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NORTH CAROLINA

Should Become the Great Manufacturing State.

Commissioner Hamrick on Various Natural Matters. Pearson's Contest. Status of Criminal Circuit Courts. No Of Fees for Negroes.

RALPH, N. C., Dec. 7.—State Labor Commissioner Hamrick says: "North Carolina is today the Massachusetts of the South and exceeds all the Southern States in the value and number of manufacturing establishments. This great movement toward becoming a manufacturing community deserves special encouragement, for with our climate, water power and other facilities for profitable manufacturing, there is no reason why this should not become the greatest manufacturing State of the Union. Our farmers have already realized the value of the manufacturing plants which have been established in their midst, for these have given to a ready home market for the products of their soil."

Referring to agricultural matters, the labor commissioner says: "If our farmers could only be induced to reduce the present acreage of cotton one-half and plant a greater variety of crops they would very greatly improve their condition and prospects."

Congressman Pearson, of the ninth district, outlines his contest for the seat against W. T. Crawford, the Democratic Congressman elect, to whom Governor Russell has given the commission. Pearson has sixteen counties in his district and will allege that there were irregularities in seven of them. The Democrats will completely checkmate him. They will put him on the defensive by showing they will make of the Republican methods in the recent election.

There was an impression among the criminal circuit courts were established that they were inferior only to the Supreme Court, but the latter decides that they are below the Superior Court. The Supreme Court has heard argument in an important case from Mecklenburg county, the point at issue being whether on appeal from the Criminal Circuit Court the trial is de novo or upon the question of law passed upon in the Criminal Circuit Court.

The State chartered the Union Furniture Company, of Greensboro, capital \$20,000. There are now over forty furniture companies in the State, all using native woods, mainly oak.

There are now only fifty-six Confederate veterans actually in the S. H. Home. Nearly as many are absent or furlough.

The Hickory Press, one of the leading Republican organs in Piedmont, North Carolina, says editorially: "The time has come for negro office holding in North Carolina to cease as a self-evident proposition. The positive declaration of the people against it, at the polls was unequivocally made November 8. The negro's right of suffrage is trembling in the balance. The Democratic party will not give the negro office, and the Republican party cannot do so any more. The negro has nothing of an official nature to aspire to in North Carolina, and thus far it may be said that the negro problem here has been solved."

The December Forum.

The December number of the Forum is a strong one, as regards both writers and subjects. The following is the table of contents: "The Doctrine of Intervention," Hon. Charles Denby; "Annexation and Universal Suffrage," Prof. J. B. McMaster; "Lessons of the Recent Election," Representative J. W. Babcock; "Forest Fires," Henry Gannett; "Political Activity in the Civil Service," Hon. Perry S. Heath; "The Relation of Japan to Other Nations," D. W. Stevens; "The Educated Negro and Mental Paralysis," Prof. W. S. Scarborough; "Journalism: Its Rewards and Its Opponents," Truman A. De Weer; "Recent Construction of the Federal Anti-Trust Act," David Wiley; "Germany and Great Britain—II," His Excellency A. von Schaffl; "The Protest of the Pillager Indians," Francis E. Leupp; "Sociological and Ethnological Studies of the Greatness of Venice," Prof. Cesare Lombroso; "Pyrao de Bergerac," Gustav Koida.

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OUR BUSINESS

The following letter received by the Editor of this paper is of great interest:

Dear Sir:—A great deal of attention is being given to the question of the value of the manufacturing plants which have been established in their midst, for these have given to a ready home market for the products of their soil."

We arrived here on the 11th of September, and of course expected to find the soda fountain and paraphernalia here as we had shipped them on the 10th of the month and we did not leave until the 8th. But they had not arrived when they did two pairs had gone astray so we were unable to start in business, and having the opportunity to go to work Mr. Nunn and Mr. Boyd at the Depot Quartermaster's office.

For awhile we thought it would be best for me to wait for the parts we needed and then start the fountain, but as time passed on and they did not turn up, and I was rather a spare person I thought I had better get a situation also.

Seeing a pleasant looking building at the port, reading Drivers Wanted for ambulances, Apply to Lieut. C. L. Gagnon 301 Illinois Volunteers' Factory, commanding officer, Provisional Ambulance Co., wages \$1200 per month and board. Well I applied for the same and was given four days to make up my mind. I drove four miles to the depot and found a driver, two of them were waiting for me to go to work.

Thinking I might as well try to get to work I went to the wagon master to take the ambulance. I was met with the usual advice, get some clothes and underwear, get a hat, get a pair of shoes, get a pair of socks, get a pair of gloves, get a pair of mittens, get a pair of shoes, get a pair of socks, get a pair of gloves, get a pair of mittens.

There was then a large number of our wagons at the depot, and we were to our camp. I had to get a pair of shoes, a pair of socks, a pair of gloves, a pair of mittens, a pair of shoes, a pair of socks, a pair of gloves, a pair of mittens.

Going to Coamo you pass and cross several mountain streams and after passing through a large about half way the road becomes very hilly, necessitating four mules for each ambulance.

