THE SOUTHERN COTTON CO.

CHARTER IS ALREADY DRAFTED.

The National Executive Committee of the Southern Cotton Association to Meet in Atlanta, Next Week, to Consider the Charter of the $100,000,000 "So-Called Farmers' Trust" President C. C. Moore, of Charlotte, Will Attend—The Charter in Detail.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Southern Cotton Association will be held in Atlanta, Ga., next Thursday, for the purpose of discussing the draft of the charter of the Southern Cotton Company, submitted for ratification by a special committee consisting of Messrs. J. P. Allison, of Concord; Chairman E. D. Smith, of South Carolina; S. A. Witherspoon, of Mississippi, and J. A. Maxwell, of Louisiana. The organization of this $100,000,000 corporation for the purpose of purchasing, selling and warehousing cotton was recommended by the national executive committee at its meetinf in Hot Springs, Ark., several months ago. A special committee, consisting of the above-mentioned members of the Southern Cotton Association, was appointed to take the matter under advisement and draft a charter.

Owing to the fact that wide interest is being manifested all over the South in this monster corporation of farmers, the charter in full is given, the copy being furnished by President C. C. Moore, of the North Carolina division of the Southern Cotton Association. The charter follows:

"Section 1.—The object, purpose and business of this corporation shall be the purchasing, selling and warehousing of cotton.

"Section 2.—The authorized capital stock of this corporation shall be one hundred million dollars, and it shall be authorized to begin business when $10,000,000 of its capital stock shall have been subscribed and paid in. The shares of stock shall be of the par value of $5 each, and shall be paid for either in cash, or in cotton at the minimum price fixed by the board of directors.

"Section 3.—The company shall devote its entire capital to the purchase of cotton at the minimum price fixed by the board of directors, and shall purchase all cotton offered for sale at said price, without regard to what may be considered the market price, excepting such part of its capital as its board of directors may deem wise to invest in the construction, purchase, or leasing of warehouses, and in defraying the expenses of the business of the company.

"Section 4.—The company is authorized to borrow money on such terms as its board of directors may deem wise and authorize, and to pledge its cotton and other assets as security for such loans, and to purchase cotton at said minimum price with the money so borrowed.

"Section 5.—The company shall sell all of its cotton, or any part thereof, whenever and as fast as it may be able to obtain the price paid therefor, plus the expenses incidental to the transaction.

"Section 6.—The control and management of said corporation shall be vested in a board of 38 directors, seven of whom shall be elected by the stockholders living in the State of Texas; three by the stock holders living in the State of Arkansas; four by the stockholders living in the State of Louisiana; two by the stockholders living in the State of Oklahoma; two by the stockholders living in the State of Tennessee; four by the stockholders living in the State of Mississippi; four by the stockholders living in the State of Alabama; four by the stockholders living in the State of Georgia; three by the stockholders living in the State of South Carolina, and three by the stockholders living in the State of North Carolina.

"Section 7.—The officers of said company shall be a president, a vice president, a secretary and a treasurer, who shall be elected by the board of directors, and whose terms of office, duties, obligations, and compensation shall be fixed and determined by the board of directors.

"Section 8.—The president, secretary and treasurer, and the directors elected by the stockholders in each State shall constitute a board invested with the power and authority to manage, control and direct the affairs of the company in said State, in all matters subject to and in pursuance of the provisions of this charter, and subject to the control and direction of the general board of directors.

"Section 9.—The board of directors shall prepare, adopt and pass all by-laws for the management of this corporation and for the transaction of its business, subject to the provisions of this charter.

"Section 10.—All the cotton, funds and assets of said corporation shall be kept and retained in the State and localities in which the same were contributed or raised, as nearly as possible, and said funds shall not be removed and used in the purchase of cotton in other States or localities than those in which they were raised, or contributed, unless so ordered by the president and his advisory board, and then only for such length of time as in the judgment of the board the necessity or reason for such removal may exist.

"Section 11.—Each of the officers and agents of this corporation shall be required to execute a bond with good and sufficient securities to be approved as the by-laws require, conditioned for the faithful discharge of their duties, and in a penalty amply sufficient to cover all funds that may come into the hands of such officer or agent.

"Section 12.—An advisory board shall be provided for by the by-laws of the company, which shall fix number, membership duties, and compensation of said board.

"Section 13.—The company is authorized to lend such of its capital as it may not need for the purchase of cotton on such terms and with such securities as may be fixed by the by-laws."

WIL BUILD NEW FLATS.

Brown & Company Preparing to Erect Building With Eight Apartments On East Eighth Street—Will Cost $25,000.

