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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

"CITIZEN" FAVORS THE COTTON MILL.

Editor of Journal:

I see that your issue of the 21st, announces a scheme on foot to establish a cotton factory in New Bern. It gave the names of several prominent men who are taking stock in the enterprise and makes an appeal to all classes of men to put their shoulders to the wheel. Robert Burns said: "A man may take a neighbors part, yet have no cash to spare him", and recognizing this fact, permit me to offer a few words of encouragement. There is no man with soul so dead, that desires to live in a dead town or city. No city can grow and thrive and prosper except there be something to furnish remunerative employment to its inhabitants. What would New Bern be today with its Lumber Mills removed! Cut out the pay-rolls of the Mills engaged in the manufacture of Lumber and at once you would see a sick town, and unless something came in to take their places how long would it take New Bern to die? These Mills are responsible almost entirely for any and all Progress that New Bern has made during the past few years. But do we need other stimulation push us forward into higher, a livelier state of being. The proposed cotton factory is one thing needful for New Bern, and it, alone should be pushed until success is attained. Now, for a time at least, let all other ideas in our midst slumber, so to speak until the cotton factory is attained.

Have we any examples set by North Carolina towns and cities to arouse us into action? Compare the cities of Winston, Greensboro, Durham, and High Point of today with what they were a few brief years ago, and answer the question: What has made them go forward with such leaps and bounds? What factories have done for these places, they can do for New Bern. I feel like I could rest my case here although there is much unsaid. No inland town in the State such as those mentioned can compare with New Bern in point of location. Mr. Cone of the Cone's Cotton Mills of Greensboro, once said: "Greensboro needs a navigable river." We have it, the broad Neuse on one side, and the Trent on the other, close to the ocean, in the midst of a fine cotton producing country, but we have no cotton factory.

Every man, woman and child is interested in this scheme. Let the promoters first ascertain the amount of capital required. Let the citizens take stock to their fullest capacity, and if the amount cannot all be raised by the citizens of New Bern, there is plenty of idle capital elsewhere that would be glad to take a hand.

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MARINE NEWS.

The two mast schooner Anna M. D. Roehle, left yesterday for Morehead City where she will load with lumber for Maryland.

The gas freight boat Fannie Brevard left yesterday for Arapahoe with a cargo of merchandise.

The gas freight boat Constitution left yesterday for Wortonville with a cargo of merchandise.

The gas freight boat Nelson left yesterday for Vandemere with a cargo of merchandise.

The gas freight boat H. L. N. arrived in port yesterday.

The gas freight boat Nina G. Wallace left yesterday for Bards Creek with a cargo of merchandise and gas.

The two mast schooner G. A. Gaskins arrived in port yesterday, from Elizabeth City.

Vera Cruz Has Fallen Four Times

TWICE TAKEN BY AMERICANS FIRST TIME BY GENERAL SCOTT.

Thrice-heroic Vera Cruz, as Mexico's little seaport on the gulf is known in history, has fallen for the fourth time, and for the second time to American forces.

It was taken by the French in 1838, by the Americans under Gen. Winfield Scott in 1847 and by the allied forces of Great Britain, France and Spain in 1865, during the abortive attempt to establish an empire and place Maximilian upon the throne. In each of these engagements the Vera Cruzanos offered such a spirited resistance that the port has been honored by historians with the title "thrice-heroic."

In addition to these investments by civilized powers, Vera Cruz was ever an alluring morsel to the pirate hordes that swarmed over the Caribbean Sea and the Gulf of Mexico during the early Spanish regime. In the seventeenth century both Van Horn and Lorenzo, sometimes known as "Lorenzillo," surprised the city during the night with their pirate fleet, and before daybreak had imprisoned six thousand of its inhabitants in the different churches, while they sacked, looted and burned their homes. The story of this midnight raid and the cruel torture that followed from one of the most thrilling and pathetic chapters in modern history.

Even to this day the name of these monsters is recalled with awe, so much so that nurses frighten their little charges with a threat that if they are not good, they will give them to Van Horn.

Ever since the landing of Grijalva in 1518, Vera Cruz has been the chief seaport of Mexico. It was there also that Cortez landed April 21, 1519 just 395 years before the landing of Admiral Fletcher's marines. The day was Good Friday, and owing to this fact and the reputed wealth of the land, the place was named Villa Rica de la Santa Vera Cruz (the rich city of the Holy True Cross).

In addition to being the first commercial port of the republic, it is one of the oldest, quaintest and most cosmopolitan of the Mexican coast cities. It is practically on the level of the sea, having an elevation of only four feet above tide water. This fact, combined with an absence of any hygienic regulations, is perhaps the reason that it has always been considered the home of yellow fever and the worse type known as "vomito"; in fact, the death rate was so appalling at one time in its early history that the Spaniards seriously considered abandoning the place and locating further up the coast.

Within the last ten years however, a street cleaning department has been organized, underground sewers constructed, instead of surface drains, and yellow fever is now almost unknown. The population is about 30,000 and one-fourth of the total imports into the republic come through the Custom House at Vera Cruz. It is said to yield an income of nearly 2,000,000 pesos—\$1,000,000—a month under normal conditions, and its loss will make a serious deficit in the Huerta treasury.

