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el is a combination of the natur- THE SOUTH AND THE DEMOCRAT- ton and New York have been enumer

We reproduce elsewhere an editorial from the Atlanta Journal entitled "The South's Duty to Democracy." It is a singularly able and interesting article in the first two-thirds of R, but, in its latter part, most inconsequent.

Our contemporary says that "the essential principles of the Democratic party are those on which the movern ment was founded," and that "they are principles which must and will pre vail if the republic is to endure?" Most true, most true. But our con

temporary's remedy for the repeated failure of the Democratic party to se cure the opportunity to enforce those principles is wide of the mark. It declares that the Democracy of the South must organize and take the direction of the party into its own hands. That is, we must secede again! Our contemporary is evidently no

the North in 1865 marked the triumph of the doctrine of force. Democratic principles, the corner-stone of which is the "consent of the governed," are the antithesis of the doctrine of force the doctrine which triumphed. Se cession gave the advocates of a strong government the opportunity which, un der the lead eventually of Seward, they longed for. The Democratic par ty emerged from the war diminished in numbers and discredited. Without being willing to admit that the enforcement of the doctrine which the Sout fought for was, after all, the only hope for free government, many Republicans at the North were gradually turning to the Democrats, as in 1876, 1884 and 1892. But Mr. Cleveland's adhesion to the Eastern view (that of a strong government) in his second administration, repelled con verts from the West-from the West where identity of interests with the South was fast turning Republicans to us in numbers sufficient to render the Democratic party the majority party for all time. The triumph of co-operation with the Populists in 1896 almost restored what Mr. Cleveland caused us to lose in 1894 (when, for the first time every Northern State went Republican); and rejection of cooperation with the Populists in 1893,

platform, put us in the minority again Each defeat of the Democracy's demands has strengthened the hands of those who favor a strong government -first, the tariff, put behind him by Mr. Cleveland (in 1884 as well as it 1893) under the Eastern pressura; then the demonetization of silver. quadrupling the fortunes acquired by the tariff; and then the trusts, offspring of the tariff and the single monetary standard, controlling so much wealth that they buy the presidency as openly as the Roman bidders

after they had accepted our Chicago

purchased that decadent empire. It is all clear enough, and the method simple enough; and the South should never cease to heap maledictions upon those of its sons who have sold its interests for office or for monev-or both, as happened often. If we keep our eyes open, perhaps we may see the process going on even

No our Georgia contemporary wil never secure power for the doctrines of the Democratic party, which are those for which the South suffered defeat in bloody war, until it induces the party to turn its back forever on the East, the citadel of Federalism, and to make terms with the more congen-

CALL FOR THE FIFTH CONVEN-TION OF THE NATIONAL RIVERS AND RARBORS CONGRESS.

As our readers know, the call has been issued by the Board of Directors for the fifth convention of the "National Rivers and Harbors Congress,' to be held at the New Willard Hotel in Washington on December 9, 10 and 11. Responses already received from all over the country, give assurance of a larger and more influential convention than even the wonderful convention of last December, and all the pressure which such a great representative body can exercise will be directed towards inducing the United States Congress to pass at once, in the coming short session, a bill for entering upon a comprehensive scheme for the im-

provement of our waterways. What is Fayetteville going to do about it? Fayetteville with its new hrobbing life, about to enter upon an advanced stage of progress now that its streets are to be paved?

Two years ago we lost our oppor for our vital scheme of securing eight feet of water to our docks throughout the year, by neglect to supply the triffing financing then required. Wil we repeat that mistake, now that opportunity again knocks at our door? We shall be glad to hear from our people in communications addressed

to the Observer. The time is short. We must act a

REPUBLICANS REPEATING THE FRAUDS OF 1896

Says "Zach McGee," the Washington rrespondent of the Charlotte Obserer, writing under date of November

me reason or another the re turns from the various congressional districts have been coming in exceedingly incomplete, and from some doubtful districts they have not come in at all, so that with all the in at all; so that with all the tables being published in various newspapers. being published in various newspapers, purporting to show the exact mem-bership of the Sixty-first Congress, there is no really reliable information ating Kahn and Hays, Republican members from California, re-elected, for instance. Mr. Kahn's secretary here has received a telegram from

and Hays have been defeated. Yet not one single dispatch from Califor nia has announced this result. There have been held back to be "fixed." ing back returns, in Indiana, Ohio and other States which were doubtful, but

