

LATEST COTTON MILL NEWS.

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO TEXTILE WORKERS

North and South Carolina Mills, Their Improvements and Their Advancements--Operative Personals.

[Southern and Western Textile Executor.] J. R. Jones has changed from the mill at W. Durham, N. C., to Rockingham, N. C.

The Mariposa, N. C., cotton mills have placed an order for their additional spinning and twisting.

W. N. Lindsay changes from the Walhalla, S. C., Cotton Mills to the Abbeville, S. C., Cotton Mills.

The Wayne Cotton Mills, of Goldsboro, N. C., have placed an order for additional spoolers for their mill.

L. H. Anderson has left Burlington, N. C., to take a position with Ossipee Mills, Elon College, N. C.

F. J. Anderson has left the employ of the Princeton Mill Co., Athens, Ga., to go with the Anderson, S. C., Cotton Mills.

Ed. S. Richards resigned his position as shipper of the Park Woolen Mills, Rossville, Ga., for the purpose of attending college.

D. B. Rodman, recently superintendent of Walhalla, S. C., Cotton Mills, has been employed as superintendent of Gainesville, Ga., Cotton Mills, and is charge there.

William Jenkins, formerly of Spartan Mills, Spartanburg, S. C., succeeded Samuel Ramsbotham as overseer of spinning at Newberry, S. C., Cotton Mills.

F. W. Goodham has changed from the Richland Cotton Mills Columbia, S. C., to Spartan Mill No. 2, Spartanburg, S. C., as section hand in card and picker rooms.

Fifteen employes of the Clifton, S. C., Cotton Mills No. 1 volunteered for the war, only about half of whom were accepted as filling the requirements to go to the front.

Brickmaking for the Fountain Inn, S. C., cotton mills has been in progress for several weeks. Brickmaking for the Gaffney, S. C., carpet mill has likewise commenced.

As the carding and spinning could not keep up with the weaving in Spartan Mill No. 2, Spartanburg, S. C., the company is installing some new cards and spinning frames there.

"Dee" Sadler, of Charlotte, who has been assistant bookkeeper at the Mtn. Island, N. C., Cotton Mills, left a week ago for Raleigh to join the Q. C. G. military company for the war.

G. R. Spencer, chief engineer and M. M. of the McColl, S. C., Mfg. Co., took a trip this week, including Gastonia, N. C., and Charlotte, staying over at the latter place for the Independence Celebration.

The Wilmington, N. C., cotton mills are making extensive improvements. Seventy new looms are arriving and being set up. They are also modernizing their steam plant and compounding their engines.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Tuckapa Mills, Wellford, S. C., was held on May 10th in Spartanburg, S. C. The old board of directors and officers were re-elected. The reports show the mill to be in a flourishing condition.

The McColl, S. C., Manufacturing Co., purchased their entire 5,000 spindle equipment for their new mill from the Howard & Ballough American Machine Co. They expect to be manufacturing hosiery yarns by August with the machinery.

The Standard Cotton Mills, Rock Hill, S. C., are under a mortgage indebtedness of \$60,000, while the capital stock of the company was \$100,000. As no one would bid on the property at the lowest upset price named by the court--\$40,000--the bondholders will likely take over the property themselves.

The Mayodan, N. C., cotton mills are not contemplating any improvements at present, for the reason that any increase to their capacity will necessitate the erection of another mill, as the present one is fully equipped. While the company has been entertaining the thought of a new mill, still at this time nothing definite in regard to the project can be decided upon. The present mill is running nicely, making mule spun hosiery yarns, etc.

The stockholders of the D. E. Coperve Co., Glendale, S. C., held their annual meeting in Spartanburg, S. C., May 10th. The old board of directors and officers were re-elected. D. E. Converse is president, and A. H. Twichell treasurer. The reports showed the mills to be in the best of shape. On July 1st a 5 per cent. dividend will be paid on their capital stock of \$300,000. The company has 17,280 spindles and 518 looms operating on shirtings and drills.

