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#### UNANSWERABLE EVIDENCE

The claims which the LEADER has persistently made for Southport, that it possessed the GREATEST NATURAL HARBOR on the South Atlantic Coast. have been not only recognized, but tested and proven as true, and by dis interested parties. From the first issue of this paper until the present time, the LEADER has not failed to call public attention, at intervals, to this "harbor's unsurpassed NATURAL advantages, which had not been known to the world, or appreciated by North Carolinians. No visitor to Southport has ever failed to note what it might become as a commercial port, or hesi tated to exclaim upon the matchless view, where rolls the broad Cape Fear, as it broadens and deepens, forming the magnificent harbor of Southport, ere it loses itself in the great Atlantic The fact that this harbor's advantages have been tried on two different occasions, and by steamships of a draught which would severely test the best water depths of any South Atlantic Coast bar, has been mentioned in these columns. The mere mention of the arrival and departure of such steamships, would possess an importance itself in the history of this place, coming as they did, one on fire, seeking aid, the other seeking coal and rest after a four days fight to round Cape Hatteras But the surprise of both captains in finding such a harbor, before unknown to them, and their unhesitating testimony as to its location and importance, are unanswerable. Capt. R. B. Quick, of the Morgan steamship, "El Monte," spoke not only most favorably and emphatically while here of Southport's harbor, but is on record in the New York Marine Journal, over his own signature, where he states that this harbor is "the best on the Coast between Chesapeake Bay and Key West." The "El Monte" drew twenty-one feet six inches, and crossed the bar easily at neap tide. Capt. Whatley, of the English steamship "Chollerton," was equally positive in regard to this harbor's advantages, especially so as coaling station for the South Atlantic. After the "Chollerton" had finished coaling here, and before leaving the dock, Capt. Whatley in an interview said, "There is no harbor on the South Atlantic Coast except Southport, that I would have attempted to enter with my cargo of 3,800 tons." He also added that if Southport can supply steam. ships with coal at prices charged at Norfolk, no steamships loaded at ports on the Gulf of Mexico or on the Coast south of here, will ever go to Norfolk for coal but will always come here, thereby shunning the dangers of Hatteras." Statements like these, coming

navy, Great Britain has strengthened be the insulation to prevent the curher fleet on our side of the Atlantic rent from being lost by flying off from by the substitution of vessels of greater the conductor en route. The voltage power than those which were formerly of the current to be employed will be on this station. In this action he per- hardly one-fifth that of the overhead by either party .- Cleveland Sun and ceives a purpose on the part of that trolley system, which as technically Voice. power to maintain its predominance stated is over 500. The most remarkin these waters. He points to Halifax, able feature in the invention is what Bermuda, Kingston and St. Lucia, as is known as the "pick-up," by which well fortified and garrisoned har- the current is to be taken from one bors, connected by telegraphic cable line of rails. It is said the mechanism pie, why not go further and take the and furnished with navy vards admi- is so ingeniously arranged that it will rably adapted to serve as coaling and work with perfect certainty through repairing stations for a fleet operating | six inches of mud or water.

in the North Atlantic. If all this be true, and it can hardly By way of contrast he shows that, be otherwise when announced by Ediwhile we are building naval vessels of son, the grip, the cable and the horse, the best type, and have already afloat will soon be banished from service on a fleet that is held in good estimation. street cars in the cities, and the steam we have provided for them along our locomotive with all its noise and dirt whole coast no harbor of shelter to will be relegated to incidental uses ily and saucily kept his head in view which they could betake themselves in such as switching trains from one track absolute security from the pursuit of to another, both in city and country. an enemy. He urges, therefore, that The power machines which now travel the harbors of Boston, New York and along the tracks, drawing the loads Hampton Roads should be thoroughly after them, will be replaced by big fortified, not only for the protection stationary engines, which on the railof the neighboring cities, but in order roads will be distributed at intervals that the ships of our Navy, doing duty of some twenty miles, and from them on the North Atlantic, may have con- the power will be distributed along venient harbors which they may seek the intermediate lines. Whether by with safety for the purpose of coaling picking up a supply, as is now done at or repairs. the water tank, or by taking up the

