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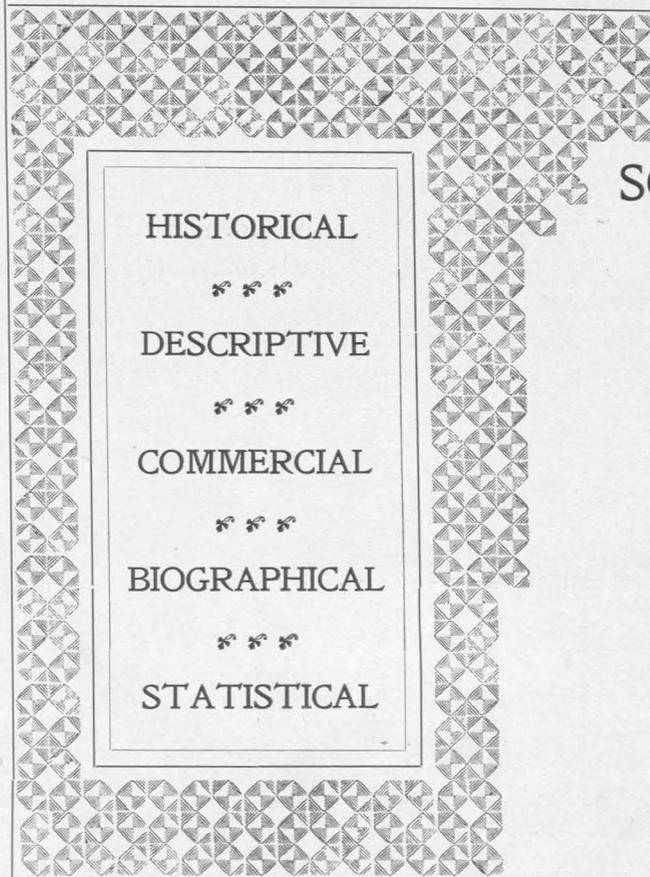
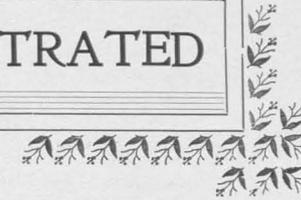
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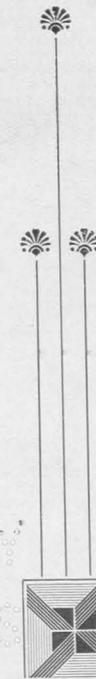
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PREFACE.

WITH the opening up of the Twentieth Century—the greatest and grandest of civilization—Charleston undoubtedly ranks to-day as one of the most noted of the seacoast cities of the American continent, and the story of her progress, industries, and resources presents a subject of vivid interest to all to whom the activities and gains of business are a necessity or have a charm. We shall, however, not go into a lengthy preface, but at once proceed to the task of compiling a condensed sketch of the proudest city of the sisterhood of great commonwealths and her surroundings, and we hope to make it more comprehensive and generally accurate than any historical work that has ever been published for this city; and in a concise form, to present a general view of the resources and industries, the material wealth, moral elevation, and the social condition of one of the most progressive cities of the South.

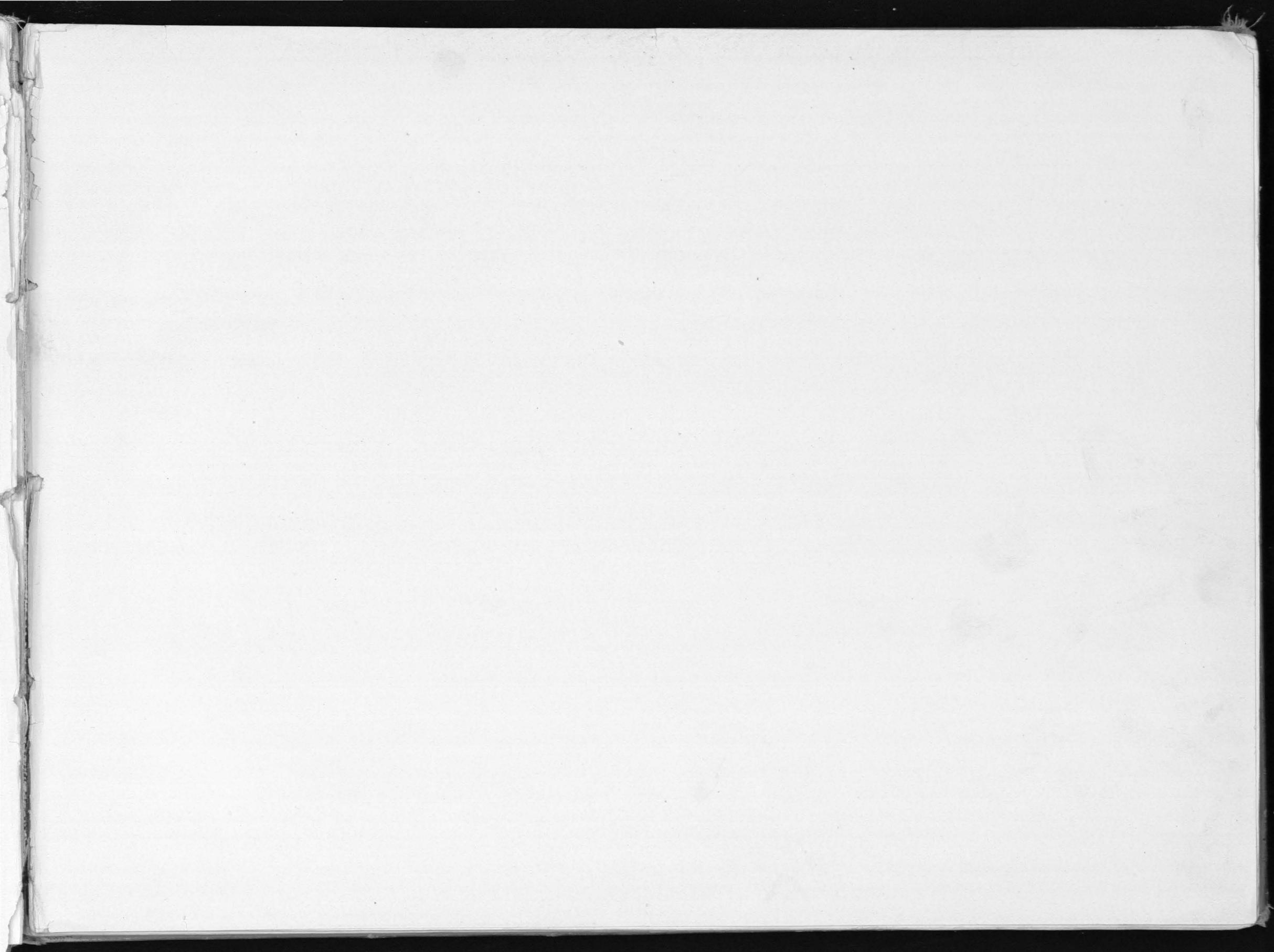
As the depot from whence, not figuratively, but literally, many cities and towns draw their supplies—the products of the place—its capabilities for supply, and its resources for production are the main points of interest in the recital of its advancement. It is not, however, claimed that a perfect balance-sheet of progress is given. This is prevented by the various idiosyncrasies found in other communities, as well as in Charleston, which render the collecting of statistics difficult, from the indifference, or averseness of individuals furnishing them. Indeed, it will be obvious to the most obtuse that, without the aid of business men, manufacturers, and others, by giving candid and clear statements of the facts in their possession, and in most cases known only to the individual, the compilation of such a work would have been impossible. To these and other favors, therefore, from various quarters, whether solicited or voluntary, the publishers make grateful acknowledgment. The illustrations which accompany the work are believed to add to its permanent interest and value. The enterprise, public spirit, and hearty co-operation of the leading business men represented in this work have made possible the publication and general distribution of the book. In a word, the sole purpose kept in view has been to fully, fairly and accurately present the subjects set forth in the title page. Before closing, we might say here, for the edification of outside capitalists and manufacturers, that the advantages of Charleston are manifold, and there are splendid advantages here for the investment of capital. We have here many enterprising business men and financiers; but then, again, we have many who are detrimental to the city, and will not invest their money, but hoard it up, and thereby are an injury to the advancement of the city's interests.

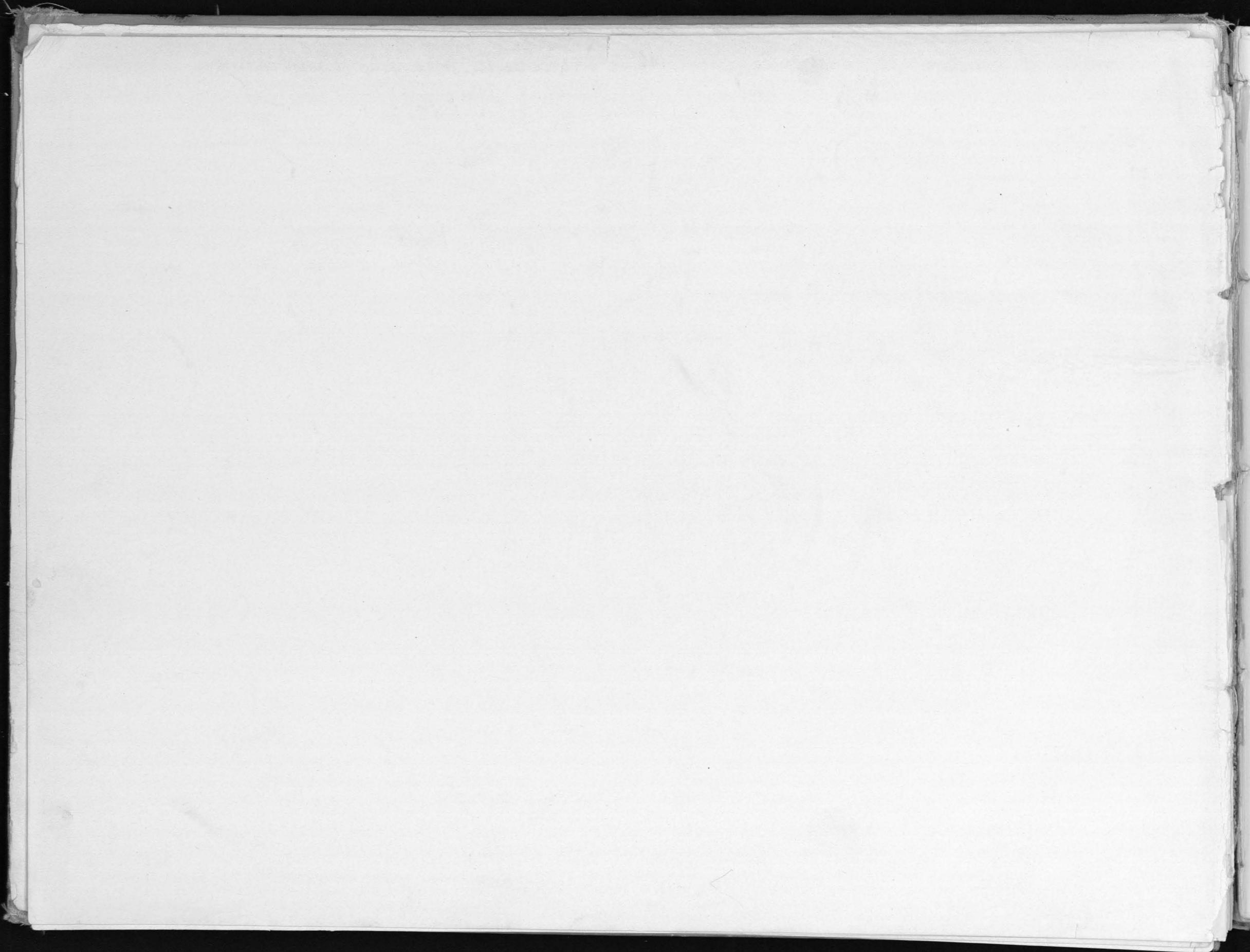
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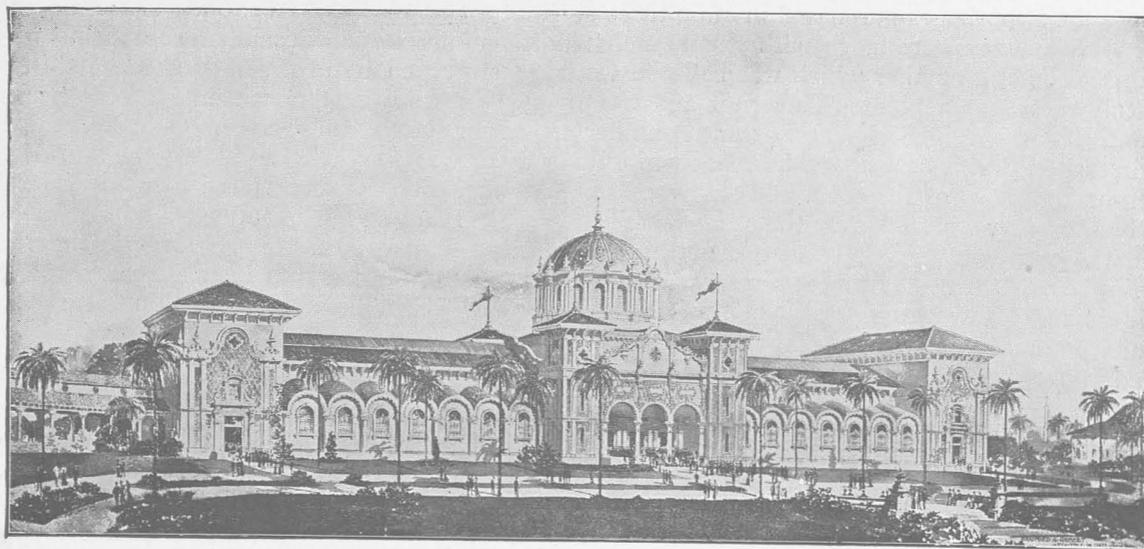
ON the 24th of March, 1663, Charles II, King of England, granted to the Earl of Clarendon, the Duke of Albemarle, Lord Craven, Lord Berkeley, Lord Ashley, Sir George Carteret, Sir William Berkeley and Sir John Colleton "all that territory, or tract of ground called Carolina, situate, lying, and being within our dominions of America, extending from the north end of the Island called Lucke Island, which lieth in the Southern Virginia seas, and within six and thirty degrees of the north latitude, and to the west as far as the South Seas and so southerly as far as the River Matthias, which bordereth upon the coast of Florida, and within thirty-one degrees northern latitude and so west in a direct line as far as the South Seas aforesaid," constituting them sole and absolute Lords Proprietors thereof. This grant included the present States of North Carolina and South Carolina with an indefinite western boundary.

At this time there was a small colony in the territory at Cape Fear, composed of adventurers from Massachusetts, who soon abandoned the province, and in 1665 the Proprietors made an agreement with Sir John Yeamans, of the Barbadoes, for the planting of another colony in a part of their domain now lying in the State of North Carolina which they called the county of Clarendon. In this same year, 1665, the Proprietors were given a second grant covering the same territory but extending the boundaries to 29° on the south and $36^{\circ} 30''$ north. Sir John Yeamans took his settlers to Clarendon County as agreed, but the colony proved unsatisfactory to the proprietors and they determined to send out a colony from England to settle a county to the southward, at Port Royal—which magnificent harbor had been explored and named some years before.

For this purpose the Proprietors purchased in 1669 three ships at a cost of £3200 16s. 6d. These they named the *Carolina*, *Port Royal* and *Albemarle*. They were laden with stores, merchandise, munitions of war, and all equipments necessary for planting a colony of two hundred people; a number which was believed would be strong enough for self-protection and to make a permanent settlement. Mr. Joseph West was appointed Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the fleet and of the persons embarked in it bound for Carolina until its arrival in Barbadoes, or until another Governor should be appointed. The fleet sailed from the Downes in August, 1669, and reached Barbadoes in October, and while lying there was struck by a gale on the 2nd of November, and the *Albemarle* was driven on the rocks of the coast and shipwrecked. Another sloop was procured to take her place. After leaving the island of Nevis, the *Port Royal* parted from the other vessels. The *Port Royal* sailed southward and endeavored to touch at the Bahama Islands, but was cast away near Abaco, one of those islands, on January 12, 1670. The passengers reached the island in the small boat, but many of them died there; the master of the *Port Royal* built a boat in which they got to Eleuthera, where he hired a shallop and sailed to New Providence, whence most of the survivors obtained transportation to Bermuda, where the *Carolina* and her companion had arrived some time before. At Bermuda, Sir John Yeamans, who had at the Barbadoes superseded West as governor filled in the blank commission which the Lords Proprietors had sent him with the name of William Sayle as governor, and returned to the Barbadoes. Sayle was therefore the first governor of South Carolina, or, as it was first called, Craven County, of Carolina. A sloop was procured at Bermuda to replace the *Port Royal*, and the fleet sailed for Port Royal in February, 1670, but the Barbadian sloop was separated from the others and did not reach Carolina for over two months after the other settlers had effected a permanent settlement. The *Carolina* and the Bermuda sloop reached what is now Sewee Bay about March 17, 1670, and made a landing back of the present Bull's Island. There they met the Indian Cacique of Kiawha, who lived on what a



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recent discoverer had called Ashley river, but called Kiawha by the Indians, and he indulged in such earnest praise of his land and so cordially invited the colonists to make their settlement near him that, after a short stay at Port Royal, during which stay an election was held for five "freemen" to be "of the Council," they sailed up to the present Charleston harbor, before named by the Spaniards St. George's Bay, and in April landed on the first high point on the western bank of the Ashley and named it "Albemarle Point." There they entrenched themselves and began to lay out streets and town lots, and to build fortifications. They were well received by the Indians whose Cacique had so urgently pressed them to settle there. This chief's conduct furnishes the first authenticated example of that hospitality and intense love of home that has ever since characterized the Charlestonian.

These people who first settled here in South Carolina, and who founded Charleston, were not Puritans who sought an asylum where they might worship God according to dictates of their own consciences, and persecute everybody else who dared to differ with them, or who had incurred their enmity; but they were good, substantial and respectable English people who came to Carolina to better themselves. Some were even then fairly well-to-do, and brought servants with them. These doubtless expected to become, as some of them did become, the officeholders and personal representatives of the Lords Proprietors, and some doubtless coveted titles, as by their charters the Lord Proprietors were granted the right to "confer upon such of the inhabitants of the Province as they should think to merit the same, such marks of favour and titles of honour as they should think fit; so as these titles of honour be not the same as are enjoyed by or conferred upon any subjects of this our Kingdom of England."

These Carolina settlers were thoroughly imbued with the spirit of the Cavaliers, their patrons, the Lords Proprietors, being leaders of the Cavaliers and adherents of the Stuarts. From the very beginning they took a decided stand for civil and religious liberty, for constitutional rights of the highest order. There was very little that was narrow, bigoted or intolerant in the make-up of these people, and the principles that they first transplanted here became so thoroughly rooted as to make themselves distinctly felt throughout the history of these American colonies and States. The spirit of independence so thoroughly and honestly planted on the banks of the Ashley in 1670 was so to grow and strengthen that by 1719 the people of South Carolina, when they found their liberties being encroached upon by the Lords Proprietors, and their rights transgressed, they were strong enough and brave enough to rise up and overthrow the Proprietors and annex themselves, as it were, to the Royal authority. And the same spirit that animated the South Carolinians of 1719 animated them in 1775 when they asserted their rights in the face of the Royal government and maintained those rights at the expense of a separation from the mother country which they had not at first desired. And again in 1860 were the people of South Carolina animated even more strongly than ever by the same healthy principles that governed their ancestors in two previous successful revolutions. And here it is a little interesting to observe that the charter to the Lords Proprietors under which "Albemarle Point" was settled granted territory embraced by the present States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas, Indian Territory, New Mexico, Arizona and the lower part of the State of California; a region which has in a great measure been peopled from the colony established under that charter, and governed by the political ideas emanating from the point of settlement at the junction of the Ashley and Cooper rivers; a region which is almost coincident with the territory of the Confederate States of America.

The colonists at "Albemarle Point" had scarcely got settled down before they were made to realize that their settlement was but an outpost to the other English colonies in America, liable at any moment to be attacked, and beyond the reach of timely assistance. The Spaniards in Florida looked upon the new settlement with a jealous eye, and soon sent an expedition to break it up, but the vessel they sent found the colonists on their guard and too strong to be attacked, and so returned to St. Augustine.

In the next two years after the founding of the colony many new settlers came in from the Barbadoes, and a few from elsewhere, so that by January, 1672, the Secretary of the colony was able to report 263 men able to bear arms, 69 women, 59 children, or persons under 16 years of age. The settlement at "Albemarle Point" was now called Charles Town. Lord Ashley had written to Governor West, the successor of Governor Sayle, who had died in September, 1670, as early as November, 1670, that the town



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was to be called Charles Town (in honor of King Charles II.), but it was not until September 1st, 1671, that the name appears to have been adopted.

On August 25, 1671, the first Parliament of South Carolina was held in Charles Town. It consisted of twenty members who had been elected by all the freemen of the colony on the 8th of the preceding month.

In 1671 the Kussoe Indians began to give the people of Charles Town and vicinity trouble, and so annoying were their depredations that on the 27th of September the Governor and Council declared war against them, and commissions were granted to Captains Godfrey and Gray; companies were formed, and in seven days the enemy's country had been invaded and surprised and many captives taken and ordered to be transported from Carolina unless the remaining Kussoes sued for peace and ransomed the captives.

On April 19, 1672, Sir John Yeamans succeeded Joseph West as Governor, and in the letter accompanying his commission, Lord Ashley recommended that he make another port town on the Ashley, and gave him directions as to the choice of the ground. He regarded "Albemarle Point" as too low and unhealthy, and as likely to bring disrepute upon their new settlement. He directed Sir John to lay out the great port town into regular streets, for, be the buildings ever so mean and thin at first, yet as the town increased in riches and people the void places would be filled up and the buildings grow more beautiful. He recommended six score squares of 300 feet each, to be divided one from the other by streets and alleys, and that no man should have above one of those squares to one house. The great street should not be less than 100 or six score feet broad; the lesser streets none less than sixty; alleys eight or ten feet. In pursuance of his instructions, Governor Yeamans proceeded to lay out the site of another town. It so happened that the present site of the city of Charleston—the point formed by the confluence of the Ashley and Cooper rivers—had been taken up by Henry Hughes and John Coming, formerly mate of the *Carolina*. In February, 1672, Hughes and Coming, with his wife Affra, appeared before the Grand Council and voluntarily surrendered the half of their lands upon "Oyster Point," as the point between the two rivers was called, "to be employed in and toward the outlaying of a town and commons of pasture there intended to be erected." On July 20th, following, Governor Yeamans issued the following warrant to John Culpepper, Surveyor General:

"You are forthwith to admeasure and lay out for a town on Oyster Point all that point of land then formerly allotted for the same adding thereto one hundred and fifty acres of land or so much thereof as you shall find to be proportionable from the said one hundred and fifty acres in the breadth of land formerly marked to be laid out for Mr. Henry Hughes Mr. John Coming and Affra his now wife, and James Robinson estimated to be seven hundred acres," &c.

The town as at first laid off extended no farther west than the present Meeting Street, nor farther north than Broad Street, nor farther south than the present Water Street. The points of land to the south of the town were called "Coming's Point" and "White Point," the latter no doubt from the whiteness of the oyster shells upon it. But notwithstanding these preparations, the town at "Albemarle Point" was not now abandoned, but a fort there building was completed and the town was otherwise improved, all in that very year.

In the summer of 1772 the Spaniards of St. Augustine made another attempt upon Charles Town. An attacking party of them took post at St. Helena Island, on the Carolina coast, and at the same time the Westoe Indians began to exhibit a troublesome disposition, but the Council acted with rigor and dispatched a party of thirty men against the Westoes and another of fifty against the Spaniards. The Spaniards retreated and the Westoes were cowed, and Charles Town was once more safe for a time.

In 1679 the inhabitants of the town at "Albemarle Point" began generally to move to the town laid off at "Oyster Point" in 1672, and on the 17th of December of that year the Lords Proprietors wrote to Governor West, who had superseded Yeamans in 1674: "We are informed that this Oyster Point is not only a more convenient place to build a town on than that formerly pitched on by the first settlers, but that the people's inclinations turn thither; we let you know that Oyster Point is the place we do appoint for the port town of which you are to take notice and call it 'Charles Town.'" It was ordered at the same time that the public



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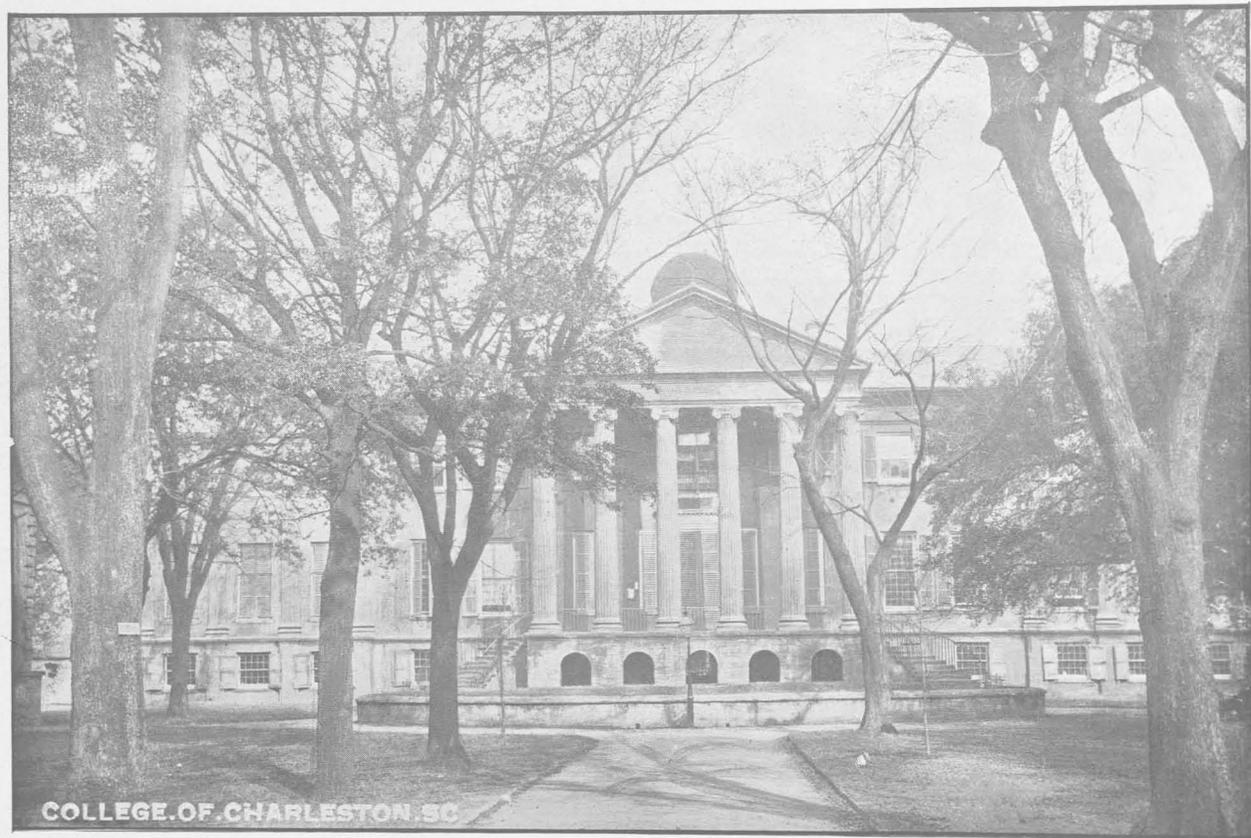
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offices should be moved thither and the Grand Council summoned to meet there. In the spring of 1680 the removal was made, and during the same year thirty houses were erected. It was called for a while by some persons New Charles Town, to distinguish it from the old town, which now began to be abandoned. From 1682 it was known for a period of one hundred years simply as Charles Town, or Charlestown. In 1783 it was incorporated by Act of the Legislature of the State of South Carolina as Charleston, and so it has been ever since.

The career of Charleston in the two hundred and twenty-one years since its building at Oyster Point has been most remarkable. Several times did the Spaniards attempt its capture and destruction, and each time were they thwarted and defeated by the skill and bravery of the people. Three revolutions has it been in the throes of (in 1719, 1775-1783, 1861-1865), and in each the leadership of its people has been paramount; the first of the revolutions being precipitated by the people of Charles Town, and the last great struggle for constitutional rights having had its inception in Charleston, thus giving to the old city the noble soubriquet of "the Cradle of Secession." And at the beginning of the American Revolution it was under the leadership of Charlestown men that the destinies of the Province of South Carolina were linked with the other American colonies and the struggle begun for home rule. Three times has Charleston felt the devastating hand of war (1775-1783, 1812-1814, 1861-1865). In the first, three times was it besieged (1776, 1779, 1780), and twice was the foe driven back and defeated, and at the third attempt the city was surrendered only after undergoing a most terrific siege of three months. In the war of 1812 Charleston's commerce was seriously injured and a part of the time her port was in a state of blockade. In the States' Rights war she withstood for nearly four years one incessant siege—the most notable in the annals of the world—and surrendered only after the whole surrounding country had fallen and its own defenders had abandoned the place and destroyed its defences. Cyclones, hurricanes, earthquakes, epidemics, devastating fires, politics, have time and again shaken the city to its very foundation, but the faith of its builders was superior to adversity, and the faith of the fathers is still characteristic of the Charlestonian.

MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT.

For the first hundred years of its existence Charleston was an unincorporated town. The community was governed by the parish officers, chosen at elections held on Easter Monday in every year. After the capture of the town by the British, in May, 1780, it was governed for two years and a half by a British commandant, Lieutenant-Colonel Nisbett Balfour. August 13, 1783, the General Assembly of South Carolina passed an Act incorporating Charlestown, at the same time changing the name to Charleston, and dividing it into thirteen wards; and at an election held soon after a Council, consisting of one Warden for each Ward was elected. This Council then selected one of their number—Hon. Richard Hutson—to be Intendant. Thus was Charleston governed until December 21, 1836, when the Legislature passed an Act amending the charter and making the Chief Executive, Mayor, and the Councilmen, Aldermen. Robert Y. Hayne, former United States Senator (1823-32), and former Governor of South Carolina (1832-34), was the first Mayor. After its surrender to the Federal forces, February 18, 1865, the government of the city was for several months under control of the commandant of the "Military Division of Charleston," but in October the civil government was restored, only to be displaced again in February, 1868, when a military mayor was appointed by Gen. Canby, commanding the Second Military District (South Carolina). In November, 1868, the civil government was restored, and since then eight Mayors have successively ruled over the city. The present Mayor, Hon. J. Adger Smyth, was first elected in 1895, and was re-elected for a second term in 1899.



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PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

The City Hall, or administrative building of the city government, is located on the northeast corner of Broad and Meeting streets. The Central Police Station, at the corner of King and Hudson streets, built after the great earthquake of 1886, is a thoroughly equipped, modern police building, connecting with all parts of the city by an electric alarm system. The Charleston Orphan Asylum, founded over one hundred years ago, Calhoun street; the City Hospital, Lucas and Calhoun streets; the Alms-house, Columbus street, are other public institutions of importance.

Besides the city buildings, the public buildings of Charleston County are located in the City of Charleston. These consist of the County Court House, at the northwest corner of Meeting and Broad streets; the County Records building (known as the "Fireproof Building"), corner of Meeting and Chalmers streets, and the County Jail, Magazine street.

The United States government buildings in Charleston are the Custom House, East Bay; the United States Court House and Postoffice building, southwest corner Broad and Meeting streets, and a supply depot on East Bay, foot of Broad street. This last building was erected for an Exchange, in 1767; was used as a prison by the British after their capture of Charlestown in 1780; was ceded to the United States government in 1818, and was used as a custom house and postoffice, and then as a postoffice only, until 1896. It is one of the most historic buildings of the city.

The Enston Home is a well endowed charitable institution, founded by the late William Enston, the buildings of which are located in the upper part of the city, on the "Neck," and present an attractive appearance to the traveler entering the city by railroad.

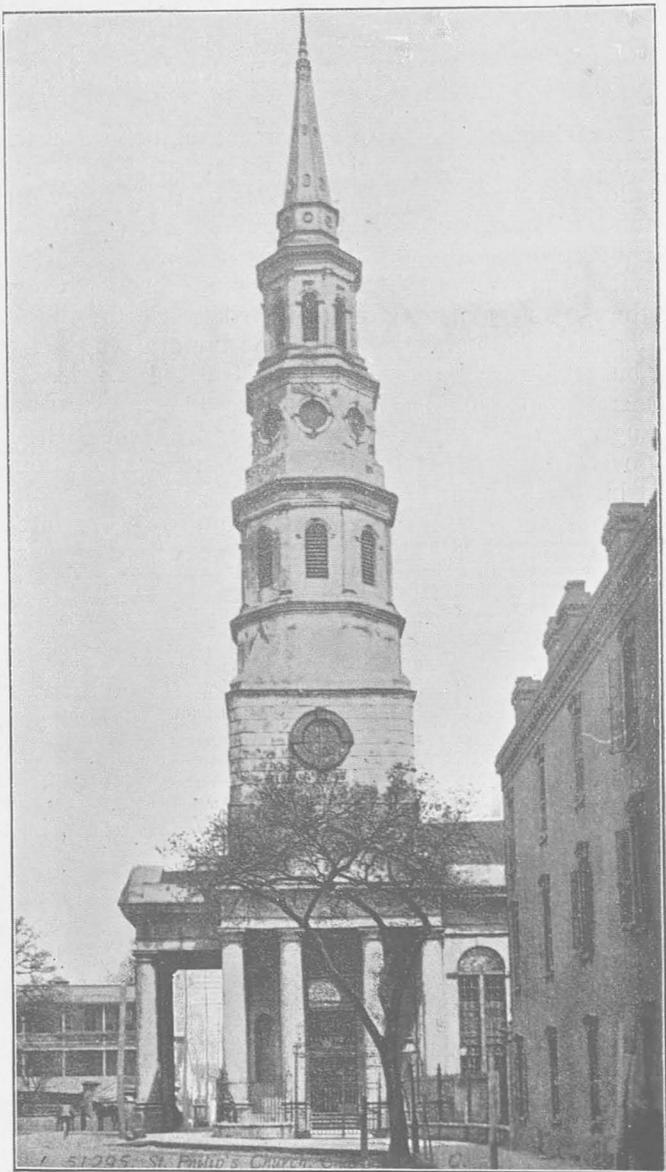
EDUCATION.

During the first years of the 18th century, John Lawson, an English government surveyor, subsequently Surveyor-General of North Carolina, visited Charles Town, and stayed some time. In 1807 he published a book on Carolina, in which he said of Charleston:

"This colony was at first planted by a genteel sort of people that were well acquainted with the trade, and had either money or parts to make good use of the advantages that offered, as most have done by raising themselves to great estates." * * *
"Their inhabiting in a town has drawn to them ingenious persons of most sciences, whereby they have tutors among them that educate their youth *a la mode*."

Indeed, throughout the records of the early years of the Colony, as well as the later, there are evidences of the fact that there were in Charleston no inconsiderable number of scholarly and scientific persons. Nicholas Trott, for many years Chief Justice of the Colony under the Proprietors, was one of the most scholarly men of his time, and was made LL. D. by an English University. Dr. Thomas Dale, of Charles Town, was one of the earliest botanists in America, and when he made his will in 1743 he directed that his collection of dried plants be sent to Dr. John Frederick Gronovius, at Leyden. And what is almost certainly the first Public Library in America was established in Charles Town in 1698. After about twenty years mention of it ceases to be made in the records—perhaps because it had been destroyed by fire. In 1748 the Charles Town Library Society was organized and began a subscription library in Charles Town, which has been in operation ever since, and owns at present a very valuable collection of rare books. The present building of the Charleston Library Society at the northwest corner of Broad and Church streets is about one hundred years old, and up to 1835 was used by the South Carolina Bank. In 1836 it was sold to the Library Society.

In addition to the public schools and many excellent private schools, the College of Charleston was established in Charleston in 1785—one of the oldest colleges in the South. This institution, located on the square bounded by George, St. Philip, Green



ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, BUILT IN 1838.

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and College streets, is well endowed and well equipped to-day. Its museum of natural history, one of the oldest and best in the South, was established in the early fifties, at the suggestion of the great Aggasiz, who was then lecturing in Charleston.

Besides this high standard college, the City of Charleston now supports a high school for boys, another for young women, and an admirable system of public schools. The State Military Academy, the Confederate Home College for young women (controlled by an association), the Porter Military Academy (private school), the South Carolina Medical College, and many other excellent private schools are located in Charleston.

CHURCHES.

Not until 1680 are there any authentic records of any church in Charles Town, but there appears to have been a rapid growth in religious sentiment, as well as in population, for in 1704 there were five places of public worship: St. Philip's Church (Church of England), the Huguenot Church, the Baptist Church (now known as the First Baptist), the White Meeting House (Dissenters; now known as the Congregational Church), and the Quaker Meeting. Although Carolina was a Church of England Province, under its charter and after 1706 maintained the Church as the Established Church of the Province, yet the greatest religious freedom was allowed, and in Charles Town all of the various denominations showed great zeal in behalf of their respective churches.

It is not known exactly when the first church building was erected in Charles Town, but it is pretty certain that no such building had been erected up to 1682, for Thomas Ashe, in his description of Carolina, published in 1682, states that a convenient place had been reserved for a church, but does not say that any church had been built. The place so reserved was at the southeast corner of the two streets now known as Broad and Meeting, where St. Michael's Church now stands, and upon it was soon erected St. Philip's Church. It was built of black cypress upon a brick foundation, and is said to have been "large and stately."

In 1710 an Act was passed "For the Erecting of a New Brick Church at Charlestown, to be the Parish Church of St. Philip's, Charlestown." The new church was built upon the spot where St. Philip's now stands, on Church street (so called after the church), and was opened for worship on Easter Sunday, 1723. The old wooden building on the spot where St. Michael's now stands was removed.

During the great fire of 1796, the steeple of St. Philip's caught on fire, but a negro man climbed out upon it and tore off the burning shingles, thus putting out the fire. For this act he was given his freedom. The incident has been made the theme for a false and misrepresenting poem, and "How He Saved St. Michael's" is very popular at elocution exhibitions now-a-days. Thus is history made!

In the devastating fire that swept Charleston on Sunday, February 14, 1835, St. Philip's was not so fortunate, for it was burned. But the work of rebuilding was almost immediately begun, and on May 3d, 1838, services were first held in the new church—the one now standing. During the States' Rights War St. Philip's suffered considerably from the Federal bombardment of Charleston. Ten or more shells entered its walls. The chancel was destroyed, the roof pierced in several places, and the organ demolished.

Situated in the centre of the western cemetery of St. Philip's Church is the sarcophagus that holds the mortal remains of South Carolina's greatest statesman, John Caldwell Calhoun. It is built of polished granite, rising from a base of ten by six feet to a total height of ten feet. The iron coffin rests between the spaces prepared for it in the base just mentioned, and in a heavy block, four by eight feet, superimposed upon it. Four highly polished columns, one at each angle of the superstructure, support a solid mass of entablature and pediment, covering and finishing the structure in rectangular dimensions, somewhat less than those of the base first described.

Among the first settlers of Charles Town in 1670 were some Huguenots. Ten years later Charles II., of England, sent



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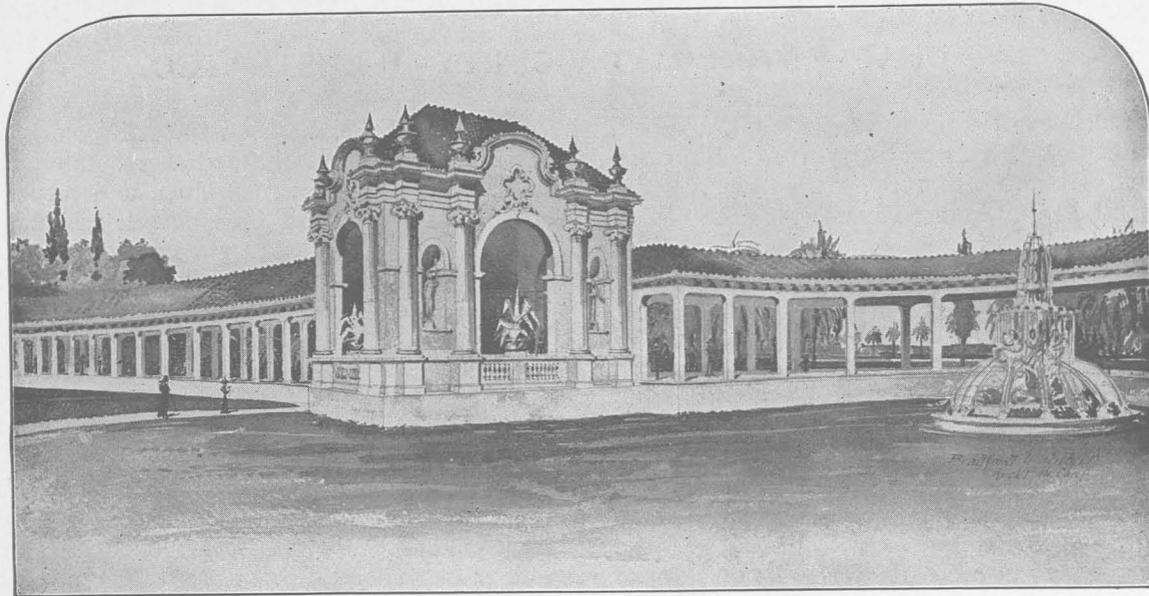
out a colony of French Protestants to cultivate oil, wine and silk. Thomas Ashe, clerk on the *Richmond*, one of the vessels that brought them, states that there were forty-five on his vessel, which number was but "half of a greater number." After the revocation of the Edict of Nantes, in 1685, great numbers of Huguenots flocked to South Carolina, and settled in Charles Town, at Orange Quarter and on the Santee River. At each place they established a church. The church in Charles Town, built some time after May 5, 1687, was located on lot No. 65, at the southeast corner of the streets now known as Queen and Church, where the present Huguenot Church stands—"the only church in America which retains the Liturgy, Form of Government and Confession of Faith of the Huguenot Fathers."

In the great fire of 1796 the Huguenot Church was blown up to prevent the spreading of the flames. A new church was soon built on the spot, but in 1844 it was determined to take this building down and erect another upon its site. This plan was carried out, and May 11, 1845, the present tasteful Gothic edifice was opened for public worship.

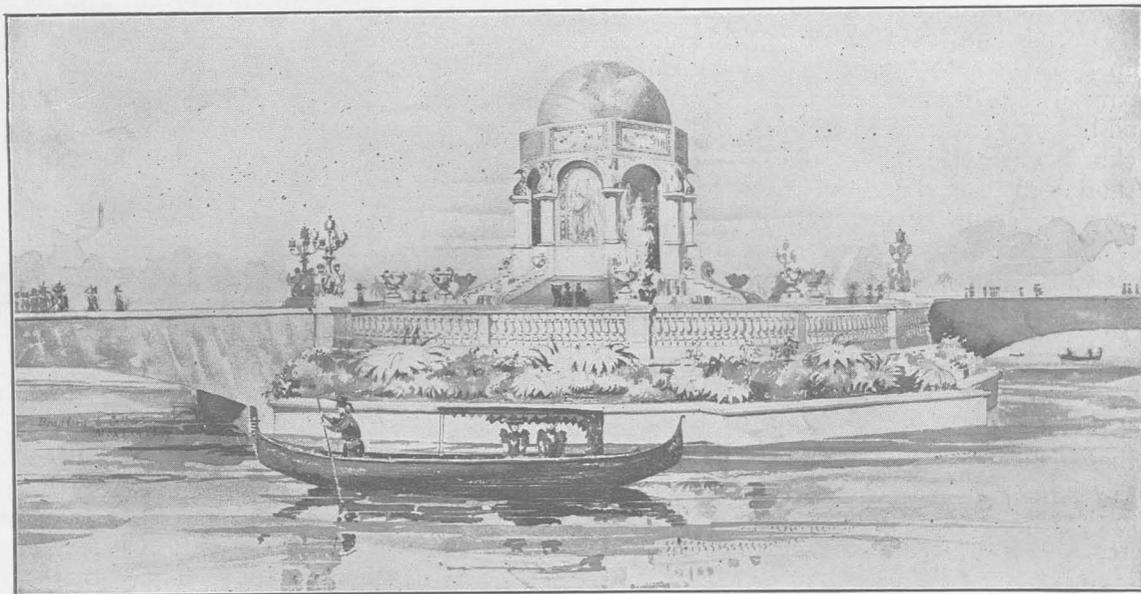
The Congregational Church was founded by the English dissenters in Charles Town between 1780 and 1790. The exact date cannot be ascertained from the fact that in the autumn of 1713 the records of the church were swept away by a violent hurricane. The first church stood on the site of the present church on a street then known as Church street, and was known as the "White Meeting," as the church was white. When St. Philip's Church was moved to the present Church street, the former street upon which it had been located was called Meeting street, after the White Meeting. The original building was only forty feet square, and as early as 1729 a subscription was opened for rebuilding it. The new building was erected at a cost of £8,322 and in 1731 £332 more were provided and the building enlarged twenty-two feet and a half in length, and a base added for a steeple. When the British evacuated Charlestown, in December, 1782, they left only the shell of the church building, but within a year it had been repaired. In 1804 it was resolved to build a new church at a cost of \$60,000. The new church was dedicated May 25, 1806. It was known as the "Circular Church" from its circular form. In 1838 a lofty and graceful spire was erected. In the great fire of December 11, 1861, this beautiful and costly edifice was destroyed. About ten years ago the present church was opened for worship.

In 1731 many of the Dissenters who worshipped at the White Meeting, being Scotch Presbyterians, separated from the Congregationalists, and by 1734 had erected a house of worship in Meeting street, just south of Tradd. After several enlargements, this old wooden church gave place about 1820 to the present handsome First Presbyterian Church, at the corner of Meeting and Tradd streets. Another historic church in Charleston that had its beginning at the White Meeting is the Unitarian Church, Archdale street. In 1772, under the pastorate of Rev. William Tennent, the Congregationalists of the White Meeting began the erection of another church on Archdale street, but the Revolution came on before it was finished, and work on it was stopped for eight years. It was opened for worship October 25, 1787. In 1817 religious differences divided the Congregationalists and they divided their churches, the Calvinistic element taking the Circular Church and the Unitarians taking the Archdale Street Church, which then became "the Second Independent or Congregational Church of Charleston." In 1852 it was decided to remodel the church. The plan of a young architect, F. D. Lee, was adopted, and the new church was modeled after the Chapel of Edward VI., in Westminster. Two years were given to the completion of the church.

Though not the oldest church organization in Charleston, St Michael's Church, at the southeast corner of Meeting and Broad Streets, is by far the oldest church building in the city, and it is scarcely saying too much to say that is the most historic church in South Carolina, or even in the South. On June 14, 1751, an Act of Assembly was passed directing that "All that part of Charlestown situate and lying to the southward of the middle of Broad Street" should "be known by the name of the Parish of St. Michael," and that a church be erected "on or near the place where the old church of the Parish of St. Philip, Charlestown, formerly stood," at a cost to the public of not more than £17,000 proclamation money, equal to about \$55,000. The corner-stone of the church was laid by Governor Glen February 17, 1752. *The South Carolina Gazette*, in its account of the laying of the corner-stone, stated that



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the church would be "built on the plan of one of Mr. Gibson's designs." Who Gibson was is not known, and it is thought that James Gibbs, the designer of St. Martins-in-the-Fields, London, was meant. One marked characteristic of the two churches is that the spires of both churches spring through the roof. Others regard the following paragraph from *The South Carolina Gazette* of January 31, 1774, as settling beyond cavil who the architect was:

"The same day (Tuesday) died, very suddenly Mr. Samuel Cardy, the ingenious architect who undertook and completed the building of St. Michael's Church in this Town, and the Beacon, or Light-House, on Middle Island, near the Bar."

The first regular service was held in St. Michael's Church Sunday, February 1, 1761, although it had been completed about two years before. This is the church we have today, although it has passed through two sieges, furnishing a fair target for the guns of besiegers, a disastrous earthquake and innumerable cyclones. It has suffered much damage and has been repaired time after time, but it still stands—the pride of all Charleston.

As soon as the congregation had become settled in their church they began to raise money for "a ring of bells," and on January 6, 1762, it was ordered that a subscription be opened for that purpose. The bells and clock reached Charles Town in the "Little Carpenter," July 15, 1764, and were soon in their present positions, except that the works of the clock were at first above the bells instead of below, as at present. The clock was built by Aynsworth Thwayts, of London, and was described in his offer as "a strong 30-hour clock, to show the hour four ways, to strike the hour on the largest bell and the quarters on four bells, as the Royal Exchange, London." It showed "the hour four ways" until 1849, when, with the consent of the Vestry, the City Council added minute hands. The quarters are now struck on three bells, not on four as formerly. The bells were cast by Lester & Pack, of London, in 1764, and are described in the founder's offer as "A peal of eight bells, the tenor 18 cwt., the whole will weigh, more or less, 80 cwt., and to cost with clappers, etc., in London, £581-14-4 sterling." When Charles Town was evacuated by the British December 14, 1782, Major Traill, of the Royal Artillery, carried them off as perquisites of war. A Mr. Ryhiner, a merchant, formerly of Charles Town, bought the bells "as a commercial adventure," and shipped them back to Charleston in the "Lightning," which arrived here November 20, 1783. The bells rang every evening and for all fires, besides calling the people to church on Sundays and Holy days, and playing patriotic airs on the 28th of June and 4th of July, till 1832, when two of them were found to be cracked. In 1838 the two cracked bells were sent to England to be recast, and reached home in August, 1839. In June, 1862, the bells were sent to Columbia for safe keeping, and were there melted up when Sherman burnt Columbia in 1865. The molten mass was gathered up and sent to London in the spring of 1866, to Mears & Stainbank, the successors of Lester & Pack, the original founders, and recast of the same amalgam, and in moulds made with the same trammels. They reached Charleston in February, 1867, and after paying the extortionate duty of about \$2,200, were replaced in the steeple, and on Thursday, March 21, 1867, the old, familiar music once more floated over the city, the bells playing:

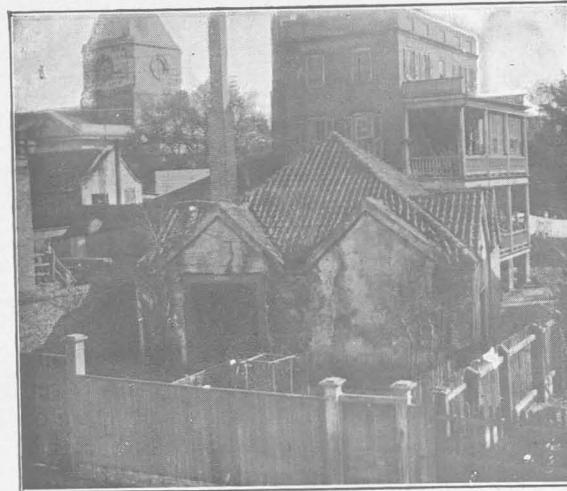
"Home again! Home again! From a foreign shore!"

About the centre of St. Michael's Church there is a large square pew numbered 43, fitted up with antique chairs, instead of bench seats. This pew was reserved for the Governor by the Act creating St. Michael's Parish, and up to the middle of the nineteenth century was known as the "Governor's Pew." On Sunday, May 8, 1791, President Washington, while on his tour of the South, attended divine service at St. Michael's Church and occupied that pew, and one Sunday morning seventy-one years later that other renowned Virginian, Gen. Robert E. Lee, wearing a shabby gray uniform, was ushered by the sexton into the same pew. Many other distinguished people have sat in that pew, but only one Washington and only one Lee.

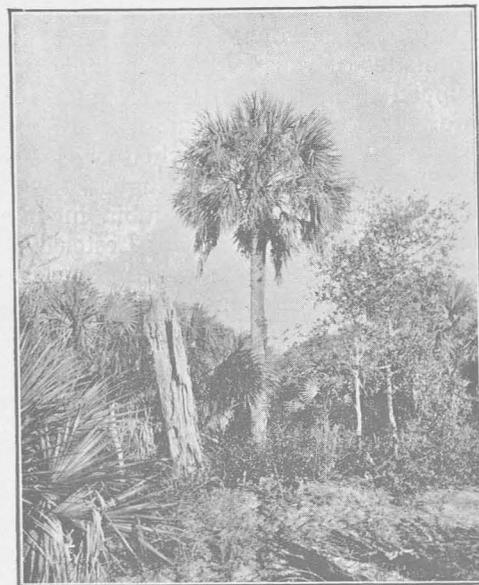
Beneath the chancel of St. Michael's rests the remains of Bishops Bowen and Dehon, and beneath the vestry room, built in 1884, lies buried Gen. Charles Cotesworth Pinckney, who told the agent of the French directory, in 1797, when that worthy de-



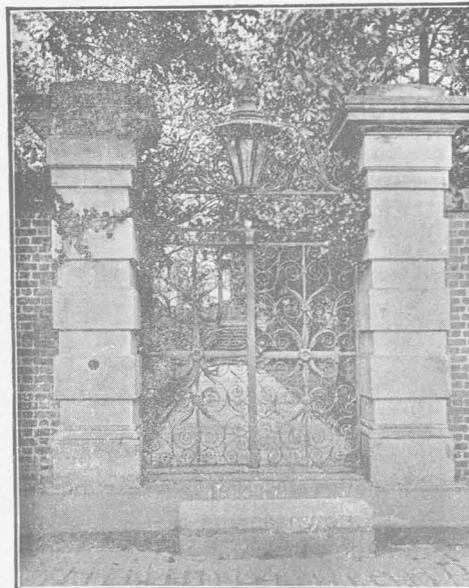
THE PRINGLE HOUSE—BRITISH HEADQUARTERS.



OLD POWDER MAGAZINE.



SCENE ON ISLE OF PALMS.



OLD COLONIAL GATEWAY.

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manded a bribe, that he would not give him "a six-pence." In the churchyard lie the remains of Gov. John Rutledge, the "Dictator" of South Carolina in 1780-81; Robert Y. Hayne, the great statesman; James L. Petigru, the eminent barrister; General Mordecai Gist, of the Maryland Continental Line, and James Parsons, Vice President of South Carolina in 1778.

Charleston is essentially a city of churches. Almost every denomination, white and black, has a church organization and a church edifice in the city. Some of these churches present interesting architectural features; and, to the antiquarian, interesting historical features.

COMMERCIAL.

The importance of Charleston as a commercial centre was demonstrated almost from the beginning, and it so grew and prospered that by 1775 it was the first city in America. Its natural advantages are most excellent. It is situated on a tongue of land between the Ashley and Cooper rivers, at the head of an extensive, yet land-locked, bay, with a broad, deep channel leading across the bar to the ocean, affording the safest and most commodious harbor on the Atlantic coast. It is the only city on the American continent from which the Atlantic Ocean can be seen. Around the neck of the bay lies a bead-work of rich islands, producing the very finest grade of long staple cotton, and the best of rice, vegetables and fruits. The same may be said of Charleston's hinter land with the additional advantage of rich phosphate deposits and soil suitable for the cultivation of the tea plant.

The people of Charleston have always shown great enterprise, their traducers to the contrary notwithstanding, and though they have suffered many serious losses and received many hard blows from fickle Dame Fortune, yet they have recuperated in a wonderful manner and stepped forth again with some strikingly original commercial idea and carried it to success. Lawson said at the beginning of the eighteenth century that they were "well acquainted with the trade" and "fair, frank traders," and Col. H. Wemyss Fielden of the British Army, said late in the nineteenth century:

"We find a large commercial city, at the commencement of a great war defended by nearly obsolete works and with several unguarded approaches, rendered impregnable in a short time by the skill and genius of the general in command, supported by the indomitable valor, devotion and tenacity of its defenders, and by the unflinching spirit of all ages and both sexes in the community."

For the first century of its existence the principal sources of wealth for the people of Charleston were the skins of wild animals, the trees from the forests of Carolina, pitch, rice and indigo. Then followed the cotton trade which for another century was to overshadow everything else. And, then, after the great struggle over secession the discovery of the rich phosphate deposits around the city started another great industry—that of manufacturing, and verily it seems that Charleston is now beholding the dawn of its manufacturing era.

