

Local News.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 1902.

\$1,000,000 LAST MONTH IN COTTON MILLS.

What Anderson has Accomplished in the Last Twelve Years.

During the month of May just closed, very close to one million dollars was added to the enormous sum of money already invested in the cotton mill industry in and immediately surrounding the city of Anderson.

The Broyon Cotton Mill, under the management of Messrs. J. A. Brock and R. E. Ligon, set the pace by organizing about the middle of the month with half a million capital, and they have practically gone to work. The contract for brick, over two million, was awarded last week to J. L. McMillan, of Abbeville, and the contract for lumber, or most of it, will, in all probability, be placed this week. All the material will be ready and at the depot here by the time the sidetrack to be built from the Blue Ridge Railroad to this mill is completed, and all arrangements for the building of this track has been completed.

Following the organization of the Broyon Mill, Mr. D. P. McBrayer, of the Riverside Mill, comes to the front with plans perfected to build immediately a mill of not less than 10,000 spindles and the investment of probably \$300,000. Supporting Mr. McBrayer in this additional industrial development are Mr. J. A. Brock, of Anderson, and Capt. Ellison A. Smyth, of Pelzer. No stronger combination than this could be desired to guarantee the immediate building and success of the enterprise. All are men of large experience and wide influence, especially Messrs. Brock and Smyth, and Mr. McBrayer's experience in the cotton business reaches over a period of seventeen years, in which he has met with marked success, winning and meriting confidence in every position he has filled.

The class of goods to be manufactured by this mill is not yet decided upon. This will be determined later. The field in this particular is broad. The markets for manufactured goods are wide open. The primary question to decide is whether the manufacturing of cotton will be engaged in, the class of goods to be manufactured can be made an after consideration.

Sufficient progress has been made in the matter of dollars to warrant Mr. McBrayer in making the statement that inside of thirty days the organization of this mill will be complete and the work of its erection begun.

Following close upon the heels of this big mill came the announcement last week that a hosiery and yarn mill, with Mr. George W. Evans at the head of the management, will be immediately built. The capital of this mill will not be less than \$200,000, all of which has been practically subscribed, and an application for a commission to organize has been forwarded to the Secretary of State by the following: Geo. W. Evans, W. A. Power, R. E. Ligon, W. R. Osborne, J. W. Roberts, superintendent of Riverside Mill, Calhoun Harris, E. F. Geiger and R. E. Burris. The commission will be received this week and organization will be at once completed.

This mill will begin with forty machines, giving employment to about forty operatives. The work will begin with the manufacture of hosiery, for which there appears to be a strong demand in all the markets. A similar mill at Sumter is said to be unable to supply the demand for the manufacture of this class of goods. Yarns will not be manufactured for the present, but everything will be put in shape for this branch of the industry.

How rapidly are the people of Anderson waking up to the fact that rich rewards will flow to them from the development of their resources. Up to twelve ago there were no cotton mills in nor immediately around the city. With the highest grade of upland middling cotton produced in the State growing up to their very doorsteps, the people were asleep to their opportunities. In 1889 Mr. J. A. Brock, to whom more honor is due for the rapid and prosperous advancement of Anderson than to any other man, organized the Anderson Cotton Mills with a capital of \$100,000. This was considered experimental by many, and it took heroic efforts to secure the desired subscriptions. At the end of three years the enterprise was found a success and the capital increased to \$250,000, and later this was doubled. Doubt gave place to confidence and the march has been steadily forward, until results now appear to mark a continuous "boom" for Anderson in industrial development for the past twelve years. Here is the showing to-day:

Anderson Cotton Mills, 62,000 spindles, employing 1,200 operatives; Orr Cotton Mills, 25,480 spindles, employing 450 operatives; Riverside Mill, 9,500 spindles, employing 180 operatives; Cox Mill, 8,000 spindles, employing 150 operatives; Broyon Mill to have 25,000 spindles, dyeing and finishing plant and to employ not less than 500 operatives, the new McBrayer Mill, to have at least 15,000 spindles and employing from 300 to 400 operatives; the Townsend Twine Mill, to employ about 50 operatives, and the Evans Hosiery and Yarn Mill, to employ about 50 operatives. At least \$2,600,000 are invested in these mills and 3,000 operatives employed, representing an increase in population of about 12,000.