The importance of a general system current from one rail and passing it of coast fortification has been long ac- over to the other, the transportation knowledged, and in 1885 a plan was service of the country will be peradopted for the fortification of New formed without smoke or steam to York, San Francisco, Boston and foul the atmosphere, ashes to blind Hampton Roads combined with the the passerby, or sparks to start a con defense of Washington. It was in flagration such as has not seldom wiped tended that the fortification of Phila- out thousands of dollars' worth of prodelphia, Baltimore, Portland and the perty as an incident of modern methods ports of Rhode Island should follow. In addition to this the new service will On the Gulf of Mexico the harbors to be marked by a great increase of speed be provided are New Orleans. Galves- where that is safe, and a freedom from ton and Tampa Bay.' In the South many things that how tend to render Pennsylvania, made this statement in Atlantic a safe harbor could be con progress uncertain. It will be an era structed at Savannah. The point of of improvement making life more en-Gen. Howard's urgent recommenda- durable in the cities, more pleasant in tion is that these fortifications are not the suburbs, and more attractive in only required for the protection of our the remote rural districts by placing seaboard cities, but that they are the latter within nearer hailing diswanted as impregnable harbors for tance from the great aggregations of the reception at need of the cruisers humanity. This double invention may of our Navy. prove to be not the least of the benefits The fortifications will be mainly which have been conferred on the earthworks and will be provided with world in the last fifty years by the mortar batteries and other enormous array of inventive genius in which guns. The character of the work may Edison holds the front rank -- Chicago be judged from that which is now in Tribune. progress in New York harbor, between

POLITICALLY CONSIDERED.

There is no tariff on campaign lies, and hence they are not monopolized

If taking the tariff off sugar gave the sugar trust a black eye and left \$60,000,000 in the pockets of the peotariff off wool, tin, steel, iron, glass and a hundred other articles?-Chicago Globe.

If the Probitionists desire to make an aggressive national campaign they will nominate John P. St. John again for President next year. He is the one man of their party who has steadnationally for ten years-Troy Press.

It is decidedly unfair to hold President Harrison responsible for the utterances of his son. Plenty of the very men who thus try to fasten Russell Harrison's views upon the President would be made ridiculous if held responsible for the talkativeness of their own offspring .- Muskegon Chron-

As a rule the men who make it their business to buy from farmers and sell to them do not make more than a fair profit, and the farmer who thinks he can have the service of collecting and distributing performed for nothing may find himself the victim of a confidence game.-Chicago Trib.

Mrs. Rhoades, State Superintendent of young women's work in the Woma speech at the Bradford convention last week:



can only be regarded as a deplorable one is revealed anew by the social statistics of cities prepared in connection CIGARS, with the Eleventh Census of the Uni-

ted States. These statistics show the surprising growth of the cities and large towns of the country-a growth Before purchasing. It will be to which seems to be out of all proper proportion to the increase of the gen-SAMUEL BEAR, Sr., eral population.

While the rural and village population in the older States, and also in parts of some of the newer States, shows a tendency to decrease, the city population is everywhere on the increase.

And with this increase the ill-health evil and unhappiness which almost invariably attend the massing of great For Consumption, Asthma, Catarrh, and numbers of people upon a small area show a marked development.

In the United States in 1890, there were three hundred and forty-five cities which had ten thousand inhabitants and upwaid. In 1880 there were but two hundred and nineteen such cities.

The increase of the population living in cities containing ten thousand or more inhabitants, in the ten years from 1880 to 1890, was more than six and a half million, or a little more than sixty per cent.

During the same time the population of the whole country had increased a little less than twenty-five per cent. More than half of the increase of the whole population of the ccuntry was made within these three hundred and forty-five cities. Leaving them

out of the account, the population of the country would have increased less an's Christian Temperance Union of than six millions between 1880 and 1890.

comfort of guests, unsurpassed Cuisine, The importance of these cities has increased to such an extent that they Elevator Service, Electric Lights and



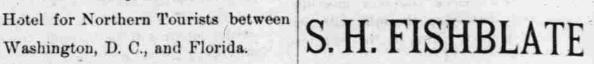
WILMINGTON, N. C. FANCY ARTICLES. SPIRITTINE REMEDIES SPIRITTINE BALSAM

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

NORTH CAROLINA EDITORS. Coney Island and Rockaway Beach. Two immense quadrangular mounds

-The farmer has raised great crops of earth are constructed, with four this year, but his work will not be pits in the center of each, at the botdone until he has "raised" a great tom of which, twenty-five feet below many mortgages .- Asheville Citizen. the top, will be four twelve-mch howitzers The projectiles used in -Strike while the iron is hot. The these guns are of solid steel and weigh 625 pounds each. With a charge of spirit of improvement is abroad in the eighty pounds of powder they can be land. Press to the front and make fired eight miles. It is believed that for yourself, your town, your county, one of these descending upon the deck and your State an honorable name .--of the iron-clad afloat would pierce New Berne Journal. the entire ship, and that a dynamite

