

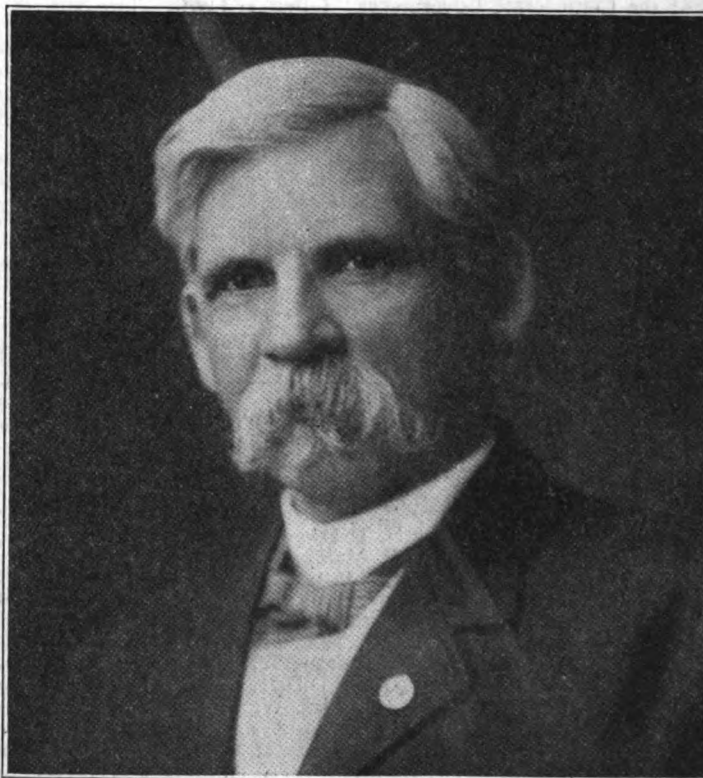
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FOUNDER.

TWO NOTABLE DELIVERANCES ON STATES' RIGHTS.

"Any people, anywhere, being inclined and having the power, have the right to rise up and shake off the existing government, and to form a new one that suits them better. This is a most valuable right, a sacred right, which we hope and believe is to liberate the world. Nor is this right confined to cases in which the whole of any existing government may choose to exercise it. Any portion of such people that can may revolutionize and make their own of so much of the territory as they inhabit." (Speech of Abraham Lincoln in United States Congress, January 12, 1848.)

"Statesmanlike wisdom spoke in the contention of Webster that the Constitution had created * * * a single Federal State, complete in itself, enacting legislation which was the supreme law of the land. It may, nevertheless, be doubted whether this was the doctrine upon which the Union was founded. It seems impossible to deny that the argument of Hayne contains much more nearly the sentiment of 1787-89. In seceding in 1860-61 the South resumed most naturally the methods of 1788. * * * As the whole country acted then, so did South Carolina and her companion States act now in the momentous winter of 1860-61. * * * It is impossible to believe that what was done lacked the substantial support of the people. That secession was the project of the leading classes in the South is not to be doubted; but the voting population of the Southern States was in a sense the most political in the world, the least likely to follow blindly because most deeply interested in politics. It could be managed by its leaders only because it was so thoroughly homogeneous, only because it so entirely understood and sympathized with their point of view. If some were moved against their judgment, very few were moved against their principles." (Woodrow Wilson in the volume "Division and Reunion," pages 44, 45, 240, 241, published in 1893 as a volume of "Epochs of American History.")

RECONSTRUCTION IN THE SOUTH.

Naked and desolate she stands,
Her name a byword in all lands,
Her scepter wrested from her hands,
She smiles, a queen despite their bands!

DISPOSITION OF THE LEE ESTATE.

Miss Mary Custis Lee, last surviving child of Gen. R. E. Lee, who died November 11, 1918, left an estate aggregating \$157,000, of which \$53,000 was devised to various institutions, memorial and otherwise; while \$104,000 was distributed among her surviving relatives. The institutions benefited by her bequests are as follows: R. E. Lee Memorial Church, Lexington, Va., \$10,000; Old Christ Church, Alexandria, \$10,000; for preservation of the Lee monument, Richmond, \$5,000; Needy Confederate Woman's Home, Richmond, \$5,000; Society for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, \$3,000; Virginia Division, U. D. C., \$3,000; Virginia Historical Society, \$2,000; Washington and Lee University, Lexington, \$10,000; hospital in Alexandria, \$5,000. To Washington and Lee University she also left her share of the family pictures from Mount Vernon and Arlington, and her bequest of \$10,000 to that University is to assist in building a fireproof room in which those pictures could be deposited. Her bequest to the Lee Memorial Church is for the improvement and preservation of the edifice.

THE ARLINGTON ESTATE.

