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COTTON MILLS IN THE SOUTH.

Figures of the Remarkable Growth of a Great Manufacturing Interest—Mills in the Territory of the Southern Railway and Mobile and Ohio Railroad—Southern Mills and Products.

The textile directory recently issued by the Land and Industrial Department of the Southern Railway and Mobile & Ohio Railroad contains a list of cotton, knitting, and woolen mills in the territory of these lines on the first of the year. At that time these mills numbered 751, of which 584 were cotton mills, 124 knitting mills, and 43 woolen mills. In all, these plants operated 225,210 looms and 7,852,738 spindles. In the territory at the time of the gathering of these statistics nine mills were under construction.

Cotton manufacturing is the dominant industry of the South, and its growth has been the great factor in the industrial and commercial development which has attracted the attention of the business world. Capital in the hundreds of millions has been invested in this industry, not only to its own splendid profit but to the immense advantage of all business interests, the benefit of thousands of people, and the permanent improvement of many sections.

The growth of the industry has been remarkable. In 1880 all the textile plants of the South had but 667,000 spindles, barely six per cent of the total in the United States; now they are credited, in round numbers, with 10,500,000 spindles—practically fifty per cent of the number in the entire country. The capital employed has grown from \$21,000,000 to nearly \$300,000,000 and the number of bales of cotton annually used from 210,000 to over 2,100,000. No other manufacturing section ever increased its spindles in as large percentages. South Carolina has 3,100,000 spindles as against 1,100,000 in 1900, and North Carolina in the same period increased its number from 1,100,000 to 3,100,000. Notable increases have also been made in Georgia and Alabama. During the last half of 1908 North Carolina constructed thirty mills, a greater number than any other state. Of the cotton manufacturing states South Carolina is second, North Carolina third, and Georgia fifth, according to the latest available statistics. The Piedmont region is one of the great cotton manufacturing districts of the world, and has such prominence in this industry that the territory of the Southern Railway between Danville, Virginia, and Atlanta, Georgia, a distance of four hundred miles, has been referred to as one long cotton mill village. Of an intermediate section of this territory the American Textile Manufacturer, denominating the Southern Railway as "The Cotton Mill Line," recently said: "The distance between Charlotte, North Carolina, and Greenville, South Carolina, by the Southern Railroad is one hundred and seven miles. There are bunches of cotton mills at almost every station between the two places. If all the cotton mills between and including Greenville and Charlotte were strung out in a line, there would be one mill to every mile. This would mean that, including the mill villages which have to go with the mills, the Southern trains would run through a solid compact line of cotton mills from Charlotte to Greenville—a street of cotton factories one hundred and seven miles long. This condition is not to be matched anywhere in the United States."

The Southern Railway serves the territory of greatest activity in cotton mill building and reaches all the important cotton manufacturing centers of the South. Sixty-eight per cent of the mills under construction in the South during the first quarter of 1909, with an equipment representing ninety-nine per cent of the looms and eighty-two per cent of the spin-

dies, are being built in towns reached by the Southern Railway.

Much interesting and valuable information concerning Southern cotton mills was given in a late number of the American Wool and Cotton Reporter, together with illustrations of plants, water powers, villages, operatives, and other scenes connected with Southern mill life. In its review of "Southern Conditions" this authority says "it is certain that Southern cotton manufacturing is as yet in its infancy. It has not yet got beyond a mere beginning."

"Probably the oldest running textile mill in the South was started by F. Fries in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, soon after the turning of the 19th century. This was a woolen mill and today John W. Fries, a son of the original F. Fries, has original copies of what is probably the first textile advertising done by any American mill. Early in the 1800's F. Fries, appreciating the value of printers' ink, made frequent bill-board announcements telling of his work as a wool carder, spinner, and weaver. These placards printed in bold-faced type, must have attracted the attention of all reading people in about 1812, when reading matter was scarce and advertisements few. Original copies of these advertisements hang today in the office of F. & H. Fries in Winston-Salem.

"Of course, the beginning of cotton manufacturing in the South were experimental, but today experiments are made only the nature of advancing the whole industry, South, North, and abroad—the real business of the South is far beyond the experimental stage. Southern cotton blankets from one mill are contracted for—the total mill's product—by Marshall Field of Chicago; southern gingham are taken by the largest and best cutters-up because they are dependable, always the same width, between selvages; that is, fold upon fold can be cut at one time true to pattern. One southern mill, it is said, produces one-third of the denim of the world. Other gingham, white not ranking with the best Scotch product, are made up into dainty wash dresses and compare with the best in the average grades and this in the face of the not far distant statements that the South could not produce colored goods. Southern goods go into the best prints sold in our markets; southern white goods, as lingerie fabrics, stand high and the product of one southern mill finds its way into the best known lines of men's athletic nainsook underwear made in this country.