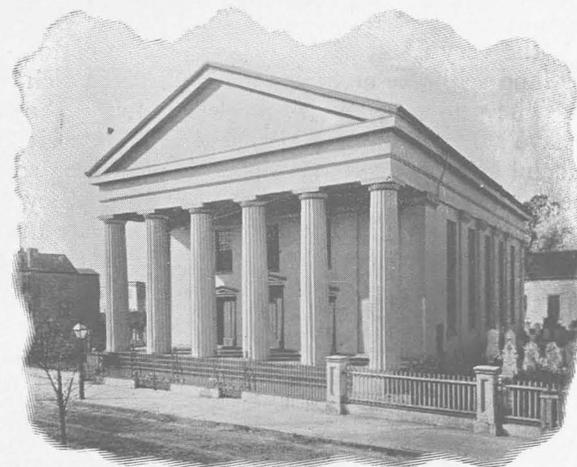
In 1773 Josiah Quincy, Jr., of Boston, visited Charles Town, and in his diary, published in 1825, he says:

"This town makes a most beautiful appearance as you come up to it, and in many respects a magnificent one." * * * "I can only say, in general, that in grandeur, splendor of buildings, decorations, equipages, numbers, commerce, shipping, and, indeed, in almost everything, it far surpasses all I ever saw, or even expected to see in America." * * * "All seems, at present, to be trade, riches, magnificence, and great state in everything; much gaiety and dissipation." * * * "State and magnificence, the natural attendants on great riches, are conspicuous among this people." * * * "There being but one chief place of trade, its increase is amazingly rapid. The stories you are everywhere told of the rise in the value of lands seem romantic, but I was assured that they were fact."

Charleston was very much crippled by the Revolution. No other American city suffered so much and it took a long time to recover from the effects of the British ravages. But the people showed themselves superior to adversity and were soon devising plans for rejuvenating their city. Cotton was now becoming the chief article of commerce at Charleston, and many were the



ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH.



BETHEL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

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schemes for easy and cheap methods of planting, cultivating, ginning and marketing the crop that now came in from the people of Charleston. Several excellent gins were devised by Charlestonians or persons backed by Charleston capital within a few years after Whitney's and Holmes' gins revolutionized the staple; the Santee canal, connecting the Santee and Cooper rivers, was projected for the benefit of the planters in the interior and the merchants in Charleston, and other like internal improvements were projected and made with an eye single to the commercial advancement of Charleston.

About 1825 the business of Charleston suffered a relapse and ways and means began to be discussed for its upbuilding. About this time railroads began to claim the attention of the commercial world and Charleston was not slow to see their importance. Long before the completion of the Liverpool and Manchester Railroad, or the decision on the part of its authorities to use steam locomotives, the people of Charleston had determined to build a railroad from Charleston to Hamburg, S. C., with branches to Columbia, Camden and Cheraw. On the 19th day of December, 1827, the Legislature of South Carolina passed an Act chartering "The South Carolina Canal and Railroad Company." The bill had been introduced by Major Alexander on his own responsibility, but the people of Charleston, seeing its possibilities, petitioned for its passage, and after its passage the Chamber of Commerce of Charleston took up the matter and appointed a committee "to enquire into the cost, revenue and advantages, of a railroad communication between the city of Charleston and the towns of Hamburg and Augusta." On the 3d of March, 1828, this committee reported on the advantages of such a road, and the City Council of Charleston had an experimental railroad constructed for exhibition on a vacant lot in Charleston, at the northwest corner of Smith and Wentworth streets. A company was next organized May 12, 1828, and preparations were made to build a railroad from Charleston to Hamburg, a distance of one hundred and thirty-six miles. The undertaking was a bolder one for that time than was that of building the Northern Pacific at the time it was built, but the enterprise of the Carolinians knew no bounds. Here they were boldly striking out to build what would be, if completed, the longest railroad on earth.

On the 9th of January, 1830, the building of the road had commenced at Line Street, in Charleston, by driving piles of lightwood, eight by eight inches square, six and a half feet apart, along the line, and six feet apart laterally, caps or ties mortised on the piles, six by nine inches, nine feet long, and rails or stringers, six by twelve inches, notched on these ties and wedged on the inner side. On top of these wooden stringers iron bars two and one half inches by one-half inch were spiked. On January 14, 1830, the South Carolina Canal and Railroad Company adopted this resolution:

"The locomotive shall be alone used. The perfection of this power in its application to railroads is fast maturing, and will certainly reach within the period of constructing our road, a degree of excellence which will render the application of animal power, a gross abuse of the gifts of genius and science."

During 1830 only six miles of the road were built, and a premium of \$500 that had been offered for the best locomotive by horse-power was awarded to Mr. C. E. Detmold, of Charleston, for one worked on an endless chain platform, or treadmill, which carried twelve passengers at the rate of twelve miles an hour. This was known as "the Flying Dutchman." In the same year a sailing car was also tested which made its trial trip on March 20th. Thirteen persons and three tons of iron were carried about ten miles an hour. But one of the most significant things in the annals of railroading was also accomplished in this same year by this same road. Mr. E. L. Miller, of Charleston, who had been present at the opening of the Liverpool and Manchester Railway, and had seen Stephenson's engine operated, offered to construct a locomotive engine of his own designing at the West Point Foundry at West Point, N. Y. His offer was accepted, the engine was built and sent to Charleston, where it arrived on October 23d, and was placed on the road on November 2d. It was named "the Best Friend of Charleston," and a very queer looking machine it is said to have been. Only a glance sufficed to show that its inventor owed nothing to Stephenson, yet when it made its trial trips on December 14th and 15th, 1830, it performed double the work expected of it, and ran at the rate of from sixteen to twenty-one miles an hour, carrying five or six cars, with forty to fifty passengers. On June 17, 1831, the career of "the Best Friend" was ter-



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minated by the explosion of the boiler. In the meantime a second engine, called "the West Point," had been constructed upon the plan of Stephenson's "Rocket," and placed upon the road in 1831. In 1831 the whole line of road from Charleston to Hamburg was under construction, and by November 7th, 1832, was completed and opened for traffic as far as Branchville, sixty-one miles from Charleston, and on October 2d, 1833, the whole line of road from Charleston to Hamburg, was opened for traffic and was thereafter known as the Charleston and Hamburg Railroad, the longest line of railroad in the world. Branches of the road were subsequently constructed to Columbia and Camden, and the old road, after many changes of fortune, has finally been absorbed by the Southern Railway.

The railroad was of immeasurable benefit to Charleston, but after four years of fierce war, during almost every day of which Charleston was in a constant state of siege, which was most destructive in its nature; after ten years of misrule by an ignorant and inferior race of savages, backed up by unscrupulous foreigners and Federal bayonets; after two disastrous cyclones and one of the most destructive earthquakes in the history of the world, the commerce of Charleston suffered another relapse and the genius of the people of the city once more asserted itself and the South Carolina Interstate and West Indian Exposition was inaugurated for the upbuilding of the city and the bringing together of the other good people of this country to share the hospitality of the good people of Charleston.

CHARLESTON'S WATER SUPPLY.

In regard to our city's water supply we have great cause to feel justly proud, for there is no city in the United States supplied with purer and healthier water for drinking and other purposes. The supplying of this essential element to life, "pure water," has been one of the most potent factors in making our city one of the healthiest on the continent, and has done more than its share in attracting to our city the best class of business men, factories and residents. The company's plant is complete for supplying the city with the purest of artesian waters received from four large wells, which have a combined daily flow of 2,000,000 gallons, which is sent through pipes to all sections from two large reservoirs which have a combined capacity of 9,000,000 gallons. Beautiful clear, pure water it is, and forms one of the greatest blessings to our citizens, who ought to justly appreciate it. It is known that since the use of artesian water by the population generally in place of well water the death rate has largely decreased, and that since the Health Department has placed free hydrants in various parts of the city, the death rate among the colored inhabitants has also been considerably reduced, showing clearly that the use of the artesian water supplied by the Charleston water works is a health-producer and the purest water obtainable. One thing only that the writer sees lacking in the system is the use of meters, which many other cities have in use, and through these much water that is needlessly wasted by careless people would be saved, and, thereby, greater pressure could be maintained at all hours of the day. Every house in Charleston ought to have this water piped into it, for the charges made by the company are characterized by moderation; in fact, water rates are lower here than in most cities of similar size in the country. Not only have we got the finest and purest water that can be had for domestic and manufacturing purposes, but the remarkable efficiency of our Fire Department in promptly extinguishing fires is in a large measure due to our excellent water works system of supply which has caused the reduction of insurance rates on property over fifty per cent. In closing, we may simply say for the benefit of outsiders, that Charleston has a water plant capable of supplying a city half as large again with an abundant supply of the purest and best artesian water, provided the system be metered.



SCENE IN MAGNOLIA CEMETERY.

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CHARLESTON AS A WINTER RESORT.

Rich and rare in the variety of her charms, Charleston may well claim to be "the most delightful winter resort in the world." The spirit of the romantic surrounds her today as always, and her whole existence is an inspiration to the poet and the story-writer. Like some imperious queen, gentle in her being, but going her own way, she has in all her moods and surroundings, her every activity, a witchery that engages and entrances all beholders. More than any city of America, more than any living city of the world, she is like a fascinating page in fiction, a leaf in the history of a romantic people of a by-gone age. All through her career, from her settlement by the Huguenots and Cavaliers, she has possessed an individuality and a charm which adverse conditions have been powerless to destroy and the encroachments of other civilizations unable to efface. She preserves her history as no other American city has done, and in her gardens, court yards and piazzad dwellings she breathes the spirit of a changeless past as faithful as the records of a camera.

While in the matter of climate, there may be small, sheltered areas in California, Florida and on the coast of the Gulf of Mexico that are as favored as Charleston, yet her skies are soft and kind, her winter days are mainly bright and beautiful and her temperature soothing even in summer when the mercury never reaches 100; is tempered in winter by the warm waters of the Atlantic Ocean, made so by the Gulf Stream that ever flows near by dispersing warmth and pleasantness in winter and cool, refreshing breezes in summer, and in a comparison between the winter and summer records of Florida, California and the Gulf coast finds nothing to her disadvantage. In small garden spots where conditions are favorable there are no other attractions for the tourist. They lack the essential interest—yielding element of population. Here at Charleston are churches, schools, theatres, stores, parks, drives and every convenience and comfort and good hotel service; a rare old city, stable and decorous, even rigidly punctillious, and yet given to merry-making and entertainment. The climatic advantages are superior to those of any city in the United States; all that is required on the part of the reader is to have spent one or more winters in the several cities with which comparisons are to be made.

The population of Charleston exceeds 60,000 souls. Transportation facilities are good; the level streets of the city are most favorable to speedy locomotion with the electric system, in which it is not surpassed by any city in the country.

The city is rather cosmopolitan. Club life in Charleston is a very pleasant feature. Restaurants and cafes are good and the hotel service is all right. The Charleston Hotel with its colonnade of massive columns reaching to the roof, has but recently been completely remodeled within and is now what Charleston has needed, a first-class hotel in every respect; and we expect soon to have a new modern hotel, which will be one of the finest in the South, so that the tourist may have the best accommodations during his stay amid the interesting surroundings.

Charleston is growing steadily, and with its late improvements in transportation, its steady street improvements, the development of the Chicora Park as a pleasure ground for its population, and with the resorts of Summerville, Mount Pleasant, Sullivan's Island, and close at hand Isle of Palms, with the best beach on the entire Atlantic coast and the finest surf in the country. This gives our city many advantages over other resorts of the United States.

Climatically speaking, Charleston is preferable as a winter residence, being of a delicious temperature from November to March, not too cool nor yet uncomfortably warm, with but little rainfall, just enough to make it pleasant and acceptable; no snow, no ice, and sunshine all the day long, except once in a very long while a cloudy day, but seldom rain—a perfect climate. The principal detractors to a perfect climate that many other places have to contend with in the winter are the cold fog banks, that come in from the ocean, chilling all humanity, and rendering heavy wraps and overcoats a necessity. Charleston has no fogs, or so few as not to be worthy of attention; its mists (that rarely occur in the early morning) disappear with the rising of the sun, and its proxim-

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ity to the Atlantic Ocean and the Gulf Stream, climatically speaking, makes not alone the city proper, but all of southeast South Carolina a veritable garden spot. The beautiful country surrounding the city with its magnificent truck and the semi-tropical verdure of the entire area, its flowers and perfumes all go to make of Charleston the finest winter resort in the United States.

AMUSEMENTS AND RECREATION.

The theatres of the city are always of reliable interest; for, during the season, every star of any magnitude who "tours the provinces" at all is certain to spend a few days at the theatre of Charleston.

Yachting has always had an important part in the amusements of the people here. The harbor for this purpose is one of the finest in the United States, the waters in the vicinity are perfect for sailing, while the inland routes northward to Georgetown, S. C., or southward to Florida offer an endless opportunity for cruises, combined with the delight of exploration. Even in winter there are numerous yachting parties organized for trips and for excursions to the adjacent islands and coast resorts. In the climate of the locality the yachtsman may keep his boat in commission the year through.

The sportsmen here finds conditions to give him very much of a paradise. There are numerous shooting and fishing clubs of whose hospitality the stranger may avail himself, and within a few miles of the city he may hunt in season deer, turkey, all kinds of duck, including the canvas back, woodcock, quail, snipe and other choice game birds, some of which are to be found only in a few localities. The fisherman here finds the cavalli and pompano, sheephead, the jackfish or the Spanish mackerel in perfection, whiting, trout, porgie, sea bass or blackfish; and in the great variety of other tribes to select from he will be able to angle for his favorite fish to his heart's content. The markets here abound in every good thing that cometh out of the water or the ground, and fish, fruits and vegetables have a freshness and a flavor most delightful. People of Charleston claim there are no oysters to compare with those cultivated in the famous Bull's Bay, and it will surprise New Yorkers and Baltimoreans to hear there are a good many visitors who come to agree with them.

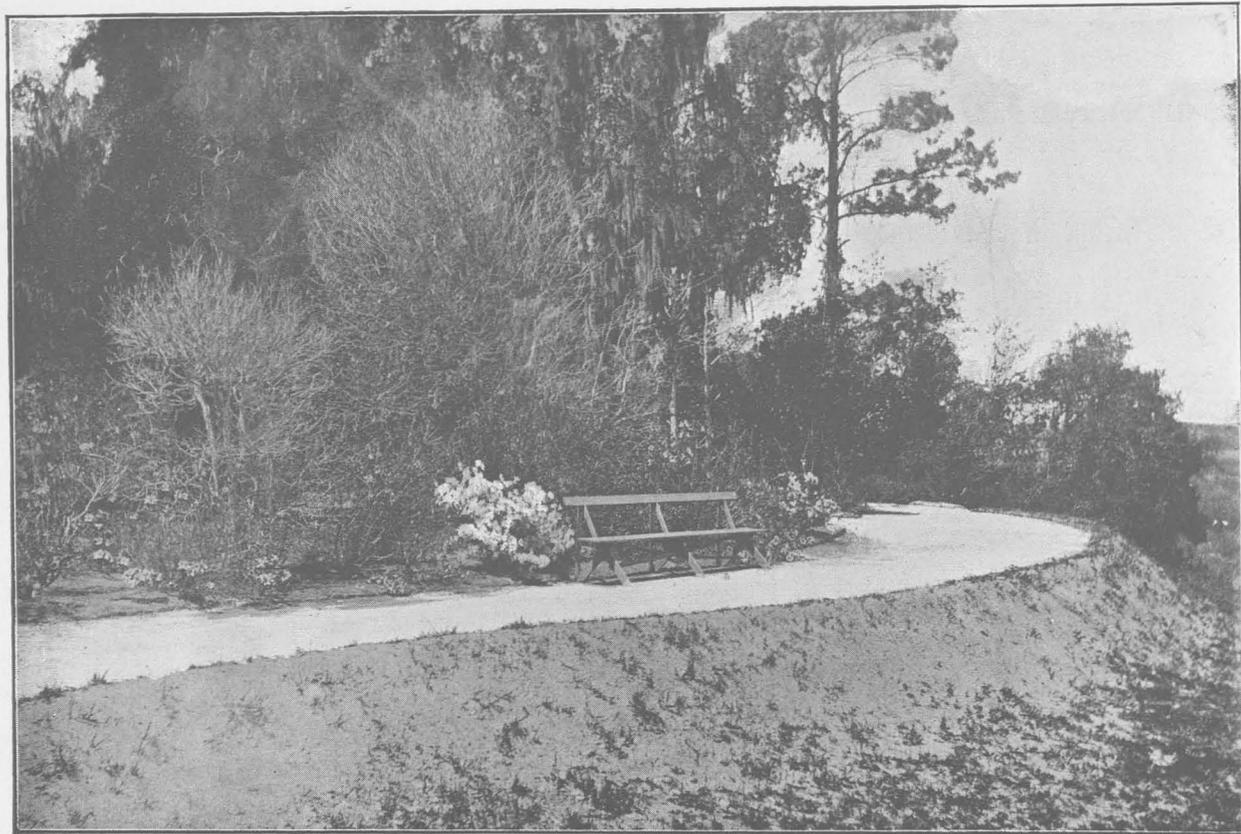
The searcher after the picturesque, will find a literal embarrassment of riches, and he must needs be diligent and persistent if he exhausts the field in one winter's sojourn. Every building has a history, in some cases, more than a century old, and even the most unassuming are so novel in appearance, design and appointment, as to challenge the scrutiny of the visitor from afar. Throughout the city are notable houses the scene of some romance or history made famous by a novelist's pen.

SOCIALLY AND HISTORICALLY.

The socially inclined will find a group of families, proud of their city and their birth, highly educated and finished in every way, impressing one with their courteous manner and that refinement born of gentle breeding for generation after generation.

The city, to those interested in history, a wealth of data, and stories of several wars, with a record worthy the greatest commendation; to the yachtsman, a delightful bay and many inland water ways; to the invalid, health in the life-giving air; to the weary, rest.

These are merely some of the things the curious visitor may find to engage his thoughts and inspire his enthusiastic research. If he has the genius of the investigator, the talent of the discoverer, the vista will broaden as he proceeds until it will seem to him that even one's entire life time will be all too insufficient for an exploration of all the romances and history which everywhere surround this entire region. The surroundings of Charleston are of peculiar interest from a historic point of view. The entire sec-



SCENE IN MAGNOLIA GARDENS.

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tion, stretching across from the Ashley River on the one side to the Cooper River on the other, is dotted with many a ruin of fort, church and dwelling—landmarks of an interesting period in the early history of our State.

About eighteen miles north of Charleston is the site of the dead village of Dorchester. Nothing remains to mark this settlement but the walls of the Old White Meeting House, and the neglected tombs around. The town of Dorchester was founded about 1710, and here, in a bend in the Ashley, on a bold bluff, may be seen today the old fort of tapia work in almost perfect preservation. We could go on and write page after page about historic places of interest around Charleston, but space will not permit. However, on other pages of this book will be found a very complete history of the city in detail.

CHARLESTON OF TODAY.

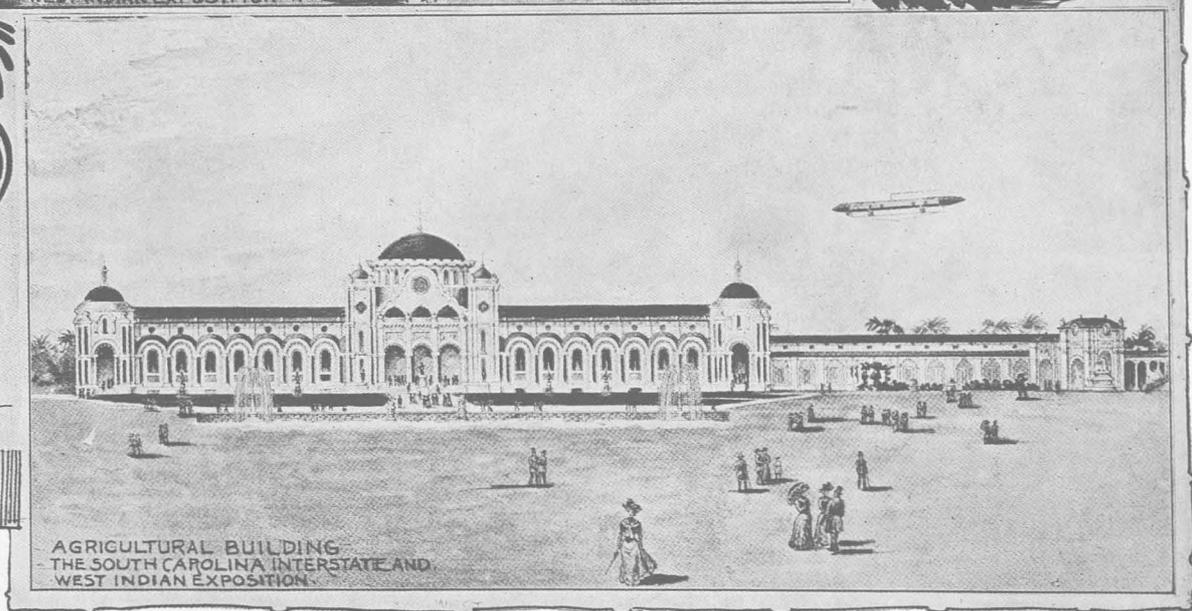
Not many cities of similar size enjoy the varied and numerous metropolitan advantages that we do. We have the finest electric railway service in the country. Our water works capacity is ample for the needs of a city a third larger, and the supply is of the very best and uncontaminated. No city of a like population is so abundantly and beautifully lighted with gas and electricity. We have the best parochial and public schools; our seminaries of learning have a national reputation for excellence. We have libraries and art galleries and churches of every denomination. Our banks and financial institutions are bulwarks of integrity. We have coal for steam use and raw materials for manufacturing in close proximity. We stand first in the manufacture of phosphates in the world. We have very fine hotels, theatres and clubs, also splendid residences and fine public buildings, and constantly new and modern structures of every variety are rearing their heads in all sections of the city.

A FORECAST OF THE FUTURE.

Rapid as the city's strides have been in the past decade, the next generation will see an extensive enlargement of its manufacturing industries commensurate with the ambition of her citizens. As the years roll on Charleston will have become not only the center of trade of a wide-spread railway system and extensive shipping port, and the marts of agricultural exchanges, but also the seat of vast manifold industrial activities, of which those already located here are but the precursors, and may justly be regarded as one of the coming cities of the United States. Charleston presents a thousand attractions to the student, patriot, statesman, wage-earner, and, greatest of all, to that most practical of all philanthropists, the enterprising capitalist, seeking safe investment in real estate or in the establishment of productive industries. The time is not far distant when the present population of Charleston and environs will have become doubled in number, for the people are just waking up to the city's splendid advantages for manufacturing enterprises and making them known to the outside and when of the United States it shall be what it now is of the great State of South Carolina, the most attractive city for the display of industrial and commercial enterprise.



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THE SOUTH CAROLINA INTER-STATE AND
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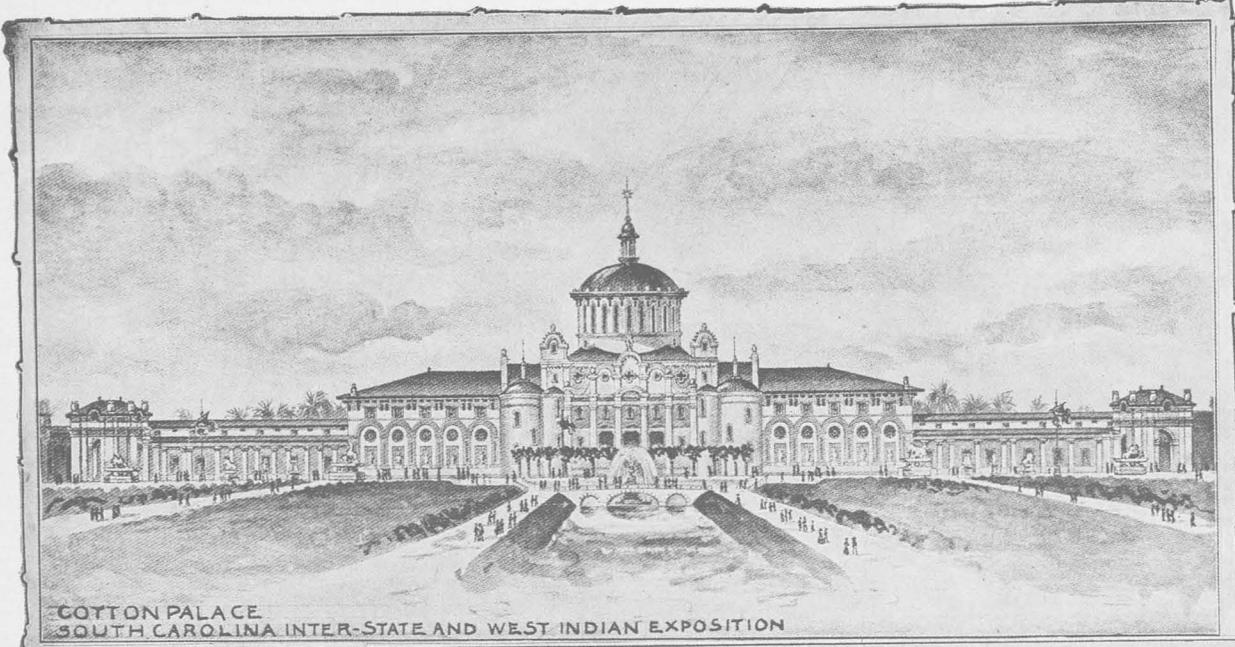
THE South Carolina Inter-State and West Indian Exposition, which will be held in the City of Charleston from December 1, 1901, to June 1, 1902, will reveal to the world the marvellous development of the South in the last quarter of the Nineteenth century. From a purely agricultural State, South Carolina has in the brief period of twenty-five years attained the position of leading the Southern States in cotton manufactures, and stands second only to Massachusetts in the entire Union. But South Carolina is not the only Southern State which has developed amazingly along commercial lines in the same period, and so from a South Carolina Exposition, it became an Inter-State affair, and then there seemed no good reason why the enormous resources of the United States as a whole should not have a place in the picture. It also seemed good and right to have all the great cities, as well as the States of the Union, represented in the Avenue of Cities and States, and it appeared especially proper and feasible to show the resources and industries of our new possessions in the West Indies, of the Philippines, of Mexico, and of the South and Central American Republics. Then it was proposed that many of the specially interesting foreign exhibits should be removed from Paris to Charleston. Thus the Exposition became national and even international in character.

The scope of the Exposition is thus very broad, and while it was designed primarily to tell the world the story of the great revolution in commercial conditions which has taken place in the South during the last quarter of the Nineteenth century, it is also designed to do far more than this. One of the main features of the Exposition will be a Textile Building, in which an object lesson will be given of the wonderful development of cotton manufactures in the South in the past twenty years. Liberal space will be given to exhibits of agricultural products peculiar to the South, such as tea, hemp and tobacco; also to home exhibits of non-agricultural products, such as phosphates; to exhibits of forestry, of fish and fisheries. What South Carolina is accomplishing in the line of education will be shown to the world; the varied resources of each County in the State will be exploited in detail, and the exhibit of live stock will be especially fine. In addition to all this, the United States Government Exhibit will be the most comprehensive ever made; the Good Roads Exhibit will prove of paramount importance to the people of the country; and, above all, the exhibits from Cuba, Porto Rico, the Philippines, Mexico and South and Central American Republics will command the most general and vital interests.

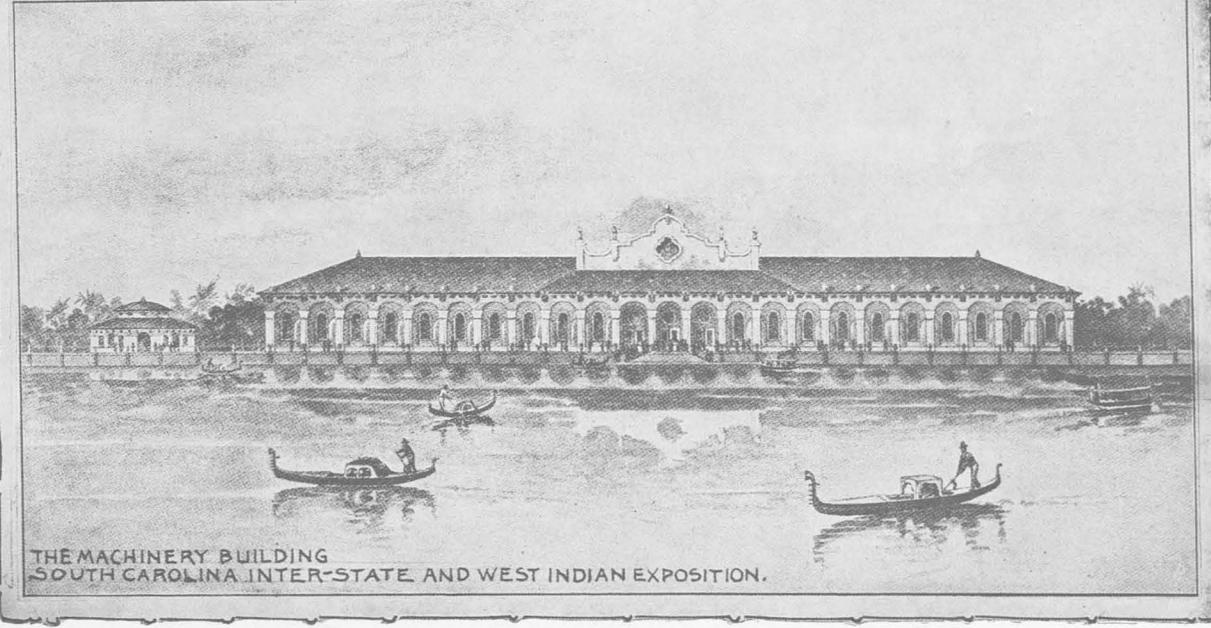
Nor will this interest be aroused merely from curiosity with regard to foreign countries and to our new possessions, but the business sense of the visitors to the Exposition will lead them to observe with special attention all that points to a further expansion of American trade and of new markets for American manufactures. With Cuba and Porto Rico importing most of their rice from the British East Indies, and importing also of wheat, corn, breadstuffs, hog and dairy products, in fact, most of the necessaries of life, and with all the West Indian Islands importing and needing large and constantly increasing supplies of cotton goods, there should be a market for everything raised and produced in the South, and in America, at our very doors.

The Exposition has received the cordial approval of many of our cities and States throughout the Union, and a great number will erect buildings on the Exposition grounds for the purpose of making an exhibit of the resources of the various States, and the commercial and industrial wealth of the cities.

The site chosen by the Board of Directors for the Exposition is a tract of about one hundred and sixty acres of land on the eastern bank of the Ashley River, about two and a half miles from the business centre of the city, and within the city limits. This tract of land is considered by Mr. Bradford L. Gilbert, the Supervising Architect of the South Carolina Inter-State and West



COTTON PALACE
SOUTH CAROLINA INTER-STATE AND WEST INDIAN EXPOSITION



THE MACHINERY BUILDING
SOUTH CAROLINA INTER-STATE AND WEST INDIAN EXPOSITION.



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Indian Exposition, as constituting an ideal site for the fairy-land of palaces and towers and gardens which are springing up there like magic under the touch of Twentieth century wizards. The slightly rolling country will lend itself readily to varied and artistic effects, and the magnificent live oaks, with their shadowy and graceful pendants of Spanish moss, constitute a feature which no money could supply. The beautiful groves and green slopes of the Wagener Farm will provide a perfect background for the architect and landscape gardener to work upon, and the well-wooded country around, and the sparkling river which skirts the Exposition Grounds upon the west, while not actually part and parcel of the tract, will furnish no mean setting for the splendid picture.

The Wagener Driving Park, which is included in the Exposition grounds as they now stand, will form an important part of the grounds, and will be used as a race course, and improved for this purpose by the Exposition Company. On the Wagener Farm there stands also an old colonial home which was the scene of lavish comfort and open-hearted hospitality in days gone by. This house is a good example of colonial architecture, and will be utilized for the display of some of the exhibits.

The entire tract is easy of access from the city by private conveyance or electric railroad system, and from other points by steam railway on the east side, and by water transportation from the west side of the Ashley River, the grounds having a river frontage of about 2,000 feet, and the river at this point affording anchorage for the largest vessels.

The landscape gardeners are at work preparing the soil and laying out the grounds. Nature has already provided a magnificent adornment in the grove of live oaks which may be considered as the fringe of a forest, and in the noble river which flows on the western side of the grounds. The work of leveling and grading is already half done in the nature of the tract itself, which is generally level, with only sufficient expanse of slightly rolling ground, to add the charm of variety to the scene. The making of a lake some thirty acres in extent will constitute an important feature of the work, and the planting of indigenous plants and vines which, in this genial clime, grow vigorously and thrive at all seasons of the year.

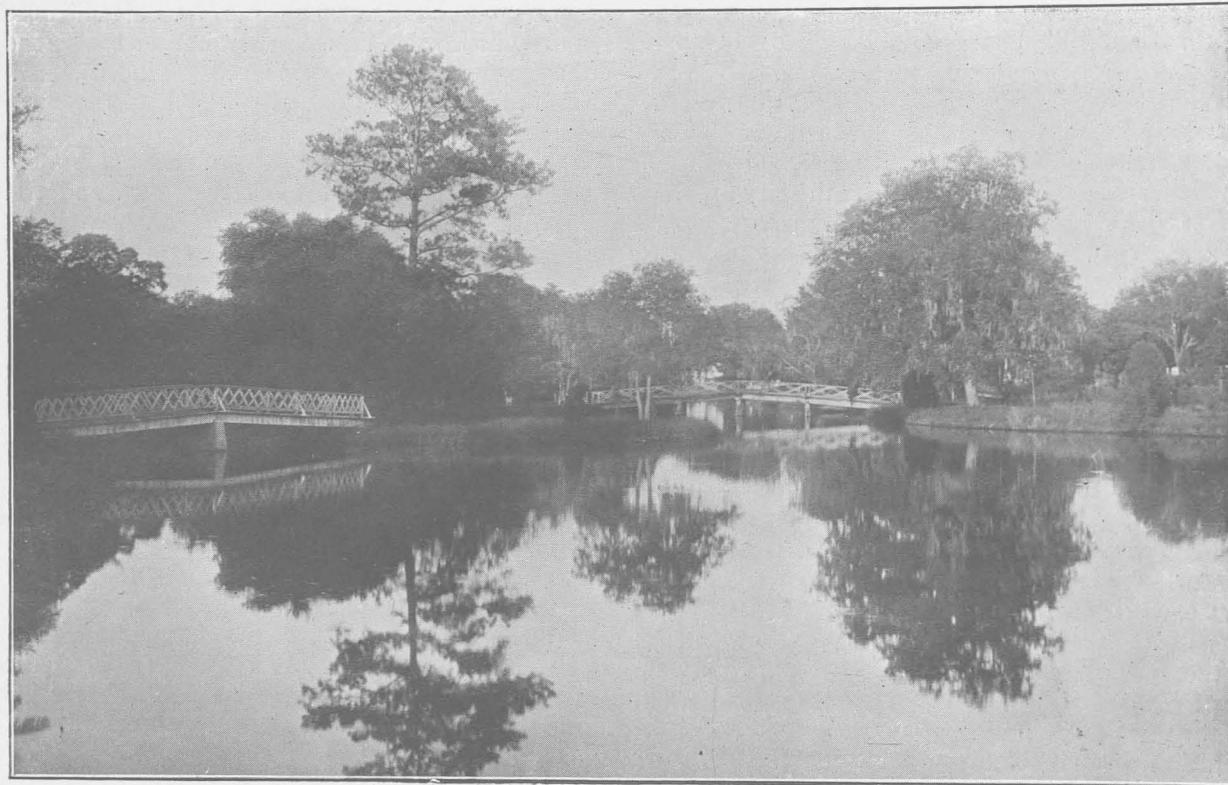
The principal buildings of the Exposition will be eleven in number. By a happy accidental shaping of the irregular tract constituting the site, it is possible to treat it after two distinct methods, by one of which the natural features will be emphasized and preserved, while the other will be treated entirely from the standpoint of art. In the northern division of the site, nature, during the past century, and longer, with a very lavish hand, has accomplished results and made possible landscape effects which it would take centuries to reproduce, even at an enormous outlay. For this reason, about one-half of the Exposition grounds will form a natural park of endless beauty. Instead of the usual dusty, blinding, tiresome, shadeless roadway, a winding path of 100 feet in width will be carried under the spreading live oaks along the edge of the lake, with seats in shady nooks for tired pedestrians, where those who are capable of appreciating the work of the Architect of the Universe in all its magnificent simplicity may enjoy a sense of repose. Through the foliage, placed here and there upon appropriate pedestals, will be found interesting groups of statuary by the most celebrated sculptors. A typical Southern motif rules throughout, something never attempted upon so large a scale and which will undoubtedly prove a most attractive characteristic.

For this very reason, no comparison can be made, nor is desired, with any other Exposition; and the South Carolina Interstate and West Indian Exposition will have the advantage of certain perfectly original features impossible elsewhere.

Undoubtedly, Charleston is one of the most interesting of the older Southern cities, containing as it does so many quaint, picturesque bits of architectural design of strictly colonial type. These it is proposed to emphasize and thus carry out the predominant feature of the Exposition in harmony.

In the natural division of the grounds will be a lake, with a wide embankment, at the centre of which a Light House Exhibit by the government will be placed, which, in the daytime, will prove a point of interest, while at night, revolving searchlights will bring out in strong contrast all the lights and shades of the lake, trees and fields. On the opposite side of this lake, the Machinery and Transportation Buildings will be erected.

These buildings, which are rather long and low in outline, will gain height and grace from the reflections in the lake, while



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at night the rows of lights of varied hues carried along the buildings and suspended in the trees will add enchantment to the scene. In this part of the grounds there will be a grand avenue dedicated to States and Cities. Instead of the nondescript State buildings so familiar at other Expositions, each State will select for reproduction one of its most beautiful or characteristic buildings. Thus Virginia will reproduce Mount Vernon; New York, Sunnyside, the home of Washington Irving; South Carolina, Edgewood, as one of its many interesting and historical homesteads; Kentucky, Federal Hall, from which came the inspiration for "My Old Kentucky Home." Georgia will reproduce Dinglewood, near Columbus, and so on.

It is proposed that the Government Building shall be also erected on this tract of land, and instead of the usual type seen at other Expositions, that it will reproduce the White House, one of the most delightful and pleasant of buildings, and of undoubted historical interest; and one also which would not put out of scale all of the other buildings erected by the States and Cities, etc., etc. The writer could devote many pages in describing the beauties of the Exposition grounds and buildings, but space will not permit. Suffice it to say that for artistic beauty of the surroundings, and for the elegant architecture of the buildings and beautiful arrangement of the same, and the artistic manner in which the grounds are laid out, the South Carolina Inter-State and West Indian Exposition grounds will be, when opened to the public, both original and unique.



KING ST. LOOKING NORTH
FROM WENTWORTH ST.

BANKING, INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE.

WHAT the blood is to the human organization the banking capital of a community is to its business and industrial system. So long as the capital of a city or community circulates freely among the different members of that complex body we call "business," so long will it be charged with vigor and activity. One great factor which has sustained Charleston in periods of panic and depression, as well as in times of general prosperity, has been the unwavering confidence of her men of capital. It is a statement that can be made without the hazard of a contradiction that no well managed and legitimate enterprise ever suffered in Charleston for lack of means with which to carry forward its business, and to this abiding faith the city is largely indebted for the splendid progress which it has made in the past and the brilliant prosperity which it today enjoys.

During the recent financial depression which swept over this country, when banks and other large institutions were going to the wall throughout the whole United States, there was not a single bank failure credited to Charleston. During those times the banks stood withdrawals of millions. Such is the splendid record of our financial institutions. Nothing could more strongly emphasize the excellence of our system, the ability displayed in the management, and the universal policy adopted by all of our banks of making safety the prime consideration.

REAL ESTATE.

For both the capitalist and manufacturer, real estate in Charleston offers at the present time reliable and profitable investments. To the latter, because he can secure sites for his plant that will insure him a fair return on the money thus employed, with a good prospect for a steady enhancement in their value; and to the former, because he can place his money as an investment, pure and simple, where it cannot fail to bring him satisfactory returns. There is no city in the United States where property can be purchased so close to its actual value as in this city today. This is, however, a state of affairs which will not long continue. The quickening of her business interests, and new business houses opening up here almost every day, the lessening rates of interest, forcing capital to seek new and more permanent investment, all conspire to advance the price of real estate, and the opportunities that now present themselves in this field may not be available when another year rolls around. To the capitalist, the manufacturer, the merchant, the professional man, or the artisan, in addition to all the advantages which she presents in her business circles, Charleston offers a home with unsurpassed religious, educational, and social advantages.

INSURANCE.

The insurance companies of the world must always take a prominent place as institutions beneficent, practical and indispensable to the present state of civilization. The safeguards now thrown about the patrons of insurance companies by the law and by the official examinations are dignifying the business and forcing it into the hands of honorable men. To the local companies, and also to the insurance agents located here, Charleston is greatly indebted for the protection afforded her commercial interests, and also for the aid rendered by them to orphans and widows, for they represent the strongest companies in the world in every line. Following are brief sketches of our banks and real estate and insurance men:

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BANK OF CHARLESTON,—NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION.

The gauge of the soundness and stability of any great financial institution is the position it occupies among its rivals, and the confidence reposed in it by the general public, with whom it transacts business day in and day out the year round. In the world of finance the blare of trumpets has little effect; the institution which goes steadily along, ever alert to the interests of its patrons and stockholders, is the one which in the long run will be found to be the safest and enjoy the largest measure of public confidence and esteem.

It is this policy of carefulness and conservatism which has characterized The Bank of Charleston since obtaining its State Bank Charter in 1834, its National Bank Charter being granted in 1879. Its capital stock paid in is \$200,000.00, and according to its last annual report this substantial sum was augmented by a surplus fund of \$100,000.00, together with undivided profits of the net value of \$138,173.05, giving assurance to its depositors and patrons of the most absolute security.

The Bank of Charleston numbers among its clients and depositors most of our leading firms, corporations, private citizens and other banks, with whom it opens accounts on terms the most favorable. It discounts approved commercial paper, buys and sells foreign exchange and government bonds, makes collections on all parts of the world reached by banks or bankers, and issues letters of credit to travelers going abroad.

Mr. E. H. Pringle, who entered the service of the bank as Teller in 1872, has for the last five years been its respected and honored President; Mr. M. W. Wilson, who has been connected with the bank since 1873, being its popular Cashier. The directors who ably assist in conducting its affairs are Messrs. George A. Wagener, A. Sydney Smith, Jas. M. Seignious and A. M. Lee, and the gentlemen are exceptionally able, public-spirited citizens.

THE COLUMBIAN BANKING AND TRUST CO.

Charleston's banking interest is perhaps the strongest support of the manufacturing and mercantile interests of the city, and working in alliance with these interests in all their legitimate phases, each appreciably influences and partakes of the tone and methods of the others. Hence, the banks of the city, like her other business enterprises, are noted for their sound, energetic, yet conservative, management, command the entire confidence of business men and capitalists, and hold high rank among the financial institutions of the State.

A leading financial corporation is The Columbian Banking and Trust Company, whose handsome and splendidly equipped stone front building is at 565 King street. Organized in 1893 with an authorized capital of \$500,000, of which \$50,000 is paid up, the company transacts a general banking business, opens accounts with individuals, firms and corporations, buys and sells exchange and government bonds, discounts prime commercial paper and loans on sound collaterals, makes collections on all points, and receives savings deposits, allowing interest thereon at the rate of 4 per cent., compounded quarterly. It has fire and burglar proof safety deposit boxes to rent at very moderate rentals, and is exceptionally well equipped for carrying on all its business. The company is also empowered to act as executor, administrator, guardian, assignee or trustee, and with a skilled staff carries out these duties faithfully and honorably on a very moderate scale of remuneration, and their services are in great demand in this direction. Its very marked success speaks highly for its able management, and it has a particularly efficient executive staff, of whom Mr. H. Haesloop is President; Mr. Louis Dunnemann, Vice President, and Mr. Henry I. Greer, Cashier; all of whom stand high in financial and business circles.

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THE CHARLESTON SAVINGS INSTITUTION.

"The strongest exclusive Savings Bank in the State of South Carolina."

Charleston has no lack of sound financial institutions that are conducted with signal ability by gentlemen who are thoroughly alive to the great possibilities our city possesses, and who never fail to accord a legitimate business enterprise every assistance in carrying on their operations, while at the same time many act as safe depositories for the savings of our wage earning classes. Among these, and holding the first place in the ranks, is The Charleston Savings Institution, which was organized in 1881, and holds the unique record of having the same officers and directors today as it had at its inception, their ranks not having been depleted by death or removal from our city.

The offices of the bank are at 24 Broad street, where they occupy the main floor, and they are well appointed and spacious. The bank receives savings deposits of any amount and allows interest on the same at the rate of four per cent. per annum, compounded semi-annually, and finds a steady outlet for these and its capital stock in loaning on good collateral securities, real estate mortgages, and in buying government and municipal bonds and debentures. The bank has a paid up capital of \$100,000, with a surplus and undivided profits of over \$200,000, while its deposits have reached the substantial total of over \$800,000.

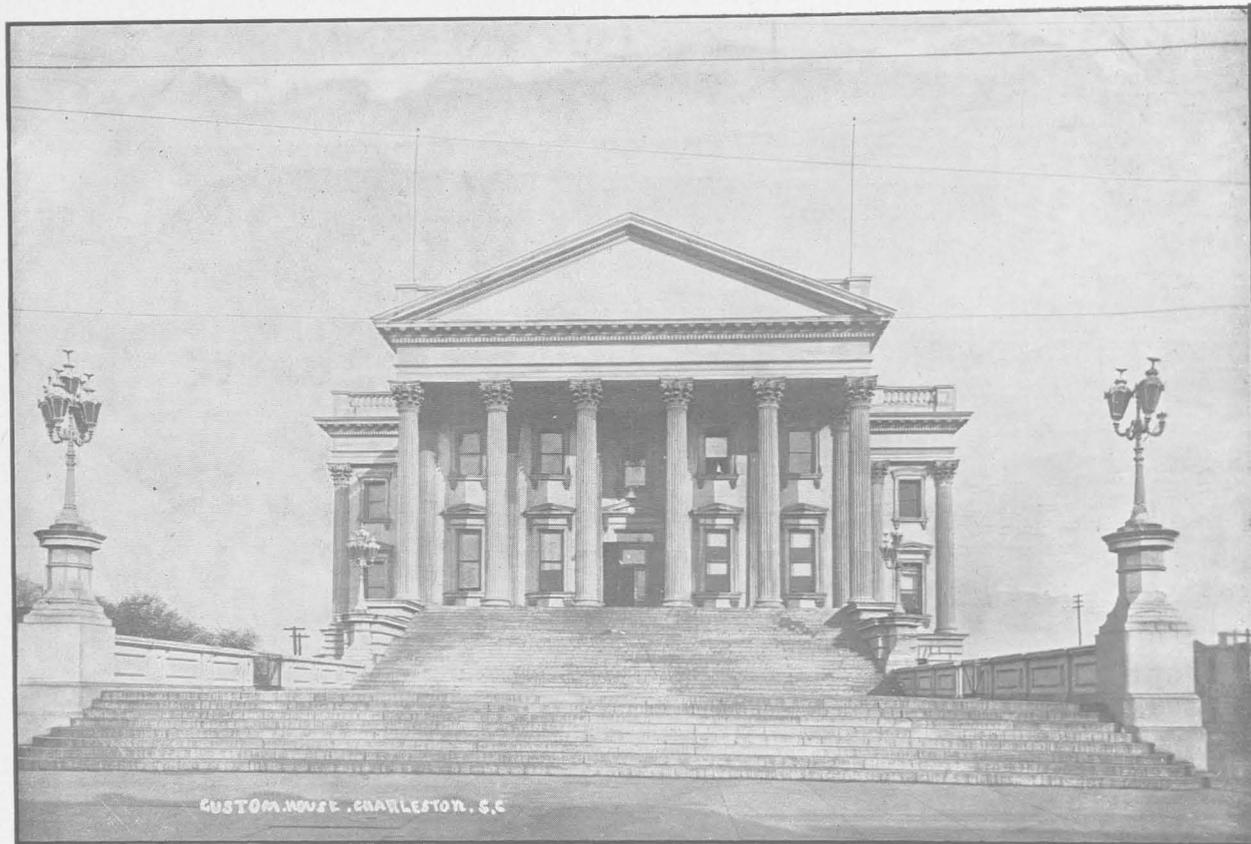
The officers are Mr. M. Israel, President; Mr. J. S. Cohen, Cashier, and Mr. Jos. W. Barnwell, Solicitor, who are assisted by a directorate of sound judgment and great business ability, being Messrs. S. S. Solomons, C. P. Aimar, Geo. I. Cunningham, Joseph Bock, E. M. Moreland and John C. Simonds, and no gentlemen stand deservedly higher in the esteem and regard of our citizens.

HIBERNIA TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK.

Many different plans have been adopted and carried out to a successful degree for the thrifty and careful wage earners to lay aside their savings with absolute safety and security, but we know of none which promises to aid industrious effort to a greater extent than does the Hibernia Trust and Savings Bank, which for the past ten years has been one of the most popular and extensively patronized of the many banks which conduct business in this city.

Organized in 1891 with an authorized capital of \$200,000.00, its present paid up capital is \$50,000.00, and its last quarterly statement shows that this is augmented by a surplus of \$12,181.31, with undivided profits of \$7,214.61, while it had on deposit no less a sum than \$255,315.95, speaking eloquently of the confidence it commands in our community. Every dollar is soundly invested in prime incoming earning securities, the bank finding an active field for the employment of its moneys in loaning on real estate and first class mercantile paper and bonds, stocks, etc.

The office of the bank is at 42 Broad street, handsomely appointed, and it transacts a general banking business, opening current accounts with firms and individuals, buying and selling foreign and domestic exchange, making collections and discounting sound commercial paper, loaning on prime collaterals, etc. It receives savings deposits allowing interest thereon at four per cent. per annum, compounded half yearly. The officers of the bank are gentlemen of the highest reputation and influence in our community. Mr. F. Q. O'Neill (a son of the bank's founder, Mr. Bernard O'Neill) is President, and Mr. J. J. O'Connell, Cashier, while the directors are Messrs. Bernard O'Neill, T. R. McGahan, Jas. F. Redding, Simon Fogarty, M. Revel and D. O'Brien; and in our city no names stand higher for sterling integrity.



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SECURITY SAVINGS BANK.

Among the many fiduciary institutions which have their home in our city, few are accorded greater confidence or more extended patronage than the Security Savings Bank, and this is largely due to the fact that it is one of the best and most equitably managed of all our banking concerns. Located at 18 Broad street, it occupies spacious and handsome quarters on the main floor, and its facilities for the transaction of business are of the best. The bank was organized six years ago, with an authorized capital stock of \$1,000,000.00, its paid up capital being \$50,000.00; and its last quarterly statement shows this to be supplemented by undivided profits amounting to \$12,877.78, its deposits reaching the splendid total of \$548,146.15.

The bank confines its business in banking to receiving savings deposits, on which it allows interest at the rate of four per cent., compounded quarterly, on 1st January, April, July and October, each year, and loaning the same on prime collaterals, or discounting approved mercantile paper. It has always been able to find full and remunerative employment for all its monies, and has been eminently successful. By its charter, the bank is also empowered to act as executor, guardian, administrator or trustee; and in this direction its services are highly valued and in frequent demand.

The officers of the bank are gentlemen well known and of the highest repute in business and financial circles. Mr. C. O. Witte, the President, is Consul for Germany, Austro-Hungary, and Sweden and Norway, and has always been prominent in the mercantile world. Mr. E. H. Sparkman is the Cashier; Mr. Chas. O. Due, Teller, and Mr. J. N. Nathans, Solicitor; and the directorate is most influential in its character.

THE GERMANIA SAVINGS BANK.

The savings banks of the United States have been among the greatest forces in building up the national prosperity, encouraging in our people habits of thrift and economy, while they afford a safe depository for their surplus earnings. Every city in our republic has one or more of these great aids to the wage earning classes, and in Charleston our citizens are especially well served in this respect by The Germania Savings Bank, whose offices occupy the main floor, 30x100 feet, at 34 Broad street. The bank was organized in 1874, under the laws of the State, with an authorized capital of \$500,000.00, of which \$40,000.00 is paid up; and this is augmented by the handsome and substantial surplus of \$100,000.00. The bank confines its business largely to receiving savings deposits of \$1.00 and upwards, allowing interest thereon at the rate of four per cent. per annum, compounding the same half yearly; and to making collections on all points in our country. It also has a large number of safety deposit boxes to rent at very moderate charges, and these are in their fire and burglar proof vaults, protected by the Electric Alarm System. From its inception, the bank has been accorded the entire confidence and the substantial patronage of our citizens; and it has fully deserved this by its able and honorable management. It has a most excellent staff of officials. Mr. Charles Litschgi, the President since 1894, was previously its cashier from the organization of the bank; and he is also President of the Phoenix Furniture Company. Mr. Walter Williman, the Cashier since 1894, was formerly Teller from the year 1881; and the directors are Messrs. H. Klatte, Jacob Stieber, A. F. C. Cramer, J. C. Wieters, H. Schachte and Henry Plenge, who command a very influential position in our business circles.

HIBERNIAN MUTUAL INSURANCE CO.

Fire insurance is a precaution which no prudent property owner will forego or omit. It is, of course, true that the first requisites of insurance are safety and equitable contract, and the lowest consistent cost; and where these are furnished by a home

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company it comes with especially strong claims to share the patronage of the insuring public. Therefore, it is a matter of congratulation that we have one home company which has fully demonstrated its claims to public confidence, meeting with substantial success. We are proud to be able to mention here that the Hibernian Mutual Insurance Company is one of the most ably managed and best conducted companies in our State. Its offices are at 32 Broad street, and the company is a purely mutual one, founded on unique lines, but which success has fully justified. Each member is charged with a premium entrance, which is about the usual charge of stock companies. This is a deposit with the company, and returned at resignation, less ten (10) per cent. The deposit is intended to create a fund against excessive loss by the company, and to form a reserve; and for his insurance one has only to pay 10 per cent. on the amount of his deposit, and occasionally a small fire assessment. The company insures residences only, and no two in proximity to each other, and is exceptionally successful. With 1,093 policies in force last year, its fire losses aggregated only \$236.77, and it shows in its last annual report a surplus over all liabilities of \$16,385.53. It is conducted at a most moderate cost for salaries and expenses, and is most ably managed. Its President is Mr. E. F. Sweegan, and its Secretary and Treasurer is Mr. M. F. Kennedy, while it has a director for each Ward in our city, as follows: 1, Jas. F. Riley; 2, W. G. Revel; 3, Thomas Roddy; 4, Patrick Darcy; 5, P. Broderick; 6, Henry Oliver; 7, John Burns; 8, Patrick Culliton; 9, L. E. Cordray; 10, Thomas Hughes; 11, Jas. P. Cahill; 12, M. P. Clair; and all are thoroughly honorable and able business men, who accord the affairs of the company most capable and valuable services.

WM. S. HASTIE & SON.

The many advantages that accrue to a merchant and manufacturer being able to place all the insurance they require through a single medium, where it can be distributed among reliable companies, in fair proportion, and at the lowest premium rates, have long been recognized by our leading business men who have found such a medium in the old established, reliable and honorable house of Wm. S. Hastie & Son. This well-known firm was established in 1869 by Mr. W. S. Hastie, father of the present head of the firm, who, with MacMillan C. King and C. N. Hastie, now constitute the copartnership. They occupy the main floor at 44 Broad street, which is a spacious and handsomely appointed office, 20x80 feet in area; and the firm are agents for some exceptionally strong and liberal companies. Among these in fire insurance are the Queen Insurance Company, of England; Manchester Insurance Company, of England; and they have the Summerville, S. C., agency of the Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company, of England. These are three of the strongest fire companies in the world. And the firm, in home corporations, are agents for The Equitable Fire Insurance Company, of Chicago, and the Niagara Fire Insurance Company, of New York, and the Agricultural Fire and Tornado. It will thus be seen that they are well equipped to give the best satisfaction to patrons, and the lowest premium rates prevail. They are general agents of the Hartford Steam Boiler, Inspection and Insurance Company for North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, and during the past year their total increased underwriting in their territory footed up something over \$2,500,000.00, showing the popularity of this only purely mechanical steam boiler inspection and insurance company in the world. They have established inspection bureaus at Charleston, S. C., Charlotte, N. C., Atlanta and Augusta, Ga. The field work of this company is looked after by the junior member of the firm, Mr. C. Norwood Hastie, whose title is that of special agent.