c candidate for Governor, a plurality of 10,000 and Taft a plurality of 15 Indiana is a notoriously corrupt State politically, and the Republicant poured several hundred thousand dol lars into it during the closing days of the election; and yet it has not been fully determined whether they bought up the voters themselves or heedful of the fact that the victory of ome of the election managers. And it is the same as to other States. A Republican newspaper man from Ohio said to me the other day that it was his belief that the Ohio returns were held back because the Republican-leaders were ashamed of Taft's small majority and that they would an-nounce them at a time when they yould not attract so much attention. It is still a matter of some considerathroughout the ble doubt whether Taft's majority in Ohio was 75,000 or 25,000. And some doubt whether Taft carried Ohlo at all, leg-

A sufficient time has now elapsed since the presidential election for the smoke of conflict to clear away and for thoughtful men to take an unim-passioned view of the situation. As exists today the inventory offers but little that is encouraging. We cannot delude ourselves into the belief that the result of the contest was anything ess than an overwhelming defeat, al hough the campaign on the part of the Democratic candidate was one of the most virile and aggressive in the nistory of American politics. It is a time when the analytical stu

sult of the election indicate that her will be little short of a despotism?

fore the people with a platform em bodying the fundamental principles on which the government was founded, and time after time we have me Must the Democratic party abandon its traditional policies and rinciples in order to meet new condi lons, or shall we continue to pursue y to defeat?

despair, it seems necessary to adopt another policy, what shall that policy

We know shat the essential principles of the Democratic party are those on which the government and will prevail if the republic is If this is to be a govern to endure. ment for the benefit of the many and not of the few; if this is to be the rule of the people and not of the pow ers of wealth and privilege, taxation must be on the primitive principle that it is imposed not to enrich the privileged few, but in order to vide revenue for the expenses of the It was never intended by the fathers of the republic that he great machinery of the tariff

most the protection should be incide far from this conception of the tariff and yet no impartial student of econ omic history can deny that the Demo eratic contention represents the wil

of the men who built this government on foundations broad and deep. The sophistry and confusion of par isan advocacy cannot obscure the great truth that the constitution of our ountry was intended to be strictly construed and that the reserved pow rs of the states must be upheld. danger of centralization was as thoroughly understood when we were firs emerging into national life as it is to-Statesmanship and patriotism sought to guard against it. The battle was fought out in the formative period when the constitution itself was taking shape and it was decreed that the

states alone could divest themselv of any portion of their sovereignty was to be no "twilight zon as Mr. Bryan has so felicitiously called it-where the boundary between state and federal authority become so vague and dim that "judicial co structions" may be found by which the states might be derpived of their rerogatives without their consent.
The three departments of govern necially the executive must not en ative branch of the government.

These and other elementary prin iples of the constitution have become closely interwoven with the war nd woof of Democracy that the par recannot be destroyed rithout destro We may discard minor with the shifting changes of time saues which grow up with the hourbut these essential principles of Demcracy cannot suffer change.

We see the policy of a high protective tariff endorsed, because the beneficiar es of that tariff have so entreuche themselves in power that it is impos-tible to accomplish their overthrow and become more powerful, more in-veterate every year. Every new trust mothered by the tariff becomes a fillal

The radiating threads of executiv ment, legislative usurpation and judicial construction are drawing and fluctuate construction are grawing us closer and closer year by year towards centralization. The right of a state to try its own cause in its own courts is denied, and the attorney genral court for contempt. Federal judges paralyze the very machinery of a sovereign state, and the highest court of the land upholds the act of

seems powerless, and yet if its princ best in the republic must wither.

Grave men and patriotic men her in the south are looking about for the

And it is from the men of the south that this answer must come, for more than ever before the south has be the Ark of the Covenant. It is here that real Democracy finds its last ref-uge among the fastnesses.

It is simple candor to say that the south has no one to blame but itself that Democracy has fallen upon such the hands of Republicans, which are suspicious.

There are those hereabouts familiar with methods in those States when the company of the com stancy was so well assured that it was held almost in contempt. We have been hewers of wood and drawers of water for the party as a whole so long that no one has given us a thought. It was taken for granted that we would continue our menial service, but that we should have no part in dictating the party platforms or furnishing the party candidates. Even the spoils of office were not for us.

