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PROVIDE WORK FOR WORKERS.
It is a matter known and acknowledged locally, that the banks of this city are better supplied with loanable funds than they have been in years.

It is also known, and so stated by persons directly interested, that there has been no demand for money to be loaned upon city property during the past summer.

And yet with the banks well filled with loanable money, and with local capital going begging, there has been a notable slackness in collections, locally for past two months.

With such peculiar conditions existing there ought to be some way or means whereby both of these conditions might be helped, and every one assisted, the money lender to put out his money at interest, and the local collection relieved by more money in circulation, so that local accounts could be settled and all pass along smoothly.

It is not that these conditions are likely to prevail during the next few months, but that they have, and may occur again, is warrant enough to seek some preventives, if such can be found.

The fact of a surplus of idle money seeking investment, is suggestive of the need of manufacturing enterprises for New Berne.

It may be that the men who have money would not venture to put it all into local manufacturing plants. If they do not want to invest all, or build the manufactories entirely themselves, why not induce some outside capital to take part interest with local capital.

And if neither of these are acceptable, why cannot local property owners and the citizens generally have New Berne as a city advertise to the outside world the advantages of this place, and offer such inducements, in the way of free land for manufacturing sites, exemption from any city tax for five years, etc., thus showing that the people want outsiders to build here.

The relief which this city wants most is, that work be provided for its workers, work for those persons who at present cannot secure labor which will pay them fair living wages.

If this city be given manufacturing plants which shall take up all of its surplus and idle labor, there will be no slowness in collections, no empty houses, nor money which may not be profitably employed.

To be a truly prosperous city, New Berne must have its workers provided with work, and this work must come through the efforts of those who have money, for an employed community is the best and safest community to live in, and the surest place to have your money invested.

Getting Married.
In "His Quest of the Golden Girl" Richard Lo Galliene, in one of his opening chapters says:

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