

A CHESTER TRADITION

By invitation Views and Interviews had stepped into the office of John R. Hart, Esq., to have a look at a photographic copy of an interesting old manuscript by Col. William Hill, famous in the Revolutionary days of York county and one of the owners of the Hill's iron works on Alison creek. Mr. Hart had had the manuscript copied and had kindly offered it for publication in The Yorkville Enquirer. Samuel E. McFadden of Chester, was in the office when Views and Interviews went in, and, of course, he was also invited to share the pleasure of inspecting the manuscript. Naturally he was very much interested. But people who know Mr. McFadden can very well understand how he would be unwilling to consider a subject like this without bringing up something equally interesting about Chester. The fact is, Mr. McFadden has on tap no end of stories on all kinds of subjects, and he knows how to tell them interestingly and comprehensively. It was only a little while before he got started, and several of the stories he told were worth while. Only one of them is to be repeated at this time, and as he did not vouch for its authenticity beyond "tradition says so." The reader must take it for what it is worth.

Here is the story: "Did you know that General Pankenham, who commanded the British forces that received such a drubbing at the hands of old Andrew Jackson down at New Orleans in the War of 1812, was buried in Chester county? Well it always has been the tradition, and considering the circumstances with which the story has been handed down, I have no reason to doubt its correctness. It is a somewhat remarkable case. It was at New Orleans, you know, that the Americans whipped the British by making a breastwork of cotton bales. The Americans had at least one cannon, and during the fight Pankenham's head was cut off by a cannon ball. After the battle the British were allowed to look out for their own dead, and Pankenham's body was put in a butt of rum for shipment to England. Among the things that American soldiers

brought away from New Orleans were a number of butts of rum. These butts were divided up among different regiments and at least one regiment brought its butt through Chester county. Not having any better way of getting at liquor, they would stick straws into the bung and suck it out. When the regiment reached Blackstock the liquor in their butt seemed to be exhausted but as the butt was still very heavy, they proceeded to investigate by knocking in the head of the butt. It was then that they found the headless body of a man. They took the man out and buried him and when later it became known how it had been arranged to send Pankenham's body home, and that the body had been lost, the identify of the body in the barrel was established. Yes, I have always understood that that is what became of Pankenham."—Yorkville Enquirer.

SECEDERS INVADE SINALOA.

Agua Prieta, Sonora, Mexico, April 15.—Troops of the new republic of Sonora have invaded Sinaloa, the adjoining state to the south and are marching on Culiacan, the capital Sinaloa, according to an official dispatch received here today from General P. Elias Calles, commander-in-chief of the Sonora forces.

Agua Prieta, Sonora, April 15.—Martial law was proclaimed in Agua Prieta today in preparation for a possible attack by Carranza forces should the Mexican president's troops break through the barrier of soldiers the new republic has stationed between here and the Chihuahua-Sonora boundary.

Carranza troops were reported at Casas Grandes, 200 miles from here, preparing to march into Sonora and toward this border port. General J. M. Pina, commander of the first division of the Sonora army was expected here at noon from Nazcoari to complete arrangements for defending territory endangered by the Carranza expedition. General P. Elias Calles commander-in-chief of the Sonora troops and acting head of the new republic, telegraphed yesterday he would arrive here this week to confer with local military officers or the defense.

Sonora leaders here described the Sonora secession as the most critical test President Carranza has faced. They said military success by federal agencies would make him stronger than ever, but declared success of the Sonora movement ultimately would cause the Mexican president's downfall, when the seceding state again would enter the national federation of states.

First Battle Reported.
Official confirmation still was lacking today of the first reported battle between Carranza and Sonora sol-

diers at the Sinaloa frontier. The report was received both here and at Nogales.

Francisco Elias, who has been asked to take charge of the new custom service for Sonora, said today that the secession of Sonora costs the central government more than \$1,000,000 in revenue monthly. Half of this amount went to the federal government from customs collections, and the balance from the state taxes. Of all taxes levied within a Mexican state half goes to the federal government and half to the state treasury.

Military authorities here said the state would have approximately 25,000 fully equipped and armed troops to meet any invasion by Carranza. They said Carranza has 10,000 troops in Chihuahua but that reducing that number to send men to Sonora would mean the rapid ascension of Francisco Villa to his former power and control of the adjoining state. Recent reports have said Villa is more active than he has been in any time since last June.