We say frankly that the answer to the momentous question which confronts us is that the Democracy of the South must organize and take the direction of the party into its own hands. We have been as a sleeping giant, ignorant of or indifferent to his strength. We must arouse ourselves. call our own convention and name our own delegates. We must no longer allow ourselves

to be held in contempt. We must write the platform, according to the principles of true Democracy, and name the candidate who is to go before the people. If the Democracy of the East and the West will go with us, well and good. Otherwise we shall go alone. We can do nothing worse han meet defeat, and that has already been our portion so long that we know little else. As conditions exist to-day, we compromise with the alien ele ments of the party, accept the candidate dictated to us by other sections of the country, permit ourselves to be led by the nose, and awake to disaser, as we have just done.

We barter away our birthright, and are then robbed of even the pottage. How much farther must through the valley of the shadow before we awake to the duty we owe our selves and to the country? How much longer must we perform a thankless and useless service, weighted down with the burdens which our petty masters impose upon us? If the events of he past twelve years have not been sufficient to demonstrate the hopelessness of the party under the domination of the east and the west, when will we learn the important lesson?

These are days of darkness, indeed as we sit in the shadow of a fresh defeat. And yet a more splendid vision opens before the people of the South than is vouchsafed to the vision of any people on the globe. The events has made us the keeper of the palladium of popular government, for without Democracy our Republican institutions must fall and it is only here that true Democ racy can be found. An over-ruling Providence has placed it in our pow er to preserve the heritage left us by our fathers, and it becomes our highduty to rise to the obligations of the

We can do this by aserting our in dependence and supremacy. We can do this by declaring to the Democracy of the United States that henceforth name the candidates. The sullen east and the presumptuous West will open their eyes for a time at the impudence of these life-long menials, but a mo ment's reflection will convince them hat it is not only necessary but wise to accept our leadership and author

We can do no more than fail. we will have performed a patriotic our honest judgment ervice, and in we will carry the principles of Democ racy to such a victory as this country has not seen since the days of An drew Jackson, of Tennessee.

WHAT A REPUTATION FOR AN AMERICAN PRESIDENT.

Says the Norfolk Virginian: President Roosevelt assures Mr feredith, of Richmond, that there will no attempt to force on the Southern States the alternative restoring the suffrage to the vicious and illiterate elements of their citizen ship or of having their representation in the lower House of gress and the Electoral College reduc ed proportionately. For our part, we should feel easier in mind had the President made no statement or one o the contrary effect . When he is most emphatic in saying that a thing will not be done, then is the time when he is most vigorously preparing to have done that very thing our observation and it is fully borne

HEIGHT AND GENIUS.

Vew York Herald. Dr. I. Popper, a well known German physician, has been making some interesting observations regarding the stature of individuals and the relation that exists between height and talent and genius. The doctor finds that not nly persons with considerable talent but the geniuses of the world, all have een and are of medium size or less Among statesmen he points out Attila. Cromwell, Frederick II., Napoleon Gambetta, Thiers—all of whom were of very small stature. Jesus Christ oo, the doctor says, according to the l'almud, was built in small propor tions; so was Paul. Among the great rtists the short men were Raphae Michelangelo, Titian, Leonardo da Vinci and Menzel; among the musi cians, Richard Wagner, Handel, Bach laydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Schumann Schubert, Brahms. Nearly all the poets were of small stature, particul larly Dante, Horace, Petrarch, Boc-caccic, Tasso, Victor Hugo and Heine. So were Cervantes and Rousseau. Among the philosophers and scientists the list is a large one, and those whom the doctor particularly mentions as small men physically are Spinoza. Newton, Leibnitz, Schopenhauer, He gel, Humboldt, Ranke and Hommsen. The results of Dr. Popper's researches into this subject are very interesting. He has discovered that while most great small men are small in stature because of the shortness of their legs they are really tall in length of their bodies. That is, when sitting ing up, as they have big bodies above the waist. This very fact, the doctor thinks, is perhaps the secret of talent

FOREST CONDITIONS IN NORTH

The forests of North Carolins and the industries dependent upon them, now produce material amounting in value to more than thirty-five million follars a year, and give employment to 30,000 men.

The forest area of North Carolina covers more than ten million acres, s very large part of which is steep, rough or poor land which is not suita-ble for farming, purposes.

IMPORTANCE OF FOREST LANDS.

The importance of the forests of North Carolina is relatively greater than that of most of the other states. One sixth of the entire wealth producing capital is invested in forest lands: or in industries directly dependent upon the products of this land. New York, with the same area as North Carolina has only one hundredth of its interests dependent on its forest lands. In Pennsylvania with a forest acreage nearly equal to that of this state, and the forest products of which compare favorably with those of this state, the forest industries represent only one fortieth of the invested capital.

