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## WHAT IS NEEDED.

Kinston has had a glorious history. Some of the most illustrious characters of the past years have been closely connected with this town in her struggles.

The town was peculiarly fortunate in having been located amid such favorable surroundings. The river on one side has offered water transportation and in a measure, has secured competitive rates from the railroads. Then the town has been backed up by a prosperous farming section, which has assured her life and growth. Manufacturing interests have found a profitable field for investment in her midst. All this has gone on till now we find that we have a city of no mean importance on our hands.

But we cannot live on past prosperity alone. A successful past is a good thing, but it will not do to depend on when it comes to pushing ahead for the future.

Every tub should stand on its own bottom, and every town must sooner or later be judged upon its merits, both natural and acquired. That Kinston has great natural merits no one will deny. That she has acquired position by her acquisitions will not be denied.

But our town must make sure of her position by securing herself against epidemics, whether of sickness or loss by fire, by providing sewerage and waterworks.

Our IMPERATIVE NEED is to look to FUTURE DEVELOPMENT and not simply to a successful past.

## WILL SOLVE ITSELF.

In an exceedingly well written article, Prof. David W. Parker, of the Bessemer, Ala., colored schools offers a useful contribution to the solution of the so-called race problem.

The fact that Parker is a negro, highly educated, and not writing for political purposes lends much weight to what he says.

He makes a happy hit when he says: White people of sense and character favor the betterment of the condition of our people regardless of color or creed. I have faith in the old masters, and their sons because they know the negro better, and treat him with more consideration than the politician who uses him for help, plunder and power. The fidelity and the devotion of the black man to duty shielded and protected the home of the confederate soldier, and raised the meat and corn that fed the heroic armies of Lee and Jackson. Ignorant as he was the negro desired freedom, but he was true to his trust. At the grave of the faithful slave let the Blue and the Gray forgive and forget because the negro is hearty and happy in the sunny south.

Outsiders are more interested just now in our affairs than we are ourselves. People had better sweep out their own chimney corners before forcibly cleaning their neighbor's yard. Neither the sun nor the moon, nor the stars have deserted the south. The cotton whitens beneath the stars, and the sunshine ripens the golden grain. The earth is in travail with coal, ore and innumerable minerals, and all around we find peace, plenty and progress. The negro is buying homes and farms, creating schools and churches, running newspapers, banks and business, and would be happier and more useful if politicians north and south would let him alone, and discuss trusts and tariffs.

There are about 1,800 miles of railway in Holland, over half of which is owned and operated by the state. On these state roads a great strike has taken place, and the Dutch premier forthwith secured laws making it a crime to go on strike.

Of course railway employees denounced this legislation. But if the state owns the roads, are not the employees thereon on a par with soldiers and sailors engaged in the service of their country?

A Prominent Minister Recommends Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

Rev. Francis J. Davidson, pastor of the St. Matthew Baptist church and president of the Third District Baptist Association, 2731 Second St., New Orleans, writes as follows: "I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for cramps and pains in the stomach and found it excellent. It is in fact the best cramp and colic remedy I have ever used. Also several of my parishioners have used it with equally satisfactory results." For sale by J. E. Hood.

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THOUSAND DOLLARS A MONTH.

The papers have recently brought to us the news that Greensboro has actually cleared \$1,000 a month from her investment in waterworks and electric lights. This she has done besides furnishing her citizens with ample service in both departments.

If Greensboro can make this enterprise so successful, why cannot Kinston do likewise? We are already successfully operating an electric plant so that our streets are lighted very cheaply; but there is a shortage in the supply of electricity. Why not make the supply adequate?

We can and we must do it.

## Gentleman and Capitalist.

Hartford Courant.

Let us hope that the vigilant Newport reporters of the metropolitan journals are mistaken in what they send from there about the preliminaries of the impending wedding of young Reginald Vanderbilt, the gilded youth who has not seemed to care to visit New York since Cantfield's gambling house was raided. These reporters say that young Vanderbilt is securing his marriage license recorded himself as a "gentleman" and that his fiancée recorded the occupation pursued by her father as that of a "gentleman." Incidentally they mention that the young Vanderbilt recorded his late father, Cornelius, as having been a "capitalist."

No blundering fool could have devised more tactless entries than these. Cornelius Vanderbilt was a railroad president, that was the distinguishing mark. Every man who has ten cents in his pockets and a meal in his stomach is a capitalist. The difference is only in degree. "Capitalist" as an appellation or as an occupation is a misuse of language, and if it is used to indicate excessive wealth, it is vulgar and obtrusive.

## RAW EGGS.

When raw eggs are ordered for an invalid to whom they are objectionable, make as palatable as possible by having the egg as cold as one can make it and then serve it from a cold glass as soon as it is opened. Of course it is useless to serve any save perfectly fresh eggs.