They are the oldest agents here representing The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, whose assets total \$221,213,721.00 and in this direction are able to offer the most liberal advantages and lowest cost on all forms of life and endowment insurance that are consistent with absolute safety to the insured. No firm in our State commands more entirely the confidence of the insuring public, or more generous and substantial support, while the members of the firm individually are among our most influential and public-spirited citizens and are universally esteemed.

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THE LIFE INSURANCE CO. OF VIRGINIA.

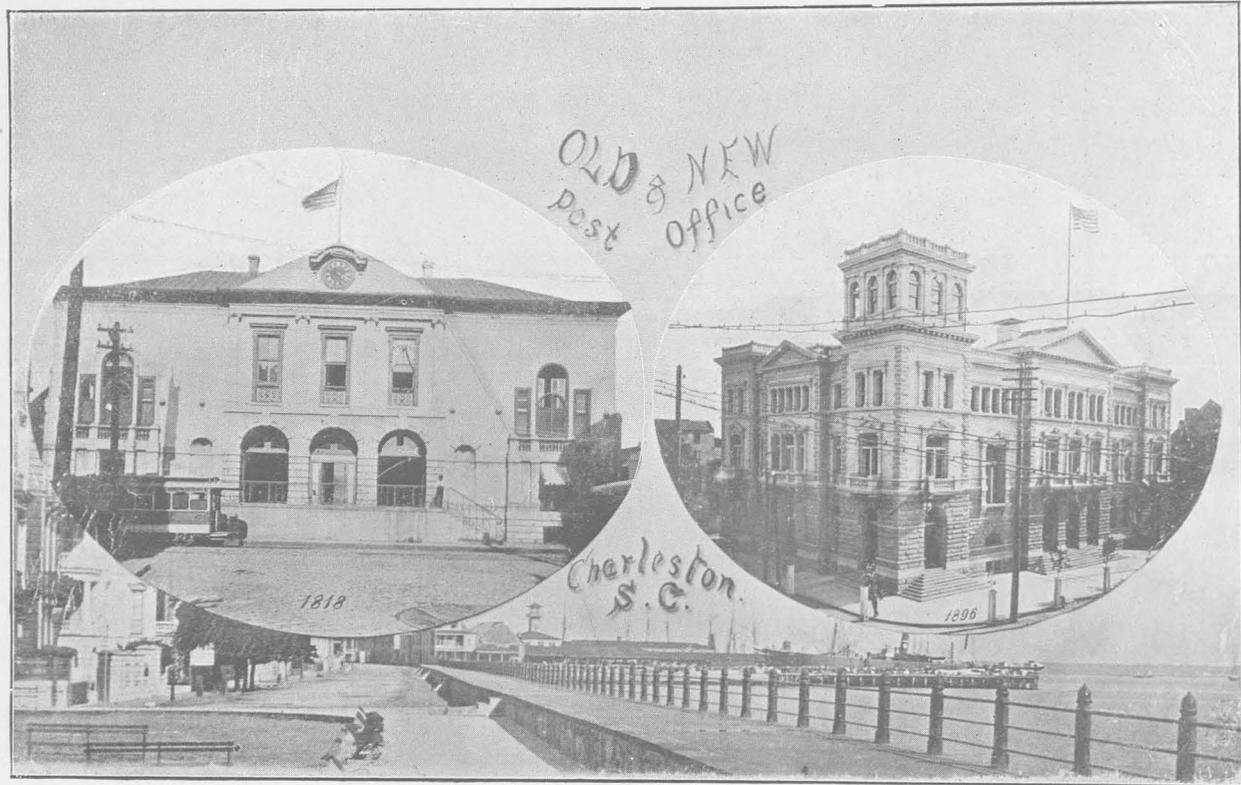
To the insurance companies of our republic our people owe a debt of gratitude not only for the protection afforded her commercial interests, but for the aid rendered by them to widows and orphans. The small cost of protection which modern methods have rendered practicable will not allow an individual to hazard the risk of those depending on him to become dependent on others, and to avoid this he naturally turns to that greatest of all benefits—life insurance. Old line companies, under the excellent laws which prevail in our State, are admitted by all people who have thoroughly investigated the subject, to be not only the best but the most profitable and safest with which to insure. And among these none deserve or hold a higher reputation for liberality, integrity and moderate cost than does The Life Insurance Company of Virginia, which, organized in 1871, has paid out to its policy holders or their beneficiaries, no less a sum than \$4,000,000, and has in force to-day insurance of over \$25,000,000.00. How solid and how thoroughly reliable this company is can be gauged from the fact that its assets exceed \$1,000,000.00, and that during its active career no just claim was ever litigated. It works every approved form of endowment and life policy that has been proved by actual experience to be consistent with sound and safe insurance, and quotes premium rates, with liberal advantages, rarely, if ever, found with any other company operating in our republic. In Charleston this grand bulwark of protection is represented with conspicuous ability and most substantial success by Mr. Frank Organ, Superintendent, with offices at 38 Broad street, who has been here some five years, but connected with the company for many years. Since he took charge he has developed and expanded the company's business wonderfully, and to-day no institution presents stronger claims to the patronage of our people or receives a larger or more generous recognition at their hands.

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE CO.

In a statistical review of any large city in our republic the representative business houses receive careful consideration, and among these there is no department enlists more attention than that of insurance. Among the greatest fire and life organizations in the whole world, that known as the Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company takes a pre-eminent place. Originally established in 1836 as the Liverpool Insurance Company, it became, in 1848, the Liverpool and London Insurance Company, and in 1864, acquiring the business of the Globe Insurance Company, it came under its present style; and to-day no company on the globe has a higher reputation. Some idea of its solidity may be gathered from the fact that its assets for its United States branch alone exceed its liabilities here by \$4,704,728.39, and that in case of any heavy calamity, such as the Chicago or Boston fires, it can call on its head office and receive substantial support, as it did on these occasions. In every branch its premiums are the lowest consistent with absolute safety, and its policies the most liberal and explicit contracts. The general agents for this section of our republic are C. T. Lowndes & Co., with handsome offices at 14 Broad street (25x60 feet in dimensions), on main floor, and they do an immense volume of underwriting for the company yearly. The partners are Mr. Rawlins Lowndes and Mr. R. Allen Tucker, the firm having been established in 1866. Mr. Tucker became a member of the firm six years ago, although connected with it for eighteen years.

THE FIDELITY AND CASUALTY CO. OF NEW YORK.

While life and fire insurance are admitted to be absolute necessities with both business men and private citizens, there is yet another class of insurance which in its scope of usefulness is not behind either of the other two. We allude to casualty or accident insurance and health insurance, two most important items in the life of every man, and especially to those whose income is



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absolutely dependent upon their own personal exertions, and fails if for any cause the person is laid aside from his work. To this class no company appeals with stronger claims than The Fidelity and Casualty Co. of New York, whose Charleston agency is in the hands of that able underwriter, Mr. James Robertson, with offices at 63 Broad street. He has been agent for the company here 16 years, and each year writes an increased amount of insurance. The Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York writes, at the lowest premium rates, on the most broad and liberal of policy contracts, policies in personal accident insurance, health insurance, liability, fidelity, plate glass and steam boiler insurance, and against loss by burglaries at residences, stores, banks, etc., safe burglaries, robbery from messengers or office daylight robbery. Their new accident policies are absolutely free of restrictions, being a plain promise to pay, and their new health policy covers 30 prevalent diseases at an annual cost of \$5 (five dollars). That it gives absolute security to its clients may be noted from the fact that its net surplus is \$928,838.15, and its capital stock \$250,000.00, giving a gross surplus to policy holders of \$1,178,838.15, while its management is in the hands of some of the most eminent financiers, capitalists and business men of New York city, who give its affairs most able conduct.

S. Y. TUPPER & SONS.

For many years past the old established house of S. Y. Tupper & Sons has been recognized as one of Charleston's foremost general insurance agencies, and many of our leading merchants and business men unreservedly place their entire insurance in the hands of the firm to distribute equitably among the reliable companies they represent, with such others as may be equally reliable. They are thus saved much bother and worry, and their risks are kept in force and not allowed to lapse, as is often the case through oversight. The office of the firm, of which Mr. Henry Tupper, one of our ablest and most honorable business men, is sole proprietor, is located at Rooms 2-3, Exchange Banking and Trust Company's Building, at 39 Broad street, and they represent with great success the Phoenix Insurance Company of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Agricultural Insurance Company of Waterdown, N. Y.; Teutonic Insurance Company of New Orleans, La., and Lloyds Plate Glass Insurance Company of New York. These are all strong, liberal companies, whose premium rates are the lowest, and who promptly settle all losses; and their contracts are explicit and of a broad and liberal character, the volume of underwriting yearly done by the house being very large. Mr. Tupper is also Secretary and Treasurer of Charleston Chamber of Commerce.

EDWARD A. SIMONS.

It was thought that every line of profitable insurance was fully covered in our republic by the many reliable companies operating in the various lines. It has, however, been left to the Preferred Accident Insurance Co. of New York to give to the people of our country a wider range of insurance, and in their Universal Health Policy, their Preferred's "Special" Health Policy and their Preferred's "Progressive" Policy, we believe they have evolved a class of insurance that is bound to be of immense value to every class of the community, and which will become in the near future an absolute necessity to every single and married man. The company is incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, and \$200,000.00 is deposited with the New York State Insurance Department for the protection of policy holders. It issues ordinary accident policies, combination policies, policies covering nearly every form of illness, etc., all at marvellously low premium rates. For this important company Mr. Edward A. Simons, one of the most honorable of our younger business men, is agent for the city, with offices at Middle Atlantic Wharf. Since his appointment, in October last, he has done a very large volume of underwriting. He is glad to give information to those interested in this special line of insurance, and we venture the assertion that few, after knowing its merits, will fail to take advantage of them.

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MAJOR E. WILLIS.

We have many grand commercial enterprises in Charleston, but we think none are more far-reaching than that conducted by Mr. E. Willis, whose offices are at 127 East Bay street. The business was established in 1865 by Major Willis personally, who is an owner of immense tracts of land in Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee and Florida, which are heavily timbered, or else contain valuable mineral deposits. He operates mines in Georgia and sells Beauxite chemicals to fertilizer manufacturers throughout the South, and phosphate rock from Florida to Tennessee. He is an extensive exporter of kaolin and monazite to foreign ports, and his business in these lines assumes vast proportions annually, by reason of his being always able to quote prices far below other dealers and exporters. A very large dealer in timber and phosphate lands on commission, he also sells and buys on his own account, and he can supply lands for every description of planting, farming or mining, to purchasers. Notably, coal, copper, corundum, iron, gold, lead, kaolin, mica, manganese, monazite, marble, nickel, onyx, phosphate, pyrites, tin and zinc lands. He has also truck farms, rice, sugar, tea and pasturage lands of all kinds for sale, and timber lands with cypress, cedar, hemlock, poplar, white pine, white oak and turpentine on them. Sea islands, shooting lands, waterpowers, sawmill lands, marl deposits, beauxite, and baryta deposits, alumina, antimony and asbestos are also included in the wide range of properties Mr. Willis deals in, and he can supply to those requiring them promptly, and at lower prices than can be found with any house in the South.

No business man is more widely known in the South than Major Willis, who conducts his business on fair and honorable methods, giving prompt attention to all business.

ANDREW A. KROEG.

Mr. Andrew A. Kroeg is among the most enterprising and deservedly successful of the many eminent gentlemen who devote their tissue and energies toward the material advancement of Charleston. He established his present business in 1893, under the firm style of Kroeg & Lessemann, and became sole proprietor in 1895. He has since that time developed a business that has grown to great proportions. He conducts auction sales of realty, stocks, bonds, merchandise or furniture on equitable terms, giving his clients the benefit of his great ability and wide experience, obtaining always the best results and making prompt settlements. He buys, sells, rents and exchanges city, suburban and farm properties, collects rents, negotiates loans on the security of mortgage of real estate and other prime collaterals at lowest interest, and takes entire management of estates for non-resident or resident owners and trustees. He also buys and sells stocks, bonds and debentures on the usual commission, and can always recommend some good income-producing investments both in real estate and bonds, stocks, etc. His offices are on the main floor of 51 Broad Street, and Mr. Kroeg is prepared to underwrite fire, accident and plate glass insurance at the lowest premium rates. Mr. Kroeg, who is a large owner of realty, and was formerly in the drug trade here, is one of our ablest and most honorable business men, and represents here with great success Pacific Fire Insurance Co., of New York; Virginia State Fire Insurance Co., of Richmond; Lloyd's Plate Glass Insurance Co., of New York; Germania Mutual of Charleston, and the Traveler's Accident Insurance Co., of Hartford, Conn.

JOHN D. KELLY.

There is always a very great demand in a large and important center such as Charleston undoubtedly is, for first-class investments, and Mr. John D. Kelly, at 9 Broad Street, is in an excellent position to supply our investors and capitalists with these. Mr. Kelly buys and sells stocks, bonds and debentures on commission, and conducts auction sales of investments, real estate, furniture

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or merchandise for patrons. He is one of the leading real estate dealers in our city, and buys, sells, rents and exchanges city, suburban or farm properties, collects rents, negotiates loans on real estate and other securities. He takes the entire management of estates. Thoroughly responsible and honorable, he charges moderately for his services and none accord patrons more complete satisfaction. As a citizen, Mr. Kelly has the city's welfare at heart and is keenly alive to anything tending to her interest. In insurance he writes policies in strong, reliable companies in fire, life, accident and health insurance.

He is also manager of the Charleston department of the Fidelity and Deposit Company, of Maryland, with resources of \$4,237,304.37, authorized by its charter to become surety upon the bond of contractors, officers and employes of banks, mercantile houses, railroad, telegraph and express companies, State, city and county officials, and upon the bonds of guardians, administrators, trustees, receivers, assignees, and in replevin attachments and injunction cases, and in all judicial undertakings. The bonds of this company are accepted by the United States government as sole surety on bonds of all government officials and employes, and by the judges of State, county, circuit and district courts.

For the convenience of the general public, as well as the legal fraternity, surety bonds are executed and delivered in Charleston at above agency on same day of application without reference to home office. The public can be assured that any business intrusted to Mr. Kelly will be honestly handled with care and dispatch.

TRISTRAM T. HYDE.

The auction, real estate and insurance business of our city has no more representative concern actively engaged in it than that of Mr. Tristram T. Hyde, whose office is at No. 30 Broad Street. Here he occupies the main floor and gives close personal supervision to the many interests of his influential clientage. He is the leading auctioneer of our city and is especially successful in conducting sales of realty and furniture, and undertakes sales at residences, and at stores. He buys, sells, rents and exchanges city, suburban and farm properties, collects rents, negotiates loans on mortgage of real estate at low rates of interest and on easy terms, and takes the entire management of estates. His charges are of a most moderate character, and he is prompt and honorable in all he undertakes. Mr. Hyde, who has been connected with the business interests of our city for twenty years, established his present business twelve years ago, is agent for the St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, and is prepared to quote lowest premium rates on both fire and marine risks. He is the secretary and treasurer of five building and loan associations, all very prosperous institutions, and is one of our most progressive and public-spirited citizens.

T. P. DeGAFFERELLY.

No field of modern financial enterprise affords a safer or more profitable investment of capital than real estate, in the handling of which Mr. T. P. DeGafferelly is one of our leading exponents. This gentleman has been identified with the local realty market for the past twenty-three years and brings to bear a wide experience, coupled with an intimate knowledge of the present and prospective value of all Charleston real estate. His service and advice are, therefore, of peculiar value to his clients. Mr. DeGafferelly is also one of our best known auction agents and does a large part of our public sales. Those seeking real estate investments would do well to consult with Mr. DeGafferelly, whose standing in commercial and financial circles is of the highest. His office is at 96 Broad Street.



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THE LAW LOAN CO.

In every large city there is always a necessity for a reliable loan agency to establish itself, and in Charleston this is the Law Loan Company, at 49 George Street, between St. Philip and King Street. The company has been established six years and is in charge of Mr. F. J. Dodgen as manager, and this gentleman is both efficient and courteous to patrons. They make loans at moderate interest rates on household furniture and effects, pianos, organs, wagons, chattels, etc., and on real estate, bond and mortgage. They are prompt in putting through all loans, and make a specialty of repayment of same on easy weekly or monthly payment when desired, interest ceasing on such part of the principal as is paid. All business is confidential and their strict probity and fairness draws to them a large patronage.

LAWRENCE & BENNETT.

Prominent among the real estate dealers in this city is the firm of Lawrence & Bennett, whose offices are at 145 Calhoun Street. They have been identified with the real estate and insurance interests of this city since establishing their business, eight years ago, prior to which Mr. E. A. Lawrence was for 20 years a teacher in the Avery Normal Institute of this city, and Mr. S. W. Bennett was identified for many years with the cotton and shipping interests of our city, and these two gentlemen constitute the firm. They are general real estate agents, and buy, sell, rent or exchange city, suburban and farm property, collect rents, negotiate loans on security of real estate mortgage and take entire management of estates for resident and non-resident owners and trustees, pay out all necessary disbursements and collecting income. They are notaries public, and make the adjustment of estates and valuations a specialty and in every branch maintain a most moderate standard of remuneration. They effect fire insurance in the strongest companies at the lowest rates, and in all their undertakings are prompt and trustworthy, with the result that they command a large patronage.

OUR WHOLESALE TRADE.

THOSE who seek to find the mainspring of the prosperity of any great trading centre, and who search its history industriously to its earliest date, will, in the great majority of cases, discover that location is the primary secret of the success of cities. They will discover, too, that if their investigations concern any business centre of population on the banks of a river that long before the white man introduced his methods of purchase and sale Indians made their rendezvous on the site of the future city, to exchange the products of the chase, or the handicraft of their industrious womanhood. This was the fact with all the great cities, nor is Charleston an exception. But it is unnecessary for the writer to go back into history, for on other pages of this book will be found a brief history of Charleston. The number of large business houses located here in every line of trade and their phenomenal growth during the past decade is the most convincing proof necessary with business men as to the advantages which the city possesses as a centre for trade and commerce. Here are to be found the very best facilities for transacting a large wholesale business as regards means of transportation either by rail, water or deep sea-going vessels. Rates of freight likewise favor our traders, whilst the banking and financial facilities are all that could be desired. These are highly important factors in connection with the trade and commerce of any large city, and especially an entrepot like Charleston. With such unrivalled advantages as this city possesses its people justly claim for it a first position of the sisterhood of sisters in the great South. The various departments of the jobbing trade, such as dry goods, notions, hosiery, groceries, boots and shoes, drugs, hardware, provisions, fruits, chinaware, clothing, hats and caps, stationery, furs, hides, coal, grain, household goods, flour, etc., and all goods necessary to sustenance, comfort, and enjoyment of man are fully up to the standard and will compare favorably with those of any city in the country.

Contributing in a great measure to the welfare of the city is the fruit and vegetable business, which is conducted on a large scale here mainly by commission merchants. This business has increased considerably during the past year, as has also the hay, grain and feed business.

Our leading business men engaged in the various lines of the jobbing trade are displaying remarkable activity and are pushing their trade successfully throughout Georgia, Alabama, Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina and into Mississippi and Tennessee, as well as into Cuba and Porto Rico.

This is the spirit which will most surely advance the city's interest and will enable full advantage to be taken of our commanding natural situation. A perusal of the business houses already established here will be of interest to those who are not familiar with the facts and immense onward strides which have been made in the past few years. Among the leading and most progressive wholesale houses are the following:

EDMUNDS T BROWN CO.

The push and enterprise which characterize the business men of Charleston is well exemplified by the success which has attended the long career of the above well known house. Both by reason of age and volume of business transacted this house takes a leading position among similar enterprises in the South. The business was established in 1830 by Mr. F. D. Fanning, Mr. E. T. Brown succeeding about 1869. Ten years ago the business was incorporated with Mr. A. I. J. Perry, president, and W. Hampton Perry, secretary and treasurer. Mr. Brown has been president since Mr. A. I. J. Perry's death in 1896, and been with the house since 1846, and it is due his capable, progressive management that it has secured such high prestige with the trade. The company occupies a four-story structure at 51 Hayne Street, replete with a full line of men's, boys', ladies', misses' and children's hats, um-

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brellas, straw goods, flowers, etc. Their trade covers a wide area, extending throughout North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. The company is in direct touch with the leading manufacturers and is thus *en rapport* with the latest developments of taste and fashion, always in the lead in the introduction of novelties to the trade. Their several departments are always crowded with an immense stock of saleable and serviceable goods, and purchasers have a splendid opportunity for the exercise of individual judgment and taste. The officers of the company and promoters of the business are leading and influential business men in Charleston and among our most substantial citizens.

WILLIAM M. BIRD & CO.

The importance of Charleston as a great commercial and shipping centre is best illustrated by reference to her leading business concerns. The splendid business now conducted by the above named firm, had its foundation some forty years ago, when Mr. William M. Bird commenced in a small way. Trade began to grow and expand from its inception, until today, the house of William M. Bird & Co is now one of the largest enterprises of its kind in the entire South. The offices and storerooms are located at 205 and 207 East Bay Street, comprising two entire three-story and basement brick buildings, 60x150 feet in area. Besides there are operated two large warehouses adjoining and fronting on Cumberland Street. The firm also utilizes much storage space for cements at all the railway terminals here. They operate a shipping warehouse at Savannah, which, with all the above named facilities, give them exceptional advantages. The stock embraces a full and complete line of oils and paints and everything pertaining thereto, Portland and Rosendale cements, plaster paris and lime, Howe's safes, Diebold's scales, etc., etc. They make a specialty of mill supplies, carrying a very large and comprehensive stock of same. The house has superior connections with the leading manufacturers in their line and are prepared to offer *unusual* inducements to the trade in mill supplies. They import the best and most popular brands of Portland cement, carry a large stock of Rosendale cement, and contractors and dealers would do well always to consult them before placing orders elsewhere. This house not only enjoys a large local business, but supplies an enormous trade throughout North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Florida. Two men are kept continually on the road looking after business. This well known and successful firm is composed of Messrs. William M. Bird and Henry T. Welch. Mr. Bird is the founder of the business and one of our most substantial, public-spirited citizens. He is well known in financial circles, is interested in many of our manufacturing industries and is one of our largest realty holders. Mr. Welch has been identified with the business for 35 years, and is well and favorably known in commercial circles.

WELCH & EASON.

Established in the year 1869, and since that period operating a business of considerable importance, the enterprise cannot justifiably be ignored in any publication which aims to reflect the trade activity and resources of our city. The members of this well known firm are Mr. W. H. Welch, also vice president and director of the South Carolina Interstate and West Indian Exposition, one of our largest realty holders, and otherwise interested in Charleston enterprises; Messrs. D. I. Hasell and H. S. Welch, two of our most prominent and progressive business men, who have been partners in the house since 1892. The premises occupied at 185 and 187 Meeting Street, and 117 Market Street, comprise an entire three-story building, 50x150 feet in area, and affording ample floor space for the storage, display and handling of the large assortment of goods carried. The stock includes a large and comprehensive line of staple and fancy groceries, canned goods, table delicacies, bought and carefully selected from the most reliable sources. They have developed a large wholesale business and ship on mail orders, large quantities of fancy groceries to all parts

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of South and North Carolina, and some parts of Georgia. In this connection, we call special attention to their stock of teas and coffees, this house showing the largest and choicest line of these goods in the South. No similar establishment in the South is the peer of this great house, which is a fine representative of its particular line and which reflects great honor on our city which supports it.

BERNARD O'NEILL & SONS.

Prominent among the jobbing houses of Charleston is the old established business of Messrs. Bernard O'Neill & Sons. This business was founded in 1845 by Mr. Bernard O'Neill, one of our pioneer and most successful merchants. It is now operated by the founder and his two sons, Messrs. James B. and Frank Q. O'Neill, both of whom have been brought up in the business. The premises occupied at 191 East Bay and 48-50 State Street, comprise a three-story and basement building, 25x325 feet in area. The stock carried is one of the largest in the South, embracing a full line of staple and fancy groceries, provisions, teas, coffees, spices, condiments, cigars, tobaccos, flour, etc., etc. A specialty is made of South Carolina rice, of which this house handles enormous quantities each year. They have developed a very large city trade, and ship extensively throughout South Carolina and Georgia. The firm operates large rice plantations at Plantersville and Greenport, S. C., and also controls the production of numerous planters in this State. The proprietors are men of high standing in this community, public-spirited citizens and progressive business men.

DAN TALMAGE'S SONS COMPANY.

It is a noticeable fact that from the eligible situation of Charleston, the trade in rice has steadily grown each succeeding year until now it forms one of the most important features of our general commerce. Chief among the leading handlers of rice in this country is the firm of Messrs. Dan Talmage Sons Co., the largest in the South, and one of the largest in the world. This business was established in Charleston in 1872, and in 1878 a New Orleans branch was opened. The main business was founded by Mr. Dan Talmage in 1841, and the name is indelibly associated with the rice interests in this country. The New York office is managed by Mr. John F. Talmage, a son of the founder, and the Charleston office is in charge of Mr. Dan Talmage, a grandson of the founder, and the New Orleans branch is managed by another grandson, Mr. David Talmage. The premises occupied by the Charleston branch, in which we are mainly interested in this review, comprise an entire three-story and basement building at 19 Vendue Range. Besides these storerooms large space is utilized in public warehouses. The company buy and sell rice on their own account and has control of the production of a large number of plantations. They supply a large trade extending throughout the South and West to the Mississippi river. We desire to give this concern its due and prominent mention in this commercial and industrial review of our city.

C. L. SCHMANCKE.

Nature has generously endowed the city of Charleston in many ways. The fine shipping facilities we enjoy both by land and water have brought to our city large mercantile enterprises covering almost every line of trade, especially that in groceries, food-stuffs, grain, etc. Among these we claim that Mr. C. L. Schmancke, of 560-562 King Street, is a leader in his line in this section of our State. The business is a very old established one and has from its inception always enjoyed a large measure of success. Mr. Schmancke, whose telephone call is 239, occupies in his business and owns the store and warehouse at the above address, which is 75x250 feet in area and finely equipped, and the stock carried is extensive and complete. It includes a full complement of the purest

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imported and domestic staple and fancy groceries, canned goods, pickles, sauces, condiments, the finest teas, coffees and spices, sugars, syrups, molasses, cereal foods, the best brands of flour, soap, laundry supplies, and all groceries, sundries, cigars and tobacco, these lines being specialties with Mr. Schmancke. From the best producing sections he obtains his stock of hay, grain, grist and meal, and in each department he is able to quote the most favorable prices. Orders are promptly filled and shipped throughout South Carolina and liberal treatment is always accorded customers. Mr. Schmancke is widely esteemed as a business man, and has other important interests in our city.

PAUL E. TROUCHE.

The immense increase in the business done by Mr. Paul E. Trouche has necessitated his removing to much larger and more perfectly equipped premises, and in the new building which he has recently erected at the corner of Bogard Street and Rutledge Avenue he has installed every modern improvement and convenience, and today it is one of the best appointed warehouses in the State. It is a substantial, two-story building, 30x125 feet in ground area, and Mr. Trouche, who has been established in business some years, carries a very large, comprehensive and complete stock of stationery goods, wrapping papers, commercial stationery, office supplies and grocers' supplies, etc. With no house in our State can be found either lower prices or more liberal terms to the trade and a large wholesale business is done throughout South Carolina, and parts of North Carolina and Georgia, the most progressive retail houses finding it to their advantage to handle the goods carried by him.

Mr. Trouche is one of our most progressive business men, who thoroughly understands every detail of his business and, who, by conducting it on the most improved business methods, has deserved and met a wonderful success.

J. T. W. FLINT.

A thoroughly representative man in his line is Mr. J. T. W. Flint, who conducts a general brokerage and commission business at 189 East Bay Street. Mr. Flint has been identified with this line of commerce for the past ten years, and has earned an enviable reputation for upright dealings. The premises occupied comprise a three-story building, affording accommodations for the large stock that he carries. He handles on commission all kinds of products, which he receives direct from the manufacturers and sells to the jobbing trade. He makes a specialty of provisions, rice and canned goods, representing a number of the largest manufacturers and importers in this country. Mr. Flint is an energetic business man, is well known in commercial circles, and by his strict honesty, has won the confidence of all with whom he has had dealings.

H. F. PRINGLE.

Of the various lines of enterprise whose operations have contributed to the development of our commercial activity, that of the merchandise broker is of paramount importance. Among the leading and most successful exponents of this important branch of trade is Mr. H. F. Pringle, whose well appointed office is located at 164 East Bay Street. Mr. Pringle has been identified with this line here for the past six years and was formerly engaged in the hominy milling business at Henderson, Ky. He handles all kinds of staple products on commission, making a specialty of white corn goods, provisions, flour, grain, hay, refined sugar and coffee. Mr. Pringle has established superior connections with the largest manufacturers, importers and shippers of these goods and is always prepared to offer the trade *unusual* inducements. He has large supplies to draw from and can quote for prompt ship-



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ment at the very lowest market figures. Mr. H. F. Pringle is a progressive business man and one of our most successful and reliable brokers, and, for the satisfaction of outside parties who do not know him, can give the best New York, Charleston and Western references.

CAROLINA PORTLAND CEMENT COMPANY.

A comparatively recent acquisition to our commercial facilities and one which has taken a foremost rank among similar concerns in the South, is the Carolina Portland Cement Co., corner East Bay and Cumberland Streets. The business was incorporated one year ago, and the soundness and enterprise of its management is manifested by the great success that has been achieved. The company has wharfs and warehouses, not only here, but at Savannah, Norfolk, Wilmington and Mobile, which facilities enable them to offer large inducements. They carry large stocks at all these points and are prepared to accept contracts of any magnitude for prompt or extended delivery. They are sole Southern selling agents for the Virginia Portland Cement Co., manufacturers of the celebrated "Old Dominion Portland Cement," the standard of excellence among all American Portland Cements. They are also dealers in imported Portland Cements, Rosendale Cement, Louisville Cement, plaster of paris, hair, terra cotta pipe, roofing and sheathing papers and hard wall plasters. They carry large stocks of these materials and can fill orders of any size on short notice and are now shipping to all sections of the country South of the Ohio River and East of the Mississippi. The officers and promoters of this business are all young men of ability and enterprise, and its great success is due their progressive management. Mr. J. Ross Hanahan is president, Mr. George H. Moffett, treasurer and solicitor, Mr. Peyre G. Hanahan, secretary and manager, and Mr. Frank C. Ford, assistant secretary. Mr. Peyre G. Hanahan, secretary and manager, has been identified with the cement business in Charleston for seventeen years, and brings to bear a full knowledge of its every feature and detail. The remaining officers are experienced, capable business men, possessing all the qualifications necessary for a successful management of any line of commerce.

WAGNER & GIBBS.

A representative and successful firm of mill agents in Charleston and one composed of active, enterprising business men, is that of Messrs. Wagner & Gibbs, whose office is at 37 Pinckney, and warehouse at 28 Hayne Street. These gentlemen established this business in January, 1900, and have made of it a notable success. They represent a number of the largest Eastern and Southern mills, their connections with them being of such a nature as to afford them not only unlimited supplies, but the best goods at the lowest prices. They are direct mill agents and commission merchants for the sale of cotton goods of every description; also all kinds of manufactured woolen goods, hosiery, yarns and twine. They sell to jobbers and manufacturers throughout South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia and Florida. The firm is composed of Messrs. W. W. Wagner and James P. Gibbs, both of whom are young men of ability and enterprise, and are well and favorably known in our best commercial circles. They were formerly in the dry goods business here.

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FOLLIN BROS.

In this review of our leading representative commercial and industrial enterprises, that of Messrs. Follin Bros. is entitled to more than passing mention. This business was established many years ago, and has always borne the highest reputation as a producer of and dealer in cigars and tobacco of merit and worth. Their establishment at 260 King street comprises the entire first floor and basement, admirably appointed for all requirements of the business. This house manufactures the well-known "King Clay" and "Key West Cubans," two of the best known and most popular five cent cigars on the market. Their "La Ferdinandina" is also a popular smoke, and is made in 5, 10 and 15 cent sizes. Their high grade cigar is the "Garcia," made in 10, 15 and 25 cent goods, and it is correct to say right here that there is no cigar in the country, for the price, that can equal it. Besides the manufacturing department, the firm are dealers in tobacco, cigars, cigarettes and smokers' articles, carrying a large stock of these goods. They are sole sale agents for the popular brands as "Limited," "Red Meat," "Our Peach" and "Half Shell" plug tobaccos. The house has built up a large trade in these goods along with its own productions, and is without doubt the leading enterprise of its kind in this section. They ship throughout South and North Carolina, and some into Georgia, keeping two traveling men on the road. Mr. J. E. Follin is now sole owner of the business, and has grown up in it, understanding its every feature and detail. He is an able, enterprising and progressive business man, highly esteemed in trade circles.

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LAWRENCE CANTWELL.

In noting the many leading branches of trade which combine to make up the sum total of Charleston's commercial activity, a prominent position must be assigned to the merchandise brokerage trade, in which are engaged some of our most progressive business men. Prominent among them is Mr. Lawrence Cantwell, who has been engaged in business on East Bay street since 1853, whose office is at 180 East Bay street. Mr. Cantwell established himself in his present business in 1879, and has during his career developed most superior connections with leading manufacturers and importers. He makes a specialty of coffee, flour and provisions, and has control of several of the most popular and important lines of these staple commodities. He is one of the largest handlers of provisions here, and sells many carloads each year. Mr. Lawrence Cantwell is well and favorably known in local trade circles, and is respected and esteemed by all with whom he comes in contact.

JOHN F. WERNER.

As the center of a large and rapidly extending distributing trade, the Charleston market has a widespread influence in the South, and it is the aim of this review to make suitable reference to those representative houses who have materially contributed to the development of our trade and commerce. Prominent among them is the establishment of Mr. John F. Werner, wholesale provisions, 23-25 Vendue Range. Mr. Werner established this business eighteen years ago, and has since built up a trade that extends throughout the entire South. He has been identified with this line of enterprise for more than twenty-five years, and brings to bear a wide range of experience. The premises occupied comprise a three-story and basement building, 40x80 feet in area, and specially equipped for carrying at all times very large stocks of all kinds of provisions. He represents Eastern, Western and Northern packers, carrying a full line of the choicest products of the largest manufacturers in this country. He makes a specialty of pork products, handling more than any other dealer in the South. Mr. Werner is one of our most enterprising and progressive business men, and his establishment is one of the most representative of our commercial industries, and is a prime factor in the maintenance of our commercial prestige.

FINCKEN, JORDAN & CO.

As the centre of a large and rapidly extending distributing trade, the Charleston market in groceries and provisions has a widespread influence throughout the South. Prominent among the representative concerns in this line is the well-known firm of Messrs. Fincken, Jordan & Co., who established their business four years ago, and have, by means of progressive methods and upright dealings, developed a trade of very large proportions. The premises occupied at 197-199 East Bay street comprise a three-story and basement building, 50x325 feet in area, admirably appointed and affording ample accommodation for the large stock carried. This embraces a full line of the choicest foreign and domestic fancy groceries, as well as every kind of staple goods. On the third floor is operated an electric coffee roaster, this house roasting for the local trade more than any other in the city. Besides a large and growing local business, this concern has developed a fine business throughout this State, three traveling men being constantly on the road. The members of the firm are Messrs. E. H. Fincken, W. F. Jordan and Mrs. W. C. Mayer. Messrs. Fincken and Jordan, who are the active partners, rank among our most enterprising business men. Mr. Fincken was formerly in the lumber business, and Mr. Jordan has been in the jobbing business all his life. They are both well and favorably known in trade circles.

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ADOLPH C. LESEMANN.

Prominent among the most successful exponents of this important line of enterprise is Mr. Adolph C. Lesemann, located at 213 East Bay. Mr. Lesemann established this business last August, and has since developed a large trade. The premises occupied comprise a two-story building, 25x125 feet in area, affording ample accommodation for the large stocks carried. He handles provisions, grocer's sundries, cigars and tobacco, carrying large stocks of these goods, and thus affording the local trade a large source of supply right at their doors. He is the distributing agent for Charleston and vicinity for the celebrated "White Knight" cigars and the world-renowned "Match It" cheroots. Mr. Adolph C. Lesemann is an able, enterprising business man, highly respected by all who know him.

TAYLOR BROTHERS.

For upwards of twenty years the well-known firm of Taylor Brothers were the leading business men in their line in Athens, Ga., but the many advantages in transportation by rail and water possessed by Charleston, added to its importance as a wholesale and distributing center, made them remove here about one year ago. The change has made a most marked increase in their large business, and it is steadily expanding month by month. This is due in a great measure to the superior grade of goods they handle, and to the energy and enterprise they display in meeting the wants of the wholesale and jobbing trade in their lines. The firm have their office and salesrooms at 121 East Bay street, and are Merchandise Brokers, making a specialty of handling flour, grain, hay and white corn goods, in which they represent the leading millers and growers in this section of our republic. They sell to the jobbers and wholesale dealers of our city, Savannah, Ga., and Jacksonville, Fla., and do a most extensive trade with the largest and most progressive of these. Prompt, reliable and courteous, they are extremely popular and highly respected, the partners, Mr. H. N. Taylor and Mr. R. G. Taylor, both being widely experienced in their business, and very able and enterprising business men.

C. E. ROBINSON.

One of the recent acquisitions to our commercial facilities that has proven a notable success, and in a very short period, is that of Mr. C. E. Robinson, general commission merchant and shipper, 48 Market street and 1-8 Central Market. This business was established only last November, and today is one of the most representative of its kind in Charleston. The premises occupied are spacious and well appointed for all purposes of the business. Mr. Robinson handles all kinds of produce, making a specialty of fruits in season, poultry, eggs, butter, etc., etc. He has developed superior connections with the best producing sections, and is in daily receipt of fresh consignments, which he can offer at the very lowest market prices. He has built up a large city trade, and, besides, ships quite extensively. Mr. C. E. Robinson was formerly in the retail business here, and is an able, progressive business man. He is well known and highly esteemed in commercial circles. He is ably assisted in the business by Mr. J. H. Smith, who has had thirteen years experience in this line of business here, and who is fully conversant with its every detail.

J. S. PINKUSSOHN & BROS.

A concern which stands among the leaders in its particular line of enterprise in the South, and one which is entitled to prominent mention in this Review, is that of Messrs. J. S. Pinkussohn & Bros., wholesale and retail dealers in cigars, tobaccos, etc.; also souvenirs, trunks, valises and curios of every description. This business was established some twenty years ago, and has been

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developed to its present large proportions by upright dealings and honest representation. This firm operates three stores in this city, the main store and office being located at the corner of King and Wentworth streets, and branch at King and Hazel streets, where is carried a very fine line of souvenirs, trunks, curios, etc.; also branch corner East Bay and Broad streets. The main store, 30x150 feet in area, is one of the most elegantly appointed establishments of its kind in the country, while the branch stores are second to none in this section. This firm handles the standard and most popular brands of cigars and tobaccos and controls the sale of a number of the most prominent brands. They carry a full line of imported, Key West and domestic goods, all smoking tobaccos, and also plug tobaccos. Their line of smoker's articles, pipes, cigar and tobacco jars, cigar holders, etc., etc., is one of the largest in the South. This well-known firm does not limit its business to Charleston, where it, however, enjoys a very large trade over its counters and by the box and at wholesale to the local dealers. Its trade extends throughout the entire South, by mail order and through the traveling men who represent the house on the road. The members of the firm are Messrs. J. S., S. and J. Pinkussohn, all brothers. These gentlemen are enterprising and progressive business men, well known in our best commercial circles.

H. NACHMAN.

A valuable addition to our general trade is that of Mr. H. Nachman, wholesale dealer in millinery, hats, caps and notions. Mr. Nachman established this business in August, 1900, and his progressive methods have achieved a great success. The premises occupied at 233 Meeting street comprise a two-story building, 30x125 feet in area, especially equipped for the purposes of this business. Mr. Nachman has superior connections with the best manufacturing and importing centers, and is enabled to offer his trade unusual inducements. His assortment includes a full line of millinery of every description, trimmed and untrimmed hats and bonnets, feathers, ribbons, etc.; also hats and caps, and everything that comes under the head of general notions. He has built up a large trade, traveling men throughout South Carolina and into some parts of North Carolina. Mr. Nachman is able and enterprising, having made this business a success by sound management.

BLOHME MILLING CO.

An influential and representative concern in its line in the city is the Blohme Milling Company, of No. 32 Beaufain street, with 'phones, Bell 203, and Gordon 1203. Established originally 20 years ago, it came under its present style 5 years since, and has always been one of our most successful lines of commerce, doing a large wholesale trade throughout South Carolina, and a very important and influential city retail trade. The company occupies an entire two-story building, 30x150 feet in area, well equipped as to machinery, and has a capacity of milling 100 barrels of self-raising flour daily. This they make under brands to suit the trade, and the capacity is fully taxed at all times. They are manufacturers of prepared flour, grist and meal, and dealers in hay, grain and mill feed. The manager is Mr. J. C. Blohme, who has been connected with the mill 15 years, holding his present position five years; and he is a much respected citizen.

R. G. DUN & CO.

The basis of the great development of American commerce is the credit system. The most powerful factor in disseminating information in this country, enabling business institutions to successfully prosper under this system, has been the well-known mercantile agency of R. G. Dun & Co. It is the oldest and largest institution of its kind in this country, and during its long career has

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acquired an experience and capital which gives it the ability to fulfill in the highest degree the duties devolving upon it. The entire country and world, in fact, has become familiarized with its general aim, purpose and system, but it possesses distinctive features which are worthy of special attention by those whose business renders it necessary to extend confidence or credit. It furnishes the most complete service, and is a necessity in any commercial community. The Charleston branch was opened in 1853, and was the ninth office to be started by the company, which now has branches in every trade center of the world. Mr. O. A. Ponard, who has charge of the local branch, has been with the company for fifteen years, and was previously manager of the Jacksonville, Fla., office. He brings to bear special qualifications for the successful performance of the duties devolving upon him, and has become well and favorably known in our best commercial circles. He is enterprising and public-spirited, and is ever foremost in projects which have for their aim the betterment of the general welfare.

JOHN F. BENNETT.

The many large fertilizer factories in the South give great scope for the sale of chemicals and phosphate rock, and the annual consumption in this line is enormous. One of the most prominent and best known of all the business men engaged in the brokerage of chemicals, etc., is Mr. John F. Bennett, whose office and warehouse is at Boyce's Wharf. Widely known throughout the South to manufacturers of fertilizers, Mr. Bennett has built up a splendid business by the strict integrity of his methods, the close price quotations he is able to give and the reliability of the articles he handles. He deals in chemicals of all kinds, and sells phosphate rock on commission. He is also Southern agent for Otto G. Meyer & Co., of New York, who represent Mason and Berry's pyrites, which come from Portugal, and his sales on their account are yearly very extensive and always increasing. Mr. Bennett does a very large annual amount of business, and is very greatly respected in the trade, being one of its best posted practical men. He is very popular socially in our city, and highly regarded in business circles.

J. N. ROBSON & SON.

Among the substantial and old established business houses of Charleston, none are more prominent than the firm of Messrs. J. N. Robson & Son, brokers, commission merchants and wholesale and retail dealers in hay, grain, fruits and provisions. This business was established in 1839 by Mr. J. N. Robson, for years one of our most progressive business men. Mr. Robson is now retired in favor of his sons, although he yet takes an active interest in the development of the business. The proprietors are now Messrs. John W. and Frank E. Robson, both of whom have grown up in the business. The premises occupied at 136 East Bay, and 1 and 2 Atlantic Wharf, comprise an entire three-story building, 25x140 feet in area. The firm has developed superior connections with Western shippers and manufacturers of provisions, flour, hay and grain, and are always prepared to offer unusual inducements to the trade. They handle the products of a number of the largest Western manufacturers, among them being the Omaha Packing Company, one of the largest shippers of provisions and pork products in the country. They also represent the "Inglehart Flour," than which there is none better made in the world, as a large local trade will testify. This firm does an immense local business with our jobbers and dealers, and ships extensively throughout South and North Carolina. The members of the firm are representative business men.

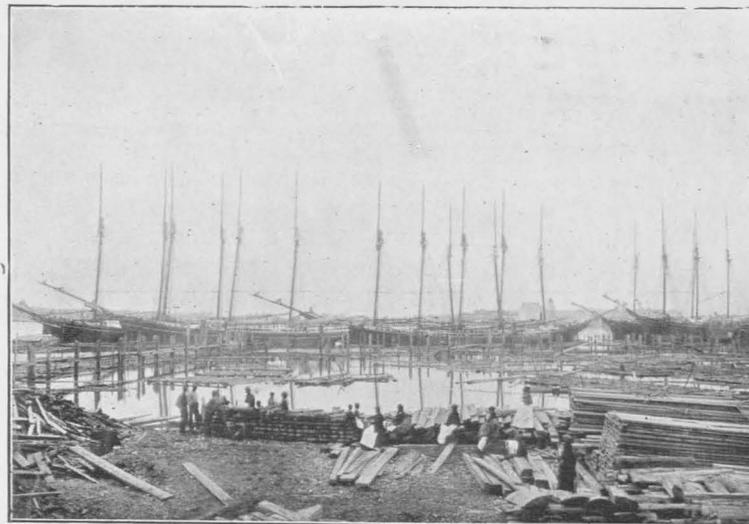
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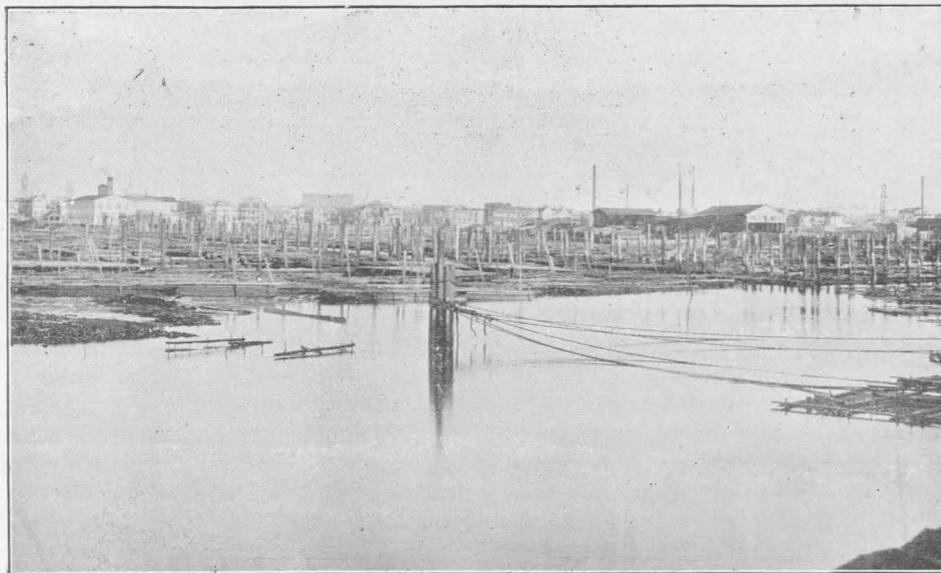
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SHOWING VIEW OF PONDS AND MILLS FROM CITY



SHOWING SIX VESSELS LOADING



SHOWING VIEW OF PONDS AND MILLS FROM ASHLEY RIVER.
WEST END BROAD STREET, CHARLESTON, S. C.

S. PICKENS ANDERSON, SECRETARY AND TREASURER

H. F. WALKER, SUPERINTENDENT

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C. D. GARTLEMAN CO.

The trade in hay, grain and farm products is one of the most important centered in Charleston, being ably represented in this city by a number of responsible concerns, prominent among which is the C. D. Gartleman Co., whose office and stores are at 414 King street, near Marion Square, with Bell telephone 266 and Gordon 'phone 1066. The company was established some five years ago, receiving incorporation under the laws of the State of South Carolina, with ample capital, and has always held a commanding position in the trade. The officers to whom so much of its great success is due are Mr. C. D. Gartleman, the President and Manager, who has been identified with the business here for the past 30 years, and is an authority in it, and Mr. T. B. McSwiney, the Secretary, and both are reliable and upright business men. The company occupies almost an entire block on the Southern Railway for warehouses, and carries a heavy stock of choice hay, grain, grits, meal and mill feed, and are manufacturers of the Improved Cow Food, an article in great demand with our most progressive dairymen and farmers. They receive their supplies from the best growing centers, and handle none but the best grades, selling both at wholesale and retail at the lowest prices at all seasons, and doing an immense city trade, as well as shipping to many points in South Carolina, the house being leaders in their line.

J. D. W. CLAUSSEN.

Among the diversified interests which go to make up a commercial center, that of the manufacturers' agent and broker is of prime importance. A leading representative of this special line of enterprise in Charleston is Mr. J. D. W. Claussen, whose well appointed office is located at 156 East Bay street. Mr. Claussen has been engaged in this line here for the past ten years, and during that period has established most superior connections with leading manufacturers, as well as a large trade among our largest jobbers. He makes a leading specialty of hay, grain, flour and mill products, and sells more of these important commodities than any other one man in Charleston. He also handles large quantities of coffee, rice, canned goods, provisions, etc., representing large manufacturers and importers in these lines. He sells to the jobbing trade only, and has built up a large business with our best houses. Mr. Claussen has been identified with the business for fifteen years, and is fully conversant with its every detail. He is well and favorably known in local commercial circles, and is a highly esteemed representative of his line of business.

HERZOG'S JOBBING HOUSE.

Among the jobbing houses whose operations are of great influence in our general commercial activity, that of Mr. H. Herzog is entitled to prominent mention. Mr. Herzog established the business some twelve years ago, and now it is one of the largest of its kind in this section. The premises occupied at 225 Meeting street comprise a three-story building, 30x150 feet in area, and the stock is one of the most comprehensive of its kind in the South. It embraces all kinds of clothing, furnishing goods, hosiery, linen goods, handkerchiefs, jewelry, cutlery, notions, etc., etc. Mr. Herzog enjoys superior connections with the largest manufacturers, and he can offer the trade unusual inducements. He sells a large local trade, and ships, besides, very extensively into South and North Carolina, Georgia and Florida, being represented in that territory by an efficient corps of traveling men. Mr. H. Herzog is one of our most able and enterprising business men. He was formerly in business in the East, and is thoroughly experienced in modern business methods.

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JAMES T. MOLONY.

Among the diversified interests which go to make up our commercial activity, that of the ship broker and commission merchant occupies an important position. Among those engaged in this line of enterprise is Mr. James T. Molony, whose office is on Accommodation Wharf. Mr. Molony brings to bear a wide experience and complete knowledge of every feature and detail of his business. He acts as broker in securing freights for vessels and other craft, and his connections with producers, exporters and other shippers enables him to procure charters in short order. He also attends to the disposal of cargoes of import freight, and is prepared to find a profitable market for all merchantable goods of any character. Mr. James T. Molony is one of our respected and esteemed citizens, and one of our representative business men.

LEVY & CO.

A prominent branch of commerce is that of the merchandise brokerage business, in which are engaged some of our most representative men. A leader among them is Mr. G. Levy, whose office is at 193 East Bay street. Mr. Levy is a young man of push and enterprise, and during the two years he has been engaged in this business has taken front rank among its most successful exponents. He represents some of the largest manufacturers and importers, and handles all staple goods, but makes a specialty of meats, coffee and lard, in which commodities he drives a large and growing business among our best jobbers. He also makes a leading specialty of cow peas, and handles the entire South Carolina crop, shipping same in car lots to all parts of the United States. The cow pea industry is fast developing large proportions, which fact is due, in this State, mainly to the enterprising methods of Mr. Levy. Mr. G. Levy has resided in our city a number of years, and is well known throughout the community. He is esteemed as an upright, honorable business man.

L. C. A. ROESSLER.

If we were asked what make of lager beer was most widely known and used in all parts of the globe, we should unhesitatingly mention that of the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Association, of St. Louis, Mo. And it is a fact that the grand productions of this great corporation are in the greatest demand, not only in America, but Europe, Asia and Australia. In our city, the F. W. Jessen Bottling Works, of which Mr. L. C. A. Roessler is the well-known proprietor, are exclusive handlers of Anheuser-Busch beers, bottling the same as well as selling, under permit of the Dispensary Law, both in bulk and bottles, throughout South Carolina. The two brands which they utilize entirely are "Pale" and "Faust," and they handle 107 carloads annually. The works were established ten years ago, by Mr. Roessler, and are located at 29 George street, the yards, bottling works and warehouse being 75x300 feet in area, employing twenty hands and utilizing five delivery wagons. Every modern improvement is installed. The cold storage facilities are perfect, and the works have a capacity of fifty barrels a day. They only bottle under "crown cork" system, and the beer is always sent out from the works in the prime and most sparkling condition. Mr. Roessler is one of Charleston's most estimable citizens, and he conducts his business on the best principles of honor and integrity.

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HORNIK'S BARGAIN HOUSE.

This great enterprise stands in the same relation to Charleston as does the Pabst Brewing Company to Milwaukee, and has, in truth, through the magnitude of its operations, made Charleston famous throughout the South. Mr. M. Hornik, the progressive proprietor, established this business on a small scale in 1886, and today we are safe in saying his mail order trade is the largest that comes to this city. The building now occupied at 190-192-194-196 Meeting street, 112-114-116 Market street, and 49-53 Hayne street, is four stories high and 200x50 feet in area. It is replete with an immense and comprehensive stock of everything to be found in a modern department store, including clothing, shoes, hats, notions, underwear, dry goods, shelf hardware, etc., etc. The business is strictly wholesale, Mr. Hornik catering to the wholesale trade only. He buys for cash, sells for cash, has no traveling men expenses, and is thus enabled to sell by catalogue, at prices that cannot be duplicated by the old line jobber, who is loaded down with expenses, which must go into the price of their goods. Mr. Hornik covers the entire South, and sends out 40,000 catalogues annually. Merchants order by mail, each article in the catalogue being numbered. Those who have not done business with Mr. Hornik would do well to write for catalogue at once, and discover how to double their profits. Satisfaction is guaranteed, and goods are warranted as described in catalogue, or purchaser has permission to return them at the expense of the house. Mr. M. Hornik is one of the advanced business men of the age, and is well and favorably known in commercial circles.

SOTTILE BROS.

Among our most successful business firms is that of Messrs. Sottile Bros., soliciting agents for high grade whiskies and wines; also wholesale dealers in cigars. This well-known firm, composed of Messrs. Albert and Santo Sottile, was formed in 1891, and has developed a large and growing trade. Messrs. Sottile Bros. represent some of the leading manufacturers of their lines of goods in the world. They are agents for the Jules Verne cigars, of Seiber Cigar Mf'g Co., of New York, and The Boltz Clymer & Co., Philadelphia. In liquors, wines, etc., they represent Corning & Co., Peoria, Ills., who distill the celebrated "Old Quaker Rye"; Clarke Bros. Co., Peoria, Ills.; Gallagher & Burham, Philadelphia, Penn., manufacturers of fine whiskies; F. DeBare & Co., New York, champagnes; F. C. Neall, New York, wines and cordials, and Jos. Everard Breweries, New York, high grade beers. These concerns are all leaders in their particular lines in this country. Messrs. Sottile Bros. secure a large and most liberal share of the local business. They are young men of push and enterprise, and have made a notable success of this business, and are therefore entitled to more than passing mention in this Review.

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BERNARD ADVERTISING SERVICE.



This firm operates the only exclusively commercial bill posting and bulletin sign painting business in the city; its plant being one of the largest and best equipped of its kind in the South. The office, bill rooms and paint department occupy the two-story building at No. 133 Meeting street. The management is under the personal care and direction of R. B. Hubert, one of the owners. The guarantee of service by the Associated Bill Posters of the United States and Canada, and of the South Eastern States Bill Posters' Association, from both of which this firm holds franchise, is alone an assurance of its high standing and popularity among national advertisers.

Chas. Bernard, the founder of the Bernard Advertising Service, and General Manager of its several extensive plants in Savannah and Augusta, Ga., Mobile, Ala., and Charleston, S. C., is one of the leading men identified with the out-door advertising interests of the United States to-day. He is the Secretary of a national organization known as the Associated Bill Posters of the United States and Canada. He is the originator of a system of advertising in small towns, by which a national advertiser can in one contract place advertising matter of just sufficient quantity to cover each and every town of 500 population or over, without waste or loss of advertising matter, in any specified territory. A plan of checking, and reports, systematically arranged, gives a positive guarantee of correct service. The Bernard Advertising Service own and control thousands of feet of bill and bulletin boards; they are constantly adding to their already extensive plants; their progressive methods and courteous treatment of their patrons make them popular among bill board advertisers; and they hold a place among the prominent business firms of the city.



CHAS. C. LESLIE.

