

EXPANSION TRADE RELATIONS.

The Treating of Causes and the Remedies That Does Not Touch the Cause—Congress Needs Guiding Hand of Best Equipped Business Men.

The following article on the expansion of trade relations from the pen of Mr. E. S. Harrington, the well-known Greensboro cotton man, is of interest because it treats sensibly and with a timely vital topic, and for the further reason that it is a matter to come up before the meeting of spinners to be held in Charlotte the 18th: The two great schools for the treatment of physical ailments hold ideas substantially valuable for the consideration of financial and commercial maladies, one—treating the symptoms—the other, the disease; one, searching for cause; the other, effect. That curtailment of production, remedies a glutted market, is self-evident—remedies a glutted market, is self-evident—remedies a glutted market, is self-evident—

IMPROMPTU SPEAKERS.

President C. C. Moore Has Arranged For a Number of Short Speeches by Local Citizens on Tuesday Night at the Coming Cotton Growers' Convention.

President C. C. Moore, of the North Carolina Cotton Growers' Association, has arranged to have a number of local citizens make short speeches on the first night of the coming convention, which will begin Tuesday. He has approached the following named gentlemen, all of whom have agreed to speak:

Messrs. E. A. McCausland, W. B. Robertson, John R. Pharr, W. M. Smith, A. G. Brenizer, J. A. Fore, A. J. Justice, John A. McRae, E. T. Canale, W. M. Lyles, Jasper Miller, J. H. Weddington, Heriot Clarkson, Alexander Graham, W. B. Hodman, J. P. Caldwell, W. C. Dowd and W. F. Dowd.

The nature of the remarks which these citizens will make is left entirely to their volition. These addresses will be altogether informal and will be made at the conclusion of the regular programme of speeches.

The official programme has been made out and distributed all over the State. A perusal of its pages will convince the reader that the convention is going to bring some very attractive speakers to the city, and all cotton growers in this vicinity are anticipating a fine treat.

A committee consisting of Messrs. W. S. Pharr, W. F. Parker, J. C. Reid, W. N. Peoples, McD. Watkins and W. T. Corwith, has been asked to meet at 11 o'clock on Tuesday and convey the delegates to the next day. These gentlemen will confer at 9 o'clock.

William Jines the Retainers. "I've got a good notion," said William Gorrell, "to fine dia yer forestry association."

"What for?" asked an Observer. "I want dese yer trees perserved in all their venerable beauty. I want to see de monarchs us de wilderness left undisturbed in de peaceful majesty. It's time dis yer practice of handin' er man up ax and tellin' him ter chop wood was stopped."

Wise Counsel From the South. "I want to give you some advice to those who suffer with lame back and kidney trouble," says J. B. Blankenship, of Rock, Tenn. "I have proved to an absolute certainty that Electric Bitters will positively cure this distressing condition. The first bottle gave me great relief and after taking a few more bottles, I was completely cured. So completely that it became a pleasure to recommend this great remedy. Sold under guarantee at all drug stores. Price 50c."

MAKES \$20 A DAY.

Kramer, the Trick Cyclist, Says the Business is Not a Bad One Financially—Was a Cdl Companion of Diavolo Accidentally—Loops Loop Without Loop? Mr. Harry Kramer, of Alexandria, Va., trick bicycle rider and charmer of the multitude, packed up his grips yesterday morning and betook himself to Gastonia where he will pose his physiognomy on his wheel and between the stunts tell how he performed the same feat before all the crowned heads of Europe and how gold was thrown at him in one, continuous, golden stream. For two days he was the city's guest, giving his own performances on the streets, to the delight of the pedestrians who watched him for minutes, some reaching down into their pockets after the legal tender while others held on to it with a grip which lost nothing of tenacity with time.

