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North Carolina was a picture of contrasts. In the Coastal Plain, it was a plantation state with a long history of slavery. However, there were no plantations and few slaves in the mountainous western part of the state. On December 21, 1864, Union Maj. Gen. William T. Sherman completed his March to the Sea by capturing Savannah, Georgia. Sherman's next move was to march northward through the Carolinas to Richmond, Virginia, the capital of the Confederacy, where he would combine with the forces commanded by Union general-in-chief Ulysses S. Grant. Johnston Pettigrew was born to Ebenezer and Ann Sheppard Pettigrew in Tyrrell County, North Carolina. His father was of a wealthy family of French Huguenot background. His mother and the mother of Union general John Gibbon were first cousins, making Gibbon and Pettigrew second cousins. On May 6, 1865, Lt. Robert T. Conley and a small company from Thomas' North Carolina Legion clashed with Lt. Col. William C. Bartlett's 2nd North Carolina (Federal) Mounted Infantry in White Sulphur Springs., Confederate Generals Of North Carolina Tar Heels In Command.

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