

GRANT'S WAR HISTORY.

Telling the Story of Appomattox.

General Grant's book, to be published in a few months, will contain the following reminiscence of Lee's surrender:

"I found General Lee had been brought into our lines and conducted to a house belonging to a Mr. McLean, and was there with one of his staff officers waiting my arrival. The head of his column was occupying a hill, a portion of which was an apple orchard, across which was an apple tree from the courthouse. Sheridan's forces were drawn up in line of battle on the crest of the hill on the south side of the same valley.

"Before stating what took place between General Lee and myself, I will give all there is of the narrative of General Lee and the famous apple tree. What produces many stories of fiction, some of which are told until they are believed. The war of the rebellion was fruitful in the same way. The story of the apple tree is one of those legends with a slight foundation of fact.

"As I have said, there was an apple orchard on the side of the hill occupied by the Confederate forces. Running diagonally up the hill was a wagon road, which at one point ran very near on the trees, so that the wheels on that side had cut out of the roots of the tree, which made a little embankment.

"When I had left the house, I reported to me that when he first met General Lee he was sitting on the road and leaning against the tree. It was then that General Lee was conducted into the house where I first met him. I had known General Lee in the old army, and had served with him in the Mexican war, but did not suppose, owing to the difference in our ages and rank, that he would probably remember me, while I would remember him more distinctly, because he was the chief engineer on the staff of Gen. Scott in the Mexican war.

"When I went into the house I found General Lee sitting at a table with his hands clasped in front of him. He was dressed in a full uniform, entirely new, and wearing a sword of considerable value, very likely the sword that had been presented by the State of Virginia. At all events it was an entirely different sword from the one that would ordinarily be worn by a general in the army. It was a sword of a private, with the straps of a general, I must have contrasted very strangely with a man so handsomely dressed, six feet high and of faultless form. But this was not a matter that I thought of until after the interview.

"General Lee and I soon fell into a conversation about old army times. He remarked that he remembered me very well in the old army and I told him, as a matter of course, I remembered him perfectly, but owing to the difference in years there being sixteen years between us in our age—and our rank, I thought it very likely I had not attracted his attention sufficiently to be remembered after such a long period. Our conversation grew so pleasant that I almost forgot the object of my mission. General Lee said that time was wasted in the morning of his staff officers, a Col. Marshall, I had all of my staff with me, a good portion of whom were in the room during the whole of the interview.

"In an article on the battle of Shiloh which I wrote for the Century Magazine, I stated that General A. M. C. McD. McCook, who commanded a division of Buell's army, expressed some unwillingness to pursue the army on Monday, April 7, because of the condition of his troops. Gen. Badeau, in his history, also makes the same statement on my authority. Out of justice to Gen. McCook and his command I must say that they left a point twenty-two miles east of Savannah on the morning of the 6th. From the heavy rains of a few days previous and the passage of trains and artillery the roads were necessarily deep in mud, which made marching slow. The division had not only marched through this mud the day before, but had been in the rain all night without rest. It was engaged in the battle of the second day and did as good service as the position allowed. In fact, an opportunity occurred for it to perform a conspicuous act of gallantry, which elicited the highest commendation from division commanders in the Army of the Tennessee. General Sherman in both his memoirs and report makes mention of this fact. General McCook himself belonged to a family which furnished many volunteers to the army. I refer to those circumstances with a confidence because I know Gen. McCook's injustice in my article in the Century, though not in the extent one I am not willing to do any one an injustice, and it occurred that I have done one I am always willing to make the fullest admission.

"The Vicksburg newspaper which we received regularly (while before Vicksburg) through the courtesy of the rebel pickets, said prior to the 4th, that the rebel forces had been driven from the city, and that Vicksburg was in our hands. The paper said that a rabbit was seen in the city, and for some time previous was printed on the plain side of wall paper. The last number was printed on the plain side and announced that we had 'driven the rabbit.' I have no doubt that Pemberton commended his correspond-

THE NEW POSTAL LAWS.

Which Went into Effect July 1st, 1895.

