

EDITORIAL

VIEWS OF THE EDITOR ON MATTERS OF CURRENT INTEREST.

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The big mercantile agencies report that the greatest prosperity ever known before is sweeping the country. It is only in the tobacco belt where the pinch of hard times is still felt, and this is largely owing to an inferior crop, which in addition to its sorry quality is weighing light.

THE STRONG FINANCIAL POSITION OF AMERICA.

Today finds the people of this country without a present or past moratorium, and in command of the gold supply of the world. The nation quickened in its adversity, and progress supplanted disorder. Since January 1, we have imported three hundred million dollars of gold, a record in the history of the nation. Despite the fearful cataclysm of Europe, yea, of the entire world, we are living beneath an unclouded sky. Since the commencement of the war the nations involved have issued bonds to the extent of seventeen billion dollars. Note issues of the banks have increased four billion dollars, with an increase of less than five per cent gold reserve. It is remarkable that these tremendous changes and adversities, afflicting such a preponderance of the world's population, have ensued without paralyzing the economics of this nation. It could not have been but for the Reserve Act establishing a psychological condition that caused the nation to move forward.

PREPAREDNESS THE ISSUE.

Every farmer of Stokes county should stand for preparedness--that is, a full corn crib, plenty of roughness for the stock and cattle, plenty of grain to furnish bread for the family all the year round, and big round porkers in the pen. Let the statesmen wrestle with the problem of national defense. Let us look to our home defenses and get ready to stay away from the supply stores. A farmer who runs to the merchant every time he needs a bag of chop or a strip of meat, waiting till fall to settle at time prices, is helping to weave a net about himself that means certain disaster sooner or later. A list of the farmer depositors in the bank will show that 99 per cent of them make it a rule to grow their supplies at home. Tobacco is our money crop, and all farmers should raise it, because the lands of this section are naturally adapted to tobacco growing. But let tobacco always be secondary, and home supplies first. This advice is from experience of our oldest and wisest men who will tell you that tobacco has been up and down since they were children. You can't depend on it. Season and market conditions are uncertain. It is wise to be on the safe side. Prepare against surprise by the enemy. Diversify your crops.

Books--A Delight in Youth And a Solace In Age

Books are wonder-workers for the human spirit. Do you need entertainment without taking your feet from the fender? Read the "Arabian Nights," or a novel by Dickens, or Reade, or Scott, or Hugo, or any one of dozens of our present novelists. Are you fond of dramatic action? Read a play of Shakespeare. Do you want technical knowledge on any theme? Look for it and you'll find it in a book. Have you lost confidence in yourself? Read Emerson's essay on "Self-Reliance." Do you need inspiration for great achievement? Read the biography of a great man. Do you want mental relaxation and diversion? Read a detective story by Poe or Conan Doyle. Read history; read poetry.

A half hour a day devoted conscientiously to good reading will in a very short time give you a cultivated mind. Use odds and ends of time for reading. Many people are poor because they have never learned the value of pennies, nickles and dimes. Many minds are empty because they do not value the small change of time, the scraps of opportunity. Pocket editions are plentiful and cheap and convenient for casual reading. Any man can carry genius in his pocket if not in his brain.

Books are a solace in old age. There are many lonely old men and women whose friends are dead and gone. They do not care for books, and so are banished from their royal society. Learn to read early and keep the habit alive.—Dr. E. Mullins.

Great Books Inspire Farm Boys and Girls.

We hope sometime that it will become general to have libraries of well chosen books attached to every school—books of travels, history, biography, economics, carpentry, agriculture, cooperation, health, art and general literature.

The purpose of the teacher is not to complete education but to wave a hand down the vistas and say knowledge is to be found there. The primary teacher can only show the way. Too often after the boy and girl has left school they regard the learning period of life as over and the

work period beginning, and if they have this idea they are never fit for any but the worst work. It is when the mind is young and flexible and ardent and imaginative that it forms habits and enthusiasms. It is by reading, first of all, that the young will get ideas of a different life from that their fathers and mothers have lived, of a life quickened by thought, by intelligent action, of beauty in the home, and of a high standard of living. The imagination of the young in cooperative matters will leap enthusiastically to national conceptions.

The idea of a cooperative Ireland of a nation working in an agricultural and industrial brotherhood will fire them, where their parents will hardly see beyond their own parish and are content to let their cooperation end with their village. It is to youth we must appeal if we make Ireland a country with a high civilization. You cannot put too high ideals before youth. It is receptive for great conceptions. It is by the greatness of the desires of youth today that the greatness of our country twenty years hence can be judged.—Geo. W. Russell, in Irish Homestead.

The Value Of Fresh Air.

The oxygen of the air is the world's great scavenger.

Drawn into the lungs it oxidizes the refuse in the blood through the lungs.

But when the lungs are engorged by croup, catarrh or colds the oxygen cannot penetrate the phlegm and therefore cannot reach the membranes through which it purifies the blood.

Apply Mentholatum in the nostrils and upon the throat and chest.

The body heat releases the aromatic volatile oils contained in the Mentholatum. These oils are pungent and penetrating.

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Mentholatum is also a germicide and an antiseptic.

It also has a rapid healing effect upon all inflamed surfaces, such as chapped skin, burns and bruises.

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The value of Peruna in the home can scarcely be estimated. It prevents many of the common ailments. It is an excellent remedy for coughs, colds, catarrh, grip, spring fever, tired-out feeling.

Sit down and think it over. See whether you can afford to go on half sick.

Some people prefer Peruna Tablets to the fluid Peruna.

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Over \$25,000 is the amount of the appropriation made by 45 counties of the State to Home Demonstration Work. And Mrs. Jane McKimmon, in charge of the work, expects to have shortly 50 per cent. of the counties of the State under supervision for the entire year.

Report of the Condition of the Bank of King at King, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business Nov. 10, 1915.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$16,429.40
Banking houses, Furniture and Fixtures	1,524.99
Demand Loans	214.41
Due from National Banks	271.00
Due from State Banks and Bankers	3,425.59
Cash Items	56.16
Gold coin	55.00
Silver coin, including all minor coin currency	776.00
National bank notes and U. S. notes	1,826.00
Expense, Etc.	314.21
Total	\$25,203.76

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 6,000.00
Deposits subject to check	8,578.92
Demand Certificates of Deposit	10,311.94
Cashier's Checks outstanding	3.20
Total	\$25,203.76

State of North Carolina, County of Stokes, I, T. S. Petree, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. T. S. PETREE, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of Nov., 1915. FRED E. STORRE, Notary Public. My commission expires November 29th, 1916. Correct—Attest: V. T. CHABS, S. W. PULLIAM, N. E. PEPPER, Directors.

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