

Letter from Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 31st, 1873.

The ceremonies at Arlington were never more impressive than yesterday, which fact shows that the interest of the people in the beautiful custom of strewing flowers upon the graves of those who fell in defence of their country is not declining.

Twenty years ago Arlington was owned and occupied by Col. Robt. E. Lee, who soon cast his fortune with the cause of the South and left his lands, to fight in defence of that cause. But Robert E. Lee, though a brave man, and perhaps a conscientious man, was doomed to defeat and after the spring of 1861 he never set foot on his old estate. Now, twelve years have passed, General Lee has been gathered to his fathers, and Arlington is owned by the Government he attempted to destroy, and is occupied by...

The first thing the visitor observes upon approaching Arlington is the magnificent gateway, forty feet in height, built of red Seneca sandstone, over the top of which is inscribed in letters of gold the following stanza:

"On fame's eternal camping ground Their silent tents are spread, And glory guards with solemn round The bivouac of the dead."

Upon the key-stone of the arch surmounting the gateway is this inscription:

"Here rests 15,815 of the 315,555 citizens who died that their country might live."

Passing through this gateway and up the hill by a nice gravel road beneath the boughs of immense trees which shade the entire way, we reach the old Lee mansion. This is a building having a front of about one hundred and fifty feet and a depth of fifty feet. To the rear are quite a number of one story buildings, doubtless intended for the domestic servants, and quite a commodious stable. Standing in front of the residence we have a magnificent view of Washington and the broad and peaceful Potomac. From here can be seen the Capitol building, the Treasury, White House, War and Navy Department Buildings, Patent Office and General Post Office, the Howard University, Soldiers' Home, the United States Insane Asylum, the Naval Observatory and the buildings on Arsenal Point.

To the rear and right of the mansion is the cemetery. In that portion of the cemetery nearest the house is the tomb of the unknown, a handsome monument of granite, surmounted by four large cannons and a pile of cannon balls. A short distance from this is the grave of the unknown soldier, a monument of the same material, surmounted by a pile of cannon balls. Quite a large number of graves are marked by marble slabs and stones more or less elaborately carved, placed there by the personal friends of the deceased. The cemetery is laid off regularly, the graves being in straight rows with streets between them neatly graveled and kept in good condition.

Yesterday the grounds were profusely decorated with the national colors and with flowers. A small flag was stuck in the earth at the head of each grave. There was also a wreath or a bouquet placed upon each mound marking the resting place of a Union Soldier.

Did it not require too much space I would love to give a full description of the ceremonies of yesterday. They consisted of music, instrumental, by the famous Marine Band, and vocal by a choir of five hundred singers, prayer, orations, the reciting of poems, the strewing of flowers etc. The oration by the Rev. T. DeWitt Tallage was a most eloquent one, and is well worthy of publication in every journal in the land. I will content myself however, with giving one brief extract:

"In all time to come, let this memorial day be kept. Strew flowers on the martyrs' graves. Strew them on the heads that ached, and over the hearts that bled, and over the feet that blistered in the weary march. Oh, ye throng of departed heroes! Stoop down and breathe this perfume of a nation's thanks. Stoop down and take this kiss of a nation's love. Stoop down and hear this shout of a nation's redemption. Speed on the day when War itself shall be buried—the grim old breaker of hearts. Carry him out on an old rusty shield. Let his sword with him. Heap on him stones and broken chariot wheels. Let widows and orphans clap their hands, and the winds howl for his requiem 'This is the second death.'"

President Grant headed the procession that marched over the ground, scattering flowers upon the graves. The day was clear and bright, and from fifteen to twenty thousand persons participated.

A valuable silver mine is reported within one hundred miles of Milwaukee, Wis., in the western part of Washington county, covering a large area.

GENERAL NEWS.

Hon John G. Saxe resides in Brook-

lin. A nine year old girl in Linn county, Iowa, lately hung herself.

It took an amputated leg nine years to kill John Thompson, of Iowa.

A Methodist church in Iowa has the stars and stripes painted on its steeple.

They are eating blackberries in Jacksonvill, Fla.

The rolling mill at Kittanning, Pa., has suspended operations temporarily.

Pullman has been successful in introducing his palace cars into England.

A paper at Bedford, Indiana, wants school teaching let out to the lowest bidder.

The Erie Railway will have a fleet of thirty propellers on lake Erie this season.

The cultivation of ginger is the newest-fangled notion of California agriculturists.

The Illinois farmers think they have succeeded in bringing the railroad up to time.

Deaths from heart disease have increased twenty-five per cent. in twenty years.

Floating docks for timid bathers are to be introduced the coming season at Cape May.

A man at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, has been fined \$5 for snatching a paper from a newsboy.

No man is humbled and sincere will. God till he is willing to know the worst of himself.

Everybody of prominence in Kansas, excepting the Benders, has offered a reward for them.

A Kentucky woman has been supplied with an iron jaw. Her terms are twenty dollars a lecture.

Great warriors, like great earthquakes, are principally remembered for the mischief they have done.

The New York carpenters are on a double strike; one with the bosses and one among themselves.

A thousand singers are to participate in the Saengerfest at Dubuque on the 20th and 21st of June.