Fresh Asparagus at Hackburns

WAR NEWS AT THE JOURNAL OFFICE

The Journal's war news bulletin board on which all war news is being posted, continues to be the center of attraction in New Bern. The people congregate around the board all during the day and as late as 1 o'clock in the morning.

PERSONAL

A. A. Ippock spent yesterday at Askin.

T. J. Roberts left yesterday morning for Cove City in the interest of the S. G. Roberts Company.

W. G. Williams left yesterday morning for Wildwood in the interest of Stephen, Putney Shoe Company.

Major Z. V. B. Vance, of the United States Army is visiting in the city.

Mrs. D. G. White returned home to Ernul yesterday after visiting in the city for a few days.

F. H. Sawyer and T. G. Mitchell left yesterday morning for a business visit to Dover.

J. J. Lane left yesterday morning for Fort Barnwell and Vanceboro in the interest of the Pepsi-Cola Company.

Dr. Patterson returned from Washington, D. C. yesterday morning, where he has been for the last few days visiting Mrs. Patterson's parents Senator and Mrs. F. M. Simmons.

S. M. Brinson returned from Greensboro yesterday morning, where he attended a meeting of the Grand Council of the Royal Arcanum.

Z. V. Rawls, of Bayboro was a business visitor to the city yesterday.

Rev. J. E. Underwood, of Goldsboro spent yesterday in the city.

A. J. Gaskins and Chief of Police Lupton returned from Greenville yesterday afternoon where they went to attend the trial of S. M. Pollard for the murder of Farnville chief of police.

D. W. Richardson of Dover was in New Bern yesterday.

Misses Myra Berry and Lavinia Folsom left yesterday morning for Thurman to attend the school commencement.

TO THE VOTERS OF CRAVEN COUNTY

Having accepted the invitation of my many friends, citizens and voters, to announce myself as a candidate for the position of County Commissioner, I deem it my duty to lay before you my views upon some of the matters which I consider of vital importance to you, not only as citizens and tax payers but to the successful and economical administration of the affairs of the county as follows:

1. I am opposed to the sale of the stock of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad Co., owned by Craven county to any one.
2. To the increase of the valuation of the property of both the city and county.
3. To the increase of the taxes of both city and county.
4. To the further issue of bonds by either city or county for any purpose whatsoever.
5. To the employ recently by the county of a Road Engineer at a salary of \$1800 and expenses for house.
6. I am in favor of the reduction of our taxes, which I believe can be made an economical administration of county affairs.
7. I am in favor of working our roads by contract and of letting the contracts to our citizens who live in different sections of the county, thereby keeping our money at home and in circulation, and letting our own people who are taxed to keep the roads, get a part of their taxes back in payment for their work.

Our people having for the most part lost their crops last year are exceedingly short of money and in no condition to bear the burden of increased taxation for any purpose, and it should not be put upon them.

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PROSPECTS BRIGHTER FOR BEAUFORT PEOPLE

DELEGATION OF CITIZENS APPEAR BEFORE BOARD OF ARMY ENGINEERS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 24.—Following a visit of a delegation from Beaufort, it is believed the prospects are brighter for the widening of the channel in Beaufort harbor. The delegation appeared before the board of Army Engineers in company with Representatives Faison and Small and asked—that the former decision of the board be reversed. Mr. Small believes the prospects are good for a favorable report.

Those here from Beaufort, several of whom stayed over through today sight-seeing were: W. S. Chadwick, Alonzo Thomas, J. E. Duncan, E. C. Duncan of Raleigh, W. H. Taylor, H. C. Jones, T. C. Wade, T. R. Wheatley, Leslie Davis, W. P. Smith, W. O. Nor, Jack Parkin and C. H. Bushall.

Representative Small today asked the board of engineers to improve the harbor at Silver Lake, Ocracoke, a project which the district engineer reported unfavorably. The officials consider the cost of this improvement too great for the amount of commerce involved. The board will probably not overturn the recommendation of Maj. Stickle in this case.

Spring Onions at Hackburns

WARD DEPARTMENT
Has Been Organized by City Beautiful Club.

A Ward Department of the City Beautiful Club was organized Thursday afternoon, April 23rd, at the residence of Mrs. H. M. B. in the National Avenue. The following officers were elected: Chairman, Mrs. R. H. Smith; Vice Chairman, Mr. J. J. Merly; Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. J. J. Merly. The object of the organization is to further the work of the City Beautiful Club in improving the city to Riverside.

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What Came to Bar Q
(S & A.)
A Western comedy with eccentric situations.

The Fat Man's Burden
(PATHE)
One of the best comedy-dramas recently released by the Pathe Co.

TUESDAY—"PROTEA" (IN 5 PARTS.) THE TALK OF THE FILM WORLD. This is the second of the "Stars" big features recently booked. You cannot afford to miss seeing these splendid pictures which are the cream of all features.

LIST YOUR CITY TAXES FOR 1914!!

The List Taker for the City will be located at the County Court House during the month of May to receive your Tax List. A failure to list will cause you to be indicted and fined.

J. A. Patterson LIST TAKER

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