Oregon Flees Capital.
The report from Mexico City that General Alvaro Obregon, candidate for the Presidency of Mexico, and Governor Benjamin Hill, his campaign manager, have fled from the capital greatly cheered their adherents here today. Both are residents of Sonora. Nothing direct from Obregon has been received in Sonora for several days, it was said.

At military headquarters here it was forecast today that the national elections in Mexico would not be held in July unless the Sonora situation had been settled previously. Officers said they expected President Carranza, in event Sonora still maintained independence, would declare the elections could not be held because of its war conditions, a procedure, they said which often had been resorted to by Mexican executives.

Kelp to Furnish Potash, Iodine and Bleaching Carbon

St. Louis, Mo., April 15.—America soon will be independent of all countries for iodine and bleaching carbon, and a great measure for potash, all of which are being produced from kelp, according to Dr. J. W. Turrentine, of the United States Department of Agriculture, who advised the spring meeting of the American Chemical Society here today. Dr. Turrentine, who is in charge of the government experimental plant at Summerland, Calif., explained that the valuable properties of kelp had been discovered through extensive research and that it had been determined in advance that the industry of making potash and other chemicals from this sea weed that grows in abundance off the Pacific coast could be made profitable, owing to the great number of by-products in Sinaloa and Tepic.

The development of an air route from Egypt to India and its use for carrying mails has been recommended by a British government advisory committee on aviation.

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Police Hunt Youths Who Tried to Burn Newsie at Stake

Lancaster, O., April 15.—Police today were searching for five older boys who last evening attacked Charles Kneller, aged 10, a newsboy while he was carrying his route, bound him to a stake, piled kindling and papers about him and after starting a fire, left him to his fate.

A small girl reported the incident to Mrs. A. F. Mowery, living near by, and she rescued the Kneller boy who was badly burned. Judge F. M. Action of the juvenile court, is making an investigation of the matter.

IT'S QUITE ENGLISH. YOU KNOW

"How are you, Old Thing?"
"Oh, top hole, Old Bean."
"And the wife, Old Egg?"
"Oh, quite priceless, Old Hippopotamus."
"And the kids, Old Fountain Pen?"
"Oh, too Pluperfect. Old Red Necked Phalarope."
(From the Washington Star.)
"No," answered the Cold Proposition to be a profiteer?"
"No," answered the Cold Proposition. "I take it for granted that any or all of the people I am overcharging will sooner or later get a chance at overcharging me."

It is interesting to watch the enthusiasm of the Greenville people grow as they make and carry out the plans for this "biggest" convention to be held in their midst. It will do everybody good to make acquaintances of the Greenville people during this convention and catch some of their genuine enthusiasm for the Sunday school work.

Former Empress Seriously Ill
Berlin, April 13.—The Deutsche Tages Zeitung today says it has learned from a reliable source that the condition of former Empress Auguste Victoria has become so grave that the announcement of her death may be expected in many parts of England it is a belief among the women that rosemary worn about the body strengthens the memory and adds to the success of the wearer in anything she may undertake.

CAROLINA SPECIAL
TO
WASHINGTON, D. C.
Account
SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION
VIA
SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY

Leave Calhoun Falls	2:35 pm	May	11th	\$22.90
Leave Abbeville	3:10 pm	May	11th	\$22.80
Leave Anderson (Via P&N)	9:15 am	May	11th	\$23.42
Leave Greenwood	3:45 pm	May	11th	\$21.68
Leave Cross Hill	4:00 pm			
Leave Clinton	4:30 pm	May	11th	\$20.58
Leave Whitmire	4:50 pm	May	11th	\$19.88
Leave Carlisle	5:10 pm	May	11th	\$19.42
Leave Chester	5:45 pm	May	11th	\$18.74
Leave Monroe	7:00 pm	May	11th	\$16.95
Arrive Washington	8:00 am	May	12th	

ALL STEEL PULLMANS AND DINING CARS
This train is being operated for the exclusive use of the delegates, members of their families and friends, who will attend the Southern Baptist Convention which convenes in Washington at 3:00 pm, May 12th. Dr. J. R. Jester, has already received request for 107 Pullman reservation for this train. Those who have not already made reservation should communicate with Dr. Jester at once, as he is in charge of the Pullman diagram.

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