"These southern mills are new buildings built for cotton manufacturing. Most of them are of one and two story construction, well lighted and ventilated. The one-story construction makes possible large weaving and spinning rooms where all of the work is all of the time under the eye of a superintendent and overseer. The shafting, in many cases, is under the floor in the basement so that there is an absence in flut and flyings in the air and falling into the goods in process as well as not being present to be breathed in by the operatives. The machinery is new and in most cases the organization of the mills themselves has been so recent that of necessity they have the latest models in machinery and supplies; in other cases and in older mills machinery first installed has been replaced by newer pattern or design. Nowhere is depreciation of machinery more quickly admitted and new machinery put in and the mill kept at the highest point of efficiency than here in the South. Grant that the operatives are expert and with new machinery and buildings, the South ought to produce the best goods in the world and she does. The operatives are trained and expert."—From The Southern Field, for June.

FESTIVITIES AT MOREHEAD CITY

(Special to The Times.)

Morehead City, June 9—There is probably no social event in all eastern North Carolina that is looked forward to with the same amount of eager enthusiasm as the opening of Morehead. And no wonder—were there no balls, were there no throngs of joyous, laughing people, there would still be Morehead with her laughing waters and her atmosphere of free good fellowship that draws crowds of people to her, and puts good spirits in them. A body cannot but be happy at Morehead. There is a hypnotic power that comes from somewhere—maybe blown in by the breezes—that lifts one out of the commonplace. Nature has done her duty full well by Morehead. The big overpowering masterful ocean, now wild and turbulent, now calm and soothing, can keep one sitting hours thinking, and wondering, and looking, until one forgets to think or wonder, or look, in the exquisite pleasure of it all. This is for your quiet, poetical man. The mysterious deep has just as many charms for your more restless, active American. There is the surf bathing—exhilarating, life-giving, almost intoxicating. This matchless sport is better this year than ever before, because of new, clean bath houses, easily accessible from the hotel. Then there is the fishing and the sailing. What does the ocean not give to those who come to her, asking pleasure? She answers the request in as many different ways as there are different natures.

Not satisfied with what good Mother Nature has given to Morehead for a successful opening, Col. Morton has done everything possible for an ingenious, experienced hotel manager to do, not forgetting that "music has its charms," he has secured a delightful orchestra—Elam's orchestra from Greensboro, N. C., which plays all during the day, making it almost a pleasure if your partner is late in keeping her engagement. Even that, you see, could not irritate you at Morehead!

It was this orchestra that played for the opening ball Saturday night. The ball room had been gaily decorated in red and white, with United States and Confederate flags flying everywhere. Even without these festive decorations, this is the most attractive ball room in North Carolina. In the first place it is very spacious, brilliantly lighted hall, with a floor that is kept in fine condition all the time. There are openings on all four sides, with lights, in festoons, running out from one side. The reflection of these lights in the water made it dance and sparkle as if it were trying to vie with that laughing, happy crowd of mortal inside. It all seemed like wonderland, with pleasure the queen, in absolute control. The german was well led by Mr. Nunn and Miss Duffy, of New Bern. Miss Duffy wore a delicate light blue gown and carried white carnations. Some of the dancers were F. Bell with Miss Nanny Taylor, in yellow silk; Mr. W. J. McBurnett with Mrs. McBurnett, in cream princess and diamonds; R. E. Davenport with Miss Irene Peck, of New Bern; Mr. Edwin K. Gully, of Goldsboro, N. C., with Miss Susie Armstrong, of Flemingsburg, Ky., in pink messaline, handsomely woven with gold threads and diamonds; Mr. F. C. Willis with Miss Maymie Kaydon in white organdy and diamonds; Mr. Emmet with Miss Bessie Springle; Archie Clark, of New Bern, with Miss Elizabeth Green McColey, of Philadelphia, in cream crepe with pearls; Mr. G. V. Blades, of New Bern, with Miss Jane P. Stewart, of New Bern, N. C., in grecian gown of pink messaline, carrying American beauty roses; Mat Allen, of New Bern, with Miss Estelle Turner, of Wilson, in white spangled gown and pearls; Will Richardson, with Miss Glenie Komeway in blue empire; J. O. Oliver, of Danville, Va., with Miss Sadie Gully, of Goldsboro, in blue mull; Mr. A. G. Lyon, of Greensboro, with Mrs. Lynn, in pink crepe, with dutch lace trimmings; John B. Green, of New Bern, with Miss Bessie Taylor, of Beaufort, in pink crepe de chine; Ernest Dunn, of New Bern, with Miss Helen Lou Ogle, of Lima, Ohio, in lavender hand embroidered empire of messaline; Ed. Gorom with Miss Stella Arthur, of Morehead City, in yellow satin; Mr. Taylor with Miss Dora Burkhead in black silk; Mr. Wadsworth with Mrs. Wadsworth, in white chiffon over messaline; R. H. Smith, of New Bern; John Andrews, Raleigh, N. C.; Dr. Joel Whitaker, Raleigh, N. C.; Walter Windley, Washington, N. C.; J. M. Wiggins, Suffolk, Va.; G. A. Street, New Bern, N. C.; N. M. Gill, New Bern, N. C.; John B. Green, New Bern, N. C.; M. C. Dill, New Bern, N. C.; W. A. Allen, Kinston, N. C.; Dr. A. L. Green, Kinston, N. C.; G. H. Roberts, New Bern, N. C.; Mr. Young, of Norfolk, Va.

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