The Millfort Mill Co., Fort Mill, S. C., have placed an order for their new machinery to replace that burned out in their recent fire. The equipment is to consist of Kitson pickers with the celebrated Kirschner carding beater on the finisher; Whitin improved revolving top flat cards and cooler drawing frames; and Woonsocket roving machinery, including their patented improvements in the way of Parker self-oiling steps, contact gearing, Daly's differential, vertical and angle shaft, etc.

The Neoromantic Novel.

The fact is that any sort of theory about what art or literature should do is of very slight importance in comparison with a knowledge of what it does do. Theoretical criticism is useful in the analysis of actual pleasure, but it is as nothing when weighed in the balance against what we really love. The painters are forever telling us that we are geese to like pictures with a story in them. The dramatists are forever insisting that a play which is merely good to read is no play at all; the poets, that all real sonnets must follow the Petrarchan model; the grammarians and the rhetoricians, that this or that familiar expression is incorrect. Even our histories of literature disdain the favorite reading of the people and discuss only what appeals to the cultured classes.

The attitude of all is at bottom dictatorial. They attempt to prescribe what we shall like, which is as useless as to prescribe what we shall eat. Let these painters and dramatists and poets--so the simple minded people has always said in its heart--offer us what they choose that is beautiful and interesting. So much is the privilege of the maker, the seller. But we are free to enjoy what we choose. That is the privilege of the consumer. If there is beauty we cannot see, we are glad to be reminded of it. If what we like is ugly, explain us that also, and we will look carefully to our preferences. But we, not you, are the judges of our own emotions, and by us in the last resort must your fine theories be tested. Art is your work, but it is our play. We have our work also, which is judged sternly by the laws of supply and demand. In our scant hours of leisure we must play as our nature bids us.

It is, then, as one of the rights of a citizen that we have working people defend our hearty interest in the historical romance.--Forum.

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The reflections of a homely woman are often as unsatisfactory as those of her mirror.

Late to bed and early to rise, prepares a man for his home in the skies. Early to bed and a Little Early Riser the pill that makes life longer and better and wiser. Cherokee Drug Company, Gaffney, and Macon Thornton's Pharmacy, Blacksburg.

The graveyard population would be vastly increased if it was not against the law to kill people.

The Cuban question and political issues sink into insignificance with the man who suffers from piles. What he most desires is relief. De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve cures piles, constipation and all stomach and liver troubles. Cherokee Drug Company, Gaffney, and Macon Thornton's Pharmacy, Blacksburg.

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It's pretty hard for some people to distinguish between what they think they know and what they know they think.

S. E. Parker, Sharon, Wis., writes: "I have tried DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve for itching piles and it always stops them in two minutes. I consider DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve the greatest pile cure on the market. Cherokee Drug Company, Gaffney, Macon Thornton's Pharmacy, Blacksburg.

Minds of great men may run in the same channel, but somehow the channel seems never to become overcrowded.

S. C. P. Jones, Milesburg, Pa., writes: "I have used DeWitt's Little Early Risers ever since they were introduced here and must say I have never used any pills in my family during forty years of house-keeping that gave such satisfactory results as a laxative or cathartic. Cherokee Drug Company, Gaffney, Macon Thornton's Pharmacy, Blacksburg.

Laboring men have 312 working days a year in Hungary, 308 in the United States, 278 in England and 267 in Russia.

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HERO FIRE FIGHTERS

THEIR RISKS INCREASE IN THE RATIO OF OUR PROGRESS.

Their Sacrifices Have in Some Instances Produced Beneficial Laws--But Modern Buildings Add Enormously to Their Work.