PINE INDUSTRY.

Pine is the standard building timber. The cut of pine in North Carolina decreased between 1900 and 1907, more than seven million feet a year, entail-ing an annual loss of more than one million dollars to the state. This took place in spite of a large increase in the number of saw mills, chiefly small ones, however. The reason is that the production of pine lumber must, in a lew years, decrease until it reaches the point when it will be equal only to the annual growth which takes place each year.

OUTLOOK FOR FUTURE PINE INDUSTRY.

The outlook for pine industry in the uture is not encouraging. Large areas of cut over land are poorly stocked, or growing absolutely nothing on account of fires. Lack of seed trees. and the presence of cattle and hogs also prevent full stocking of cut over lands. Cutting to too small a diameter decreases the yield.

HARD WOOD INDUSTRY. Oak, poplar and chestnut are the mportant hardwoods. There has been decided decrease in the cut of popar in North Carolina. The best oak has been cut. Most of the oak which is now being sawn is of inferior qualty. The hardwood forests are formed of many kinds of trees, some very val uable, some less so. The less valuable kinds usually form the second growth. The value of the forest is onsequently reduced-it is growing cheap kinds of wood in place of valuaole kinds like poplar and the best oaks. Young poplar has largely been prevened from growing by fires, and fires are particularly destructive to chestout sprout forests which have been

cut for tannic acid wood. In their virgin condition the hardwood forests contain a great many deective trees and many trees of infer or kinds. They can be developed however so as to be made extremely productive; it will be absolutely necessary however to prevent fires, and to instruct owners in methods of cutting so as to increase in place of destroy ing the earning value of their holdings. The permanent hardwood lands can be developed to produce twice their present cut.

FURNITURE INDUSTR This industry is absolutely dependnt upon a permanent supply of hardwoods. If properly developed and furpished a suitable supply of raw mater ial, the furniture industry can attain en times its present proportions.

The tanning industry should also be come a permanent one. Its permanencv is dependent upon a constant sup-ply of tanning material. The paper industry in North Caroina can likewise be made permanent. A future supply of pulp wood is neces-

sary for it. The supply of cotton for the cotton factories can be regulated from year o year. To maintain the industries which are dependent upon forest pro ducts, it is necessary to look ahead everal decades.

RELATION OF FOREST LANDS TO FARMING. A very large part of the forest lands of North Carolina are associated with the farms. If these lands are well managed, they enable farm labor to keep busy during the bad weather in the winter when regular farm work is impossible There are several hundred thousand acres of badly gullied, or waste farm land which could profitably be planted during the winter in valua-ble trees.

The forest industries, with their 25. 000 employees and 100,000 dependents. furnish an excellent home market for farm products.

CUT OVER LANDS. The cut over lands are increasing at the rate of 200,000 acres a year. Two thirds of the cut over lands fail to reproduce or reproduce very scantily, adding annually to the already enunproductive id! ormous area of land, and capital in the State.

WASTE LANDS. There are 2,000,000 acres of waste land in North Carolina, which has been lumbered and burned, or cleared and found unprofitable to cultivate on unt of roughness or erosion. and represents idle capital of not less than \$2,000,000. It has an annual earnng power in timber of not less than \$1,000,000, which would represent, if sawn into lumber, a product of ten million dollars a year.

FORESTS AND WATER POWER. The waste lands in the western part of the state have an injurious effect upon the water powers, tending by inreasing the rapidity of the run off in heavy rains to add to the height of the floods, and through lack of absorption of rainfall to prolong the periods of low water. An enormous amount of tilt from this waste land settles in the reservoirs and mill ponds, destroying their storage value. The water powers, in furnishing cheap power and atimulating manufacturing, are one of the most valuable assets of the State. PLANT THE WASTE LAND IN TREES.

Owners should be assisted in re planting this waste land in trees to sen the erosion from it, and to make It more absorptive of the heavy rains They should be instructed in methods of raising seedlings, and planting them, and seedlings should be furnishad them at the cost of growing until mmercial nurseries will take up the FOREST LANDS IDLE CAPITAL.

