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WILMINGTON—PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE.

A handsome pamphlet with the above general title, containing the history of our harbor, with official reports of the work performed in improving it, and accounts of the resources and advantages of Wilmington, prepared by different hands but all published by order of and under the supervision of the Chamber of Commerce, is before us.

The work contains 84 pp. and is quite comprehensive. We shall notice some of its facts, devoting as much space to them as possible. The preface we copy entirely:

From the Congress, to whom we look for the means for restoring our harbor, damaged by work of the public authorities, we ask a careful consideration of what we consider our just dues. The statements made herein, can, in every important particular, be verified by charts and documents in the possession of the Government, deposited in the Public Library and with the Coast Survey Department, and are generally known by the officers of the Engineer Department, whose attention has been particularly called to the subject.

We direct the special attention of the cities and towns of the West and North west, to the great advantage of a connection with us, and the manifest interest to themselves in having our harbor restored, so as to put them in easier and cheaper reach of a seaport, through which to distribute their products and receive in return their importations from any part of the world.

With a first class harbor, which we can safely look for, the work now progressing is complete, of the natural advantages of our port will be seen at a glance, and we shall soon become a great market for heavy goods of every description, and offer to all within reach of us, inducements not now to be found.

The pamphlet opens with a statement "On the Trade of Wilmington, North Carolina, and of the Produce exported from the River Cape Fear, the Season and Prospect taken into View, May 1st, 1815." This paper, prepared by Joshua Potts, Esq., is a faithful and elaborate account of commercial operations up to the date of the same. It informs us that in 1815 Wilmington, though a small port, afforded for export and import nearly all the various kinds of produce to be found in the growth of the United States; that there were regular packets plying between this place and New York; that the largest business was done with New York; that the depth of the Main Bar of Cape Fear River at high water was eighteen feet—New Inlet Bar, high water even and a half feet; and that navigation became more difficult by interference with the River current, on account of the opening at New Inlet.

In Mr. Robert W. Brown's "Remarks on the Trade of Wilmington, North Carolina, and on the Produce exportable from the Cape Fear River, taken into view 1st August, 1843," we have a glowing account of the increased shipping and receiving facilities of the city. The Wilmington & Weldon Railroad was just completed and steamboat lines were in full operation not only with Fayetteville, but also with Charleston, New York and other ports. By these means a considerable new trade was added to Wilmington and its prospects largely enhanced. We are also indebted to Mr. Brown's statement for the information that the price of tar was low in '43, but that it was made in very considerable quantities. The crop of turpentine was larger that year than usual. A large lumber trade was carried on and five steam saw mills and two large water mills in the vicinity found constant employment. The depth of the water at Main Bar had decreased three to four and a half feet, remaining about the same at New Inlet. The course for vessels over Main Bar was much more direct and less difficult than formerly. A light house on Bald Head and a beacon at New Inlet guided the mariner at night.

The most important part of the pamphlet under review is the last—containing a succinct view of the commerce of Wilmington at the present time. The natural advantages offered by the Wilmington of today, must undoubtedly, if we be true to ourselves and get the appropriation from the government, which we hope to get and deserve to have, make the Wilmington of the future one of the finest harbors on the Atlantic coast and one of the liveliest marts in all the country. These advantages with the artificial ones we are just creating, in direct communication, via W. C. & R. railroad, with the mountain region of our own State and then on West and Northwest, offering the nearest through line to Cincinnati, Louisville and other cities of that section, should, in the hands of a driving, go-ahead people, make ours one of the leading cities in the Southern States in a comparatively short time. We have splendid communication by steamer and rail with the large cities

and towns of the Gulf States, and we also have opportunities afforded by the making of a few slight improvements in the navigation of the upper Cape Fear, Deep and Haw Rivers, for the procuring of the heavy iron, coal and other mineral products in which that region of country so richly abounds.

Wilmington is now a considerable cotton and turpentine shipping port. As a naval stores exporting point it stands without a rival. The exports of spirits of turpentine alone amounted last year to over 112,000 barrels. Of resins there were exported over 508,000 barrels.

