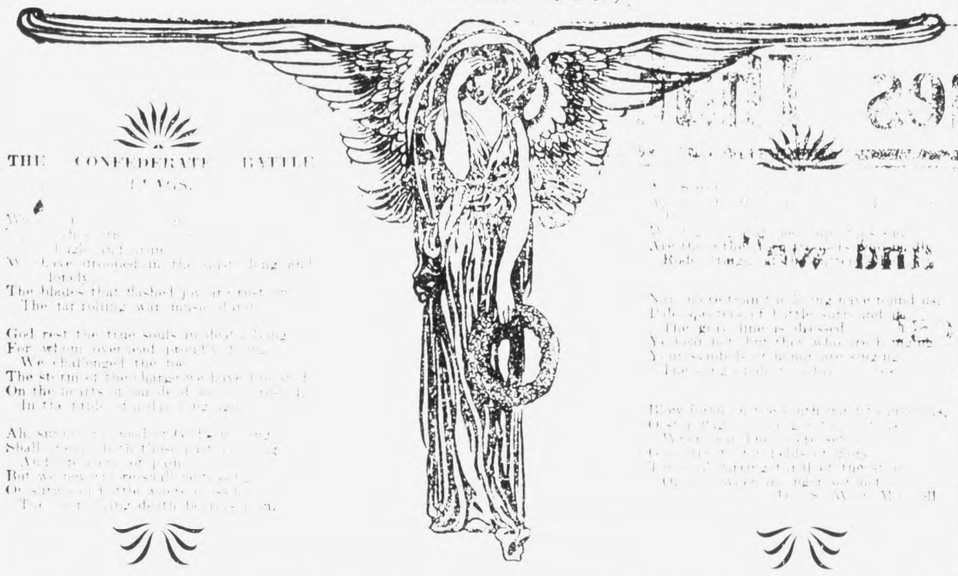
Memorial Day



THE CONFEDERATE BATTLE FLAGS.

[illegible]
We have mounted in the silent flag staff
Briefly
The blades that flashed for a cause
The tar nothing will mend or mar.

God rest the true souls under the flag
For which unstained property
We changed the hue
The stars of the flag we have left as they
On the fields of our fathers
In the cause of the flag.

Ah sacred [illegible]
Shall [illegible]
And [illegible]
But we are reconciled
One [illegible]
To [illegible] death.

PRECIOUS TATTERED EMBLEMS.

[illegible] Secretary of War to the Governors of the Confederate States, with the request that they would furnish him with all the flags which were captured from the Confederate armies and the other battle emblems of more than passing interest which were in the possession of the several States. Eighty-two flags were returned in response to this request, and these