The oldest, largest and best known house in its particular line of trade in Charleston is that of Mr. C. C. Leslie, dealer in fish, oysters, game and country produce. Mr. Leslie established this business some forty years ago, and has developed superior connections with the best supply sections of the country. He is in daily receipt of fresh consignments of salt and fresh water fish of all kinds, oysters, every variety of game, poultry, eggs, etc., customers having every assurance of receiving from this old and reliable house only the best and freshest goods. The premises occupied at 18 and 20 Market street are 100x150 feet in area, equipped with every facility and convenience, and kept scrupulously neat and clean. Mr. Leslie also does an extensive wholesale business with inland towns and cities, shipping large consignments of fish and oysters each day. Mr. Chas. C. Leslie is one of our oldest and most substantial business men.

WM. WIGG.

In the line of catering for refreshments to private families, picnics, balls and parties, no house in our city is better equipped, or has more ample facilities, than Mr. Wm. Wigg, whose office and factory are located at No. 35 Lucas street, west end of Calhoun. Gordon telephone 1295. The business was established in 1891, and Mr. Wigg owns and operates a well equipped, modern plant, and does a very successful trade both at wholesale (principally) and retail. He manufactures ice cream, cakes, etc., and uses only the purest cream and fruit flavorings in his ice cream, and the finest flour, fruits, sugars and other ingredients in his cakes. Water ices are also made, and goods are promptly delivered to stores, hotels, private families, etc., at the most moderate prices, and catering orders are filled in a most satisfactory manner, at short notice.



SCENE ON ISLE OF PALMS.

OUR MANUFACTURING INTERESTS.

ALTHOUGH less widely known as a manufacturing than as a shipping and distributing point, Charleston is not without industrial institutions whose products command ready sale both at home and abroad. Her splendid shipping facilities, eminently fit her for a manufacturing centre, enabling her to reach the world's markets cheaply, quickly and conveniently, while the raw material to be found at her very doors is surpassed in neither quality nor variety anywhere. While having at command the varied and valuable products of the mines (coal and iron), the forest and the farm (lumber and cotton), and possessing the best facilities for the distribution of goods, nothing would appear to be lacking in constituting Charleston an ideal city for the location of manufacturing establishments of every description.

The city and its inhabitants are prepared to welcome any who may come here, and to offer them any assistance in their power. The manufacturer who may decide to cast his lot in Charleston will find everything provided for the successful furtherance of his enterprise, and a helpful hand will be extended him by the citizens of the community. Charleston has already many prosperous manufacturing industries, which are greatly diversified.

Here are located and successfully operated a large cotton oil refinery, large awning and tent factories, a number of saw and planing mills, stone and monument works, broom factory, brewery, bottling works, several ice factories, boiler works, machine shops, foundries, rice mills, carriage factories, cigar factories, phosphate and chemical works, box and basket factories, syrup factory, barrel factory, clothing factory, trunk factory, baking powder factories, copper stills, and numerous other industries of more or less importance, giving employment to hundreds of hands.

There are splendid opportunities here for the establishment of factories for the manufacture of woolen goods, knit goods, yarns, cotton cloth, furniture, woodenware specialties, sash, doors, and blinds, prepared foods, and canning of fruits, vegetables, oysters, fish, etc.; machinery, agricultural implements, cordage, marine engines, and, in fact, any staple marketable articles. The business man who is in search of a good investment can readily see that his opportunity is here. Each and every concern already engaged in manufacturing here is prosperous, and all sing the praises of Charleston as one of the grandest locations in the country for the successful prosecution of every line of industry in the country, no matter how large it may be, for we have here at our very doors ships flying the flags of all nations ready to carry our products to all parts of the world, as well as railroad tracks reaching out to all parts of the Union. A sure proof of the city's splendid advantages is that many enterprises that started here a few years back on a small scale are now gigantic concerns.

Volumes might be written concerning the products of Charleston's factories and workmanship, but even a book has its limitations, and many interesting and instructive things must of necessity be left unsaid. In the following brief sketches a more extended notice is given of a few of our most important industries:

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VIRGINIA-CAROLINA CHEMICAL CO.

It is a matter of the sincerest congratulation to those interested in the agricultural products of our country, that our farmers and planters are using improved and more scientific methods in their operations, and are learning the absolute necessity of heavy fertilizing, to secure bountiful crops. No company is more responsible than the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co. for manufacturing and supplying the highest grade and most valuable fertilizers for all kinds of land and crops; and its yearly output, which goes to all sections of our republic, and is largely exported, is an evidence that its productions meet fully and completely the demands of our agriculturalists, and those of other countries as well.

The general office of the company for South Carolina is at 21 Broad street, and the concern is the owner of the largest and best equipped fertilizer factories throughout South Carolina, Georgia, Virginia, Tennessee and Maryland, and is the largest enterprise of its kind in the United States, if not in the world. South Carolina is fortunate in having several of its largest factories in the State, employing a large force of help, and with a heavy pay-roll. A number of these are near the City of Charleston, and every dollar of the pay-rolls for these factories is either spent or banked in our city, and thus increases its material prosperity. From Charleston a large territory is supplied, the company selling to dealers throughout it, always quoting prices that are favorable, and giving prompt shipment to orders. It owns the factories and brands formerly owned by the Ashley, Atlantic, Berkeley, Chicora, Edisto, Imperial, Standard, Stono, Wando and Wappo; and, as Charleston is noted for its phosphates, these are in ready demand, and never fail to give to the user the most complete satisfaction. The company is noted for paying its employees fair wages and conducting all its business on the most honorable and liberal methods.

THE GORDON TELEPHONE CO.

As an absolute necessity of the business life of today no factor stands out more prominently than does the telephone, and the many improvements that have taken place in its workings since its inception show plainly that our most scientific men recognize that it is a power that will always continue to grow in demand, and will well repay inventive genius. Many cities in our republic have felt that it is desirable to own and operate, either themselves as a municipality, or through their citizens, a telephone service of their own, having found monopolistic charges higher than was necessary to give a first-class service and make a fair profit on capital. The Gordon Telephone Company has had phenomenal success, due largely to the fact that it accords our citizens an unsurpassed telephone service. The offices are in the Exchange Banking and Trust Company Building, and, with wires throughout the city, long distance instruments and metallic circuit, they furnish the cheapest, promptest and most up-to-date service that can possibly be had. They give an unlimited 'phone service at the following abnormally low rates, viz: residence \$24.00, and business houses \$40.00, respectively, per year. A long list of subscribers, which shows a daily increase, accents the appreciation of our citizens, and the management of the company keep it up to the latest date, with every new and meritorious improvement, while its plant is exceptionally fine in its equipment. A company enterprising, and with spirited management, it appeals strongly to our citizens for support and patronage, and receives it. The General Manager and Treasurer of the company is one of the ablest telephone men in the South—Mr. Reginald F. Fennell. He is also President of the Island Telephone Company, and Secretary of the Telephone Construction Company, while Mr. M. C. Duncan is local manager, and accords our citizens prompt and courteous attention to all their wants in his line.

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RIVERSIDE IRON WORKS.

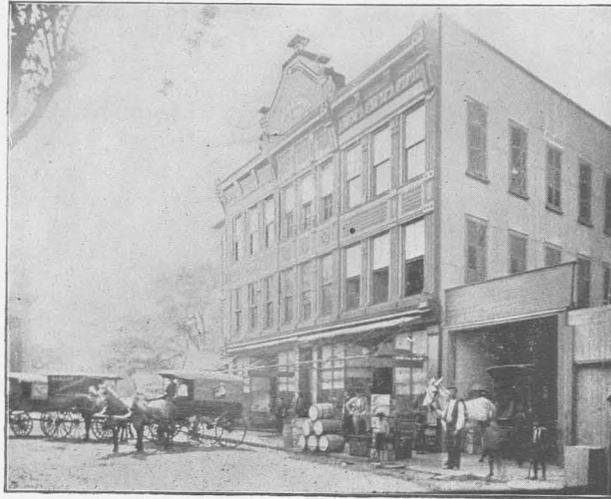
The causes of Charleston's supremacy are evident, among them being the excellence of location, perfection of transportation facilities to all points by rail and water, and cheap fuel for steam and domestic purposes. In almost every line Charleston possesses large industrial enterprises, operated by men of integrity, push and ability. Notable as engineers, machinists and boilermakers, is the Riverside Iron Works, whose facilities in this line stand unrivalled in the United States. Realizing the importance of Charleston as a great and growing manufacturing center, the Riverside Iron Works was incorporated and invested large capital in their plant in 1899, equipping it with the very best and most modern machinery and appliances, and from its inception has been very successful. The plant is located at the east end of Hasell street, where they have the best of transportation facilities, both by water and rail. They are manufacturers of marine and stationery engines, boilers and all kinds of mill machinery, making a specialty of marine work; also special attention is given to repairing on the shortest possible notice. They are also founders and general machine and shipsmiths. The plant consists of several buildings, viz: foundry, blacksmith shop, machine shop, pattern room, etc., all of which have the most modern equipment. Employment is given to a large force of skilled help, and this concern has done a large amount of the best work in this section during its existence, including marine engines and boilers for many of the steamships entering here, stationery engines for large manufacturing plants, etc. The works are managed in each department by able and experienced mechanics. The citizens of Charleston are to be congratulated on having such an up-to-date concern in their midst, and a concern whose officers are not only able and progressive business men, but enterprising and public-spirited citizens. Mr. R. H. Lockwood is the President, and Mr. G. H. W. Bruggemann, Secretary and Treasurer. It is to such men as these that Charleston owes her present and prospective greatness.

WEST POINT MILL CO.

This company, which was established in the forties, and is the pioneer rice mill in this section of our country, has been a most useful institution to our planters and the business interests of our city, and its long and honorable career points to the fact that it has been very widely appreciated and patronized by that class of our population for whose benefit it was first incepted. No need with a record of over half a century of solid success to point out that it has always been ably and honorably conducted; had it been otherwise it would have long ago passed out of existence. At no time in its history has it been more capably and successfully conducted than during the last six years, during which time it has been under the control of its present management. The mill proper is an immense four-story brick building, and, together with three large warehouses, other buildings and three extensive wharves, covers ten acres of ground. The mill equipment is perfect, fitted with all the most modern rice milling machinery known in the industry. The company prepares rough rice for the market, and stores rice for its patrons as cheaply as any other rice mill in the country, with special advantages as to insurance rates, etc. It solicits consignments of rough rice, to which it gives prompt milling and prompt returns, and is prepared to pay the highest market prices for good rice. The company has always for sale thoroughly prepared stock food, known as Carolina Rice Meal, which has become very popular with all the large dairy concerns in this and surrounding States. The mill employs 50 hands, and has a capacity of 400 barrels cleaned rice every 24 hours, or 4,500 bushels of rough rice, and this is without doubt the largest in this part of our republic. It gives its patrons a very superior class of service, and its charges are in every way moderate for milling, and the success it has always enjoyed shows how heartily it has been appreciated.

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O. G. MARJENHOFF.



Among the enterprises contributing to the reputation of Charleston as an industrial and commercial center, that of Mr. O. G. Marjenhoff is entitled to prominent mention. Mr. Marjenhoff is a fine example of a self-made man. He began business here in a small way in 1867, and by enterprise and honorable dealings has developed into one of our most successful business men. He has been our Chief of Fire Department since 1894, and has fulfilled the duties of that office with fidelity to the community and honor to himself. His factory and salesrooms are located at 147-149 and 157 Church street, comprising an entire two-story building 50x150 feet in area, and perfectly equipped. He also operates two large warehouses on Cumberland street, and owns all the property he uses, as well as much other city realty. He is manufacturer and dealer in bread, crackers and confectionery, and his trade mark, "Pride," is a guarantee not only of excellence in taste and flavor, but also of purity and cleanliness. Five wagons are utilized for delivery to the city trade and for shipments, and a large force of people are given employment. Mr. Marjenhoff also deals in bakers' utensils and supplies, carrying a large stock of these goods. He is a manufacturers' agent, and represents the Union Carbide Company, of Chicago and New York, manufacturers of calcium carbide, used extensively for the manufacture of acetyline gas. Mr. Marjenhoff is a splendid representative of the thrift and enterprise that characterize the Charleston business man, and he and his business are honors to our city, as well as large contributors to our trade activity.

THOS. H. REYNOLDS.

In the trade represented by Mr. Thos. Reynolds, as manufacturer of and dealer in fine monumental cemetery work, at 122 to 128 King street, is second to no other of its class, which may fairly claim to combine with a manual handicraft, the richest embellishments of art. The perfection now attained in this direction may be plainly seen in the work turned out by this leading

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house, and at the works may be found a large variety of designs in monuments, headstones, etc., which evince a combination of taste and skill rarely seen in domestic manufactures of the kind. The business was founded by Mr. Reynolds in 1881, and since that time it has been expanding and growing until today his work is to be seen on some of the finest monuments throughout the entire South. He makes a leading specialty of fine memorial work, embodying the art of the sculptor and the skill of the artisan, and he is prepared to furnish monuments, tombs, gravestones and every description of marble and granite work at short notice. He is also prepared to make estimates and take contracts for the erection of stone buildings, and to fill orders of any magnitude for stone for contractors and builders. In many of the most prominent buildings of this city, and throughout this and adjoining States, are to be seen stone which was supplied by Mr. Reynolds. His yards are filled with rare and beautiful designs, ranging from the imposing monument to the chaste headstone, in great variety, and suitable for all places and tastes. He has executed the finest and most important work, both of a private and public character, that is to be seen throughout South and North Carolina, Georgia and Florida, and his services are in constant and important request throughout the above named States, by people of note and affluence. His plant is one of the best equipped in the South, being provided with every modern appliance, operated by electric power and compressed air. His force consists of about twenty skilled artisans, who are constantly employed. Mr. Reynolds is thoroughly familiar with every department of his business, having been engaged at same since boyhood. He is one of our most substantial citizens, owning considerable city realty, and being otherwise interested in Charleston enterprises.

THE SIMONS-EVANS MANUFACTURING CO.

Ranking among the principal commercial and industrial establishments of Charleston is the Simons-Evans Manufacturing Company, manufacturers and jobbers of pants, clothing, shirts, drawers, overalls, suspenders, etc., etc. This business was organized and incorporated last December a year ago, and from its inception took foremost rank among our most important commercial enterprises. The officers of the company are Mr. R. H. Simons, President; Mr. Robert P. Evans, Vice President, and Mr. N. M. Heyward, Secretary and Treasurer. The other directors are Messrs. Geo. A. Wagener, W. B. Wilson, Geo. L. Muckenfuss and R. S. Whaley. These names are those of our leading and most influential capitalists and business men, whose connection with any concern is a guarantee of its success and standing. The premises occupied at 37 and 39 Hayne street comprise two entire buildings, three floors each, 50x200 feet in area, and perfectly equipped. The company manufactures all the pants handled by it, and have earned an enviable reputation for the excellence of its production. Other goods handled are purchased in large lots, direct from the manufacturers, and this company has established influential connections with the largest houses in this country. They travel eleven men, and ship their goods into Georgia, some parts of Alabama, and throughout South and North Carolina and Florida. The success of this house reflects the highest credit on its management, and should be a subject of pride to every citizen, giving, as it does to Charleston, another large industry.

ATLANTIC WOODENWARE CO.

That the merchants and manufacturers of Charleston are lacking in the industry or enterprise necessary to business success is amply disproved in the steady expansion in the trade of the leading concerns; the fact that new business enterprises which have substantial backing are continually being introduced, operating upon home capital, and that the volume of the city's trade grows from year to year, each season showing a gain in the aggregate of business transacted. We have a splendid example of this in the Atlantic Woodenware Company, whose fine plant is located on Bay, corner of Columbus, where the factory covers a quarter of a



OLD RESIDENCE ON HASELL STREET.

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block. Incorporated in February, 1899, with a capital stock of \$10,000, the business done during the two years and three months of the company's existence has been of a most substantial character, gratifying alike to its promoters and all public-spirited citizens; and its steady monthly increase presages for it a most prosperous and useful future. The equipment of the factory is of the most modern kind, and a large force of help is employed, under expert and capable supervision. The company are manufacturers of all kinds of baskets, suitable for fruit, vegetables or farm produce, as well as that of the orchard, making these in all sizes, as also drums for crating bananas, etc. Their goods are the best, and their prices and terms the most favorable, and an immense business is done throughout the Southern States. Orders are accurately and promptly filled and shipped, and the executive most ably conducts the company's affairs. Mr. F. C. Fishburne is President and Treasurer, and Mr. Geo. R. Fishburne, Secretary; being prominent and progressive business men.

THE JET-WHITE STEAM LAUNDRY.

The world has witnessed many marvellous inventions and improvements during the past half century, and the most of these have been within the sphere of the business and commercial world. But there is a branch closely allied to home life that has received a full share of improvement, and that is in the laundrying of our wearing apparel and household linen. To properly appreciate how vast these improvements have been, and how advantageous they are, one should make a tour of inspection of the plant of The Jet-White Laundry Company, which opened its doors to business on April 1st, last. Located at 229 King street, and occupying the main floor, 25x225 feet in area, and part of the second floor, the plant is most complete. Every modern and up-to-date machine known in the business is installed, and it is in every way the finest equipped laundry in the South. Employing a large force of skilled help, they turn out work unsurpassed by any laundry anywhere, and do so promptly, and without any damage to the most delicate fabrics. A new departure with the laundry, and one which no other laundry can boast, is that they use entirely rain water in their washings, all others using water from artesian wells. No need to tell the thrifty housekeeper the advantages of these, and gentlemen who get their shirts, collars and cuffs laundried here will perceive the difference at once. Parcels are called for and delivered, and prices that rule are the lowest in the city. The proprietors are Mr. Charles L. Cliff, who is the present proprietor of the Georgia Steam Laundry, at Savannah, for five years, and Mr. Frank D. Cliff, both of whom have fifteen years' experience in the business, and are energetic, upright business men; while Mr. W. A. Brown, formerly of the famous E. & W. Laundry, is the Superintendent.

CITY ICE CO.

The immense consumption of ice in all parts of this country, and the constantly growing demand, has given to this trade a wonderful impetus during the past decade, and has made it a very important factor in the commercial activity of every business center. Among the most reliable and representative concerns handling this commodity in Charleston is the City Ice Company, 172 Church street, northeast corner of Market street. This business was established and incorporated four years ago, with sufficient capital, and by most capable and successful management a very large and growing trade has been developed. The company deals in pure crystal ice only, and the ice supplied by the City Ice Company is noted for its purity; while the price at which it is sold is within the reach of all. The company has a capacity of 100 tons per day, and is consequently prepared to meet the demands upon it at all times. It is one of the most representative of our business enterprises, and a leading experiment of its particular line of industry, we desire to give to the City Ice Company prominent mention in this Industrial and Commercial Review of Charleston.

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MUTUAL ICE MANUFACTURING AND COLD STORAGE CO.

The use of ice is so extensive and general that it is of the highest importance it should be pure, and of the best quality, particularly in a city like Charleston. The only way to get pure ice is to buy it from a reliable concern, and in our city this is the Mutual Ice Manufacturing and Cold Storage Company, whose fine plant is located at Carolina Wharves. Here it occupies one and two-story brick buildings, erected in 1898, which, together with wharves, covers two acres of ground, adjoining the Terminal Railway; and the equipment is of the finest and most up-to-date character. The company, which was organized with ample capital, in 1897, manufactures pure ice from distilled water, having a capacity, with their splendid plant, of 100 tons every twenty-four hours; and they sell at wholesale only to the city dealers. Their ice is known to be the purest and best in this section of our republic. It is sold at the lowest prices pure ice can be sold for, and the management always maintain the high standard of quality.

The officers of the company are Mr. W. A. Wheeler, of Portland, Maine, as President; Mr. H. R. Luhn, a talented attorney of our city, as Secretary and Treasurer; while the Cashier and Superintendent, Mr. Geo. C. Hazelton, has had charge of the company's business for three years, and is most able and efficient in discharging his duties, and extremely popular.

D. A. AMME.

Among the many meritorious successes in business that have been gained during the past half century in our city, none have been more substantial or better deserved than that of the old house of Amme. The present proprietor, Mr. D. A. Amme, succeeded his uncle, Mr. C. Amme (who established the house in 1851), in the year 1890, when it came under its present style. It has, for the five decades it has been in existence, always held the front place among the bakeries of our city, owing to the fact that it set a high standard at its commencement of purity in all its products, from which it has never deviated; and by honorable and upright business methods, and moderation in prices, it has maintained a patronage second to none in the city. The bakery, store and residence is a fine three-story brick building, 61x160 feet in ground area, owned by Mr. Amme, among much other real estate, and the appointments and equipment are of the best. The ovens are spacious and of the most approved patterns, and the house makes, from the very best brands of flour and purest ingredients, the white, brown and rye breads for which it is justly celebrated, as well as biscuits and cakes. A leading specialty is the "Pilot Biscuit," which is made specially for dyspeptics, in which he has a very extensive trade in all parts of the country, and is highly prized by those troubled with that ailment. The bakery is at 442 King street, with a branch at 586 King street, and telephone 1662. All orders are filled with promptness and despatch. Mr. Amme, whose bakery is the oldest above Calhoun street, is a nephew of the founder, a member of the German Artillery, member of Executive Committee of the Young Men's Business League, director of the Carolina Mutual Insurance Company, and Steward of the Freundschafts-Bund, and has other business interests in our city.

RILEY'S FOUNDRY AND MACHINE SHOPS.

The trade of the founder, machinist and boiler maker, represented here by Mr. John F. Riley, is of inestimable value to a large number of manufacturers, ship owners, and indirectly to the community at large, as well as requisites for engineers, millwrights and many other purposes. The production of castings in metal and brass for all and every kind of work, made in any design, and in any size, is the aim of this concern; and the work turned out is the very best. Machinery work of all kinds is

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attended to promptly, estimates being furnished and special attention given to repair work. Boilers are made to order for all purposes, and all sizes, of the best selected material, by skilled workmen; and these boilers are among the strongest and best on the market. The plant, which is located at 6-8 South _____, is very conveniently located for transportation purposes. It is spacious, and each department is equipped with the most modern machinery and appliances known to the industry. Only the most expert workmen are employed, and all work is done under the immediate supervision of Mr. Riley, who is one of the most skilled mechanics in the country. Mr. Riley is one of Charleston's most enterprising business men and public-spirited citizens. He is highly esteemed here, and is always ready to aid in any enterprise that has for its aim the city's advancement.

GEORGE ONSLOW.

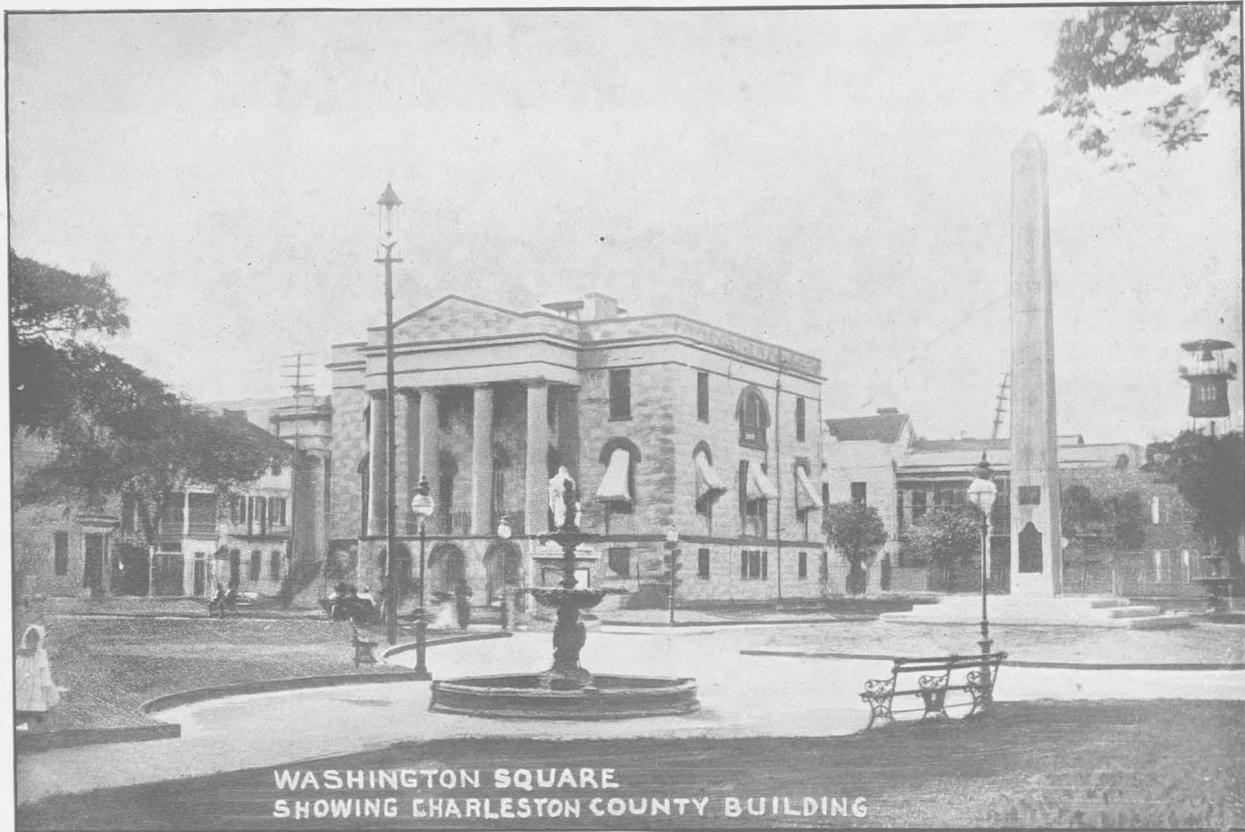
One of the oldest and best known houses engaged in the confectionery business in Charleston is that of Mr. George Onslow, located at 300 King street. A very old established business, Mr. Onslow has secured a most enviable reputation for the superiority of his productions, while his patronage, always large, is steadily increasing. He occupies the main floor of the building, 25x100 feet in area, which is always a pattern of cleanliness; and, using only the purest sugar, flavorings and other ingredients, manufactures a very superior line of fine candies, caramels, chocolates, etc. No finer goods are turned out of any factory than his, and he always carries on hand a large and fine stock of freshly made goods. His prices are always extremely moderate, and Mr. Onslow, who is a thorough, practical man at his business, and of long experience in it, is very successful.

W. T. BRESNIHAN.

This business was founded over one hundred years ago by Mr. John White, who was succeeded by his son, Mr. Edwin R. White, who was in turn succeeded by W. T. Bresnihan, ten years ago. These marble and granite works at 134 Meeting street are one of the best equipped in the South. Mr. Bresnihan carries in stock full lines of Italian, Vermont and Georgia marbles, South Carolina, Barre, Quincy, Westerly and Scotch granites, affording patrons opportunity for the exercise of individual taste. He makes a specialty of building monuments, tablets and cemetery enclosures, and any kind of work in the monumental line. Among the most notable monuments erected by him are the following: Mr. W. Perry Murphy, Gen. Thos. A. Hugenin, Capt. Jacob Burt, Capt. M. Revel and Mr. E. B. Hollings. Mr. Bresnihan also carries a full line of encaustic and art tiles for hearths, fencing, vestibules, etc.; also galvanized vases. He is prepared to furnish estimates and designs on application, and guarantees his work to be first-class. Mr. Bresnihan is a progressive business man, and bears a high reputation.

BENNETT RICE MILLS.

Bennett Rice Mill is one of the largest and best equipped mills of the kind in the country. It has a capacity of 2,000 bushels a day and does splendid work, and possesses fine facilities for handling the rough as well as clean. Being on Cooper River, exactly in the centre of the busy water front, and with the East Shore Terminal Company's tracks running directly through the property, with switches leading to the granary and warehouses, the product is handled with very little cost, and no waste. Mr. A. B. Murray, the owner and proprietor of this mill, is a gentleman of long experience in this business, having been connected with it since boyhood, and familiar with every detail, and one of the best judges of both the rough and clean rice. Mr. Murray is a man of excellent business ability, and has been identified with the rice interest of this section in planting, milling, buying and selling for many years, and has been very successful.



WASHINGTON SQUARE
SHOWING CHARLESTON COUNTY BUILDING

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D. A. WALKER & CO.

This business bears the prestige of being the oldest established and most representative of its kind in Charleston. The business was founded in 1794 by Mr. Thomas Walker, the grandfather of the gentleman now bearing that name. The business has been conducted by the Walker family for over one hundred years, and is the oldest in America. The firm is composed of Mr. D. A. Walker, who succeeded to the business from his father, and who took Mr. J. D. Scott into partnership about one year ago. They are located at 152 Meeting street, where they have large yards, thoroughly equipped with every facility. They do all kinds of fine marble and granite work, making a specialty of cemetery work. They are prepared to construct, after their own designs or those furnished by purchasers, monuments, vaults, mausoleums, etc., etc. Their workmanship is unexcelled, and examples of same may be seen in all our cemeteries, as well as in those throughout North Carolina, South Carolina and Florida. Mr. D. A. Walker, of the firm, is the last remaining member of this family, which has been at the head of this business for over three generations. Mr. J. D. Scott has been identified with the business for thirty years, and is an adept at marble and granite working.

CHARLESTON FIBER CO.

It has long been conceded that a moss fiber mattress is one of the healthiest upon which any human being can sleep, so their use in preference to those filled with hair, down, etc., is becoming generally common. Not only are they healthier, but they are considerably cheaper, and this is the reason that the Charleston Fiber Company has met such substantial success in carrying on its business. The company has its location at the foot of Spring street, near New Bridge, where they occupy large, spacious warehouses for storing the immense stock they carry of moss fiber. They own and operate their own fleet of boats for collecting the fibre, and this is carefully manipulated, hygienic prepared and thoroughly dried, their plant for handling this commodity being very perfect. They sell to mattress, carriage and furniture manufacturers at wholesale, and are enabled to give them the lowest prices. To those who have not become acquainted with the merit of moss fiber we can only say that if once it is given a trial, it will always hold the preference over all other material for mattresses, etc., while it is considerably less expensive. The company has always had the benefit of very able management, and in Mr. John Von Oven, the President and Manager, and Mr. J. C. Boesch, the Secretary and Treasurer, the company has two officers who are among our most capable and honorable business men.

THE ARMY CYCLE MANUFACTURING CO.

One of the most progressive business concerns in our city is The Army Cycle Manufacturing Company, whose spacious quarters are at 22 Broad street and 5 State street, where they occupy an entire two-story building 25x150 feet, fitted up with all machinery, tools and appliances required in their large trade. They employ ten skilled hands, and are manufacturers to order of the celebrated "New South" wheel, the most up-to-date bicycle on the market. They also do all kinds of repairing, both for the trade and our citizens, electroplating, polishing, lacquering, enameling, and do experimental work and make special parts to order. They are agents for the world-renowned Racycle, made by the Miami Cycle Manufacturing Company, of Middletown, Ohio, and for the Rem-Sho typewriter, a machine that is rapidly displacing the old style typewriters. They repair, clean, overhaul, adjust, enamel and nickel typewriters, and sell and exchange them. In bicycle sundries they carry an immense stock, and sell at wholesale throughout South Carolina. Their prices in every department are exceptionally moderate, and the business is managed

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with great integrity and ability by Mr. J. H. Rast, who was formerly assistant superintendent for the Knickerbocker Cycle Co., and contracting agent for the Stanley Cycle Manufacturing Co., and an inventor of great talents. Mr. James Doran, the President of the company, is largely interested in our city; and Mr. John J. O'Connell, the Secretary and Treasurer, is Cashier of the Hibernian Bank. Established six years ago, it came under its present style three years since, and has met a phenomenal success.

H. STEENKEN.

In the matter of manufacturing wagons and trucks, we have in Charleston one of the oldest concerns engaged in that line in this section of our State. Mr. H. Steenken, who came to our city in 1849, ten years later (in 1859) established the business, which he has since conducted. His office and factory is located at 452-454 Meeting street (Bell telephone 2458), his shop, residence and warehouse covering 80x140 feet, and is owned by himself. Employing from 14 to 16 hands regularly, and using only the best selected wood and iron stock and trimmings, Mr. Steenken manufactures wagons, trucks and carts, both light and heavy, and turns out vehicles that have no superior in any State in our Union either in finish, workmanship or moderation in price. Repairing is also done, and orders of every description are filled on the shortest notice; while he carries some choice samples of his work already made up in his warehouse. He does a large part of the heavy work for the Southern Express Company, Telephone Company and Consolidated Street Railway, Gas and Electric Company and other large industries here. Mr. Steenken is a native of Germany, and is the oldest member of the German Fusiliers, being elected July 5th, 1856; and is a member of the German Artillery, German Friendly Society, Turnverein and Bruderleicker-bund.

ENTERPRISE STEAM LAUNDRY CO.

An establishment worthy of prominent mention in this review is the Enterprise Steam Laundry, of which Mr. J. H. Cummings is the manager. The premises occupied at 253 East Bay street consists of a two-story building, 65x80 feet in area, and this is equipped with the most modern machinery, operated by steam power. Laundry work of every description is done in a most satisfactory manner, with no injury to goods, and all work is guaranteed to give entire satisfaction. Bundles are called for and delivered promptly. Employment is given only to competent help, who vie with each other to turn out superior work. A specialty is made of fine dress shirts, collars, cuffs, ladies' and children's suits, table linens, household work, soft button holes, in gloss or domestic finish, as desired.

Mr. Cummings is also proprietor of the Riverside Poultry Yards, at 472 Rutledge avenue, and is the originator and owner of the new breed of Crested Barred Plymouth Rocks; also Light Brahmas, Buff Cochins, Black Langshans, Black Breasted Red Games, White and Brown Leghorns and Northrop strain of Black Minorcas. He has also for sale Pekin and Muscovy Duck's eggs at all times, for breeding purposes; and chicks and fowls in fall and winter months. Office address at laundry, 253 E. Bay street. Mr. Cummings is a genial gentleman, and one of our most public-spirited citizens.

W. J. COMAR.

One of the representative wheelwrights and blacksmiths in Charleston is Mr. W. J. Comar, whose shops are located at the corner of State and Linguard streets. Mr. Comar established this business in 1891, and his success has been due to the merits and high excellence of his work. His shops and yards are 60x220 feet in area, and equipped with every tool and appliance necessary

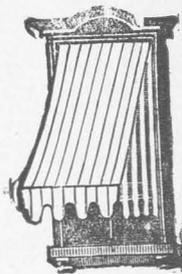
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to the most successful prosecution of this business. Twenty-five hands are employed, among them being some of the most skillful and experienced mechanics in the South. Mr. Comar is prepared to build and repair all kinds of buggies, wagons and carts, his productions in these vehicles being noted for their superior quality of material and excellence of finish and workmanship. Special attention is given to blacksmithing of all kinds, Mr. Comar having superior facilities for this class of work. Mr. W. J. Comar, the proprietor of this representative business, is a man in the prime of life, enterprising and progressive. He was formerly in the hardware business; and is well and favorably known in this community.

JENNINGS & FRANK.

No enterprise is more thoroughly representative of its special line of industry than the well equipped printing establishment of Messrs. Jennings & Frank, 125 Meeting street. This business was established about eight years ago, and has developed an enviable reputation for the general superiority of its work. The premises occupied are admirably appointed for all purposes of the business, and are provided with the most improved machinery and appliances. This firm have unsurpassed facilities, employ expert printers, and turn out most superior work. They are prepared to do any kind of printing, making a leading specialty of commercial work and fine bank printing, guaranteeing first-class and satisfactory work. The firm is composed of Messrs. A. T. Jennings and Meyer Frank.

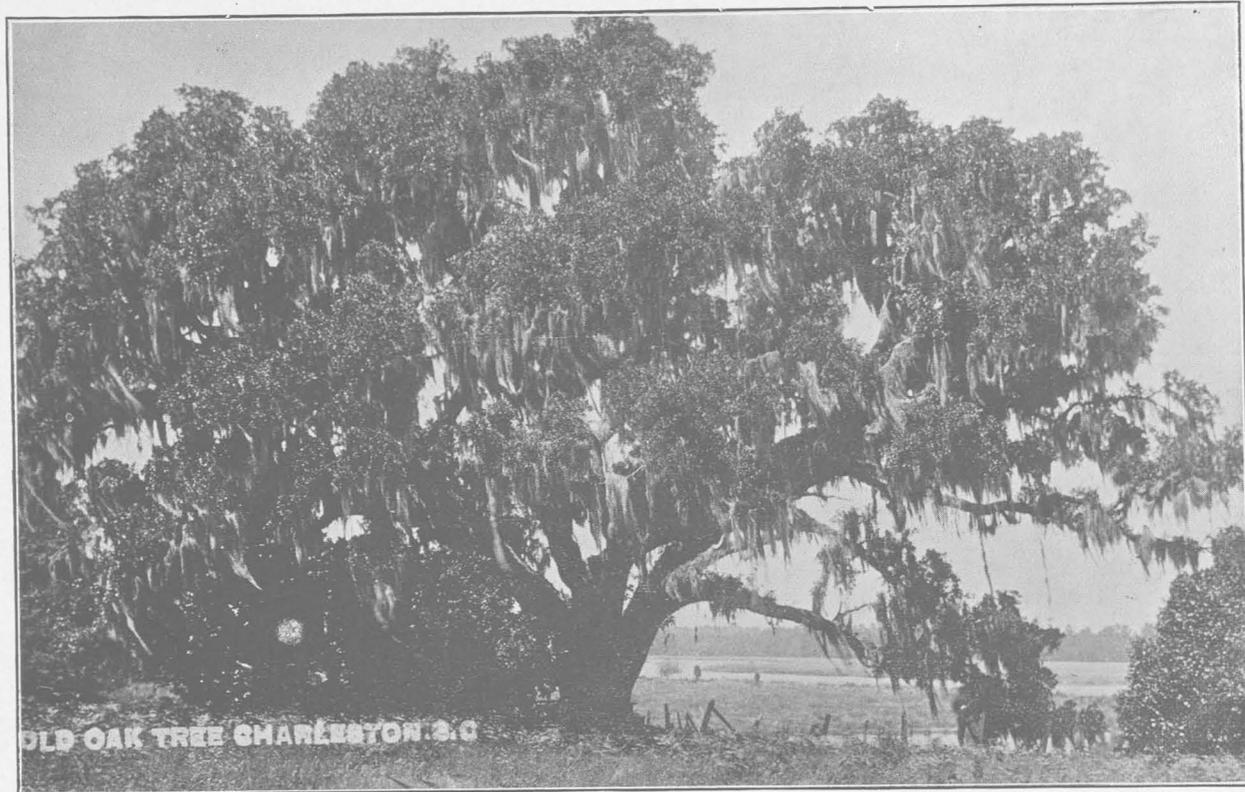
O. R. I. VICADOMINI.



A representative business man of Charleston, and one entitled to mention in this Review, is Mr. O. R. I. Vicadomini, awning maker and general dealer in dry goods and notions. Mr. Vicadomini has been engaged in this business for some sixteen years, and is one of its most successful exponents. His place of business at 119 King street ('phone 1292) comprises an entire two-story building, 25x125 feet in area, and admirably equipped for all purposes of the business. On the main floor will be found a complete line of dry goods and notions of every description. On the second floor is the awning department, which is provided with every modern facility and convenience known to the industry. Here are made those handsome awnings which have attained so much attention in Charleston. Mr. Vicadomini has earned an enviable reputation in the manufacture of window and store awnings to order; and, on account of his superior work, has secured the large share of that trade in Charleston. A specialty is made of awning rollers, with spring, which dispenses with the use of cords, pulleys, or ratchets. And he also makes a special feature of enclosing piazzas for entertainments. He has superior facilities, and is prepared to guarantee satisfaction; and also carries on hand for sale all kinds of awning materials. Mr. O. R. I. Vicadomini is an enterprising business man, and is well known and esteemed in this community. He was for years a seafaring man before the mast, and also served as quartermaster before leaving the service.

WM. T. MILLER.

Among our oldest established industries, and the leading enterprises of its kind in the city, is that conducted by Mr. Wm. T. Miller, sailmaker, at 142 East Bay street, up-stairs. This business was founded sixty years ago by Mr. Z. A. Miller, whose son, Mr. W. T. Miller, succeeded, and whose son the present owner succeeded in turn some twenty years ago. In fact, the name Miller is most intimately associated with sail making in Charleston for the past two generations. Mr. Miller has every facility for the



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manufacture of sails, awnings, tarpaulins, dray covers, etc., and has earned an enviable reputation for the excellence of his productions. He employs only the most skilled hands, uses only the best material, and is prepared to guarantee his work in every particular. He makes a specialty of manufacturing goods to order at short notice, and his prices are always reasonable. Mr. Wm. T. Miller has resided in Charleston all his life, and is well known and esteemed throughout the community.

C. M. ENGLISH.

Of the various enterprises which go to make up the commerce of any city, that of the scientific blacksmith and horseshoer occupies an important position. Among the leading exponents of this line of business in Charleston is Mr. C. M. English, whose well-appointed shops are located at 22 Pinckney street. The premises are 50x150 feet in area, and are provided with every tool and appliance necessary to the successful prosecution of the business. Only the most efficient and skilled help is employed, and all work leaving the shop is guaranteed first-class. Mr. English has been engaged in this line in Charleston for over twenty years, and has earned an enviable reputation as an honorable business man. He has built up a large business on the merits of his work and his personal reliability, and to-day has the patronage of a large number of our best business houses and citizens. Mr. English is esteemed and respected by all with whom he comes in contact.

CHARLESTON CIDER AND VINEGAR FACTORY.

A flourishing industry, and a leading enterprise of its kind in the South, is the Charleston Cider and Vinegar Factory. This business was established some twelve years ago, and is to-day the main source of supply for this State in its line. The plant, at 142 East Bay street, is most perfectly equipped, and provided with every facility known to the industry. The range of production includes ciders and vinegars of all strengths and quality, this concern having established an enviable reputation for the general excellence of its goods. The local trade secures all its supplies in this line from this reliable concern, while extensive shipments are made daily throughout the State. The owner of this representative Charleston enterprise is Mr. W. A. Hutchinson, one of our best known and most progressive business men. This gentleman came into possession about one year ago, and the business has already shown the results of his progressive management.

ORTMANN BROTHERS.

An old, established enterprise in Charleston is that of Messrs. Ortman Bros., 174 and 176 Meeting Street. This business was founded in 1867 by Mr. F. I. Ortman, the present owners, his sons, succeeding two years ago. The firm is composed of Messrs R. I. and C. W. Ortman, both of whom were raised in the business. The premises occupied, owned by the firm, comprise a three-story and basement building, 48x167 feet in area, with blacksmith shop adjoining. The firm are dealers in Rossmore stoves and ranges, gasoline stoves and gasolene, and carry full stocks of these goods. They are also sole agents for the celebrated Economy Heat Regulator. A general blacksmithing business is conducted, plain and ornamental iron railings, cellar and window gratings being made a specialty. All kinds of tin and sheet iron work are also done. Mr. R. I. Ortman has charge of the blacksmith shop, being a skilful iron-worker. Mr. C. W. Ortman is the sheet iron worker. The firm employs ten experienced hands, and supervising all work themselves.

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JAMES LAFFAN.

A representative house in his special line of enterprise is Mr. James Laffan, harness manufacturer, corner Anson and Pinckney Streets. This business was founded before the war by the late T. L. Laffan, the present owner succeeding his father fourteen years ago. Mr. Laffan manufactures only a strictly high grade hand-made harness and has earned an enviable reputation for the superior excellence of his productions. Light, single and double harness is made a specialty, while repair work is promptly attended to. Only the most skilful hands are employed and all work leaving the shop is guaranteed first class. Mr. Laffan conducts the oldest established business of its kind in the city and his patronage comes from our leading business houses. He has lived in Charleston all of his life, and is a large holder of city realty.

OUR TRADE EMPORIUMS.

THE business enterprises established to meet local demands may challenge comparison with those of any city of similar size in America. Charleston is a city in which lives a population far above the average in culture and refinement. There is much wealth here and among those who are not wealthy the city possesses a community endowed with the best elements of American citizenship. To meet the requirements of this population the city has a large number of excellent stores, which represent every phase of retail business. Material wants in food and raiment are most effectually met, and in food supplies Charleston's markets are stocked to repletion. Besides these lines the desire of personal adornment, the taste for home decoration, the artistic requirements and mental wants find here the best of opportunities for their satisfaction in well stocked stores in the line of furniture, dry goods, boots and shoes, clothing, pictures, books, music and musical instruments, furnishings, hats, drugs, etc. On King Street and other retail streets those who wish to see the art of shopping carried on in the best developed perfection may be as well satisfied as in any city of the country. Goods can be bought as reasonable here as at any place, and this fact has become so well known that the merchants of the city, besides supplying the demands of the residents of the city and suburbs, have an important trade with visitors from outside points, who find Charleston to be unsurpassed in its attractions for shipping purposes.

Nothing can give a visitor a more favorable impression of the city than to enter our model retail establishments, whose stock is both comprehensive and up-to-date. Here are brief sketches of the most popular retail establishments in the city:

CHARLESTON DRY GOODS COMPANY.

There is no concern in Charleston today more thoroughly representative of its particular line of enterprise than the well known Charleston Dry Goods Company, at 248 King Street. This establishment was opened to business about three years ago, and is one of the best examples in the South of the modern dry goods house of the present day. The premises occupied comprise an entire two-story building, 30x200 feet in area, and admirably equipped for all purposes of the business. The various departments are handsomely appointed and presided over by efficient, courteous clerks. The company are dealers in imported and domestic dry goods, cloaks, notions, laces, mattings, shades, rugs, carpets, lace curtains, etc., etc. Their stock is one of the largest and most comprehensive in the city and because of its size and variety, affords patrons unusual opportunity of individual taste and selection. The company has been enterprising in its management and has offered its goods at the lowest prices commensurate with first-class material, and has built up a large trade with our best people. Some idea of the immense volume of business transacted can be gathered from the fact that twenty-four clerks are required to wait on the trade. The business was organized and incorporated by several of our most prominent business men and capitalists. Mr. F. Q. O'Neill, president, is also president of the Hibernian Savings Bank, and one of our leading wholesale grocers; Mr. A. H. Mowry, Jr., secretary and treasurer, was formerly connected with the First National Bank. Mr. D. A. Cochran, manager, has had extended experience in the business and brings to bear a complete knowledge of its every feature and detail. Besides these officers, the board of directors is composed of the following: Mr. R. G. Rhett, president of the South Carolina Loan and Trust Company, president of the Peabody National Bank, and one of our most prominent attorneys; Mr. A. F. C. Cramer, president of the Consumers' Coal Co., and a prominent capitalist; and Mr. H. W. Conner, Jr., one of our leading attorneys, and a capitalist. These gentlemen would insure success to any undertaking and this business under their progressive management has netted handsome dividends.



HOUSE ON PICKETT'S FARM, BUILT IN 1700.

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J. R. READ & COMPANY.

There are no commercial enterprises which add so greatly to the importance of a city as the modern dry goods house, and Charleston is not behind any city in the country in the possession of such concerns, as may be easily discovered by a visit to the extensive establishment of Messrs. J. R. Read & Co., 249 King Street. This business was founded in 1852 by Messrs. W. N. and J. R. Read, the latter being at the time a minor and requiring a guardian to make his acts in business legal. In 1892 Mr. J. R. Read, who had become sole proprietor, took into partnership Mr. A. C. Mustard, who had been with the house since 1872. The premises occupied comprise an entire three-story building, 30x150 feet in area, all departments perfectly equipped for the storage and display of their various wares. Mr. Mustard, who is now assistant manager and junior partner in the business, is thoroughly conversant with the wants of a critical trade and has developed influential connections with manufacturers, not only in this country, but also abroad. The stock carried in this house will compare most favorably with that of any similar concern in the country, and includes dry goods of every description, fabrics, silks, satins, flannels, gloves, hosiery, fancy goods, laces, embroideries, furnishings and, in fact, everything usually found in a well ordered establishment of this kind. Their cloak and shawl department is a leading specialty and contains the best selected stock in the South. Nearly forty clerks, sales-ladies and assistants are employed and the attendance upon customers is all that could be desired. This well known firm does a large business and is highly esteemed in this community for its sterling integrity. Its chief factor of success has been that every representation has been borne out both as to prices and quality and the business continues to be conducted along the same lines.

LOUIS COHEN & COMPANY.

In this large and well equipped house Charleston possesses an establishment second to none in its line in the South. The business was founded in 1852 by Mr. Louis Cohen, for years one of our most enterprising and representative business men. Mr. Lee Loeb, another member of the firm and a son-in-law of the founder, has been identified with the house for over thirty years, and Mr. W. B. Cohen, a son of the founder, has been with the house some twenty years. These gentlemen have, therefore, had an extended experience in the business and bring to bear a full knowledge of the wants of the Charleston public in their line. The premises occupied, at 232 and 234 King Street, comprise a three-story building, 60x226 feet in area. Fully forty competent salespeople are employed in the various departments and patrons receive prompt and courteous attention. The firm are wholesale and retail dealers and direct importers in dry and fancy goods of every kind, upholstery goods, carpets, oil cloths, mattings, window shades, etc. They are direct buyers of domestic goods from the mills and commission houses, and are notably successful in "picking up" bargains of fresh, stylish goods, sacrificed for ready cash. Quality has ever been the first consideration, while the firm believes in quick sales and small profits. This house does a very large business, and its enterprise and equitable methods, point to a steady increase in the volume of trade. The members of this firm are responsible, successful merchants, and capable managers.

T. M. BRISTOL & SON.

A deservedly popular house and one which has always maintained, during a long career, a very enviable reputation for handling only first-class goods, and for upright and honorable dealings, is that of Messrs. T. M. Bristol & Son, the oldest established enterprise of its kind in the city. The business now carried on by Mr. A. L. Bristol was established in 1832 by Mr. T. M. Bristol,

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father of the present proprietor. He succeeded well, capturing the favors of his fellow citizens by a course of conduct that has long since been quoted as a standard of mercantile skill and probity. In 1876 Mr. A. L. Bristol became sole proprietor, the name of the honored father and successful merchant still appearing. The premises occupied at 236 King Street are owned by Mr. Bristol, who utilizes the main floor for his business. Herein is contained an elegant store, handsomely appointed and arranged for the storage and best display of the large stock. The store is well lighted, having splendid clamp plate glass show windows, the only clamp glass windows in the South, with daylight prism glass across the entire front. The stock includes the finest line of ladies', misses', men's and boys' fine boots and shoes to be found in the South, also a varied line of trunks, bags, satchels, etc. Mr. Bristol caters to the best trade and secures the trade of all fashionable Charleston. Mr. A. L. Bristol is among our best known business men, and solid, successful citizens. He owns considerable realty, is interested in the Charleston Hotel and is otherwise interested in Charleston enterprises.

J. L. DAVID & BROTHER.

Charleston is steadily and firmly growing in importance, industrially and commercially, a fact palpable to any observer, as may be easily discovered by reference to some of our leading concerns. Ranking among the principal of these commercial establishments is that of Messrs. J. L. David & Bro., clothiers, hatters, and men's and boys' outfitters. The business was founded fifty years ago by Mr. R. L. David, the father of the present owners, Messrs. J. L. and M. M. David, who have been brought up in the business. With this motto, "Small profits, quick sales," the firm has witnessed a rapid growth in their trade, and a quick multiplication of their friends and patrons. The premises occupied at 279 and 281 King Street, is a three-story building, 60x125 feet in area. The interior is neat and attractive in its fixtures and fittings, and the arrangement is such as to facilitate quick transaction of business, and to secure every comfort to patrons. The stock is the largest and best selected in the South, containing everything new and stylish in gentlemen's outfitting goods, embracing the best manufacture of native and foreign looms, ready made, stylish garments for children, boys and men; also a full line of hats and caps of the most popular manufacture. The firm takes a particular pride in commending their goods to the public and state unreservedly that all garments leaving their house are unexcelled in style, cut, fit, finish or price. A specialty is made of custom made tailoring, the entire second floor being devoted exclusively to that purpose. A fine stock of imported and domestic woolens, cashmeres, etc., are carried, and these are made up in the latest styles by artistic tailors—a perfect fit and the best of workmanship being guaranteed, while the prices are as low as the lowest.

Messrs. J. L. and M. M. David are both well and favorably known in our best commercial circles, the first named being a director of the Dime Savings Bank, also the South Carolina Inter-State and West Indian Exposition, and the Equitable Fire Insurance Company, a home institution.

THE MUTUAL CARPET COMPANY.

The importance of Charleston as a great business center is forcibly demonstrated by reference to her leading concerns, each the representative in its special line, such for example, as the Mutual Carpet Company, 247 King Street, which secures to our city the largest and most cosmopolitan carpet house in the South. This business was established some thirteen years ago by Mr. H. M. Walker, who is fully conversant with the wants of a critical public, and in September last he opened a branch house in Columbia, S. C.

The premises occupied comprise a two-story building, 30x125 feet in area, splendidly arranged. Mr. Walker has developed superior connections with manufacturers and importers and secures the choicest patterns and finest goods obtainable. With respect

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to his stock of carpets, it may be justly said that it is unsurpassed by any other house in the South and includes a varied line of matings, rugs, linoleums, draperies, etc., of every kind and quality. The Charleston public has fully appreciated the advantages of dealing with such an establishment, the only exclusive carpet house in the city. Mr. H. M. Walker, the proprietor, who is active and enterprising, is a native of this city and was formerly in the dry goods business.

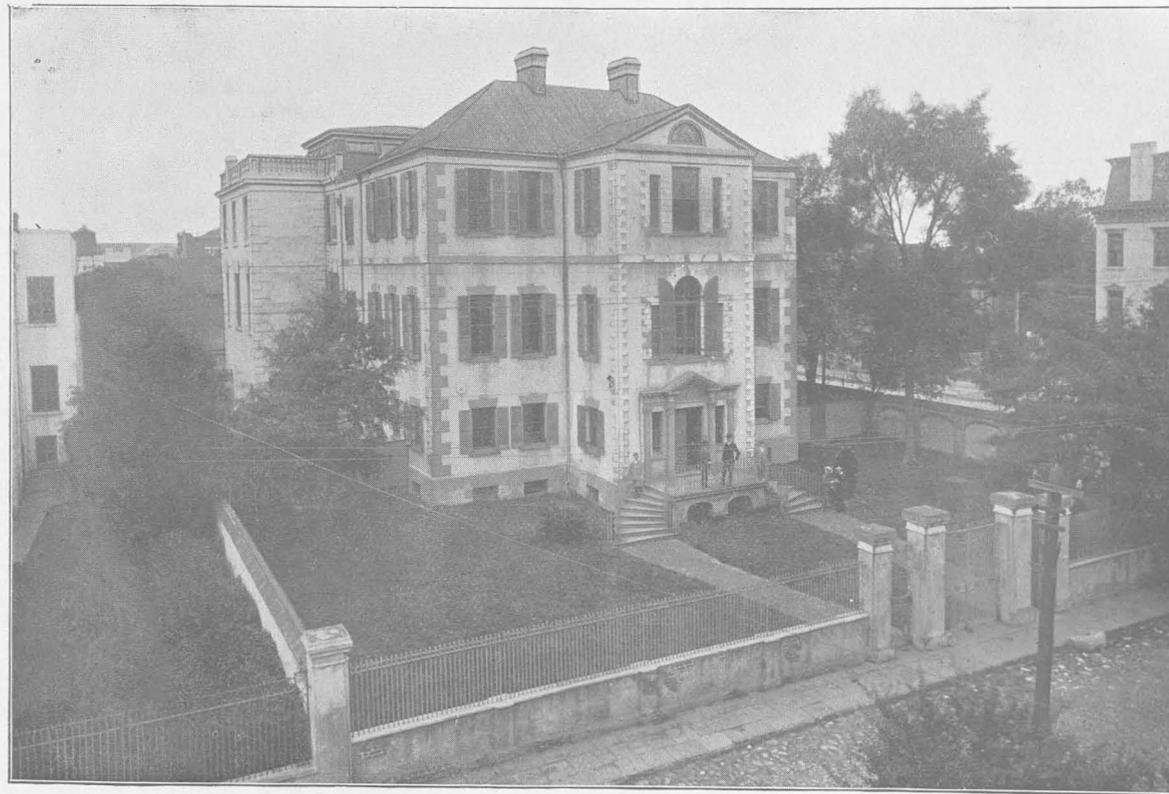
PALMETTO PHARMACY CO.