If the white alone is to be taken, it should be beaten with a whisk until very stiff and frothy, then seasoned with salt or sugar, whichever is preferred, and eaten with a spoon. Some who object to an egg beaten in a glass of milk, sweetened and flavored, can take the egg if the sugar is omitted and the flavoring extract replaced by brandy.—What to Eat.

## Women and Money.

If you would have your women folk economical, let them handle money and learn to respect its value. There may be women who have not sufficient womanliness to honor the confidence this trust implies, but they are exceptions. If such be your daughters, it is your business to teach them otherwise. If they be your wives, it is your own fault for having married them. When a father gives his son an allowance, he should do the same for his daughter, not as a matter of material favor, for the daughter's bills might double the son's allowance, but as a matter of discipline, of financial experience and education.—Collier's.

## The Story of Bishop Hatto.

Bishop Hatto was a wicked prelate who lived in 970 on the banks of the Rhine, where he owned a tower, which is at the present day pointed out to travelers as the Mouse tower. Here are stored large quantities of grain. A famine ensued, and the bishop invited the people to his granaries. As soon as they were there he set fire to the building and burned up the people. The next morning the souls of the dead appeared as an army of rats and not only destroyed everything belonging to the bishop, but finished by making a meal of his person.

## Too Much Realism For the Manager.

"So you had to close the show?"  
"Yes," answered the manager with the milk vest.  
"What was the trouble?"  
"Too much craze for realism. There was a counterfeiting scene, and the actors said they couldn't go through with it unless they could see what money looked like once in awhile."—Washington Star.

## Overworked.

"She is suffering from overwork."  
"Mental or physical?"  
"Both. Her trouble was caused by composing articles on physical culture."—Brooklyn Life.

## A Sure Investment.

Patience—Did he invest in any of these get rich quick concerns?  
Patience—Oh, yes; he married money.

A disordered stomach may cause no end of trouble. When the stomach fails to perform its functions the bowels become deranged, the liver and kidneys congested, causing numerous diseases, the most fatal of which are pneumonia and therefore the more to be dreaded. The important thing is to restore the stomach and liver to a healthy condition, and for this purpose no better preparation can be used than Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. For sale by J. E. Hood's Drug Store.

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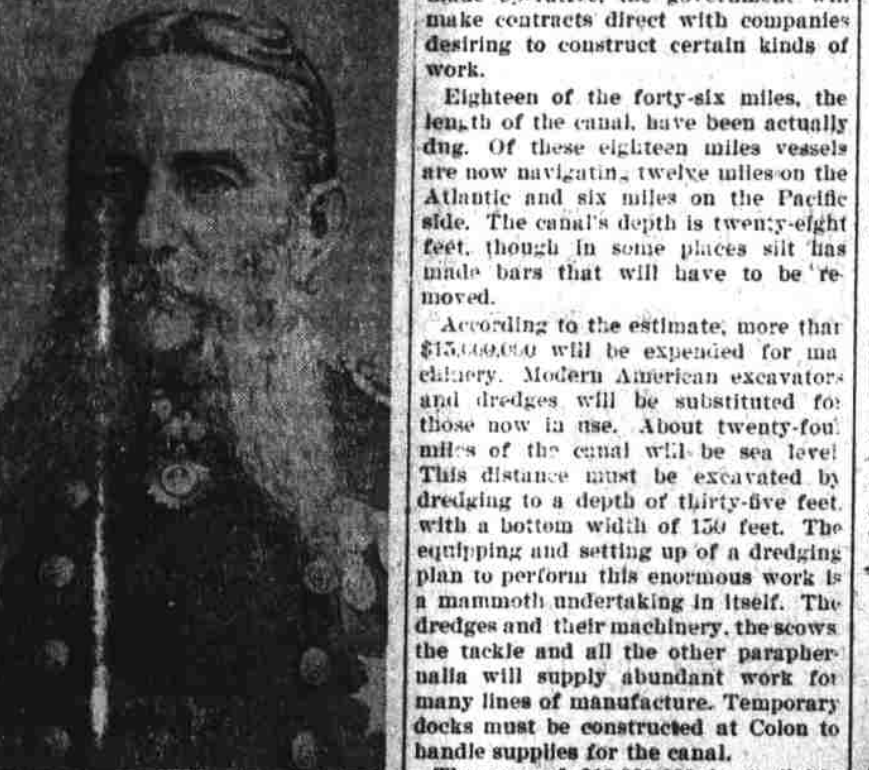
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# Digging the Panama Canal

Preparations Under Way to Begin the Great Work—Uncle Sam's Right in Colombia.

