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To Our Delinquent Subscribers.

This paper is adverse to dueling through its column and, as far as possible refrains from it, but some of our subscribers are compelled by the hand and while it is not much individually several hundred of these small accounts ranging from \$2 to \$10 are quite an item to us. We are giving you a good paper, your full money's worth. Indeed some of our appreciative subscribers have told us that one issue alone of the paper has been worth the price charged for a whole year. If so, and we are sure that our readers do not want to take it one year after another and yet pay anything for it. We trust that none of our subscribers will continue this notice as an aggravating done, but a straightforward business statement. It costs us something to publish the paper, indeed there is more expense connected with the printing business than most people have any idea of. Some of our subscribers have paid up in advance. For them, of course, this notice is not intended. We know that money is sacred, and from those of our subscribers who have not yet got it we will take almost any kind of economy practice. In another column will be found some of the articles we can use. With a little effort a part of all of the recognizance can be paid and never missed. We trust to hear favorably from a large number of our friends at an early day.

Memorial Day.

One of the brightest spots on the pages of our country's history is the loyalty and fidelity with which living gather to pay their tribute to the heroes dead. Thirty seven years have passed since the close of the long and terrible war which led so many gray sons throughout the land with the brightest and best of our country's manhood, yet on this day, set apart in grateful memory of the lives given so willingly in their service, the old and the young bow together to hew their flowers, or to mingle their tears, above the graves of the sleeping.

"Oh as the springtime breathing sweet odors round the flowers, While the birds sing, and the breathing of the glad and joyful hours, We bring the fire and frost,

In honor to the brave, The choicest and the rarest, To deck the soldier's grave."

Variety are the emotions in the hearts of those who pay tribute. In the hearts of the children, who bring their wreaths and flags, there is awe and reverence, though they hardly understand why. In the hearts of the bowed who decorate the graves of their own loved ones, there is grief, which not even the knowledge of their priceless victory and immortal glory can subdue; in the hearts of the old men; gray-haired now, and feeble, who bare their heads beside the last resting place of the comrades who fought and, who perhaps fell beside them, there is gratitude that they, themselves, escaped through that terrible struggle alive, mingling with the hosts which they give to their fallen comrades.

Scattered throughout the length and breadth of the land are three and a half hundred thousand graves of the men who died on the battlefield, in hospitals, and in the southern prisons during the terrible struggle between the North and the South. Of these are 50,000 marked "unknown" in the great National cemetery at Washington; and many more are heaped in lonely out-of-the-way places in the south, perhaps beside the grave of one who wore the Confederate uniform. God's blessing on the noble southern woman who, coming to strew magnolia and jessamine on the grave of the boy in gray, in infinite compassion, places a spray on the grave of the boy in blue.

EDUCATION.

It is a good thing to have an education—so far all Patrons will agree. What is an education? To my mind it is such mental and physical training as will fit us for the duties expected of us. I was brought up to till the soil; in all probability I was made for that business, as I never realized that I was good for anything else. To be a successful farmer one must have an idea of his business.

There were many a technical education is not needed

mothers to keep the day sacred. Now, one but occasionally sees, in all the crowd, a mother by her soldier boy's grave. Feeble and bent with age is she, but the memory of the fallen one is still bright and strong. Perhaps she has other sons around her, themselves now grown old, and these she sees as they are, middle-aged and bearded men, but this one who sleeps here is to her, still, the same boy in blue who marched away to war, so bravely and so brightly, in the days of sixty-one.

Whether, in the land beyond the grave, they see and prize these memorials, or whether they are deaf alike to praise and censure, ours is still the sacred duty, the high privilege, to pay them their devout homage. A flower or a tear is but a little thing to drop upon the grave of a man who has given his life for his country; and a deathless reverence and immortality come to the hero's due.—Zadie M. Stewart in Word & Works.

Why Should Kershaw Be Forgotten?

The Abbeville Press and Banner in its current issue says of the legislative, in its wisdom and its humanity, could lawfully make appropriations for the benefit of various citizens, including Hampton's, of course, which could be placed in niches or on pedestals in the State House, a proper thing would be done. But if the legislature is to be asked to appropriate money to commemorate the life and character of Hampton, etc., should be taken not to neglect others." Among those who have written of monuments the Press and Banner mentions Matt Davis, W. H. S. Smith, McRae, M. C. Butler, Jas. S. Cuthbert and Mich. H. Jenkins. And of the late Gen. J. P. Kershaw whose widow was laid beside him in the cemetery on Wednesday last the Press and Banner says:

"As a soldier and as a citizen Gen. J. P. Kershaw was the peer of any South Carolinian that ever lived. Most his name be ignored while others are cast in bronze or set in stone?"

Chesterfield County in Fine Shape.

Chesterfield County has suddenly struck a vein of luck which makes it possible for the county to get along two years without a tax. The use of money to buy out the county in the world it was in. A special friend to the new to the State, dated April 1, says:

"Mr. W. F. Simpson has just returned from a trip north. He closed his business with the Southern Air Line railway and resigned his commission for the road, and his resignation was accepted. He also sold for Chesterfield her 500 shares of common stock in S. A. L. for \$13,000, which puts the county where she can pay cash for everything for about two years without paying any tax for next year if she so desires. This is considered a fine deal for the county. She gave bonds for stock in the S. A. L. road, and when the consolidation was made she got S. A. L. stock for the C. & G. stock and now has sold that for cash while the road pays the county in taxes \$500 a year more than the interest the county pays on the bonds."

The interesting well at Kershaw is now more than four hundred feet deep and will afford about 30,000 gallons of water per day. They are still boring in rock.

A. V. Winters, a veteran from Mexia, Tex., who lost his leg in a accident at Fort Stockton, Texas, while on his way the Dallas, Tex., and a veteran fell from the train at home and was disabled.

A negro criminal condemned to hang in North Carolina sold his body for \$10 which he invested in ginger cakes. The cakes he finished the night before the execution was to occur. The next day the sentence was commuted to life imprisonment. The world will be purgatory of the corpse, then wished he had saved his \$10, and the negro was sorry he had not made his cakes last longer.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of

Mark Fletcher

Meeting of Camp Richard Kirkland

Columbia, April 25th, 1892.

Camp Richard Kirkland, No. 75 U. S. A., met to-day in opera house. Vice Commander Hough presiding. The following officers were elected members of the Camp:

Mosse, Stephen C., Columbia, Jas.

Gresham, B. D., Heath, E. E., Stiles, M.

B. Lyles, H. K., Dubose, Jas.

It was ordered that the delegates to

the State Reunion be empowered to appoint from the Camps two additional members the number being four instead of two elected at last meeting.

Mosse, W. D., Trantman, W. A., An-

drew and Dr. D. L. DeSausse were ap-

pointed a committee of three to draft

a resolution upon the death of

Gen. Wade Hampton. The following was submitted by the committee and unanimously adopted:

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