

The Barnwell People.

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LARGEST COUNTY CIRCULATION

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There may be two ways of losing money in the cotton mill business. One is by selling the finished products for less than the cost of the raw material and the expenses of manufacturing.

CONTRIBUTED EDITORIALS.

ANOTHER WORD ABOUT WASTE-FULNESS.

It cannot be denied that our people are a wasteful people and the most serious phase of the situation is the average waste of doing or saying unpleasant things. No sooner had our last article appeared in print than we received a message from an esteemed friend to the effect that we were wrong on this subject.

The Good Book says that they are who are whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. We know that the physician does not always prescribe pleasant remedies for his patients. Neither does a surgeon amputate a limb for the enjoyment of either himself or his subject.

We have always thought that the preacher stood in the stead of the Great Physician to heal our infirmities even should he need the surgeon's knife. Now we have come to think of it, we who all our lives have been numbered among the people called church goers and who have heard hundreds of sermons upon giving, can recall just one sermon upon gathering up the fragments.

But the question arises, whose duty is it to tell the people unpleasant truths which they ought to know? If we are to be cured of our wastefulness we must be willing to be told the truth. But how can we know except we be taught and how can we be taught without a teacher?

The editor of a great and widely read newspaper like the News and Courier has unlimited opportunity for setting the people right on matters of economy. But the Editor of the News and Courier knows that people do not care to hear that they do not wish to know their short comings, that they prefer to wrap themselves in the halo of the deeds of departed ancestors, and so this great man like all his fellows begins to make excuses.

It would not take one jot or one tittle from the glory of the old South. We would in no way detract from the honor of our Calhoun, or Hampton, or Magwood. We love too well the glory of the men who followed in the wake of these leaders. One of our own editors, for the sake of the patriot cause, found a grave at Fishing Creek. Our father showed us in our childhood the battle scar he carried from a Revolutionary war.

The Other Side of the Picture.

If These Lamentations Be Based on Realities Some Good May Be Accomplished by Their Publication. If They Be Just Dreams They Will Do No Harm.

Why is it that with the cotton crop of the United States for 1909 far below the average yield of recent years, with all the nations of the earth in profoundest peace, with more money in the world than ever before, the demand for American cotton goods is so poor and with so little hope or promise of increase that the mills manufacturing them admit in words and by acts that they are in worse conditions than ever before, and are either working short time or quitting work entirely to save themselves from continuing losses?

And when will times be better? These are questions that appeal with greater force to the farmers now planting their crops than to the manufacturers who spin and weave and sell the finished goods.

So far as we are informed these vital questions are new, no great well informed authority has publicly asked them or endeavored to make reply to them. So far farmer and factor, borrower and lender, manufacturer and merchant have continued their different operations, each appearing to have an equal trusting to luck, following the methods of former years and not even dreaming of the need of halt or change of march.

All may have been too busy in chasing the elusive golden calf to see whether it will be caught or lead them into a last estate worse than their first.

The world moves. Times change and so do men. Only principles are eternal and they may at times be forgotten or abandoned.

If time be taken from the present to turn back a decade, and a patient measurement of the new history making events of that period be taken may we not learn that some old things have passed away and new conditions have come to stay.

Let us modestly try, though what we shall now say may be as little listened to as the voice of one crying in the wilderness.

When the so called "war for humanity" was fought and helpless Spain was stripped of her colonial possessions the conquest and forced purchaser of the Philippine Islands was full notice to the world that the United States had voluntarily become a world power and would claim its share of the rich trade of the Orient.

That is our belief. Next, the Japanese, well and fitly styled "the Yankees of the East," were ready for territorial and trade expansion for the relief of their over crowded population.

After long and crafty preparation they attacked the Russian fleet at Port Arthur before a declaration of war was made, and as one result of the great war that followed they virtually absorbed the vexed kingdom of Korea, obtained the master hand in vast Manchuria, a feared influence over the teeming millions of China and a reputation as among the most belligerent powers of the world.

In that conflict with Russia Japan had the sentimental and material sympathy of the white races of Western Europe and the United States, borrowing money to the limit of the national credit, but not expending all in military and naval operations.

For when the Peace of Portsmouth was made the warehouses of the chief Japanese sea ports were filled with American cotton, and in the nearby fields an immense quantity of baled cotton was piled. Possibly much of it was bought with money borrowed from sympathetic American lenders by the Japanese government, for the primary benefit of the island manufacturers and the continental trade of their exporters.

And so a trade war was quietly commenced by these hustlers of the East against the mills and merchants of Western Europe and North America and according to figures that do not lie Europe and America see their trade in cotton goods in the East gradually and growingly decreasing while that of Japan is constantly prospering.