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the step and I moved to the seat. I went to talking to them the while perambulating Dick and John to the best of my ability to slacken their reckless speed. It did not seem to be disposed to "swallow" and I stepped out on the pavement to get the reins and soon had them at hand, turned around and began walking them back to the office. Another man has been passing me whom I did not know at the time. The wagon master came out and met me and asked if I saw Col. Castlemon take his hat off. I said I did not. By that time we were in front of the office again where quite a crowd had assembled. Lieut. Jeffrey, 1st Kentucky Volunteers, who is now our commanding officer and some soldiers. The Lieutenant said, "Well, you're alright, you did very well, go ahead now wherever you want to." I drove up to Pence, delivered the laundry, leaving a native boy to watch the mules this time as I did so, and telling him mullas gracias (thank you in Spanish) when I returned. Then went back to camp and unloaded. It was then I learned that Col. Castlemon, acting Brigadier General, 1st Kentucky, was coming along just as I was making my noble sprint up the road, and saw me as I jumped in the ambulance. The wagon master told me he said, "Well that's a brave act, is that the kind of drivers you have here?" If the United States has as many soldiers as she has civilian drivers she is alright. I do not remember seeing him at all but they all told me that he took his hat off to me as he passed, and the wagon master said that I saluted him.

I made a trip to San Juan about 2 weeks ago to take some lady nurses over in an ambulance and will tell you about it and maintain scenery of Porto Rico when I write again. Hoping to hear from some of "the boys" soon.

I remain, yours very sincerely,
J. W. BUCK.
Care of Depot Quartermaster, Pence, Porto Rico.

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RALEIGH.

Judge Battle Holds His First Court. Battle's Charge, Game is Frightful. A Strange Double Marriage.

RALPH, December 8.—It is publicly announced that James E. Boyd is in charge of the matter of prosecuting the Wilmington people for driving out of the State Commissioner Bunting.

Work is to begin by the end of the year on the Ridgeway end of the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina Railway, twenty-two miles of the other end are complete, and rolling stock is to be secured immediately.

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CONTESTS FOR SEATS.

Not Likely That the Democratic Congressmen Will Suffer.

Linney Claims to Know of No Movement Towards Investigation. The Nash and Davidson Monuments. Pearson Will Not Talk.

WASHINGTON, December 7.—In Republican circles it is said that Representative Linney (Republican), of North Carolina, who was re-elected to the Fifty-sixth Congress, will in all probability be made chairman of one of the Elections Committees. His committee would without doubt be given any contests coming from his State and would thus be placed in the attitude now assumed by General Walker, of the Ninth Virginia.

There is no room for doubt that the troubles which existed in North Carolina at the time of the election will be used as an argument in favor of the contestants no matter how little real justice there may be in the claim in any particular case. But it is by no means a foregone conclusion that a majority of the members will be willing to seat the contestants. It is beginning to be realized by the leaders that by unseating congressmen the ranks of the enemy are solidified for some time to come.

Representative Linney was asked if there was any likelihood of an attempt being made to have Congress investigate the race troubles in North Carolina. He said he had no knowledge of any definite plans, although there had been considerable discussion among some of the members as to how an investigation could be brought about.

Mr. Linney has several bills which he hopes to have considered at this session. One affects the internal revenue and another the civil service. Another provides for a public building at Winston, N. C.

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Following are the amounts raised by the North Carolina Methodist Conference, in 1898, and reported at last meeting held at Elizabeth City:

| | |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Presiding Elders | \$13,428.62 |
| Preachers in charge | 92,145.78 |
| Bishops | 1,566.78 |
| Conference claimants | 5,126.47 |
| Foreign Missions | 9,862.90 |
| Domestic Missions | 6,356.98 |
| Church extension | 2,787.02 |
| Education | 2,864.14 |
| Peace Institute | 368.25 |
| American Bible Society | 415.48 |
| Total amt. all sources. | \$206,865.24 |

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THE MARKETS.

Yesterday's market quotations furnished by W. A. Porterfield & Co., Commission Merchants.

| NEW YORK, December 8 | | | | |
|----------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| STOCKS. | | | | |
| | Open | High | Low | Close |
| Am Tobacco | 129 1/2 | 130 1/2 | 129 1/2 | 129 1/2 |
| Am Sugar | 11 1/2 | 11 3/4 | 11 1/2 | 11 1/2 |
| Am Cotton | 11 1/2 | 11 3/4 | 11 1/2 | 11 1/2 |
| Am Lard | 38 1/2 | 39 1/2 | 38 1/2 | 38 1/2 |
| Am Coffee | 19 1/2 | 19 3/4 | 19 1/2 | 19 1/2 |
| Am Tea | 34 1/2 | 34 3/4 | 34 1/2 | 34 1/2 |
| D. C. Sugar | 30 | 30 1/2 | 30 | 30 |

| CHICAGO MARKETS. | | | | |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | Open | High | Low | Close |
| Wheat | 5 1/2 | 5 3/4 | 5 1/2 | 5 1/2 |
| May | 4 1/2 | 4 3/4 | 4 1/2 | 4 1/2 |
| June | 3 1/2 | 3 3/4 | 3 1/2 | 3 1/2 |

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| Assets July 1, 1898: | Surplus July 1, 1898: |
| \$26,029,137.04 | \$5,627,584.24 |
| Income 1897: | Insurance in Force 1897: |
| \$15,580,764.65 | \$363,117,590 |
| Insurance Written in 1897: | Paid Policy Holders to Date: |
| \$143,900,000 | \$34,000,000 |

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