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AFTER THE HURLY-BURLY.

Left Over Facts After the Big Celebration of Friday.

The high tide of patriotism which engulfed the city Friday has receded, leaving everything and everybody flat, stale and unprofitable. Yesterday was a day of rest, after rush; quiet after noise; enjoyment of the has been.

The universal opinion from those within and those without is that the celebration was a gigantic success. The parade was pronounced by many the finest ever seen in the State. The crowd could not be estimated. The town was just simply full. The Southern Railroad brought in 5,000 people on its special trains and the Seaboard nearly 2,000.

Besides these, hundreds of people came in on the regular trains. The Buford and Central each fed 500 for dinner; other hotels and boarding places numbers in proportion.

Col. Julian S. Carr left *The Observer* a stinging reminder of his and his company's visit—the big hornets' nest which they carried in the parade. It was ornamented with silver hornets.

The street cars handled between 15,000 and 16,000 people Friday.

Everyone was complimenting the Gaston county Continentals Friday. There were over 100 of them in all, handsomely uniformed. Mr. Henry McAden; Col. Robert Abernathy and the other officers are to be congratulated upon their brilliant success.

Mr. Heriot Clarkson deserves the thanks of the community for the manner in which he worked the Coninental Guards up. He worked to good purpose.

The Gold Hill Band from Fort Mill, S. C., assisted in the music on the 20th and did it well. The band consists of ten pieces.