Brown & Company are having plans and specifications prepared for a new row of flats to be erected on East Eighth street between Tryon and College streets. The new flats will contain eight apartments, four containing five rooms each, on the first floor and four containing four rooms each on the second floor. The entire building will be heated by steam from a central plant, and will be equipped and finished throughout in a modern manner. It will be two stories high and have a basement.

The building will be constructed of hollow concrete building blocks and will be handsome in design. Mr. J. C. Herron, who wil furnish the blocks, has already built a small plant on the lot and will begin at once to manufacture the blocks and roofing tile. The building will cost about $25,000.

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A SUB-WAY BRIDGE ORDERED.

Board of Aldermen Meet and Pass an Ordinance Authorizing the Opening Up of East Stonewall Street and Ordering the Southern Railway Authorities to Put in There a Sub-Way Bridge.

The Observer a few days ago made mention of the fact that the Southern Railway had begun the construction of a spur track running parallel with South College street east of the old rock quarry. At the intersection of East Stonewall street extension it was proposed to put in a 10-foot fill, in order to maintain the level of the other tracks.

As soon as City Attorney Hugh W. Harris learned that the railway officials intended to change the grade and place other obstructions in the way of East Stonewall street extension, he immediately notified Mayor S. S. McNinch and advised that a meeting of the board of aldermen be called to consider the matter.

The board met at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon and after discussing the situation and conferring with City Attorney Harris, the following resolution was adopted: "Resolved, That the street committee be authorized to open East Stonewall street, with a width of 50 feet, running from its intersection with South College street to its intersection with South Brevard street; that the present grade of Stonewall street at its intersection with College street be preserved, and that the mayor and said committee are hereby authorized to institute a suit or suits and obtain an injunction against any person or corporation proposing to alter the grade thereof or to obstruct the opening up of said street."

An ordinance was also drafted and adopted. This ordinance reads as follows: "Be it ordained by the board of aldermen of the city of Charlotte: Whereas the first corporate limits of this city on the south were fixed by amendments to the charter in 1852 and 1896, by a line at or near Morehead street, and the present plan of the city streets within that limit was then adopted; and East Stonewall street was laid off as a street by said plan, and whereas afterwards the track of the Charleston, Columbia & Augusta Railroad Company and of the Southern Railway Company were afterwards so constructed as to prevent the easy and convenient crossing by all of the streets south of Trade, which run eastward, especially Stonewall, First, Second and Third streets; and whereas the only streets that have a crossing of said tracks, now in use, are neither easy nor safe to travel; and whereas the track of said railroads are now owned or leased by the Southern Railway Company and it is deemed necessary for the public use and convenience to have East Stonewall street opened up and improved by a sub-way crossing under both of said railroad tracks, Resolved,

"Section 1. That East Stonewall street running from its intersection with College street crossing said railroad tracks to its intersection with South Brevard street, as showing by Beer's and Butler's map of the city, be opened up under the tracks of said railroad at the point where said street crosses said railroad, and of the same width as the street shall be laid out.

"Section 2. That the Southern Railway be notified to build and maintain a sub-way bridge of approved plans and specifications over said street at said crossing.

"Section 3. That the street committee be authorized to open up said street, with a width of fifty feet, under supervision of the city engineer; that the excavation made by the rock quarry be filled up to the present grade of Stonewall street so as to constitute an approach to a sub-way bridge under said railroad, and that if thes aid Southern Railway Company should decline to agree within five days to open, build and maintain said sub-way within a reasonable time, the street committee are hereby authorized to have said work done and charge the cost thereof to said railway company.

"Section 4. That this ordinance shall be in force on and after 2nd day of November, 1906."

DEATH OF LITTLE GIRL.

Miss Nell Reid Died Last Night After Long Illness.

Little Nell Reid, the nine-year-old daughter of Rev. and Mrs. D. L. Reid, died last night at 8:30 o'clock at the home of her parents in the Dowd flat, on the Boulevard, Dilworth. For the past three weeks the child has been ill with typhoid fever and was critically ill almost from the time she was taken sick.

She was born in Virginia while her father was a member of the Baltimore Conference. For the past two years the family has resided in Charlotte, where they have formed many friends who will sympathize with them in this sorrow.

The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Margaret Wilson Society Entertains the Baracca Class.