With her young civilization, an unlimited supply of cheap labor, closer economies and unwearied industry Japan has, while professing to keep the open door to the world, gained a standing and prestige and advantage in the trade of the world, from the Arctic circle to the Philippines that Europe and America may not be able to overcome, or rival.

INDIA ADVANCING.

Another factor helping to create and continue this stagnation of the American cotton goods trade is the successful growing of the India crop in larger quantity and better quality. Britain and all Europe for that matter have long been restive against their dependence on this great republic for cotton and every encouragement to its production in their African and Asiatic possessions has been given by governments, business and commercial bodies and even factory operatives. Their national pride and personal interests have been joined in this effort and success seems within grasp in India. The present year's crop in that country of plentiful cheap labor, rich virgin land and no fertilizer bills is estimated at half the expected crop of our Southern States, and experts say that in four or five years if the matter be properly dealt with India can annually grow ten million bales. This Indian cotton is suited to the Asiatic and African needs, and may in time come to be used in this country, for recently ten thousand bales of it have been shipped from Bombay to the United States.

UNIVERSAL EXTRAVAGANCE.

The increase in the volume of money following the marvelous production of gold around the world has made possible and stimulated an unthinking extravagance in speculative investment and personal expenditure that has bonded the industries of every civilized country until they stand like a row of bricks on end and when some accident or intent topples over one all are shaken. The ultimate financial control of the country is transferred into the keeping of a few and political power is usurped by or thrust upon the favorites of the hour. And so though the world be rich beyond precedent in gold and paper wealth the needs of the masses compel them to go scant of cotton apparel that the demands of unsatisfied hunger may be appeased.

The development of railroads too rapidly for the slow increase of farm production, the upbuilding of cities and towns beyond the supporting power of their surrounding communities, the abandoning of farm life for the tawdry attractions of urban existence, the burdens of larger armies and multiplied battle fleets have increased the number and needs of consumers as rapidly as they have lessened the growing of the crops that alone make a people prosperous and free.

With the boll weevil advancing from the West in steady flight, reducing year after year the cotton growing area the outlook for the continuance of the reign of cotton as king with its throne and capital in America is not as rosy as we would like to see it.

And to recover what has been and is being lost in the trade of the far East the time may be threateningly near when war—"the last argument to which kings appeal"—may come and the conflict of Armageddon precede the ushering in of the Millennium.

MR. FEATHERSTONE LOGICAL CANDIDATE.

The paramount issue in the campaign this summer will be the liquor question which in the very nature of the case will divide the people of the State into two general classes, those who favor the legal sale of liquor and those who oppose it. The outlook at present is that at least half a dozen candidates will be announced for governor, and while most of them would doubtless fill the position of chief executive with credit to themselves and to the State, it should not be difficult for the voters who oppose the sale of liquor to make a selection.

Hon. C. C. Featherstone, the first to announce his candidacy for governor, is an able member of the Laurens bar, prominent in councils of the Methodist conference and a man above reproach, both in private life and in public service. In testimony of his high character and ability as a lawyer, Mr. Featherstone has on more than one occasion been commissioned as special judge.

Mr. Featherstone, as every one knows him at all, is every inch and toe against the sale of whiskey in every form. Instead of being a recent convert, enlisting in the ranks after the movement became popular, he is a member of the "old guard." He is a man who took up the fight when prohibition was unpopular; when to espouse the cause meant ignominious defeat. Notwithstanding the fact that his high and unimpeachable standing upon this great moral question caused him to go down in defeat in more than one campaign, he has never swerved an iota or receded from his high stand. Mr. Featherstone has never failed to raise his voice in defense of prohibition in the face of bitterest opposition.

It must indeed be very gratifying to him to see the very marked change that public sentiment has undergone in South Carolina. The cause once so unpopular is now popular, numbering among its advocates not only a majority of the masses of the people but many of the leading men of every profession.

It is to Mr. Featherstone's honor and credit that no individual citizen of South Carolina has been more to be commended for his high and unimpeachable character and his unwavering devotion to duty, the people of South Carolina should make him their next governor. And we confidently believe they will thus reward him.—Edgels Advertiser.

WORKING COL. WATSON.

Commissioner of Agriculture E. J. Watson will have more to do after May 1st than any other State official. In addition to existing labors these new duties are to be his share after May 1st, as stated in the Abbeville Press and Banner.

South Carolina will soon be protected by Feed Inspection law. Recent inspections in Georgia have rounded up tons of feed stuffs which are not fit to be used as such, and no doubt, if thorough investigation were made more would be found on this side of the river.

