

A Northern Tribute to Lee.

The South had many heroes who called out the deepest affections of the Southern people, but no one was so universally loved as Robert E. Lee, and his memory will ever be cherished by them as that of the ideal hero and gentleman.

These are the words of Col. A. K. McClure, the veteran editor, who was one of the founders of the Republican party and a staunch partisan of Abraham Lincoln.

For a year or more before our Civil war the citizens of and visitors in Washington were often attracted by a solitary horseman on the streets of the capital.

Lee was then regarded as the most accomplished of the younger soldiers of the United States army. He was a man of exquisite form and feature, in the full vigor of manhood, had won promotion in Mexico on several battlefields, and when the fearful storm of civil war broke upon the country the conviction was universal among those responsibly connected with the army that Col. Lee was the best equipped of all our many gallant soldiers to command the Union army.

Lee was not only a thoroughly educated and experienced soldier, but he was pronounced by Nicolay and Hay in the "Life of Lincoln" as a man "of fine presence, ripe judgment and mature manhood."

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times he was the greatest and most dangerous. While on the defensive the Union army was never safe from an unexpected and terrible blow, and every campaign that he planned, and every battle that he fought from his own standpoint, must stand in history as faultless in conception and execution.

No other great general in all history has combined such genius with the admirable and attractive character and personality that Lee possessed. Of him in this regard and of his capabilities as a soldier, Col. McClure says:

There have been many criticisms of some of his military movements and of his qualities as a military chieftain, but it may now be accepted that the name of Robert E. Lee is crystallized in the history of the country and of the world as one of the great commanders of his century.

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Great is Texas.

The first anniversary of the discovery of oil in Texas which occurred last Friday has been made the occasion of much jubilation by the newspapers of that state over the prospects of the oil fields in particular and the development of the State's resources generally.

The story of Texas oil reads like romance. Only a little more than a year ago those who insisted that the State had this source of wealth were generally regarded as visionaries and cranks.

But it has been demonstrated already that Texas is richer in oil than even the most enthusiastic of these theorists dared to believe. There are now no less than one hundred and forty gushers in the immediate vicinity of Beaumont.

Several refineries have been completed and plans are arranged for building others. Nearly 2,000,000 barrels of oil have been shipped and there are 2,500,000 in storage.

Beaumont was a scanty village a year ago, but since that time more than 10,000 people have been added to its population and over \$1,000,000 has been put into buildings.

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His Good Little Boy.

John Wilson was a thrifty mechanic with a nice home, a cheery wife and three children, the youngest of whom was a boy, named John. The elder John was a pious Christian man, who tried faithfully not to commit the sin of idolatry in his feeling for his son, but it was impossible.

One day when the father came back from the shop he brought with him a pretty tin cup on which was written in gilt letters, "To a good boy." He gave it to his son, and the child looked up into his face like an angel and smiled.

The father of John Wilson, Jr., looked at the battered tin cup in his hand. In gilt letters, which he had not forgotten, were the words, "To a good boy."—Detroit Free Press.

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Holding For a Rize.

Ex-Congressman Cable, of Illinois, has a charming young daughter, who is receiving her education in France. When she was several years younger than she is now her father took her on his knee one day and said to her:

"To-day a man asked me if I would not sell little brother. He said he would give me a whole room full of gold. Shall I let him have little brother?"

The child shook her head. "But," persisted her father, "think how much money this room full of gold would be. Think how many things you could buy with it. Don't you think I'd better let the man have little brother?"

"No," said the daughter; "let's keep him till he's older. He'll be worth more then."

A young wife who lost her husband by death, telegraphed the sad tidings to her father in these succinct words: "Dear John died this morning. Loss fully covered by insurance."

The Semi-Weekly Journal, ATLANTA, GA., Has inaugurated an agents contest for the months of January and February, 1902. They are going to divide among their agents \$160 in cash to be paid on the first of March, \$50 being the first prize.

Forewarned, Forearmed. The liability to disease is greatly lessened when the blood is in good condition, and the circulation healthy and vigorous.

WANTED INVENTORS. Write for our confidential letter before applying for patent; it may be worth money. We promptly obtain U. S. and Foreign Patents.

Blue Ridge Railroad. Effective January 1, 1902. EASTBOUND. STATIONS. No. 1. No. 2. No. 3. No. 4. No. 5. No. 6. No. 7. No. 8. No. 9. No. 10. No. 11. No. 12.

ARE YOU DEAF? ANY HEAD NOISES? ALL CASES OF DEAFNESS OR HARD HEARING ARE NOW CURABLE. HEAD NOISES CEASE IMMEDIATELY. BY OUR NEW INVENTION. ONLY THOSE BORN DEAF ARE INCURABLE.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. It is no trouble to select your Presents from a well-selected Stock of—JEWELRY, CLOCKS and WATCHES like I carry.

Notice of Final Settlement. THE undersigned, Administrator of Estate B. D. Dean, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will on the 24th day of January, 1902, apply to the Judge of Probate for Anderson County, S. C., for a Final Settlement of said Estate, and a discharge from his office as Administrator.

For all forms of Malarial poisoning take Johnson's Chill and Fever Tonic. A Tonic of Malaria poisoning in your blood means misery and failure. Blood medicine is the cure for Malarial poisoning.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE. TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT. WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 15, 1901. Fast Line Between Charleston and Columbia and Upper South Carolina, North Carolina.

CONDENSED SCHEDULE. GOING WEST. No. 52. GOING EAST. No. 53. STATIONS. No. 1. No. 2. No. 3. No. 4. No. 5. No. 6. No. 7. No. 8. No. 9. No. 10. No. 11. No. 12.