

These Aged Mothers, Sisters, Gave Sons To Opposite Causes

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Living near each other amid peaceful Virginia foothills, they recall the deeds of their boys during the Civil War, the one in Gray, the other in Blue.

The mothers who furnished sons to the civil strife of 1861-5 are fast passing away, and in a few years not one of them will be found. The ranks of veterans who shared the "red mist" are likewise growing thinner.

Along the foothills of the Blue Ridge, in Loudoun County Virginia, dwell two sisters, who perhaps, in historic interest, have few equals in the United States. One supplied a son to the Confederate cause, the other a son to the Federal Forces. Having forgotten the bitterness of the past, the sisters live in living harmony near each other.

They are Mrs. Nassie Fulton, who will be 95 years old on March 12, and who gave to the Confederacy her first born babe, William Franklin Fulton; and Mrs. Lydia Ann Virts, who confidently expects to celebrate her nintey-fourth birthday next November, whose

