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FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

Why it Should be Established in Our State—Paper No. 1 from the Watauga Club.

The Watauga Club of Raleigh, (which is composed of citizens of North Carolina) realizing the great importance and necessity of having the youth of the State taught "the best mode of doing work that the world requires to be done and which the world is willing to pay liberally for, provided it is done in the best manner possible," the club has arranged to prepare and have published a series of short articles, on the present importance of textile instruction, and the necessity of educating our young men to fill positions of responsibility, as superintendents, managers and owners of textile mills.

It is an historical fact that the foundation of England's supremacy in manufacturing was laid when the British Parliament ordered that "every French Huguenot who accepts refuge, and who erects a loom or other industry in the kingdom, shall give employment and training to at least one English youth;" this wise action has aided in making the English-speaking people the manufacturers of the world.

About a quarter of a century ago Gladstone warned England that unless more attention was given to technical education and training, other nations might take away their supremacy. He has lived to see a partial fulfillment of the prediction, especially in regard to Germany.

The apprentice system is a thing of the past, and will never be revived. The great revolution wrought by steam and electric machinery in all branches of mill operations, has made high-grade technical training an absolute necessity; and, in order to develop efficient managers of men and machinery, the groundwork for this training and education must hereafter be obtained in industrial or technical schools, in the same way that men are prepared by special training to eventually occupy high positions in law and medicine. The employment of a boy or man on a special machine will seldom develop a leader or manager, without some previous instruction on general subjects.

It is a well known fact that the boys and girls of a country are its most valuable possessions, and that time and money employed in their proper training and development will give the largest and most satisfactory returns to the State. It increases their earning capacity, and, therefore, their value to the State.

It is estimated by careful men that three-fourths of the new cotton mills of the future will be located in the Southern States; and North Carolina must be prepared to erect and to manage her full share of them. North Carolina produces the cotton; contains an abundance of coal and other fuel; valuable and accessible water powers; an unsurpassed climate, and a large number of bright, active, American boys, who are eager for industrial education. Shall the State give them such advantage? We are fully able to give textile education to all who want it; and no time should be lost in organizing a textile department at the Agricultural and Mechanical College. Such an addition would soon induce one hundred new stu-

dents to attend the college.

Many of the graduates of this college are working their way to positions of profit and influence; and graduates of the textile department who have some natural ability and character would soon be able to work their way to good positions, and also be a benefit to mill owners of the State.

IT LOOKS MORE GLOOMY.

Something Definite From Spain Friday Night—The President Will Turn the Situation Over to Congress, if His Demands Are Not Met—Queen in a Strait.

As Senator Lindsay, of Kentucky, has said, one day it looks like peace and the next day like war.

The situation at present looks very much like it is to be independence of Cuba and the utter humiliation of Spain, or war with the results the same with regard to both.

Spain has probably sounded the powers and finds no ground for hope that she can receive any more than the good offices to interpose for peace.

Representative Bailey, of Texas, the recognized leader of the Democrats in the House, attempted to push through a resolution Wednesday declaring the independence of Cuba. Speaker Reed ruled it out of order, and the House sustained him, when Bailey appealed to the House to overrule the ruling.

Senators and Representatives waited on the President during the day and received the assurance that an answer from Spain might be expected Friday night.

The President urged that he be given a chance to effect his program, which, if revealed, would be detracted from, but, in the event that his proposition was rejected, he would turn over the whole matter to Congress by early next week and would share the responsibility of action with Congress in such action as may follow. It seems to be cropping out everywhere that nothing short of the absolute freedom of Cuba is contemplated by the President, the American people or the Cubans.

Should the President's pacific, but we hope wise and just, propositions be rejected and Congress be left to deal with the situation, there is little doubt that the result will be war at no distant day.

Spain is very anxious for peace, but very jealous of what she terms her honor. The Queen Regent appeals to Emperor Francis Joseph, of Austria, and others as follows:

"I am in a difficult position, having to act as the guardian of the dynasty, which I must not expose to any danger, and at the same time as the defender of the rights, honor and interests of Spain. To surrender Cuba in any form would unquestionably injure the dynasty under which it occurred; whereas, to fight for it would keep these interests intact, together with my country's honor. But the disadvantages Spain would have to fight under are obvious, and a peaceful solution would best serve every purpose."

Notice.

The regular Monthly Inspection of Cabarrus Light Infantry will be held Thursday, March 31st, 8:30 p. m., at Gibson's Hall.

EDWARD HILL, Capt.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

—Mr. John Leslie came over from Charlotte last night.

—Mr. George L. Patterson returned from a short business trip to Charlotte this morning.

—Messrs. L. J. Foil and James Peck, two of Mt. Pleasant's most business men, were seen on the streets today.

COTTON SEED

For Cows

FOR SALE BY

Ervin & Morrison

GROCERS

A SMALL BOOM

Is Very Probable for Glass's Siding Soon.

The outlook now is that Glass's Siding, only a few miles above Concord on the railroad, will be a village, or rather a suburban town.

By the first of May, Mr. F. W. Bost, one of China Grove's most successful business men, and Mr. J. T. M. Rogers, a young man of this place, but who has for some time in the past been employed in the Patterson store at China Grove, hope to open up a tolerably large store, handling a line of dry goods and groceries.

A petition has also been sent to the Postmaster General, asking that a postoffice be made at this place, and that Mr. Rogers take charge of the office. The only reason, it seems, that this place has never had a postoffice before was because no one cared to be bothered with it in their residences.

From reliable authority we are also informed that the Southern Railway Company has promised to erect a depot at that place, if much business is done there.

MRS. P. M. FAGGART DEAD.

Passes Into Rest After Lingered With Pneumonia for Only a Short Time.

Mrs. Press M. Faggart, of this county, died Wednesday evening, March 30th, after lingering for only a short while, with pneumonia.

Mrs. Faggart was a daughter of the late D. G. Holdbrooks. She was a sister of Mr. Robinson Holdbrooks, of No. 2 township, and a half-sister of Mrs. Dr. Lafferty. She was also the step-mother of our townsman, Mr. Arthur Faggart.

She leaves a husband and five children, together with a host of friends, to mourn their loss. All of the children left are single except one, who married Mr. Randolph Winecoff, of No. 4 township.

After the preaching of the funeral this (Thursday) evening at 3 o'clock, the remains were interred in Bethpage cemetery.

Notice to Delinquents.

All property on which the town taxes have not been paid will be advertised for sale by the Sheriff on the first day of April next.

Jno. K. Patterson, T. C.

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We can suit anyone and everyone in town from our fine stock.

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Poplar, Oak, Walnut, Birch, Birds'

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