SKETCHES OF LOCAL COTTON MILL MEN

Short Stories of Their Success in Chosen Field.

Under the caption "The Men Who Make the Cloth", the Columbia State is printing a series of sketches of mill superintendents, overseers and other head men employed in the cotton mills of the state. The issue of Monday, August 30, contained the two sketches which follow:

Superintendent A. C. Haskell, Jr.

A little over four years ago Alex C. Haskell, Jr., a native of Columbia and a member of the distinguished family of South Carolina Haskells, became superintendent of the Laurens cotton mills. During a part of this period at least the milling industry probably felt the effects of the so-called panic more acutely than any other business in the country, yet the Laurens mill, under the careful and efficient management of Superintendent Haskell, came through the crisis without suspending operations even for a day, curtailing its output or impairing its high financial rating. Mr. Haskell, first of all, is a splendidly equipped mill man, educated and trained to an eminent degree and possessing the tact and ability to enlist the co-operation of his help in making the work in each and every department nothing less than the best, and at the same time encouraging those at the bottom and at intermediate positions to advance as rapidly as possible. To this end he directs his best thought and energy, always, of course, taking care of the company's interests.

A resume of Mr. Haskell's preparation and entrance into his chosen field of endeavor with its attendant success may be of interest and prove an inspiration to others. After graduating from the South Carolina college in the class of '91 he at once took up and completed an engineering course in Boston with a firm of mill architects and engineers. Later he took a position as draughtsman with the D. A. Tompkins company at Charlotte, cotton mill builders and general supply dealers. Here he received fine office training and later obtained a fair, practical knowledge of installing machinery in different mills, being sent out by the Charlotte company for this purpose. At the end of two and a half years he was sent to Chester, where he had the management of the two local cotton mill offices, the Catawba and Chester. In 1895 he returned to Columbia and became assistant superintendent of the Congaree mill, subsequently succeeding to the superintendency. Two years later he was offered and accepted the southern agency of a large northern firm of mill builders' supplies and works, with headquarters in Charlotte. A year and a half later we find him at Enoree as superintendent of the Enoree Manufacturing company, where he remained two years; thence to Durham, N. C., as superintendent of the Golden Belt Manufacturing company, owned by the Dukes. Resigning this position two years later he went to Laurel, Miss., where for 18 months he superintended the Pueblo mills; thence to Lynchburg, Va., as superintendent of the Lynchburg cotton mills, whence, upon the offer of the late W. E. Lucas, he came to Laurens in May, 1905, and took charge of the Laurens cotton mills.

While in Mississippi he married Miss Guion of Charlotte, who, like her husband, is exceedingly industrious and charitable, and withal very popular in Laurens. They have an elegant home, three interesting children—two—own an automobile and pay an income tax.

Overseer of Weaving A. R. Gossett.

Becoming tired of the farm at the age of 20, earning a daily wage rare of less than 20 cents, Alonzo R. Gossett left his Spartanburg county home, then parentless, and found work in the weaving department of the Clifton cotton mills, Spartanburg county. Successively he filled the positions of mem-fixer and second hand and within a few years was overseer of weaving at Pacolet. Here he remained eight years, or until the flood of 1903, at which time he was in charge of weaving at the three Pacolet mills which were destroyed by water. He afterwards ran the weaving at Henrietta mills, N. C., then at Hickory, N. C., and for a year was superintendent of the Neely Manufacturing company at Yorkville; thence to Clinton as boss weaver; thence to Laurens two years ago in the same capacity. He received a very meagre education, but after entering the mill work and finding it attractive he began to study, pursuing a etxtile and designing course, fancy weaving, etc., thus the better preparing himself for his work. He has made "good." Yet a young man he has aspirations and a future. Has a wife and one child, a nice turnout, an attractive home and altogether is a good liver.