The various reports of the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce on River and Bar Improvements will be found interesting. They give the history of the harbor and the efforts from time to time to render it more convenient, safe and useful.

From the Reports of the Engineers in charge of the work of restoring the harbor, it will be seen that the work accomplished is quite satisfactory, and by comparison with the regular monthly reports of the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, that the progress of the work is steady, and from the gradual formation of a sand beach on the outside, almost keeping pace with the work itself, that Nature is doing her part fully in securing the structure, and this fact assures us of the permanency of the work. Of the effects of the work on our Bar, it will be seen that there is a constantly, though very gradual increase of depth, and the opinion generally prevails that the continuation of the work to completion, on the general plan as suggested, modified from time to time as may be necessary from the action of nature, will without doubt result in the complete restoration of our harbor to its former capacity. The future of our city is then guaranteed! And the inducements offered for cheap and short transportation to a first class harbor on the coast, and for the same by sea to any part of the world, will bring to our market sufficient produce to employ a fleet as large as is necessary in any part of the country.

A great deal rests with our own merchants as to whether these predictions, for early fulfillment, shall be realized; and it becomes the plainest duty of each and all of us to use every honorable exertion to effect a consummation of our plans.

Mr. Nutt, the able Chairman of the Committee, concludes one of his reports in the following eloquent vein:

"TO OUR STATE," it would be her "PRIDE" to point to an "EMPORIUM" in every respect worthy of her, which at once, and forever, emancipates her from the humiliating commercial vassalage to other States under which she has so long labored, securing to her own citizens all the benefits arising from an import and export trade.

In conclusion, your Committee beg leave to express the opinion, that the restoration of Cape Fear Harbor and River is the "FUTURE TURNING POINT," in the future prosperity of WILMINGTON—the HONOR and GRANDEUR of NORTH CAROLINA—while it places a brilliant jewel in the coronet of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

FAYETTEVILLE & FLORENCE RAILROAD.

We are glad to learn from our energetic friend Col. Wm. McL. McKay, who favored us with a visit Saturday, that he will commence work on the Fayetteville & Florence Railroad next week. The engineers will start from Fayetteville and make a final survey of the whole route preparatory to the work of construction which is to begin in a few weeks at Shoe Heel, from which point the road is to be pushed rapidly toward Fayetteville.

We are assured by Col. McKay that his long cherished hopes are about to be realized, as money enough is already subscribed to grade and cross-tie the road to Rockfish, ten miles from Fayetteville, and that Northern capitalists are ready and willing to furnish the iron as needed in the construction of the road, simply requiring a first mortgage as security for the future payment of the debt.

This is an improvement in which the people of Wilmington should feel a deep interest. For a considerable time, at least, the Fayetteville and Florence railroad will be a feeder to the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford road, and will bring to our market the turpentine, timber and other products of a hitherto almost undeveloped region. We are informed that the projected line of the Fayetteville and Florence road runs through one of the most heavily timbered sections of our State; a section abounding in virgin pine forest, valuable alike for turpentine and timber. Besides, much of the land is very fertile and well adapted to the growth of all the crops produced in the Cape Fear country.

Col. McKay hopes to be materially aided in the work of construction by convict labor from the penitentiary at Raleigh. If this is secured the cost of the work will be greatly reduced from the original estimates; but whether this object is attained or not, we have Col. McKay's word for it that the final survey of the route will be made at once, and that this will be speedily followed by the grading of the road, commencing at Shoe Heel.

The Columbia Phoenix of Saturday says: The Colored State Convention met to-day, and appointed Secretary S. A. Cardozo, State Senator Nash, Lieutenant Governor Ransier, Congressman Elliott, F. H. Frost and W. J. McKinley delegates to the National Colored Convention at New Orleans. A delegate declared the New Orleans Convention must demand of the Republican party that a colored man be put in the National Cabinet. Only one third of the State was represented.

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Palmetto Leaves.

Columbia has just organized its first Lodge of Knights of Pythias. Judge Bond presides at the Ku Klux trials which was to commence in Charleston yesterday.