The Margaret Wilson Society of the Second Presbyterian church entertained the members of the Baracca class and their friends last night in the Sunday school room. A goodly number attended and a most enjoyable evening was passed. Among the features were the apple lobby matches, three witches, who were, namely, Eunice Anderson, Bleeker Reed and Mary Henderson, but the most attractive of all was the gypsy fortune teller, Miss Essie Stokes, who in fact looked and acted the part to perfection. At 10:30 cake and coffee were served by the ladies and the Baracca class extends its thanks to the Margaret Wilson Society.

Death of Well-Known Woman.

Miss Elizabeth H. Baxter, an aunt of Mr. B. D. Springs and Mrs. John M. Scott, of this city; Mr. E. B. Springs, of New York, and Col. Leroy Springs, of Lancaster, S. C., died at her home in Shreveport, La., one day this week. She was 87 years old.

Miss Baxter was a very attractive woman. She had traveled all over the country and was well-educated, well-informed and cultured. She had a number of friends in this section of the country.

Will Look After Quail Shooters.

It has been noised about in the city that two special game wardens, after the order of detectives, have been sent to this county to look after quail shooters. Although it is a number of weeks until the bird season is on here, it is said by farmers and others that hunters are in the field every day. The special officers, the names of which cannot be ascertained, are going to try to make it interesting for the guilty ones if they locate them.

Handsome Nursery Calendar.

The J. Van Lindley Nursery Company, with headquarters at Pomona, near Greensboro, has issued a very handsome calendar displaying their various floral designs. This company, through its Charlotte representative, Miss Mamie Bays, is doing a nice business here. It makes a specialty of cut flowers of all kinds, which are as beautiful as those to be found in any of the floral gardens.

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WILL FORM $100,000 COMPANY.

Corporation to be Organized With Large Backing to Manufacture and Sell The Herron Concrete Machine—Southern Concrete Machinery Company Will Build Foundry and Plant.

The Southern Concrete Machinery Company will be the name of a corporation being formed for the purpose of taking over the patents of Mr. J. C. Herron for his machine for manufacturing hollow concrete building blocks and roofing tile and manufacturing and selling machines throughout the South. The company will organize with a capital of $100,000 and will build a foundry and plant for the manufacture of the machine. The principal promoters of the new enterprise are well-known Charlotte business men.

The company will put a force of salesmen on the road in every Southern State and sell direct to contractors, selling a complete outfit for $75. The Herron machine has several advantages over other machines sold in the North and West. It is easily adjusted and one machine makes several sizes and styles of blocks.

An independent company, composed principally of the stockholders in the larger corporation, will shortly be organized to manufacture building blocks and the roofing tile. The site of the plant has not yet been selected.

FIRE IN CENTRAL HOTEL.

Careless Negro Pours Hot Ashes in Box of Paper and Puts the Box in Closed Closet—Negro Cabin Burns.

A few minutes after the noon hour yesterday an alarm was turned in from the box on the square, No "36." The department responded in double quick time only to discover a blazing box of rags and papers in one of the hall closets on the second floor of the Central Hotel. A fool negro boy had poured a lot of hot ashes in a box of papers and had then serenely placed the box in a closet out of everybody's way. Another darkey passing a few minutes later detected the odor of burning rags and observed traces of smoke oozing out of the door cracks. He forthwith gave the alarm. Chief Orr, with his hand chemical apparatus, extinguished the blaze without difficulty.

The department had hardly gotten back to the station house on East Fifth street when an alarm rang in from the box on the corner of Mint and Hill streets. When the firemen reached there they saw the roof of a negro cabin blazing near at hand. The fire was extinguished in short order, the damage being small.

HOW THE BETTING IS GOING.

Odds Being Given on Hackett in the Eighth Congressional District.

Wide interest is being manifested in the result of the election next Tuesday. Many small bets have been recorded. Odds of two to one have been given on Hughes in the New York election and a little money has been offered at three to two on Hackett in the eighth district, against Spencer Blackburn for Congress. One prominent Charlotte citizen was heard to make the bet yesterday that Cabarrus county would give Hackett a majority of 250 votes. The same citizen bet that Blackburn would not be able to carry Stanley county. The on wager on the result of the election in Mecklenburg county was that offered yesterday on the legislative ticket. A well-known Democrat bet that Mr. W. C. Dowd's majority for the house would be as large as the total vote cast for Mr. J. F. Newell. No other bets have been offered so far.

A DEMOCRATIC PRINCE.

The Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha and His Wife.

New York World.

The Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha is the most democratic man of royal blood in the German empire. A son of the late Duke of Albany, a grandson of the late Queen Victoria, and a cousin of the Kaiser, he is one of the simplest of German princes. His early Eton training has banished all "side" from him, and he is a "man among his own" in Coburg and Gotha. He and his wife conduct life on lines which are possible to many of his subjects. The couple go down to the village market with a servant behind in plain clothes, carrying a basket for their purchases. The duke really enjoys this sort of thing.

