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THE RIVALS.

A Story of the Times of Aaron Burr and Alexander Hamilton.

BY JERE CLEMENS.

CHAPTER X—CONTINUED.

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SOUTH CAROLINA IN THE REVOLUTION

How the Spirit of Liberty Was Kept Alive by an Unconquerable People.

By REV. ROBERT LATHAN, D. D.

From the Yorkville Enquirer of 1876.

INSTALLMENT XV. Battle of Williamson's, or Capt. Huck's Defeat.

So soon as the facts concerning the fall of Charleston reached the up-country, the Tories laid aside all disguise and began boldly to plunder in bands...

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not long until the nucleus of a little army was formed.

On the west side of the Catawba, the patriots were not idle. Edward Lacey, John McLure, William Bratton, John Mills and many others were busily engaged in gathering up the patriots of York and Chester counties...

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The house in which Col. Bratton was living is still standing. It is said the timber still contains a Tory, who was shot at the time of the battle. It is still owned by a descendant of Col. William Bratton.

It would be interesting to see a full list of the names of those who were at the battle of Williamson's and Huck's. This might once have been secured. It is now too late. We give below the names of the actors on that memorable morning that we have been able to gather up. As there was really no commanding officer, but each man was his own commander, and as numbers of the individuals distinguished themselves during the war and were promoted, we give simply the names without any title.

John McLure, James McLure, William Bratton, Hugh Bratton, Thomas Bratton, Thomas Carroll, John Moffatt, John Nixon, James Moore, James Hemphill, James Mitchell, John McConnell, John Chambers, Jas. Vance, William Guy, Andrew Love, Charles Curry, John Kidd, Alexander Moore, Wm. Moore, John Moore, and his four sons, not determined to drive Huck and Ferguson from the county. About the time that Lacey, Bratton and McLure determined to drive Huck's forces from the Fishing creek region, Col. Hill and Neil were sent over the Catawba, to beat up recruits for Sumter's army...

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TO BE CONTINUED.

TILLMAN UNJUST TO LYON.

What the Hon. the Senator's Newspaper says regarding the incident in Columbia last Monday was bitterly personal in its reference to Mr. J. Fraser Lyon. The arrangement of fact and argument on the same is fair and legitimate as long as parliamentary usages are observed and as long as the civility which usually governs gentlemen is present.

Mr. Tillman is perhaps the greatest man that South Carolina has ever sent to Washington. His hands are clean, and nobody doubts his integrity. The state of South Carolina loves him and honors him.

Mr. Lyon is a young man at the very threshold of a useful and honorable career. The people of his native county honored him with a seat in the house of representatives. The house of representatives honored him by placing him on the investigating committee. In the discharge of unpleasant duties he has no doubt incurred ill will in some instances, and on the other hand, if he is not proud of the words of praise and commendation which have been given to him, he is more or less than a man. To be pleased at the evidences of approval that have come to him is natural.

Such pleasure furnishes no ground on the part of any man to seek to destroy him by efforts to ruin his reputation.

An impartial jury would hardly say that the offensive expressions were either deserved or becoming.

Mr. Tillman is a man old enough to be the father of Mr. Lyon. He occupies as high a position with the people as was ever held by any man. As an old man, as a great and well known man, as the distinguished senator at Washington, it would hardly be a commendable young man. This, too, in the absence of the victim of his wrath, when he could not defend himself. The differences in their physical powers and their ages would preclude the possibility of his resenting it.

Surely Mr. Tillman is able to take care of himself without taking advantage of another's reputation. In the cause of justice and fair play we protest against Mr. Tillman's unparliamentary attack upon Mr. Lyon.