CROPS DAMAGED BY DRY, HOT WEATHER

By reason of the hot, dry weather which prevailed in Laurens; in fact over a greater part of the state, during the past two weeks, crops of all kinds have suffered great injury. Cotton has deteriorated possibly 20 per cent, while late corn and peas have suffered to a greater extent. However, copious showers fell Sunday night in several localities, including Laurens and vicinity, thus somewhat relieving the situation. But the crops stand in immediate need of more rain and unless it is forthcoming greater loss will follow.

READY FOR GINNING.

Both the Oil Mill and Hudgens' Ginneries have been thoroughly overhauled, and we are now ready for cotton, and will appreciate your patronage. R. H. HUDGENS. 5-1t

EXPLANATION.

Editor The Advertiser:

I find I was not in possession of all the facts concerning the arrest of John Wallace as published in the last issue of your paper. Mr. Koon gave me his version of it and Mr. Lowe thinks Koon ought not to have all the credit. I enclose a statement from Mr. Lowe and in justice to all I hope you will publish it.

W. T. Austin, Cor.

Cross Hill, Aug. 30.

P. S.—Lowe is all right and game to the backbone. W. T .A.

Mr Lowe's Card.

Editor The Advertiser:

I notice in your paper of last week that Policeman J. W. Koon was given the credit for the capture of John Wallace near Hopewell. You will please correct the above. I was deputized on two warrants to arrest John Wallace, charged with forgery and selling liquor. I located John and got four men to assist me. I procured the help of J. W. Koon, Van Coates, Dick Coates and a Mr. Saterwhite. We surrounded John's house; I broke the window open and procured a lamp from a house close by. I was the first to locate him up in the funnel of the chimney. He could not have been captured by no one man; he would have made his escape without help. So all the men should have credit for his capture, and not one man all the glory.

S. W. Lowe.

Cross Hill, S. C., Aug. 30th.

Still Drawing on Laurens.

Mr. J. W. Cooper, who was salesman for Wright & Grubbs for several years, and who has been living in Laurens county for the past two years, has purchased a small farm from Mr. W. C. Branyon, near this place, and as soon as he can build a house will move his family here. We are glad to welcome him back to Honea Path.—Honea Path Chronicle.

Jus' Keep on Keepin' On.

When the day looks kinder gloomy
An' your chances kinder slim;
If the situation's puzzlin',
An' the prospect's awful grim
An' perplexities keep pressin'
Till all hope is nearly gone
Jus' bristle up, and grit your teeth
An' keep on keepin' on.

Fumin' never wins a fight,
An' frettin' never pays;
There ain't no good in broodin' in
These pessimistic ways—
Smile just kinder cheerfully
When hope is nearly gone;
Jus' bristle up, and grit your teeth
An' keep on keepin' on.

There ain't no use in scowlin'
An' grumblin' all the time
When music's ringin' everywhere
An' everything's a rhyme—
Jus' keep on smilin' cheerfully
If hope is nearly gone,
Jus' bristle up, and grit your teeth
An' keep on keepin' on.

It Saved His Leg.

"All thought I'd lose my leg," writes J. A. Swenson, Watertown, Wis. "Ten years of eczema, that fifteen doctors could not cure, had at last laid me up. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve fixed it sound and well." Infallible for Skin Eruptions, Eczema, Salt Rheum, Boils, Fever Sores, Burns, Scalds, Cuts and Piles. 25c at Laurens Drug Co. and Palmetto Drug Co.

You will find the largest and best line of Art Squares that are made of the best quality of materials in different designs, sizes and colors, at prices that you can not duplicate at any other place.

S. M. & E. H. Wilkes & Co.

We Ask You

to take Cardui, for your female troubles, because we are sure it will help you. Remember that this great female remedy—

WINE OF CARDUI

has brought relief to thousands of other sick women, so why not to you? For headache, backache, periodical pains, female weakness, many have said it is "the best medicine to take." Try it!

Sold in This City F3

REV. WILLIAM BALLARD.
By W. D. S.

Years ago, he preached over Greenville and Laurens counties, even down into Newberry. He had one church down on Bush river; from sickness he could not fill his appointment, but sent his son-in-law, John Campbell, to fill his place. He gave him instruction where to spend the night. Next morning they had boiled eggs for breakfast; the salt and pepper were passed to Bro. Campbell. The top fell off the pepper box and its contents fell on his eggs.

