

KINSTON'S VITAL NECESSITIES.

No town in the tobacco belt of North Carolina has grown more rapidly than has Kinston. Neither can any town present a more substantial basis for its growth than can our own. Our people have become prosperous, contented and happy.

But with each day's development in our various lines of activity, the necessity for certain town improvements becomes more pressing, until—as District Attorney Jerome would say—it is now "up to us" to do something.

No town can live and develop into its proper proportions without attention to its very life's necessities—sewerage, water works and street pavements. They are so closely allied that it would be difficult to separate them. But for the sake of our hopes of future progress, give us sewerage and water works. These vital points being attained, no public spirited citizen will fail to advocate street pavement.

Our physicians are very pronounced in their declarations that sewerage and water works are imperative. They point to the fact that our soil is loose and sandy, which taken in connection with the further fact that our country is comparatively level, allows all water to sink easily and readily into the soil. All manner of impurities thus find easy access to the well or pump water that we are compelled to drink, the result is that disease germs contaminate this necessity, our drinking water.

We may be able to withstand the onslaughts of disease for a time, because of a sound constitution or judicious methods of living; but sooner or later the germs are likely to have their own way about the matter.

These improvements must come if our town is to live and assume the place that properly belongs to it. Our material interests demand them; our social interests demand them; the children filling our schools demand them; our every interest demands them.

Let us undertake the improvements in a business like manner. Each improvement must be adequately provided for. No "pennywise policy" should be consulted in any scheme for improvement. Make an appropriation large enough to meet all demands. Remember that we are providing for a growing city, not a county town.

THE TRADE SITUATION.

The bureau of statistics has just issued information indicative of the course of domestic trade in this country. In most cases there has been a gradual improvement in the condition during the year 1902 as compared with that of 1901.

At the five principal points for the reception of hogs—Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, St. Louis and St. Joseph—a decrease in the receipts of about 2,000,000 is shown. The receipts of cattle and sheep, including horses and mules, were about 1,000,000 short of the receipts for 1901.

At eight principal centers the report shows the receipts of wheat were about 11,500,000 bushels ahead of the crop for 1901. The provision movement from Chicago and Chicago points increased perceptibly during the past year.

A general growth in the volume of trade is shown in the southwest. Little Rock, for instance, reports having received nearly 1,000,000 bushels of corn above the record for 1901.

The vast commerce of the lake ports shows a steady increase. Vessels arrived with a registered tonnage of 71,443,517 tons, and cleared port with a tonnage of 72,215,099 tons.

The following is said of the cotton and wheat movement.

In southern territory the net overland cotton movement to November 28, 1902, was 380,949 bales, compared with 391,365 bales for the like period of 1901. In the distribution of supply, the exports made for 89 days of the cotton season has somewhat declined, and the domestic spinners' takings have increased. At Memphis, the leading interior market in the cotton belt, receipts to November 18, 1902, were 444,917 bales compared with 317,518 bales last season to same date. Wheat receipts at New Orleans for seven months, ending with November 1902, were 13,122,905 bushels, compared with 16,570,528 bushels in seven months.

The whole country has experienced a prosperous year, and our State is no exception to the general rule. We have done a good business, and have been able to secure fair prices for our products.

Let us make the most of this favorable condition in a preparation for years of unfavorable trade conditions, such as are sure to come sooner or later.

MATTER OF IMPORTANCE.

We would call special attention to the communications in this issue of The Free Press.

A distinguished physician in an eastern town has given us, in reply to a citizen's letter of inquiry, a basis upon which we may compare ourselves with our neighbors in the matter of sanitation and health.

Then it is our privilege to publish a letter from a visitor to the State capital. From this letter we are glad to learn that our townsman, Senator Pollock, is taking such an active interest in bills for the promotion of Kinston and her welfare.

We should also heed what "visitors" have to say of water works and pavements.

THE SENSIBILITY OF WOMAN

She Has a Finer Ear, a More Delicate Sense of Touch and Smell—Why She Cannot Keep a Secret—First to Laugh and Cry



Her Talent as a Mimic—How She Subdues Man—The Woman Who Weeps Beautifully—Her Fear and Her Wonderful Bravery

By PAOLO MONTEGAZZA, President Anthropological Society of Italy



OMAN frequently has a finer ear, a more delicate sense of touch and of smell than man, because her skin is finer, because she does not smoke or at least does not abuse tobacco.

