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THE PRESS.

It is to be hoped that the coming meeting of the North Carolina Press Association at Morehead City will be largely attended. Every newspaper publisher in the State ought to become a member, each one working for the advancement and elevation of the profession. "In union there is strength," and by united effort on the part of publishers the standard of journalism cannot only be raised, but regarding it from a business point of view it can be greatly benefited. We extract the following from the Lexington Dispatch, whose editor Mr. T. B. Eldridge, is President of the Association:

The approaching meeting of the North Carolina Press Association at Morehead City gives promise of being of more than ordinary interest. When it is considered how much the newspaper business might be benefited by co-operation, it is really surprising that every editor and publisher in the State is not a member of the organization. The large number of persons engaged in the business, and the almost total absence of combination and mutual understanding have opened the way for numerous impositions to be practiced upon publishers; and there is not a man who has conducted a newspaper three months who has not realized the truth of this remark. In this connection, it is entirely unnecessary to specify, as a suggestion is sufficient for any person who has experience, however little. That the avenue to many important positions could be closed by the publishers themselves by concerted action, is too plain a proposition to need argument. Let us all come together and see what we can do.

And again Mr. J. H. Lindsay, Secretary and Treasurer, says in his paper the Kernersville News and Times:

The next meeting of the North Carolina Press Association will be composed wholly of men who have the interest of the profession near their heart. If any one succeeds in getting to Morehead City, upon the representation that he is editing a paper, and it afterwards appears that he is not, all courtesies will be forthwith discontinued. It is the earnest desire of all who have watched the annual meeting together of some of the editors of the State, that the Association may be made indispensable to every newspaper man in North Carolina, that it may be placed upon a high plane of usefulness, and that in addition to the pleasant recreation afforded by the meetings, they may be the means of elevating the standard of journalism in the State.

Those who now hold themselves aloof from the Press Association, when they see that it is composed of newspaper men only, will doubtless lend their aid in furthering the work, and will no longer expect to reform what appear to be existing evils, by remaining on the outside. Already the majority of the leading papers in North Carolina belong to the Association and it is sincerely hoped that every paper will be represented at the next meeting. Let the editors come together for conference, for the discussion of those questions which are connected with the profession, and when this is done, and the idea no longer exists that it is merely a pleasure jaunt, the annual gathering of the editors, will be fruitful of much good.

The Fayetteville Journal shows decided improvement since being merged into a daily. It has been enlarged and the general get-up of the paper enhanced in appearance, while the subject matter is better in every way. In his new undertaking Mr. D. McD. Grady, the editor and proprietor, displays commendable enterprise together with tact and ability, and Fayetteville has cause to be proud of being the home of such a creditable little daily. The GOLD LEAF wishes it all possible success.

FOR WILMINGTON'S BUSINESS MEN TO CONSIDER.

The Wilson Mirror throws out some timely suggestions to the business men of Wilmington when it says:

Why should not our "city by the sea" command the trades of all North Carolina, and do its shipping? It could do a great deal more if it were invited, especially from all along the lines of railroad leading into Wilmington. How may we be invited? By getting cheap fares on railroads, and convenient schedules. The Wilmington & Weldon Railroad has a most convenient train starting from Weldon early in the morning, returning same day, giving several hours in Wilmington even if return by that train were desired. With the delights of the seaside resorts, near at hand, the State Guard encampment, and a display of the city's resources by attractive advertisements, Wilmington might attract many hundreds of visitors during the present summer, who getting the run of things might be induced to make shopping, and more general trade too, a matter of mutual advantage. Much of North Carolina money which now goes to Norfolk, Richmond and Baltimore and other places might find investment in Wilmington wares. There is nothing equal to the enterprise shown in the judicious use of printers' ink.

This is very true. The GOLD LEAF has been impressed with the apparent lack of effort on the part of the business men of Wilmington to secure at least a part of the North Carolina trade that goes to Norfolk and Richmond and Baltimore. Why is this? We see no good reason why the wholesale men of Wilmington may not be able to compete with those of Norfolk. With the advantages of her fine port why does Wilmington not furnish much of the supplies that this section of the State now looks beyond our borders for? And has it not as much right to this trade as any other market? The GOLD LEAF thinks so, and it desires to see our seaport city flourishing and growing great and prosperous upon the abundance of our wealth-giving products that now go from the State to build up other markets and enrich other towns.

Much of this trade can be diverted and turned into Wilmington's commercial channels if her business men so will it. This paper is ever ready to do all in its power toward futherung this cherished end.

AN IDEAL SEASIDE RESORT

The Southern Home-Seeker's Guide has the following to say of Morehead City, the chief attraction of which is the great Atlantic Hotel, where the North Carolina Press Association will hold its annual convention July 13th, it says:

Morehead City, as a city, is yet a prophesy, but one built on a sure foundation and freighted with many charming possibilities. It is, even now, for its brief summer season, a city in all that modern comfort, luxury, gaiety, good company, refinement, beauty, youth and fashion suggest. Its present success and future magnitude was a vision to Governor Morehead over thirty years ago, and it was his far-seeing faith, supplemented by his persistent energy and boundless influence, that has given to the world this ideal watering place. Although this is essentially a Southern resting-place, the climate is by means warm, and offers a most invigorating and healthful change to dwellers in the interior and along the beautiful but enervating Gulf-coast.