shell so fired would shatter her into -But we must have newspapers ten thousand fragments. The ability to make ordnance of such tremendous and newspaper men and they cannot caliber makes the solution of the probecome better until we get over our blem of coast defense comparatively hurry and material strife. Newspasimple and its neglect proportionately pers will be just what the people are.nexcusable .- Washington Post. Charlotte Chronicle. [As regards a safe harbor and coal-

ng station for Government vessels, -Mr. E. C. Beddingfield, like the Southport could be made far superior honest and candid man that he is, told to Savannah or any other port on the the committee that there will be a South Atlantic. The Government now a Third party ticket in the field in owns Oak Island, lying at the mouth this State next year and that this fact of the Cape Fear river, upon which it had just as well be looked squarely built Fort Caswell some fifty years ago, in the face .- Landmark. a fortress, once impregnable, now in

cussion will do a vast deal of good in

-The citizens of Rocky Mount did ruins, but which could again be made capable of resisting any attack by its the graceful and proper thing the other superior position. The expense of day. In a mass meeting they unanimaking this port a Government station mously passed a resolution of thanks for the South Atlantic, would practito the editors of the Argonant for the cally amount to but little, and its adgood work that paper has been doing vantages as a station are unsurpassed. for the town .- Kings Mountain News. -EDITOR.] -Honest, open, fair and manly dis-

### TWO MORE TRIUMPHS.

North Carolina just now. The boy. The ever inventive Edison is recott of a newspaper by an Alliance ported to have achieved two more because its course is not approved is triumphs. The one includes the practical application of electricity as a not right. No one need take a paper whose utterances he does not approve, motor to great rail: oad lines, and the other its use for the propulsion of street cars without overhead wires. from men wholly disinterested, and of The first obviates the difficulty hitherto News. unquestioned character, must impress experienced from the interference of steam, which limits the rapidity of the piston stroke, as at each movement a charge of steam has to be got rid of needs no prediction to guess the results from one side of the piston head to make room for the fresh injection at the other end of the cylinder. This difficulty vanishes in the new motor, which will permit a speed of 100 miles as easily as the 50 or 60 miles per hour now attainable. In fact, it is said the Southport with the greatest of na- limit of speed is only that of the endurance of the machinery and the strength of the tracks. By the second invention the electric current will be transmitted along the

"We have given up the idea of ever now include more than seventeen milgaining anything by politics, and are lions of our population, or a little less now confining ourselves to individual work. We expect nothing, or very little, from legislation. It has been shown that the law cannot make a

sober man out of a drunkard."--- India. napolis Journal.

Lease of Kansas, who has been hurling anathemas at millionaire corporations and railroad kings, travels on passes whenever she may and invariably rides free as she goes about her own State. It is clear enough that Mrs.

because it pays. It is also clear that and her kind as persons not likely to do them much harm; perhaps they would rather have violent abuse from the Lease kind than not .- N. Y. Times.

### REVIEWS.

It is worth everybody's while to buy the November Wide Awake, for three notable features: "The Boyhood of Hawthorne," by his relative, Mrs. Richard Manning of Salem, Mass., which is full of family anecdote and gives a photograph of the first portrait painted of Hawthorne; the closing chapters of Margaret Sidney's famous Peppers serial; and "Nolan," a ballad by Mrs Laura E. Richards, giving the tragic story of the bearer of Raglan's dispatch to Lucan's "Light Brigade," when they made the famous "charge" at Balaklava.

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ALL IN A HALF CENTURY.

but an organized boycott is not fair The annexation of Texas. nor just and makes enemies .- Roanoke The French revolution of 1848. The discovery of photography. The laying of the ocean cables. PRESS COMMENTS. The discovery of the telephone. The mere announcement of this or The emancipation of the Russian that newspaper's independence, or nonseris. partisanism, is usually far from actual The discovery of the electric telestanding of the majority of the papers graph. making such announcement. It is a The establishment of ocean steam relief and satisfaction, to find newsnavigation. papers practicing what they preach, to find an agreement in all the columns. The Post of Washington, D. C., is not ral power. only up to the times in news matter, The extension of Russian power but preserves an admirable evenness into Central Asia. and fairness in its editorial expressions. The great Franco-German war and It both claims to be and always is Independent and Clean in every way, the unification of Germany. The great civil war and abolition of The proverbial Almanac, supposed slavery in the United States, The rise and fall of Napoleon III., and the establishment of the French republic. The discovery of the source of the Nile and the Niger and the explora-Almanac make it a book necessary for | tion of interior Africa. The war with Mexico, and the acquisition of California, with the discoveries of gold that followed.

Steam heated. than twenty-eight per cent of all the people in the country.