"Bro. Campbell, let me give you another plate."

"No, Sister, I have pepper on my eggs."

He stirred it in, and went to eating. The fumes got into his nose, which caused a violent fit of sneezing, accompanied with loud eructation. The young ladies got so full of laughter they left the table. The hostess tried her best to maintain her equanimity, but finally she had to leave, which left the table to the father and Rev. Campbell. Soon as he got some relief he went to the lot and saddled his horse and made for Fork shoals. Bush river had no preaching on that day.

On one occasion the Rev. Wm. Ballard carried a convert down on a branch to immerse him. He was a portly man and the preacher carried him to the deepest water in order to handle him easily. The man looked up and saw a moccasin snake lying on the alder limbs right over them. He seized the preacher's arm and pointed up, saying:

"Look at that blamed big snake—did you baptize him?"

"Yes," he spoke up before he thought what he was saying.

Being accustomed to swearing all his life, it was an utter impossibility for him to break off from this useless habit at once.

Near Death in Big Pond.

It was a thrilling experience to Mrs. Ida Soper to face death. "For years a severe lung trouble gave me intense suffering," she writes, "and several times nearly caused my death. All remedies failed and doctors said I was incurable. Then Dr. King's New Discovery brought quick relief and a cure so permanent that I have not have not been troubled in twelve years." Mrs. Soper lives in Big Pond, Pa. It works wonders in Coughs and Colds, Sore Lungs, Hemorrhages, La-Grippe, Asthma, Croup, Whooping Cough and all Bronchial affections. 50c and $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Laurens Drug Co. and Palmetto Drug Co.

If.

If we could always be as kind
As when some grief has scourged our mind,
As gentle as when love is king,
'Twould teach this sad old world to sing!
'Twould prove beyond a doubt, each day,
That kindness is the better way.

If we could always see the good
In erring brother as we should,
And close our lips when wont to speak
Of error in the poor and weak,
I think that we would soon be glad
And see more good in man than bad.

The hearts of men need sun and light
And words to cheer them in the night.
A virtue praised, a cheerful smile,
Would rob their tempter of his guile;
Would teach the good in them to grow
And battle wrecking undertow.

Best Treatment For a Burn.

If for no other reason, Chamberlain's Salve should be kept in every household on account of its great value in the treatment of burns. It allays the pain almost instantly, and unless the injury is a severe one, heals the part without leaving a scar. This salve is also unequalled for chapped hands, sore nipples and diseases of the skin. Price 25 cents. For sale by Laurens Drug Co.

NIGHTS OF UNREST.

No Sleep, No Rest, No Peace for the Sufferer from Kidney Troubles.

No peace for the kidney sufferer—Pain and distress from much to night.

Get up with a lame back.

Twinges of backache bother you all day.

Uric acid breaks your rest at night.

Urinary disorders add to your misery.

Get at the cause—cure the Kidneys.

Doan's Kidney Pills will work the cure.

They're for the kidneys only—

Have made great cures in Laurens.

J. A. Stribling, Clinton Road, Laurens, S. C., says:

"For years I had pains across the small of my back, especially severe at night and as the result I could not sleep. At times I was unfit to attend to my work and though I tried every remedy that was brought to my attention, I grew no better. The kidney secretions were too frequent in passage, contained a sediment and were otherwise unnatural. From this I concluded that my kidneys were the cause of my trouble, and seeing Doan's Kidney Pills advertised I procured a supply at the Palmetto Drug Co. Through their use my back regained its strength, the pains disappeared and my kidneys were restored to their normal condition. I give this testimonial in return for the benefit I received."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Work For The PRIZES

They Are Worth It

Go to H. Douglas Gray & Co. and see that Buggy

Go to Fleming Bros. and see that Watch.

Go to S. M. & E. H. Wilkes & Co. and see that Chair.

