

THE NECESSITY EXISTS.

Each day the business men of New Berne are becoming more impressed with the fact that to keep the trade which now comes here, and to secure the business of this section, and that tributary to it, it is necessary that manufactures be built in this city.

Two of the best money crops grown, cotton and tobacco, from every indication, will this year be unusually fine in this section. To gain the benefits which are certain to come to the town which can receive and handle these crops, New Berne should begin at once to prepare for the business.

This means that a cotton factory and tobacco warehouse are positively necessary, if New Berne is to secure these products, and be a home market for the products of Craven and surrounding counties.

The building of a cotton mill and tobacco warehouse would not be simply good, safe paying investments for local capitalists but their erection would prove rich in results to all the home trade and to every farmer in this neighborhood, as it would open up a market for the producer of cotton and tobacco, where he could readily market his crop, and at the same time the trade of New Berne would be wonderfully stimulated by the marketing of such crops, as cotton and tobacco, as their sale here would mean the handling of sums of money which now do not come here, and will not, under present existing conditions.

It is time that New Berne takes action on this question of securing the cotton and tobacco crops of this section for itself. Establishing a market here, and making this city an active industrial center for the marketing and manufacture of the products; agricultural and those from the water, of Eastern North Carolina.

It only remains for the business men of New Berne to solve the problem by making immediate preparations for the securing of this business, before other places become the markets for products which naturally belong to New Berne.

WANT TO COME HERE.

An article published in these columns, in the issue of the 3rd inst., noted the fact that there were good prospects for better and greatly increased trade facilities between Hyde county and New Berne.

Hyde county is not the only county in Eastern North Carolina that is seeking to do business with this city, nor the only one whose trade can and ought to be secured to this city. In all the adjoining counties there are opportunities of business and trade which can be secured to the merchants of New Berne, if they will put forth a little effort to secure it.

Aside from the possibilities which the building of a cotton factory here would create in commercial activity, there is an almost positive business necessity that New Berne should have several tobacco warehouses.

The tobacco grown in this vicinity is of a fine grade, and instead of finding a market in New Berne, is compelled to go to towns at a distance.

The cost of a good tobacco warehouse is very small when the trade benefits arising from the building of such a warehouse, are considered. It would give employment to local people, bring into the city the tobacco raiser who would become a regular customer of our stores.

In addition to this it would create a tobacco raising industry all around this section, and give the farmers a money crop which would pay them equally, if not better than cotton.

When people want to come to this city, either to bring produce, build factories, or in any way add to New Berne's prosperity and development, they should be given every encouragement, and their coming made of advantage and profit to them, and the way to make their coming a certainty is to provide what they want before they come.

CONSERVATISM NEEDED.

The near approach of the time when the Democratic State Convention is to be held, ought to cause a pause among Democrats in their over-zealous advocacy of free silver, or the present existing standard, and make them raise the question, is the currency issue, not merely the pre-eminent question for the Democrats of North Carolina to solve, but is it so vitally important to the Democracy of this State, that the party can afford to split upon it, by any further discussion among themselves?

So far as the question among the Democrats of this State, regarding the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1, is concerned, it is undeniably settled already; so far as its presentation to the Democratic State Convention is concerned, it is all over but the shouting.

And yet certain silverites in this

Tobacco Raising.

The following is the address of Mr. L. R. Vaughan on tobacco, delivered at the Farmer's Institute, held at Ashland, Va.

Experience has made me familiar with three distinct tobacco industries—viz., planter, commission merchant (or salesman), and the manufacturing or home market for your produce, and the foreign or export trade.

To be a successful warehouseman, it became necessary that I should study the plant from the bed through all its various stages of growth, curing, marketing, etc., until it finally reached the consumer, or through the manufacturer, jobber and merchant. To accomplish this result of many years of patient thought, I have made it a point to question every cultivation planter as to his mode of cultivation—in short, about everything bearing on successful tobacco culture. I have found that success has followed intelligent labor and common sense farming in every instance. I have found that the planter who was the closest observer and studied and worked from nature's laws; and through nature, was always successful, while others who ignored nature's laws, and resorted to artificial means, generally failed. The Bible pertinently asks, Do men gather grapes of thorns or figs from thistles?

You cannot raise rice horses on sage grass. Neither can you raise merchantable tobacco on poor or unsuitable soil, with fertilizer or without fertilizer. Many of you as I remember how eager it was to raise fine wheat, oats, hay, corn and tobacco with the crudest farming implements. I remember when wheat and oats could be scratched in the soil with a brush, and the finest crops would follow. Now, with the very best cultivators and artificial fertilizers, we can rarely succeed, and the success is the result of a lucky season, when every stage of growth is favored with sunshine and rain in just the right proportion.