The town-dwelling population has gained very rapidly upon the countrydwelling population in the ten years between the last two censuses. In ton. N.C. 1880, only a little more than twenty. That petticoated politician Mrs. one per cent. of the population lived in cities of ten thousand and more inhabitants; in 1890 nearly twentyeight per cent. of the people lived iu such cities.

It does not appear that the people have been driven from the country to Lease makes agitating her business the cities by the unfruitfulness of the land or the unduly hard conditions of in the world at reasonable prices. Instruthe railroad managers look upon her life there. Some of the most fertile, ments sold on the Instalment Plan or for most prosperous, and in every way most highly favored commonwealths also all other instruments and trimmings. in the Union have suffered such a loss in many of their best agricultural counties.

The social statistics of cities gathered by the census bureau tell their own story of the conditions of life for which the people who flock to the cities are exchanging the comparative physical and moral health of the country. These statistics bear out the correctness, as a general statement, of the rule that the death-rate increases with

the density of the population; that is to say, the more thickly people are congregated, the greater proportion die each year.

To illustrate, in certain wards of the city of Boston people are packed together at the rate of one hundred and sixty-six persons to the acre; and here the deaths are thirty per thousand each year. In certain other wards of the same city there are only four people to the acre, and here there are but nineteen deaths per thousand.

Moral ill-health also increases in proportion to the density of population. It would seem reasonable that where a great many people are gath-

ered together in a little space, a fewer number of policemen, in proportion to the number of people, must be need. ed to keep them in order.

The unification of Italy. The exact opposite is the case. As a general rule, the greater the population of a city, the greater is the per WILMINGTON cent. of police force needed to each RD. head of the population. MARBLE YARD, The city of New York has not only more policemen than any other city JOHN MAUNDER, in the country, but it also has a great-Proprietor. er proportion of them to the number WILMINGTON, N. C. of people. It requires twenty-three RBJ policemen to every ten thousand of North Front Street. its people whereas the city of Rock--MONUMENTS AND GRAVE ford, Illinois,-the smallest of the N STONES MADE TO ORDER. The overthrow of the Pope's tempo. cities from which figures relating to the police force are given by the cen-W. MUNROE & CO. sus bureau,-requires but twelve policemen for its population of more **Dealers** in than twenty-three thousand. FURNITURE. The existence of the tendency of people to flock from the farms to cities CARPETS, and from better to worse conditions of life, is one of the most serious social problems of the time .- Youth's Companion. No. 10 South Front Street, WILMINGTON, N. C. "One touch of Nature makes the whole world kin." Diseases common **IREDELL MEARES,** to the race compel to search for a common remedy. It is found in ATTORNEY AT LAW. Ayer's Sarsaparilla, the reputation of which is world-wide, having largely Office, 17 Princess Street superseded every other blood medicine WILMINGTON, N. C. THE SOUTHPORT LEADER \$1 a year. in use. Practices in all State and Federal Courts



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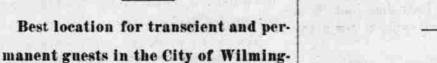
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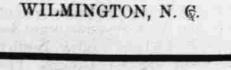


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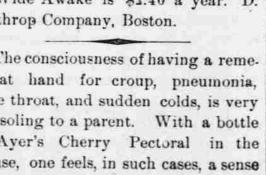
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every one. How can such a harbor remain unused and neglected, is the natural thought of every one. But it which will follow these facts becoming known. How many town lots would have been sold at any other place with such testimony as this, if one haif as much, even, could be said of its future possibilities?

tural advantages, is possible of a development which will make her not only the first city in North Carolina, but an active competitor among the seacoast cities for the ocean trade, for few ports will be able to rival her deep water, wide and long harbor, healthy location and most favorable position on account of the Gulf Stream and Trade Winds.

FORTIFIED HARBORS.

General Howard, in his annual re port as commander of the military age. That is, it will have a sufficient department of the East, calls attention amount of power, but working at a

rails which form the tracks, and pass through a motor under the car from to be hanging by every fire-side, can one rail to another, thus completing be, in North Carolina, none other but the circuit, the terminals of which are Turner's. Aside from the many inat the central station. The much teresting features found in its pages, dreaded and hitherto unavoidable disits astronomical calculations for this sipation of the current when attempted State, with its proven reliability as an to be passed along the rails is prevented by having the current one of low voltevery household, especially so in the farm house. 1892, being its Fiftyfifth year of publication, indicates a to the fact that, since the commence- low pressure, it having been found that postpaid. Publisher, J. H. Ennis, ment of the construction of our new | the higher the voltage the greater must | Raleigh, N. C.