

## MEMOIRS OF JOHNSON HAGOOD

I have been reading with both interest and instruction, the work entitled "Memoirs of the War of Secession" or "Hagood's Brigade".

While having no personal knowledge of the service of this splendid command, nor of its distinguished commander, my recollections of those days and of the famous actors in the great drama of the 60's, together with what I have since learned, has taught me to associate the name of Hagood's Brigade with the very first place in the great struggle for Southern independence, and that in that brilliant array, of the famous sons of South Carolina, who as types of the brave men whose magnificent achievements must live forever, the name of Hagood must be awarded a place in the foremost ranks.

This work covers the operations of troops under command of General Johnson Hagood for a long period in the operations around Charleston, and of greatly distinguished service in the defense of Richmond and Petersburg in 1861 and on to the surrender of the armies of the Confederate States.

This work, embracing in full, memoirs by General Hagood himself, is edited by the old war horse, W. H. Brooks, and like everything that comes from him touching the story of the great sectional strife, it is replete with historic fact, and graphic description of events in the field and on the firing line.

In closing, in 1871, General Hagood said, "These memoirs are not prepared for the printer, nor will they, or any part of them, while I control them, be made public. I bequeath them to my son that he may know what part his father and his father's friends bore in the war; and with instructions at any time to show them to those whose record they give, or to their descendants.

The time has not come, and may

not come for fifty years, when justice can be done to the losing party in a bitter civil war. Should, then, this manuscript fall into the hands of an historian who approaches his task with the intent "to nothing extenuate, or ought set down in malice", he may use the limited material it contains for what it is worth. "He will have the assurance of one, then long passed to his final account, of its accuracy so far as his knowledge and belief extends."

This work is a most valuable contribution to the history of the men and times of which a famous Southern orator, following the close of the war, said, "You of the North have had drawn for you with a master's hand the picture of your returning armies, you have heard a cry that came back to you marching with proud and victorious tread, reading their glories in a nation's eyes.

"Will you bear with me while I tell you of another army that sought its home at the close of the late war—an army that marched home in defeat, and not in victory, in pothos and not in splendor, but in glory that equaled yours, and to hears as loving as ever welcomed heroes home."

"He finds his home in ruins, his slaves free, his stock killed, his barns empty, his trade destroyed, his money worthless, his comrades slain, and the burdens of other heavy on his shoulders."

"What does he do—this hero in gray with a heart of gold? Does he sit down in sullenness and despair? Not for a day. Surely God, who has stripped him in his prosperity, has inspired him in his adversity. As ruin was never so overwhelming, never was restoration swifter. The soldier stepped from the trenches into the furrow; horses that charged Federal guns marched before the plow, and fields that ran with blood in April were green with the harvest in June."

O. G. Thompson.

### GADSDEN PLEADS FOR ABSOLUTION

Prominent Charleston Attorney Asks Supreme Court to Investigate Into His Conduct of Lawrence Will Case.

Phillip H. Gadsden, one of the most prominent men in the State, appeared before the bar of the supreme court of South Carolina, Wednesday and, through his attorneys, pleaded for a hearing in the appeal from the decision of Judge Robert Aldrich in the Lawrence case. In that decision Judge Aldrich referred caustically to the conduct of Mr. Gadsden as an attorney.

The supreme court ordered that an investigation be held before the court on January 20. Attorney General Lyon is requested to conduct the investigation.

#### A Notable Case.

This is one of the most notable cases in the history of the courts of this State, on account of the prominence of the persons concerned. The Lawrence case was the suit of the heirs of a sister against a widow for alleged rights under a will of Dr. Lawrence, president of the company first operating an electric street railway in Charleston. Dr. Lawrence's wife and his half sister had never met and knew nothing of each other personally.

It was alleged that Mr. Gadsden, as attorney for the widow, got the sister of Dr. Lawrence, a woman of limited intellectual capacity, to sign away her rights under the will. It was further alleged that Mr. Gadsden was guilty of unprofessional conduct in several ways. Judge Aldrich, in deciding the case in favor of Miss Lawrence, used very plain and indeed caustic language in speaking of the conduct of Mr. Gadsden.

#### Settled by Compromise.

An appeal was taken. While the case was pending in the supreme court, Mrs. Lawrence and the heirs of Miss Lawrence effected a compromise. However, in this compromise was no vindication of the professional conduct of Mr. Gadsden. Therefore he appealed to the supreme court not to dismiss the appeal until his personal honor should be absolved or the accuracy of Judge Aldrich's decree should be established. The original complaint in the suit by Miss Lawrence and the criticism of Mr. Gadsden by Judge Aldrich are quoted fully in Mr. Gadsden's plea to the supreme court.

#### Old Soldier Tortured.

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One report is, that since publishing my recent booklet entitled, *The Bible Mode of Baptism*, a Baptist preacher has taken me to task in a three nights debate, and that on the third night he convinced me of my "error" and that I made confession of the same before the public, joined the Baptist church and was immersed.

I wish to say that any such report is absolutely false and utterly without any foundation. I have never had a debate with any one on the subject of Baptism,—not three nights nor three seconds, nor have I ever retracted a single word published in the booklet. Being unable to meet the argument in any other way, this report has been originated, so far as I can learn, in order to counteract its influence. The \$500.00 offer is still open, and yet no attempt has been made to correct the assertion which it challenges.

Another report is to the effect that no such person (as Mahaffey) is known to any one in Clinton. To this I wish to say that I am now serving the third year of my second pastorate of the Methodist church in this place, having served the same church four years about twenty years ago, and if desired, I can furnish references to scores of bankers, merchants, ministers and college professors throughout the State. It is amazing to think that any one, even in desperation to brace up a pet theory, will resort to the manufacture of such fabrication.

With kindest wishes for all, I am yours sincerely,

J. E. Mahaffey

Clinton, S. C., Dec. 30, 1910.

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