The Palmetto Rifle Club of Charleston was to celebrate Easter Monday by a parade and target shooting.

Charles Perkins, Esq., an esteemed citizen of Charleston, died last Tuesday at the age of seventy three years.

Mr. Edward B. Dougherty, a highly esteemed printer of Charleston, in the employment of the Courier, died of consumption on Friday.

In order to secure their votes to the party, Gov. Scott has pardoned four penitentiary convicts, whose terms of imprisonment were about to expire.

The Columbia Union says: The project of the Laurens and Asheville Railroad meets with general favor in the upper counties, and those through which it would pass.

As to the question who is the oldest Mason, the Courier says: Mr. T. W. Johnson, of this city, dates his interest in the mystic order back to 1817, when he joined St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 10.

Mr. Ransom Hinton, of Chesterfield county, was drowned on Tuesday afternoon last, four or five miles from Cheraw, while attempting to cross a swollen creek. So we learn from the Democrat.

STAR BEAMS.

Perio, Ill., was laid out by a son of Alex. Hamilton.

There is a salt well at Grand Haven, Mich., 1,425 feet in depth.

The Tyrone, Pa., Herald heads its columns with Grant and Anna Dickinson.

An Indianapolis machine makes flowerpots at the rate of nine a minute.

A pair of petticoated peripatetic professional pugilists plague Pennsylvania.

The bell over Notre Dame, Montreal, is the largest and heaviest on the continent.

The Old Whigs of Atlanta, Ga., will celebrate Henry Clay's birthday, April 12th.

A happy coincidence—Messrs. Barefoot and Shoemaker on the same Western jury.

There is said to be more than \$22,000,000 invested in manufactures at Lowell, Mass.

A Western teacher lately caused the death of a pupil by pulling his ear out by the roots.

Three hundred dozen eggs have been shipped to New York, in one week, by a firm in Bowling Green, Ky.

Vigorous efforts are to be made for the admission of New Mexico as a State. The constitution is similar to that of Illinois.

The Georgia Central Railroad has a controlling interest in steamers of the lines plying between Savannah and northern ports.

There are but two or three hundred Indians left among the everglades of Florida, and they are killing themselves as fast as possible by drinking whiskey.

Gilmore wants one hundred clergymen to repeat the Lord's Prayer in this city, by way of an opening performance at his approaching musical jubilee.

Turkish Loves.

The art of writing is not general among the Turks, and when a lover wishes to communicate his sentiments in writing, they have a mode of effecting it without pen, ink or paper, by means of flowers, fruits, woods, silk, stuff, and colors, of which they make a packet, each article having an allegorical sense. The packet is called a Selam. Those who employ this mode of communication have a casket stored with the necessary articles to compose a Selam. They have a dictionary, which they know by memory, of the allusions they wish to give by their flowers.

An anacreontic signifies "We are both of one mind"; a piece of rose bush, "I weep continually, but you divide my tears"; a piece of cloth, "I am tired of your importunities"; a piece of buckram or canvas, "We shall be together to-morrow"; a piece of silk, "You have gained my mind"; a looking glass, "I am ready to sacrifice myself to you"; a pistol, "I love you very much."

A grain of raisin, some blue silk, a pea, a morsel of sugar and a piece of the wood of aloes, arranged in a certain order, from a billet deoux to this effect:

"My heart, I am in love with you; the pain which my love occasions to me has nearly deprived me of my senses; my heart passionately desires yours; give my disease the necessary remedy." Philadelphia Press.

A Maniac's Leap.

On Tuesday night about 11 o'clock, while Messrs. Sylvester and Stern and other citizens were passing the Cincinnati Hospital, they heard a crash of window glass and then a heavy fall on the Central avenue pavement. Hurrying to the spot, they found a man lying in apparent agony upon the sidewalk. He was clad only in his shirt, and had evidently leaped through a window of the ward in which he was confined, while in a delirium, carrying glass and flesh with him. The broken window as discovered by the dozen or so belated citizens who gathered around the groaning man was in the third story, and the fall had been a tremendous one. The impetus of the leap through the window must have been great, for death by impaction on the iron spikes of the hospital fence, which stands considerably out from the walk, had been escaped, though narrowly.

turned out to be only bruised by his ugly jump.