The business of bicycling on the streets is not such a bad one from the financial viewpoint, according to the statement of the performer. "I make on the average," he said, "\$20 a day. I rarely ever fall short of \$10. Many people put dollars in the hat. I travel rather than direct, but equally as fundamentally important, are more likely to be neglected in considering the present situation. The quickest relief from an undesirable situation would seem the primary measure to take, and second in point of application, but primary in importance would seem to be an adjustment of the causes that led to the trouble, so that the cure will be lasting; the disturbance unrecurred. It is said that one great difference between a wise man and a foolish one is that the wise man refrains from doing the same fool thing twice, and in commerce, it would seem inadvisable to allow the same adverse conditions to again confront one. The advisability and extent of curtailments are well worthy of careful consideration and discussion, but of lasting import to the trade might be a more active interest in reaching back to the causes that now make this curtailment seem advisable, and not stopping with a treatment of the effect of that cause. Congress needs the guiding hand of the soundest and best equipped business men, in its consideration of remedies of the financial situation, and no temporary makeshift or simply superficial bill should be allowed to be past unnoticed. Of inestimable importance to any manufacturing business is the question of disposition of its products—inter-State, and international, home and foreign—and of vast import to every citizen of this country, is the question of world markets for our cotton goods. Here, at hand, is cotton, coal, splendidly equipped machinery, labor, and there are the markets of the world, buying goods from one side of the earth to the other, and but a small portion from us. Commerce can best follow trade agreements, and therefore it would seem of imperative necessity, the speediest adjustment of treaties and tariffs, so that the world markets will be open to us as never before. Conditions affecting trade are as serious to labor as to capital, for either without the other is helpless—their interests are in concord, not in conflict; demand for goods means demand for labor; steady, remunerative employment, and in short, national prosperity. That over eight and one-half million bales from our cotton crop of 1906-07 were exported, means that some where, somewhere, some one is selling the same cotton turned into yards and cloth, where we might have found a market; means that the raw material exported returns less than half of what it would return if exported after first going through our mills; means that our spinners might all be getting right and day. The activity of exporters in our cotton markets, in purchasing the cream of the crop, seems equaled by their perfecting the expansion of their markets, while we debate of contraction. The tremendous increase in England—far greater than ours—is significant, and their heavy purchases of cotton, particularly at this time, when our mills see no immediate use for it, might signify that they are still going to buy more, even though within the last few days someone has attempted to pacify us with reports of possible curtailments—and might confirm the advisability of our spinners pursuing more aggressive tactics in many markets.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Good Showing at Annual Stockholders' Meeting of Southern Real Estate, Loan and Trust Company—Mr. W. S. Alexander President. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Southern Real Estate, Loan and Trust Company was held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the office of the company, Dr. R. L. Gibson presided over the meeting of stockholders. Directors were elected as follows: Messrs. R. A. Dunn, E. T. Canale, H. A. White, of Worcester, Mass.; John B. Alexander, Dr. R. L. Gibson, A. Morris McDonald and W. S. Alexander.

Officers were elected as follows: W. S. Alexander, president; R. A. Dunn, vice president; A. Morris McDonald, secretary and treasurer. The reports made showed that the company is in a splendid financial condition, all of which was gratifying. The Southern Real Estate, Loan and Trust Company has a capital of \$75,000, with a surplus and undivided profits amounting to \$115,000. An annual dividend of 15 per cent was paid a short time ago.

Off For Atlanta.

The following named gentlemen from this city left last night for Atlanta, Ga., to attend the meeting of the Appalachian Forest Association, which convenes there to-day. Messrs. L. C. Harrison, representing the Southern Power Company; Wade H. Harris, vice president of the State association; A. L. Smith, of the Manufacturers' Club, and W. T. Corwith, of the Greater Charlotte Club. This meeting is considered of extraordinary importance and Charlotte does well in having as many as four representatives.

Mr. Patterson Here.

His many friends are glad to see Mr. C. M. Patterson back in the city. Until a few months ago he was a resident and prominent in local business affairs, being vice president of the Charlotte Trust Company. He is now a resident of New York. Mr. Patterson came down to attend the meeting of the directors of the Charlotte Trust and the Charlotte Realty Companies in both of which he has retained his interests.

Meeting of Superintendents.

Mr. E. A. Hoxford, of the local office of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, left yesterday for New York, where he will attend the annual meeting of the superintendents of that well-known insurance concern. There will be as many as 400 superintendents present at this meeting from all parts of the country in which the company does business.

A \$6,250 Deal.

