

MEMORIAL ORATION.

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WASHINGTON, February 27. Clock the doors of the Capitol and in half an hour the members of the House were called to hold their memorial services.

Use was called to order at 12 prayer was offered by the Chaplain, and the House proceeded to the reading of the memorial.

Mr. Blaine, who in a loud clear voice read the memorial, said: "The House has just heard the life and services of Garfield, as praised which the Honored Senators have described."

He then read the memorial, which was a beautiful and touching tribute to the life and services of the late President.

After the reading of the memorial, the House adjourned until the following day.

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though admirably equipped for the profession, he can hardly be said to have entered on his practice. The few efforts he made at the bar were distinguished by the same high order of talent which he exhibited on every field where he was called to exert his powers.

As a parliamentary orator, on a debater's position had been chosen and the high rank. More, perhaps, than any other public life, he was associated in public life, he was a useful and systematic study to public questions, and he took part with elaborate and complete preparation. He was a steady and indefatigable worker.

He possessed in a high degree the faculty of readily absorbing ideas and facts, and he took all that was of value in it by a reading which was quick and cursory that it seemed like a mere glance at the table of contents.

He had a habit of looking at the table of contents, man in a book no petty advantages, personal allusions, rarely appealed to his prejudice, did not seek to inflame passion.

He had a quicker eye for the strong point of his adversary than for his weak point, and he was not slow to make his own strength of his position. He had a habit of stating his opponent's side with such amplitude of fairness and such often complained that he was giving his case away.

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the events referred to, however they may continue to be a source of contention with others, have become, so far as Garfield is concerned, as much a matter of history as his heroism at Chickamauga or his services in the House of Representatives.

There are who for thy last, long sleep Shall sleep beneath the sod, and weep, And grieve that all thy griefs are o'er.

Sad thrift of love! the loving breast On which the aching head was thrown, Gave up the weary head to rest, But kept the aching for its own.

In our last number we were mentioned the death of Bishop Wightman, and gave up our editorial page to a lengthened sketch of his life and labors, from the pen of our esteemed fellow-citizen, Geo. W. Williams, Esq., who was a former minister of the Trinity Church.

It might seem that this excellent and faithful sketch might excuse us from further editorial reference to our deceased and glorified friend; but we prefer not to excuse ourselves from our personal relations to the deceased, which are of a tender character, would give us no right to obtrude our reflections upon the public, the Bishop's connection so long and so honorably and usefully with the Trinity Church, and his congenial and commanding personality, especially within the limits of our circulation, make these memorabilia both appropriate and necessary.

The Bishop died in the city of his birth, in the town of Anson street, where he peacefully passed his life, in a stone's throw of where he was born, just seventy-four years and sixteen days before.

His earliest recollections were of old Trinity Church, where he was born, in the place of the present Trinity, on Hazel street. His mother, a godly woman of a severe but beautiful type of piety, was accustomed to take him, while yet an infant, with her to the Trinity Church, where he was baptized.

He was educated in the Trinity School, and then in the Trinity Seminary, where he was graduated with high honors. He then spent some time in Europe, and returned to his native country with a deep knowledge of the world and a firm faith in the principles of the Christian religion.

He was a man of deep and noble character, and his life was a model of Christian living. He was a true and faithful servant of his people, and his death is a great loss to the Church and to the world.

the Speaker. Mr. McKinley, of Ohio, offered a resolution of thanks to Mr. Blaine for his masterly address, which was unanimously adopted, and then the House adjourned.

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Colleagues. He was four years (1835-9) a Professor in Randolph Macon College, Va.; five years (1854-9) President of our Wofford College; seven years (1859-66) Chancellor of the Southern University, in Greensboro, Ala. It was while he was in charge of Wofford College that we first knew him. For three years and a half it was our privilege to sit under his instruction and ministry. He towered up before our young mind as the greatest man we had known. He was in the early prime of his distinguished manhood. He was so clearly master of every situation that his student looked up to him with well nigh unquestioning obedience to all the commands he chose to issue.