WHEN President Roosevelt signed the treaty with Colombia providing for the completion of the waterway across the isthmus of Panama, the United States concluded its share in this necessary preliminary to actual work. The fate of the canal now rests with the Colombian congress. That body meets this month, and there is no doubt that sooner or later it will ratify the treaty. Its decision must be made before the 23d of September, the date agreed on for the exchange of ratifications, but it may and probably will be made earlier.

By the Panama canal treaty Colombia cedes the right of this government



REAR ADMIRAL WALKER.

to the canal property for 100 years, with the privilege of having the lease perpetually renewed. Colombia agrees not to lease or sell to any foreign government any lands for the purpose of establishing fortifications or coaling stations or other works that might interfere with the construction or maintenance of the canal.

Should it become necessary to employ armed force to protect the canal, Colombia agrees to provide such force, but if unable to do so the United States will provide the forces necessary.

A joint commission of the two governments is to establish and enforce police and sanitary regulations. Authority to regulate the use of the canal, railways, the entering ports and auxiliary works rests with the United States.

Thus, after nearly half a century of controversy, manipulation and financing, this ditch across the isthmus, which ruined De Lesseps, drove others to suicide, overturned a ministry and threatened even the republic of France itself, is on the road to completion. Out of the wreck of the fortunes of several thousand Frenchmen, who sunk \$250,000,000 on the venture, will rise one of the greatest achievements in the history of the world.

Just when actual work of construction will begin on the canal is not at present known. It may be delayed until next fall, but if the Colombian congress should act promptly it is possible that it will start sooner. Much time will unavoidably be consumed in the preliminaries of estimates and contract letting. Sanitation is also a matter that must be provided for.

The man who will have charge of the digging of the canal is James G. Walker, rear admiral of the United States navy, retired. Rear Admiral Walker has probably given more study to the subject of the isthmian canal than any other American living. In 1897 he was appointed chairman of the isthmian canal commission by President McKinley. He made a strong report in favor of the Nicaragua route. Congress authorized another commission, and Rear Admiral Walker was again made chairman. When the French company offered its holdings and rights for \$40,000,000, he made a comprehensive report favoring that route. He believed that Uncle Sam was getting \$200,000,000 worth of work and rights for \$40,000,000.

Rear Admiral Walker's salary as chairman of the canal commission was \$1,000 a month, and he will probably receive this if not more for the services for which he has been chosen.

In anticipation of the beginning of work on the canal manufacturers in almost every line of industry have already been consulting the plans of the isthmian canal commission. They are computing just what will be needed, how soon they can supply it and at what price. The government is regarded as certain to pay, and no allowance need be made for losses. All the details for furnishing supplies will be completed long before the necessity for their use arises.

A working company in the form of a syndicate to contract with the government to build the entire canal is said to be already forming. John B. McDonald, who, it is thought, will head the syndicate, is probably the biggest contractor in the world. Mr. McDonald is the contractor for the subway in New York city, now in process of con-

# ARE YOU LOSING WEIGHT

If so then your system is out of balance, and there is a flaw somewhere in your constitution, and a possibility that you are losing health, too. The falling off in weight may be slight, but it makes a wonderful change in one's looks and feelings, and unless the building up process is begun in time, vitality and strength are soon gone and health quickly follows. If you are losing weight there is a cause for it. Your blood is deteriorating and becoming too poor to properly nourish the body, and it must be purified and enriched before lost weight is regained. It requires something more than an ordinary tonic to build up a feeble constitution, for unless the poisons and germs that are lurking in the blood are destroyed, they will further impoverish the blood and weaken the system, and you continue to lose weight.

In S. S. S. will be found purifying and tonic properties combined. It not only builds up weak constitutions, but searches out and destroys germs and poisons of every description and cleanses the system of all impurities, thus laying the foundation for a healthy, steady increase in weight and future good health.

Food may be bountiful and the appetite good, but still the system weakens and we remain poor in flesh unless what we eat is properly digested and turned into rich, pure blood. S. S. S. re-inforces the stomach and aids the digestion and assimilation of food, and there is a rapid up-building of health and strength. S. S. S. acts promptly and beneficially upon the nervous system, strengthens and tones it up, and relieves the strain by producing sound, refreshing sleep. You can find no tonic so invigorating as S. S. S., and being composed exclusively of roots and herbs its use is attended with no bad effects. Old people will find that it braces them up, improves the circulation of the blood, and stimulates all the bodily organs, and persons of delicate constitutions can take S. S. S. with safety, as it does not derange the stomach like the strong mineral remedies, but acts gently and without any shock to the system. Those whose feelings tell them they are not strong or well, and who are growing thinner and falling below their usual weight, should take a course of S. S. S. and build up again. S. S. S. is recognized everywhere as the leading blood purifier and the safest and best of all tonics. We cheerfully furnish medical advice, without charge, to all who will write us.

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