The other day the ducal pair visited a sausage booth at the village fair and ricted on Thuringian sausage and beer, a crowd of yokels looking on and devouring their sausages.

When their son was born, the duke, in his elation, rushed out of the castle down to the guardhouse, turned out the guard, and cried out excitedly: "Fellows, what do you think? It is a boy!" Then he marched them into town and to every acquaintance he met he imparted the momentous intelligence, blushing all the time like a boy.

The duke is a most persistent "kodakalst," and wherever he goes his kodak accompanies him. When he can find no suitable subject there is always the baby to photograph, and he already has taken more than 100 pictures of this innocent—sleeping and waking, feeding crying, smiling.

The duke is also a good amateur musician. He owns a "strad," worth $50,000, and plays to his wife's accompaniment Spohr and Beethoven and Mozart. When the Duchess Marie of Coburg and the Grand Duke Cyril and his wife are in Coburg they have concerts together, and invite to the castle the notables of the little capital. To the duke always falls the loudest applause, and he blushes and bows awkwardly in his stiff court uniform.

He enjoys a game of tennis with the "boys" down in Coburg, and when they are heated they have a glass of beer together. He misses football, and if he has time this winter he will train a team on the strength of his Eton remembrances. He and his cousin Wilhelm II are great friends.

STUDYING RACE QUESTION.

Ray Stannard Baker, Well-Known Magazine Staff Writer, in Columbia—Will Look Into Atlanta Riot.

Columbia State.

Mr. Ray Stannard Baker, magazine writer and part owner of The American Magazine, had long talks yesterday with several citizens of Columbia on the race problem. Mr. Baker is in the South to learn something, as he expressed it. He wants facts and figures about the situation and for that reason he is visiting a number of the leading cities and conferring with those who have studied the matter "closer home."

Mr. Baker yesterday called on Gov. Heyward and while in the office met others who were in a position to give him some of the facts he sought. He was told the situation just as it has been explained many times in The State and other Southern papers and afterwards said that this was practically the information he had gathered elsewhere in the South.

Mr. Baker leaves for Atlanta to-day, where he will look into the primary causes of the recent race riot there and consult with the people as he did in Columbia. He will return to Columbia in a few days and from here will go to Charleston. He wishes to visit some of the large plantations on the coast and some of the islands and become acquainted with the "gullah" of that section. Afterwards he will return to New York for the preparation of his series of articles.

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Amusements

Winsome Annie Russell, who is appearing as "Puck" this season in Wagenhals & Kemper's production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" is the victim of a newspaper paragraph.

Several months ago a misguided friend who wanted to surprise the actress with a complimentary personal notice and lacked an excuse to get it into the columns of a certain literary paper, began the item with the false statement that the actress was writing a book to be called "Secrets of the Stage." It attained an amazing circulation. A city daily copied it and it spread to the country; newspapers began to publish editorials expressing an anxiety to know just how much Miss Russell knew of her subject.

Messrs Wagenhals and Kemper, managers for Miss Russell, vigorously denied the story, but the paragraph went on its way. Miss Russell became angry and wrote letters, but the paragraph spread like measles. Clipping bureaus sent it to her by the yard from every part of the country.

That paragraph is still traveling, it was last seen in New Mexico, having come East from the Pacific coast, where it lingered for weeks, visited nearly every town that owned a newspaper.

Miss Russell seldom peruses the public prints nowadays for fear she may come across the hated announcement.

John Bunny, who is playing "Bottom" in "A Midsummer Night's Dream," in which Annie Russell, as "Puck" will appear in this city shortly, was educated for the priesthood. He hight have been wearing the clerical garb at this minute, if he had not happened to go to work for the New York Central as a clerk in order to have money to continue his studies. After he had worked on an average of eighteen hours a day, holidays included, and got to the point where he thought he had increased the earning capacity of the road by several millions per annum, he went to the chief clerk one day and in his well rounded voice said:

"Isn't it about time I was getting more money?"

"More money!" gasped the head clerk. "Why, we were just thinking of discharging you, you're no good, anyhow, except to talk loud. You ought to go on the stage."

And he took the advice, he made his professional appearance in 1883, in the "Stranglers of Paris" at the old Park Theatre, where David Belasco was making his first appearance as stage manager.