Some of the provisions of the act are: The name of the article must be given on the outside of the package with analysis of its contents. Commercial feed stuffs includes almost every thing fed to chickens or live stock, except for one offering for sale such feed stuff must file a pound of it with the Commissioner of Agriculture unless he has it from a manufacturer or jobber. Twenty five cents a ton is the tag tax.

It will be unlawful to offer for sale any feed stuff that contains crushed or ground corn. The corn can be sold separately.

The Commissioner of Agriculture shall have the right to enter any place where feed is prepared or stored with the purpose of sampling the same for the purpose of analysis.

In addition to the duties of the commissioner and especially his deputies, of looking after the feed stuffs which enter the State, they are also to see that the pure food and drug law be obeyed.

THE DUTY OF DOCTORS.

During the past session of the state legislature, a bill of considerable importance was passed which will affect the practicing physicians of the entire state. The bill was to compel physicians to report to the local board of health, when practicing in a city, and direct to the state board when practicing in the country the existence of all contagious and infectious diseases within 24 hours after their appearance.

For a failure to conform to this law, a penalty has been attached of \$25 in each case. It is the duty of the secretary of the local Board of Health to keep watch as to this matter.

POINTS REGARDING THE CENSUS.

The census begins April 15 and must be completed in two weeks in cities and thirty days in all other areas. The enumerators will wear a badge inscribed "United States Census, 1910." The law requires every adult person to furnish the prescribed information, but also provides that it shall be treated confidentially, so that no injury can come to any person from answering the questions.

The President has issued a proclamation, calling on all citizens to cooperate with the Census and assuring them that it has nothing to do with taxation, army or jury service, compulsory school attendance, regulation of immigration, or enforcement of any law, and that no one can be injured by answering the inquiries.

It is of the utmost importance that the census of population and agriculture in this state be complete and correct. Therefore, every person should promptly, accurately, and completely answer the Census questions asked by the enumerators.

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NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS.

Any and all persons having claims against the estate of Mrs. E. A. S. Mixson, deceased, are requested to present the same promptly to the undersigned and all persons indebted to said estate will please make prompt payment to me.

William McNab, Attorney in fact for Ezra Wilder, Executor, April 5th, 1910, Barnwell, S. C.

A SON OF LUCK.

That's what Col. Theodore Roosevelt would have called him if he had known the political life members of his own political party from Platt down have tried in vain to switch him off into the non-office holding wilderness. Now after a year of great recreation in killing wild beasts in Africa, he is coming slowly home, gaining in popularity and energy expected to tame the turbulent Republicans who are making things unpleasant for the upholders of the Roosevelt policies. If his luck holds good he will stay quit of politics, and let his record speak for itself and to his historical credit. He has helped mightily to start mischiefs that can not be halted until they run their courses to a finish.

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MASTER'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, County of Barnwell, Court of Common Pleas. Bank of Western Carolina, Plaintiff, against Francis F. Carroll, et al., Defendants.

By virtue of a decretal order to me directed in the above entitled cause, I will sell at Barnwell, in front of the Court House, on Monday, May 2nd, 1910, being a holiday in said month, within the legal hours of sale, the following described real property: All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land situated in the corporate limits of the town of Blackville, Barnwell County, said State, containing two acres, more or less, and bounded on the South by Carroll street; on the North by 12th street; on the East by lot of Levia, and on the West by lot of Gilmore Simms. Terms of sale cash. Purchaser to pay for papers. H. L. O'Bannon, Master. Master's Office, April 29th, 1910.

MASTER'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, County of Barnwell, Court of Common Pleas. Blanche Valarie Addison, an infant, by Etts M. Addison, her guardian ad litem, Plaintiff, against Ben R. Addison, et al., Defendants.

By virtue of a decretal order to me directed in the above entitled cause, I will sell at Barnwell, in front of the Court House, on Monday, May 2nd, 1910, being a holiday in said month, within the legal hours of sale, the following described real property: All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land with the buildings thereon, situated in the Town of Williston, in the County of Barnwell and State of South Carolina, measuring seventy-two feet and six (6) inches by two hundred and ten (210) feet, or one-half length of what is known as the Burkhalter lot, and bounded now or formerly as follows: On the North by lot of H. H. Trotter; on the East by lot of C. A. Bennett; on the South by street separating it from estate lands of Henry Smith and on the West by lot of Mrs. Mary A. Woodward, being the entire property conveyed to me by Lizzie W. Cochran on November 22nd, 1899. Terms of sale cash. Purchaser to pay for papers. H. L. O'Bannon, Master. Master's office, April 9th, 1910.

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