A Newspaper Never Retracts. The London Times many years ago announced, editorially, that "Mr. B." had committed suicide by hanging himself. Two days afterwards Mr. B. appeared before the editor, notified him that he had not hung himself, and requested an editorial correction of the statement.

The editor calmly replied: "The Times never retracts and never makes corrections. If we did that, people would have no faith in our news." "Why, what can I do?" exclaimed astounded Mr. B., "you see I am not hung! I am not dead!" "Excuse me," replied the imperturbable editor, "he Times has said, editorially, that you had hung yourself. To all intents and purposes, therefore, as far as we are concerned, you hung yourself and you are dead! We don't know you to be alive. We can't take back a word. You are dead and ought to be buried. But we can do this for you. You can publish a card under 'births,' and announce, under your own name, that you are born again! And we shall be doing you a great favor Mr. B."

SPECIAL NOTICES.

BACHELOR'S HAIR DYE. This superb Hair Dye is the best in the World. Perfectly Harmless, Reliable and Instantaneous. No Disappointment. No Reddening Tints, or Unpleasant Odor. The genuine W. A. Bachelor's Hair Dye produces IMMEDIATELY a splendid Black or Natural Brown. Does not stain the skin, but leaves the Hair Clean, soft and Beautiful. The only Safe and Perfect Dye. Sold by all Druggists. Factory in Bond Street, New York. Feb 7-odily-ent Tu Th Sat

KOSKOO—This celebrated Medicine has obtained a high reputation, as a reliable remedy for Purifying the Blood, Restoring the Liver and Kidneys to a healthy action, and "Toning up" the Nervous System. Its numerous and remarkable cures of the worst forms of Scrofula, Dyspepsia, Rheumatism, Liver Complaint, Kidney Disease, Eruptions of the Skin, Nervous Prostration, &c., has caused it to become a standard remedy. It is now prescribed by physicians, and recommended by our best citizens. Dec 7-DW&Fy ent

MISCELLANEOUS. First National Bank OF WILMINGTON. WILMINGTON, March 27th, 1872. SUBSCRIBERS to the increased Capital Stock of this Bank are hereby notified that the full amount of their subscriptions will be due and payable on the 1st day of April next at the office of A. K. WALKER, Cashier, march 29-2t

GRAND CONCERT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE First Baptist Sunday School, To be given at the Opera House, ON FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 6TH, ON WHICH OCCASION M'LE ORISTORO DI FRAMA Will sing THE GREAT INFLAMMATORY from Rossini's 'La Motte', THE GRAND ARIA from La Favorite, and the celebrated song, "The Conqueror's Banner."

Mr. J. F. Ruckert, Violin and Clarionette Solo; Mr. J. Denck, Piano solo; assisted by several of the highest Vocal and Instrumental talents of the city. The music loving community may expect excellent music and a well arranged programme. Tickets 75 cents; children's tickets 25 cents. To be had at Messrs. Gray & Fianner's, Mr. McHenry's, and Mr. J. Pippitt's Drug Stores, and Mr. Lewis' Book Store. march 30-15a

Hoop Iron and Glue. 40 TONS HOOP IRON, 50 BBL'S DISTILLER'S GLUE, 400 SPIRIT BARRELS, For sale by WILLIAMS & MURCHISON. mar 24-1f

For the Ladies! I HAVE JUST RETURNED FROM THE NORTH WITH ALL THE NEW STYLES OF SPRING HATS AND BONNETS. Collars, Cuffs, Handkerchiefs, Corsets, Hoopskirts, Bustles, Victoria Lawns, Jaconet, Swiss, Nainsook and Mull Muslins—in striped plaid and plain—Hair-Platts, French Twists and Puffs—in imitation and real hair; NECK-TIES AND BOWS, And a splendid assortment of Millinery and MILLINERY GOODS! Call and examine my stock before purchasing elsewhere. ONE PRICE! TERMS CASH! A. D. BROWN. mar 24-1f Exchange Corner.