WOMAN IS THE FIRST TO RESPOND TO CERTAIN IMPRESSIONS. SHE IS THE FIRST TO CRY WITH FEAR OR ENTHUSIASM, THE FIRST TO REDDEN FROM SHAME OR WRATH, THE FIRST TO LAUGH, THE FIRST TO WEEP WITH TENDERNESS OR FROM PAIN, THE FIRST TO SPEAK IF QUESTIONED.

It is rare that a woman does not interrupt any one who is talking. Education sometimes succeeds in overcoming this weakness, but in general the need of responding to an impression received is stronger than reflection or education. THE ALMOST ABSOLUTE INCAPACITY OF WOMEN TO KEEP A SECRET ALSO DEPENDS UPON THIS ORGANIC DEFECT OF THE FEMINE NERVOUS SYSTEM. They say that when one of the nerve cells is under tension it experiences an imperative need to expand.

Fear is one of the most irresistible of automatic emotions. This emotion is usually more readily produced and more intense among women because they have less control over their thoughts. There is a feminine timidity which sometimes gives place to a virile courage, to the most admirable courage.

FREQUENTLY A WOMAN IS AFRAID OF A MOUSE, BUT SHE ASCENDS THE GIBBET WITH HEROISM. SHE CRIES AT THE SIGHT OF A SERPENT, BUT SHE TOSSES HERSELF INTO THE FLAMES TO SAVE HER CHILD.

Woman's fear is largely a matter of education. Men from infancy are encouraged to be bold, brave. Women are indulged in the most unreasonable fears. Men tell her that they like a timid woman; this because they like to defend her from danger and because they like to assert their virility before her.

If in man the desire to conceal his emotions so as not to appear weak predominates, with woman the desire to be beautiful makes her think she is so. In his own peculiar mimicry man always says, "I am strong!" And woman always wishes to say, "I am beautiful!" These words are different, but the principle, at bottom is the same, for man's first power is courage and woman's first power is beauty.

EXPERIENCE, INTELLIGENCE, EDUCATION, HAVE TAUGHT WOMAN THE INFINITE VALUE OF MIMICRY. COMPARE THE WAILS OF A CHILD WHO WISHES TO BE TAKEN TO THE THEATER WITH THE WEEPING OF A WOMAN WHO WISHES TO VANQUISH THE RESISTANCE OF A SWEETHEART.

The two creatures weep equally and for a similar reason, but with what difference in their methods and resources! What poverty on the one hand; what riches on the other! The beautiful woman caresses her sweetheart with a smile full of tears. With each palpitation of her muscles, each caress of her fingers, each undulation of her bosom, she emits an appeal to compassion that finally little by little leads her sweetheart to her feet and binds and conquers him like a prisoner, like a slave.

What a sublime genius of mimicry is concealed in that little, flexible and graceful body which paralyzes and fascinates the big body of man!

A WOMAN WHO WEEPS IS POWERFUL. THE WOMAN WHO WEEPS BEAUTIFULLY IS ALL POWERFUL.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE WOULD BE A BENEFIT

By Ex-Governor ROBERT E. PATTISON of Pennsylvania

I BELIEVE IN THE STATES WHERE WOMAN SUFFRAGE HAS ALREADY BEEN TRIED IT HAS BEEN ACCOMPANIED WITH SUCCESS.

In the city of Philadelphia the election of women to the school board and their appointment to the board of control have been of great advantage. I AM SATISFIED THAT IN THE EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATE THEIR ADMISSION TO THE FULLEST POWER AND AUTHORITY WILL BE ACCOMPANIED WITH THE GREATEST ADVANTAGE TO THE COMMONWEALTH.

THE BRITISH EMPIRE'S KNELL AND HOW IT WILL BE TOLLED

By JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN, British Secretary of State For the Colonies



HERE may have been many failings in our administration of our empire, many faults which we have to regret, but at all events we shall all agree that IT CANNOT BE MAINTAINED UNLESS WE ACCEPT TO THE FULL THE PRINCIPLES OF JUSTICE AND OF MUTUAL SACRIFICE.

IF WE ALLOW OUR COLONIES TO ASSUME OR TO BELIEVE THAT FOR SOME TRIFLING ADVANTAGE TO OURSELVES WE ARE READY TO SACRIFICE THEIR INTERESTS, THEN I SAY THE KNELL OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE WILL BE TOLLED.

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