

## **A Statue of Sir Walter Raleigh.**

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I have read with interest your several articles on the forgotten and unknown great men of North Carolina, who figured prominently in her early history. Mr. Laoy's letter, published in your columns, was to the point.

The press of the State should give more attention to this subject, as very few of her citizens know much of the early history of North Carolina, and never will unless the press takes it up and gives it to their subscribers. Very few own histories of Carolina, and many would not read them even if they had one in the house, but would read the same matter in a newspaper.

A history of a State must necessarily omit many interesting episodes and incidents connected therewith, as well as many important characters who took active parts in the development of the State.

It is the unwritten history that we want and enjoy especially.

I think it true that our State should do simple justice to the memory of that great and noble character, the discoverer of North Carolina, by erecting in capitol square, in the city of Raleigh, (named in honor of him,) a statue of Sir Walter Raleigh. It would be a fit companion to that of "the father of his country," George Washington.

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