## Dan Sickles Civil War Roundtable



## Presents:

## The World Will Never See the Like: The Gettysburg Reunion of 1913

with Historian, Author, and Communications/Public Relations Professional

John L. Hopkins

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A Virtual Program via Zoom

Sunday, March 24, 2024 7:00 pm (eastern)



Fifty years had passed since these old men had faced each other on the Gettysburg Battlefield, or any of 10,000 other lesser-known plots of land.

The largest gathering of Union and Confederate veterans ever held was front-page news throughout the country. But as the years passed, the memorable event was, by many, all but forgotten. Join us as John L. Hopkins tells the story of 53,000 old comrades and former foes reunited - and of the tension,



even half a century later, between competing narratives of reconciliation and remembrance. They swapped stories, debated still-simmering controversies, and fed tall tales to gullible reporters. With info assembled from letters, diaries, the published accounts of veterans, the extensive archival records of the reunion's organizers, and the stories filed by the scores of reporters who covered it, Hopkins tells quite a tale himself!

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