The Piano will arrive later.

These goods are not prize box affairs but are goods bought of reputable merchants who will be glad to show them to you and sell others like them

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Laurens, S. C.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.
(Schedule Effective June 20, 1909.)

N. B.—These schedule figures show the time that trains may be expected pected to arrive and depart but the times shown are not guaranteed.

East and West bound trains from Spartanburg, S. C.

7:30 A. M.—No. 36, daily, for Charlotte, Washington, Richmond, New York and intermediate points. Arrive Charlotte 10:05 A. M. Richmond 9:30 P. M. Washington 10:55 P. M., New York 6:39 A. M.

9:50 A. M.—No. 42, daily except Sunday, for Charlotte and intermediate points. Arrive Charlotte 12:45 P. M.

1:45 P. M.—No. 12, daily local, for Richmond and intermediate points. Arrive Richmond 7:00 A. M.

5:20 P. M.—No. 38, daily, ("New York-Atlanta-New Orleans Limited") for Washington, New York and the East. Arrive Washington 6:50 A. M., New York, 1:00 P. M. Pullman cars, dining cars.

8:10 P. M.—No. 46, daily, for Charlotte and intermediate points.

9:40 P. M.—No. 30, daily, for Washington and New York. Pullman cars, dining cars. Arrive Washington 10:00 A. M. New York 4:00 P. M.

10:50 P. M.—No. 8, daily, for Asheville and intermediate points. Arrive Asheville 2:10 P. M.

5:05 P. M.—No. 46, daily, for Asheville and intermediate points. Arrive Asheville 8:15 P. M. Parlor car.

West bound trains from Greenville, S. C.

6:50 A. M.—No. 29, daily, for Atlanta and Birmingham. Pullman cars, dining cars. Arrive Atlanta 10:10 A. M., arrive Birmingham 4:00 P. M.

11:35 A. M.—No. 53, daily, for Atlanta and intermediate points. Connecting at Atlanta for all points west. Arrive Atlanta 4:55 P. M.

1:30 P. M.—No. 27, daily ("New York-Atlanta-New Orleans Limited") for Atlanta and New Orleans. Arrive Atlanta 5:00 P. M., New Orleans 7:55 P. M. Pullman sleeping car, club car, observation car and dining car.

2:35 P. M.—No. 15, daily local for Atlanta and way stations. Arrive Atlanta 8:50 P. M.

4:10 A. M.—No. 37, daily, solid train to New Orleans with pullman cars and dining car. Arrive Atlanta 5:00 A. M., New Orleans 8:20 P. M.

Southbound from Columbia.

6:55 A. M.—No. 29, daily, for Savannah and Jacksonville. Pullman cars.

7:55 A. M.—No. 12, daily, for Charleston and intermediate points.

3:50 P. M.—No. 14, daily, for Charleston and way stations.

2:15 A. M.—No. 16, daily, for Charleston. Pullman car.

Summer excursion tickets now on sale.

For further information, call on ticket agents Southern railway, or

J. L. Meek,
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V. P. & G. M., Washington, D. C.

W. E. McGee,
T. P. A., Augusta, Ga.

H. F. Cary,
G. P. A., Washington, D. C.

ANNOUNCEMENT

I wish to call the attention to the public that I have rented the store on Main Street, three doors from the Post Office, Diamond's Old Stand, and will open up, on or about

September the 1st.,

a First-class line of Ladies', Misses and Children's Garments. A full and complete line of Fancy and Staple Dress Goods.

My connections are such that I will be able to offer High-grade Goods at popular prices. I will also carry a complete line of Men's and Boys' Clothing, Shoes, Hats and Furnishings.

This store will be entirely renovated, painted inside and outside, new fixtures, etc. Watch for my Opening Sale, in which I will introduce to the public High-grade Merchandise at Low Prices. The Motto of the Store will always be: All Goods freely exchanged and your money back for the asking at anytime on any unsatisfactory purchase

Yours for a Square Deal,

W. H. Ashendorf,

Laurens, S. C.