You gentlemen need not be reminded as to the soil conditions necessary for the growth of fine tobacco. You know that as well as I do, and I do not want to say that I must frankly tell you is that you do not do as well as it is in your power to do. You know that old, worn-out land that has been griddled with gullies and washes, and then filled up with briars and cut brush and levelled over, is not fit for tobacco. The subsoil is five to ten feet from the surface in one place, and a few inches in another. The plants over the gullies can not grow uniformly smooth and silky like the undisturbed soil. Then, how can the land be made fertile by manure or fertilizer? Rank and weedy and weak and puny, gray fibred tobacco would result every time, which would bring you in a debt when put on the market. What is your remedy, gentlemen? You have no longer at your command the fresh, homogeneous and vigorous soil of our fathers. What nature did for the lands of our fathers through the growth of timber, tangles, and vines, etc., you must do by your own hands, and, if possible, by meadow-grass. Reclaim your lands by grass. The grass is growing and the earth-worms are making manure while you are sleeping. Your cattle, sheep, hogs and horses are fattening and fertilizing the land while you are sleeping at night.

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Bicycle Craze in Church.

"Well, gentlemen," said a young man who had been listening and whose general make-up proclaimed him quite advanced and fresh, "I wonder what you would have thought if you had been out in Kansas with me last week. I was caught in a town not far from Emporia over Sunday and had nothing to do but follow the crowd, most of which rode bicycles. They landed in a church, I landed with them. I saw a preacher going to the pulpit and I knew from the hang of his trousers and their crumpled appearance at the bottom that he was a wheelman, and the man whom I asked about it said my conjecture was right. The sermon was nothing out of the ordinary, but the last song the congregation worked up caught me, and then I understood the expression I had heard—"swayed crazy." The first verse of the old hymn was lined out by the young preacher as follows:

And a rider of the cross,
A scowling, scolding,
The next lines of the second verse almost made me fall off the bench.

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WHAT THE PRESS SAYS.

Among the press all members of the Press Convention held at New Berne, Va., on the 10th inst., Mr. E. E. Harper, of the New Berne Journal, a gentleman who was present, spoke of the paper in the most glowing terms, and who had sold his paper to Mr. Charles L. Stevens, of the Southport Leader, who is now president of the Press Convention and who will conduct it on the same high plane of excellence that has long characterized it of former proprietorship. We are sorry to see Mr. Harper but welcome Mr. Stevens to the old establishment of his daily exchange.—London Times.

The first issue of the New Berne Journal, under the management of its new editor and owner, Mr. Charles L. Stevens, is a model of the first number shows marked improvement and we have no doubt that it will be continued. Mr. Stevens is a well equipped newspaper man, and his new paper will be a credit to the city.—London Times.

We regret to lose Mr. E. E. Harper from the newspaper field. He made the New Berne Journal about the best daily in the State and did not take the press dispatches. He was a conscientious newspaper man and a clever, whole-souled gentleman.—Knox Press.

Charles L. Stevens, of the Southport Leader, one of the best edited papers in the eastern part of the State, has bought the New Berne Journal from E. E. Harper, who ran it successfully the past few years. Mr. Harper, one of the best and most beloved citizens of his town, came into the plant by the accident of circumstances, had no taste for the business, and is doubtless glad to be rid of it, although it has been among the best-paying newspaper property in the State.—Durham Recorder.

The New Berne Daily Journal has changed hands. Mr. E. E. Harper, the proprietor, selling the paper to Mr. Charles L. Stevens, of the Southport Leader. A progressive and well equipped newspaper man, Mr. Stevens will leave nothing undone to make the Journal the leading newspaper in Eastern North Carolina. It will take the press dispatches and other new features will be inaugurated. The Southport Leader will continue under the ownership of Stevens & Farrell.—Henderson Gold Leaf.

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We regret to lose Mr. E. E. Harper from the newspaper field. He made the New Berne Journal about the best daily in the State and did not take the press dispatches. He was a conscientious newspaper man and a clever, whole-souled gentleman.—Knox Press.

Charles L. Stevens, of the Southport Leader, one of the best edited papers in the eastern part of the State, has bought the New Berne Journal from E. E. Harper, who ran it successfully the past few years. Mr. Harper, one of the best and most beloved citizens of his town, came into the plant by the accident of circumstances, had no taste for the business, and is doubtless glad to be rid of it, although it has been among the best-paying newspaper property in the State.—Durham Recorder.

The New Berne Daily Journal has changed hands. Mr. E. E. Harper, the proprietor, selling the paper to Mr. Charles L. Stevens, of the Southport Leader. A progressive and well equipped newspaper man, Mr. Stevens will leave nothing undone to make the Journal the leading newspaper in Eastern North Carolina. It will take the press dispatches and other new features will be inaugurated. The Southport Leader will continue under the ownership of Stevens & Farrell.—Henderson Gold Leaf.

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