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ON TO ASHEVILLE.

Isothermal Traction Company Contemplates Construction of Trolley Line from Gastonia to the Mountain City, Distance of One Hundred Miles.

Last week The Gazette told its readers about the launching of a corporation under the name, Isothermal Traction Company, to build a trolley line from Gastonia to Rutherfordton, a distance of 50 miles. As road. previously stated such a line would open up rich territory as yet untouched by railroad facilities and would do much toward the development of a fertile territory. Now comes the information that this the extension of this line fifty miles further to Asheville, the queen city of the mountains. The story is thus told by The Charlotte Chronicle of Wednesday:

"From Gastonia to Asheville, a distance of nearly 100 miles, it is now proposed to build a modern electric railway to penetrate the mountain country and to give a long-needed and better connection between the eastern piedmont section and the great section about Rutherfordton and to the west on to Asheville.

"The Isothermal Traction Company, which was incorporated in Raleigh some weeks ago, is behind the movement and is already making an investigation of the situation and within two weeks will have a full corps of surveyors in the field who will prepare an exhaustive report, under the direction of experts, and this will be submitted to the promoters of the new road who will other system. It is believed that they never disappoint, 25c.

then carefully consider the proposition, and will be ready to go ahead with the selling of securities.

"Capt. K. S. Finch, of Charlotte. is at the head of this big industrial movement to connect the lower piedmont region with the mountains, and he has interested in the plan a number of monied men and financiers of the North, who are now awaiting for the report of the experts as to the cost of building, probable returns, etc., of the projected electric rail-

"A representative of the interested financiers who propose to underwrite the securities and paper of the new company, spent yesterday in the city with Capt Finch, going over the situation and studying the details of company is seriously contemplating the plans of the Isothermal Traction Company. He was highly pleased with the outlook and spoke in the most flattering terms of the future possibilities of the Southern States, towards which, declared the visitor, the eyes of the whole nation are now turning. This gentleman is convinced of the excellent opening for capital not only in the projected line to Asheville, but also in every other Southern industry, and should all of those interested take the same view that he holds, there is little doubt as to the successful financing of the road in a short while.

"This road will not be built to compete with the big system of electric lines which the Southern Power Company and Duke interests are believed to have under contemplation and propose to build. It will rather be a tributary line to the system paralleling the Southern Railway, and will not enter the territory of the

there is sufficient room for both companies, and the development of these propositions will give to the Piedmont one of the greatest electric rail way systems in the world today."

-Mrs. J. White Ware returned vesterday from a visit to friends and relatives at Kings Mountain.

Mr. Thomas S. Royster on last

On Route Eight Years.

Monday, February 28th, completed his eighth year as rural letter carrier on route one from Bessemer City. He made his first trip on the first day of March, 1902. This was the first route established in Gaston county and, it is needless to add, is one of the best. The rural route service, as it relates not only to the county but in general, has no more loyal or enthusiastic advocate and friend than Mr. Royster. It is hardly necessary to add that he is, at the same time, a firm believer in and advocate of good roads. Mr. Royster does not conceal his pride in the improvements that have taken place on his route since the establishment of the rural mail service eight years ago in the line of good roads, education, better farm homes, etc. His route is in itself a strong argument in favor of the rural mail service as it demonstrates beyond the peradventure of a doubt that this bringing the rural districts into close daily touch with the outside world has a most beneficial influence on the people. In addition to being a letter carrier Mr. Royster is also an enthusiastic and successful farmer, and derives both pleasure and profit from that occupation. His large circle of friends in the county wish for him continued success in his chosen

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MORE MILLS CURTAIL.

Five Other Cotton Factories Join the Modena in Cutting Down Output -Unless Market Improves Further Curtailment Will Ensue.

That many Southern cotton mills are realizing as never before that in curtailment of their output lies the only means of strengthening the market for cotton yarns and cloths is becoming more evident each day. Nothwithstanding the fact, as previously stated in these columns, that there is at the present time no concerted action in this line on the part of Southern cotton mills it is a fact that almost every day adds one or more factories to the list of those that have already decided to use the only effective means of bringing about improved market conditions, namely curtailment.