Mr. Jacob A. Riis, author of "How the Other Half Lives" and other studies of tenement house life, contributes to The Century in the series of "Heroes of Peace" an article on "Heroes Who Fight Fire." Mr. Riis says of the fireman:

His life is too full of real peril for him to expose it recklessly--that is to say, needlessly. From the time when he leaves his quarters in answer to an alarm until he returns he takes a risk that may at any moment set him face to face with death in its most cruel form. He needs nothing so much as a clear head, and nothing is prized so highly, nothing puts him so surely in the line of promotion, for as advances in rank and responsibility the lives of others as well as his own come to depend on his judgment. The act of conspicuous daring which the world applauds is oftenest to the fireman a matter of simple duty that had to be done in that way because there was no other. Nor is it always or even usually the hardest duty, as he sees it. It can be easy to him because he is an athlete trained to do such things and because, once for all, it is easier to risk one's life in the open, in the sight of one's fellows, than to face death alone, caught like a rat in a trap. That is the real peril which he knows too well, but of that the public hears only when he has fought his last fight and lost.

How literally our everyday security--of which we think, if we think of it at all, as a mere matter of course--is built upon the supreme sacrifice of these devoted men we realize at long intervals, when a disaster occurs such as the one in which Chief Bresnan and Foreman Rooney lost their lives. They were crushed to death under the great water tank in a Twenty-fourth street factory that was on fire. Its supports had been burned away. An examination that was then made of the water tanks in the city discovered 8,000 that were either wholly unsupported, except by the roof beams or propped on timbers, and therefore a direct menace, not only to the firemen when they were called there, but daily to those living under them. It is not pleasant to add that the department's just demand for a law that should compel landlords either to build tanks on the wall or on iron supports has not been heeded yet; but that is unhappily an old story.

Seventeen years ago the collapse of a Broadway building during a fire convinced the community that stone pillars were unsafe as supports. The fire was in the basement, and the firemen had turned the hose on. When the water struck the hot granite columns, they cracked and fell, and the building fell with them. There were upon the roof at the time a dozen men of the crew of Truck Company No 1, chopping holes for smoke vents. The majority clung to the parapet and hung there till rescued. Two went down into the furnace from which the flames shot up 20 feet when the roof broke. One, Fireman Thomas J. Dougherty, was a wearer of the Bennett medal too. His foreman answers on parade day, when his name is called, that he "died on the field of duty." These at all events did not die in vain. Stone columns are not now used in supports for buildings in New York.

So one might go on quoting the perils of the firemen as so many steps forward for the better protection of the rest of us. It was the burning of the St. George flats and more recently of the Manhattan bank, in which a dozen men were disabled, that stamped the average fireproof construction as faulty and largely delusive. One might even go farther and say that the fireman's risk increases in the ratio of our progress or convenience. The water tanks came with the very high buildings, which in themselves offer problems to the fire fighters that have not yet been solved.

The very air shafts that were hailed as the first advance in tenement house building added enormously to the fireman's work and risk as well as to the risk of every one dwelling under their roofs by acting as so many huge chimneys that carried the fire to the open windows opening upon them in every story. More than half of all the fires in New York occur in tenement houses. When the tenement house commission of 1894 sat in this city, considering means of making tenements safer and better, it received the most practical help and advice from the firemen, especially from Chief Bresnan, whose death occurred only a few days after he had testified as a witness. The recommendations upon which he insisted are now part of the general tenement house law.

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"Yours Truly."

The habits of people in signing letters are receiving some attention, and interesting conclusions are drawn from a study of the different ways writers subscribe themselves. The curt "Yours" and "Yours truly" are found not only in business letters, but in personal notes as well, for there are plenty of correspondents who don't believe in gush and who think that "Yours truly" or "sincerely" means about all they wish to convey. Opposed to these sensible and essentially practical persons is that class of writers made up usually of young and enthusiastic individuals, as a rule of the gentle sex, who throw words about as carelessly on paper as they do in conversation. The use of the word "love" by such people is a distressing sign of emotional weakness, of carelessness or of insincerity and possibly arises from the same impulse that prompts women to kiss each other indiscriminately.

