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**Public Spirit.**

Incalling to mind the towns in North Carolina that have grown and prospered, one almost involuntarily associates with their growth the names of certain public spirited men through whose agency prosperity has, to a great extent, been made possible. And it is equally true that some towns that have been railroad centres and advantageously located for commerce and manufacturing, have been considered "dead towns" because a few men, owning property and possessing the means to make them flourish, have chosen to kill them by their utter lack of enterprise and public spirit. It takes more than railroads, factories and a few stores to make a town. It takes live, active, pushing, energetic, public spirited men, who have the interest of their town and State at heart and are not mere scarecrows, looking like men, but yet serving to drive off all investment of capital, and preventing as far as in them lies any individual or town progress.

Let us contrast the town progressed of public spirited citizens, who unite on what is the best interests of the place, and the town where the citizens are never united on any move for the general advancement of the town and whose narrow, selfish views seem to lead them to the conclusion that the more people that move in, the less chance they will have to succeed.

In the former place we see lots offered free to any one who will come and build a residence, mill or factory, and if any capital is needed it is easily obtained. Streets are paved and shaded and the general health of the town is made of prime importance. If street-lamps, electric lights, water-works or sewerage are needed, the town is not allowed to remain long without them. Churches are built here and the pastors are paid for their work. School buildings are erected and then encouraged and sustained by the citizens. You find here banks, building and loan associations, fire companies, public halls, reading-rooms, newspapers and a general air of business prosperity. The people are united and if they are not able to have all these things at once, they obtain them by degrees—you can't down a progressive town—only corpses are buried.

Full back the shroud and let us gaze for a little while on the features of a dead town. You will recognize them at once as we point them out. Instead of lots being offered free to those who will build factories, &c., they are either held at enormous figures or else not for sale at all. The general appearance of the town is that of dilapidation and decay and the use of paint is abhorred like an evil thing. Front palings are not kept up because the stock law makes it unnecessary and nothing must be done that is not absolutely essential to comfort. Taxes are generally low in a dead town, it don't take much money to clean the hog pens once a year and let their unhealthy odor fill the air the balance of the time. If a proposition is made to light up the streets, some old chronic grumbler (they always thrive better in grave-yards) puts out the lights before they are lit by advising every "feller" to "git a lantern." No public spirit here—no unity of efforts and purposes—envy for those who succeed and a kick for the unfortunate—every man for himself—every tub on its own bottom—suspectious of new comers and indifferent to all departures—a dead town is a most deplorable object. Every business is considered an individual affair and if it

can succeed independent of local support, all well enough. They want schools but want the patronage to come from abroad and be an advantage to them, not to sustain and support the schools themselves. They want preachers but like those best who preach less frequently, want the least pay and take up the fewest collections. They want the cheapest grade of religion that is in the market. No banks, building associations, public hall or library—oh no! They would be of advantage to somebody else and their greed does not recognize the right to go beyond self. There is nothing deadlier than a town without public spirit and town pride, and without them any town, no matter what its possibilities are, will sooner or later succumb to the inevitable.—*Yanceyville News.*

**Tax Reduction.**

A large meeting at Philadelphia adopted the following platform: "Tax reduction is a necessity. There can be no successful defense of a fiscal policy which takes more money out of the pockets of tax-payers than is necessary for economical administration of the Government. The remedy for excessive revenue is revised taxation. President Arthur recommended to this end, the abolition of the tobacco tax, an enlargement of the free list, and a simplification and reduction of duties on cotton, iron, steel, sugar, wool and woollens. President Cleveland recommends free raw materials of manufactures, and such other tariff reduction on the necessities of living as shall afford the greatest possible relief of the public burden. Believing that a substantial reduction of tariff duties is demanded not by a mere indiscriminate popular clamor, but by the best conservative opinion of the country, including that which has in former times been most strenuous for the preservation of our national industrial defenses, and that such reduction should be not only a due recognition of public sentiment and a measure of justice to consumers, but one conducive to the general industrial prosperity and beneficial to the special interests affected, it is hereby resolved: That the existing duties upon raw materials which are to be used in manufactures should be removed; that the duties upon the articles used or consumed by those who are least able to bear the burden of taxation should be reduced."

Raleigh has 74 lawyers. There are 272 Farmers' Alliances in the State. The Newbern truck farmers are planting peas. There are now 213 students at Wake Forest college. Two negroes froze to death in Cabarrus county last week. On the 1st of March Wilmington will vote on \$150,000 subscription to extend the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. to that city. Raleigh is to have another Methodist church to cost between \$12,000 and \$15,000.

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