The following condensation of the new postal law contains all the essential changes. They become operative July 1st:

First, Rates of postage on second-class matter will be one cent per pound or fraction thereof, including newspapers for Canada, with the exceptions noted below.

Second, Publications of the second class, other than weekly papers published where there is a letter-carrier office must be paid in postage stamps affixed at the rate of one cent for each paper; or on each periodical not exceeding two ounces in weight, or two cents on each periodical if weighing over two ounces, if they are to be delivered by carrier in the city of publication. If they are to be delivered through the lock-boxes or through designated delivery offices, they may be mailed at pound rates. Postage on sample copies of weekly papers for delivery by carriers in district where published must be paid by postage stamps attached.

Third, Each piece of second-class matter offered for mailing must be properly enclosed in wrapper capable of being addressed, or all pieces of mail matter for one postoffice may be securely enclosed in one wrapper, addressed to the postmaster; provided each piece enclosed is properly addressed.

Fourth, Any article or item in any newspaper or other publication may be marked for observation, except by written or printed words, without increase of postage.

Fifth, Second-class matter can have no inclosure, except in the form of a regular supplement, or bills, receipts and orders for subscriptions; provided, that in such form as to convey no other information than the name, location and subscription price of the publication or publications to which they refer.

Sixth, Second-class matter cannot be enclosed in envelopes, but must be wrapped exposed at both ends, so that the contents can be readily examined.

Seventh, On the wrapper of second-class matter no printing will be allowed, beyond the name and address of the publishers or newsagent and name of publication, except a request to the postmaster to notify in case the parties do not or deliver; or request to return the same or to deliver the same to some other person, if not called for, or notice when subscription ends.

Eighth, Third-class and second-class matter must be put up and delivered at the postoffice in separate packages.

Ninth, Sample copy of second-class publication should be marked on wrapper "Sample Copy," to be delivered in city of publication, postage one cent on each newspaper, without regard to weight or frequency of issue. Postage on periodicals, other than newspapers, is one cent per pound, except in weight, and two cents if exceeding two ounces in weight. News agents cannot send sample copies at pound rates.

Tenth, As many persons refuse to take from the postoffice papers which are sent to them as sample copies, it is now provided, for the convenience of the publisher, under the laws of the States, to pay for a year's subscription, the great advantage to publishers in marking on the wrappers of all sample copies the words "Sample Copy" is apparent.

Eleventh, Second-class matter will be returned to publishers by request printed on the wrapper or by special request by pound rates. Each package will be rated separately one cent a pound or fraction thereof.

Twelfth, Second-class matter mailed by other persons than publishers becomes special matter, specially entitled to pass through the mail at a rate of four ounces or fraction thereof. It is earnestly urged that publishers of second-class matter shall note on the publication, "Entered at _____ postoffice as second-class matter," without which second-class matter will not have a certain standing as second-class matter in other parts of the United States, and may in cases be rated when offered for remailing as original third-class matter, with postage 1 cent for two ounces.

Thirteenth, Letters, merchandise sealed against inspection, and other first-class matter, will pass through the mail at two cents for each ounce or fraction thereof, without the package being limited to four pounds in weight, as in the case of third or fourth-class matter.

Fourteenth, Merchandise not sealed and otherwise mailable, can pass through the mails at one cent for each ounce or fraction thereof.

Fifteenth, Manuscript by itself is first-class matter. Proofs and corrected proofs are third-class matter, and may be accompanied by the original written manuscript.

One for Five. Papers are frequently preceded by a sense of weight in the back, loins and lower part of the abdomen, causing the patient to suppose he has some affection of the kidneys or neighboring organs. A list of symptoms of indigestion are present, as flatulency, uneasiness of the stomach, etc. A mistbare, like perspiration, producing a very disagreeable itching, after getting warm, is a common attendant. Blind, bleeding and itching piles yield at once to the application of Dr. Bosank's Pile Remedy, which acts directly upon the parts affected, absorbing the Tumors, playing the intense itching, and effecting a permanent cure. Price 50 cents. Address: The Dr. Bosank Medicine Co., P.O. Box 1, Sold by C. N. BOYD, Druggist, Somerset, Pa.

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