The best equipped and most representative drug store in the city is the well known Palmetto Pharmacy, 286 and 288 King Street. This is an old, established business and for years has ranked as the most popular headquarters in Charleston for pure drugs and sundries. The premises occupied comprise a three-story building, 50x150 feet in area, and are provided with every modern facility. The stock, which is the most complete in the city, embraces a full line of pure, fresh drugs of every description, tinctures, chemicals, patent and proprietary medicines, druggists' sundries, physicians' supplies, toilet articles, and, in fact, everything that one would expect to find in a modern establishment of this kind. The laboratory is especially well equipped and is presided over by experienced chemists. Special attention is given to the compounding of family recipes and physician's prescriptions, which are accurately filled. Only the purest drugs are used and every care is taken to avoid any mistake. Mr. Edwin A. Hall, the president of the company, gives the business his sole attention and has long been identified with this line of enterprise. An establishment which reflects the highest credit upon our city, we are glad to give to this enterprise the prominent position to which it is entitled in this review of our chief commercial and industrial interests.

COWPERTHWAIT & COMPANY.

This representative business was established in 1832 by Mr. E. R. Cowperthwait, father of the present owner. From its inception it has been conducted on principles of equity and integrity. The premises occupied at 283 King street comprise a three-story building, 25x150 feet in area, admirably arranged for the storage and display of the large stock carried, which embraces everything in the line of furniture, bedroom, parlor, dining room and library sets, chairs, tables, desks, hat racks and, in fact, everything usually found in a modern establishment of this kind. The store forms a veritable bazaar of the useful and beautiful in furniture to suit all classes of trade. New Spring matting, both China and Japan, are carried in stock; also Eclipse Cleanable Refrigerators, which are the best on the market. They also manufacture their own cedar chests. Mr. C. I. Cowperthwait has grown up in the business and is fully posted in its every feature and detail. He has developed superior connections with the largest manufacturers and is in constant receipt of everything new and stylish in the line. He does a large city trade, as well as ships throughout the State.

Mr. Cowperthwait is one of our most active and enterprising business men and keeps fully abreast with the times. He is ably assisted in the business by Mr. Emil F. Heins, formerly of the Heins Furniture Co. Mr. Heins has no superior in the city as a thorough master of the furniture business, upholstering, cabinet making, etc., and he gives particular attention to one of their specialties, viz: feathers in pillows and bags; and down, the genuine article, can be found only at this store.



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BANOV & VOLASKI.

The commercial community in Charleston is one of the best regulated to be found in our republic, and is composed for the most part of progressive and energetic men. Among the leading houses here is that conducted by Messrs. Banov & Volaski, at the corner of King and Calhoun Streets, where they occupy a three-story building 40x150 feet in area, which has a splendid equipment, the firm altogether employing 40 clerks, tailors, etc. They stand today as one of the representative and most complete gentlemen's outfitting houses in the South, and carry a splendid range of goods, both ready made and to order. In their tailoring department they carry the choicest line of woolens to be found of both foreign and domestic manufacture, and carry a line of suitings, trouserings, overcoatings, etc., which are unsurpassed in price in this country, and have the reputation of turning out the finest tailor-made garments in the State, cut in the height of fashion. They also carry a grand stock of ready-made men's, youth's and children's clothing, which compares very favorably in cut and style with the best tailored goods, but much lower priced; also a very fine and complete stock of all kinds of furnishings for man or boy that represent the latest London and Parisian ideas. In hats they show the very newest styles of the best makers. In their shoe department they carry the best and most reliable class of gentlemen's footwear to be found in the city, with moderate prices prevailing in each and every department. There is little new to tell our readers that this establishment is one of the best patronized and most popular in this section of our country owing to their up-to-date business methods. The partners are I. W. Banov and Joseph A. Volaski, both gentlemen of integrity and progressive methods, who are also proprietors of the Broadway Bargain House, 543 Broadway, New York, which began its business career six years ago, and has made a phenomenal success in the wholesale clothing and notion trade.

UFFERHARDT & COMPANY.

This representative enterprise was established in 1850 and from its inception has been very successful. The premises occupied at 222 King Street are admirably appointed for the display of the large stock. The assortment includes a full line of everything in foreign and domestic dry goods, both staple and fancy, children's clothing, etc. Mr. Wm. Hartz, who has been the proprietor of the business for the past ten years, has been identified with the house as clerk, partner, and then owner, for the past twenty years. He brings to bear a complete knowledge of every feature and detail of the business. This old establishment has ever been a popular place with bargain hunters and is maintaining its high position with the trade. Mr. Hartz is an able and progressive business man. Mr. Hermann Bruning, who was formerly interested in the business, is now an active employee of Mr. Hartz and an efficient assistant.

JOHN RUGHEIMER.

The arbiter of fashion in gentlemen's clothing in Charleston and the leading representative of his business in the South, is unquestionably Mr. John Rugheimer, the well-known merchant tailor at 169 King Street. Mr. Rugheimer established this business here in 1861 and has been its most prominent exponent ever since. His store is 25x100 feet in area and handsomely appointed. Here he shows the finest and most complete assortment of imported and domestic goods ever brought to this section and we are safe in asserting that no similar stock in the country is more tastefully selected. The assortment includes the newest and tastiest patterns in suitings and trouserings, all high class goods, Mr. Rugheimer dealing in nothing but the finest and most expensive woolens.

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His suits range in price from \$35 to \$85 and his facilities are such as to enable him to satisfy the most fastidious. His cutter is an artist and he employs none but the most skilful and experienced tailors. His garments are noted in this section for their superior workmanship, fine fit and elegant finish, comparing most favorably with the best work turned out of New York or anywhere else. Mr. Rugheimer caters only to the best trade and has developed a large patronage with our leading and best dressed men. His superior work has not only been appreciated by a large trade, but has received rewards and recognition in several exhibitions in which it has figured. In 1870 it took the first diploma at the South Carolina State Fair and received honorable mention at the Chicago World's Fair, being the only representative of the South that received any recognition. Mr. John Rugheimer is the leading representative of the merchant tailoring business in Charleston and as such is entitled to prominent mention in this review.

THE SIEGLING MUSIC HOUSE.

The Siegling Music House has been one of the solid institutions of Charleston, S. C., since 1819, in which year the business was established by the father of the present owner. Henry Siegling succeeded to the business, and has conducted it for over 50 years, selling pianos, organs, small goods and sheet music. The Charleston Sunday News in a recent issue, devoted considerable space to this establishment, under the caption, "Seigling's New Music Store is Among the Largest and Best Appointed in the Whole South." Of the store, which is at King and Beaufain Streets The News says:

"The main floor is thirty feet wide by two hundred feet in depth, with high, embossed steel ceiling, and ample light furnished by a row of windows the entire length of the building on Beaufain Street. The front section of the main floor is used for the sale and display of small musical instruments, music, music books and musical merchandise. All instruments are kept in fine oak wall cases behind glass, and the showcases, which are used for counters, also, are of heavy oak, with bevel French plate glasses.

"In the centre of the hall, although beginning about one hundred and fifty feet back from the doors, is a grand stairway 12 feet wide, with easy rises and a broad landing about midway.

"Beyond the stairway is a large space used for the display of square pianos and organs. The colors of blue and white, with oak trimmings, prevail on the entire first floor, and everything is made to conform to this tone scheme. The office is neatly arranged about midway in the building, and here everything is found convenient and in good taste.

"Passing up the grand stairway the piano room is found. This is a fine hall some thirty by seventy-five feet in size, and with the same high ceiling of embossed and decorated steel. The colors are different in the piano room, and olive green and white form contrasts on the walls, with cherry wainscoating and window casings. Lace curtains and velvet portieres are draped at the doors and windows, and here are displayed the grand and upright pianos."

Mr. Siegling's stock consists of Kranich & Bach, Ludwig, Hazelton, Fischer, Emerson, Shoninger and Boardman & Gray pianos, Farrand & Votey, and Putnam organs.

LIVINGSTON BROTHERS.

The establishment of this firm in March is of great portent to those of our citizens who have been looking for an up-to-date, reliable tailorey, and as Livingston Bros. will each season carry the very finest ready to wear clothing, which can be fitted on in a few minutes, and also make up the most fashionable gentlemen's garments, they will be able to suit every class of the community. Their new store is at 371 King Street and the partners are Messrs. W. F., J. A. and J. K. Livingston, and these names are a sufficient guarantee that this new enterprise will be conducted with ability and enterprise. They show a splendid stock of clothing

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for men, youths and boys, of superior fabrics and latest patterns, cut most fashionably and made to fit the figure. A splendid range of woolens, including worsteds, Scotch and English suitings, overcoatings, trouserings and vestings are shown, and in the hands of expert cutters and tailors these are transformed in garments that reflect the latest fashions, and in fit, finish and workmanship are unsurpassed. Mr. W. F. Livingston, the senior member of this firm, is also the proprietor of one of the finest shoe emporiums in the city, located at 373 King street. The shoe business was founded by Mr. Livingston about five years ago and since its inception it has been admirably conducted. A complete line of men's, ladies' and children's shoes are carried and these are the productions of some of the most celebrated manufacturers in the country.

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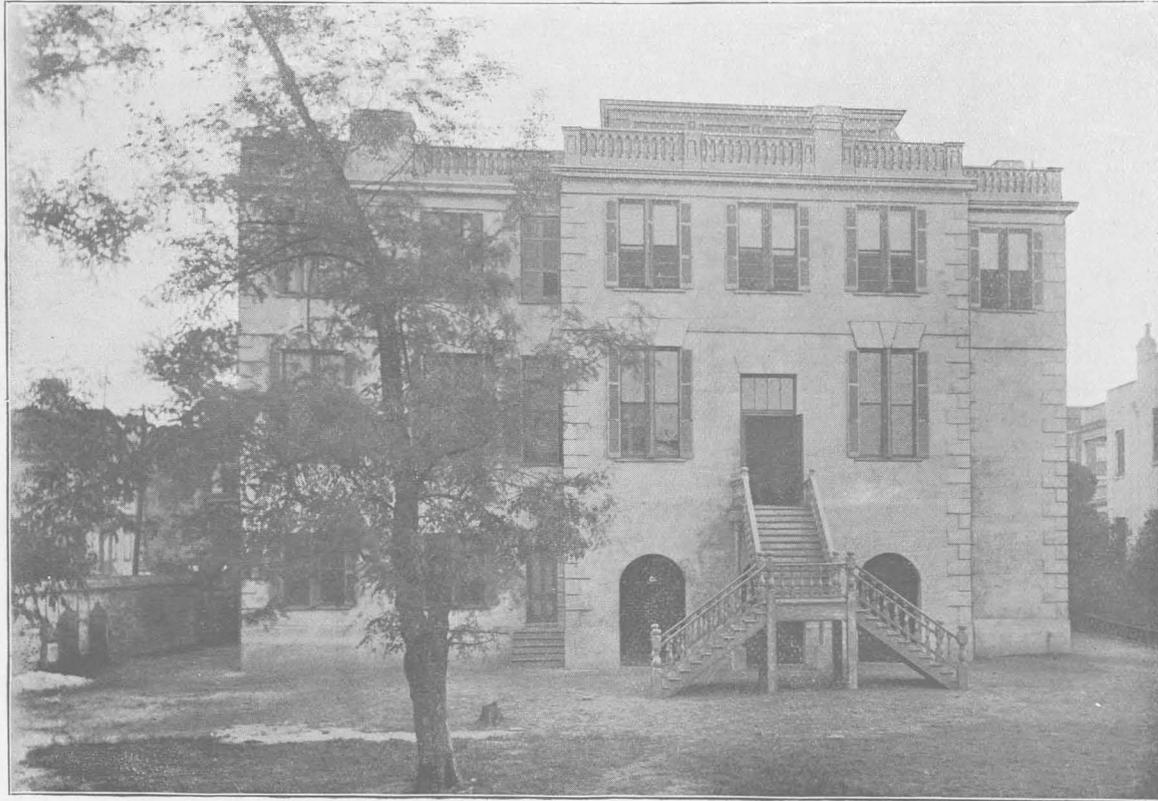
An important and prominent factor in the commercial enterprise of Charleston is that of Messrs. J. R. Johnson & Son, one of our old, established and most representative business houses. The business was founded over fifty years ago by Mr. B. Johnson, the father of the late Mr. J. R. Johnson and grandfather of Mr. G. W. Johnson, who, since his father's death, has been sole proprietor. It is to these old established and enterprising business houses that Charleston owes its present commercial supremacy. The premises occupied at 253 King Street comprise the entire main floor, which is handsomely arranged for the best display of the large stock carried. In the rear is operated an extensive umbrella factory, where are manufactured and repaired all kinds of ladies' and men's umbrellas. Mr. Johnson has developed superior connections with the manufacturers of the most popular makes of hats and the newest styles and patterns are received as soon as they are made. He is the arbiter of fashion of men's headgear here and conducts the only exclusive establishment of this kind in the city and has the patronage of the best class of trade.

JACOBS DRY GOODS COMPANY.

No house in Charleston has achieved a more enviable reputation for handling first class goods or for honorable dealing than that enjoyed by the Jacobs Dry Goods Co., whose motto has always been: "Sell a heap, sell cheap and keep eternally at it." This they have lived up to. The company is located at 498-502 King Street, where they own and occupy two buildings. In their fine three-story building they carry a superb stock of staple and fancy dry goods both imported and domestic, including silks, ribbons, laces, hosiery, gloves, linens, cottons, blankets and house napery, ladies' and gent's furnishings, notions, jackets, suits, shirt waists, white wear, etc., in endless variety. In the two-story building adjoining they display their elegant stock of French, English and American millinery novelties, all of exquisite material, made up by artists in their work-room, and representative of all that is newest and most stylish in the season's headwear for ladies. These are sold at the same close prices as mark their dry goods department, and the house employs a large staff of very able assistants. Messrs. Isaac Jacobs and Jacob Jacobs, the respected proprietors, are able, enterprising, progressive and public-spirited, and carry on their business with immense success and consummate ability.

A. W. PETIT.

The old established business established by Mr. A. W. Petit is one of the shopping landmarks of our city and for years has been a favorite emporium for our leading citizens to do their buying. His two stores are located at 522-524 King Street, which he owns, and which is a fine two-story building, 25x125 feet in area, finely fitted up, and 14 competent clerks are given employment. The business is conducted on the highest plane of commercial integrity and the stock carried at all times is complete. It embraces the



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most fashionable, staple and fancy dry goods, dress goods, silks, laces, ribbons, corsets, underwear, white wear, hosiery, ladies' furnishings, notions, millinery, mattings, toys, fancy goods, etc., and rightly earns its name as the New York Bazaar. Prices in every department are the lowest in the city, the goods are most reliable and the house successful. Samples are sent post free, and country orders receive prompt attention, their mail order service being excellent. Mr. Petit is a most progressive business man, with many large interests in our city, and enjoys universal esteem. He is Alderman of the 10th Ward, having been elected in 1890 to serve a term of four years; and he is making an efficient official.

J. N. PEECKSEN.

A very old established and reliable grocery is that of which Mr. J. N. Peecksen is the proprietor, located at 514 King street. He established this business some twenty years ago, and to meet the demands of his many patrons he found it necessary to establish a branch store at 314 King street, some three years since, and both have proved eminently successful. He occupies and owns his main store, which is a spacious three-story building 30x150 feet in ground area, with large warehouse in rear; twenty-two hands being employed and five delivery wagons utilized. The trade is both wholesale and retail, and Mr. Peecksen is also a manufacturer of self-raising flour. The stock carried is large and complete, and includes the finest and choicest teas, coffees and pure spices, sugars, syrups, flour of all the popular brands, table luxuries, foreign and domestic fruits, jams, jellies, hermetically sealed fruits, vegetables and meats, pickles, sauces, etc.; and he makes a specialty of self-raising flour, which is the best and purest on the market. All his goods are of the purest and freshest character, bought in large quantities and shipped in car lots, and by New York steamers, in the world's best markets, and no one can quote as low prices for high grade goods as Mr. Peecksen. His city trade is most extensive, and patrons are promptly waited on by courteous assistants. His wholesale trade in the country is substantial and steady, increasing buyers finding it to their advantage to place orders with Mr. Peecksen, who is one of Charleston's most able business men and enterprising, public-spirited citizens.

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NELSON & MUNZENMAIER.



It would be difficult to find in any city in our republic a better equipped or more modern establishment of its kind than that of which Mr. W. L. Nelson is the enterprising proprietor, and conducted under the firm style of Nelson & Munzenmaier, which has its location at 629 King street. This flourishing business was established by Mr. Nelson ten years ago; and he owns the fine two-story building, 25x125 feet in ground area, which he occupies in his business. It is a model of cleanliness and order, attractively fitted up with handsome fixtures, electric lights, ample refrigerator capacity, and is furnished with every convenience and facility for the satisfactory carrying on of the enterprise. Mr. Nelson buys his cattle—of which he is a most expert judge—on foot, doing his own killing entirely, no Western meats being handled. He always has on hand the primest and choicest beef, veal, mutton, lamb and pork, as well as salted, pickled and smoked meats of his own curing; and in his large steam factory in the rear manufactures sausages, bolognas, puddings, head cheese, etc., from the primest meats. In addition to his butcher business, he deals extensively as a green grocer in domestic and imported vegetables. In every line quality is in evidence, while his prices are no higher than those charged for inferior grades. Twenty capable and courteous assist-

ants are employed, and five delivery wagons are in use to promptly deliver all orders; and the business is conducted with thorough organization and great ability by Mr. Nelson. He is one of those enterprising citizens who reflects credit on the city in which he was born and has so many interests. He is a large realty owner here, President of the Calhoun Hotel Company, a K. of P., and member Woodmen, and one of Charleston's most deservedly popular and successful business men.

POWERS & HOLST.

Although established but some nineteen months ago, the members of this highly successful firm have been connected with their present line of business for the past thirty years, Mr. M. J. Powers having been formerly in the carpet trade, and Mr. John Holst in the furniture trade, and these two gentlemen form the partnership. Located at No. 359-361 King street, with Gordon 'phone 1024 and Bell 'phone 2764, they occupy a three-story building 40x200 feet in ground area, and carry a finely selected stock

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of reliable and artistic goods. These embrace a full range of Wilton, Brussels, Turkey, Axminster, tapestry, velvet, wool and hemp carpets of beautiful designs and colorings, oriental rugs, mattings, linoleums, oilcloths, etc., that are the product of the world's best factories; and in their furniture department they show a range of drawing, sitting, dining and bed-room furniture, in designs and workmanship of the highest character, as well as hall, library and kitchen pieces. Divans, settees, ottomans, tete-a-tete chairs, Morris chairs and whatnots are here in handsome carvings, coverings and woods. And in every line the firm maintains the very lowest prices. They sell for cash or on easy payments, throughout the city and State, and have built up an immense trade, owing to the honorable and liberal methods on which their business is conducted. Both partners are gentlemen of the strictest integrity, and are universally esteemed in the community.

MRS. D. L. REHKOPF.

The most fashionable millinery establishment in Charleston is that of Mrs. D. L. Rehkopf, which, though only established in September last, at once took the leading place. The premises at 324 King street are 25x125 feet in area, handsomely fitted with mirrors, plate glass showcases, etc. The manager is Miss V. Smith, a lady of great artistic taste and good judgment, who has had fourteen years' experience in high class millinery dealing. An extensive display is made of Paris, London and New York millinery, and the goods shown are all the newest and latest ideas. Mrs. Rehkopf aims at doing a high class trade, and succeeds by handling fine goods. In hats, bonnets, trimmings, ribbons, laces, ornaments, feathers, flowers, etc., the most exquisite goods are for sale, and these, in the hands of skilled trimmers, under able supervision, are made up into millinery creations of the choicest description.

JOHN OGREN.

There is no business to-day in which expert, practical knowledge is more necessary to success, or is of greater value to the purchaser, than in harness and saddlery making and dealing. It is so easy to work inferior material into this line of goods that users should only go to a practical man to buy, and take his guarantee. Such an expert is John Ogren, whose spacious shop is located at 529 King street, and who is a manufacturer of light and heavy single and double harness and saddlery goods of all kinds, and carries a fine stock of horse furnishing goods; his prices in all lines being exceptionally low, and his goods absolutely reliable. Mr. Ogren, who is a native of Sweden, and has lived here from boyhood, established his business 35 years ago, and has always been exceedingly successful. He uses none but the best leather and trimmings in his work, makes his goods up so that he can absolutely guarantee them, and is honorable and fair-dealing in his business. He is widely esteemed in our city, and a member A. F. and A. M. of long standing.

BROWNING'S PHARMACY.

Mr. J. J. Browning, the proprietor of the above named pharmacy, is a native of Charleston, who, after graduating in pharmacy from the South Carolina Medical College, established it some eight years ago. He occupies excellently equipped premises at 617 King street, opposite Columbus, and carries a fine stock of pure, fresh drugs, chemicals, herbs, roots, etc., and also a full and complete range of toilet articles, perfumes, soaps, patent medicines, rubber goods and druggists' sundries, every line being most moderately priced; also Stoughton Bitters, Laxative Tonic, German Salve Ointment, etc. He is a specialist in filling physicians' prescriptions and household recipes from the purest ingredients, and in these, promptness, and moderation in charge, combined with absolute accuracy, are the factors which have made his pharmacy so widely patronized.



THE THOMSON AUDITORIUM.

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M. W. LUDEN.

The retail grocery trade of Charleston is one of its most important mercantile interests, and counts among its merchants some of the most enterprising business men of the city. Maintaining a leading position and handling only the purest goods in the line of foodstuffs is Mr. M. W. Luden, whose store, which he owns, is at the northeast corner of King and Woolfe streets. This is a fine two-story building, 25x125 feet in ground area, and Mr. Luden has been established here 20 years. His stock of staple and fancy imported and domestic groceries, table delicacies, cigars, tobaccos and grocer's sundries is always kept at the point of perfection, and sold at the closest prices in the city. His glassware and crockery department is a feature and a specialty with him, and is the best in the city. Mr. Luden, who is in the prime of life, is a native of Germany, a member of the German Artillery and one of Charleston's most respected citizens.

C. L. FISCHER.

Many of Charleston's leading druggists are noted for family medicines which they put up, but none more so than Mr. C. L. Fischer, of King and Spring streets. In addition to carrying a superb stock of pure, fresh drugs, chemicals, toilet articles, perfumery and druggists' sundries, which he sells at reasonable prices, special attention is given to compounding physicians' prescriptions. His own preparations are justly celebrated throughout the States, and are most efficacious. They are put up under his own name, and are very reasonably priced, considering their undoubted merit. They are "Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil," 25 cts.; "Fischer's Chill and Fever Tonic," 50 cts.; "Fischer's Beef Iron and Wine," 50 cts.; "Fischer's Vegetable Compound," 50 cts.; "Fischer's Compound Cough Syrup," 25 cts.; "Fischer's Rheumatic Oil," 25 cts.; "Fischer's Toothache Drops," 10 cts.; "Fischer's Headache Powders," 10 cts.; and "Worm Lozenges," 25 cts. Mr. Fischer, who is a native of South Carolina, established his business in 1892, and has met a wonderful success.

E. H. RICKELS.

Thoroughly representative in his particular line is Mr. E. H. Rickels, dealer in choice family groceries, etc. Mr. Rickels established this business in the same location he now occupies, at the northeast corner of Church and Chalmers streets, some forty-six years ago. His store, which is his own property, comprises two three-story buildings, 40x100 feet in area, admirably equipped. The stock is one of the largest, as well as one of the most carefully selected, in all Charleston, and embraces everything in the line of foreign and domestic fancy groceries, staple groceries, as well as fine selected teas and coffees, in which line Mr. Rickels ranks first among Charleston grocers. Family trade is especially catered to, and every effort is made to please, free delivery of all orders being made to any part of the city. Mr. Rickels is a substantial business man, being a large holder of city realty, and is connected with the charitable organizations of our city.

L. SORG.

A leading headquarters in Charleston for the primest and choicest meats is the Palace Market, located at No. 416 King street, and of which Mr. L. Sorg is the honorable and very enterprising proprietor. This popular market has been established eighteen months, and from the very first met with a most genuine success. It occupies a main floor, 25x100 feet in area, and is fitted up in a very handsome manner, and is always kept the perfection of cleanliness, while prompt and courteous attention is

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accorded patrons by competent assistants. Mr. Sorg, who has had 30 years' experience, and was formerly in business at Spartanburg, S. C., handles no cold storage meats, and does all his own killing, buying only the very choicest cattle on the hoof. He always has a fine display of beef, veal, mutton, lamb and pork, fresh, and a full line of pickled and smoked meats, and these are toothsome and deliciously flavored. He manufactures all kinds of sausage and liver puddings; and his prices are always the lowest for the very best quality.

A. TAMSBERG, JR.

Although Mr. A. Tamsberg, Jr., only established himself in business last November, he has been identified with his present trade for twenty years, and is known throughout our city as one of the cleverest manufacturing jewelers and watch repairers in Charleston. He occupies a spacious main floor at 340 King street, and undertakes all kinds of jewelry, watch and clock repairing, which he does in the most expert manner, and promptly. He manufactures to order rings, chains, locket, pins, charms, pendants, and emblems for Masonic and other Orders, also medals and gold and silver work of all descriptions, and does so on the shortest notice and at very moderate prices. Old gold and silver is bought, and highest prices paid. And Mr. Tamsberg makes a specialty of resetting diamonds, and is meeting with great success in his business.

MRS. C. A. VAN YOUNGER.

A business that, since its establishment, twelve years ago, has always enjoyed a large measure of popularity and success is that conducted by Mrs. C. A. Van Younger at 643 King street, who succeeded her husband two years ago, on his death. The stock of goods carried is very varied, and in every one Mrs. Van Younger is able to give her patrons the benefits of very low prices. It embraces hardware, stoves, tinware, house furnishing goods, cigars and tobaccos, all of which are selected with very great care and judgment, and are sold at prices that cannot be duplicated elsewhere. The business, since it came under Mrs. Van Younger's management, has been most successful, and she has met with the greatest success in its operation, being widely respected in our city.

LEON FISCHER.

In Mr. Leon Fischer, whose pharmacy is located on King street, corner of Tradd, citizens have a pharmacist upon whose skill and experience they can safely rely, and he has no superior in the accurate and prompt compounding of physicians' prescriptions. A native of South Carolina and a graduate of its Medical College in pharmacy class '99, he established his business two years ago, and has been very successful. He carries a fine stock of pure, fresh drugs and chemicals; also toilet articles, perfumery and druggists' sundries. His prices will always be found low, and everything he sells of a most reliable quality. He is agent for the famous Anilorac preparations, which have an extensive sale in this city. He gives to his patrons prompt and courteous attention, and his business has grown to very substantial proportions, due to the fact that he only handles drugs and medicines of the best quality.

J. J. HENNEBERRY.

One of the leading sources of supply in Charleston for beef, veal, mutton, pork, etc., is the establishment of Mr. J. J. Henneberry, 131 King street. Mr. Henneberry has been in this business here for the past twenty years, and has built up a large trade. He has every facility for the business, does his own killing, and is prepared to state that no improper meat leaves his establishment. His store on King street is handsomely appointed, and is provided with every modern facility. Mr. Henneberry caters to fine family

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trade, and also sells very extensively to hotels and restaurants. Mr. Henneberry is one of our most prominent citizens and business men, is an ex-State President of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and now fills the office of Vice President of Division No. 1 of the same Order. He is a large holder of city realty.

L. W. BICAISE.

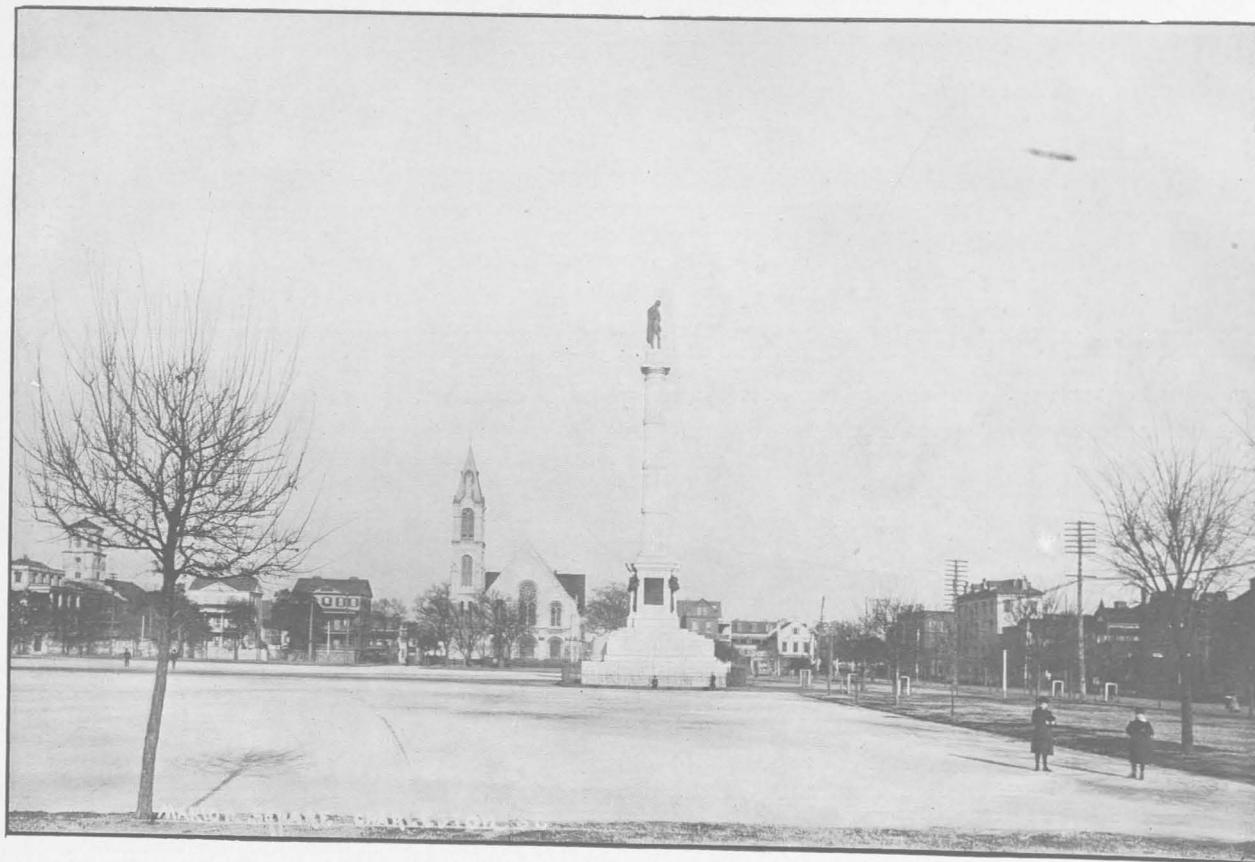
This business, the leading representative of its kind in the South, was founded in 1832 by Mr. R. P. Bicaise, father of the present owner. His store at 130 Meeting street comprises a two-story building, 25x100 feet in area, and well equipped for all purposes of the business. Here is carried a complete line of guns of all kinds, bicycles, ammunition, and all kinds of sporting goods. Work shops, well equipped and run by experienced men, are operated for gun, bicycle and lock repairing. Iron safes and bank vaults are opened and repaired by skilled and experienced men. Mr. Bicaise is agent for smokeless powders and for Glover's Dog Remedies and Austin's Dog Bread. Mr. Bicaise is a noted dog fancier, and is known throughout the country as the manager of the Eden City Dog Kennels. He has successfully treated all diseases of dogs, and has recently put on the market the remedies he has used so successfully in effecting many cures considered hopeless. Bicaise's Eczema Remedy, Bicaise's Distemper Cure, Bicaise's Mange Cure, Bicaise's Canker Cure, Bicaise's Eye Wash are all well-known remedies to dog lovers. Mr. L. W. Bicaise is well known throughout this section, and is highly esteemed in business and sporting circles.

S. C. W. BEHLINEN.

The commercial interests of Charleston contain no more active department of enterprise than that devoted to the grocery trade. Prominent among the leading representatives in this line is Mr. S. C. W. Behlinen, whose store is at the corner of Ashley and Doughty streets. The business was established 15 years ago by Mr. Behlinen, who has since conducted it with marked success; and he occupies very finely equipped and spacious premises. A full, complete and comprehensive stock of staple and fancy groceries and grocer's sundries is carried, including fine teas, coffees, spices, dried fruits, canned goods, table delicacies, dairy products, provisions, etc., all bought in the best markets, and sold at prices that are consistently the lowest in the city. Mr. Behlinen, who is a native of Germany, and in the prime of life, is one of our most successful and popular business men.

F. J. MURPHY.

We take especial pleasure in calling to the attention of our readers the reliable concern conducted by Mr. F. J. Murphy, who is one of Charleston's best known merchants. Located at 487 King street, he carries a splendid stock of stationery, both for private and commercial use, and has everything in that line that is new and fashionable in note paper, envelopes, paperteries, etc. All the periodicals of approved merit are to be found on his counters directly they are issued, and he receives subscriptions for them, as well as our daily newspapers, and gives delivery to his patrons. The "News and Courier" is delivered daily, Sundays included, by the week; and Mr. Murphy also has the New York Herald, New York World and all weekly papers on sale. Mr. Murphy, who is a native of our city, is a progressive citizen.



MARION SQUARE AND CALHOUN MONUMENT.

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OTTO STRAMM.

One of the latest additions to the list of first-class grocery houses in our city is that of Mr. Otto Stramm, located at the northwest corner of John and Elizabeth street. And certainly in no store in the city are the goods of a fresher or purer quality; and the stock is both extensive and complete. It embraces a full range of staple and fancy groceries, grocer's sundries, canned goods, table delicacies, dairy products, provisions, cigars and tobaccos, etc., all of which have been bought in the best markets, Mr. Stramm's twelve years' experience in the business enabling him to go to headquarters for his supplies, and buying at the closest cash figures, to sell at the lowest prices. Mr. Stramm, who is a young and enterprising native of our city, occupies a two-story building, 25x125 feet in area. He is a member of the Bonderlieberbund, and a very popular business man.

THE WEST INDIES FRUIT STORE.

Prominent among our most successful business men is Mr. S. P. Schiadaressi, wholesale, retail and commission dealer in fruits, and proprietor of the West Indies Fruit Store. Mr. Schiadaressi came to this country twenty-five years ago, from his native Greece, and five years later established this business. The premises occupied at the corner of King and Wentworth streets comprise a three-story and basement building, 30x100 feet in area, and specially equipped for the requirements of the business. Mr. Schiaderessi deals in West India, California and domestic fruits of all kinds, and is in daily receipt of fresh consignments from the best producing sections. He also deals in sauces, capers, anchovies, sardines and caviars, and imports in large quantities the finest grades of different canned delicacies. He keeps on hand fresh stocks of A. M. Powell's, Sparrow's, Tenney's and Lowney's candies; also toys, and a full line of fancy imported cigars and cigarettes, of the Turkish and Egyptian variety. His establishment is also the leading headquarters for fancy birds, canaries, parrots, bird cages, gold fish, etc., etc. He ships throughout South and North Carolina, Georgia and Florida. Mr. S. P. Schiadaressi is an exemplary American citizen, has a family of six children, all of whom were born and raised in Charleston, and he is a representative business man. He owns city realty and is otherwise interested in Charleston.

JOHN STURM.

It is one of the most significant signs of the times that people are paying greater attention than ever to the necessity of using only the purest and most wholesome foodstuffs, and no grocer can hope to succeed who handles other classes of goods. One of the best grocers in Charleston is Mr. John Sturm, at 388 Meeting street. Mr. Sturm, who is a native of our city, and has been identified with his present trade all his life, established his business in 1891, and has met with splendid success. His stock embraces a full range of staple and fancy, domestic and imported groceries and grocer's sundries, dairy products, provisions, table delicacies, canned goods, cereal foods, etc., all of which are drawn from the most reliable sources of supply, and always fresh, and sold at the most moderate prices. Mr. Sturm is an energetic and honorable business man, a member of the I. O. O. F., and a much respected citizen.

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JOSEPH KALIL.

Charleston is noted for the many merchants who have built up a flourishing business from small beginnings, and who are rightfully entitled to be called self-made men. Such is Mr. Joseph Kalil, who, coming here from Syria, established his business twelve years ago, and has succeeded in making it a most useful and influential enterprise. Located at 313 King street, he occupies a main floor 30x150 feet in area, and carries an immense stock. This embraces fine French goods, pocket and table cutlery, notions, etc.; and Mr. Kalil deals in these both at wholesale and retail. Buying his goods direct from the leading manufacturers, for cash, and in large quantities, he is always enabled to quote the lowest prices. The stock is always tasteful, attractive and well assorted, and is one of the favorite shopping places for our citizens, who delight in having their homes handsomely decorated with art goods and bric-a-brac and dainty china and cutlery.

GEO. J. LANNEAU.

There is not the shadow of a doubt that the bicycle is as popular today as at any time in its history, and to the thousands of devotees of the wheel in our city and suburbs no introduction is necessary to Mr. Geo. J. Lanneau, the popular dealer in high grade bicycles, bicycle sundries, and local agent for the Locomobile Company of America. He has been established four years, and occupies the main floor at 399 King street, which is 50x125 feet in area, and where he carries a large stock. He handles only the latest models in Columbia, Hartford, Tribune, Crescent, Monarch, Barnes and Iver Johnson wheels, while a leading specialty is made of the popular Yale wheel, under name "G. J. L." He can suit every pocket in his prices, giving, in every case, the best values to be obtained in our city, and selling wheels for cash or on easy payments. He has the finest bicycle livery in the South, and his charges are extremely light in renting. In supplies, he carries a full range of the best, while he has a repair shop that never fails to promptly do every kind of repair work reasonably, and this is always guaranteed. As agent for the Locomobile Company of America, he is prepared to take orders at very close prices for their celebrated Locomobiles; and he also sells "Peerless" gas mantles and shades, which are the best on the market. Mr. Lanneau is a native of our city, honorable in his business; and his ladies' reception parlor is largely patronized.

SEASIDE GREENHOUSES.

Throughout our republic the use of flowers for decorating purposes is becoming universal, and as this is a sign of refined and cultured taste, it is not to be supposed that we in Charleston are behind any city in America in their use. As a fact, Charleston was always noted for the beauty and taste in floral decorations displayed by her citizens, and these have been largely supplied by Mr. Richard Plenge, the well-known florist, proprietor of the Seaside Greenhouses, at 12 Water street. He has four greenhouses, and makes a specialty of bouquets, and design work for weddings and funerals, and attends to decorations for weddings, banquets,

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receptions, at homes, etc., and always has a magnificent stock of palms, potted and garden plants, etc., for sale. His cut blooms are beautiful at all seasons of the year, and his exquisite taste in arranging flowers is admitted by all. His 'phones are: Gordon, 590, and Bell, 2605, and 'phone orders receive prompt attention; while his prices in everything are the extreme of moderation, and his patronage is immense.

THEO. POPPEN.

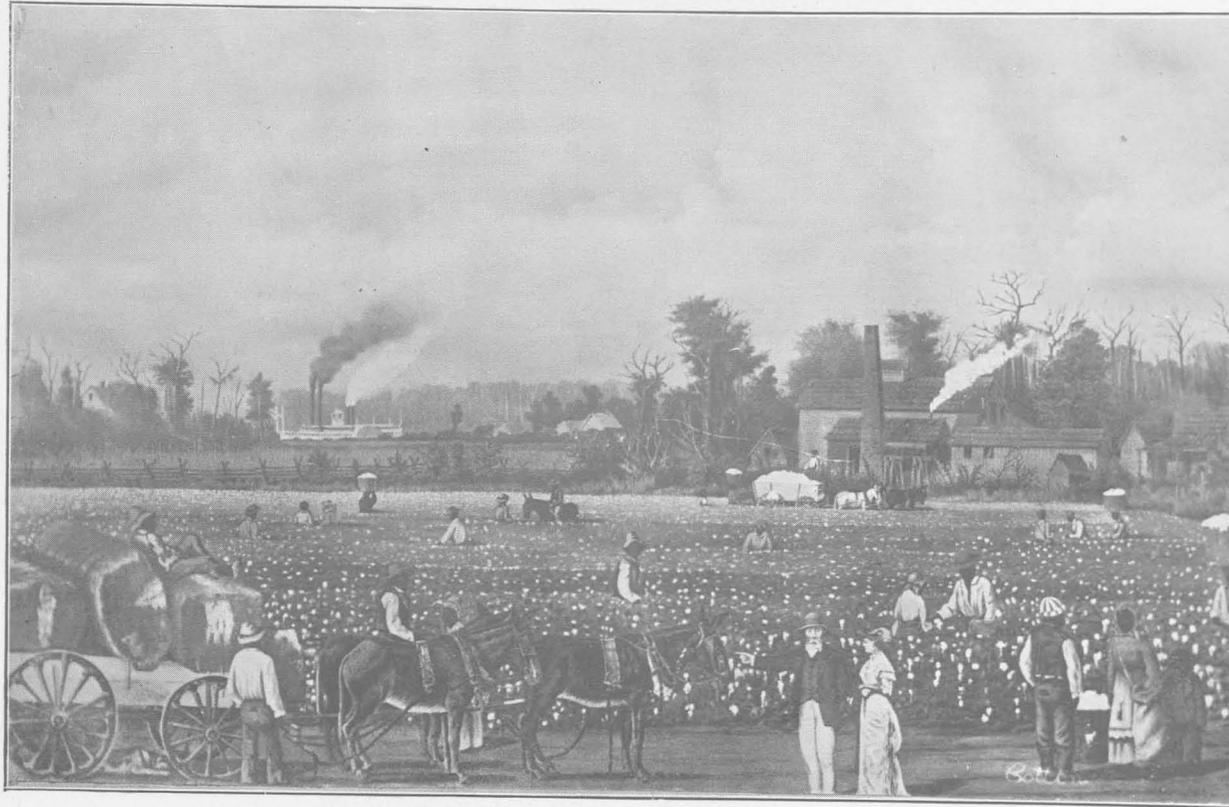
Year by year there is greater attention paid to improving our dairy products and in the curing of meats, so that today our breakfast tables are replete with the most delicious articles of both. At least those who buy their groceries from Theo. Poppen, whose store is at 73 Nassau street, will always find the most appetizing, pure and wholesome dairy products, "Busy Bee" hams, bacons, honey cured, lard, etc., with a splendid range of staple and fancy groceries, grocer's sundries, pickles, sauces, table delicacies, canned goods, etc., all of which are sold at moderate prices. The store occupied and owned by Mr. Poppen is two stories, 25x100 feet in ground area, neatly fitted up; and his trade is most extensive. He is one of Charleston's most respected merchants, and has been established 12 years, is a very popular member of the Bonderlieberbund, and is Alderman from the Tenth Ward by unanimous choice of the Ward, with no opposition.

NEW YORK PAWN OFFICE.

One of the most reliable pawn offices in the city, and a thoroughly representative enterprise of this kind, is the well known New York Pawn Office, conducted by Mr. I. Dave Rubin, at 128 and 128 1-2 Market street. Mr. Rubin established this business some five years ago, and has earned an enviable reputation for upright dealings and business methods. His store is 50x75 feet in area, and packed to repletion with goods of all kinds in merchantable condition. He has in stock watches, clocks, diamonds, jewelry of all kinds, guns, pistols, wearing apparel and, in fact, a host of unredeemed goods, which he offers at remarkably low figures. He will advance money on any kind of personalty, taking same and holding for an agreed time as security. All unredeemed goods are put in good shape before offering for sale, and watches secured here are guaranteed by Mr. Leon Rubin, an expert watchmaker. Mr. Rubin has been found to be a man of his word, and a liberal one to deal with.

J. H. WELLBROCK, JR.

It has long been an accepted fact in every community that success is sure to come to the business man who conducts his business on honorable and intelligent lines. This has been the foundation of the success enjoyed by Mr. J. H. Wellbrock, Jr., who established his business 10 years ago, and who occupies an entire two-story building, 25x100 feet in area, at the northeast corner of Spring and St. Philip streets. His specialties, for which he has a most extensive trade, are choice family groceries, table delicacies, dairy products, provisions and grocer's sundries of the purest description; and he also carries a very fine range of crockery, agate and tinware made by America's leading manufacturers. Prices in every department are the lowest, quality taken into account, and orders are promptly delivered by his delivery wagon. Mr. Wellbrock, Jr., is a native of Germany, and an honored member of the Bruderleicherbund, and greatly esteemed in the community.



COTTON SCENE NEAR CHARLESTON.

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WITHERSPOON JEFFORDS.

Both as a vehicle for business or pleasure, the bicycle stands today ensconced more firmly than ever in popular favor, and among the many wheels now made none take preference to the wheels handled by Mr. Witherspoon Jeffords. For these wheels Mr. Witherspoon Jeffords is able to offer the most favorable terms, and at his up-to-date store at 519 King street shows a fine range in ladies' men's and children's up-to-date wheels of all grades. He also carries a full stock of bicycle supplies, parts and fittings, all of which will be found, on examination, to be of the best description, and most reasonably priced. Mr. Jeffords, who is a native of Darlington, S. C., and a young, enterprising and honorable business man, established himself fifteen months ago, and, occupying spacious premises, is prepared to do all kinds of repair work, guaranteeing same, and charging moderately. He buys and sells second-hand wheels, and has always some snaps to offer customers; and is extremely popular with 'cyclists.

A GEILFUSS.

Good bread is very essential to good health, and it is therefore very necessary that we should buy our bread of the most reliable bakers in order to preserve the health of our families. One of the most responsible bakers in this city is Mr. A. Geilfuss, whose finely equipped bakery is at the southeast corner of Calhoun and Wall streets. Here he owns and occupies a fine three-story brick building, 25x125 feet in ground area, with the most modern improved ovens; and the store is very neatly fitted up. Mr. Geilfuss is a baker of every description of fine home-made, cottage, graham and rye bread; also cakes, pies, confectionery, etc.; while his specialty, which is in great demand, is "A. G. Bread." The goods are the very best, for he uses only the purest and most expensive flour and ingredients in their manufacture. His trade is both wholesale and retail, and goods are delivered to any part of the city, two delivery wagons being utilized. An expert baker himself, he only employs the most expert help. A native of Germany, Mr. Geilfuss established his business here in 1856, and is essentially a self-made man. He is a large owner of real estate, and is a member of the Masonic body, German Rifle Club, etc.; and is a public-spirited citizen.

I. RIPON WILSON & CO.

One of the best conducted and most up-to-date pharmacies in our city is that of Messrs. I. Ripon Wilson & Co., located at the east end of Chapel street, corner of Alexander, adjoining the passenger depot of the Plant System of Railways and the Atlantic Coast Line, with Bell 'phone 2342. The store, which is spacious and handsomely fitted up, was opened three years ago, and from the outset has been very successful. The stock carried consists of a choice and complete line of pure, fresh drugs, medicines, chemicals, etc., and a full line of perfumery and toilet articles, rubber goods, proprietary medicines, etc. They are manufacturers of Wilson's Freckle Cure, a meritorious preparation, which is in great demand by the elite of society. This Freckle Cure is not only noted and used to clean the face of freckles, and prevent same, but is a splendid lotion for softening and beautifying the skin, and no lady ought to be without it. A specialty is made of compounding physicians' prescriptions promptly, from pure, fresh drugs, and in every department the most moderate prices prevail. The co-partners are both young men, and graduates of the South Carolina College of Pharmacy, Mr. I. R. Wilson in 1901, and John L. Wilson, M. D., in 1898. They both stand high in professional, business and social circles.

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JAMES L. RICE.

In reviewing the leading commercial establishments of our city, one worthy of mention is that conducted by Mr. James L. Rice, at 418 1-2 King street. Mr. Rice has a neatly fitted up store, and carries in stock the finest brands of each grade of cigars, both imported and domestic; also smoking and chewing tobaccos, cigarettes, pipes and, in fact, a complete line of smoker's supplies. Although the business was established on the 12th of January, 1901, Mr. Rice has already built up a large patronage through handling only the best goods for the money, and treating his patrons courteously. Mr. Rice is one of Charleston's native sons, and is well known and highly esteemed here. He was for twenty-five years in the railroad business, and has a large custom from the railroad boys. He is a genial gentleman, and has many friends in Charleston.

PATRICK GALVIN.

The citizens of Charleston are well served in every line of industrial endeavor, and in no city in our republic are there more able, honorable and progressive business men, whose success in business is the surest sign that they conduct it on lines of progress and liberality. In this review it is only right that we should include in this category Mr. Patrick Galvin, who is one of our best known and most popular wood merchants and general draymen. His yards and office are located at 86 Washington street, and are spacious and well equipped with steam wood-sawing machinery. The entire plant and stock was recently destroyed by fire, but Mr. Galvin was equal to the occasion and soon replaced the plant and stocked his yards again. He handles hard and soft wood and firewood of the best qualities, promptly fills all orders at the very lowest prices to be found in our city, and delivers the same with despatch. He has four teams and drays for heavy hauling, and in this direction is prepared to offer the best class of service to our merchants and shippers, his prices for wood being very reasonable. Mr. Galvin, who is in the prime of life, is a native of the Green Isle, and is a large property owner; his recent election as Alderman for Ward No. 7 testifying to his great business ability, integrity and public spirit. He has been 20 years in business as general drayman, adding the wood business three years ago, and is very successful.

DR. E. H. KELLERS.

For upwards of thirty years Dr. E. H. Kellers has been known, not only as a leading physician in our city, but as the proprietor of the best patronized and most complete pharmacy in Charleston, and the great measure of professional success he has enjoyed has been due to his sound learning and great talents. A native of our city, Dr. Kellers graduated with great honor at the South Carolina Medical College, class '58, and for four years served as surgeon in the Confederate Army with great distinction. Thereafter he resumed professional practice in our city, in which he is an extensive holder of real estate, and opened his well-known pharmacy at 95 Broad street. The store is handsomely appointed and in charge of most competent pharmacists, and a very complete stock is carried. This embraces pure, fresh drugs, herbs, roots, chemicals, toilet and fancy articles, proprietary medicines, rubber goods and general druggists' sundries; all sold at the lowest prices for high grade goods. The compounding of physicians' prescriptions and household receipts is accurately and promptly done, and in filling these only the purest and freshest drugs and ingredients are used. In the course of his active professional life, Dr. Kellers has become thoroughly well known to all our citizens, and no practitioner enjoys in a greater degree the respect and esteem of the community.

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LEON LANDRY.

The establishments which cater to the work of our citizens are the equals of any in the republic. Especially is this the case with our stores that deal in jewelry, precious stones, watches, etc., and among these Mr. Leon Landry stands in the foremost rank. His handsomely equipped store is at 491 King street, and his stock embraces American and Swiss watches in gold, gold filled, silver and nickel cases, ewelry of all kinds, gem rings, chains, locket, charms, stick pins, besides diamonds, set and unset. The prices at which these are sold are remarkably low, and all goods are guaranteed to be exactly as represented. Mr. Landry, who is a native of Switzerland, and has been established here seven years, and has had twenty years' experience in his trade, is one of our most expert watch, jewelry and music box repairers, and this work he does very promptly. His telephone number is (Bell) 1855.

C. F. HOTTINGER.

A neat and well equipped grocery such as that carried on by Mr. C. F. Hottinger is a pleasure to do business with, and consequently he does a very large trade with Charleston's most critical housekeepers. His store is located at the southwest corner of Meeting and Line streets, with Bell 'phone 4823, Gordon 1483; and he occupies the entire two-story building, 25x100 feet in area, as residence and store. The stock is choice and comprehensive, embracing the finest staple and fancy groceries, grocer's sundries, dairy products and provisions; and all are pure, wholesome and selected with great judgment, while popular prices prevail. Mr. Hottinger has been established here three years, having been formerly in the same business on the Seven-Mile road, and has become extremely popular. He is a member of the Bruderlicherbund, and a most estimable citizen.

C. LILIENTHAL.

Throughout the 40 years of its existence, the store conducted under the above name has been a leader in its line in our city, and retains all its old-time popularity. The business is managed by Mr. W. H. Lilienthal since the death of his father, Mr. C. Lilienthal, three years ago. It occupies a two-story building at 615 King street, 25x90 feet in area, owned by the estate; and the stock of general merchandise carried is extensive. It embraces a full line of staple and fancy groceries, grocer's sundries, china-ware, glassware, household goods, toys, cigars and tobaccos, being a veritable bazaar of useful and necessary goods. In every department the most remarkable prices prevail, and exceptional values are found in every line, the house being exceedingly prosperous.

GEO. N. MOHLSTEDT.

Purity in all we eat and drink is a first consideration which no human being should be careless about; and at the present day, when adulteration is so rife, our housekeepers should deal only with those stores which keep pure and unadulterated goods. Such an establishment is that of Mr. Geo. N. Mohlstedt, whose store, 25x125 feet in ground area, and splendidly equipped, is at the southwest corner of Mary and America streets. Established five years ago by Mr. Mohlstedt, who has had 15 years' experience in the business, and is a native of our city, it has always been most successful. A fine stock of staple and fancy groceries, grocer's sundries, dairy products, table luxuries and provisions is at all times carried, as well as cigars and tobaccos, and these are of the freshest and purest description, and sold always at the lowest prices. A specialty is made of fine teas and coffees, and those who have not tried these have not tried the best. Mr. Mohlstedt is an energetic, progressive business man, is very much esteemed, and is a member of the K. of P., and German Fusiliers.



CHARLESTON ORPHAN HOUSE.

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W. R. TINDAL.

An enterprise comparatively recently established, but one which has already taken a foremost rank among similar houses, is that of Mr. W. R. Tindal, dealer in house furnishing goods, etc. Mr. Tindal established this business some eighteen months ago, and his progressive, enterprising methods have already attracted a large trade, which is constantly growing. His store is 25x100 feet in area and replete with as large and complete a stock of its kind as can be found in the city. The assortment embraces everything in the line of household furnishings, furniture, lace curtains, rugs, carpets, oil cloths, mattings, etc., etc. The stock is brand new, is offered at most reasonable prices, and is, therefore, proving a great attraction for bargain hunters. Mr. Tindal was formerly in the sewing machine business. He is an able, enterprising, progressive business man and fully merits the large share of success he has achieved in this business. He handles the New Home sewing machine, where very liberal terms are offered and would be of advantage for any one to call.

W. H. ZEIGLER.

It is of importance to the public to be informed where they can obtain prompt and accurate filling of physicians' prescriptions from pure, fresh drugs; and this they will always find at the spacious and handsomely fitted pharmacy of which Mr. W. H. Zeigler is the popular proprietor, located at the southwest corner of Rutledge avenue and Cannon street. Mr. Zeigler is a young man, a native of Orangeburg, S. C., a graduate of South Carolina Medical College, pharmacy department, class '96, and a very clever druggist. He established his business in 1897, and has, by keeping a finely selected stock of drugs, chemicals, medicines, herbs, roots, toilet articles, proprietary medicines and druggists' sundries, and always charging moderate prices, built up a large and successful business; and is widely known and esteemed in our city.

MISS E. LEONHARDT.

With the increase of wealth in our country there has grown up a corresponding demand for luxurious surroundings, resulting in the establishment of art emporiums in every city of any pretensions. A prominent exponent of this line in Charleston is Miss E. Leonhardt, whose establishment at 205 King street is the popular headquarters for high class art goods. Miss Leonhardt established this business some seventeen years ago, and has since developed a large trade with our best people. Her store is elegantly appointed, and contains a fine line of just such goods as delight the eye of women. She herself has most excellent taste, and her stock is the best selected of its kind in the South. Miss Leonhardt brings to bear a wide experience, and is fully conversant with the demands of her business.

W. L. SPEISSEGGER.

An up-to-date and progressive business man is Mr. W. L. Speissegger, whose pharmacy is at the corner of Meeting and Columbus Streets. Here he occupies a handsomely fitted up store and handles a complete stock of pure drugs, chemicals, etc., and a fine line of toilet articles, fancy goods and druggists' sundries. Careful and accurate filling of physicians' prescriptions and household remedies is a feature for which Mr. Speissegger is noted and prices in every department are most reasonable. Mr. Speissegger who is a native of our city and been in business 12 years, meeting with great success, puts up two widely known and very valuable preparations, viz.: Speissegger's "Compound-Syrup of White Pine Tar" and Speissegger's "Headache Powder," both of which are very popular and widely sold.

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E. HEINSOHN.

Mr. E. Heinsohn, the well known grocer, whose store is at the southwest corner of Broad and Friend Streets, established his business here some 20 years since. He has been very successful owing to the fact that he has made it a rule to carry only the best goods and by selling at the lowest prices. He owns and occupies the two-story frame building at the corner of Broad and Friend Streets (and holds other parcels of realty), his store being 25x140 feet in area. His stock embraces the choicest staple and fancy groceries, grocers' sundries, table delicacies, canned goods, dairy products, provisions, etc., and prompt attention is given to all customers' orders being delivered by his two delivery wagons, and his 'phone is No. 479. Mr. Heinsohn is a native of Germany, a member of the Bruderlicherbund and German Artillery and a popular business man.