Progress has been made in the last twelve years, and along with it has come the electric power plant at Portman Shoals, 9 miles distant, which is distributing 5,000 electrical horsepower to the mills and other industries of the city, representing an investment of at

least \$250,000, two more banks have been established and are doing a highly satisfactory business, additional storerooms and elegant homes have been built, a sewerage system is now being installed, the finances of the city are in most excellent shape and her bonds considerably above par.

These mills are within and just outside touching the limits of the city, and to these should be added the Anderson Fertilizer Company, two miles distant from the city, which has a yearly capacity of 20,000 tons; the Anderson Oil and Fertilizer Company, the Excelsior Oil Mill, the Farmers Cotton and Oil Company, the Anderson Mattress and Spring Bed Company, within the city limits.

All of the 12,000 increase in population does not belong, strictly speaking, to the city of Anderson, but there is practically an absence of company or mill stores, and the commerce of the city enjoys the benefits of this increase.

One of the older mills will be enlarged and another new mill built soon, but until those now being constructed are completed, which will require some little time and many laborers, these two matters will remain in abeyance.

Graded School to be Enlarged.

The increase from year to year in the number of pupils seeking admission to the Central Graded School has forced the Board of Trustees to take under advisement plans which will enable them to provide all applicants with suitable accommodations.

A committee has been appointed from the Board, consisting of Hon. James M. Sullivan, John C. Watkins and Dr. T. C. Watton, the Superintendent, to fix upon some definite plan to be submitted to the Board, which if adopted, will be laid before the City Council for approval and for the means to carry the plan into execution.

The committee prefers to purchase a lot containing about two acres, conveniently located, and erect a frame building of sufficient size, or perhaps rent a suitable building into which either the primary or higher grades may be segregated. Another plan is to enlarge the present central school building. This last plan does not meet with much approval by the committee, because they consider it unwise to congest so many children in one place. But it is much the cheaper plan and its adoption may be forced upon them because of a lack of funds.

To carry out any plan adopted by the Trustees, an appropriation from the City Council will, of course, be necessary. It does not follow, however, that the tax levy must be increased. The \$3,000 appropriated to erect the colored school building did not increase the levy; it doubtless came from a surplus in the city treasury, which was the result of economical administration.

Three thousand dollars will probably be found quite sufficient to purchase the lot, as the committee prefers to do, and make the necessary enlargement. Should it not be, and should an additional tax levy be necessary, it could not exceed half a mill, and in all probability would not exceed one-fourth of a mill; for the reason that, the special tax for the maintenance of the schools in this special district, (the city of Anderson is a special school district) is limited to three mills, two and one-half of which is now being paid under levy by the Council; and for the further reason that an increase in enrollment in the schools will give this school district a larger amount from the constitutional three mills tax. This tax is apportioned according to enrollment in the school districts throughout the State, and the enrollment in the city of Anderson has never entitled the city to more than about fifty per cent of this fund. After the school has been enlarged the increase in enrollment will not bring a corresponding increase of expense, the same number of teachers now employed can properly manage and instruct more children, while the enrollment will bring a larger amount from the constitutional three mills tax, which, supplemented by an increase of one-fourth of a mill to the special tax, would provide ample funds for a very considerable increase.

The enlargement of the school is necessary and in all probability the Council and the tax-payers will grant whatever is asked for the promotion of educational advantages.

Bethesda Items

Miss Maude Cely has returned home. She has been teaching school in Laurens County. We are glad to see her back at old Bethesda.

Will Elrod has been very sick for the last week, but we are glad to say he is improving.

There is a great deal of sickness in this part of the country.

Mr. and Mrs. John Childers and their little sister, Iola, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ellison Saturday night.

Miss Fannie Johnson, of Easley, attended church here Sunday. Her friends were glad to greet her. Come again, Miss Fannie.

Miss Beulah Chiles has come home to spend the summer. She has been staying in Greenville.

Miss Lula Merritt spent last week in Greenville with her brother.

Miss Jessie Chiles was the guest of her cousin, Miss Rose Elrod, last Saturday night.

William Cely went to the Exposition last week.

Miss Janie Simpson, of Laurens County, is visiting her cousin, Miss Janie Elrod, and other relatives.

Prince Childers is just knocking along.

Miss Lucy Williams was at home Sunday and attended preaching here.

Anderson Graded Schools.

The closing exercises of the Central Graded School on Friday last drew together a large crowd of interested parents and visitors, and all appeared highly gratified with the work being accomplished. The reading of beautiful and highly sensible essays by the big girls and the delivery of quite eloquent speeches by the big boys, all of whom only a few years ago were little tots in the homes and on the streets, is interesting and entertaining.