He was a student, and his scholastic habits, tastes and instincts made him entirely at home on a college campus in the congenial intercourse and communion with his pupils and his college associates. He never failed to sustain himself in any of the calling, taking him all in all, wisely led his mind to the study of all, it has occurred to us that possibly he was better suited for the professional chair than for any of the various positions he graced during his long and eminent career.

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his protracted illness entailed so much suffering, we feel like glorifying God in him, to a degree we might have done, had his affliction not been so great, nor had it not so greatly illustrated the grace of our sympathetic Lord.

On Sunday before his death, Wednesday the 27th inst., he was in his family prayer for the last time, he had his knees kneeling round his bed while he led the devotions. On Monday night, his life-long friend, the venerable H. A. C. Walker, Dr. Maynard and his beloved wife, together conducted a service at his bedside. Brother Walker prayed, Sister Wightman then sang.

Jesus, lover of my soul! And Dr. Maynard then followed in prayer. The Bishop took the liveliest interest in the services, responding intelligently and with evident emotion. All day on Tuesday he was in something of a comatose state, arising up for a few moments at intervals. To his brother-in-law, Brother Walker, he spoke most piously of his indebtedness to the goodness and mercy of God in the comparative confinement he had in his lying down.

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NO POLITICS IN THE GRANGE.

Important Correspondence between Mr. Edins and the Master of the National Grange.

—The "Reform Signal" not an Organ—Stick to the Democratic Party.

Columbia Register.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE STATE GRANGE, CHAPPEL HILL, N. C., FEBRUARY 27, 1882.

MR. EDITOR: Enclosed I send you a letter from Hon. T. N. Edins, of Marlboro, and my answer thereto on the subject of the National Grange in politics.

I am, Sir, very respectfully, Yours for the Grange, JAS. N. LIPSCOMB, Master State Grange.

COLUMBIA, S. C., FEB. 10, 1882.

Hon. J. N. Lipscomb—Sir: I see there is a measure on foot to lug the Grange into politics, and as the Master of our State Grange, I am sure you will not object to my asking your views on the matter.

I am, Sir, very respectfully, Yours for the Grange, T. N. EDINS.

Hon. T. N. Edins—DEAR SIR AND BROTHER: I have just received yours of February 10th, saying: "I see there is a move on foot to lug the Grange into politics."

I suppose this alludes to a newspaper recently established in Columbia, named the Reform Signal, and its claiming to be an agricultural and grange paper.

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and secure it than I, within the party; but I fail to see that chances or prospects of reform are any more promising on the outside than the inside.

There may be a "ring" in the Democratic party, and there is I will add all I can to break it up and defeat a ring that can't be done, and I must allow; but if I can't break it up, I want to be sure it is broken up.

Democratic one, and am not at all disposed to run out of a Democratic ring into unknown territory. If the Democratic party is run by a ring, what guarantee have I that other parties are not run by more objectional ones? As John Randolph said, when a man bawled him in the face of the race-course, and said: "My friend here will hold the stakes." "Yes, but who in the devil will hold your friend?"

The Democratic party is bad enough, but I don't intend to "fly from the lion I all attack to our State Democratic organization and fight for the plain field; but not leave it until the last plain field. Then it will be time enough to form tactics. Now for reform within the party, by organizing to fight all opponents in the coming year's future campaign.

As there is some misapprehension as to the position in this State, I would like you should give as much publicity as you can publishing it in the papers. But if you do, do I see that it is done correctly, for I am sometimes made of things I never thought. Let me hear from you soon, and give me your views on the order of your part of the State.

Very respectfully and fraternally, JAS. N. LIPSCOMB.

A MYSTERIOUS SPOT IN NORTH CAROLINA.—In this county (Chatham), about three miles from the Randolph line, is a place that has been long known to the inhabitant and his grandparent, the "Devel's Tramping Ground." Situated in the woods and surrounded by giant pines, principally red oak and short leaf pine, it is a most curious and interesting place.

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