JOHN KANGETER.

One of the greatest necessities of any large community is a reliable house where wines and liquors for medicinal and family use can be obtained absolutely pure and unadulterated. In Charleston this necessity is met by that old established dealer, Mr. John Kangeter, who owns and occupies the two-story building at 132 Spring Street, utilizing the main floor for his business. His stock of wines and liquors is of the purest description and he also carries a choice stock of imported and domestic, staple and fancy groceries, including the finest teas, coffees, spices, table delicacies, canned goods, dairy and creamery products, and general grocers' sundries. Mr. Kangeter's great success has been founded on handling only pure and wholesome foodstuffs and wines and liquors. He gives prompt attention to all orders, and quick delivery to all parts of the city, dealing honorably by all his customers.

I. MORRIS MONASH.

Few establishments on this thoroughfare attract as much attention as this reliable house, which is the leading enterprise of its kind in the South. Mr. Monash established this business here ten years ago and was the first licensed exponent of his particular line in South Carolina. His store at 131 Market Street, comprises a three-story building, 25x125 feet in area, replete with one of the largest and most cosmopolitan stocks of new jewelry, watches, diamonds, musical instruments, etc., also personal goods in the country. His place is known as the "Charleston Pawn Office," and is the most popular in the city because of the known reliability of its owner. He makes liberal advances on jewelry, watches, guns, pistols, musical instruments, clothes, and, in fact, all personal effects of value. A fair rate of interest is charged, payable with amount loaned when goods are redeemed. Numbers of articles of every description and value thus come into the possession of Mr. Monash, and never redeemed, he offers them to the public at figures greatly less than cost or value. He is city agent for Krusins Bros. celebrated razors. Mr. Monash has earned a high reputation for upright dealings and honorable methods. He is the most popular exponent of his particular line of enterprise in the city and is one of our most progressive citizens.

GEORGE MEHRTENS.

In referring to some of our best known business men we take pleasure in a personal mention of Mr. George Mehrtens, the family grocer, whose store is at 58 Meeting Street, corner Tradd. Mr. Mehrtens, who is a native of Germany, has been connected with the business 18 years, establishing himself 8 years ago, and owns the store as well as other real estate in our city. He occupies

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the entire two-story brick building, which is 50x125 feet in area and very finely equipped, utilizing a delivery wagon to deliver orders promptly. His stock is choice, fresh and pure and includes the finest staple and fancy groceries, grocers' sundries, table delicacies, creamery and dairy products, canned goods, and he is a specialist in the finest teas, coffees, spices, tobacco and cigars. In all lines his prices meet popular approval as being the lowest for reliable goods and his trade is most successful. Mr. Mehrtens is a prominent member of the Bruderlicherbund.

F. THEE.

With the many honorable and reliable grocers established in our city there is no difficulty in procuring the purest and most wholesome food stuffs, and among those who only handle goods of this character is Mr. F. Thee, whose spacious store is located at 34 Amherst Street. This is a very old, established business, having been inaugurated by the father of the present proprietor more than 50 years ago, the latter succeeding him 10 years since. A choice stock of fresh, pure groceries and grocers' sundries is carried at all times, Mr. Thee making a specialty of fine teas, coffees, table delicacies, canned goods, and dairy products, selling always at the very lowest prices superior and reliable goods can be sold for and giving his customers the most prompt and courteous attention. The patronage is most substantial and the business exceedingly prosperous.

P. KROESEN.

One of our most representative merchant tailors and one who has the patronage of many of our best dressed citizens, is Mr. P. Kroesen, whose well appointed salesroom is located at 228 King Street. Mr. Kroesen has been engaged in this line of enterprise here for the past six years and with the the business for over thirty-five years. He is an expert cutter and has developed his present large patronage on the merit of the garments he turns out. He has at all times a carefully selected lot of choice patterns of all imported and domestic woolens, his large stock affording each customer ample opportunity for the exercise of individual taste and judgment. He employs only the most skilful and experienced tailors, and, in fact, does nothing but first-class work. His garments are noted for their good fit, elegant finish and workmanship, and for general excellence cannot be excelled anywhere. Mr. P. Kroesen is a native of Germany, but has been in this country for a long number of years. He is a thoroughly representative exponent of his business and is entitled to prominent mention in this review.

A. E. GADSDEN, JR.

In bringing before our readers only such mercantile establishments as are known to be thoroughly reliable and fair dealing we conceive that these names will be a matter of interest not only to our own citizens, but the many strangers who will be in our midst so shortly. In Mr. A. E. Gadsden, Jr., whose store is at the corner of Mary and Meeting Streets, Charleston has a pharmacist of strict reliability and great professional ability. He is a graduate of South Carolina Medical College some three years ago, and has been connected with the business eight years. He is a specialist in compounding physician's prescriptions accurately and quickly and only uses the purest ingredients. He carries a very superior stock of pure, fresh drugs, chemicals, herbs, roots, etc., and a superb stock of toilet articles, perfumery and druggists' sundries, while in each department moderate prices rule. He puts up Gadsden's Tulu, Tar and Wild Cherry for colds and Gadsden's Rheumatic Liniment, both very efficacious and popular remedies. Mr. Gadsden is a young, native born son of Charleston, who is socially popular and widely esteemed.

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DICKINSON & JENKINS.

The establishment of the firm of Dickinson & Jenkins a short time ago marks an era in the retail grocery business of our city, as both partners have been long and favorably known as able, enterprising and upright business men. They occupy the main floor at 508 King Street, which in dimensions is 25x100 feet, and this is very handsomely fitted up and in keeping with the high class goods they carry in stock. A full and complete line of staple and fancy groceries, both imported and domestic is carried, as well as table delicacies, canned goods, teas, coffees, spices, etc., all of the purest and freshest character, while in dairy products and provisions they only handle such lines as they can honestly recommend. Selling at the closest margin of profit and giving prompt and courteous attention to patrons and quick delivery of orders by wagon, they have already succeeded in securing a large patronage and their future success is assured. Their telephones are Gordon 1452 and Bell 573 and orders over them are accurately and promptly filled. The partners, Mr. P. L. Dickinson, who has been at the business 10 years, and Mr. James J. Jenkins, who was formerly in business at Colleton County, S. C., for 15 years, are to be congratulated on a substantial success.

JOHN STOKIEN.

A well-ordered, cleanly and well conducted meat market is one of the first necessities of every town and city in our country and few of these can show one that is conducted on better business principles than that of Mr. John Stokien, whose market house is located at 440 King Street. Established over 20 years, he occupies spacious quarters, and as an experienced butcher, has no rival in our city, having been at the trade since boyhood. He makes a rule of buying his meats on the hoof and killing and dressing them himself, and is, therefore, in a position to positively guarantee what he handles. This includes the primest fresh beef, mutton, veal, lamb and pork, as well as salted and smoked meats of the choicest quality and flavor, and he always has a fine display of poultry and vegetables in season and makes a specialty of pure leaf lard. Prices that rule are always the most moderate, and prompt attention is given to all patrons, Mr. Stokien being most successful in his operations.

H. M. SANDERS.

In every city there is always room for a first-class, up-to-date hardware store and this Mr. H. M. Sanders has found since four years ago he established his present business at 577 King Street, above Cannon, the success he has met with having been of a most flattering character. Mr. Sanders, who is a young business man, and a native of Charleston, has had 12 years' experience in his trade and is in close touch with the best markets of our republic, and buying in large quantities for cash he is always enabled to quote his patrons the most favorable prices, and does considerable country wholesaling. He occupies a main floor 25x125 feet in ground area, and makes a specialty of builders' hardware, carrying a grand stock in that line, as well as in shelf hardware, pocket and table cutlery, guns, agricultural implements, and house furnishing goods, also a large line of harness, saddlery and saddlery hardware. None but reliable articles are stocked, and all the newest and latest in every line he handles is to be found at his store, with the result that it receives an immense patronage and the business is most prosperous.

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BERKMAN'S RACKET STORE.

For variety, completeness and low prices we defy any one to point out a store in South Carolina that equals Berkman's Racket, which is located at 448 King Street. The proprietor is Mr. G. Berkman, a native of our city, who was formerly in the jewelry trade here, and established the Racket seven years ago, and from its inception it has been very successful. The stock carried covers dry goods, notions, toys, fancy goods, china, glass, agate, tinware, window shades, tissue papers, watches, aluminum novelties, etc., while the house is headquarters for school supplies. The making of picture frames to order is a specialty, and when we say that in every line the prices are the lowest in the city, we but do Mr. Berkman plain justice. He is one of our most progressive citizens who know exactly where to find the best market to buy. He is secretary Washington Lodge, No. 5, A. F. & A. M., and also secretary Carolina and Zerubabel Chapter.

THE AUDITORIUM DRUG STORE.

A recently established pharmacy is that known as the Auditorium Drug Store, located at 129 Rutledge Avenue. It was opened on May 19th, 1900, and from its inception, has been very popular, the patronage increasing daily. The store is handsomely fitted up and there is also a fine soda water fountain where cool, refreshing drinks of all flavors are served by courteous attendants. The stock carried embraces a complete line of pure, fresh drugs and druggists' sundries, toilet articles, etc., and a specialty is made of compounding physicians' prescriptions accurately and promptly by an expert pharmacist. Although only established one year, a large and influential patronage has been built up.

E. F. BIERFISCHER.

One of the leading headquarters for all the latest styles in furniture and house furnishings goods is Mr. E. F. Bierfischer's, at 559 King Street. This has been established 11 years by Mr. Bierfischer, who was formerly in the grocery trade, and he occupies an entire two-story building 25x125 feet in area, with spacious warehouse in rear, packed with goods. Here the housekeeper can secure all the newest patterns and designs in furniture for every room in the house. Bedroom suites, blankets, comforts, lace curtains, window shades, are all here to make the sleeping rooms cozy and comfortable, a full line of parlor, dining room, hall, library and kitchen pieces are to be seen as well as clocks, stoves and many other useful and necessary articles. These are sold in every instance at the lowest price, either for cash or on the instalment plan, and no house in the trade treats customers more honorably or liberally, with the result that a very extensive and steadily increasing trade is done. Mr. Bierfischer, who is a native of Germany, is a popular member of many of our German social organizations and very greatly esteemed.

H. R. PEECKSEN.

The retailing of groceries in Charleston is one of its most important commercial interests and counts among those engaged in it some of the most active and enterprising of our city's merchants. Prominent among those is Mr. H. R. Peecksen, who established his business 12 years ago and owns the property on which his business premises are located at the corner of King and Spring Streets. These embrace an entire two-story and basement building 30x85 feet in ground area, and a one-story warehouse

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30x85 feet in dimensions. Nine expert assistants are employed, and two delivery wagons utilized. The choice merchandise handled by Mr. H. R. Peecksen embraces the best goods obtainable in staple and fancy groceries, canned and bottled goods, table delicacies, dairy products, provisions and general grocers' sundries. The house is making a specialty of Woe Tai blended tea, roasted coffees, Her Royal Pastry Flour, etc. A fine trade is catered to and secured, the prices ruling at this establishment being extremely moderate, and prompt attention to, and delivery of all orders being made. Mr. Peecksen is thoroughly experienced in the grocery trade, having exceptional business ability combined with sound integrity.

OAK GROVE DAIRY.

In the supplying of that most necessary of all food products—milk—we cannot too strongly impress on our readers the necessity of only dealing with those dairies who give that close supervision to their business that ensures only pure, wholesome milk, from healthy cows, being allowed to leave their premises. It is not only in the absolute cleanliness of all the surroundings, and the cleanly handling of milk, that is necessary—it is the proper inspection by a competent veterinarian at frequent intervals that can give the most absolute security to the users. In the Oak Grove Dairy, whose offices are at 90 Tradd street, all these safeguards are employed, which ensures its patrons getting pure, wholesome milk or cream; and this is delivered to them twice daily by the eight delivery wagons which are in use at this model dairy, and whose services can be secured by a 'phone message to No. 1071. The dairy has been established two years, the proprietor being Mr. C. F. A. Odencrantz, one of the most honorable and enterprising of our business men. He controls the entire milk product of a magnificent herd of 300 Jersey cows, pastured on James Island, and most carefully fed and looked after. No purer or richer milk and cream than these produce is to be found in our city, while the prices charged are of a most moderate character. Mr. Odencrantz has built up a splendid business, and knows how to conduct it successfully. In the prime of life, he was formerly an extensive horse and mule dealer in North Dakota, and is a large city real estate owner, most progressive in his methods, and upright in all his dealings.

THE GREAT ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC TEA CO.

A fitting illustration of the high plane of excellence to which the tea and coffee trade of our republic has been raised is instanced in the well-appointed establishment of The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company, which are to be found in every city in our Union. This great corporation are pioneers in the business of bringing the tea direct from the planter to the consumer; and the same applies to coffees and every article they handle, saving all middle profits and ensuring absolute purity in every line they handle. In Charleston, their store is at 325 King street, and is handsomely decorated and fitted, and a full and complete range of teas, coffees, baking powders, extracts and groceries is carried. The business has been opened up here ten years, and is in charge of Mr. J. F. Lochrey, as Manager, who has been with the company from boyhood up, and has been Manager here six years. He is one of our brightest business men, and is extremely popular with all classes.

MRS. M. FINLEY.

The most popular millinery establishment in Charleston is that of Mrs. M. Finley, located at 243 King street (up-stairs). Here she occupies handsome show rooms, where may always be found a superb line of everything in the way of fashionable millinery goods, at very moderate prices. All the latest novelties in imported bonnets, hats, toques, silks, ribbons, laces, ostrich tips and

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plumes, fancy feathers, wings, ospreys, French flowers, ornaments, etc., are shown in rich profusion; and her season's display of French and New York pattern hats and bonnets is always the best in the city. Expert milliners turn out hats and bonnets that rival the finest French patterns, and prices are always consistently reasonable. Mrs. Finley has been established 47 years, and has always done the leading trade. She is assisted by her two daughters, Miss H. M. Finley and Miss E. S. Finley, who ably aid her in the management.

MRS. L. ANASTASH.

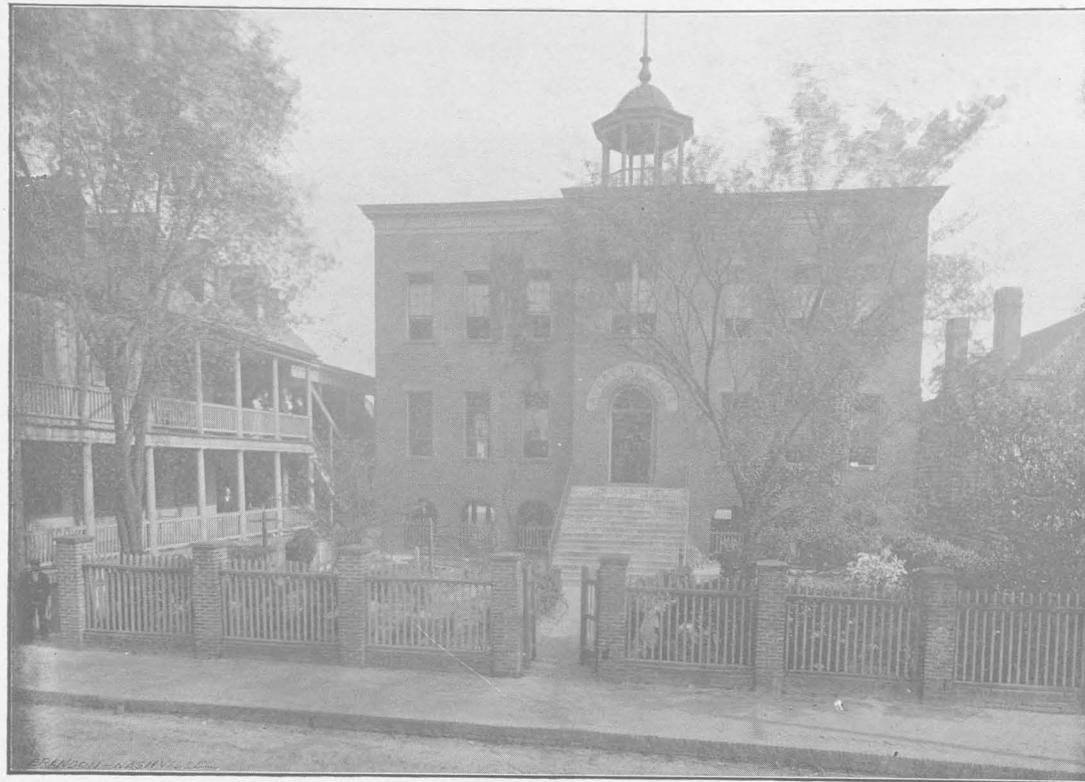
If we may judge by the steady and always increasing patronage which is accorded our new 5 and 10 cent store, we must conclude that it is filling a very useful place among our city's many mercantile enterprises. It is located at 351 King street, and Mrs. Anastash opened it at the end of last year. It occupies a main floor, 25x90 feet in area, and this is filled with toys, household articles, china, glass, notions; in fact, almost everything one could ever dream of being made to sell at such low prices as are found at this store. Everything is fresh and new, well selected and admirably arranged. This is bound to be Charleston's most popular store, and Mrs. Anastash is conducting it with exceptional energy and ability.

DR. M. H. COLLINS.

The oldest drug house in the city, and one of the most representative, is that of Dr. M. H. Collins, at 188 King street. Dr. Collins established this business in 1854, and has successfully conducted it ever since. His store is admirably appointed, containing a large stock of pure, fresh drugs, chemicals, tinctures, the leading proprietary and patent medicines, druggists' sundries, toilet articles, etc., etc. The laboratory is especially well equipped, careful attention being paid to the compounding of prescriptions. Dr. Collins is proprietor and manufacturer of the following well-known remedies: Collins' Fever and Ague Specific, Cough Cure, Rheumatism Medicine, Liver Pills, Jamaica Tonic and Bouquet Cologne. These goods are well known here, and are in great demand on account of their proved merit. Dr. Collins is one of our oldest and most respected citizens, and was for five years Appraiser and Examiner of Drugs at this post for the United States government; was Alderman of the city for five years, and was acting Mayor at one time. He is a public-spirited, enterprising citizen.

SAM BANOV.

In succeeding in June last to the business of Banov Brothers, which had been established about nine years, Mr. Sam Banov continued the old plan of the house, which was small profits and a quick turnover of stock; so that he at all times has the very latest and newest goods in the lines he carries. Located at 595 King street, corner of Spring, he occupies a two-story building, 25x90 feet in area, and carries a splendid stock. This embraces the most fashionable ready-to-wear clothing, guaranteed as to fit and wear, a grand range of the most stylish wool and fur felt hats, straws, caps, etc., and all that is newest in the line of gent's furnishings. Clothing is made to order from his splendid stock of woolens, fit, workmanship and style guaranteed; and while the lowest prices prevail, goods are sold both for cash and on the installment plan. Consequently, Mr. Banov, who is a native of Germany, a member of the Masons, and Young Men's Hebrew Association, is very successful.



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GEO. L. RODEMANN.

For upwards of 20 years Mr. Geo. L. Rodemann has conducted with the greatest possible success his well-known grocery store at 607 King street, corner Rodgers Alley, a sure criterion that he has catered most satisfactorily to his hosts of patrons. He owns and occupies the two-story frame building, 25x125 feet in ground area, which he utilizes as residence and store, the latter being very nicely fitted up and equipped; and has one delivery wagon in operation. He carries at all times a splendid stock of choice family groceries, both staple and fancy, grocer's sundries, table delicacies, canned goods, segars, tobaccos, etc., which are bought in the best markets and sold at the very closest prices that good, reliable goods can be sold for. He makes a specialty of dairy products, always having on hand the freshest creamery, butter, eggs, cheese, etc. Mr. Rodemann is most popular with our citizens, is a native of Germany, a large realty owner, with other interests in our city, and a member of the German Artillery.

CORBY'S PHARMACY.

In no line of commerce or trade is Charleston so thoroughly well represented by able and clever men as in the druggists. Among the leaders in this department of trade is Corby's Pharmacy, of which Mr. I. J. Corby is the proprietor, located at 7 Hampstead Square. Established 11 years ago, it occupies handsome quarters, and a grand line of pure drugs, chemicals, medicines, herbs, roots, etc., is stocked. His line of toilet articles, perfumery, rubber goods, patent medicines and fancy goods is very finely assorted, and the compounding of physicians' prescriptions and household remedies is a specialty, absolute accuracy and promptness being always maintained. His elegant soda fountain, with fruit flavors, is very popular, and so are his own remedies which he puts up. These are Corby's "Electric Liniment," "Syrup of Tolu, Tar and Wild Cherry," for colds; "Queen's Delight Sarsaparilla," "Celery and Camomile Tonic," etc. Mr. Corby is a native of our city, and has been at this business for thirty years, being very widely known and greatly esteemed.

B. DOSCHER.

Without doubt the leading establishment, as it is the oldest of its kind in Charleston, is that of Mr. B. Doscher, dealer in books, stationery, and news. The premises occupied at 242 Meeting street comprise an entire three-story building, 25x100 feet in area. The salesroom is elegant in its appointments and attractive in its arrangement, while the stock is of a choice, select character, embracing everything in the line of literature, science, theology, prose, history, travels, biographies, periodicals, etc. Here will also be found a fine line of fancy and society stationery, supplies, etc. Here are to be found all the newest publications, everything pertaining to the office and home library. The patronage of this house is of an influential and substantial character. Mr. Doscher has given the business his undivided attention from the beginning, and the evidences of the past and present are that the business is under excellent management. Mr. Doscher is well and favorably known here; and, as a representative of one of our most progressive business enterprises, is entitled to more than passing mention in this review.

BERKMAN BROS.

The representative firm in Charleston actively engaged in the sale of optical goods, picture frames, mouldings, wall papers and art supplies is Berkman Bros., of 427 King street. Although only established in June of 1900, they have built up a most substantial business. The partners are Mr. S. Berkman, a graduate of Kellam & Moore's Optical School, of Atlanta, Ga., and Mr. Theo.

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L. Berkman, a graduate of Spencer Optical College, of New York. They examine eyesight free of charge, and fit any defect with glasses that give perfect ease to the wearer. They carry a splendid stock of picture frames, mouldings, wall papers in the latest designs, colorings and combinations, art supplies, pictures, engravings, photogravures, etc., that display exquisite artistic taste in selection; and all goods are sold at lowest prices. They make a specialty of photo enlargements in crayon, pastel, India ink, sepia, water colors, bromide and genuine oil; and as framers they take the lead in our city.

W. McELHOSE.

It is very doubtful if any city in our republic of the same population as Charleston can show as many old established business firms, who for decades have done a prosperous and successful trade. Among these is Mr. W. McElhose, who is a native of Ireland, and came here in 1865, and from that date has done a large and thriving trade, and is to-day a large owner of real estate in our city. This spacious store is located at the southwest corner of Calhoun and Wall streets, where he occupies a two-story frame building, 25x80 feet in ground area. He carries a very complete and comprehensive stock of choice groceries, grocer's sundries, canned goods, table delicacies, pure teas, coffees and spices, dairy products, provisions, etc., and sells at prices which are not beaten by any other store in our city, with the result that his trade is most extensive, and always increasing; while he personally commands the esteem of all our citizens.

A. W. RIECKE.

One of the best patronized and most popular of all the stores in our city is that of Mr. A. W. Riecke, the well-known stationer and news dealer of 311 King street. Mr. Riecke was formerly in the dry goods trade, but established his present business seven years ago, and it has been continuously successful. His store is 25x75 feet, and he carries a very complete stock of private and office stationery, periodicals and all the popular publications. These appear on his counters directly they are issued, Mr. Riecke keeping his business fully abreast of the times, and selling at most moderate prices. Subscriptions are taken for the leading monthly magazines, and in this direction Mr. Riecke does a very important business with our prominent business men and citizens generally.

C. F. KLENKE.

All the elements of a prosperous and thriving community are visible in Charleston, and almost every class of business is conducted in our city on superior lines of progress and enterprise. Certainly, in the line of groceries, no city is better equipped with up-to-date and reliable grocers than our own, and among these Mr. C. F. Klenke occupies a front place. Mr. Klenke, who is a native of Germany, and in the prime of life, has been established eleven years, and has always met a general patronage. He occupies an entire three-story building, 25x100 feet in ground area, at the southwest corner of King and Warren streets, finely fitted up and equipped, and carries a very choice line of family groceries, grocer's sundries, table delicacies, canned goods, dairy products, provisions, etc., of the purest and freshest character, which are sold at prices that prove to be extremely popular. Prompt attention and delivery is given all orders, and the business done is very extensive. Mr. Klenke is one of our most popular citizens, and is a member of the K. of P., and German Artillery.

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THE JOHN HURKAMP CO.

It is a most creditable feature in the commercial enterprises of our city that we have an establishment which, since its foundation, in 1837, has always maintained a leading place in the popular favor of our citizens. We refer to The John Hurkamp Company, of King and Broad streets, of which our esteemed citizen, Mr. J. Hermie Ostendorff, after being a clerk and partner, became sole proprietor in 1896. He occupies a three-story building, 50x125 feet in area, and fitted up with all the most modern conveniences. The house employs five clerks and utilizes two delivery wagons, and a magnificent stock is carried. This embraces fancy, family and ships' groceries, grocer's sundries, table delicacies, canned goods, dairy products, etc.; and they are Charleston agents for Huyler's candy, Dr. Shepard's tea, Deerfoot Farm sausage and bacon, Woodburn Farm Jersey butter, sausages and hams. The goods are bought with excellent judgment, and are sold at the lowest prices consistent with superior qualities.

JOSEPH ROSAS.

Thoroughly representative in his particular line of industry is Mr. Joseph Rosas, practical watchmaker and jeweler, 195 King street. Mr. Rosas established this business here fourteen years ago, and has a fine reputation for reliability and the execution of high class work. His store is admirably appointed for all purposes of the business. Here is carried a fine line of jewelry, watches, clocks, silverware, etc., all guaranteed as represented by Mr. Rosas. He has superior facilities for repair work, and in this particular excels all others in Charleston. Mr. Joseph Rosas is a native of Spain, and has been engaged in this line of industry nearly all his life. He is well and favorably known in this community.

C. H. SCHMONSEES.

One of the most popular grocers of Charleston is Mr. C. H. Schmonsees, who owns and occupies a two-story building at the northwest corner of Drake and Reid streets, which is 25x100 feet in ground area. The house has been established 16 years, and has always met an unfailing success, due to the popularity of the proprietor and the excellent character of the stock he carries. This embraces staple and fancy groceries, grocer's sundries, cigars, tobaccos, soda water, sarsaparilla, etc.; and everything he handles is fresh, pure and wholesome. His specialty is a fine line of table delicacies, canned goods and dairy products, while he sells over his counter the best cigars. Prices are in every case moderate, and the business is extensively patronized, the trade increasing each year. Mr. Schmonsees is a native of Germany, is a prominent citizen, and a member of the German Artillery and its Benevolent Fund, and also of the Bruderlicherbund and the K. of P.

J. HEPLER.

The necessity which often arises in a large city for loans of a temporary nature is often very great, and to supply the needed financial assistance resort is had to the money brokers, who are usually denominated pawn offices. In Charleston these are in the hands of some honorable business men, and among these Mr. J. Hepler is one of the most popular with our citizens. Uncle Joe's Pawn Office is located at 605 King street, and was established two years ago last January. Mr. Hepler, who is a native of Russia, was previously in business in New York, having been in America 16 years. He loans money, at the lowest current rates, on watches, diamonds, jewelry, clothing, furniture, sewing machines and all articles of value, and pays the highest cash prices for old gold and silver. He has always some bargains in unredeemed pawn goods; and conducts all business with promptness and integrity.

OUR BUILDING INTERESTS.

THE building interests and allied trades connected with the production and handling of materials constitute a group of industries representing a large aggregate investment to the efforts of some of the foremost business men and firms of Charleston. The building interests of Charleston were never more prosperous than during the past year. Many imposing business blocks have been erected and old ones remodeled, as well as numerous fine residences in all sections of the city, and the coming season looks brighter than ever, for already permits have been taken out for some fine buildings, many are in course of erection, and, in fact, at the present time more buildings are contracted for than ever before during this short period of the new year, including the South Carolina Inter-State and West Indian Exposition buildings. Our architects, contractors, plumbers, roofers, painters, decorators, and the manufacturers and suppliers of builders' material are all men of talent, skill and ability, who are not surpassed by those of any city in the country. Following are brief sketches of our leading firms engaged in this industry, including architects, contractors, plumbers, roofers, decorators, planing mills, lumber men, builders' supplies, etc.

LUMBER.

The magnitude of the lumber industry which centers in Charleston is of such importance that it excites a most powerful influence upon the commercial activity of the city, and hence it is of prime importance to the commercial activity of Charleston. In fact, Charleston is now conceded to be one of the greatest lumber centres in the country, so remarkable has been the development during the past decade. One by one, unostentatiously, lumber sawmills and shingle mills are being added, until now the list is a gratifyingly large one. The forest products of the South contributory to Charleston include the following timbers, viz: Yellow pine, oak, hickory, ash, poplar, linden, elm, maple, walnut, chestnut, cherry, cottonwood, cedar, spruce, hemlock, balsam, palmetto and other woods. In fact, the South has more virgin forest than any other section of the country. The lumbermen of Charleston are progressive, hustling business men, and the facilities enjoyed by them for shipping lumber by water from the mills into the interior, and also coastwise and to foreign countries, as well as by rail, places the trade here in a position to compete with prices with any point in the South.

HOLMES & LAWTON.

Two progressive young architects who are well known in this locality have recently gone into partnership. Mr. Holmes has been practicing architecture in Charleston about nine years, and has done very creditable work. Among some of his best productions are the Knights of Pythias building, which he got in open competition; Mr. Wallace's and Mr. Kinloch's residences, on Ladson street, and many others. Mr. Lawton has worked with several architects in the North, besides doing considerable engineering work, having graduated at the V. M. I., and taken a course in architecture at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The firm is now remodelling the old Mills House into a modern apartment house, and has recently established a branch office in Jacksonville to extend their work.

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JAMES C. SCHULER.

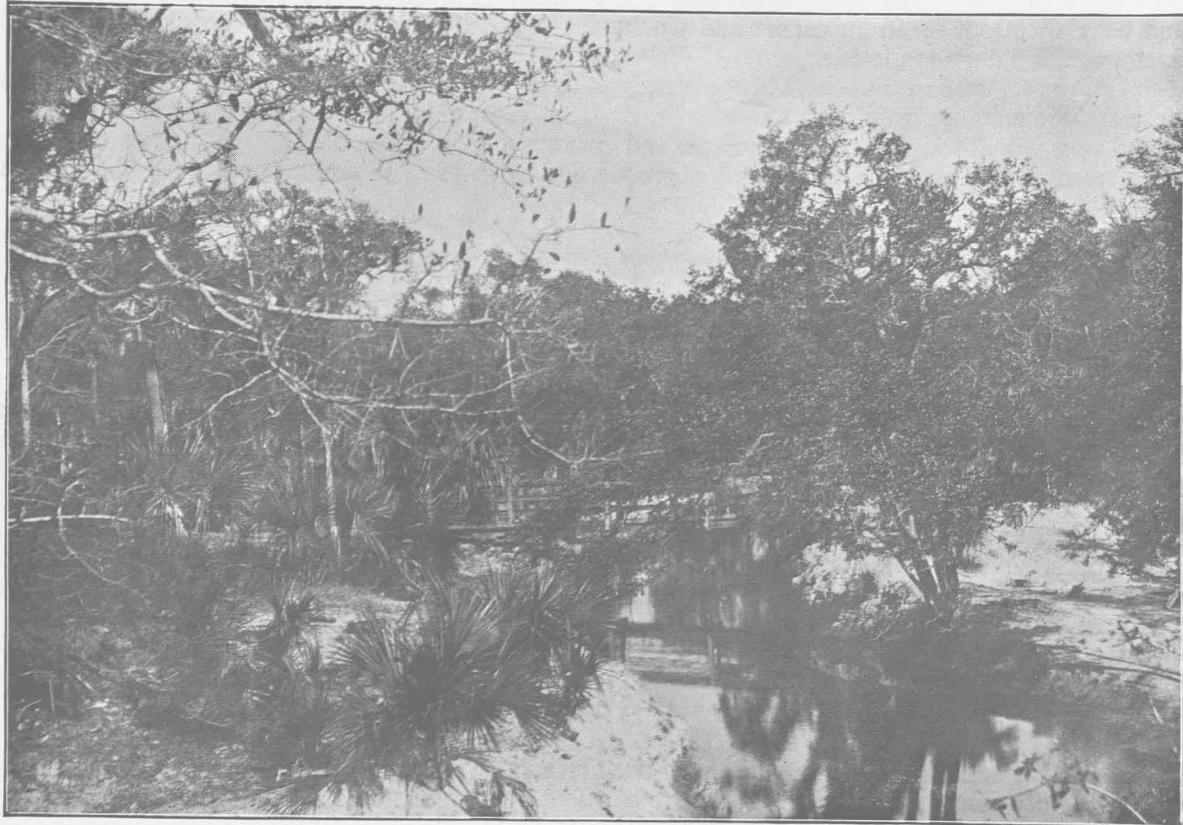
This old and reliable house still continues to lead in popularity with our property owners who desire to erect substantial stores or dwellings and want them put up in an expert and workmanlike manner. Certainly in this section of our State there is no more honorable contractor and builder than is Mr. James C. Schuler, as the many fine buildings he has erected in our city and vicinity will testify. His office and yards are at 606 King street, and he is prepared to furnish estimates and take contracts on erecting buildings of all classes. He employs only expert workmen, and uses materials called for in specifications only. Mr. Schuler is also a dealer in sawed and split wood, selling at lowest prices, and promptly delivering orders. A native of Germany, and with large realty and other interests in our city, Mr. Schuler is a prosperous business man, and a popular member of the German social organizations.

CHARLESTON GALVANIZED IRON CORNICE WORKS.

Among the enterprises of our city most deserving of prominent mention in this review is the house which forms the subject of this brief sketch. The business was established some eighteen years ago by Mr. R. M. Masters, who has had 30 years' experience, and has had a phenomenal growth. The premises occupied at 127 and 129 King street comprise a three-story building, 50x225 feet in area, perfectly equipped; and employment is given thirty skilled hands. Mr. Masters makes a specialty of galvanized iron cornices and steel ceilings, and he is prepared to execute the finest work in this line. He also pays particular attention to sanitary plumbing and gas fitting, and is one of the most prominent exponents in Charleston in this line. At his store will be found also a fine line of ranges, stoves, grates and house furnishing goods. He makes a specialty of the "Sunshine" ranges, stoves and furnaces, the standards of excellence in this country. Mr. Masters is one of our most substantial citizens and business men, well and favorably known in trade circles. He owns his business house and other realty, and is otherwise largely interested in Charleston enterprises, being president and director of several of our most prosperous building and loan companies. He is an Alderman of the city, and is chairman of many important municipal committees.

HENRY N. PREGNALL.

The improvements steadily taking place in all kinds of architectural work in Charleston is fraught with much promise for the future, and it must be candidly confessed that no small share of these improvements is due our leading contractors and builders. Charleston is fortunate in having some of the ablest men in this line to be found in the South, and none are more prominent than Mr. Henry N. Pregnall, the well-known builder and contractor of 211 Calhoun street. An able man at his business, and one of the most honorable, he commands a most extensive patronage, and never fails to accord the most entire satisfaction. He is prepared to furnish estimates for, or tender on, the erection of all classes of buildings, docks and wharves, and, employing only skilled workmen and adhering strictly to specifications, he promptly completes them on time. Much of the best work to be seen in Charleston of late construction has passed through his hands, and reflects the highest credit on his abilities. Among the many contracts filled by him may be mentioned the foundation for the Custom House building, and also the New York Steamship wharfs and the Exposition ground wharfs. An enterprising and public-spirited citizen, he is widely known and as widely esteemed.



SCENE ON ISLE OF PALMS.

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SOUTHEASTERN LIME AND CEMENT CO.

The Southeastern Lime and Cement Company is a concern which, by the extent of its operations, largely contributes to the trade activity of our city. The business was established some seven years ago, and has been developed into one of the largest and most important of its kind in the entire South. The company's salesrooms at 276 East Bay street are spacious and well equipped. They also operate warehouses at Savannah, Mobile, Ala.; Pensacola, Fla., and Wilmington, N. C., and have the very best shipping facilities. They are importers and sole agents for Lehigh and Dexter brand highest grade American Portland and Hammer brands of Belgian cement, and Hemmoor brand of German cement, being standards of excellence among the best cements distributed in America. They also deal in fire brick, fire clay, plastering hair, plaster of paris, laths, common brick, mortar, colors, terra cotta pipe, paints, oils, and, in fact, all builders' supplies. They have developed a large trade, not only locally, but in cements especially, west to the Mississippi River. The officers of the company are Mr. Howard Fleming, President, and Mr. D. Van Smith, Secretary, Treasurer and Manager. Mr. Van Smith is fully posted in every feature and detail of the builders' supply business.

H. W. CROUCH & BRO.

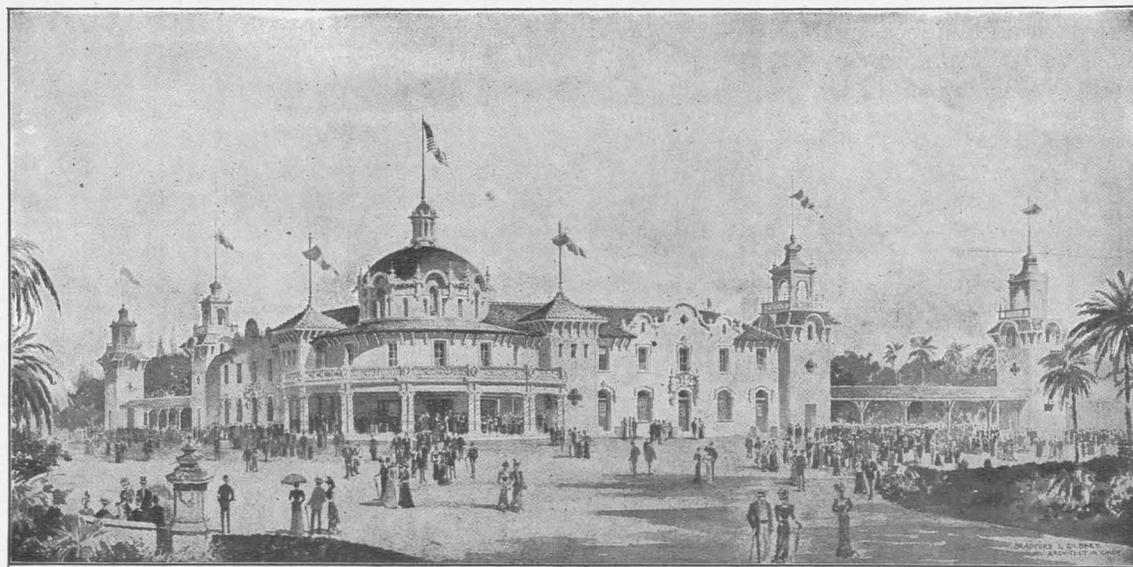
American cities and towns are the most progressive of any in the world; they erect the highest class of improvements. And in view of the facilities afforded by our leading engineers and contractors in each and every line, the cities like Charleston are enabled to do all kinds of building and engineer work that would otherwise be unobtainable. The facilities thus referred to have a forcible illustration in the extended operations of Messrs. H. W. Crouch & Bro., the well-known wharf and bridge builders, whose postoffice address is Box 303, Charleston, S. C. This firm is widely and deservedly prominent along the Atlantic Coast States as builders of wharfs and bridges, also dredging and wrecking, making a leading specialty of wrecking. They have been established for some years, and have built up a prestige and patronage wide in extent and eminently creditable in character. No concern in their line has had to do with heavier contracts, or those requiring closer estimates or more rigid adherence to specifications. As a result, they have done much government, railway and private work in wharf building, dredging and railway and other bridges, and have won an enviable name for skill and responsibility. They have the very best appliances in the way of dredges, transfer boats, derricks, etc., for carrying all kinds of work in their line to a successful end, and are prepared to take contracts of any magnitude. They handled most all the large guns for the government, used at Fort Sumter and other batteries around Charleston, and in each and every instance gave splendid satisfaction. Messrs. H. W. Crouch & Bro. are not only able and successful men in their business, but are among Charleston's most public-spirited citizens of push and enterprise, while they are responsible in every way.

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McCARREL & SLOAN.

There is no more important industry in a community, or one which its exponents are in greater demand, than that of the general contractor and builder. The leading and largest representatives of this particular line of enterprise in Charleston is the firm of Messrs. McCarrel & Sloan, Brown's Wharf. Mr. Robert McCarrel has been engaged in this business over thirty years, and a large majority of the finest and best buildings here were erected by him. Mr. Louis F. Sloan, who is also a member of the well-known cotton house of Messrs. J. B. E. Sloan & Son, became a partner to Mr. McCarrel some six months ago. The firm enters into contracts for the construction of all kinds of buildings, stores, factories, residences, etc.; also for repairs and alterations. Estimates are furnished at the lowest possible figures consistent with the best materials and superior workmanship. They employ a large force of skilled artisans, personally supervise all work, and guarantee their contracts to be filled to the very letter. Mr. McCarrel is the most experienced man in the business in the South, and his connection with any building work

the most stupendous building ever built in the South, its seating capacity being eight thousand persons. This great undertaking was finished on contract in ninety days, although it required the driving of one thousand piles for the foundation. They also have the contract for the placing of all the ornament and statuary work on the entire Exposition buildings, which work they are carrying to completion with ability, and to the satisfaction of all interested. The firm are now engaged on the Administration Building and the Palace of Mines and Forestry for the New Exposition, and a number of other important contracts; and are also remodeling the Hotel Argyle. Mr. McCarrel was one of the master builders of the University of Glasgow, in Scotland. Before coming to this country, he did much military work for the English government, and has had wider and more varied experience than any other man in the South. Mr. Sloan is one of our most active and progressive young business men, and his addition to the business makes it by far the leading one of its kind in our city.



ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

McCARREL & SLOAN, CONTRACTORS.

is a certain guarantee of a first-class, workman-like job. Some of his work is as follows: Custom House piers, Exchange Banking and Trust Building, foundation of the new Post-office, Church of Holy Cross, at Sullivan's Island, W. B. Chisolm's residence, all the public schools, and many others too numerous to mention. He also erected the "Thomson Auditorium,"

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ANDREW J. RILEY.

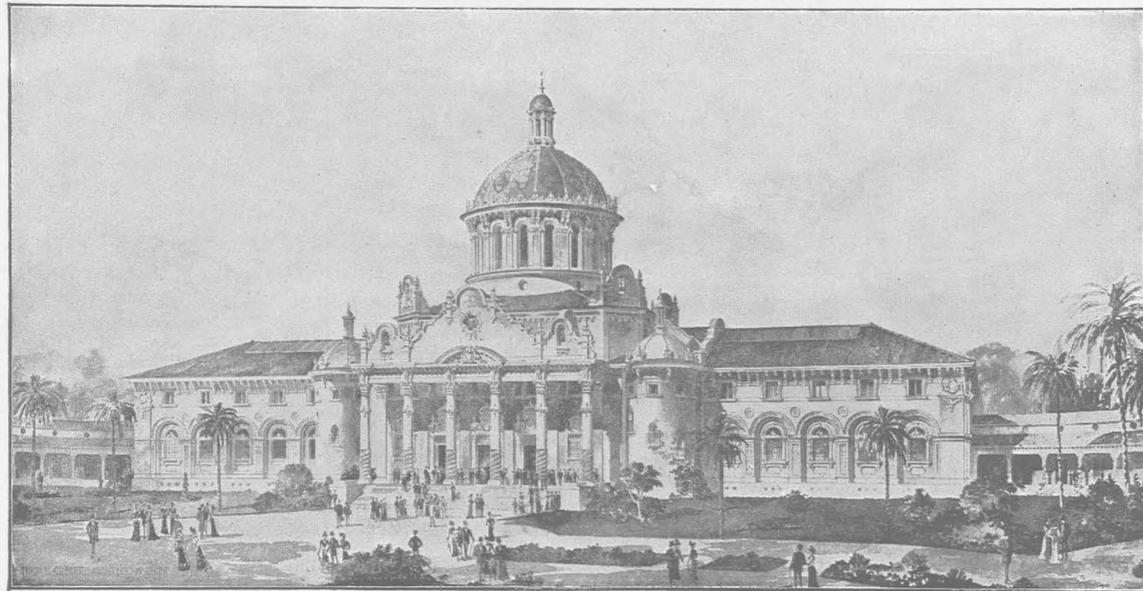
Prominent among the representative exponents of the plumbing line is Mr. Andrew J. Riley, at 143 King street. Mr. Riley has been engaged in this business for twenty-five years, and brings to bear a wide range of experience of all that pertains to the plumbing business. He carries in stock a complete line of water and gas fixtures, as well as plumbers' supplies; also stoves, ranges, lamp globes, etc. He is agent for the Boynton Furnace Company, the most successful furnace on the market. Mr. Riley makes a specialty of sanitary plumbing and gas fitting, and is prepared to execute in a satisfactory manner any work in this line. He gives employment to some twenty men, all skillful and experienced. Mr. Andrew J. Riley is a native of this city, and is an exemplary, public-spirited citizen, now serving a term as Alderman of the Ninth Ward.

BUCKEYE SHEET METAL CO.

The founding of new enterprises in our city by young men of push and ability is one of the best criterions of the city's advancement. The Buckeye Sheet Metal Company has recently equipped a plant at 149 King street with the most modern and best machinery and appliances known to their special line of industry, and is the most up-to-date plant of its kind in this section. The proprietors, Messrs. W. H. Patterson, J. Boutland and B. J. Clark, are young men of enterprise, who are well posted in every detail of their business, and are practical mechanics of new and original ideas. The Buckeye Sheet Metal Company are manufacturers of and dealers in galvanized iron cornices, window caps, steel ceilings and sheet metal specialties; also do slate, tin, steel and paper roofing, sanitary plumbing, gas and steam fitting, heating and ventilating. They are prepared to furnish estimates and take contracts in any of the above lines, and guarantee satisfaction in all work entrusted to them, both in first-class workmanship, the best materials and quick service. Only expert mechanics are employed, and all work is done under the supervision of the members of the firm, who have had long and varied experience in their native State—Ohio. We bespeak for this firm a splendid and prosperous future.

HERIOT & STORFER CO.

As interior decorators and dealers in such supplies, Messrs. Heriot & Storfer Company rank among the foremost representatives in the city. The business was established five years ago, and, owing to the distinguished enterprise of its promoters, has attained a high position in the trade. The premises occupied at 244 King street are provided with every facility and convenience, and a large and carefully selected stock is carried, embracing wall paper, oil, glass, artists' materials, picture frames, etc. Their stock of wall paper is one of the largest and most carefully selected in the city. They make a specialty of interior painting and decorative work, and have unusual facilities for same. They have in the past few years done much of the finest work in the city, and secure their patronage on merit. The firm is composed of Messrs. E. T. Heriot and J. A. Storfer. Mr. Heriot has been identified with this line of business for ten years, and Mr. Storfer for eight years. Both gentlemen are able, energetic and progressive.



COTTON PALACE.

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ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO.

A recent and important acquisition to our commercial interests is the Electric Supply Company, 154 Meeting street. This business was established last January, and they also have a large establishment at Savannah under the same name, which is one of the largest enterprises of its kind in the South. The premises occupied are admirably equipped, being provided with every facility and convenience. The company are electrical engineers and contractors, and dealers in all kinds of electrical supplies. A full line of supplies is carried in stock, while repair work is ably executed by skillful, experienced men, in well equipped shops. The company has already done considerable work in Charleston and has established an enviable reputation for the general excellence of same. They make estimates on installing electrical fixtures in houses and stores, and guarantee their work to prove satisfactory. The owners of the business are two of Savannah's most esteemed business men, Messrs. Jos. S. Walker and James A. Larkin. The local branch is in charge of Mr. W. A. Burney, manager, who brings to bear a complete knowledge of every detail of the business. He is ably assisted by Mr. F. B. Krepp, superintendent, a thoroughly practical man.

J. T. SNELSON.

The facilities afforded to the property owners of Charleston to gratify their taste for the beautiful and utilitarian in architecture was never greater than it is to-day, owing to the talented architects who are practicing their profession in our city and the equally talented and capable builders and contractors who carry out their designs. No one stands higher as a builder than does Mr. J. T. Snelson, whose office is at 110 Tradd Street, and to whom has very wisely been awarded the contract for erecting the Cotton Palace and Colonnade at the Exposition, as being placed in his hands it is sure to turn out a highly creditable piece of work. Mr. Snelson furnishes estimates for, and tenders on, the erection of all classes of public and private buildings, residences, shops, etc., and his figures are always consistently low for the best workmanship and reliable material, and he uses no other in carrying out his work. Skilled workmen only are employed and all contracts are completed within the time limit, and specifications strictly adhered to, thus avoiding the "extras" so frequently seen in a building contract. A very large number of fine buildings in our city attest how well Mr. Snelson does his work, and to employ him once is always to retain his services, no builder in our city affording his patrons more complete satisfaction or being more highly regarded in the community.

JAMES ACKERMAN.

The business of the painter and sign maker is well represented in Charleston by Mr. James Ackerman, who has been identified with this line of business here for thirty-six years. The premises occupied consist of a two story building at 177 King Street, where every supply and requisite for the most successful prosecution of the business is at hand for turning out those beautiful signs which excite such remark in the streets of Charleston. Mr. Ackerman is proficient in every branch of his business and gives employment to from twenty-five to forty skilled artisans. He paints houses and makes a specialty of signs and ornamental work. He also deals in paints, oils, brushes and glass, carrying a full stock of same. Mr. Ackerman is an energetic exponent of the higher branches of the art.

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JOHN F. TOBIN & BRO.

It is impossible in connection with complexities of city life to over-estimate the value to the community of first-class plumbers in keeping that deadly enemy, the sewer gas, away from buildings. In this connection we draw our readers' attention to the well established house of J. F. Tobin & Bro., at 577 King Street, the well known sanitary plumbers, gas and steam fitters. The partners are Mr. John F. Tobin and Mr. William J. Tobin, both natives of our city, the business having been established 1885, by John F. Tobin and coming under its present style three years ago. They own the three entire two story buildings 60x200 feet on King Street, occupying a portion of the main floor for their business. They carry a full stock of the finest plumbers and gas fitters supplies and make gas fixtures to order. They are prepared to furnish estimates for and take contracts in sanitary plumbing, gas or steam fitting, and have acquired an enviable reputation for promptness, reliability, superior workmanship and moderate prices that places them in the front rank of the trade. They have executed some of the heaviest contracts ever awarded in our city and carried them to completion in a highly satisfactory manner, among them being the laying of the water mains and sanitary plumbing at the Enston Home Buildings on King Street. A specialty is made of work outside the city, they having fitted up the Passenger Stations in Savannah, Jessups, Waycross, Thomasville and Brunswick, Ga., and Callahan, Sewanee, Sulphur Springs, Fla., for the S. F. & W. R. R. Their business now extends into North Carolina and in September, 1900, they completed the plumbing work at South Rocky Mt., N. C., for the Atlantic Coast Line Relief Department Hospital, which is pronounced by experts to be the finest job south of the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore. On the 27th of April last they secured the plumbing contract for the A. C. L. R. R. offices, Wilmington, N. C., which has recently been completed and is giving entire satisfaction. Mr. John F. Tobin has had twenty-seven years experience in the business and is an authority in it.

JULIUS E. SMITH.

A leading exponent of his special line of industry is Mr. Julius E. Smith, sanitary plumber, gas fitter and tinner. Mr. Smith established this business two years ago and was formerly identified with the same line with various other houses for over twenty years. He employs only the most practical and experienced mechanics and guarantees satisfaction. His store at 117 King street contains a large stock of stoves, ranges and house furnishing goods of all kinds. He attends to all kinds of plumbing, gas fitting, tin work, etc., making a specialty of repairing and painting roofs, gutters, pumps, etc. All orders are promptly and carefully executed. Mr. Julius E. Smith is an enterprising business man and has built up a large business on the merits of his work.

CHARLESTON ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION CO.

Electricity as an illuminating and motive power has daily grown in universal favor, and it is consequently not a matter of surprise that in all parts of the American republic representative and substantial concerns are being rapidly organized to place before the public the simplest and most practical means of applying electricity to various purposes. In this connection special reference is made to the Charleston Electrical Construction Company, that progressive and reliable concern which since its organization and incorporation some eighteen months ago, has done much important work in the most skillful and satisfactory manner. Their plant is located at 227 King street and employing the most silled electrical engineers they are prepared to build and install electrical power and light plants, private telephone lines, complete telephone exchanges, fans, etc., and in that direction have done

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much important and valuable work in North and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. Notable among these are the electrical plants of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co., at Storr, S. C.; Santee River Cypress Lumber Co., at Ferguson, S. C., Bridges and McKeichen Lumber Co., Lumber, S. C. Atlantic Cotton Oil Co., at Bennettsville, S. C., etc., etc. They occupy the spacious main floor, 25x100 feet, at the above address, employing from ten to fifteen expert hands and carry a full stock of electrical supplies and specialties of every description, for which their prices are always the lowest. The company is agent for Lundell Electric Generator, and the Western Electric Co., of N. Y.; and as contractors and engineers are prepared to undertake works of any magnitude and carry them to completion promptly at most reasonable charges. The officers are very able and efficient in their conduct of the company's affairs, Mr. Chas. F. Middleton being President, and Mr. G. E. Hazlehurst, Secretary, Treasurer and Manager.

H. A. MEYER.

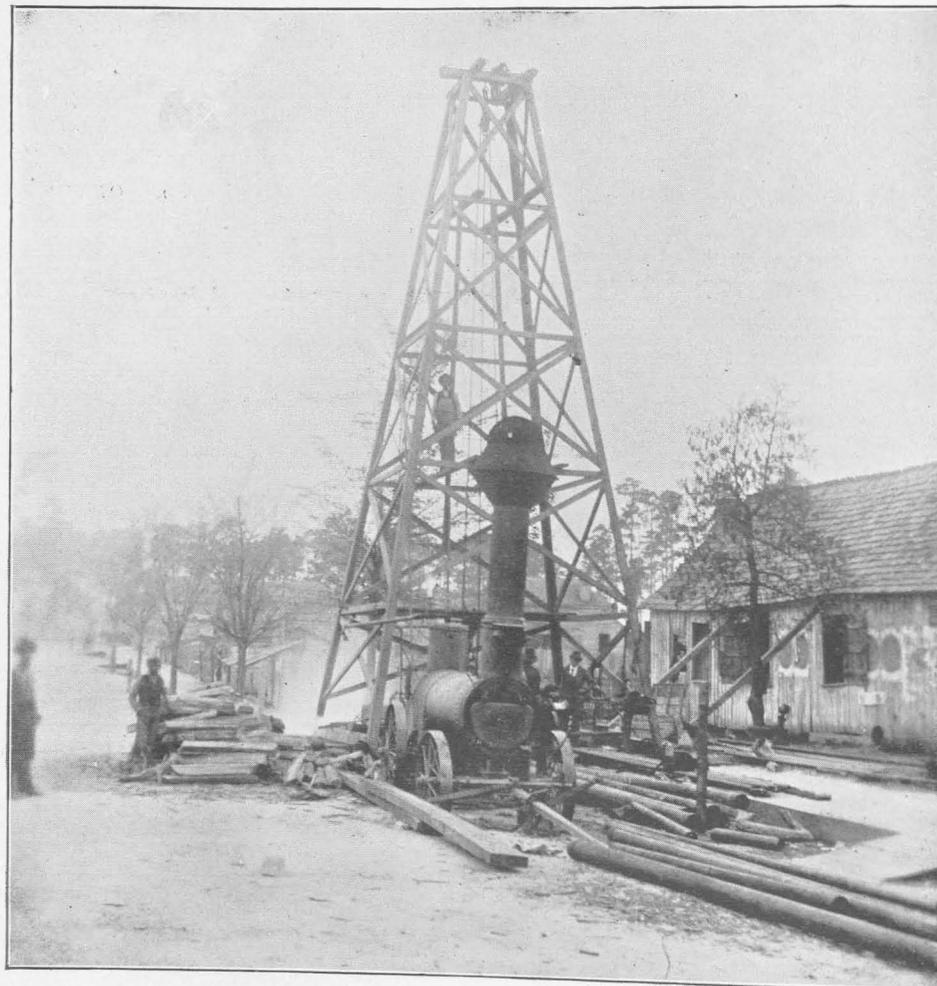
This gentleman is deservedly popular and prominent as one of the leading dealers in oak and pine block, Pon Pon and phosphate gravel and white and yellow sand, etc., doing an immense business yearly in all lines. The business was established twenty years ago by A. F. Meyer and Son, the present proprietor succeeding five years ago. The office and spacious yards utilized in the business are located at Lucas street, West end of Mill street, and the steam sawing machinery in use has a cutting capacity of ten cords daily. Mr. Meyer receives his stick wood from the best lumber regions of our State and always makes a point of handling wood that will give complete satisfaction and his prices are the lowest in every line he handles. He carries a large stock of gravel and sand on hand at all times and builders will do well to place their orders with him, his sand being clean and sharp and his prices right. Mr. Meyer, who is a native of our city, in the prime of life has important realty interests in Charleston and is a most successful business man.