The forest lands represent an enormous amount of capital. Every factor Is present for making it permanently productive, except knowledge on the part of the owners as to the methods of managing, and the means of pro-tecting from fire. Under intelligent management the timber can be made

to grow twice as fast as if left to natural growth. No additional labor is required to make the forest lands pro ductive. Trees grow without cultiva-tion or labor. No additional capita is needed: the capital is already in vested in the land and the young trees Are the forest lands worth develor

Can the people of this State afford not to develop them? Cutting the natural growth is not de veloping forest lands. To develop them t is necessary to make them produc

ive after they have been cut over The development of the forest land s necessary, that the owners may pro fit by the permanent yield; and it i equally as necessary for the industrial development of the entire State and all of its industries. FOREST FIRES.

Forest fires are the problem to b net in order to secure a restocking of cut over lands, and to provide for future forests. Fires burn over the forest land sufficiently often to kill many of the seedlings while they are yet small and tender. If fires kept out the young growth is usually thick, as is shown by forests in enclos ures, or where they are protected by other means. Fortunately the old fo ests of this State have so far escaped a really destructive conflagration. The continual suppression of young growth nowever, has produced results equally as disastrous, causing thousands of acres of waste, unproductive land.

Many states are seriously attempt ng to lessen the forest fire evil: York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Mich Minnesota, Massachusetts Maine California and others Their forest fire laws place forest lands or the same footing as other property in regard to protection from fire. The forest fire laws are generally posted They have organized services of fire wardens which have power to assem ble citizens to fight fire; to arrest vic lation of the forest fire laws, and to prosecute offenders in the courts.

STATE FORESTY POLICY. The time element which confront wners of timberlands deters many o them from attempting to develop the properties as is necessary to make them profitable, even when it is evident that the land is suitable only for forest growth. Furthermore, for est lands at the present time are not so profitable as they will be in the future, since the stumpage price c imber is still fixed by the old natura growth and not by the cost of growing

or replacing it. Owners of forest lands for these res ns must be encouraged to develo

their properties. State aid in protection from fire absolutely necessary. It is as neces sary to protect young timber and cu over lands from fire as for the town protect building property from fire is merely protecting another form of property, which can be protected more fully by the organization of the community than by the individual. It is necessary also to instruct ow

ers by demonstration in regard to the methods of cutting and managing pro perty to make it productive. The prof table management of timberlands a more difficult problem than produc ng a farm crop. The small land own er cannot develop the details of man He can only execute plan developed by an engineer who has de ermined the methods of managemen To assist in the planting of waste and, seeds and seedlings of valuable forest trees should be distributed at ost until local nurseries can be o eloped to supply the needs; and own ers should be shown by demonstra

ion the best methods of raising seed ings, planting them and caring for he young trees Any person interested in the refores tation of abandoned farm and other waste land; or who wishes to learn the best method for managing a tract of

the State Geologist, Chapel Hill, N. C THE FOLLY OF ROOSEVELT'S

imber land should correspond with

TRUST-"BUSTING." Norfolk Virginian. I The United States Circuit Court of Appeals, sitting at New York, has de

cided that the American Tobacco Company is an illegal combination perated in restraint of trade and fr The violation of the Sherman law. mmediate effect of the decision is, of course, nil, as execution of judgmen has been suspended pending an appea to the Supreme Court. But, assum ing that the decision of the lower tribunal should be affirmed by the highest court in the land, what then? Would a restraining order suffice to 'bust" the Trust and restore compet tion among its constituent concerns? Such an order was issued against the Beef Trust several years ago. If it is any less a Trust today than before the issuance of that order, if it has changed its methods of operations on jot in any particular, the fact has escaped the attention of eighty milions of consumers who are forced to suffer its exactions, and today reater degree than ever before. What a glaring farce, what hype critical pretense all this alleged "trust-busting" by the Roosevelt ad-

ministration has been and is! What do the Trusts and illegal combinations care about restraining orders and injunctions? They can't be effectively enforced no matter how bent upon er forcement the issuing court may be What have such orders ever acco plished and what will or can they ac omplish towards effecting the obje to which they are presumably direct ed? Absolutely nothing. If combins tion in restraint of trade is a crime and the law says it is, there is only one way to break it up. That is to hold the responsible individuals amer able for the crime and to inflict upon them the punishment. A soulless corporation can of itself commit no wrong and to visit it with verbal castigations is as useless and idle as trying to quie an idle sea by lashing it with chains Likewise, to fine a monopoly is to punish the user of the monopolized ar icle or the innocent stockholder wh knew nothing of the offense and could not have prevented it if he had-on

is a few prominent trust officials be hind prison bars. CITIES AND SHADE TREES.

