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DISCUSSING COTTON.

At the meeting of the Supreme Council of the Farmers' Alliance and Industrial Union at Indianapolis a number of resolutions were offered and discussed bearing upon the depression in the cotton-growing industry and the remedies. In pursuance of a resolution offered by Mr. Marion Butler, President of the North Carolina Farmers' Alliance, that a committee be appointed consisting of one delegate from each of the cotton-growing States to take into consideration and formulate some plan by which the "cotton growers may be able to some extent at least to regulate the quantity, consumption and marketing time of the cotton crop," the committee was appointed and made a standing one to make a final report at the next annual meeting.

tion there is good, hard, common sense in this, for the fewer restrictions there are upon the traffic in cotton, the greater the traffic will be, and the greater the traffic the more money to the man who raises the cotton. This is not only good sense, but it is good, sound Democratic doctrine. Let the Alliance move on that line, and on the line where it refers to the "discriminating financial system," and move for the repeal of the ten per cent. tax on State banks of issue, thus remove the impediment to the establishment of State banks, and remedy, to some extent at least, "the discriminating financial system," which makes money scarce, dear and hard for the farmer to get.

THE WELCOME WEEK.

Never within the history of Wilmington have so many people been gathered within her gates as were here during the four days of the Welcome Week, never a better-behaved and more good-natured throng brought together anywhere. Most of them came on pleasure bent, and they had it. There was no one of all the multitude that came and went that did not feel well repaid for their coming, and Wilmington has the satisfaction of feeling that her guests were well entertained, and that her reputation for old-time, generous hospitality has been handsomely sustained. In a commercial way she has been more than repaid.

Business was, of course, an element in the inspiration which suggested the Welcome Week, and the originator of the happy thought has been the way to what it followed up with the same spirit that characterized the efforts to entertain the visitors within the past week, will make Wilmington one of the best and most favorably known cities in the South Atlantic States. Many of our larger cities have their annual festive weeks to draw the people to them. Baltimore has her Oriole, New Orleans her Mardi Gras, Charleston her Gala Week, Atlanta her Piedmont Exposition, and other cities have their Agricultural and Industrial fairs and other special attractions to draw. They spend thousands of dollars in advertising, displays, parades, &c., to draw the people and entertain them, and they find that it pays, for it did not they would not follow it up year after year.

Weeks are to become annual affairs the people who desire an enjoyable recreation will make their arrangements accordingly and shape their business so that they can come, and thus many will come who might not be able to do so on short notice.

WHAT IT HAS DONE.

WELCOME WEEK INCREASES BUSINESS, BRINGS NEW CUSTOMERS, AND COMENTS OLD ONES—ANOTHER AN ASSURED FACT.
The smoke of battle has cleared away, accounts have been audited, the ledger has been balanced, and the debts and credits of Welcome Week are known of all. The resultant impression produced on the minds of business men was sought by a STAR reporter yesterday and is given briefly below:

Messrs. George R. French & Sons, wholesale and retail shoe house, think it was decidedly the most enlightening thing of the sort ever attempted and the best in present and prospective benefit to business. Trade during the week in their line was extraordinarily good. About \$50,000 were left in the city, that would not have come but for the occasion. An annual repetition is a necessity, and with more time for preparation, every thing will be on a more extensive scale. Subscriptions will flow in more freely next year.

THE TRADES TURNOUT.

ZENITH OF GLORY FOR WELCOME WEEK ATTAINED.
The Various Business Interests of Wilmington Atravely Represented in the Parade—The Procession a Mile Long—Inspiring Music from Splendid Band Charities.
Well, the management of the Grand Welcome Week for everybody, gratuitously offered by the business men of Wilmington, have crossed the Rubicon of doubt and danger and emerged from the gloom of possible failure in scoring for the culminating event, the trades parade, a stupendous success. This was the grand feature about which all others paled into puny insignificance.

COMPETITIVE DRILL.

