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In the late war with Spain one of the first military companies in the country to respond to the call for volunteers was the Durham Light Infantry. When the company was mustered out, two of its volunteers were not with their comrades—they had gone to that world where there is no flash of musketry and where war sounds no loud alarms. It is now proposed to erect a monument to the memory of these two brave men. In a letter in yesterday's *Morning Herald*, Col. Julian S. Carr writes:

"Durham should be interested in the erection in our 'City of the Dead' of a suitable monument to the memory of Privates Matthew Barbee and Rufus V. Stem. These two heroes, side by side, 'sleep the dreamless sleep of death,' covered by the green sward of our cemetery. This community will not have done its duty, until we mark their last resting place with a suitable monument. And I appeal to every lover of our 'soldier boys,' who on the 2nd day of May, 1898, marched away so bravely to defend our country's honor, to respond to this appeal to suitably mark the honored graves of these two heroes, who will come back no more forever. I will hand Mr. Leo D. Heartt, cashier of the First National Bank, my check for \$100 for the purpose herein stated, and this is to invite any who feel disposed to join me in this matter to pay Mr. Leo D. Heartt, cashler, whatever amounts they feel disposed to contribute."