Morehead City is rapidly becoming one of the most popular seaside resorts on the Atlantic coast. The Atlantic Hotel, one of the largest and best kept houses in the South, was enlarged and improved before the beginning of the present season, and if there was anything lacking to make it strictly first-class is every respect, that requirement has been fully met by the present proprietors, Messrs. Beerman & Cooke. Mr. Charles Beerman, one of the proprietors of the Kimball House, Atlanta, Ga., and Mr. A. J. Cooke, of Raleigh, who has had several years' experience as a hotel manager, and one of the proprietors of the Atlantic Hotel the past two seasons, have leased it for a term of years, and are putting forth every effort to make it the watering place of the South. Enlarged and improved as it now is, the Atlantic has ample accommodation for one thousand guests, and we are told that at one time during the past month there were between eight and nine hundred persons there, and as well pleased a crowd as one could wish to mingle in.

Those of the editorial fraternity who were at Morehead summer before last look forward to the coming meeting there next week with pleasant recollections and anticipations of rare pleasure in store for them.

A CREDIT TO NORTH CAROLINA JOURNALISM.

From mere oversight alone the GOLD LEAF has failed to mention the splendid trade edition of the Wilmington Messenger, recently published, but so good a thing is deserving of notice even at this time. For some months this special edition had been promised by the publisher, and knowing Mr. Bonitz as we did, of course we expected much, but we did not look for anything like so creditable and magnificent a publication as he gave us. One of the most enterprising and indefatigable newspaper men in the South, whose past achievements in the field of journalism have been remarkable, this last feat eclipses all former efforts and places him at once in the forefront of successful newspaper managers.

The trade edition of the Messenger is an honor to the publisher and the able corps of writers who assisted in its get-up. Indeed, North Carolina, and Wilmington and the Cape Fear section especially, have cause to be proud of the splendid manner in which the business and attractions and advantages of our chief seaport town are set forth. The paper is 36 pages in size, with pink covers, handsomely illustrated, and got up in good style typographically. It is replete with interesting matter descriptive of the business and industries of Wilmington and its environments, and speaks volumes for the enterprise and public spirit of her citizens. Would that the old North State had more such cities as Wilmington and they such wide-awake newspapers as the Messenger.

R. G. DUNN & Co., in their trade review for the first half year of 1888, sums up the situation as follows:

The half year closes with a volume of business at this date about ten per cent smaller than that of last year, but larger than that of previous years. The general complaint that business is dull means that the reaction from the greater activity of a year ago, and from the confident expectations of last winter, is keenly felt. To many traders who bought largely in their over-confidence the shrinkage brings serious losses and actual embarrassment, and to this cause is mainly due the increase noted during recent months in the number of failures.

How does this sound for a North Carolina industry? The Wadesboro Messenger of the 9th inst., says:

The Wadesboro Silk Mills yesterday shipped 450 pounds of manufactured silk to Russell & Murray, New York.

It is something out of the usual line for a North Carolina enterprise to be shipping manufactured silk abroad, but this only goes to show the extent and variety of our resources and capabilities. No State offers greater advantages for manufactures of all kinds. Our soil and climate are unsurpassed, and our timbered forests, mines and water powers are rich in natural wealth.

COMMENTING on what the GOLD LEAF said last week about the Press Association going to Wilmington after the adjournment of its regular meeting at Morehead on the 13th, the Messenger says:

The invitation tendered through the Messenger to the North Carolina Press Association, which is to assemble at Morehead City on the 13th, to visit Wilmington and our several Summer resorts, meets with general favor. We hope the invitation will be accepted. Our people will be delighted to have the editors visit this city, and a trip to the Hammocks, as also the excursion down the river on the Queen of St. Johns, will be immensely enjoyed by our contemporaries. Come down, brethren.

PUBLIC SPIRIT is a quality, or characteristic, possessed by too few men. There is a lack of it right here in Henderson. For individual enterprise, the GOLD LEAF will "spit" the average Henderson business man against those of any town in the State, but when it comes to true public spirit, we are a trifle wanting. This is not a pleasant admission but it is true never the less. So much by way of preface to the following editorial paragraph from the Asheville Daily Sun:

Public spirit is essential to all success as a people. The man who never undertakes any enterprise unless he sees an opportunity of realizing two dollars for every one that he invests, may have feelings in his breast of head or stomach that he mistakes for public spirit, if it is not. The man who is willing to do something towards upbuilding his town or county, towards beautifying the public streets, buildings or grounds, and hopes to be compensated for so doing by the pride he takes in the improved condition of things, has what is known as public spirit. The latter class of men help to upbuild any city, county or State that is fortunate enough to be their home.

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ELLIE W. YOUNG,
Administratrix of S. D. Young, deceased.
[June 7-6-0.]

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[Aug 26, a.]

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By A. J. HARRIS, Atty.
Henderson, N. C., June 12th, 1888.

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