However much of sameness there may be about school exercises, those whose humanity is not big enough and liberal enough to want the young folks to have a good time and do not seek an opportunity to do honor to the young boys and young girls who have won a victory in mental improvement, are to be pitied.

The teachers and pupils of this school deserve to be congratulated. All have evidently worked hard, and accomplished much and the patrons are well satisfied.

Some pupils did a little better than others, of course; this is always the case, but does not in any way detract from the good results accomplished by the others.

The medal offered by the R. E. Lee Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, for the best essay on slavery was won by young McDavid Horton. It was an excellent essay, showing much research and careful study and fully merited the prize.

The medal offered by the Superintendent in declamation was won by Miss Olive Howley. This little lady is quite gifted in point of expression and would doubtless make a fine elocutionist.

The selections of music interspersed throughout the program were bright and beautiful, especially the song of the Ben Hur Chorus. The music, and reflected credit upon this branch of the studies.

Money to Lend.—A few thousand dollars to lend on Land for clients. Apply to B. F. Martlo, Attorney-at-Law.

FOR RENT.—A neat 4-room cottage on Hampton street. Apply at this office.

During the summer kidney irregularities are often caused by drinking for being overheated. Attend to the kidneys at once by using Foley's Kidney Cure. Evans Pharmacy.

We offer this week hundreds of pairs of Sample Shoes at prices to please. Come quick while we have your number. Prices on these shoes too cheap to quote. Vaudiver Bros.

Ten Years in Bed.

R. A. Gray, J. P., Oakville, Ind., writes: "For ten years I was confined to my bed with disease of my kidneys. It was so severe that I could not move part of the time. I consulted the very best medical skill available, but could get no relief until Foley's Kidney Cure was recommended to me. It has been a godsend to me. Evans Pharmacy."

On the first indication of kidney trouble stop it by taking Foley's Kidney Cure. Evans Pharmacy.

Wanted—Everone who owns a Southern Patent Well Fixture to know that we have the Buckets and Valves for this Fixture on hand at all times. Brock Hardware Co.

Light Rolls, Biscuit and Cake Depend more on the Flour than on the cook. You cannot make good, light, appetizing bread with poor Flour. "Clifton" is the friend of every bread-maker—a pure, rich Flour of unrivaled quality. All the wealth of the wheat is retained. Use "Clifton" and your bread and cake will be light, sweet and of delicious flavor.

Warning. If you have kidney or bladder trouble and do not use Foley's Kidney Cure you will have only blame for results, as it positively cures all forms of kidney and bladder diseases. Evans Pharmacy.

A good yield of cotton or corn will depend in a large measure on the kind of Cultivator or Sida Harrow you may have. Many farmers will differ as to which is the best implement of this kind. In order to catch and to satisfy all Sullivan Harrow Co. have a line that comprises all of the desirable patterns manufactured. The Perfect, the Roman, the Terrell and the Klondike. An expression from you as to which you want would be appreciated by them.

Diamond Points for Harrows are carried by Sullivan Harrow Co.

Wise Merchants.

The wise Merchants of North and South Carolina are giving us business, because they see at a glance that buying from the Mills and Factories they save the J. J. Miller's or Middle Man's profits. Merchants, we ask you who have never seen our lines of Hosiery, Pants, Clothing, Shoes and Hats drop us a card and let one of our Salesmen call. You will see at a glance it is your interest to be numbered among our grow'ng list of customers. We sell only to Merchants. Wishing you a prosperous New Year—

WEBB & CATER,

Commission Merchants, Anderson, S. C.

Try a guaranteed box of Wilbur's Catle Powders if your stock are not shedding and in good condition. J. S. Fowler.

Money saved is money made, and to do this on a farm you must have the right kind of farming implements and the best labor-saving farm tool on the market is our Key-tone Adjustable Weeder. Call and let us show them to you. Brock Hardware Co.

Was Wasting Away.

The following letter from Robert R. Wata, of Salem, Mo., is instructive: "I have been troubled with kidney disease for the last five years. I lost flesh and never felt well and doctored with leading physicians and tried all remedies suggested without relief. Finally I tried Foley's Kidney Cure, and less than two bottles completely cured me and I am now sound and well." Evans Pharmacy.

In the Spring all Horses, Cattle and Poultry need a Spring tonic. I have the best—Wilbur's Catle Powders. Guaranteed. J. S. Fowler.