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HUGHES SPECIALTY WELL DRILLING CO.

Of all necessities to the human race, pure water is the most essential to the welfare of any community; and this has largely to be found by boring artesian wells. In South Carolina, no man has been more successful in the work of boring these wells than Mr. Wm. E. Hughes, who is the President and Manager of the Hughes Specialty Well Drilling Company. This business was founded in 1883 by the father of Mr. Wm. E. Hughes, who became a partner in the business in 1893. In 1896 his father died, and Mr. Wm. E. Hughes became sole proprietor and since that time he conducted the business very successfully alone, until recently, when it was incorporated under the name of the Hughes Specialty Well Drilling Co., with a capital stock of \$25,000, and with Mr. Wm. E. Hughes president and Manager and Mr. Herbert E. Gyles, secretary and treasurer. Many years practical experience has given the officers of this company a mastery of their business and Mr. Hughes has drilled wells throughout our State, never failing to accord his patrons the most complete satisfaction. For work done the following are given as a few references: Atlantic Coast Lumber Co., Gardner & Lacey Lumber Co., both of Georgetown, S. C.; D. W. Alderman & Sons Lumber Co., Alcolu, S. C.; Plant System of Railways, C. and S. Division; South Carolina and Interstate Exposition Co.; Royal Bag and Yarn Mfg. Co., Charleston, S. C.; F. W. Wagener & Co., Charleston; Beaufort Water Works, Beaufort, S. C.; Halls Island Farms, Seabrook, S. C.; L. Donner, manager; Fort Sumter (U. S. engineer 1895); town of Bamberg and others, too many to enumerate.

Three leading specialties will be observed by this company in the future, viz: 1st. Drilling for water, oil or gas and making test borings for foundations and mineral prospecting, etc; 2nd. Dealing in and installing pumping plants of every description, paying special attention to the "Air Lift" system; 3rd. Dealing in supplies and equipments for plants, etc., of every description and of artesian well machinery. The outfit of the company is the best that money can buy and they only employ experienced help, and this coupled with wide experience has been the key of their great success. They are prepared to take contracts for drilling artesian wells from



ONE OF OUR HYDRAULIC, OR JETTING OUTFITS IN USE AT EUTAWVILLE, S. C.

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three to twenty-four inches in diameter and sixty to two thousand feet deep, and to carry all their contracts to prompt completion, while in every case their charges will be found the lowest, and their work the most satisfactory. Prompt attention is given to all correspondence, and every commission entrusted to this company to carry out is done without delay. Messrs. Hughes & Gyles are among those energetic, progressive business men whose work forms their best reference and they are both public spirited citizens.

The following is an extract taken from the News and Courier of May 24th, which speaks for itself: "In the notice published yesterday regarding the successful boring of an artesian well on Paris Island, near Beaufort, the Beaufort correspondent failed to give the name of the man who had accomplished what other experts had failed in. Mr. William E. Hughes, of Charleston, who has done excellent work in various portions of the State, succeeded in getting a fine flow of water at the depth of one hundred feet. The capacity of this well, six inches in diameter, is two hundred gallons per minute. The well is within a mile of the naval station."

W. F. PADDON.

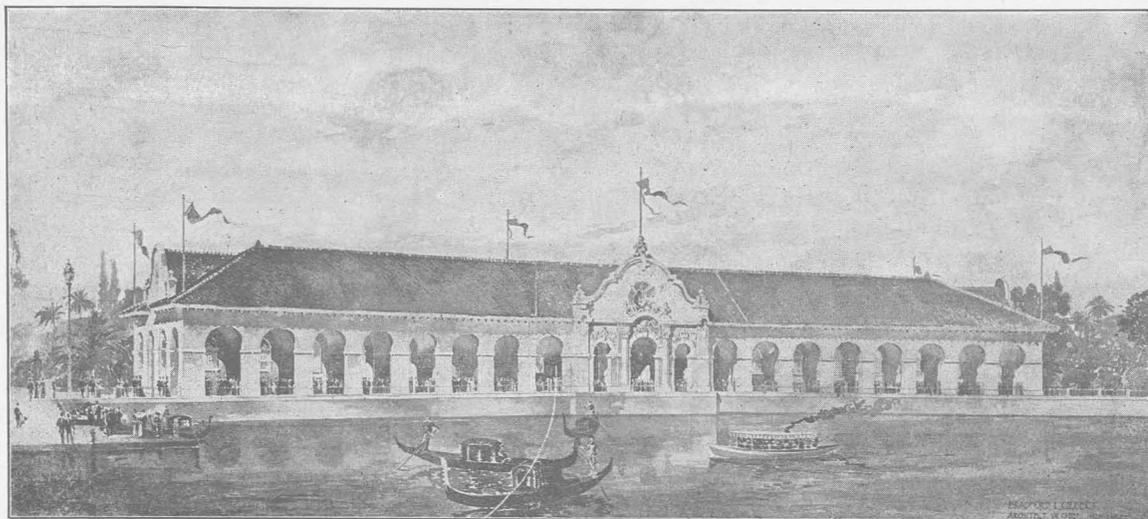
Next year will see the completion of the fortieth year that Mr. W. F. Paddon has conducted his business in our city, and during these many years no business man in our city has enjoyed more widespread respect. Located at 389 King street he occupies an entire three story building, 25x150 feet, and carries on his business as a sanitary plumber, heating engineer, and gas fitter, in which departments he is known to be an expert and an authority. Employing many skilled mechanics, he is prepared to furnish estimates and his excellent work can be seen in all large buildings of the city. He does all the meter work for the Consolidated Gas, Electric Light and Street Railway Co. here and is known as one of our most enterprising and public spirited citizens. He carries a stock of electric and combination fixtures, artistic in design, and of best material, workmanship and finish, as well as a full line of plumbers' supplies. Mr. Paddon is a native born Englishman who has lived in our city and won his position by energy and ability. He is a city realty owner, and has many other interests in the city of his adoption.

T. CAMPBELL.

A prominent business man of our city and a leading representative of his special line is Mr. T. Campbell, whose establishment is at 246 Meeting street. Mr. Campbell founded this business shortly after the war, and has been successfully engaged in it ever since. His office and storerooms comprise an entire three story building, 25x125 feet, in area. His salesroom is well stocked with a full line of stoves, ranges, grates, gas and water fixtures, etc. He also carries a full line of supplies, iron and copper pumps, lead pipe, etc. His shop is provided with every tool and appliance known to the industry. Mr. Campbell makes a specialty of sanitary plumbing, installing hot air furnaces, pumps, tin roofing, etc., and is an authority on scientific plumbing and has done most of the largest plumbing work in Charleston. He employs five skilled men, and supervises all work himself. Mr. Campbell has lived in our city the greater part of his life and is regarded as one of our most public spirited citizens.

J. C. BOESCH.

Among the various enterprises which go to make up our commerce, that of which Mr. J. C. Boesch is the leading representative, is entitled to prominent mention. Mr. Boesch, coppersmith and steam fitter, has been engaged in this line of enterprise here for the past thirty years, and is regarded as its most reliable representative. His shop at 38 State street is spacious and pro-



TRANSPORTATION BUILDING.

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vided with every tool and appliance necessary to the most successful handling of the business. Copper work and steam fitting of all kinds is promptly attended to and satisfaction is guaranteed in every instance. Mr. Boesch makes a specialty of ship work in his line, and secures the lion's share of the business. He has been at the business since 1865 and brings to bear a wide experience and complete scientific knowledge of its every detail. Mr. Boesch is in his prime, and is an esteemed citizen and business man of our city.

JOHN GADSDEN, JR.

There is no profession or calling which exerts a greater influence on the material prosperity of the community than that of the civil engineer. In the front rank of its leading exponents is Mr. John Gadsden, Jr., whose offices are at 50 Broad street. Mr. Gadsden is a graduate of Washington and Lee University, who after studying under proficient teachers turned his attention to civil engineering in all its branches. From the outset his ability and industry gained for him the patronage of many of our leading corporations and private citizens, and he soon found himself the recipient of many valuable commissions. The practical and able manner in which these were executed added still further to his already enviable reputation. He has been entrusted with the direction of many important works in our State, and is prepared to undertake the preparation of plans and specifications for railway, municipal and water works, and engineering generally, and give the closest supervision to carrying out the work. Everything he undertakes he carries out with great skill and ability and his professional fees are extremely moderate.

HENRY OLIVER.

The building committee of our great Exposition buildings have shown sound business acumen in awarding the contract for carpenter work on the Transportation Building and Machinery Hall to Mr. Henry Oliver of No. 2 North Lane, as it is an undoubted fact that in this line he is one of the most capable and energetic of all our builders and contractors, and withal one of the most experienced practical and honorable in his line of trade. Although these are two of the largest contracts on the ground and will take some time to complete, Mr. Oliver's facilities are such that they will in no way interfere with his taking other contracts and carrying them to prompt completion. He is prepared to furnish estimates for, and to take contracts in, the erection of public buildings, stores, private residences, etc., and his figures on these will be found, as always, the lowest in the trade for the best workmanship and material and these only are employed. Strict adherence to specifications, and no extras unless specially ordered may be relied on, likewise prompt carrying out of contracts on time. Mr. Oliver's work is his best credential and as much of it is to be seen in our leading business houses and best residences we need say no more than that Mr. Oliver has always commanded the confidence and esteem of his patrons by deserving it, while he is quite respected as a progressive citizen.

CHARLESTON DOOR, SASH AND LUMBER CO.

The natural situation of Charleston and the grand advantages it enjoys for receiving logs from the great Southern pine and hardwood forests, coupled with her splendid shipping facilities both by rail and water to all parts of the world, make it one of the most important lumber markets in the country. A leading firm engaged in the lumber trade of Charleston, both in manufacturing and in the selling of rough and dressed lumber is the Charleston Door, Sash and Lumber Co., whose extensive plant is located at 21-47 Ashley Avenue. The business was established in 1866 by Mr. P. P. Toale, coming under its present

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style on November 6, 1900, the president of the company being Mr. Walter Henderson, and I. K. Heywood is treasurer, two of our most active progressive and enterprising young business men. The plant is most magnificently equipped with all the most modern machinery, tools and appliances, and has a cutting capacity of 150 logs daily, and manufactures 400 pairs of sash and blinds, 150 doors and three car loads of mouldings weekly, besides turned work and other building material. Owing to the fact that the quality of their output is of a very superior character and their price quotations are the most favorable in the trade, their mill is usually running at its full capacity, the company shipping its output by cars and vessels coastwise to the East, North and Southern ports, while in the near future they intend going into the export trade. Their extensive wharves enable vessels drawing fifteen feet to load rapidly while the piling capacity of their yards allows them to carry an immense stock of lumber on hand. The company controls the output of the Woodlawn Lumber Co., producers of logs, and ships cypress lumber in heavy consignments to northern ports, making it one of the most influential lumber concerns in this section of our republic. Mr. Henderson exhibits great business capacity and liberality in conducting the company's affairs and since taking hold has largely increased the output.

WETHERHORN & FISCHER.

The magnitude of the Southern forests and the high quality of their lumber have made the lumber interests one of first importance among the many branches of industry and commerce flourishing here. All the best markets of the world receive lumber from the port of Charleston and no similar product is in greater demand from any part of our republic. Among the largest houses in the South manufacturing cypress sash, doors, blinds and interior finish, none stand before Wetherhorn & Fischer, whose splendid plant is located at 7 to 13 South street; its frontage being 150 feet by a depth of 300 feet. The business was established in a modest way in 1883, but by the superiority of its output and the reliability of its manufactures it has grown and expanded till today it is the largest of its kind in the Southern States. Their plant is a model one and every labor-saving device for the expeditious handling of material has been installed while their great dry kilns thoroughly season the lumber, this being one of the potent factors that have enabled cypress, the most lasting of woods, to be worked up in a thoroughly satisfactory manner. Employing fifty hands they manufacture sash, doors and blinds and interior finish, which are the perfection of the wood-worker's art and they make a specialty of using cypress and find an immense outlet for the output of their mills in the great markets of the North, shipping by car lots to these points. They turn out the very finest work on interior finish, in addition to their other lines, and this meets the same active demand as all their other products. Price quotations and terms are always extremely favorable to large buyers while prompt shipment is given all orders. The partners are Mr. L. Wetherhorn and Mr. A. H. Fischer, two gentlemen of prominence and influence in our business and financial world.

A. J. BARTON.

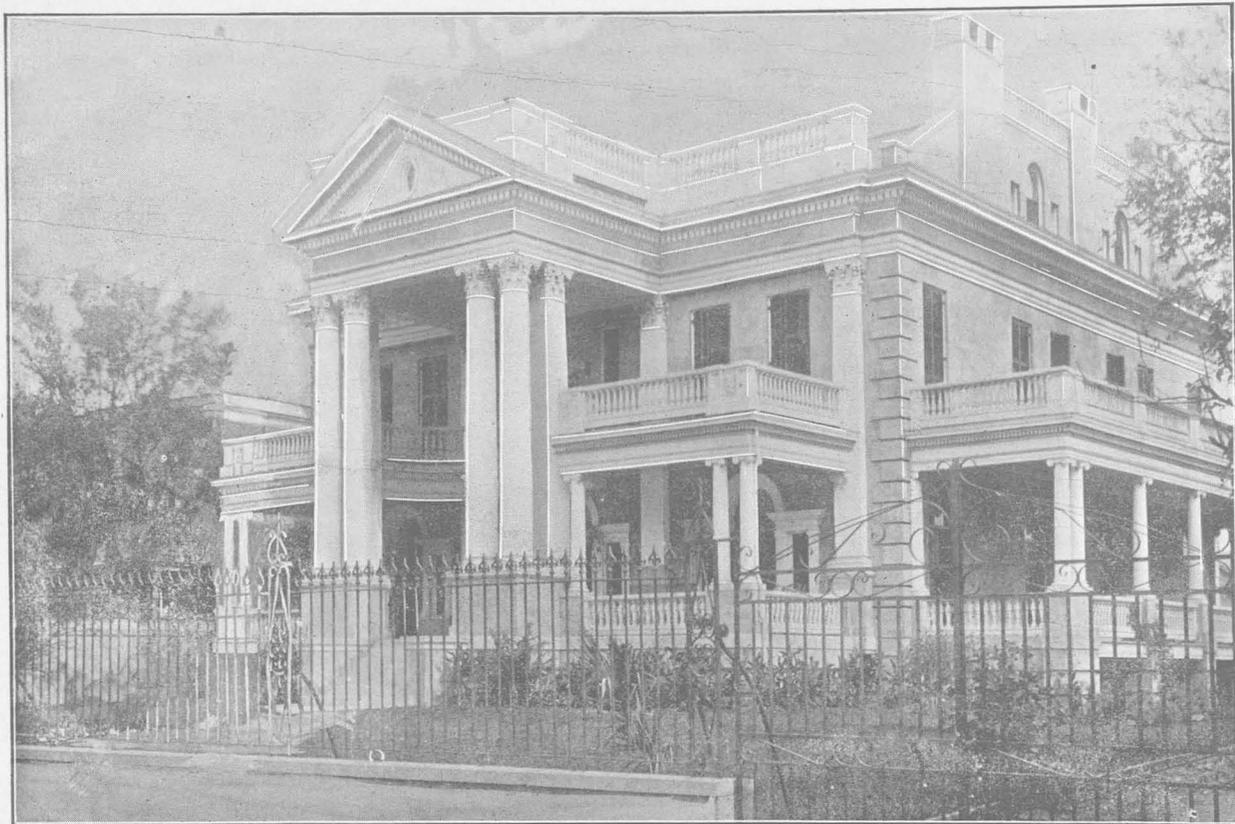
The magnitude of the lumber industries combined with timber which centers in Charleston is of such importance that it exerts a most powerful influence upon the commercial activity of the city, and hence is of prime importance in the welfare of the community. Its development has been remarkable and one of the greatest forces in the development has been the well known house of A. J. Barton, which is located at the West end of Beaufain street, corner of Lynch, with telephone No. 178. This concern is the oldest in its line in the city, having been established sixty years ago and was formerly known as the Steinmeyer Lumber Co., Mr. Barton succeeding to the business in 1894 and widening and expanding its trade largely. The plant is one of the best in the country, its extensive planing mill, dry kilns, yards and buildings covering a ground area of 600x500 feet and giving steady

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employment at good wages to 25 hands. The house makes a specialty of job planing and dealing in builders' lumber, and sells seasoned, dressed and rough lumber, meat boxes, vegetable crates, mouldings, shingles, plastering and box laths, kindling blocks, etc., turning out every description of work in a first-class and prompt manner and maintaining the lowest standard of prices in every line. In builders lumber especially our builders and contractors can always be certain of finding what they want with Mr. Barton or getting stuff made to their order in the promptest manner and consequently the trade in this direction is very large. Mr. Barton has been connected with the mill from 1848 and is one of the most widely known men in the lumber trade in our city, and is greatly esteemed for his many good qualities and the liberal and upright methods he employs in his business.

C. E. WELLING.

Three generations of able, honorable and progressive business men have conducted the affairs of this well-known house which, during the 28 years of its existence, has always commanded the confidence of the building trade in a remarkable degree. Originally established by Edwin Welling, at his decease he was succeeded by his son, W. R. Welling, and came under its present style three years since, on the death of the latter. The premises occupied are very spacious, the yard covering 300x300 feet in ground area, adjoining the Coast Line and Plant System, with finely equipped planing mill; all the latest machinery, tools and appliances being in use. The house deals in and manufactures yellow pine lumber, and makes a specialty of dressed tongue and grooved boards, laths, palings, shingles, etc., and also does a most extensive trade in sawed oak and pine blocks. In all departments the prices that prevail are such as to bring them the leading business in their line in this section, and orders are accurately filled and promptly delivered. The office and mill is at the east end Columbus street, with telephone 529. Mr. C. E. Welling, the present proprietor, who is a grandson of the founder, and son of its late proprietor, is thoroughly posted in every detail of his business, is honorable and conscientious in his dealings, and is much esteemed in business and social circles in our city.



W. B. WHALEY'S RESIDENCE.

COTTON BUSINESS.

ALMOST everyone knows the history of the fleecy staple is coeval with human history, and it would be useless to describe when or where it was first cultivated by the ancients. It is sufficient to say that the real history of cotton in the United States dates from 1784, when a shipment of eight bales was made to Europe. Now the South plants, in round numbers, 20,000,000 acres, and the crop for last year reached nearly 10,000,000 bales and sold at the highest figure it has for many years.

The demand for cotton must always continue to keep pace with increasing population and wealth and the new purposes to which the fibre is constantly being applied. The world must depend on its supply upon this limited area where this staple can be successfully grown, and South Carolina, with its favorable climate and its rich alluvial lands, will always remain an important factor in cotton production; and Charleston will be not only the principal export point for this State's production, but also for all the Southern States, as it is the most direct shipping point to European nations. The city has the very best of facilities for receiving and shipping cotton, while the insurance here is as low as anywhere in the country.

The following well-known cotton men are the leaders in this line in Charleston, and they are all enterprising, progressive and wide-awake business men:

JAMES M. SEIGNIOUS.

Of the large and influential class of the community who deal in that great staple—cotton,— it may be said that Charleston's representative cotton factors and buyers as a body are as wide-awake, far-seeing and as scrupulously honest as any in the world. So high is the business standard of probity maintained that to our city are sent the cotton yield of many of our sister States, to be marketed, and the consignors find it to their advantage to market here. Among those who stand in the very foremost rank of cotton factors is Mr. James M. Seignious, who established his business in 1870. His spacious offices and sample rooms are at Brown's wharf and Prioleau street, and he receives consignments of cotton from planters and country merchants for sale on commission, obtaining in every instance the best current market prices and according his consignors the promptest cash settlements. His shipments come from South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, and Mr. Seignious is prepared to advance to planters and country merchants money at low interest rates. His immense yearly receipts of cotton are sold to buyers and exporters in our city, and Mr. Seignious is always able to obtain the best results for his correspondents. Mr. Seignious is a director of many companies and banks in the city and throughout the State, and a prominent member of our leading social and business clubs and organizations. He is President of the Charleston Cotton Exchange, Director of the Bank of Charleston, N. B. A.; Vice President of the Royal Bag Company; and is one of Charleston's public-spirited citizens.

WHALEY & RIVERS.

In the first rank of our leading cotton factors, and a firm that has aided largely in the development of the business in Charleston stands the firm of Whaley & Rivers, whose office is at Boyce's Wharf. From its inception this house has been accorded the confidence of planters and merchants shipping to our city in a very marked degree; and they, on their part, have merited this con-

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fidence by their prompt and honorable business methods. They have superior connections with the largest buyers and shippers in the local market, and are always able to obtain the highest market prices for those consigning their cotton to them; and in every case they make prompt cash returns, charging their usual moderate scale of commission. They solicit consignments of any magnitude, guaranteeing, in all cases, the best results. Cash advances are made to planters and merchants on future crops and consignments, as well as present consignments; and every reasonable facility is afforded those who entrust their interests to this progressive and reliable firm. They are most extensive handlers of both Sea Island and upland cotton, and are experts in the business. The partners are W. B. Whaley and Mr. J. M. Rivers, both gentlemen being well and favorably known in business circles.

B. G. PINCKNEY & CO.

One of the leading houses of this city in the cotton business is the well-known firm of B. G. Pinckney & Co., cotton factors, No. 20 Vendue Range. This business was founded before the war, and has been in the hands of the present firm for the past 15 years. The firm is composed of Mr. B. G. Pinckney and his son, B. G. Pinckney, Jr. The senior member has been identified with the cotton interests for many years, and is an authority on the same. The firm receives consignments of Sea Island cotton from different sections, and has well established connections with both planters and shippers. It has good facilities for storage, and is prepared to care for large consignments, which it handles on commission, securing to their friends the best possible figures for their products. Messrs. B. G. Pinckney & Co. are amongst the most reliable and successful representatives of this important branch of business.

MIDDLETON & RAVENEL.

One of the most extensive concerns of its kind in Charleston, and a leading representative of its particular line of enterprise, is that of Messrs. Middleton & Ravenel, cotton and naval stores, No. 7 Brown's wharves. This business was established in 1885, and from its inception has occupied a foremost rank among similar houses in the South. The firm deals very extensively in upland cotton, receiving large lines of cotton from their country patrons, which they offer in all markets in order to get full prices, and in this way do a large business, shipping to all foreign countries; and have also superior connections with some of the largest mills in this country. They do one of the largest factorage businesses in this city, receiving daily hundreds of bales of cotton on consignment, to which they give personal attention, looking closely after both weight and grade of every bale. On all commission business they look to the best interests of their clients, making liberal advances and guaranteeing prompt returns after every sale. This firm has developed superior relations with large growers and shippers in the interior, and receive daily consignments. They are always prepared to offer inducements to exporters, mills, and others, having large stocks to draw from. Their warehouse facilities are of the best, and all consignments entrusted to them are given prompt attention. No house is more prominent in the business or enjoys the confidence of the public to a greater extent than that of Messrs. Middleton & Ravenel. They are both natives of this city, and are widely known as reliable, responsible business men, and sustain a high reputation in this community. The firm is composed of Messrs. Charles F. Middleton and William B. Ravenel.

DILL, BALL CO.

For over half a century the name of Dill has been associated with the great cotton interests of Charleston, and during that time no name has commanded more respect or has been held in higher esteem. Originally established some fifty years ago by J. T. Dill, the house subsequently became Dill & Ball, and three years ago was incorporated as a company under the style of the Dill, Ball Company. The offices of the company are at South Atlantic Wharf, and they are leading cotton factors, receiving consignments of

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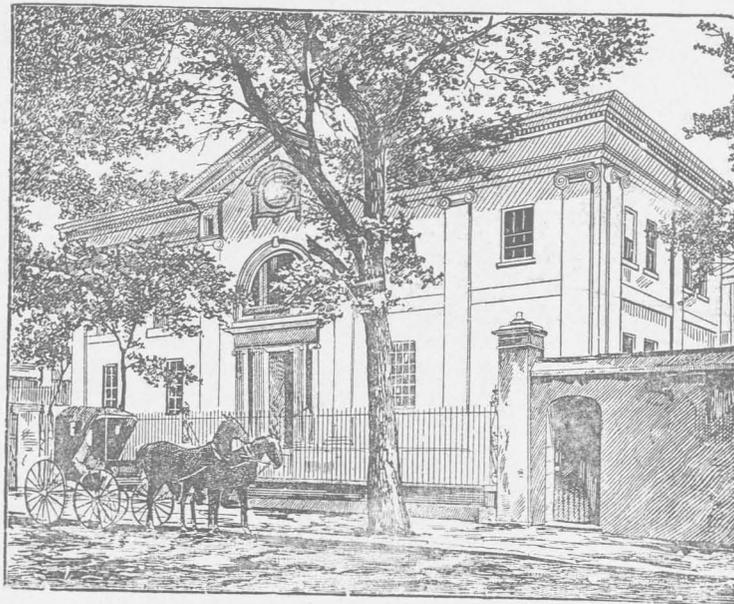
Sea Island cotton from the coasts of South Carolina for sale on commission, and making prompt sales at highest market prices to the exporters from our city. They are prepared to advance money to planters and country merchants upon future consignments at a very low rate of interest; and all business transactions are conducted upon the strictest principles of liberality and integrity. Their connections in the cotton industry are of a most influential and widespread character, and the house enjoys a very extensive patronage. The officers of the company are Mr. J. Alwyn Ball, President, who has been connected with the business for twenty-five years; and Mr. John Rivers, Secretary and Treasurer, who has been connected with the house ten years; and both gentlemen are among our most enterprising, progressive and public-spirited citizens.

SILCOX & COMPANY.

Among the most representative houses in Charleston identified with its cotton interests is the well-known firm of Messrs. Silcox & Company, commission merchants and cotton factors. This firm is composed of Messrs. A. H. and H. W. Silcox, both of whom have had wide experience in the business, and who bring to bear a full knowledge of its every feature. The firm receives consignments of upland cotton, which they handle on commission on the local market. They make advances to planters throughout this State, receiving their consignments, which are handled to best advantage. They sell principally to the leading exporters of the country, and are enabled to place crops to the best possible advantage of the planters. They handle the production of a number of large planters in this State, and are among the most active exponents of the cotton business in Charleston. The members of the firm are able, progressive business men, well and favorably known in our best commercial circles.

THE GOLDSMITH MERCANTILE CO.

One of Charleston's most important concerns engaged in the handling of two great productions of the South, viz: cotton and wool, is The Goldsmith Mercantile Company, whose offices are at 8 and 10 Exchange street. This is an old and reliable house which, during its long career, has retained the confidence of the trade. With an immense warehouse for the storage and sorting of both cotton and wool, they are prepared to buy either in any quantity, and to pay full market prices for all they purchase. They have an immense market with our local buyers and exporters, and also fill large buying orders for their influential connections in the East and abroad. A specialty is made of Sea Island cotton, and in this direction they are among the heaviest buyers in our market. The officers of the company are Mr. A. A. Goldsmith, President, and Mr. M. Goldsmith, Secretary and Treasurer.



MEDICAL COLLEGE.

OUR EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES.

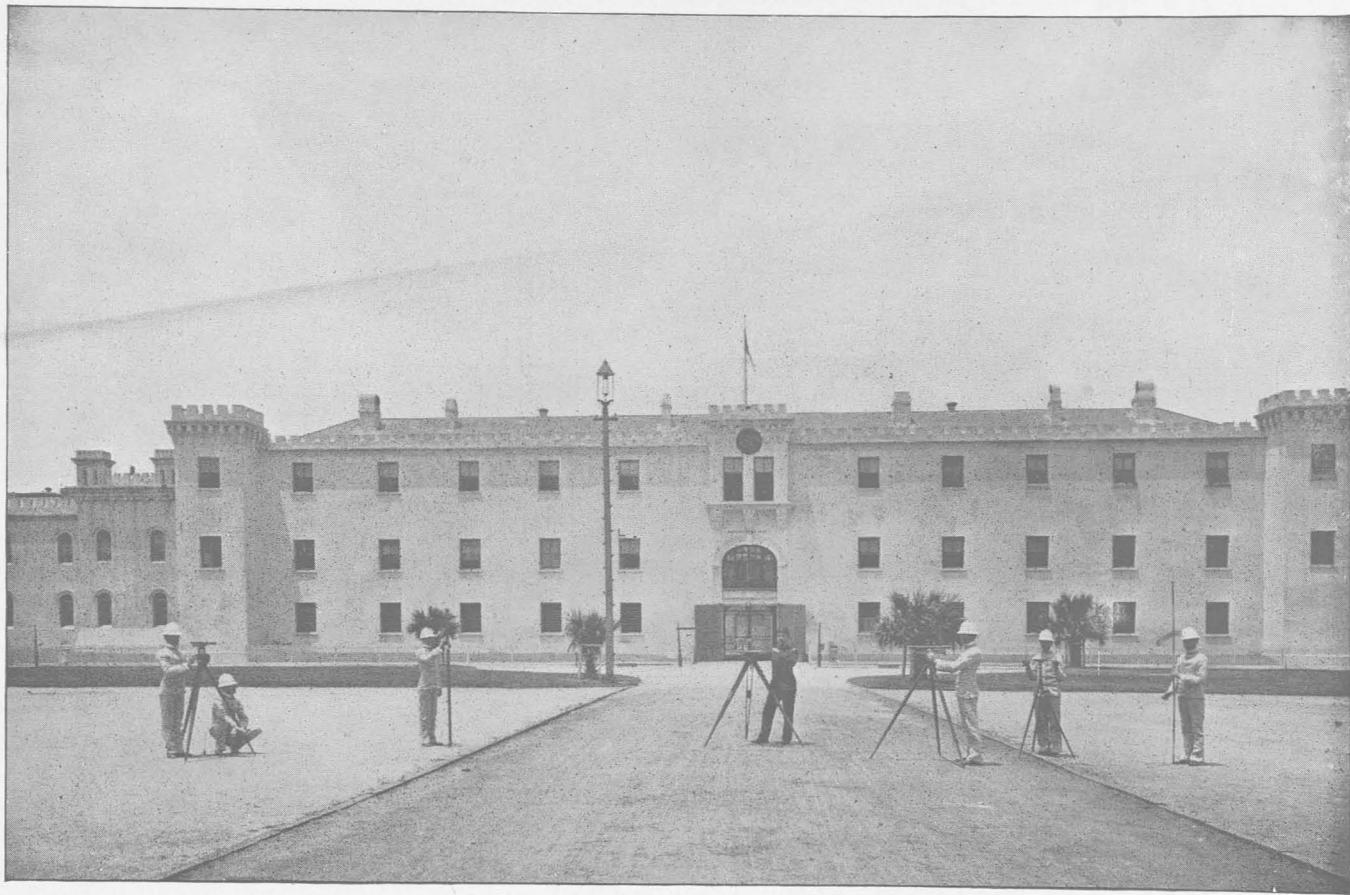
THE educational facilities of Charleston, both public and private, are unsurpassed with regard to thorough, practical knowledge. We have here not only a fine public school system, the teachers of which, from the highest to the lowest, are not only well trained and qualified by natural aptitude, but are fully alive to the new methods of instruction which are continually being introduced. Our facilities for higher and business education are likewise excellent, as special colleges and academies abound, the faculties of which are renowned for erudition and success in imparting instruction. We have here a splendid military school, medical college, also a fine business college; and following will be found special articles on the leaders:

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Seventy-eight years solid and successful progress stands to the credit of the Medical College of the State of South Carolina and its usefulness in the past is but a guerdon for its future. No medical college in the South can lay claim to higher distinction than has been accorded this grand institution and the members of its Alumni are among the ablest and most distinguished of America's medical practitioners, while through its portals have passed many of the greatest chemists and pharmacists to be found in our republic. It has long been conceded that Southern students who intend taking up the practice of their profession in the South should take their course of studies at a Southern college and in this way become more deeply versed in those diseases which are peculiar to the South, and in the treatment of which their instructors have had a wide and valuable experience, hardly to be expected with the faculty of a college remote from that section of the country.

The Medical College of the State of South Carolina, however, appeals far more strongly to the students of this section of our republic than even its great advantages in this respect. It affords facilities for a sound and thorough training in both medicine and pharmacy not equalled in any college in the country. Its curriculum is so thorough, its professors and instructors are men of such great professional attainments, lights in the world of medicine and its general equipments of such a superior character as to appeal strongly to all those who desire a sound professional training, and its diploma is recognized everywhere as entitling its owner to a leading position in the practice of his profession.

The location of the College is admirable and the buildings are an imposing landmark in our city. Splendidly equipped in every detail, the College is sanitarily perfect, well lighted, ventilated and heated, and the amphitheatre and laboratories lack nothing that money or talent can supply. The College has always required a high standard of qualifications from its students, both in medicine and pharmacy, from those seeking degrees at its hands. The city hospital, one of the largest in the Southern States, offers ample hospital advantages to the student of medicine. The course of instruction in medicine extends over four years, beginning the first week in October and ending the first week in April, and the work of each of the four years continues throughout the session. That in pharmacy extends over two years, but prior to taking it the student must have served two years in a pharmacy and be over 21 years of age. The fees are marked by the extreme of moderation and there are beneficiary scholarships open to students, particulars of which may be obtained on application to Dr. Francis L. Parker, 70 Hasell street, Charleston, the Dean of the College. The Board of Trustees of the College are: Hon. Charles H. Simonton, of Charleston, S. C., President; Hon. Wade Hampton, Columbia, S. C.; Major Theodore G. Barker, Charleston, S. C.; Hon. J. L. Orr, Greenville, S. C.; Geo. A. Wagener, Esq., Charleston, S. C.; Dr. F. L. Frost, Charleston, S. C.; S. P. Ravenel, Esq., Philadelphia; Gen. Edward McCrady, Charleston, S. C.; Joseph R. Robertson, Esq., Charleston, S. C.; Hon. John F. Ficken, Charleston, S. C.; Julian Mitchell, Esq., Charleston, S. C.



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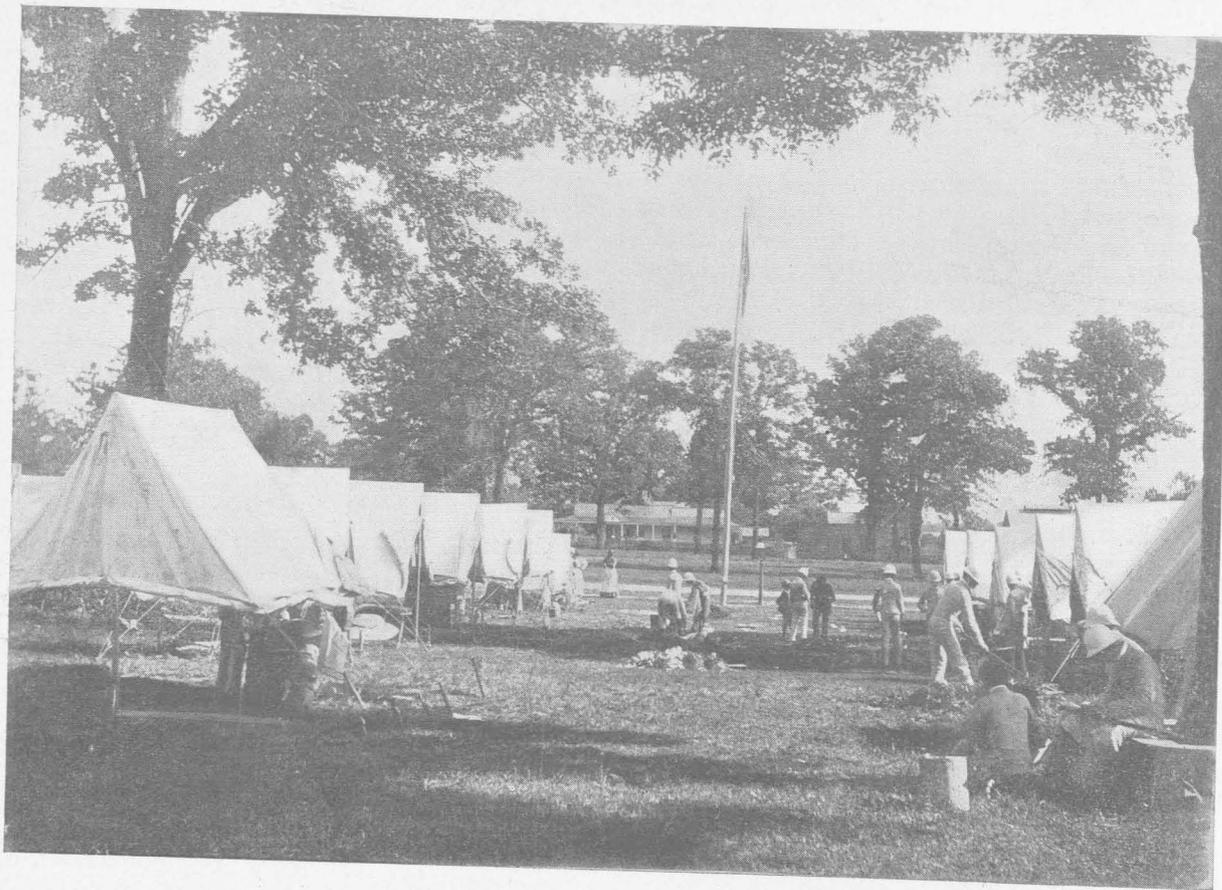
FACULTY OF MEDICINE.

Francis L. Parker, M. D., Dean, Professor of Anatomy and Clinical Lecturer on disease of the eye, ear, throat and nose; Allard Memminger, M. D., Professor of Chemistry, Hygiene and Clinical Urinary Diagnosis; Manning Simons, M. D., Professor of Clinical Surgery and Surgical Pathology; P. Gourdin DeSaussure, M. D., Professor of Obstetrics, Gynæcology and Diseases of Children; John L. Dawson, M. D., Professor of Practice of Medicine, Clinical Medicine and Special Pathology; J. Somers Buist, M. D., Professor of General Surgery and Surgical Pathology; John Forest, A. M., M. D., Professor of Materia Medica and Therapeutics; Edward M. Parker, M. D., Professor of Physiology and Medical Jurisprudence and Lecturer on Diseases of the Eye, Ear, Throat and Nose; Edward S. Burnham, Ph. G., Professor of Pharmacy. Adjunct Faculty: Robert Wilson, M. D., Adjunct Professor of Bacteriology and Histology and Lecturer on Nervous Diseases; Barnard E. Baker, M. D., Adjunct Professor of Pathology and Histology, and Lecturer on Physical Diagnosis; Lane Mullally, M. D., Demonstrator of Anatomy and Lecturer on Diseases of Children; A. Johnston Buist, M. D., Assistant Instructor in Pathology, Bacteriology and Histology, and Lecturer on Minor Surgery and Bandaging; Louis D. Barbot, M. D., Assistant Demonstrator of Anatomy; A. Robert Taft, M. D. Instructor and Demonstrator of Urinalysis; R. S. Cathcart, M. D., Assistant to the Chair of Clinical Surgery; F. Herbert Hacker, M. D., Instructor in Anatomy and Assistant Demonstrator of Histology, Pathology and Bacteriology; Henry Horlbeck, M. D., Instructor in Physiology; R. S. Kirk, M. D. Instructor in Materia Medica; William H. Prioleau, M. D., Lecturer on Genito Urinary Diseases; J. M. Green, M. D., Assistant to the Professor of Chemistry.

SOUTH CAROLINA MILITARY ACADEMY.

The greatest success which seems to attend this well-known seat of learning is an evidence of widespread appreciation which its efforts in the past have called forth, and an evidence that it is maintaining the best traditions that called it into existence. The South Carolina Military Academy is well known as the "West Point of the South," and ranks second only to West Point itself as a military college. The academy and grounds are beautifully located, almost in the heart of the city, covering ten acres, and the academy buildings, known as the "Citadel," are equipped in the most modern manner, the heating, lighting, ventilation and sanitation being perfect, while there is an abundant supply of pure artesian water. The dormitories and sitting rooms are neatly and comfortably furnished, while the board is wholesome and pure. The cadets of the academy are organized into a battalion of three companies, with staff and non-commissioned staff. While the college is in the heart of the city, the cadets are instructed in minor tactics over diversified ground in the country. Guard mount is held daily, and dress parade and inspection weekly. Two hours are allotted daily to theoretical instruction, which includes military engineering, military law and security and information; while seven hours per week is given to practical instruction, which includes minor tactics, infantry drill regulations to include extended order in the battalion and ceremonies, guard duty and signalling, construction of temporary bridges, fascines, etc. Any graduate of good standing from this institution is qualified for the position of second lieutenant in the infantry, for the curriculum, which is comprehensive and logical, consists of moral and political science, mathematics and engineering, chemistry and physics, English literature and history, French and German, drawing and book-keeping, military science and tactics.

Col. Asbury Coward, who is at the head of South Carolina Military Academy, is a soldier of great and wide experience, who is well posted in military tactics. For further information, apply to Col. Coward, South Carolina Military Academy, Charleston, S. C., and he will be pleased to send a catalogue giving detailed information.



COMPANY STREET SOUTH CAROLINA MILITARY ACADEMY ENCAMPMENT.

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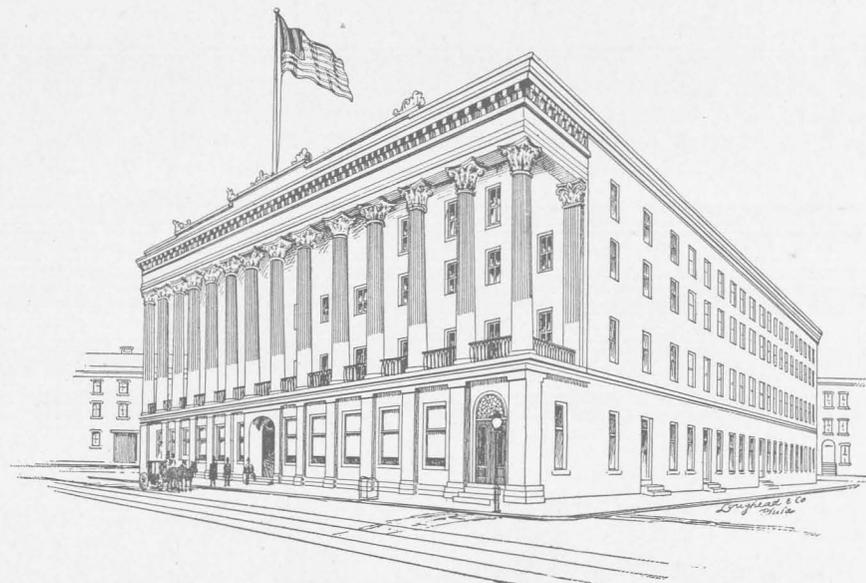
THE CHARLESTON MEDICAL SCHOOL.

The Charleston Medical School, now entering its ninth year, has attained a reputation that places it beyond the requirements of any eulogy at our hands. Nevertheless, this review would be incomplete without some mention of this well-known institution of learning. The work of this school of medicine has been of the highest character, and in completeness of detail and range of study it is kept fully abreast of the times. Only accepting a limited number of students, these have the benefit of close individual oversight of their studies that can never be gained where there are some hundreds of students; and consequently the graduates of The Charleston Medical School are always men of sound and thorough training, and are fitted to take a leading place in the practice of their profession immediately after graduation. The school is located on Lucas street, between Palmetto and Mill streets. Dr. R. B. Rhett is Dean, and the faculty is composed of the following able and progressive young men: viz: R. B. Rhett, M. D., Lecturer on Abdominal Surgery and Gynaecology, and Dean of the Faculty; C. W. Kollock, M. D., Lecturer on Diseases of the Eye, Ear, Throat and Nose; C. M. Rees, M. D., Lecturer on Obstetrics; A. E. Baker, M. D., Lecturer on Surgery; Jos. Maybank, M. D., Lecturer on Practice of Medicine; T. P. Whaley, M. D., Lecturer on Dermatology and Genito-Urinary diseases; Barnard E. Baker, M. D., Lecturer on Pathology and Operative Surgery; A. R. Taft, M. D., Lecturer on Anatomy; A. J. Buist, M. D., Lecturer on Physiology; Robert Wilson, M. D., Lecturer on Bacteriology and Nervous Diseases; C. P. Aimar, Jr., M. D., Lecturer on Materia Medica and Therapeutics; Edward Rutledge, M. D., Lecturer on Physical Diagnosis.

STOKES' BUSINESS COLLEGE.



Those who desire to obtain a thoroughly good business education, including all branches requisite to fill the most responsible situations, should not overlook the excellence in this direction attained by Stokes' Business College, which is located at 399 King street. Established in October, 1899, as Richmonds Business College, it came under its present style on January 1st, 1901, Mr. A. L. Stokes having bought out his co-partner, became sole proprietor in September, 1900. And although it has been in existence such a short time, it has met a most gratifying success. It occupies the second floor at the above address, which is 60x125 feet in area, well lighted and ventilated, with fine, lofty ceilings, and is equipped with every known convenience and has room for 100 students. Its facilities for teaching banking and general business methods are unsurpassed; and in addition to imparting a sound business education to its students that will fit them to successfully go through life, it has special departments in touch-typewriting, shorthand, book-keeping, correspondence, commercial law, penmanship, and a full English course; while the thoroughness with which its work is carried on needs no better exemplification than is afforded by the fact that graduates of this college find no difficulty in procuring situations. The fees are most moderate, and the college has a large attendance from all parts of North and South Carolina and Georgia. The most competent instructors are employed, and Mr. Stokes gives most careful supervision over all. His many years' business training, his personal proficiency in all subjects taught, and his high and honorable character eminently fit him for the work he has taken in hand; and he holds the confidence of all who have been associated with him.



CHARLESTON HOTEL.

OUR HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS.

STRANGERS who visit Charleston annually, of whom there are thousands every year, and especially during the winter months, are very much surprised at the excellence of the hotel accommodations provided for them. The most fastidious of the tourists or traveling men may obtain in the hostelrys of the city all they can reasonably ask in the way of comfort, luxury, and refinement. The Charleston hotels are in charge of men who thoroughly understand how to "welcome the coming and speed the parting guest." The "Charleston," which is noted throughout the United States for its old colonial style of architectural beauty, handsome furnishings, and unexcelled cuisine, is one of the finest hotels in the South. The Calhoun is an old historic landmark, located in the heart of the city, and its service and cuisine are unsurpassed. There are hotels here to suit the pocketbooks of all classes. A few glimpses into some of the principal hotels will not fail to be of interest to the reader, and may be of service to him when he comes to visit the city. There are also here some very fine cafes and restaurants, where meals can be had at reasonable rates, with the very best service.

CHARLESTON HOTEL.

Charleston's leading hotel is a worthy namesake of the city and in every respect the equal of any hostelry in New York or elsewhere on the continent. As far back as 1850 this old hotel site has been the famous stopping place for the best people in the country who have visited our city. Seven years ago the old hotel was practically rebuilt and remodelled throughout, and to-day stands the most imposing and beautiful hostelry in this country. With its Greek portico and massive Corinthian columns, it is one of the most imposing buildings in the world. It is constructed with a view to comfort and convenience, combined with luxury and elegance. With its beautiful sun parlors, on the first and second floors; with its splendid orchestra, playing the best music twice a day; with its new carpets, curtains and furniture; with telegraph and union ticket office in the building; with livery and transfer in connection, the Charleston is as near perfect in every feature as a hotel could well be. On the second floor, facing south and west, are many rooms, arranged single or en suite, with bath and toilet. This famous hostelry accommodates three hundred guests, and is equipped and appointed up to the standard of the most famous winter resorts of the South. The dining-room is made a special feature by the management, and nowhere in the world can be had better cuisine, while all the delicacies of the season will be found always on the bill of fare. The highest credit attaches to the ability and enterprise of the President, Mr. Samuel Lapham, who is one of our leading and most influential business men, and president of the Central Ice Company. Mr. W. I. Davids, vice president, secretary, treasurer and manager, is a recognized expert in the difficult art of modern hotel management. He has had charge the past seven years, and has built up the business wonderfully. He was formerly in the same business in New York, and has had twenty-five years' experience. The hotel is in every respect a credit to Charleston.

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HOTEL CALHOUN.

A thoroughly representative hostelry of the South is that of the "Hotel Calhoun." This is an old established house, and is most centrally located on King street, opposite the theatre, in the business portion of the city. The "Calhoun" is prepared to care for any kind of guest, but caters especially to and is most popular with the commercial travelers, who are the most critical judges of hotel life, and whose approbation is the best possible evidence of the proper management of a hotel. The "Calhoun" is a large four-story building, 50x175 feet in area, elegantly appointed and provided with every convenience. There are in the house seventy-five guest rooms, with parlor and dining-room on the second floor, all comfortably furnished and provided with every facility. Particular attention is given the dining-room, and the daily bill of fare contains every delicacy in season. The cuisine is perfect, and is the great attraction which draws the traveling man and others to this famous hostelry. No expense is spared to provide comfort and to give the best possible service and the very best accommodations in hotel life. Mr. Guy A. Stoner, the manager, was formerly the manager of a large Baltimore house, and has had extended experience and brings to bear a complete knowledge of the wants and requirements of the traveling public. He is a pleasant, affable host, and visitors stopping with him never fail to find in him a courteous gentleman.

E. H. GARDNER.

To the thirsty mortal there is no more refreshing drink in hot weather than a cooling drink of ice cold soda water, flavored to the taste with pure fruit flavors; and in our city this can always be obtained at E. H. Gardner's, 393 King street. Mr. Gardner has been established 25 years, and occupies in his business a fine three-story building, 25x125 feet in area, very neatly appointed. He has one of the handsomest soda fountains in the South, and in winter makes a specialty of serving hot soda drinks. It is one of Charleston's most popular resorts. And Mr. Gardner also keeps a very complete stock of stationery goods, of all descriptions, for which his prices are always the lowest in the city. He is an enterprising business man, widely esteemed, and is a member of the New England Social Society.

J. J. HERZOG.

There is at least one place in Charleston where our citizens are always sure of getting a first-class meal at the small charge of 25 cents, and that is at the "Little Gem" lunch room, at 130 Market street, of which Mr. Julius J. Herzog is the proprietor. He established it two years ago, and its patronage since has stamped it as the most popular place in town. The cooking is first-class, the service is prompt and obliging, and the place is always kept neat and clean. Everything the market affords is found on the bill of fare. Hot or cold lunches can be had at any hour, the house being always open; and at no place in our city is the same satisfaction accorded patrons. Mr. Herzog is assisted in the management by his wife, and both are much respected in our city.

"THE SAVOY."

A splendid representative of the high class restaurant, and one which is a credit to Charleston, is the well-known "Savoy," 171 Meeting street. This elegant establishment was opened to the public last February, and has at once become the popular headquarters for good eating. The establishment is strictly first-class in every particular, elegant in its appointments, and in every way

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a model business of its kind. It is open day and night, and is a high class resort for ladies and gentlemen, for regular meal hours, or after the theatre or party. Meals are served only to order. The menu always contains every delicacy of the season, while the cuisine cannot be excelled anywhere in the country. The kitchen is presided over by an expert, and the cooking is the "long suit" of the "Savoy." Mr. Sol. Bowman, Jr., the manager of the "Savoy," was formerly proprietor of the "Calhoun Hotel," and previous to that ran the "Palace Cafe." He brings to bear an extended experience and a full knowledge of the wants and requirements of a critical public in the restaurant line. Mr. Bowman is an active, enterprising business man, and the success he has made of the "Savoy" reflects the highest credit upon his management of the business.

VINCENT CHICCO.

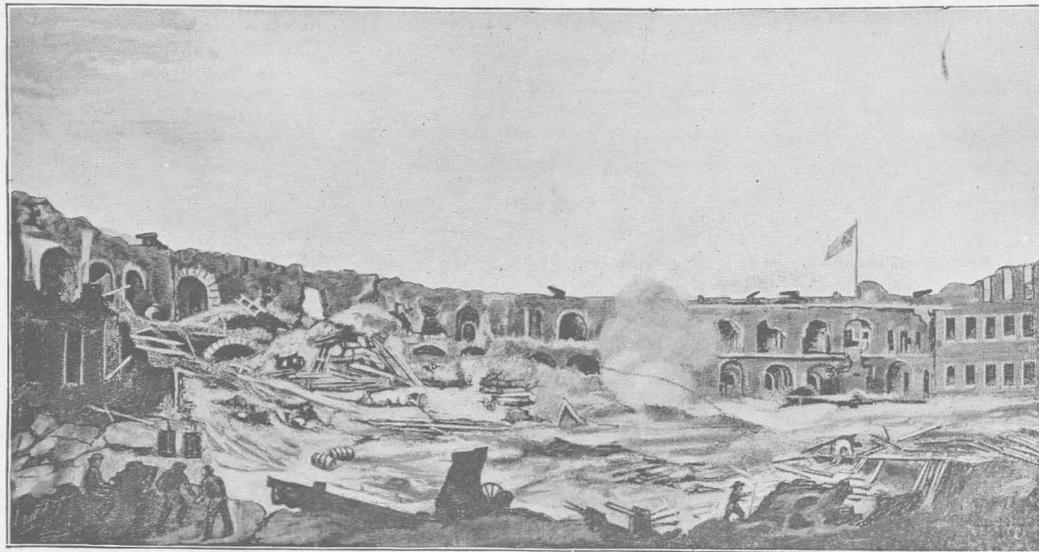
Among the various enterprises that contribute materially to the commercial activity of our city is that of Mr. Vincent Chicco, the well-known importer of delicacies. Mr. Chicco established the business some ten years ago, and has developed a trade of large proportions and wide extent. The premises occupied at 83 and 85 Market street comprise two three-story buildings, 60x125 feet in area. This is divided into three departments—hotel, cafe and store. The hotel is nicely appointed and comfortably arranged, and a popular establishment with a large patronage. The "cafe" is one of the most popular, as it is the most orderly in the city. Here is dispensed the finest wines, liquors, beers, cigars and tobacco, Mr. Chicco carrying only the best in his house. Mr. Chicco imports in large quantities the finest grades of maccaroni, cheese, olives, olive oil, as well as every variety of French and Italian delicacies. He makes a specialty of fine Italian wines, fine cigars and tobacco, and is agent for the celebrated Edward J. Burke & Co.'s Irish and Scotch whiskeys. He imports these goods in large quantities and, considering their fine quality, is enabled to sell them at prices that cannot be met by ordinary competition. He has a large local trade, and ships extensively throughout South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. Mr. Vincent Chicco is well known in this community, and highly esteemed as a good citizen and an enterprising, progressive business man. He is a large holder of city realty, owning the houses he occupies for his business. Mr. Chicco was formerly on our police force.

THOMAS MARKS.

