

PROGRESS IN MILL CIRCLES.

Many New Mills Being Built in North Carolina—Vast Quantities of Mill Machinery Being Sold.

North Carolina is building more new mills than any other Southern State, remarked a well-known cotton mill machinery agent to an Observer reporter yesterday. "In addition to those already under way, several are in contemplation and quite a large number are increasing their equipment. What is said of North Carolina may also be said of South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama. It seems that North Carolina is building more new mills but the others are increasing their capacity to a larger extent. The machinery men are reaping a rich harvest. The demands are unprecedentedly large and it is all that can be done to keep pace with the letters of inquiry that are coming in every day.

For instance, the Catawba Mills, at Newton, are adding more machinery, also are the Mills at Moore, in under construction and will be finished before many months. Two new mills are contemplated at Lumberton, and several are being built at Rockingham. The month seldom passes but that some new mill or additions to the old are chronicled at Gastonia or Concord. Many of the smaller towns, such as Mt. Holly, Waxhaw, and the like, are either building or beginning to build new mills.

Machinery men believe that the future has much in store for the sections adjacent to Charlotte, Concord, Salisbury, Gastonia, Rock Hill, S. C. and Spartanburg, S. C., owing to the remarkable power development which is in progress. It is believed that the coming decade is to be noted for the industrial development of this piedmont section of the Carolinas. No one recognizes the possibilities of this section better than the big machinery manufacturers of the North. The fact is very generally known that many of these big concerns are sending or making ready to send some of their very best men into this territory in order to look after the trade which they believe is soon to be developed.

Charlotte is coming in for her share of the offices of these machinery agents. This is Southern headquarters for the White, Wagoner, Kilton, and Westinghouse machine companies, represented by Mr. Stuart W. Cramer; the Saco & Pettee Machine Company, represented by Mr. A. E. Washburn; Compton & Knowlton Loom Works, represented by Alexander & Garsed; and the Mason Machine Works, represented by Mr. Edwin Howard.

THE GREAT MASS MEETING.

Invitations Issued to Men's Organizations.

The following invitations have been issued: The Churches of Charlotte invite all the organizations of Men in the City to the Greatest Mass Meeting of Men ever held in Charlotte at the First Presbyterian Church, Sunday afternoon, March twenty-fifth, half past four o'clock.

Rev. Martin D. Hardin, D. D., will deliver the address. Each order is requested to march to the Church in a body.

The following named organizations will be represented: The Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, the Order of Railway Conductors, Woodmen of the World, Ancient Free & Accepted Masons, Junior Order United American Mechanics, Improved Order of Red Men, Knights of Pythias, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Manufacturers' Club, North State Club, Charlotte Artillery, Hornet's Nest Rifles, Printing Pressmen's Union, Charlotte Typographical Union, Carpenters and Joiners, No. 558, Iron Molders' Union, National Association of Machinists, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Commercial Telegraphers.

DEATH OF MR. C. B. TRUMBO.

Well-Known Clothing Salesman Passes Away in New York.

Mr. H. C. Long received a telegram yesterday afternoon announcing the death of Mr. Charles B. Trumbo, a well-known clothing salesman of New York. Mr. Trumbo had been sick for some time and was operated on yesterday in one of the large hospitals of that city. He did not rally from the operation and death resulted in the afternoon at 4 o'clock. Deceased was native of Charleston, S. C., where it is likely the remains will be carried for interment.

The deceased had many friends in Charlotte and this section, who will regret to learn of his untimely death.

Feeding Cattle for the Market is Profitable.

Mr. A. Hellstern, of Richmond, Va., is a dealer in live stock and to a large extent supplies the butchers for the Richmond market. Mr. Hellstern was at Rock Hill a few days ago and bought there some of the best quality of cattle which had been fed on cotton seed meal and hulls. He declared that the production of cattle in the Southern States is constantly growing, both in respect to numbers and the quality of the cattle. In almost every town where there is an oil mill, there are people who now feed more or less cattle for the market. It is not only possible to make fair profit on the cattle but the resultant manure is a better fertilizer than any that can be otherwise obtained.

Yarborough & Bellinger to Incorporate.

Yarborough & Bellinger, dealers in junk and coal, have applied to Secretary of State J. Bryan Grimes for a charter for the company, which will be re-organized as a corporation as soon as the papers are returned. The capital stock of the company will be \$125,000 and the incorporators are Messrs. J. A. Yarborough, George H. Bellinger, D. H. Yarborough and J. A. McCall. The company has been one of the most prosperous in the city and is now preparing to do business on a larger scale.

Stockholders Pleased.