W. H. Shoarer, Surveyor, You will find me at Dean & Ruffin's Long distance Phone at my residence.

Interesting to Asthma Sufferers. Daniel Bante, of Otterville, Iowa, writes, "I have had asthma for three or four years and have tried about all the cough and asthma cures in the market and have received treatment from physicians in New York and other cities, but got very little benefit until I tried Foley's Honey and Tar which gave me immediate relief and I will never be without it in my home. I sincerely recommend it to all. Evans Pharmacy."

No good health unless the kidneys are sound. Foley's Kidney Cure makes the kidneys right. Evans Pharmacy.

You will find a big stock of Victor Sweep Wings, all sizes, at Brock Hardware Co.

This is our greatest year. We are proud of our record, and are striving by every honest means to win you for a customer. Give us a trial if you have never done so before. Vaudiver Bros.

Pat Plants and Cut Flowers for sale. Large and small Palms a specialty. Mrs. J. F. Clinkscale, 242 North Main St.

When you want first-class, up-to-date Photos call on GALLAGHER BROS., at their new Studio next door to Ligon & Ledbetter—upstairs. Satisfaction is fully guaranteed to every customer.

Have You a Shoe Need?

If so you are the one we want to see most, for here you will find an excellent line of most serviceable

Shoes, Slippers, Oxford Ties,

Etc., that are to be found in our city. This line embraces all that is correct in Style, Quality, Fit, etc., and when these points are considered the prices are especially attractive. The Men, Women, Children, Misses and Infants can find what they want in this line. We want your next Shoe bill. There is no risk for you, as you get a guarantee that's good. Possibly you haven't bought all your—

Summer Dresses.

If not, we can interest you with our Stock of Muslins, Lawns, Organdies etc. They go at special sale prices.

All the New Trimmings in Laces, Appliques, Bands, Gallons, Medallions, etc. We make special mention of our All Over Embroideries, All Over Laces. Also, a new line of Embroideries, Insertings and Edgings just received.

See our P. K's., Dimities and White Goods.

Our Black Dress Goods are Second to None.

Our Colored Dress Goods are the prettiest.

Full line of Hosiery, Underwear, Novelties, etc.

Also, Fans and Parasols in a splendid assortment.

NEW MILLINERY.

It's to your interest to do your Millinery business with us. All the newest ideas are here. The prettiest Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats and Swell Hats. Ribbons in all the tints and colors. Our entire Store is filled with Goods that please the eye and purse of the economical as well as the extravagant.

When in town make this Store your place of business, and it won't take long for you to realize that here you get the very best values that are to be had anywhere.

Your orders receive special attention, and samples sent when wanted.

Agency for McCall Bazar Patterns—10c and 15c. None better.

Moore, Acker & Co.

IT IS EASY TO ASK FOR

White Star Coffee.

Prepared for the use of critical buyers. From 25c to 40c. per pound, according to the flavor.

By actual test one pound of this Coffee will go as far as two pounds of cheap Coffee, and you have the best Coffee that is roasted.

O. & O. TEA

Is especially blended for ICED TEA at 75c. a pound.

C. FRANK BOLT, THE CASH CROKER.

Lesser & Co.

Grand Opening Sale of New Spring Goods. Our New Spring Stock is now Complete.

THIS MAMMOTH STORE is abloom with New Spring Merchandise. Shelves and counters are piled high with the choicest products money and brains could get together. DRESS GOODS, WASH GOODS, SHOES, HATS, CLOTHING, NOTIONS AND GENTS' FURNISHINGS, all on a broader, more lavish scale than any previous Spring since the birth of this mercantile enterprise. We have brought here this season the grandest, most comprehensive Stock of New Spring Goods ever seen in this city.

We invite you to call and inspect the New Goods. The encouragement that comes with success has spurred us on to greater achievements, and this Spring we'll make the welkin ring with values that will turn the full tide of Spring Trade to the doors of the LESSER BIG STORE.

Every article quoted below is 25 per cent less than you can find them priced elsewhere:

- 20 doz. Ladies Colored Border Handkerchiefs, at..... 1c
15 doz. Ladies White Handkerchiefs, nice quality, worth 5c, at..... 2c
25 gross nice Pearl Buttons, worth 10c, at per dozen..... 5c
20 doz. Felt Window Shades on rollers at only..... 8c
50 dozen Pure Linen Window Shades, worth 35c, at..... 19c
10 doz. Ladies Steel Rod Parasols, fast black, value 65c, only..... 39c
5 doz. Ladies Fine Silk Parasols, regular value \$1.50, at only..... 98c
6 doz. Boys Waists and Shirts, worth 25c each, special..... 15c
One job lot Ladies Leather Belts at only..... 10c
100 White Counterpane, ready hemmed, value \$1.25, at..... 79c
50 doz. Ladies Bleached Gauze Underwear at only..... 5c
10 doz. Ladies Pompadour Caps at only..... 10c
5 doz. Childrens White Lawn Caps at only..... 10c

WASH GOODS BARGAINS.