The Arlington estate, inherited by George Washington Parke Custis from his father, was willed to his daughter and only child, Mary Ann Randolph Lee, wife of Lieut. Col. Robert E. Lee, and, on her death, to his oldest grandson, George Washington Custis Lee, "to him and his heirs forever." This property was confiscated during the war, and by an executive order of the President of the United States, dated January 6, 1864, the entire tract of eleven hundred acres, more or less, was selected for government use, "for war, military, charitable, and educational purposes." By the same order it was directed that the property be sold to meet the payment of \$92.07, direct taxes due thereon. This was done January 11, 1864, and the property was bid in for the United States for the sum of \$26,800. After his mother's death, in 1878, Gen. G. W. C. Lee, as heir at law, contested the legality of the tax sale, and decision was rendered in his favor. This decision, upon appeal, was affirmed by the United States Supreme Court in 1882, and by an act of March 3, 1883, Congress appropriated the sum of \$150,000 for the purchase of the property; and on March 31, 1883, Gen. G. W. C. Lee conveyed the property to the United States for the sum appropriated.



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ROBERT ROSS ZELL.

At his home, in Birmingham, Ala., on November 11, 1918, Robert Ross Zell, gallant Confederate soldier, Christian gentleman, and loyal citizen, answered the last roll call and passed into the beyond. His body was sent to Baltimore, Md., his boyhood home, and there interred in Loudon Park Cemetery.

At the time of his death Comrade Zell was commanding officer of the 4th Alabama Brigade, U. C. V., and one of the most active workers for the survivors of the Confederate cause in the State. He was a valued member of Camp Wilcox, U. C. V., of Birmingham, and his loss is keenly felt by the comrades of the Camp as well as by other veterans of the city. As Brigadier General of the 4th Alabama Brigade, U. C. V., he attended the Reunion at Tulsa, Okla., and in returning he went to Claymore Springs, Ark., hoping that the hot baths would benefit him, as his health had not been good. Later on, while visiting at Manhattan, Kans., he learned of the death of his granddaughter, Beatrice Zell, who had accompanied him to the Reunion and who fell a victim to influenza on her return home. The death of this beloved grandchild was a shock from which he never recovered, and on his return to Birmingham his health steadily declined until the final summons came. In his death the city lost a tried and true citizen, his family a fond and devoted parent, and the Presbyterian Church, to which he belonged, a useful and consistent member. He is survived by his wife, three sons, and four daughters.

Robert Ross Zell was born in Baltimore, Md., in 1849, and lived in that city until about fifteen years ago, when he went to Birmingham, and there followed his profession as a mechanical engineer with marked success until his retirement some years ago.

J. W. RAST.

A faithful and zealous friend of the Confederate cause was lost in the death of J. W. Rast, of Lowndesboro, Ala. He was a native of Alabama, but was educated in Pennsylvania. He enlisted for the South at Lowndesboro, Ala., with the Lowndesboro Beauregards, was wounded at Gettysburg, and was captured in the retreat. He was furloughed home and stayed six months, then rejoined his regiment and served until the surrender at Appomattox. He was ever loyal to the cause for which he had fought. He was commander of Camp T. G. Bullock, U. C. V., from 1900 until his death, in June, 1918. He had been flag bearer for the Camp so long and was so attached to the old flag that it was buried with him.

The U. D. C. Chapter at Lowndesboro, through Mrs. R. B. Haygood and Mrs. A. W. Meadows, committee, passed reso-

lutions that in the death of Mr. Rast "each member of our Chapter feels a personal loss. He was ever ready to assist with his time and means any organization of the Confederacy, and he was untiring in his efforts to assist his old comrades and make their declining years happier; that we shall ever remember him for his hospitality, his loyalty to his friends, and his devotion to the cause for which he made so many sacrifices."

REV. T. L. HAMAN, D.D.

Rev. T. L. Haman was born December 7, 1846, in Hinds County, Miss., near where Learned has since been located, son of Stratford Haman (native of North Carolina) and Mary E. Haman (native Mississippian). He died at Vaiden, Miss., November 3, 1918, aged nearly seventy-two years.

He received his primary education in elementary schools near his native home, his college education at Oxford, Miss., 1866-70, and his seminary course at Columbia, S. C., 1870-73.

He was led to trust the sinner's Saviour and united with the Presbyterians because he "felt he could live better in that connection."

About the close of his seminary course, September 2, 1873, he was united in marriage to an accomplished young woman, Mary Adelaide Blanding, daughter of Col. J. D. Blanding, of Sumter, S. C., who, with three sons, four daughters, and eleven grandchildren, survives him.

He entered the pastorate in October, 1873, at Greenwood, Miss. (home mission work), spent about two years as pastor at Yazoo City, and on account of ill health changed to Vaiden, Miss., in 1877. This and near-by Churches he served for nearly forty-one years.

He was afflicted with ill health nearly or quite all of his life, but, being a man of great determination, energy, and will power, and having a people who were faithful to him, he accomplished much work and became very popular among the masses. His people fairly worshiped him.

He gave about two years of his youthful life to the Confederate cause as one of Harvey's Scouts under that fearless cavalry leader, Captain Harvey. He believed firmly in the cause as long as he lived, but harbored no malice for his enemies of that period.



REV. T. L. HAMAN AT AGES OF ABOUT 14 AND 72 YEARS.

His children are educated and occupy prominent and responsible positions in Church and social circles, to his credit.

A self-sacrificing Christian patriot and philanthropist has fallen. The Lord bless the bereaved!

[A brother in the flesh, P. A. H.]