A deed was filed at the court house yesterday by the Charlotte Realty Company transferring to Miss Winifred Ditch, of Rock Hill, S. C., a lot located on the north side of East Seventh street. It begins at the southwest corner of Mr. W. J. Hyndman's property. The consideration for the sale was \$6,250. The land is 125 feet by 40.

Cured of Lung Trouble.

"It is now eleven years since I had a narrow escape from consumption," writes C. O. Floyd, a leading business man of Shelby, S. C. "I had run down in weight to 125 pounds, and coughing was constant, both by day and by night. Finally I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and continued this for about six months, when my cough and lung trouble were entirely gone and I was restored to my normal weight. Thousands of persons are healed every year. Guaranteed of all drug stores, 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.

BLIND TIGERS SENT UP.

Two Colored Men Held in a Total of Four Cases For Retaining Firewater to Thirsty Inebriates—Newsboy Fined For Sleeping in Railroad Station. Bond in the sum of \$100 in two cases was required by the recorder yesterday morning of Robert Funderburk, the colored man charged with retaining, Two street car men, Ed McPadden and Conductor Willis, testified that they had purchased liquor from the man. This sealed his doom. The transactions were carried out last October on Independence Square. "Were you ever in court before?" "Yes, sah."

"What for?" "For vacancies, sah."

This little dialogue took place between Mr. C. A. Adams, who represented Will Smith, colored, charged with retaining, and John Banks, colored, the prosecuting witness who swore he had bought liquor from the defendant. The latter tried to prove an alibi. The attempt was unsuccessful, however, in the view of the recorder, whose view it was that counted, and the prisoner was bound to Superior Court in the sum of \$100 in each of two cases. A pint of liquor constituted the article sold.

Going to sleep in the waiting room of the Southern Railway station sent Will Mangum, a colored man, to a cell in the county jail. He was fined \$10, and this he could not pay. The lad stated that he had got left and was spending the night there because he had nowhere else to spend it. Depot Policeman C. B. Sikes testified against him, and that many of the newsboys have come to be nuisances about the station.

A NEW RESIDENT.

Dr. William Allen, of Lexington, Va., is located in Charlotte for Practice of His Profession.

Dr. William Allen, of Lexington, Va., a highly cultured and talented young physician, has decided to locate in Charlotte for the practice of his profession. Dr. Allen is a son of Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Allen, a noted Virginia writer, and a graduate of Washington and Lee University. His medical training was secured in the schools and hospitals of Boston, New York and Baltimore. He is a first cousin of Mr. E. R. Preston, of this city.

Dr. Allen has not yet secured offices but he will be located within a very few days. His mother, Mrs. E. P. Allen, and brother, Mr. J. P. Allen, are spending a few days at the Selwyn.

Death of Young Lady at Hospital.

Miss Nancy Jane Black died at the Presbyterian Hospital yesterday afternoon at 12:30 from heart trouble, from which she had long been a sufferer. She was 14 years of age. Her ill health which was especially acute since about August became worse this week and she was taken to the hospital Tuesday, this being her second trip. Miss Black was the daughter of Mr. J. M. Black, being survived by her father and one brother, Thomas Wilder Black. She and her father had been making their home with an aunt on East avenue, No. 1094. The funeral will be conducted from the residence this afternoon at 1 o'clock by Rev. C. E. Raynal. The interment will be at Sunset Creek Cemetery.

Notice!

The United Confederate Veterans of Mecklenburg county are invited to hear an address on the birthday of Generals Lee and Jackson on the 21st day of January by Maj. W. A. Graham, and then to partake of a dinner given by the Daughters of the Confederacy.

MISS DIXIE ALEXANDER, Chairman.

Recovery of Lost Book De-fred.

Mr. A. H. Washburn is very anxious to regain possession of a copy of Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice" which his daughter lost a day or two ago in going from Elizabeth College to the corner of Fourth and Myers streets. The book is bound in red flexible leather and is one of a set which makes its recovery so essential. It doubtless slipped from a seat in the carriage and was picked up by some passerby.

FOR SALE.