The Hornets Nest Rifles Win the Prize.
The competitive drill for prizes took place at the base ball grounds yesterday afternoon. The judges were Maj. Stewart, W. Cramer, of Charlotte, Lieut. M. M. Patrick, U. S. A., and Col. W. C. Jones, Second Regiment, N. C. S. G. The companies entered were "C" and "G" of the Second Regiment, and the prize was awarded to Company G, the Hornets Nest Rifles, of Charlotte.

W. E. Spring & Co., wholesale and retail hardware, did not expect very great immediate benefits, but are well satisfied with their trade. They subscribed liberally and favor a repetition. It brings new men who will be sure to make customers when approached by trade solicitors, as they have enjoyed our hospitality. This year it was good; next year it will be better, and the city has been benefited.

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A LOVELY TABLEAU.

The next in line was Wilmington's corporate contribution, in the form of a magnificent Oriental chariot decked with flags, covered with a rich canopy and illuminated by Chinese lanterns and flambeaux and occupied by thirteen as charming and beautiful folk as ever drew breath to bless this balmy Southern clime. Each represented one of the original galaxy of States and bore in her hand a flag and wore a shield imprinted with the coat of arms of the State she represented.

Miss Bettie Reese personated North Carolina and was the central figure, and about her were most seductively grouped Misses Genie Southland, representing New York; Fannie Poisson, Georgia; Mary West, Connecticut; Elizabeth Weill, Massachusetts; Augusta Ortman, New Jersey; Annie McIver, Virginia; Blanche Thompson, Pennsylvania; Annie Ray Mayer, Delaware; Corinne King, New Hampshire; Florence Willis, South Carolina; Alma Williams, Rhode Island; Maggie Bagg, Maryland; Mr. John Sykes did the "Uncle Sam" act.

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A BIG BUSINESS.

Alex. Sprunt & Son made a parade yesterday afternoon at 8.30 that was notable as representing one of the largest enterprises in the State, the Cotton Compress and exporting of cotton. A handsome model of a full-rigged steamship was mounted on a float, and adorned with flags and other decorations. Preceding was Miller's band, then came members of the firm in carriages. Following were 150 or more stevedores and cotton compress hands carrying cotton stalks peeping from open bolls.

Deputy Marshal J. Hunt lodged G. F. Blizard in jail in his city last night at 12 o'clock, arrested on a warrant sworn out by Postmaster French of this city.
Blizard is a smooth-face boy about 18 years old, and is charged with breaking into the postoffice at Keith's, Pendleton county, in September, and stealing \$10 worth of delivery stamps. Soon after he bought a pair of shoes from Lee Register of this city and paid for them with the stamps. He has been a fugitive since and was cleverly traced by marshal Hunt to Lake City, S. C., and there arrested yesterday and brought on last night. Blizard had several aliases—Gardner, Franklin, and W. H. Davis.

CAPTURED A DEER.

The Southport Leader says: "Last week while working in a cut made through the bushes for the B. W. & S. survey corps, George Swain, one of the axemen, was suddenly confronted by a deer. Seizing a transit rod, Swain plunged it into the deer, throwing the animal down, when he cut its throat with his knife. The deer was being pursued by a couple of hunters, who had shot but not disabled it."

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Willie Smith, with the Navassa Guano Company, swooping man about eighteen years of age, came out of the Bank of New Haven about 11.30 a. m., with \$500 in bills and a \$25 check. He went across to Alderman F. Flanner's store with the money in the pocket of his sack coat and his hand on it. There was a large crowd standing at the door and feeling some one knock his hand out of his pocket, he at once felt and found the valuable was missing.

When they reached the City Court room, Harris, walking near the Sergeant's desk, dropped the \$500 in the drawer where it was found afterwards. Upon being searched Harris had a double case gold watch and gold chain and a peculiar charm, a facsimile of a five dollar gold piece, with "3" inscribed of "\$" dollars. The watch was numbered 11,007,375, and was an Elgin. He had also five dollar bill and several dollars in silver. In his note book was read "P. J. Shanganer, 29 Hadrick street."
Darlington had a silver watch, No. 1,353, gold chain and similar charm, also a lady's leather card case.
It is thought these men belong to a gang of thieves now in the city and it will be on the lookout for them.

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