 1,000 square miles have been covered seven to fifteen feet deep under ashes from the Santa Maria volcano. Coffee plantations are in ruins and one-third of the crop has been destroyed.

It has been reported from Panama, Colombia, that President Marroquin, who was an ardent advocate of the Panama Canal, has been forced to resign his office.

Four persons were shot and wounded in the attempt to arrest a negro, Eddie Coleman, for shooting a negro woman, in Jacksonville, Fla., on Monday. The negro barricaded himself in his house and the house was rushed into, Coleman defending himself.

Over one hundred thousand visitors are counted on to be present at the U. C. V. Reunion in New Orleans.

Russia, Austria, and France have simultaneously published official views of the Bulgarian situation, in which they give a hint to Turkey that they will tolerate no stern measure against Bulgaria on account of the Salonica outrages. The powers hold that Bulgaria is not respon-

sible for the outrages. It will be recalled several banks were dynamited, and there was mob violence.

The case of the Georgia Saw Mill Association vs. the Southern Traffic Association, to enjoin the railroads from advancing freight rates on yellow pine lumber two cents per hundred, is being heard in the United States Court at Macon, Ga. It is combine against combine.

President Roosevelt was accorded a magnificent ovation upon his arrival in San Francisco on Tuesday.

The 28th biennial convention of the Order of Railway Conductors was in session in Pittsburg, Pa., this week. More than 5,000 were in attendance.

The Federal Salt Company, of California, has been convicted of maintaining a monopoly in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. This company was organized recently, acquired a control of the salt trade on the California coast, and advanced prices from \$2 and \$6 a ton to \$30 and \$35.

Mrs. Mand Ballard who shot and killed a Miss Chalmers in Logan County last February, has been sentenced to six years in the Penitentiary. It was alleged that the Ballard woman's husband has been intimate with the Chalmers girl, and the Ballard woman in a fit of fury shot and killed.

Governor Pennypacker has signed the libel law recently passed by the Pennsylvania legislature. It is claimed by the opponents of the measure that it was introduced to get even with the press for exposing corruption in State and city government—the Governor claims that the law protects every self-respecting citizen.

The report is from Baku to New York that a stone-mason in Baku was compelled under threats of violence made by two young men to entomb a young woman in an old wall. He was blindfolded and carried away and left. He reported the affair to officials but the wall can not be found.

Prof. Adolph Lorenz, the Austrian surgeon, has been giving some practical demonstrations of his treatment of congenital hip disease and club feet at the meetings of the American Surgical Association in Washington this week. Some remarkable cures have been effected.

It is reported that Japan, doubting the truth of Russia's promise to withdraw from Manchuria, is working her armaments day and night and concentrating provisions preparing for war.

The leper at Tybee, who is being kept by the United States government, is still with the disease. His removal has been asked by people living near, but the request was refused by the government.

There was a cloud-burst in Jacksonville Wednesday morning. Many people were driven from their homes and the water was two feet deep in the union depot. Much damage was done to stocks of goods in stores.

### ATLANTA'S DISLOYALTY.

A New Scheme for Evading the Fifteenth Amendment.

News and Courier.

Athens, Ga., May 13. People who carry orders other than pleasant cannot ride on Atlanta street cars, when an ordinance passed by council goes into effect. It is not known whether or not passengers will have to sprinkle themselves with violet water before entering cars, but if the conductor does not like their odor, they must get off. There is much speculation as to how conductors will decide on the fitness of passengers to ride, as some people claim that there are conductors who cannot distinguish between the odor of saux de cologne and that of Limburger cheese. At any rate, it seems that the day of short nose fare-akers is at an end. The ordinance is yet to go before the aldermanic board.

### DEAR COTTON—CHEAP CLOTH.

What Mr. W. B. Smith Whaley Says About the Present Boom in the Cotton Market.

News and Courier.

The New York Cotton Exchange was the scene this morning of a most excited flurry on Monday. As in the February cotton movement, the floor was not only crowded with yelling, wildly gesticulating brokers, but the gallery and space outside the rails were filled with customers. The flurry was caused, it was said, by cables from the Liverpool market, which showed advances equal to more than 30 points on our markets. This news caused an immediate rise in the opening of 20 points on most of the old crop options, and from 5 to 10 points on the new crop options.

In Washington W. J. Smith Whaley, president of three large cotton mills in Columbia, S. C., and builder of many mills in the South, said he anticipated a general slide down in New England and many Southern mills, because of the high price of cotton and low price of cloth. By selling cotton on hand, he says, the mills can make \$15 a bale profit, while the loss to manufacture would be the same amount per bale. He has just returned from the scene of the New England strike and says: "The mill operatives were only too glad that these strikes were inaugurated, as the strikes relieved a much strained condition. The prices at present are out of all proportion; very many New England mills have shut down, and some of the mills through the South have closed for the summer for repairs. The amount of goods stacked is about \$2,000,000 worth to every 10,000 spindles. If cotton was selling for seven cents it would just permit us to make a profit at the present cloth price," said Mr. Whaley, "and nothing can be done until the situation is relieved."

"When do you think that will be?" "It will come soon. The speculators have run the prices of cotton up, but they forget to do the same thing with the made goods. Now the prices have got to go up on the goods or cotton must come down."

The Governor has been asked to offer a reward for the capture of Kelly, who killed Creech in Lee County recently. It is said Creech had "wronged Kelly's sister." The Sheriff was absent from the county at the time of the killing and Kelly has not surrendered.

It is reported from Greenville that in twelve months a trolley line will be in operation between Greenville and Anderson, a distance of 35 miles. Northern capital is behind the enterprise.

### Advertised Letters

Remaining in Postoffice for week ending May 9, 1903.

B—Mrs. Anna Bodenbaugh, S. M.

Boston, Jack Blount, I. A. Burton.

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M—Simon Mayrant, E. M. Martin, J. H. Moore, Miss Eliotto E. Moore.

N—Miss Annie Neel.

O—Miss Nannie Odum, C. B. Odum.

R—Richard Rice (barber).

S—T. R. Saunders, Mrs. Cleora Spears, Norman Sargent (3), Mrs. Carrie Strother, Mrs. S. H. Scott.

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