Chair Manufacturing Plant and Other Property. By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Alamance County, North Carolina, made in a cause now pending in said Superior Court, entitled I. Puryear and others on behalf of themselves and all other creditors and shareholders of the Continental Chair Company vs. the Continental Chair Company, I will on Monday, February 10th, 1908, sell at public auction to the best bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

1.—The plant of said Continental Chair Company, for the manufacture of chairs, situate in the Town of Mebane, Alamance County, North Carolina. This plant is very complete. There are buildings, dry kiln, machinery, some manufactured goods on hand and in process and quite a large lot of supplies. This entire property will be sold as one property, going to make up a plant for the manufacture of chairs. The same is in condition to at once be put in operation. This plant has a capacity of about six hundred chairs per day.

2.—A tract containing about sixty acres of land, situate in Melville township, near the Town of Mebane.

3.—One twenty-five horse-power upright boiler.

4.—One pair of very fine young gray mules.

5.—One lot of harness and wagons. The sale will be conducted on the premises of the Continental Chair Company, in the Town of Mebane, Alamance County, North Carolina, and will start at 12 o'clock m.

Bidders on all property will be required to satisfy me of their ability to comply with their bid, and the sale will be reported to the Superior Court for confirmation, and possession and title of all property sold will be retained until confirmation of sale is made by said Superior Court.

I will be glad to hear from, and give further details and particulars to, interested parties and particularly to J. W. CATES, Receiver Continental Chair Co., Graham, N. C., Jan. 1st, 1908.

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IN SUPERIOR COURT.

Suit of \$2,000 Against the Southern Railway Now Being Tried—Non-suits and the Like—Minor Cases. Superior Court yesterday busied itself with a number of cases. First came the litigation instigated by policeman J. H. Fisher in order to recover \$25 and the interest from November 1st, 1906, due on a note given him by John Davis, colored. Davis, it seems, bought a horse from Mr. Fisher, the consideration being \$70, for the greater portion of which a note was given. Judgment for the plaintiff was given yesterday, as it had also been given in the magistrate's court from which appeal was taken.

Non-suits were taken yesterday by the plaintiff in the case of Joe P. Brown, administrator, against the Atlantic, Tennessee & Ohio Railroad Company, by the plaintiff in the case of Helen N. White versus the Western Union Telegraph Company; C. A. Byers versus Dover Yarn Mills, and Fan Collins versus the Charlotte Electric Railway Company.

In the afternoon the case of Joe P. Brown, administrator, versus the Southern Railway Company was taken up. The attorneys for the plaintiff are Messrs. Pharr & Bell, while Col. W. B. Rodman is attorney for the defendant. This is the case for which \$2,000 damages were asked from the defendant for the killing of Charles Conner, a flagman on the Southern, two years ago at Mooresville. Up to the adjournment of the court late yesterday afternoon the plaintiff's witnesses had not finished testifying. The trial may be concluded to-day.

THE POULTRY SHOW. Exhibition to Be in the Register Building—All Awards to Be Made Before Doors Are Thrown Open. The eleventh annual show of the Charlotte Poultry and Pet Stock Association will be held in the Register Building on South Church street, between West Trade and Fourth, beginning January 18th and continuing five days.

Those in charge say that there will be a finer display of birds this year than ever before, representing fanciers from twelve States.

A special attraction will be Mr. Price's beautiful lakenewders. They are new in this country, coming from Germany. They command a great deal of attention at the poultry exhibit at the Jamestown Exposition and in point of perfection won many prizes.

The management is expecting a liberal patronage. The members of the Association will be glad to explain to visitors the details of each class of poultry on exhibition.

The birds will have been judged, awards made and all ribbons placed on the coops of the winners when the doors are open to the public.

General admission will be 25 cents; ladies and children 15 cents. No admission charge for lady with gentleman.

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New Officers Elected.

At a meeting of the directors of the Y. W. C. A. held yesterday morning at 11 o'clock, the following elections were made for the ensuing year: Mrs. F. C. Abbott, president; Mrs. W. G. Rogers, first vice president; Mrs. Heriot Clarkson, second vice president; Mrs. H. A. Murrill, third vice president; Miss Fannie Moore Burwell, fourth vice president; Mrs. C. N. G. Butt, recording secretary; Mrs. E. P. Tingley, corresponding secretary; Dr. Annie Alexander, treasurer. Mrs. H. A. Murrill and Miss Fannie Moore Burwell are the only two new officers who were elected.

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