Mr. C. Vaiser returned to the city yesterday from King's Mountain, where he attended the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Lulu Mill. The stockholders re-elected the old board of directors, which in turn re-elected the old officers. Mr. P. S. Baker is president of the company. Among the stockholders present were Messrs. Albert Carry and E. Partner, Jr., of Washington. The mill was found to be in a prosperous condition.

TORTURE BY SAVAGES.

"Speaking of the torture to which some of the savage tribes in the Philippines subject their prisoners, one of the intensest suffering I endured for three months from inflammation of the bowels," writes W. E. Jordan, of Columbia, Mo. "Nothing helped me until I tried Electric Bitters, three bottles of which completely cured me. I cured my Liver Complaint, Dyspepsia, Blood Disorders and Malaria; and restores the weak and nervous to robust health. Guaranteed by R. H. Jordan & Co., Druggists. Price 50c."

ONLY A FIRE IN THE STOVE.

Department Makes Fine Run, but Discovers Nothing More Serious Than a Fire in the Stove.

A few minutes before 4 o'clock yesterday morning Officer Cliff Bell observed a light in the rear of Rhyme Brothers' store, at No. 226 East Trade street, which acted very suspiciously. It flickered up, then died down, blazed up again. Just as if there was a fire creeping from point to point amid the dry material of the office, Officer Bell tried to break in, but the door was locked and barred. No response came to his knocks, and he believed that a fire had broken out in the store, which he had had the good fortune to see before it had made its way into the building proper. He hurried into the adjoining stable and forthwith turned in an alarm. The fire department responded at once, the engine, the trucks and the hose wagons thundered upon the scene as if anticipating a conflagration. Chief O'Brien with a light broke into the store and led the party back to the office.

"Where is the fire?" asked the chief, of the apparently sleeping man who stretched himself in a half dazed fashion, when the door was thrown open.

"In the stove," was the frank answer that he gave the fire fighters. "You didn't think there was a fire here, did you?" he asked when he had recovered himself a little. "Well, I'd be swan."

The firemen in disgust betook themselves to the stamping horses outside, and returned to the station.

FUNERAL OF MRS. J. S. SMITH.

Interment to be Made at Milton This Afternoon—The Funeral Yesterday Afternoon.

The funeral of Mrs. Julia Susan Smith, widow of the late Major Thomas McGhee Smith, took place at the home on West Trade street yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. J. H. Boynton, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. The remains were carried to Milton last night and the interment will be made there this afternoon. The services at the grave were conducted by Rev. Dr. E. E. Harding, who during the war, was chaplain of Major Smith's regiment.

The pall-bearers at the funeral yesterday afternoon were: Dr. J. F. Robertson, Capt. A. G. Beninger, Prof. G. B. Hanna, Capt. A. J. Beall and Messrs. E. D. Latta, C. W. Tillett, John W. Zimmerman, T. W. Hawkins, Dr. R. J. Brevard and Archie Graham.

EDITOR W. F. MARSHALL TALKS.

No Developments in the Gastonia Squabble—Matter to be Brought Up at May Term of Court.

Mr. W. F. Marshall, the well-known editor of the Gastonia Gazette, spent yesterday in the city. "Your relations with the Gastonia aldermen, what of them?" asked an Observer reporter.

"Nothing new," replied Mr. Marshall. "The situation remains unchanged. The grand jury did not return any bill at the recent term of court. I assure you, however, that the proper papers will be issued before the next term of court, which convenes in Dallas in May. In the meantime everything remains in statu quo. There is no need of any haste and consequently there are no developments."

DOCTORS ARE PUZZLED.

The remarkable recovery of Kenneth McVeary, of Vanover, Me., is the subject of much interest to the medical fraternity and wide circle of friends. He says of his case: "Owing to severe inflammation of the throat and congestion of the lungs, three doctors gave me up to die, when, as a last resort, I was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery and I am happy to say, it saved my life. It cures the worst Coughs and Colds, Bronchitis, Toncillitis, Weak Lungs, Hoarseness and La Grippe. Guaranteed at R. H. Jordan & Co., drug store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free."

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Mr. Paschall resided here, having charge of the State agency of the Home Insurance Company, of New York. Later he went to Canada to take the position of superintendent of agencies for a large Canadian Fire Insurance Company. He has been secured to take charge of the Atlanta district for the E. G. Siebels combination of companies. There is no better insurance expert in the South than Mr. Paschall and his many Charlotte friends will be rejoiced to hear of his very deserved promotion.

Milinery Opening of J. B. Ivey & Co.
The spring milinery opening of Messrs. J. B. Ivey & Company takes place Wednesday and Thursday, Tuesday evening from 8 to 9:30 o'clock, a reception will be given in the store rooms at which Prof. L. DeGrasse Abbott and the Academy of Music Orchestra will perform.

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