Notice. HAVING sold my interest in the firm of Booker & Love to Wm. J. Love, I retire from the business and take this occasion to thank our friends for the patronage heretofore so generously bestowed, and to solicit a continuance of the same to the new firm J. C. BLO-KER. mar 24-1f

T. D. LOVE & CO., T. D. LOVE, Jr. Wm. J. LOVE. COMMISSION MERCHANTS, Corner of North Water and Chestnut Streets, Mar 28-3w WILMINGTON, N. C.

PURCELL HOUSE, J. R. DAVIS, Proprietor. FROM THIS DATE, the rates for Transient Boarders are \$1.00, \$1.50 or \$2.00 per day, according to location and rooms. Day Boarders, 50 cents per week. [Jan 21-1f

Bob White Flour. 500 BBL'S BOB WHITE FLOUR, for sale by F. W. KERCHNER, mh 21-1f 27, 28 and 29 North Water St.



NAVASSA GUANO COMPANY OF WILMINGTON. Manufacturers of the Popular "Soluble Navassa Guano," Which has established a reputation as a Standard Fertilizer. "NAVASSA TOBACCO FERTILIZER," Rich in Ammonia and Alkaline Salts. "DISSOLVED PHOSPHATE," Prepared especially for composting with Cotton Seed. FOR SALE BY OUR AGENTS THROUGHOUT THE SOUTH. E. R. BRIDGES, C. L. GRAFLEN, D. MAORAE, President, Superintendent, Secy and Treasurer. Jan 9-11a Tu W & F m ent

BUSINESS CARDS. J. & H. SAMSON, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN Staple & Fancy Dry Goods, Notions, Boots, Shoes, Hats, &c. 43 Market Street. oct 29-1f

JOHN S. LEE, R. B. WILLIAMS, R. F. W. LOPEZ, JOHN S. LEE & CO., DEALERS IN NAVAL STORES, No. 47 North Water St., Philadelphia. Liberal Advances made on Consignments of Naval Stores and Southern Products. Refer to Messrs. Harris & Howell, Wilmington, N. C. [Nov 12-1f

THOS. C. LEWIS, DEALER IN Ship Stores, Groceries, Provisions, Fish and Fish Roe. No. 5, SOUTH WATER ST., WILMINGTON, N. C. oct 22-1f

ADRIAN & VOLLEKOR, Cor. Front and Dock Sts., WILMINGTON, N. C. WHOLESALE GROCERS, IN ALL its BRANCHES. COUNTRY MERCHANTS will do well by calling on us and examining our Stock. nov 19-4s-1f

MOFFITT & CO., GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS, NORTH WATER STREET, Wilmington, N. C. Will give prompt personal attention to the sale or shipment of Cotton, Naval Stores, General Produce, etc., etc. Also to receiving and forwarding goods. Orders solicited and promptly filled. sep 23-15f

Northrop & Cumming, COMMISSION MERCHANTS, And Proprietors of the Wilmington Steam Saw Mills, Wilmington, N. C. CIGARETTES of Yellow Pine Lumber for any market furnished. Special attention given to the purchase or sale of Corn and Peanuts. oct 4-1f

Edwards & Hall, Grocers and Commission Merchants. DEAL IN ALL KINDS OF COUNTRY PRODUCE. And keep constantly on hand a full line of Groceries at lowest cash prices. Wilmington, February 14 D&W 1f

JOHNSON & BIRDSEY, Commission Merchants. Will give prompt and personal attention to the sale or shipment of Cotton and Naval Stores. WILMINGTON, N. C., Sept. 7th, 1871-1f

B. F. MITCHELL & SON, COMMISSION MERCHANTS, AND DEALERS IN GRAIN FLOUR, HAY, and also Fresh Ground Meal, Pearl Hominy and Crisco, Nos. 9 and 10 No. Water Street, Wilmington, N. C. Proprietors of the Merchants' Flouring Mills nov 24-1f