The whole town of Corning, Iowa, lately turned out to hunt a lost child and found it at home asleep.

It takes two boys to go to school nowadays—one to study and the other to carry the books.

Heavy rains in Quebec have swollen the rivers that about 5,000,000 feet of lumber has gone adrift.

There are no less than seven White Sulphur Springs in the Union, all of them in the Southern States.

Taxation in Mississippi is two and a half per cent. In Louisiana it reaches nearly three times that amount.

The owners of the Mammoth Cave talk of advancing the price charged for going through that natural wonder.

A Methodist preacher furnished the gospel to the two towns of Sandown and Hempstead, N. J., last year for \$300.

A sailor at Bay City, Mich., lately fell eighty-one feet, and struck the deck of a vessel without serious injury—to himself.

A Maine court has lately decided that a railroad ticket is good for six years if not used before the expiration of that time.

Statistics show that every person added to the population requires an additional ton of coal. Great persons need more.

The Order of United Workmen in Erie have finished a new hall for their stated meeting which is soon to be dedicated.

The New Haven police will be provided with straw hats, for the purpose of showing which way the wind blows on dusty days.

Captain Hall went more than two hundred miles further north with the Polar than any other Arctic explorer ever sailed.

Extensive tree-planting in the West, the Boston Globe thinks, will lessen the force of the terrible tornadoes that devastate that section.

The Captain-General of Cuba has been officially notified to carry into effect the order of March 24, directing the emancipation of 10,000 slaves.

A Boston lager beer saloon posts this notice: "Only those liquors will be given to friends which our immaculate Legislature considers healthy."

The iron ore recently discovered in Nelson and Amhurst counties, Virginia, will, it is believed, yield 65 to 70 per cent of pure metal. Copper is said also to exist in the same locality.

The North Carolina Judges make only one bite of it. In charging a jury at Raleigh, recently, Judge Tompoe told them that if they were satisfied that the criminal should be punished with death, he would "take great pleasure in pronouncing the sentence."

A young man in discussion the other evening, commented in this way on Pocahontas: "Pocahontas was a noble, kind-hearted and true man." "Hold on," cried his companion, "Pocahontas was a woman." "She was, eh? Well that's just my luck; how am I expected to know? I never read the Bible."

The total receipts from Internal Revenue during the month of May were \$12,353,107.72, making the total amount since the beginning of the fiscal year \$106,016,222.23. The estimated receipts for the current fiscal year were \$11,000,000, leaving something less than \$1,000,000 to be collected during the month of June, to reach the estimate made at the beginning of the year. The receipts in June will be at least \$8,000,000, making a surplus of \$4,000,000 for the year.

Mercantile Appraisment.

Following is the report of the Mercantile Appraisment of Elk County for the year 1873:

VENDERS OF MERCHANDISE.

Benezette.

Table with 2 columns: Class and Tax. Items include Miles Dent, E. Fletcher & Bro., Wm. Johnson, John VanVolkenberg, E. C. Lewis & Co., John Dailey.

Fox.

Table with 2 columns: Class and Tax. Items include P. W. Hays, P. W. Hays, Koch & Eutz, J. J. Taylor, Koch & Son, M. Mohan.

Horton.

Table with 2 columns: Class and Tax. Items include N. M. Brockway, C. A. Wilcox.

Jay.

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Jones.

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Millstone.

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Ridgway.

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Spring Creek.

Table with 2 columns: Class and Tax. Item: Wilson Caise.

St. Mary's.

Table with 2 columns: Class and Tax. Items include Henry C. Hendricks, James Saengerling, Weidenbroener & Whitman, Chas. McVean, Lyon & Bro., A. Loeffler, H. M. Boite, W. H. Bragg, Suesenheimer & Son, Walker & Son, Jos. Wilhelm, Ad. Fochtmann, L. L. Putzel, L. B. Cook, M. E. McNally, Gifford, Hall & Co., James Bickely, J. B. Corryell & Co., Charles Lahr, Phillip Wilhelm, E. McBride, J. E. Spidenbroener, J. D. Spifford & Bro., John Miel, Reynolds & Garner, C. L. Boyer.

RESTAURANTS AND EATING HOUSES.

Ridgway.

Table with 2 columns: Class and Tax. Items include Embody & Converse, Robt. Warner.

St. Mary's.

Table with 2 columns: Class and Tax. Items include Thomas Zimmet, George Schant, Chas. Klausman, Jacob Kraus, Windfelder, Wm. Geis, Anson Showers, John B. Hindle.

BILLIARD HALLS.

Ridgway.

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St. Mary's.

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BREWERIES.

St. Mary's.

Table with 2 columns: Class and Tax. Items include Geis & Jriebe, Joseph Windfelder, F. E. Sorg, Wm. Zelt, Elizabeth Volk.

TAKE NOTICE that I have rated you under Classes above specified, and assessed you with tax as above stated. An appeal will be held at the Commissioner's Office, Ridgway, on Tuesday, July 1st, 1873, where you feeling aggrieved by said assessment, can have such redress as the law provides.

D. C. OYSTER, Mercantile Appraiser.

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