One Boston girl has taken her own stand in the matter, and at the risk of being considered "cold" and "thoroughly Boston" she sticks to it. In her childhood she was taught to sign "affectionately yours" to her faraway grandparents and second cousins, some of whom she had never seen, but all of whom she tried to like, because of the claims of kindred, and the word "affectionately" came to mean to her nothing at all except polite and necessary fiction. So she signs "affectionately" to people she is supposed to be conventionally fond of, and when she says anything more she means it. She thoroughly approves of "cordially yours," and this, by the way, is seen more and more frequently now in notes between acquaintances who are on distinctly friendly or cordial terms. After all, "your friend," which can be used truthfully, is a simple and satisfactory way of ending friendly letters. Some people have the habit of not preface their names with any set form of words at the end of letters. They stop when they get through and write their signatures without any frills.--Boston Journal.

The Spanish Language.

Habla V. Espanol? Perhaps not. It is a very pretty tongue, however. There is Latin in it of course. Then there are Punic, Gothic and Arabic. In these elements reside its construction and its history. Spain means "hidden." A long time ago the Carthaginians discovered the country. When the Romans discovered it, too, they threw a toga over it. The Visigoths struck their gutturals there. The Moors brought their filigrees and arabesques. Latin was beaten in with the hilt of the sword, Gothic with a trowel and Arabic with a scimitar. From those three assaults the Spanish of today is the result.--Edgar Saltus in Collier's Weekly.

Comparing Notes.

"And you have seen Naples! I shall never forget my first view of the lovely bay. "See Naples and die!" "I thought I should die when I smelled it."--Chicago Tribune.

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A Card.

BLACKSBURG, May 23rd, 1898. EDITOR GAFFNEY LEDGER: Dear Sir--In your last issue I find the following item:

Mr. Hardin is Called On. BLACKSBURG, May 17.--The tax-payers of Cherokee county and the friends of S. W. Hardin announce him as a candidate for the Senate and ask that he publicly express his willingness to become a candidate.

TAX PAYER. Now, some of the tax payers and voters of Cherokee county, in whose behalf your correspondent has undertaken to speak, would like to know the name of the author of said "announcement," and I may add that the inquiry is not made because many are INCLINED to believe that the author of said announcement is the brother-in-law of the candidate he undertook to announce in behalf of the said tax payers and voters of this county, nor, because of the fact that many are inclined to believe that the author of said announcement has no property in his name, and has never been known to pay any tax whatsoever except the \$2.00 commutation street tax, and that only lately said correspondent having been heretofore connected with the administration of the town and therefore exempt from said tax, nor because many are MORE THAN INCLINED to believe, that, the author of said "announcement" (?) if not a republican, has strong republican proclivities.

Surely Mr. Editor, one who is such an ardent admirer, nay idolater, of our "DISTINGUISHED AND INTELLECTUAL" fellow citizen, Noah Webster Hardin should not be ashamed to make his name public in announcing his idol as a candidate for State Senator.

It seems to me that if I should recognize such sterling qualities in a man, as your correspondent thinks Mr. Hardin possesses, I would not be ashamed to sign my name to the announcement of his candidacy--though a brother-in-law, and especially when I presume to speak for the tax payers and voters of Cherokee county--UNLESS--I did not believe that the gentleman possessed those qualities, and I was simply acting as his willing tool, or because I had some sinister motive.

EDWARD A. TRESGOT.

Star Farm Statements.

(Correspondence of The Ledger.) STAR FARM, May 23.--We are having some very nice weather now but rather dry.

We are needing rain very bad. Cotton is not up to a stand here. We are hoeing it out now.

Wheat and oats are fine. They will soon do to reap. Mr. Davis J. Jefferies' wife is gradually improving.

THE HUSTLER.

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GAFFNEY BRANCH.

Table with columns for North Bound and South Bound, listing train routes and times between Gaffney, Cherokee Falls, etc.