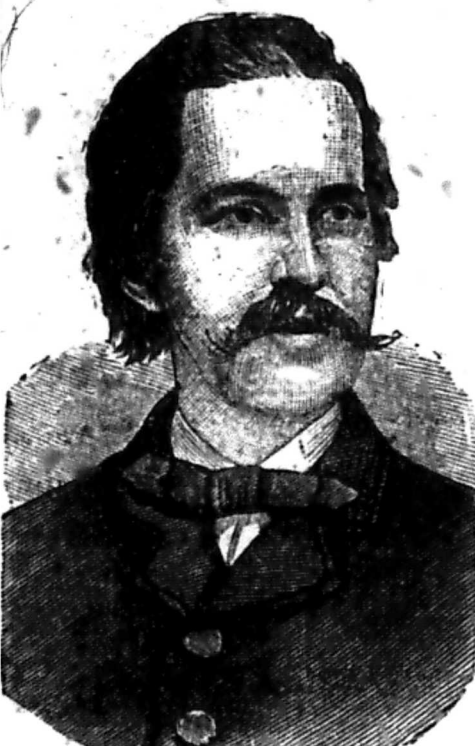


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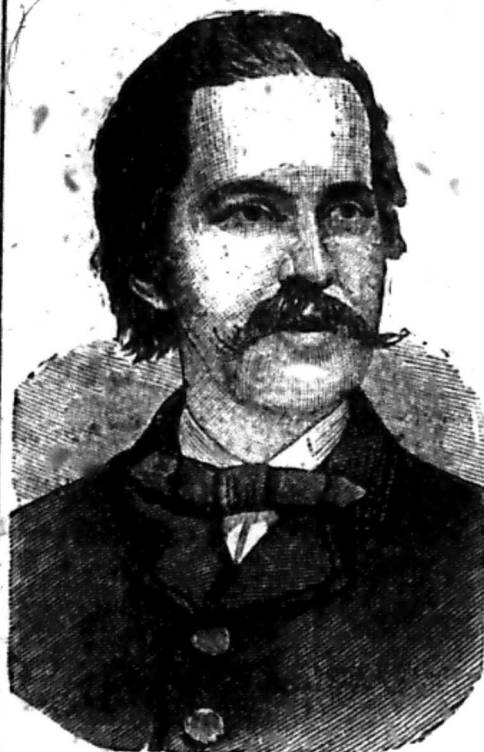
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On graduation he immediately began an active and brilliant literary career which he continued to the very close of his life with a fervor and consecrated enthusiasm rarely equalled in the annals of literature. He was the editor and one of the founders of *Russell's Magazine*, at Charleston, and contributed to the leading literary publications of the day. In 1855 Ticknor & Co. of Boston, published his first volume of poems. His second volume was published two years later and his third in 1860. All of these were successful and firmly established his claim to the title of poet.

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2. Atlanta.....	33	23	.589
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5. Memphis.....	27	27	.500
6. Charleston.....	24	31	.436
7. Chattanooga.....	20	37	.330

GOOD BYE, AUGUSTA.

The disbandment of the Augusta team and the dropping out of that city from the Southern League is certainly to be regretted. But the demise of the club was the natural result of the disease contracted in Augusta very early in the season. The town had a good club and it played in good luck, taking first place very early in the race. That spoiled Augusta. Their young hearts couldn't stand defeat, and when the club began to drop, drop, drop, the mercury in the local base ball thermometer followed suit. The club, which they first claimed would positively take the pennant, was characterized as no good, the players a set of bums, etc., as is always the case in a young baseball town, when things don't go to suit them. But the only real regret which is caused by the disbandment is, not the loss of Augusta, for there are better towns, but the trouble and expense which the remaining clubs are put to. Until the vacancy is filled there will always be an idle club, and it is hoped that the league directors will speedily meet and consider the matter. There are two or three cities which would be glad to secure the franchise and play out the season, and there is little doubt but what the vacancy will be filled. But by all means let us get a town which has sand enough to stand up to its braggings and at least play the season out. Should the Southern League be continued another year it is to be hoped that the sum fixed upon as a guarantee to complete the season will be sufficiently large as to compel the clubs either to play out the season or to reimburse the remaining clubs for the expenses incurred by their failure so to do. Let us have no more weak-backed Augusta business.

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He has also published much fine prose work during all his years of intense poetic activity. In 1884 was issued from the press of Lothrop & Co., of Boston, a magnificent edition of his complete works, the illustrations for which alone are said to have cost six thousand dollars. The accompanying admirable biographical sketch of this superb volume was written by Virginia's distinguished poetess, Mrs. Margaret J. Preston. We understand that this work is in its second edition, but have yet to hear that the slightest profit has yet accrued to the author, from royalty on the sale of the work, or any direct remuneration from the publishers.

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RAILROAD MATTERS.

Mr. R. A. Williams, southeastern passenger agent of the Memphis and Little Rock railroad, is in the city.

Mr. Sam Fogle, chief clerk of the Brunswick and Inland Steamboat Company, with headquarters at Brunswick, Ga., is in the city.

Captain E. T. Smith, master of trains on the Georgia Pacific road, whose headquarters are at Birmingham, is in the city for a few days in the interest of his road.

Sensational Marriage at Smyrna.

Quite a sensational marriage took place here Sunday. Miss Lillie Lovelace, one of Smyrna's nicest, prettiest and most accomplished young ladies, was united in marriage to Mr. Albert Stanback, who is a sober, industrious and a well-to-do farmer. Only a few friends were present. They left on the six o'clock train for their bridal tour. May they ever be happy and prosperous is the wish of their many friends.

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