Since that day Mr. Bunny has never regretted taking the chief clerk's advice, and that same clerk, now president of a New York bank, was one of the first to make application for a seat for the initial performance of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" at the Astor Theatre.

Those lovers of romance who have read and been enthralled by Owen Wister's powerful novel, "The Virgilian," and have not been able to see the play, will now be given an opportunity to see this delightful creation on the stage. Kirke La Shelle collaborated with the author in the dramatic version which comes to the Academy this month. Dustin Farnum will be seen in the title role, as played by him with such marked success ever since its initial production.

For the privilege of hearing Madame Gadski in concert, music lovers throughout the country may thank the fate which prompted the famous soprano to leave the Conried forces at the Metropolitan Opera House three years ago.

Of the few noted prima donnas touring the country this year, first place would probably be accorded Gadski. Her marvelous voice and dramatic temperament have combined to win her fame as one of the greatest Wagnerian sopranos of the day. Moreover, she possesses youth, a quality which few who have attained distinction can boast. Beautiful of face, and magnetic of personality, it is not at all surprising that she should have won widespread popularity—a popularity which has made three successive concert tours possible.

The prima donna is accompanied on her tour this year, as last, by her husband and little daughter, Lottchen. The former is a retired army officer of wealth and prominence.

FEATS OF STRENUOSITY.

Modern Circus Athletes Rival the Strength and Daring of the Olympians.

The greatest era in Roman history was the period when athletic sports were most in vogue, and when the people not only enjoyed and applauded feats of strength, skill and daring, but also vied with one another in developing their own muscles and physique. The Roman athletes were the marvel of the world. They learned their cleverness from the Greeks, and then readily outdistanced their teachers. The end of the Roman Empire followed the enervating effects of indolence and the loss of physical supremacy among the Roman people.

In recent years there has been a distinct revival of the strenuous life—and particularly that kind of strenuous life that has to do with physical culture and sports and pastimes that bring cultivated muscle and intelligently developed strength into play. The clever boxer, the collegiate high-jumper who finds that physical excellence is not detrimental to intellectual growth; the maker of running and swimming records, and the star football player, all have their place in the make-up of modern society.

As an exponent of physical culture the up-to-date circus has made a place for itself that is decidedly unique. Nowhere else can the highest class of muscular development, combined with physical beauty, skill and daring be found in such generous multiplicity. It is probable that Rome and Athens, in their palmiest days, could not boast athletes capable of discounting the gymnasts of such a modern arena as that of the Barnum & Bailey greatest show on earth. A list of acrobats featured with the big show this season includes noted families of athletes from all parts of the world. A little booklet, issued by the Barnum & Bailey management, gives this interesting information regarding the acrobats with the show.

The Florenz troupe comprises ten men, women and children. They are Italians, and have won signal success in the European circuses. These clever artists turn single and double somersaults from the ground, and triple somersaults to and from three and four high human pyramids; the Grunatho sisters are eight young pretty and remarkably agile gymnasts, who fairly dazzle spectators by the novelty and rapidity of their postings and revolutions; the Troupe La Mont and the Castrillons are imported companies of athletic acrobatic entertainers; Josie DeMott has developed her athletic power to such an extent that she readily turns a somersault on a running horse. These physically perfect people and many others whose exploits are made known on the double stages, in mid-air in the triple rings, on the double stages and upon the hippodrome track illustrate what can be accomplished in the development of the human body, when the work is studiously, systematically and abstemiously persisted in."

The Barnum & Bailey circus will exhibit here Saturday, the 10th instant.

LESSON IN GOOD ROADS.

Mecklenburg's Fine System One of the Deplorably Few to be Found in the Country at Large.

Danville Register.

A few individuals possessing great public spirit are always urging a necessary improvement. The mass of our citizens almost everywhere see no utility in the proposition to impose a tax and secure substantial roads. People in town who drive out into the surrounding country for pleasure or have business there are apt to recognize first the value of a good, comfortable highway for man, beast, bicycle and automobile. The farmer, who dreads taxes and has become used to corduroy roads, desires the good-roads movement as an expensive fad. Only a few States or a few counties in States have co-operated heartily with the movement or carried it on to any appreciable extent. Our sister State of North Carolina has one county, Mecklenburg, which has a fine system of common roads, and here and there in the eastern counties, as at Wilmington between the city and the sounds, there are fine turnpikes. The State of New Jersey and that part of Massachusetts near Boston have entered with spirit into the undertaking. The country at large has done but little. This is so different from ancient times, when the Romans had a network of highways and bridges throughout their vast domains. Many of these bridges were constructed so well that they are in existance to-day.

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