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PROMOTION OF SMALL INDUSTRIES.

Several contributions to the JOURNAL, which have recently appeared in the local columns, point to the conclusion that there is an opening here for small local industries, which could be started and operated at comparatively small expense to their promoters, yet would yield very profitable returns to those investing.

The writer of these articles considers small vegetable fruit canneries the proper industries to start and operate, and undoubtedly these would bring the returns that are estimated for them.

It may seem too trifling to the average industrial promoter, this starting up small canneries or manufactures, but there are unquestionably good openings for those who are not promoters, for men who have a few hundred dollars, and want to go into business for themselves.

Merchandising usually suggests itself to every man of limited capital, and yet the returns on a small canning or manufactory of some kind, would bring in vastly better returns, than would the same money put into a small store business, and in these days the merchant of limited means has a hard competitive row to hoe.

Of course going into the canning business requires intelligence and work, and for that matter any business requires the same to be successful, but in this business there would be more opportunity of doing business with less competition, than in any other line, in this vicinity.

There is a good opening for some of these small industries in New Bern. The materials are abundant, and labor can be easily secured at small cost. The employment of a few thousand dollars in promoting several canneries, would lead to not only a good investment, but develop others.

It is not always necessary to have great industries built, involving many thousands of dollars, in order to build up a city, very often it is the small industry that is the forerunner of the industrial prosperity of a city.

## IMPORTANT WEEK'S WORK.

The June meeting of the board of County Commissioners, is always an important session, and this year it is especially so, involving as it does matters of extreme importance to every tax payer in Craven County.

It is often imagined that the office of County Commissioner is largely an ornamental one, that the work is small and the per diem received a bagatelle. A position on the board, or a careful attendance and examination of the duties as performed by its members, will soon disabuse one of this idea.

But of all the meetings of the year the meeting this week, is one of great labor for the commissioners, and one that is requiring extreme care and attention.

The entire revision of the jury list is part of the work, and one that required care, which the commissioners of Craven have been especially attentive to.

The election of a Board of Education, making a tax levy for 1897, two most important matters are receiving good attention.

To vote for the increase of a school tax, and the issuing of bridge bonds, two questions of serious import, are also before the commissioners, during this session.

These besides the various minor matters which must receive attention and be acted upon, will show what the character of this June meeting is, and how necessary it is for the people of Craven county, that their affairs be placed for management under a wise guardianship, and in the hands of men who shall intelligently and prudently conduct county affairs.

That the affairs of Craven county are in such hands today, no one can doubt who will look at the personnel of the board and carefully consider their acts of administration.

The JOURNAL has noted these acts individually and collectively, and the entire board of Commissioners of Craven county are conducting the affairs of this county, as if they were the personal business affairs of each member, and the entire board as a company were transacting the business of the county as co-partners.

The residents of Craven can rest assured that every bill is severely scrutinized, and every expenditure receives a critical examination before it is acted upon, and it is a

matter of congratulation to every taxpayer that is so.

The results of the June meeting will of course be carefully watched by every citizen of the county, and no doubt will receive the full approval of every one, for it can not be questioned but that the business will be transacted by Craven County's Commissioners with the sincere and honest purpose of so transacting this business, that it will result for the good of the greatest number of the people of the county, and no one could ask for more than this.

## A LEGITIMATE OPTIMISM.

In this day of low prices, small profits and severe competition in all lines of business, it would seem impossible for the old time optimist to have any place.

Business conditions have changed very materially during the past few years, and to predict boom in any or all lines of trade such as have been witnessed in years past, is not reasonable, and to expect such will bring disappointment to the person who sits down waiting for the boom period to bring him prosperity.

The "good times" when heavy investments so often brought fortunes are not to be of frequent occurrence, they once were, for the world is too closely in touch by telegraph and railroad for the success of today in mercantile lines to be secured by narrowness of information or by getting trade come of its own accord, it must be sought, and intelligently and persistently sought.

The magnificent optimism which is the apparent birth right of every American ought not to be entirely dwarfed by the new conditions which age and a denser population bring to this country, for without optimism there can be no great progress of a nation.

However much there may be to pull an optimism, that sees and song for only "blush" and "boom times," by the cool, dry day, optimism that can be found in all communities, there is no necessity to give up all optimism, going to the other extreme and embracing a moodly pessimism. Optimism is more necessary than pessimism, for material affairs can more easily go wrong, than they can be safely brought out right, and without a constant hope for "better luck" the unfortunate businessman would not often rise from the ruins of his first failure.

There is a legitimate optimism which ought to ever prevail both in the individual and in the community; an optimism which recognizes mistakes but is not daunted by them, and in the community an optimism that believes in its future and ever presents and keeps its eye with its possibilities to the world, at the same correcting as far as possible those local defects that demand correction.

The success and progress of a city is in proportion to the legitimate optimism of its people, for such an optimism has no part in "indulgence movements" which lead to land grabes and consequent failures. But in the persistent improvement of its city, in securing to it the best sanitation, in keeping up its public works of all kinds preservation of good government securing new industries based upon substantial showings of what they can find and work out—in this kind of optimism, with many more matters of material interest, every citizen of New Bern ought to be inspired for they have ample foundation to base a legitimate upon.

This can be cultivated and become the means which shall lead to a greater New Bern—socially, morally, intellectually and materially.

## MAKE IT A CALA DAY.

The steady building of the Tobacco Warehouse and the near approach to the time when it will be completed and ready for business, should not be forgotten by the merchants and citizens, and the completion of this warehouse and its occupancy ought to be suitably celebrated.

The Tobacco business, which this warehouse will be the means of starting here, is not a business which will be confined to the promoters of the warehouse project, in which they alone will be benefited, but it is one by which every merchant will see his trade increase, and one which will give a greatly increased money circulation in this city, for it will handle a product that is an exclusively cash one.

What would be more appropriate than to make the day of the opening of the tobacco warehouse a gala day in New Bern, and a day to celebrate the coming of a new industry to this city?

Let the country people be given an invitation to come to town, and give all visitors a huge picnic, with bicycle races, base ball and other games at the Fair grounds, and appropriate ceremonies at the ware-

**CASTORIA**  
The first  
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house to commemorate its inauguration.

A suitable celebration of the opening of the warehouse will not only be appropriate, but it would be an advertisement and the tobacco farmers and all others would be given a visible sight of what New Bern had done for them.

The opening of the warehouse is an affair in which everyone is to be interested in New Bern, but also every person in this section's personal interests, ed, refer to the more reason that the completion of the warehouse building and its opening to business will be made a gala day and have it suitably and appropriately observed.

An occasion of this kind demands recognition for it is but the beginning of a still greater industrial movement in this city.

## Prison Reform.

A reform that is of inexpressible prison importance, is the reform of prison methods, the employment of the convicts, their treatment, etc., etc. Certain it is that the farming out of convict labor at nominal rates of hire, to private corporate concerns is fast disappearing from all prison systems.

The day weather is the day when the day was the unfortunate circumstance which shortened the potato crop very materially, yet there was no loss to the potato crop, in that the crop had been placed upon the ground.

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