With a stock of Wash Goods that cannot be surpassed by any retail Store in this section, and prices ruling under any and all other Stores in this city, we start an April Sale of Fine Wash Goods and White Goods that is unprecedented in this State:

- Beautiful line Fine Batiste, sheer and exquisite, worth 12 1/2c, at..... 8c
1000 yards Colored Lawns and Dimity, value 10c, at..... 8c
2000 yards Remnant Colored Dimity at only..... 3c
1500 yards Egingdyne Batiste, value 10c, at only..... 6c
2000 yards New Spring Percales, light and dark ground, value 10c, at..... 7 1/2c
500 yards Reversible Chambray at only..... 5c
Big line New Gingham and Madras, special per yard..... 7c
36-inch Chambray, regular value 12 1/2c, at only..... 10c
800 yards White Lawn, worth regular 5c, at only..... 2 1/2c
1000 yards White Lawn, made to retail at 10c, our price..... 5c

BLACK DRESS GOODS.

Our Black Dress Goods Department is more popular than ever this season. We are showing the most correct novelties for Spring and Summer wear:

- Black Granite Broche Fancy Goods, 40 inches wide, at only..... 20c
48 inch Black Mohair, worth 50c, at only..... 35c
40 inch Black Mohair, worth 35c, per yard..... 25c
NEW SPRING CLOTHING, GENTS' FURNISHINGS, &c.
New Mens Spring Suits, very extra special at..... \$3.25, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.50
New Mens and Boys Caps, value 25c, at only..... 10c
New Gents Four-in-Hand Ties at only..... 10c
New Boys Hats at only..... 10c
New Mens Colored Collars at only four for..... 5c
New line Mens Linen Collars, all sizes and shapes, at only..... 5c
New line Boys Knee Suits, worth \$1.00, at only..... 75c
New line Mens Percale, Madras and Cheviot Shirts, worth 50c, at..... 24c
New line Mens Fancy Socks at only..... 5c
New line Mens White Alpine Hats, worth \$1.00, at only..... 50c

NEW SPRING SHOES AND SLIPPERS.

NEW SPRING MILLINERY.

New line of Chinaware received for Free Premiums. Ask for Coupons.

LESSER & CO.,

ANDERSON, S. C., UNDER MASONIC TEMPLE.

\$3.50

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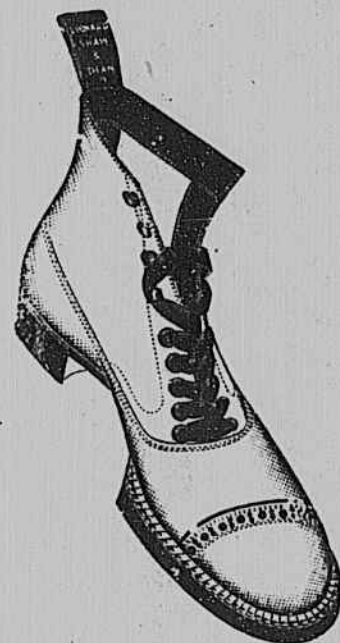


L.S. & D.

We have been handling two makes of Men's \$3.50 Shoes, and in order to keep up the line of sizes we were forced to tie up more money in them than wise business policy would admit of, so we have decided to discontinue one line, and to clean up quick we have cut the price from—

\$3.50 to \$2.50, SPOT CASH!

This is a grand wearing, dressy Shoe, and a great opportunity to get a good pair of Shoes.



This is a plain, simple statement of facts, without color or exaggeration, and should impress you all the more fully.

Our Shoe Department can fit you up in all kinds of—

MEN'S, WOMEN'S, MISSES' and CHILDREN'S

SHOES.

We are clearing out everything but good, high grade qualities, and we will not let anything go into this Shoe Stock that we don't feel satisfied would give good wear.

Don't fail to visit the—

Dry Goods And Millinery Departments This Week.

We are having two interesting sales in each department. Your dollar will carry great weight with us, and will do valiant service for you if spent here.

C. F. JONES CO.