ON MARRIAGE. HAPPY BELIEF FOR YOUNG MEN from the effects of Errors and abuses in early life. Hands restored. Nervous debility cured. Impediments to Marriage removed. New mode of treatment. New and remarkable remedies. Books and Circulars sent free, in sealed envelopes. Address: HOWARD ASSOCIATION, No. 2 South Ninth Street, Philadelphia, Pa. dec 24-3m ent

Pork and Bacon. 400 BBL'S CITY MESS PORK, 40 BBL'S C. R. and Rib Bacon Sides, 10 BBL'S Smoked Shoulders, 10 Boxes Rough Sides, 25 Boxes L. K. Middles. For sale by WILLIAMS & MURCHISON. march 24-1f

Molasses and Syrup. 650 HHDS. Muscovado Molasses S. H. SYRUP For sale very low by WILLARD BROS. June 21-1f

MISCELLANEOUS. THE CLIFFORD HOUSE, AND ONLY SAMPLE ROOM, IN THE CITY. WHERE SUPERIOR SEGARS AND BOTTLING LIQUORS can always be had in connection with that Superior Brand of MICHIGAN CHEWING TOBACCO. Also, Furnished Rooms, by Day, Week or Month. oct 16-1f J. A. CLIFFORD, Prop'r.

Turpentine Men and Farmers. THANKFUL FOR YOUR PAST LIBERAL patronage, and anxious to merit a continuation of the same the present year, I will still guarantee to furnish my customers with that EXTRA BOLTED MEAL from Rail Road corn, 50 pounds to the bushel, such cheaper than you can have it ground if you will feed at your door. That celebrated Extra Family Flour and Pearl Hominy on hand all the time. All bags returned in good order will be credited at cost on the next bill. ALL GOODS SOLD DRAINED FREE. feb 9-1f ALEX. OLDHAM, Proprietor.



First National Bank OF WILMINGTON, March 18, 1872. WHILE THE OFFICE OF THIS BANK IS being removed, the business will be transacted in the adjoining rooms, entrance on Princess street. march 19-1f A. K. WALKER, Cashier.

FULL LINE Imported and Domestic CIGARS, Pipes and Tobaccos, ON HAND AND TO ARRIVE By D. FIGOTT. Sign of the Fascinating Indian Girl. mar 7-1f

Medicines! Medicines! WE ARE RECEIVING PER STEAMER: Radway's Saraparilla, Radway's Relief and Pills, Sturmon's Liver Regulator, Holloway's, Fleming's and Bartlett's Worm Confection, Vermifuges, &c., &c., &c. Also, a superb article of Bay Rum, Florida and Lavender Waters, Genuine Lubin's Extracts, &c., &c., sold by MOLLHENNY & WRIGHT, Druggists and Pharmaceu- tists, Lippitt's Corner. mar 23-1f

Limited Partnership. NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned, in accordance with the provision of an Act of the Legislature of 1861, entitled "An Act to provide for Limited Partnerships," and to amend the said Act, ratify the 8th of February, 1871, have renewed and continued the limited Partnership heretofore existing between them under the provisions of the Act first above-mentioned. Said renewed partnership is to continue for five years, and is to date from January 1st, 1872. The Act first above-mentioned, and the nature of the business to be transacted is a General Wholesale and Commission Business in the City of Wilmington. James A. W.illard and Albert A. Willard, of the City of Wilmington, are the General Partners, under the style of Willard Brothers, William H. Willard, of the City of Raleigh, is the special Partner, and such has contributed to the Capital Stock of the same the sum of seventy-five Thousand Dollars, the said sum having been actually paid in by him in cash in good faith into the capital stock of the Original Limited Partnership, of which this is a renewal, and the said sum of seventy-five Thousand Dollars is represented by Goods and merchandise now on hand, and has not been impaired in the course of trade. JAMES A. WILLARD, General Partner. WILLIAM H. WILLARD, Special Partner. mh 10-2m

Mackerel! Mackerel!! 150 BBL'S, HALF BBL'S, AND KITS For sale by F. W. KERCHNER, mh 21-1f 27, 28 and 29 North Water St.