The remedy for illegal combination

Petersburg Index-Appeal. 1

One of the best attractions of Wash ngton is the ornamentation of its streets and avenues by trees, almost ing found in some part or other of the city. Practically this good work was begun in 1873, thirty-five years ago, and it has been kept up continually. Nothing, it seems to us, adds more to the beauty of the residential portion of a city than this, and the comfort gained by pedestrians is worth congained by pedestrians is worth consideration. The expense need not be great, and may and should be divided between the city and the owners of the property directly benefitted.

Manufacturer's Record is little better than no explanation at all. It may be all right for a politician to take money like this, but no decent newspaper can afford to do it.

THE BLIGHTING EFFECT OF RE-PUBLICAN RULE, INSTEAD OF THE PEOPLE'S RULE.

Rocky Mount Echo.]

In the early days of this Republic were demonstrated perhaps stronge than ever before or since the highe and nobler principles of human nature. Then there was such a thing as patriotism, a love of country, and a willing disposition to make any sac rifices however great to sustain : Men were willing and did dare, and die for it. The sentiment, and princi ples of honesty, integrity and truth were dominant. Men did right, and they did it because right was right In their dealings with each other there was a disposition to be fair, to be just but with a large class that day is past In the mad race after money, people only hesitate when approaching a me thod of action where the law says

cheating with this class are the cor rect things, so long as there is no dan ger of a suit, or judgment. It is a deplorable condition and one that has already developed a lot of shrewd, unscrupulous moderately respectable thieves. They take a hand in civic religion, and benevolent matters jus so far as these things may act as screen to hide their unscrupulous characters. They do not roar like lion, or come with blast of trumpets, but they are ever seeking whom they may devour from a financial standpoint. Talk of honor, they have no such word in their vocabulary, speal of character, and they look at you !

Lying, misrepresentation, fraud and

If there is enough salt of truth salt of honesty left to save the people is full time it were being used, for the nation has gone money mad, and its character and conscience is tainted to the core with corruption and dis

There was a time when we sought the preacher of the gospel of God is save a man from his sins, to fit him for the higher life hereafter, but the world has grown so desperately wick ed, so fearfully dishonest, that 1 seems we need great moralists for the transition stage, preachers for a standard right between man and man to teach the vital truths of integrity honest living. In the shameles worship of money men are deceiving their fellow man, deceiving their preacher, and trying desperately to iecelve their God, by making a res pectable show in getting out of the world in a fine funeral car, followed to B. E. SEDBERRY'S SON heir graves with a fancy dress pa When you kill the soul and rade. strangle the conscience the balance sham.

CEMENT AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR WOOD-PROBABLE EFFECT OF LUMBER PRICES.

The relation between the increasing use of cement and the diminishing timber supply in the United States has been the subject of such interesting correspondence between the Geological Survey and the Forest Service at Washington. In a letter to the Forester, the Director of the Survey took occasion to quote from a statement of a large Philadelphia firm to the effect that it would be difficult to estimate what the additional drain on the lumber supply would have been during he last few years had not cement come into such general use. The For-

"The Forest Service is watching with a great deal of interest the in creasing use of cement and other sub titutes for wood. They are undoub edly having some influence on the price of lumber, though I do not think that up to the present time they have greatly retarded the advance in lumber prices. The fact is that our in-dustrial progress has been so great that our requirements for every kind of structural material have increased tremendously. We are using at the present time more lumber per capita than ever before and probably as much per capita as we did fifty vears ago. The conclusion can not be escaped therefore that in the future we must depend more than in the past on other materials than wood for cer tain purposes at least. As to the in crease that will take place in the production of cement, my impression

s that this will be very great. If the increase in the use of cement in the United States in past years is to be regarded as any index to its future use, the conclusions of the Forester are well founded. The stat stics of the production of minerals show that our output of cement has more than doubled in the last five years and it is well known that its use is being very widely extended. This is due to two conditions: In the first place, excellent cement materials are common in almost all sections of the country; in the second place, reinforced concrete for heavy building material is receiving increased favor among engineers, while in the country regions large amounts of cement are being used for building blocks for smaller structures. Reports received by the Survey during the six years from 1902 to 1907 show that the production of cement in the United States has increased from 25,000,000 barrels, valued at approximately \$25,000,000, to 51,000,000 barrels, valued at \$55,000,000, the annual statistics showing a steady increase in production with some slight fluctuations in price

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