In Tuesday's Gazette was chronicled the fact that the Modena Mill, one of Gastonia's largest yarn and cloth factories, had begun curtailing to the extent of one day and one night in each week during the month of March, the directors having authorized a still heavier cut after the first of April if such a course of action was deemed wise by the general manager of the plant, Mr. J. O. White.

Wednesday The Gazette learned from Mr. White that five other mills with which he is identified as manager have also inaugurated a curtailment program, shutting down one day and one night in each week. These, like the Modena, will further curtail after April 1st unless the market shows an improvement over the present. These mills, above referred to, are the Morowebb, at Dallas; the Hudson, at Hudson; the Whitnell, Lenoir and Moore Cotton Mills at Lenoir.

TWO MORE MILLS JOIN.

Wednesday the directors of the Avon Mill and the Gastonia Cotton Manufacturing Company met and instructed the officers of these plants to curtail to the extent of two days each week, cutting the time down to four days. This goes into effect at once and the instructions of the directors are that the curtailment be further increased if it is found advisable or necessary.

It is understood that several other mills in Gastonia and at other points in the county are seriously contemplating similar action.

THE ABSENT-MINDED DOCTOR.

(Written for The Gazette.) There was once a physician who liv-

ed in a town; He succeeded quite well,

winning renown; Had calls far and near, through the

day and at night; And attended them all, for he

thought this was right. But he grew absent-minded, that is

he forgot,

And to do things properly was to him a hard lot:

For try as he would, to move business along.

In spite of his efforts, something would go wrong.

It chanced on a time, that he purchased a cow:

And was glad that to milk, he al-

ready knew how. The creature was fine and being

quite new, The doctor himself, the milking would do.

At the close of the day, through the

mud and the rain. He returned to his home, and not

once did complain; Knowing "Jersey" with pleasure, his

coming would hail.

On the wall hung his pail, near

where the cow stood.

And milked in his lantern as fast as

he could;

But alas! soon discovered what was only too true.

His light had gone out and the milk had gone too.

He seized his umbrella, for 'twas now growing late.

And returned to the house, bemoan-

ing his fate. And when he was ready to retire, it

is said.

Stood himself in the corner and put

his umbrella to bed.

So things of this kind were ever coming his way.

And the wonder was then, and is to this day.

That what he prescribed for his patients, now dead,

Didn't go in his stomach, and kill him instead.

-MRS. E. O. WEBB.

-By an oversight the name of Mr. J. K. Dixon, Sr., was unintentionally omitted from the list of honorary pall-bearers at the funeral of the late Mr. J. H. Craig last Satur-Try Booth's Pills for constipation; day, as published in Tuesday's Ga-4-18 zette.

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Of Philadelphia BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER, 31, 1909 ASSETS. Investments in Government, Municipal and other Bonds \$844,228.63 Mortgages on Real Es-

tate, First Leins 876,500.00 Deposited in Banks and Trust Companies at interest 32,579.47 Cash on hand at Home-Office

Premium Notes on Policies in Force 115,855.86 Loans to Policyholders 66,118.34

Premiums Due and Un collected and Deferred Premiums, less

Loading 32,947.24 | South Carolina), 21,551.53 nterest Accrued

\$1,992,838.96

LIABILITIES. Net Present Value of all Policies in force on December 31, 1909, as computed by the insurance Department of Pennsylvania on the American Experience Table of Mortal-

ity, with 31/2 per

cent. interest\$1,097,362.00 Claims for death losses in process of adjustment 22,510.00

Dividends to the credit of Policyholders ... 53,831.00 Miscellaneous Liabilities 5,291.15

Capital Stock 560,320.00 Unassigned Funds (Surplus) 253,524.81

\$1,992,838.96 RECORD TO DECEMBER 31, 1909.

Insurance in Force (paid for) \$20,250,914.00 Admitted Assets ... 1,992,838.96 Increase in Assets .. 429,172.77

Reserve to Policyholders 1,097,362.00 Dividends to credit of

Policyholders 53,831.00 Dividends paid Policyholders in 1909 46,359.03 Death Losses Paid

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