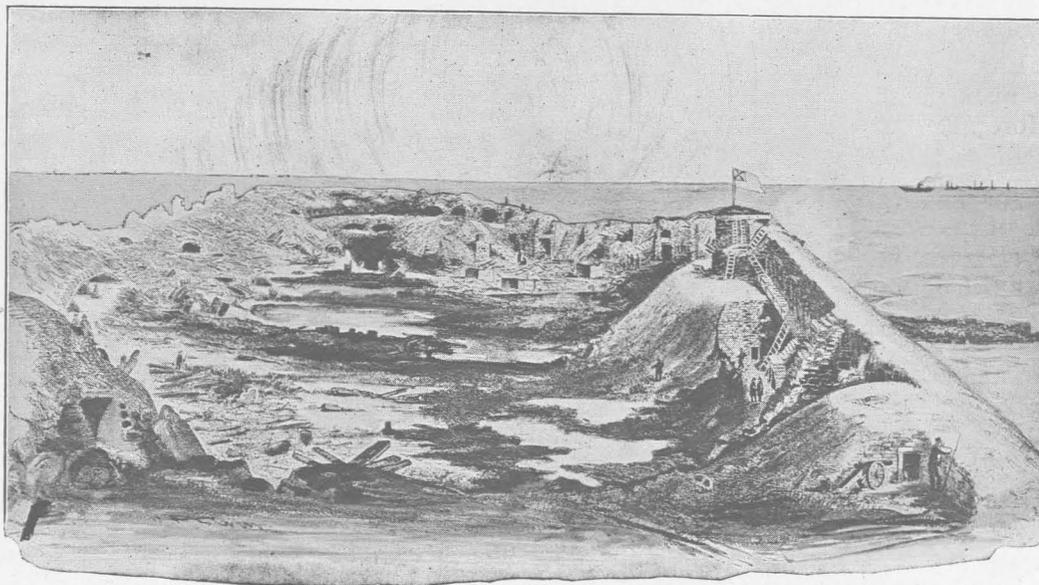
A very popular house of call with our citizens is that conducted by Mr. Thomas Marks, whose well-known cafe and pool room is at 334 King street. Here he occupies a main floor 25x150 feet in area, very nicely fitted up, and has two modern standard pool tables. He carries in stock choicest drinks, carbonated beverages and cigars, both foreign and domestic, and employs only competent assistants in his place. No house in the city has finer or better kept pool tables, cues, etc., and this is a favorite place to pass a pleasant hour with the ivories. Mr. Marks is a native of England, and has resided in our city fifteen years, establishing this business seven years ago; and he is one of the most popular, genial and honorable of all our bonifaces.

CHARLESTON LIVE STOCK CO.

A reliable and most representative enterprise is that of the Charleston Live Stock Company, 58 and 60 Queen street. This business was established two years ago by Messrs. H. J. Hickson & Co., the present concern succeeding last October. The company operates on \$10,000 capital, and has facilities equalled by no similar enterprise in the South. The premises occupied are 63x223 feet in area, and provided with every facility and convenience known to the industry. There are accommodations for a large number of stock, and animals of all grades and descriptions will be found in these stables. They make a specialty of saddle and harness



FORT SUMTER, SEPTEMBER, 1863. INTERIOR LOOKING NORTH AFTER FIRST GREAT BOMBARDMENT.



FORT SUMTER, DECEMBER, 1863. BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF INTERIOR AFTER SECOND GREAT BOMBARDMENT.

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horses and timber mules, and have at all times a large number for prospective purchasers to select from. The officers of the company are all well known in stock circles of this section, and are among the most reliable and enterprising exponents of the business. Mr. W. T. Gregory, the President, is also in the same line at Lancaster, S. C., and has wide experience. Mr. H. J. Hickson, Vice President, brings to bear also a large experience at the business. These gentlemen are assisted in the management of the business by Mr. John C. McDow, who is also interested in the company. The company recently erected a building 30x110 feet for a repository for vehicles, and here is carried a complete line of the best makes of carriages, wagons, buggies, etc.

J. B. STOFFEL.

The position of Charleston in the horse and mule trade is a leading one in the South, a fact due the enterprise of those who have its interest in hand. Prominent among those is Mr. J. B. Stoffel, whose yards and stables are located at 21 Queen street. 'Phones: Gordon, 318, and Bell, 294. Mr. Stoffel has been engaged in this line of business some twenty-five years, and is widely known in the live stock circles of this country. His stables are two in number, and 60x200 feet in area, capable of accomodating 200 horses and mules. He secures his supplies from all parts of the country, mainly Missouri, Kentucky and Indiana. He has on hand at all times a large number of all grades of horses and mules, suitable for all kinds of work. He makes a specialty of fine horses, and parties desiring to purchase fine harness or saddle animals should see his stock. Mr. Stoffel will buy, swap or sell, and some kind of a trade can always be gotten out of him. All his sales are guaranteed as represented, and no dealer enjoys a better reputation for reliability and probity of character than Mr. J. B. Stoffel. He sells both wholesale and retail, and can supply horses or mules in any quantity at short notice. Mr. J. B. Stoffel is a splendid judge of horses and mules, and is an upright and honorable business man.

J. W. MESSERVY.

A leading and most reliable representative of his special line of enterprise is Mr. J. W. Messervy, who conducts the well-known sales and boarding stables at 28 and 30 Chalmers street. This gentleman has been engaged in this business some ten years, and was previously one of our most successful druggists. His stables are spacious and admirably appointed. A specialty is made of the boarding department, and all stock entrusted to this stable receive the most careful attention. This concern has established an enviable reputation for the care and attention given stock, and it enjoys the patronage of a number of our largest business houses. The sales department is also a special feature of the business, and parties desiring to purchase horses and mules of any grade will always find a large number to select from. They also buy and offer the best prices for horses and mules of salable quality. Mr. J. W. Messervy is a thoroughly reliable representative of his line of business, and we are glad to accord him a prominent position in this review..

PROFESSIONAL.

THE history of original society, whether of a State or of a lesser political division, cannot be completely written or properly understood without considering the place and influence of the bench and bar in its organization. The judicial function in government is necessary to the preservation of public order and the protection of individual rights. The immemorial existence and exercise of the judicial office in all forms of government proves its necessity. In the early state of society judicial power was usually vested in the executive, but in a more advanced civilization it is vested in independent judicial courts established by sovereign authority and representing it.

The advance in civilization is at once marked and measured by the learning and independence of the judicial magistrates. The founders of our government, national and state, have wisely provided in our constitution, legislation for the administration of justice as indispensable to the permanency of the government itself. In South Carolina and Charleston, as in other States and cities in the Union, the profession of law is the goal toward which many an ambitious youth has set his face. It has opportunities for talent, for industry, and for integrity which are found in few other callings. To the successful advocate it is the golden path which reaches to wealth, to honor, and to renown. In reference to Charleston, we say that the character of both the bench and bar impresses the community strongly and favorably. The bench and bar of Charleston county is second to none in the republic in the quality of her legal talent. In the administration of justice the courts of this city and county have sought to maintain fairness and impartiality of justice, and, as a whole, the members of Charleston county bar have pursued their sometimes difficult and onerous task with a conscientious devotion to duty and a full realization of the responsibility that rested upon them. It would be difficult to weigh properly the character and attainments of each member of the Charleston bar. Suffice it in this connection to put on record here a few of our prominent men who are not only lawyers but men of public affairs, and who are prominently identified with every movement in the best interests of the city. The leading dentists of our city are also able men in their profession, and stand high in professional and social circles. We might mention here also our prominent photographers and artists, which are the equal for ability and talent of any in the country.

TRENHOLM, RHETT, MILLER & WHALEY.

It is very doubtful if there is a more talented firm of attorneys and counsellors at law practicing in our State than that of Trenholm, Rhett, Miller & Whaley, whose finely equipped offices are at 35 Broad street. The partners are Mr. Geo. M. Trenholm, who was admitted to the bar in 1881; Mr. R. Goodwyn Rhett, who was admitted in 1884; Mr. Wm. C. Miller, in 1881, and Mr. R. S. Whaley, in 1897. Each of these gentlemen have had a sound literary and legal training and are possessed of wide experience in their profession. They practice before all the courts, both State and Federal, and are noted for their painstaking and conscientious care in preparing their cases and the convincing eloquence and lucidity with which they present them to the court. They do a very large general practice, and are noted as authorities on real estate, corporation, insurance and admiralty law. They have settled some of the largest estates in this section; and the firm are favored with a large and influential clientele who esteem the high, honorable manner in which their interests are conserved by this well-known firm. By the bench and their confreres they are

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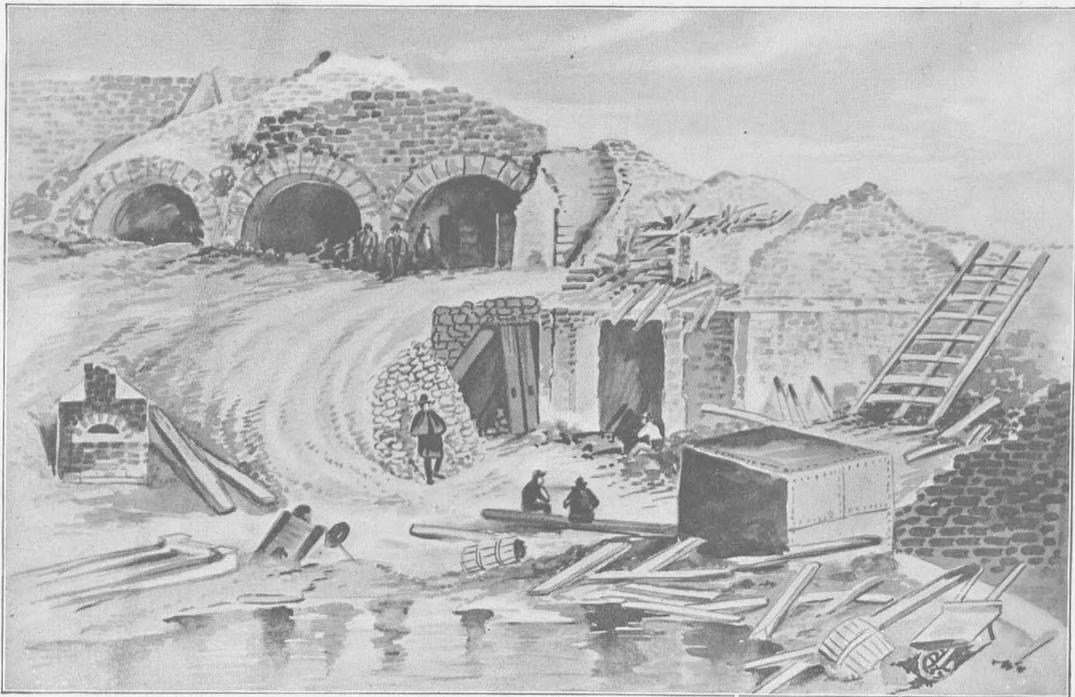
much respected, while by the community generally they are recognized as very honorable, progressive and public-spirited citizens of great ability and strict integrity. This firm are attorneys for the People's National Bank, of the City of Charleston, and we take the following references as published in The Bankers' Register of 1901: Local: People's National Bank, South Carolina Loan and Trust Co., of both of which institutions Mr. Rhett is President. New York: Farmers' Loan and Trust Co; Richard A. McCurdy, President, Mutual Life Insurance Co.; H. D. Lyman, President, American Surety Co; Heller, Hirsch & Co., 62 William street. Boston: W. B. Smith Whaley & Co., 908 Tremont building; Peters & Rice, Architects, 621 Tremont building. Philadelphia: Hayes, Partridge Shoe Co., A. E. Massman Bros. & Co., Tradesmens National Bank. Baltimore: J. Willcox Brown, Esq., President Maryland Trust Co.; E. B. Hunting & Co., Carey, Bayne & Smith. Milwaukee: Pabst Brewing Co.

GEORGE H. MOFFETT.

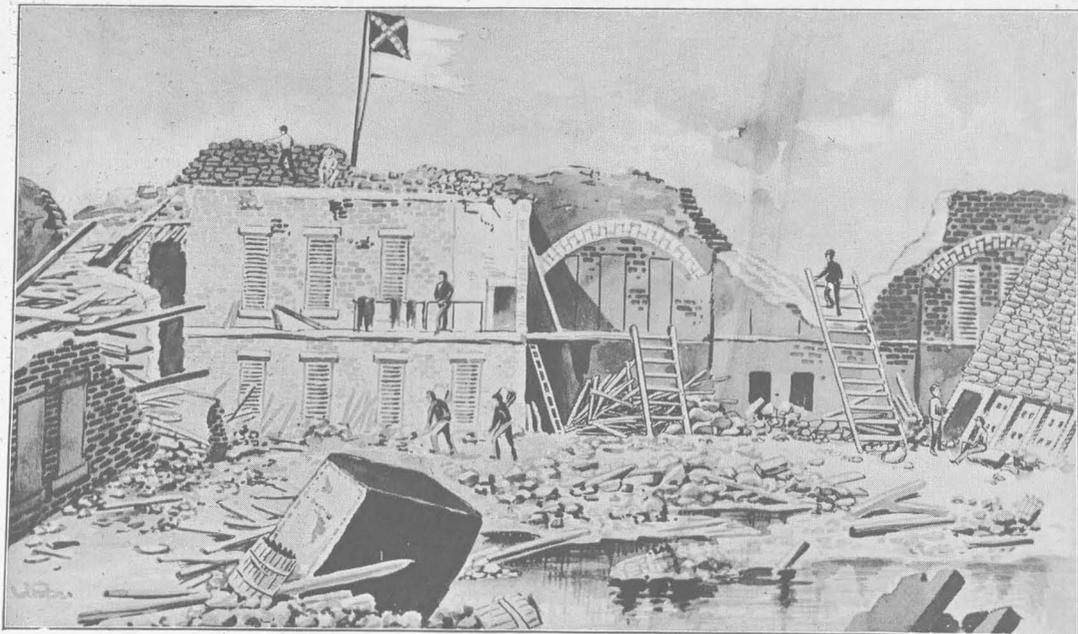
The honors and emoluments which come to the legal practitioner whose ability and integrity are undoubted are great, and this is the reason that so many of the brightest of our citizens are to be found at the bar. Among these we place without hesitation the name of Mr. George H. Moffett, the well-known and generally esteemed attorney at law whose offices are located at 51 Broad street, a building which he purchased a year ago and modernized. Here he occupies a suite of rooms equipped with one of the largest law libraries in the city, and does a general practice, omitting, however, criminal business, which he does not undertake. He is particularly able and careful in preparing his cases, and is a forceful, eloquent pleader, both lucid and convincing in his presentation of his cases to the court. He has a very large and influential clientel, drawn from leading citizens, firms and corporations, and is eminently successful. A native of our city, Mr Moffett is always willing to aid in every movement tending to its welfare; and he is one of Charleston's most respected citizens.

WILLIAM MOSLEY FITCH.

It is only natural that the great corporations of our country, in looking for suitable representatives and counsellors, should turn to the members of the legal profession and, selecting one of approved talents and strict integrity, confide their interests to his care. In Mr. William Mosley Fitch, whose handsomely appointed offices are at 91 Broad street, The City Trust, Safe Deposit and Surety Company, of Philadelphia, have found a general agent and State counsellor who stands in the very front rank of the legal profession and possesses business and forensic qualifications of the highest order. Mr. Fitch was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of South Carolina in 1885, after a sound course of study, and established his practice here in 1886. Possessed of indomitable energy and great talent, he quickly developed an extensive practice and, appearing in all the courts, met the most substantial success. He prepares his cases carefully, and is lucid, convincing and eloquent in presenting them to the court, and in his practice maintains the highest standard of professional honor. He makes a specialty of commercial law and collections, although he is an authority also on corporation and real estate law. A Notary Public, he also takes depositions, and is attorney for Charleston County Commissioners in civil business. As general agent for the City Trust, Safe Deposit and Surety Company, of Philadelphia, he writes bonds of suretyship at the lowest premium rates; and the security of this great company is unquestionable. He has a large and influential practice, and is most highly regarded in his profession. A native of our city, in the prime of life he served as a member of the State Constitutional Committee in 1895; and is one of Charleston's most esteemed citizens.



FORT SUMTER—INTERIOR OF EASTERN ANGLE OF SEA FACE, DECEMBER, 1863.



FORT SUMTER—INTERIOR OF EASTERN ANGLE OF GORGE, DECEMBER, 1863.

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THOS. B. CURTIS.

Within the entire range of professional life there is no department in which experience counts for so much as in law; and by reason of his experience, talent and integrity Mr. Thomas B. Curtis has come to be an authority on all matters pertaining to commercial and corporation law. His spacious office, with well equipped library, is located at 54 Broad Street, and Mr. Curtis has been practicing for about nine years. He acquired a sound legal training in the law office of Smyth & Lee and early gave evidence of a sound judicial mind. He practices with marked success, before both State and Federal courts, and always thoroughly prepared with his cases, he presents them to the court in a most lucid and able manner, convincing more by his close reasoning than by spread eagle oratory. Still a close student of the changes in the law, Mr. Curtis has a very extensive practice, and his large and influential clientel is drawn from our leading business firms, corporations and citizens, who, having entire confidence in his integrity and ability, unreservedly place there interests in his care.

ARNOLDUS VANDER HORST.

Among the members of the bench and bar of Charleston we find some of our most prominent, public-spirited and influential men, and these are not alone found in the ranks of those long at the bar, but also among the younger members of the profession. Included in the latter is Mr. Arnoldus Vander Horst, whose office is at 53 Broad Street. A graduate of the University Law School of Virginia, class '99, Mr. Vander Horst was admitted to practice in our city the same year. He has shown that he has a sound literary and legal training and is steadily making his mark at the bar. He practices before all the courts and shows great care in preparing his cases, and is a lucid and convincing speaker. Already he has secured substantial recognition of his talents and integrity and is building up a substantial clientel. Mr. Vander Horst is a native of our city, a member of the Carolina Yacht Club, Cincinnati Society and Charleston Light Dragoons, and both professionally and socially is very popular.

THOMAS S. SILCOX.

With such splendid opportunities as are presented by a career at the bar in our country it is not surprising to find our city commanding professional ability of the highest order. Certainly in law no city has more representative practitioners than our own, and they are gentlemen who recognize the responsibilities attaching to their profession and maintain in its practice the highest standards of honor and integrity. Among the leaders of the bar here stands Mr. Thomas S. Silcox, whose office is at 59 Broad Street. With youth on his side he is one of our most painstaking and industrious attorneys-at-law and practices before all State courts, meeting a very great measure of success, and is both an able and eloquent pleader. He has a very influential clientel and has gained their confidence and esteem. Mr. Silcox is a graduate of the University of Virginia and was admitted some five years ago. Socially he is very popular in his profession and is an active member of the St. Andrew's Society.

HON. J. ADGER SMYTH.

Charleston, in its rapidly extending interests, requires men of ability and of "hustle" at its helm, and one of the needs of good government is an honorable, wide-awake, conservative man as its chief executive. Such a man is the Hon. J. Adger Smyth, whose administration dates back to 1895 and his official acts have fully exemplified his interests in the welfare and advancement of the

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city. Every detail of the position is closely scrutinized by him, and when we say that he does all in his power to advance the interests of our growing city, we but do the gentleman justice. Mr. Smyth is a native son of Charleston, having first seen the light of day in this city in 1838. He is a graduate of the High School and College of Charleston, and is a Confederate veteran, having fought bravely throughout the war, and when it was ended he laid down his arms and once more entered into the business walks of life, in which he has been very successful. Mr. Smyth's record as a business man and citizen needs no compliment from our pen; it is an open book, the pages of which are as white as the driven snow. He has always advocated the upbuilding of Charleston, and, while he believes in rigid economy as head of the city's affairs, he does not believe in withholding its progress. He has filled a number of important offices, having been five years president of Charleston Cotton Exchange and he is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, a life member of the Hibernian Society; also a member of St. Andrew's, St. George's, the South Carolina Society and others. He was master of Union Kilwinny Lodge, No. 4, of this city, of Free Masons and grand master of the State for three years, high priest city chapter and grand high priest of State for two years and has taken 32 degrees in the Scottish rite. As a public man he has filled the office as chief executive true to the trust imposed upon him by the voters of Charleston and has more than fulfilled the expectations of his many friends. To leave his name out of this historical review of Charleston would be omitting the name of the best mayor the city ever had. He is senior of the firm of Smyth & Adger, cotton merchants, of which he was the founder in 1873. The other member of the firm is Robert A. Smyth, a son of J. Adger Smyth.

SHERIFF J. ELMORE MARTIN.

No office within the gift of the people of a County requires more personal attention or the exertion of more vigilance than that of the shrievalty. A man to occupy the position must be possessed of firmness and vigilance. In Sheriff Martin the citizens of Charleston County have such a man who is making it his constant endeavor to fill the office faithfully, making "duty" his watchword and never swerve from the most difficult or disagreeable task, showing partiality to none, equality to all. Sheriff Martin is giving us an administration that is clean and above reproach and he is making one of the best and most competent officers upon whom the duties of that office have ever been conferred. As a citizen he enjoys the esteem and confidence of the public and as an officer of the County he is winning distinction and honor. The Sheriff is a native son of South Carolina, having been born in Allendale, Barnwell County, in 1859. He is a descendant of one of the oldest and most prominent families in the State, which were not only able and brave soldiers, but talented statesmen. The Sheriff has resided in Charleston since 1881 and was engaged in business for a number of years here, and has also filled a number of important offices, among them being alderman for the Eighth Ward, chief of police and during his time as chief which office he filled with ability, on December 14, 1897, he was appointed sheriff by Gov. Ellerbe and no braver or better man could be placed. Socially he is a genial and pleasant gentleman and a splendid orator and debater.

DR. N. S. LEA.

The proper care and preservation of the teeth is an imperative duty on those who desire to study both health and appearance, and when our citizens have at their disposal the services of such an eminent dentist as Dr. N. S. Lea, there is no reason why they should neglect that duty. His reception and operating parlors are at 399 King Street and these are without doubt the most handsomely furnished and best equipped in the State and his two operating rooms are supplied with all the latest and most modern instruments and appliances, known to the profession.

Dr. Lea is a graduate of dental surgery in Southern Medical College, class of '91, and established his practice here March 1891, twelve days after, and he has met with the most substantial success. He makes a specialty of the preservation of the natural

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teeth, painless extraction and teeth with and without plates. He is exceptionally clever in crown and bridge work, and the most pleasing feature is that all his work gives absolute comfort to the patient. His charges are most moderate and all appointments are promptly kept.

THE R. ATMAR SMITH DENTAL SUPPLY COMPANY.

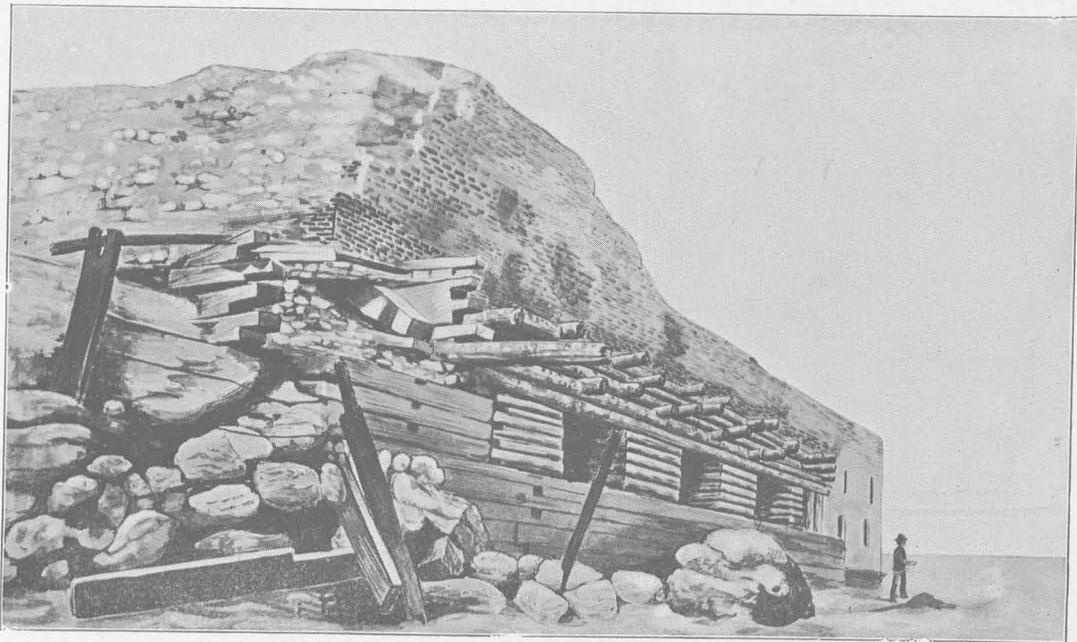
The leading enterprise of its kind in the State and the popular source of supply with the best exponents of the dental profession in this section of the country is the R. Atmar Smith Dental Supply Company. The house was established years ago and has gained a splendid reputation with the profession for handling only the best and most approved dental supplies. The company occupies spacious premises at 285 King Street, where will be found every requirement of the profession—gold foils, vulcanite, amalgam, cements, teeth, plaster of paris, forceps of every kind; in fact, everything pertaining to modern scientific dentists. The company has developed a trade of wide extent and furnish the profession throughout South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia and Florida. The officers and promoters of the business are R. Atmar Smith, D. D. S., president, and Mr. R. H. Allan, secretary and treasurer. Dr. Smith is widely known to the profession and is one of our leading exponents of dental surgery. He is a graduate of the Philadelphia Dental College. Mr. Allan gives his entire time to the management of the business.

W. B. AUSTIN.

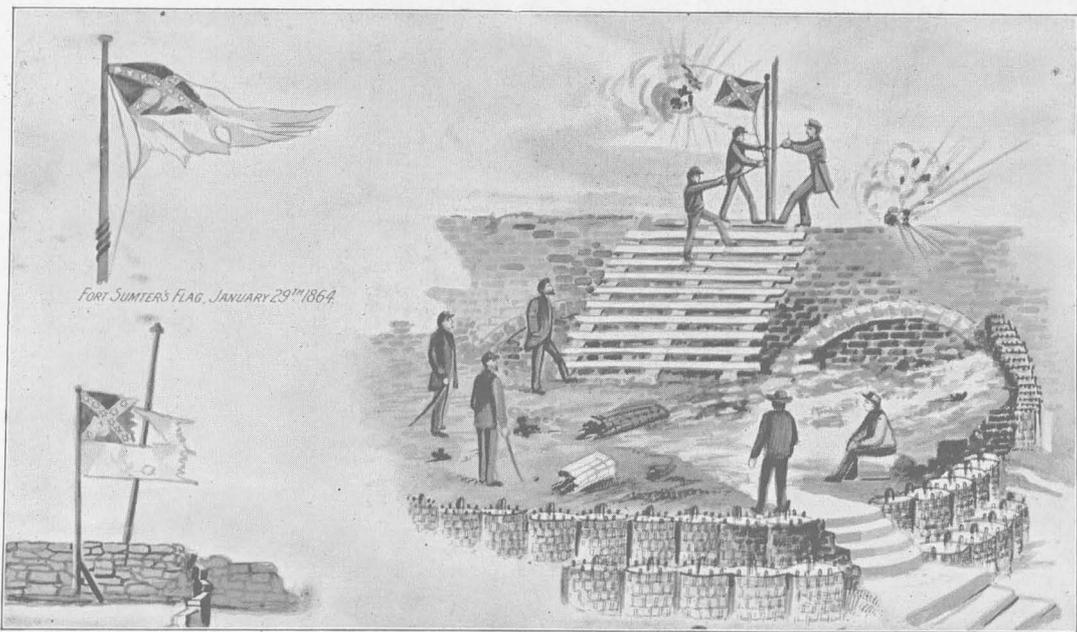
The popular art gallery and studio of Mr. W. B. Austin was established fourteen years ago and has always attracted wide attention by reason of the superior excellence of the work executed. It is located at 310 King Street and occupies most eligible apartments on the second floor, 20x175 feet in area, handsomely furnished. Mr. Austin has been identified with the business for thirty years and is a superior artist of great talent. His gallery is supplied with all modern improvements and appliances and the latest improved methods are brought into requisition in the execution of his artistic work. He does all kinds of photographic work, including portraits, landscapes, interior and exterior of buildings for engraving, etc. He also does crayons, pastel, oil and water color work, and in his studio many fine examples of his work can be seen. He is a dealer in kodaks, photographic apparatus and supplies, being also agent for the Eastman Kodak, the best on the market. Mr. Austin also develops, prints and finishes for amateurs.

F. MELCHERS & BROTHER.

A recently established house, but one that to judge by the great success it has already attained, filled a long felt want in our community is that of F. Melchers & Brother, who established their business on December 3d, 1900, at 367 King Street. Here they occupy the main floor, 25x100 feet in area, and are agents for Eastman Kodaks. The firm carry a magnificent stock of Kodaks, cameras, plates, printing papers and general camera and photographers' supplies, as well as views of the city, etc., and do developing and toning work for amateurs. In all their lines their prices are extremely moderate, and the quality of their goods are unrivalled. The partners are Mr. F. Melchers and Mr. St. Julian Melchers, and they are both active, enterprising business men of the strictest integrity and their success in their new venture is assured. Mr. St. Julian Melchers has been in the business eight years and is most thoroughly experienced in all its branches and both brothers are generally esteemed.



FORT SUMTER—VIEW OF EAST BATTERY, WITH PALMETTO SHIELD, MARCH, 1864.



FLAG, FEBRUARY 2ND, 1864.
SHOWING RESULTS OF FOUR DAYS' USE.

REPLACING THE FLAG ON THE GORGE WALL,
JUNE 20TH, 1864.

CHARLESTON AND VICINITY—ILLUSTRATED.

AMATEUR PHOTO SUPPLY COMPANY.

The leading establishment of its kind in Charleston is the well known Amateur Photo Supply Co., the popular headquarters for photographic requisites in this city. The business was established some eight years ago by Mr. R. Achurch, a native of England, and one of the most skillful engravers in this country. The premises occupied consist of the entire second floor at 251 King street, and are admirably fitted for all requirements of the business. Herein is contained a most complete line of photographic supplies, Kodaks and cameras of all kinds, printing and developing outfits, etc., etc. Mr. Achurch is sole agent for Eastman Kodaks, Wizard cameras, Vive Camera Co., Cyclone Camera Co. and the Ray Camera Co., all standards of excellence. He makes a specialty of developing and painting for amateurs and also does all kinds of general engraving. He is enterprising and honest and has gained success by meriting it.

H. LEIDLOFF.

"The leading photographer" is a name most appropriately applied to Mr. H. Leidloff, who for a period of twenty-five years has occupied the foremost position in Charleston in his special line of industry. His studio occupying the second floor at 269 King Street, is elegantly appointed and equipped with every modern appliance and apparatus for the production of all styles and effects in the photographic art. Here Mr. Leidloff combines the most elaborate accessories and instruments with artistic skill to produce that high grade of photography which has made his studio the most popular in Charleston. He invites the highest class of trade and assures the most artistic effects in light and shade obtainable. His facilities are surpassed by no other artist in the country, while his work, in finish, cannot be excelled by any. Mr. Leidloff has facilities for pastel, water colors and even oil paintings of the most elaborate production, and in this high class of art work is also prepared to give the utmost satisfaction. Mr. H. Leidloff is a native of Germany and is a self-made man. He has been identified with the business for a long number of years and is fully conversant with its every detail.

DR. ROBERT J. MACBETH.

The practice of dentistry in the present day calls into play the highest abilities of the operator. Dental surgery is a term conveying but an inadequate idea of the scope and importance of this field of professional endeavor, but its results are so marked as to leave no doubt of its great advancement. Among the able exponents of modern dentistry is Dr. Robert J. Macbeth, whose parlors are at 422 King Street. These are finely equipped (on the second floor) and all class of dental work is carried out with great skill. Painless extraction, teeth with or without plates, crown and bridge work are all specialties of Dr. Macbeth, whose sound knowledge of his profession is acknowledged. Moderate charges prevail and the Doctor, who is a graduate of Harvard University of Washington, D. C., has been practicing ten years.

JOHN STOLLE.

The most successful and eminent painter of portraits in Charleston is Mr. John Stolle, whose studio is located at No. 38 Broad Street. Mr. Stolle was born in Dresden, Germany, where he was a professor of fine arts and artist of note for thirty-six years. Coming to America he established himself in Charleston about twelve years ago and has since won the most influential re-

CHARLESTON AND VICINITY—ILLUSTRATED.

cognition of his talents. Mr. Stolle's great specialty is in painting in oils portraits from photographs, or from life, in different sizes, half, full length or bust portraits. In this direction he fills commissions from all northern, northeastern and Southern States, his work being of that excellent artistic character that never fails to afford the greatest satisfaction. His charges are of the most reasonable character for such fine work and Mr. Stolle has a long list of prominent references, among them Mayor Smyth, Capt. Thomas Pinckney, General James Connor, Mr. John Reeves, Mr. John Thompson, etc., etc.

GEORGE W. BOLGER.

Established in 1840 by Mr. H. H. Bolger the undertaking and embalming business now conducted by his son, Mr. George W. Bolger, is at once the pioneer in its line in our city and the leading establishment of its kind in the State of South Carolina. In 1886 the style of the firm became Bolger & Son, and so continued till 1890, when it became Bolger Bros., the present proprietor becoming sole owner about four years since, and conducting the business on the same lines of integrity and liberality that had made the house so successful in the past. The undertaking parlors are located at 418 King Street, where they occupy an entire three-story building 25x150 feet in ground area, which is most handsomely appointed and equipped, using the finest hearses and carriages and owning two undertaker's wagons, one just purchased being one of the handsomest in the South, and a stable of finely matched horses. A very fine stock of coffins, caskets and funeral furnishings is at all times carried. The most competent assistants are employed and the house conducts obsequies and does embalming on the most scientific principles, while their charges for funerals of all classes are marked by extreme moderation in each, and all are accorded the same sympathetic attention and direction. Mr. Geo. W. Bolger is the youngest son of the founder and is one of our ablest business men whose popularity and success is the outcome of his unremitting attention to his duties and his genial nature. He is a graduate of Clark's Embalming College and Myers' Embalming School, a 32 degree Mason, and also a K. P., and has a wide circle of friends.

BRENNAN BROTHERS.

Thoroughly representative in their chosen line of enterprise is the well known firm of Messrs. Brennan Bros., funeral directors, 175 King Street. The business was established some six years ago and because of the high standing and ability of its promoters, ranks among the foremost of its kind in the city. The premises occupied comprise an entire two-story building 25x125 feet in area, elegantly appointed and equipped for all purposes of the business. The firm carry a full stock of funeral requisites of every kind, including coffins, caskets, shrouds, etc., etc., and operate new and handsome hearses and carriages. They take entire charge of funerals at any hour of the day or night and are prepared to give the most satisfactory service. The firm is composed of Messrs. J. and James L. Brennan, both of whom are well and favorably known in this community. Mr. W. J. Brennan is a member of the Woodmen and the Knights of the Mystic Chain. Mr. J. L. Brennan is a graduate of the United States School of Embalming, and is thoroughly posted in the latest improved methods. He is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, St. Patrick's Benevolent Society, Woodmen, A. O. U. W. and Knights of the Mystic Order, also a member of the Funeral Directors' Association of the State of South Carolina, also National Directors Association.

TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES.

THE enormous influence that railroads have exercised in the development of our country and the upbuilding of our great and growing commercial prosperity have been alike the wonder and admiration of all civilized nations. In the past half century our great and influential business men have given to the question of transportation by rail both of their brains and capital unsparingly, with the result that our republic has made giant strides in every direction tending to its supremacy in agriculture and manufactures, which is not denied by its competitive rivals.

No small share of the prosperity of the City of Charleston and, in fact, the State of South Carolina generally, is to be traced to the grand facilities afforded by the lines of railroads which enter its limits, and which afford unparalleled advantages of transportation, both for incoming and outgoing freights; and which also afford accommodations for passenger travel unexcelled in the Union.

The regular lines of railways entering here are the Atlantic Coast Line, Plant System, the Southern Railway, Central Railway of South Carolina, Charleston and Savannah Railway. There are also several branch lines, and another railway on which the promoters, we expect, will soon commence work.

All these avenues of commerce focused at Charleston invest the city in the fullest degree with the advantages of an active center of commerce, the best facilities for the receipt of merchandise and raw materials, and for the distribution of manufactured products and commodities of every kind; and these railway enterprises have, therefore, been, and still are, most important promoters of the general welfare of the city.

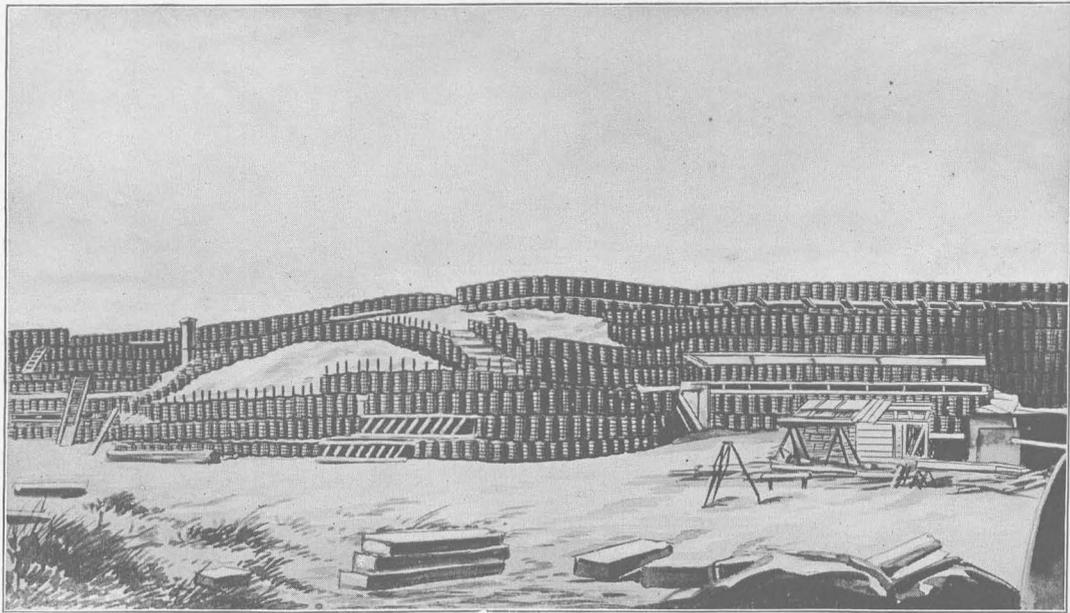
We have also entering here by water the Clyde Steamship Line, Charleston, Georgetown and Wilmington Steamboat Company and the Beaufort and Edisto (Pilot Boy), besides steamships flying the flags of all nations, on which we can send our productions to all quarters of the world.

While on the subject of transportation we might state here that our street railway systems are also very fine and up-to-date. The cars are all of modern make, and operated by electricity. We have also here one of the best equipped transfer companies in the country for handling both passengers and baggage. The city is thus, in all that pertains to the transportation and handling of commodities, supplied with every advantage for the maintenance of commercial prestige. The following is an extract taken from an historical work in the city which shows how long railroads have been operating in and out of Charleston:

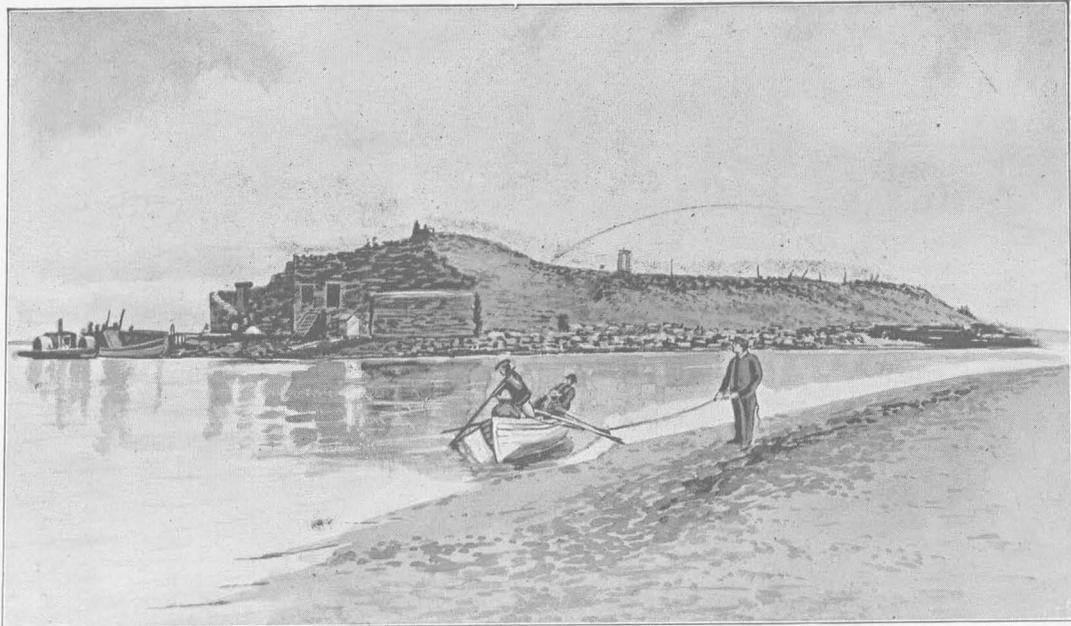
"The practicability of establishing a railroad communication between the City of Charleston, S. C., and Hamburg, on the western border of the State, a distance of one hundred and thirty-six miles, must have been talked of, and even some primary steps taken for its consummation as early as 1827.

"This company was organized on May 12th, 1828, being the second railroad company formed in the United States for commercial purposes and for freight and passenger transportation. During 1829 six miles of road was built.

"A premium of \$500 for the best locomotive by horse-power was awarded to C. E. Detmold, who invented one worked on an endless chain platform or tread mill, which carried twelve passengers at the rate of twelve miles an hour. A sailing car was also tested in 1829-30."



INTERIOR OF THE GORGE -CENTRAL BOMBPROOF- FEBRUARY, 1865.



FORT SUMTER—VIEW OF SOUTHWESTERN ANGLE AND THE GORGE, FEBRUARY, 1865.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE RAILROAD COMPANY.

The Atlantic Coast Line is one of the oldest and most popular lines in the South. It is the shortest and quickest route between the East and the South, and the only line operating through solid vestibule trains, with through Pullman buffet sleeping cars between Charleston and the East.

This line operates through Pullman buffet sleeping cars between New York and Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Augusta and Macon.

The Atlantic Coast Line is the route of the celebrated "New York and Florida Special" and the "Florida and West Indian Limited." The "New York and Florida Special" is composed of the most modern Pullman sleeping, parlor, dining, library and observation cars, lighted by electricity, heated by steam, and runs solid between New York and Florida during the winter season.

The "Florida and Western Limited" is a solid vestibule train composed of day coaches with Pullman palace cars, between New York, and Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Augusta and Macon.

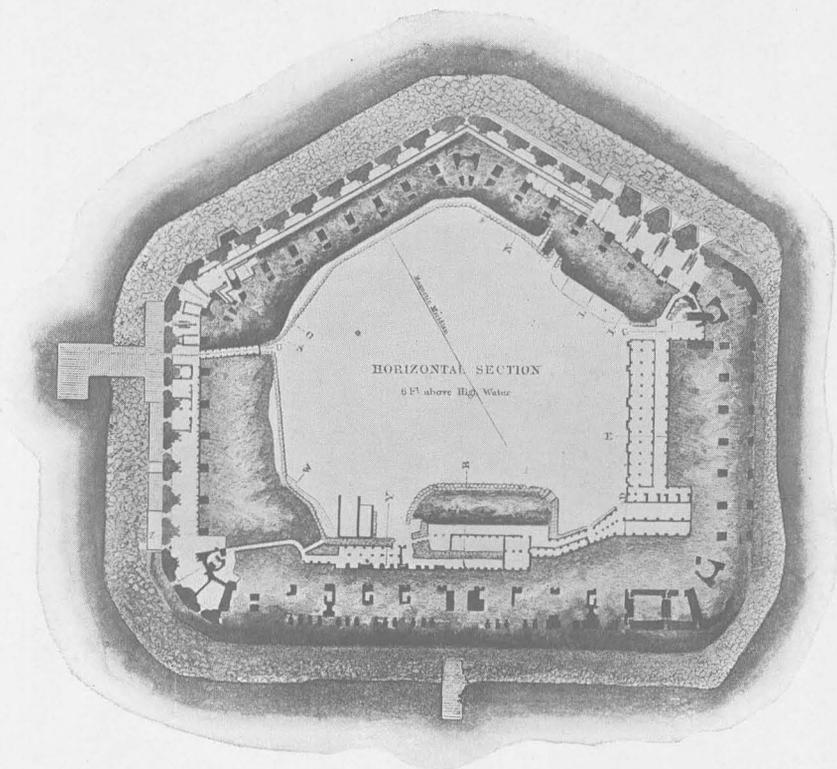
This line starts from Richmond and Norfolk and runs through the eastern part of North Carolina, South Carolina and into the State of Georgia, the southern termini being Charleston, Augusta and Columbia.

The Atlantic Coast Line is the best and quickest freight route between the South and the North.

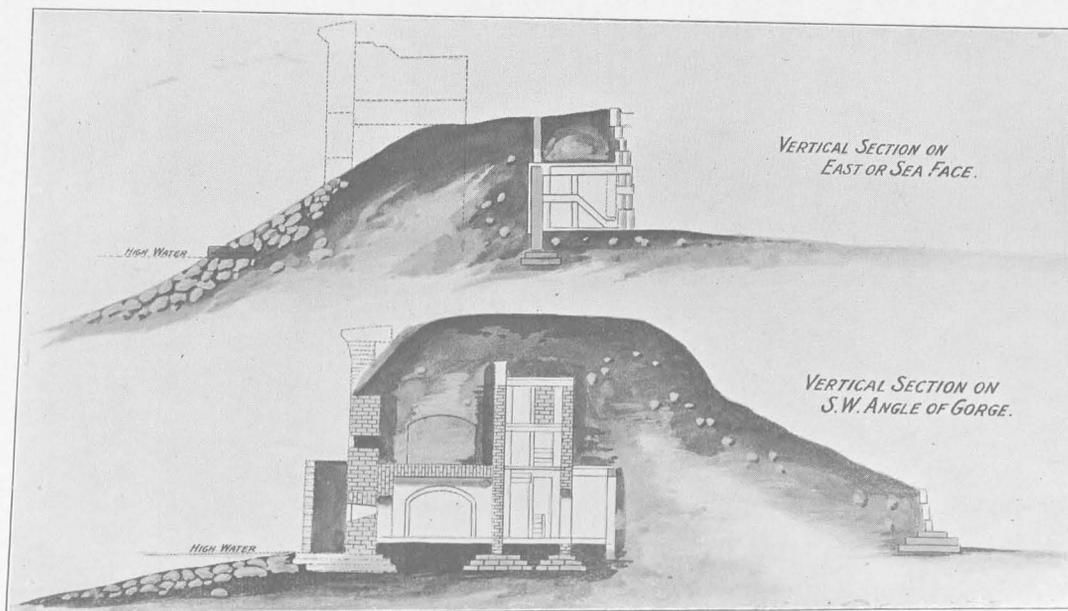
The "Atlantic Coast Despatch" all rail freight route cannot be excelled in service and time, operating fast freight trains for the handling of perishable traffic. This line runs through the finest trucking sections in the South, and for diversity of products, such as tobacco, cotton, corn, wheat, oats, potatoes, peaches, grapes, etc., is pre-eminent.

This line is represented in Charleston by Mr. W. N. Royall, General Agent, and Mr. W. E. Renneker, Soliciting Agent.

The general officers of the Traffic Department are: Mr. T. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager, and Mr. H. M. Emerson, General Freight and Passenger Agent. Headquarters: Wilmington, N. C.



FORT SUMTER—PLAN AND HORIZONTAL SECTION—SIX FEET ABOVE HIGH WATER, 1865.



FORT SUMTER—ELEVATIONS AND SECTIONS, FEBRUARY, 1865.

The dotted lines show original structure of the Fort, the other drawing showing how it was battered down and earthworks built up to protect the Fort.

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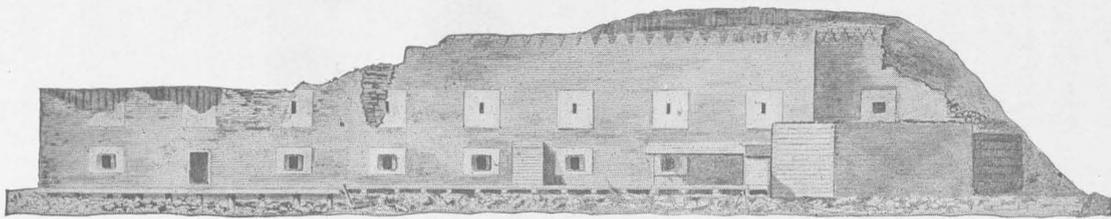
EAST SHORE TERMINAL CO.

The development of Charleston's interests and facilities forms a high record of enterprise, and the city to-day has the deserved reputation of being the most progressive and powerful of any commercial center in the South. This is very largely due to the splendid transportation facilities, to aid which the East Shore Terminal Company was organized in 1890. Since then this great artery of trade and traffic has proved its usefulness as an almost indispensable factor in the promotion of our commercial welfare. The company operates about five miles of track, running along the bay and wharfs, connecting our railroad and steamship companies, thus affording unequalled facilities for import and export of cargoes of all classes of commodities. Three locomotives are in operation, and freight is promptly moved as soon as loaded. The company also operates about thirty large warehouses along its track, used for storage of all kinds of commodities, principally cotton, fertilizer, rice, etc. They operate three hydraulic cotton compresses, one of which is a 3,000 ton press, having a capacity of 1,000 bales per day; one a 1,500 ton press, with a capacity of 800 bales daily, and the other a 1,000 ton press, with a daily capacity of 700 bales. The business is now operated by Mr. Wm. E. Huger, Receiver, who organized the company and has been with it ever since its inception.

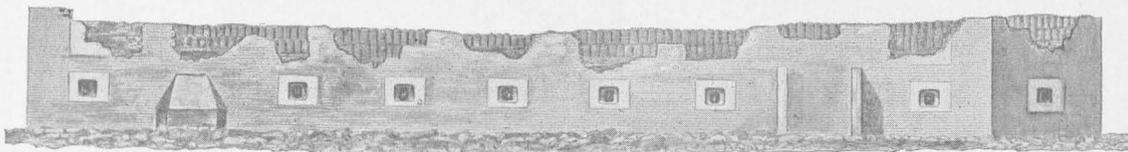
The East Shore Terminal Company is a concern of great benefit to the commerce of Charleston, and undoubtedly will become, at no distant date, a part of the railroad systems entering our city.

CHARLESTON TRANSFER CO.

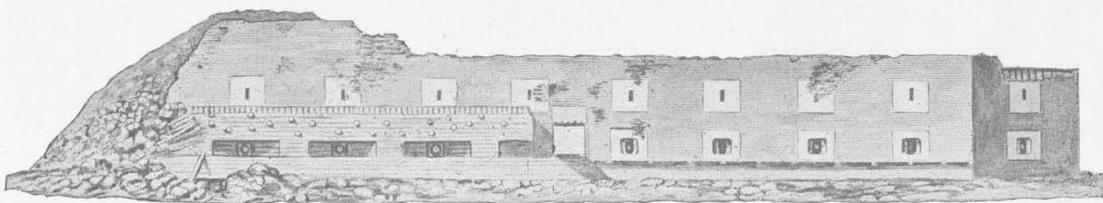
The leading concern engaged in the business of passenger and baggage transfer is the old reliable Charleston Transfer Company, office 29 Pinckney street. This business was established thirty-five years ago by Messrs. Douglass & Jackson, later becoming Jackson & Pickett. Ten years ago the present style was adopted. The stables are three stories high and 300x300 feet in area, and the equipment could not be excelled; while patrons are afforded prompt service, and comfortable and safe transportation. Agents meet all trains and steamers, giving careful attention to the demands of the traveling public. The livery department is made a special feature, and is the most complete in the South. For pleasure riding will be found a large variety of new and stylish equipages, including landaus, victorias, surreys, wagonettes, buggies, etc. A number of fine horses are kept on hand for this department alone, and one can secure as fine and handsome a turnout here as could be found in any city in the country. Attention is also given to special service for weddings and balls. Every effort is made to cater to the wants and requirements of the public, and it is safe to say that no city in the country is better represented in this particular line of business than Charleston. The management of the business is in the hands of Mr. P. Kent, President, Treasurer and General Manager. Mr. Kent has been identified with the company for twenty-two years, and brings to bear a full knowledge of its every detail. He is a capable business man, well known in local commercial circles.



FORT SUMTER—ELEVATION OF WESTERN FRONT, 1865.



FORT SUMTER—ELEVATION OF NORTHERN FRONT, 1865.



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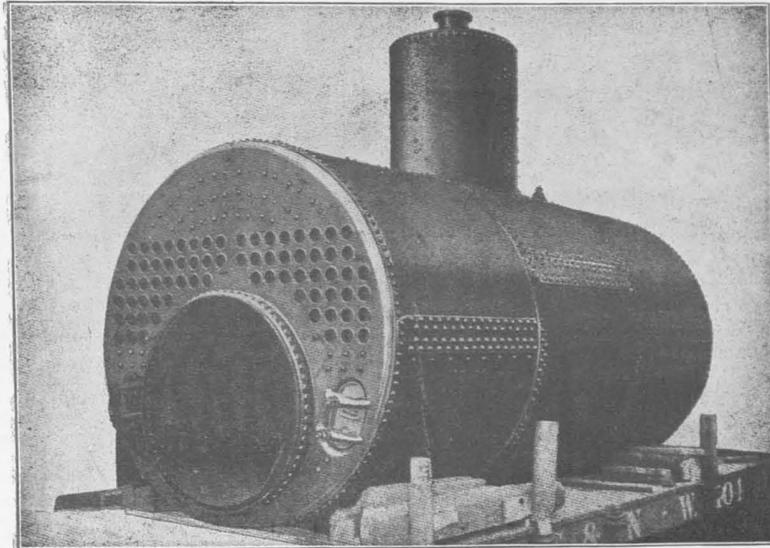
MARINE RAILWAY AND SHIP YARD.

S. J. PREGNALL.

Charleston is one of the busiest and most important ports on the South Atlantic coast, and such enterprises as have for their aim the development of our water transportation are of prime commercial importance. Among those most intimately identified with the upbuilding of this particular line of commerce is Mr. S. J. Pregnall, operator of the well-known Marine Railway and Ship Yard, on Concord street, at the foot of Hasell street. Mr. Pregnall has been a prominent representative of this important line of business for over forty years, during which period he has earned a fine reputation for the excellence of his product and workmanship. His plant covers about two acres of yards and wharfage. His dry docks have a capacity to handle vessels and steamers of 700 tons, and the entire plant is perfectly equipped, being provided with every modern machine, tool and appliance known to the industry. Employment is given to a large force of people, and none but the most skillful and experienced mechanics will be found about the works. Mr. Pregnall builds and repairs all kinds of water craft, vessels, tugs, naphtha, steam and electric boats, etc., etc. He has facilities second to none, and is prepared to guarantee satisfaction in all cases. Mr. Pregnall has established an enviable reputation all along this coast for the thoroughness and general excellence of his work, and vessels always put in here for repairs whenever requiring same while in this neighborhood. He has been engaged in the business a long number of years, and is known to be a reliable, responsible and experienced man. He is well and favorably known in Charleston, where he has lived a long number of years.

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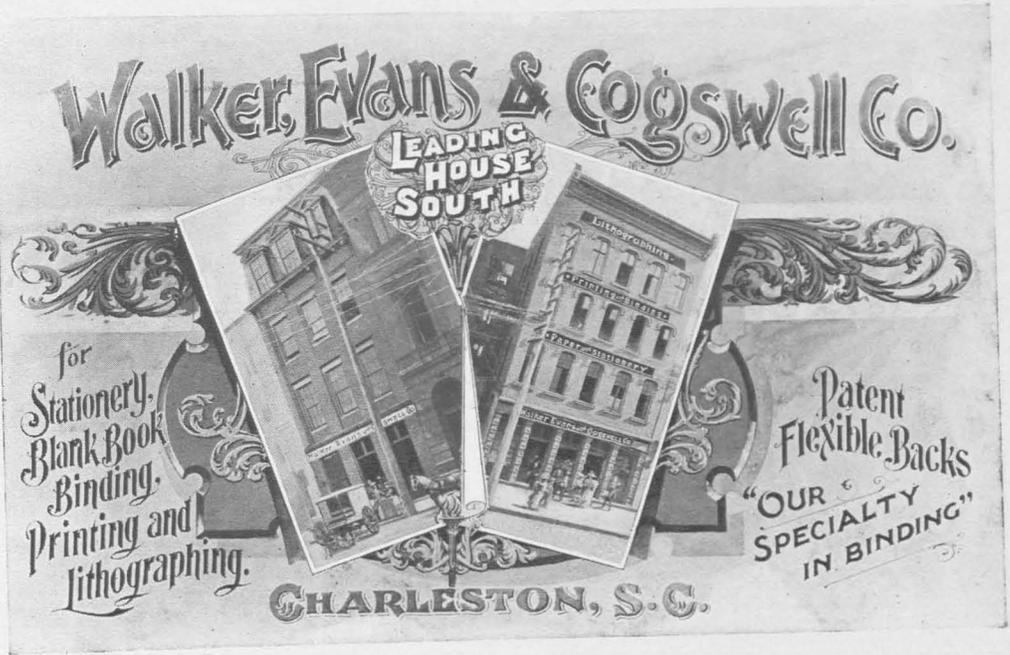
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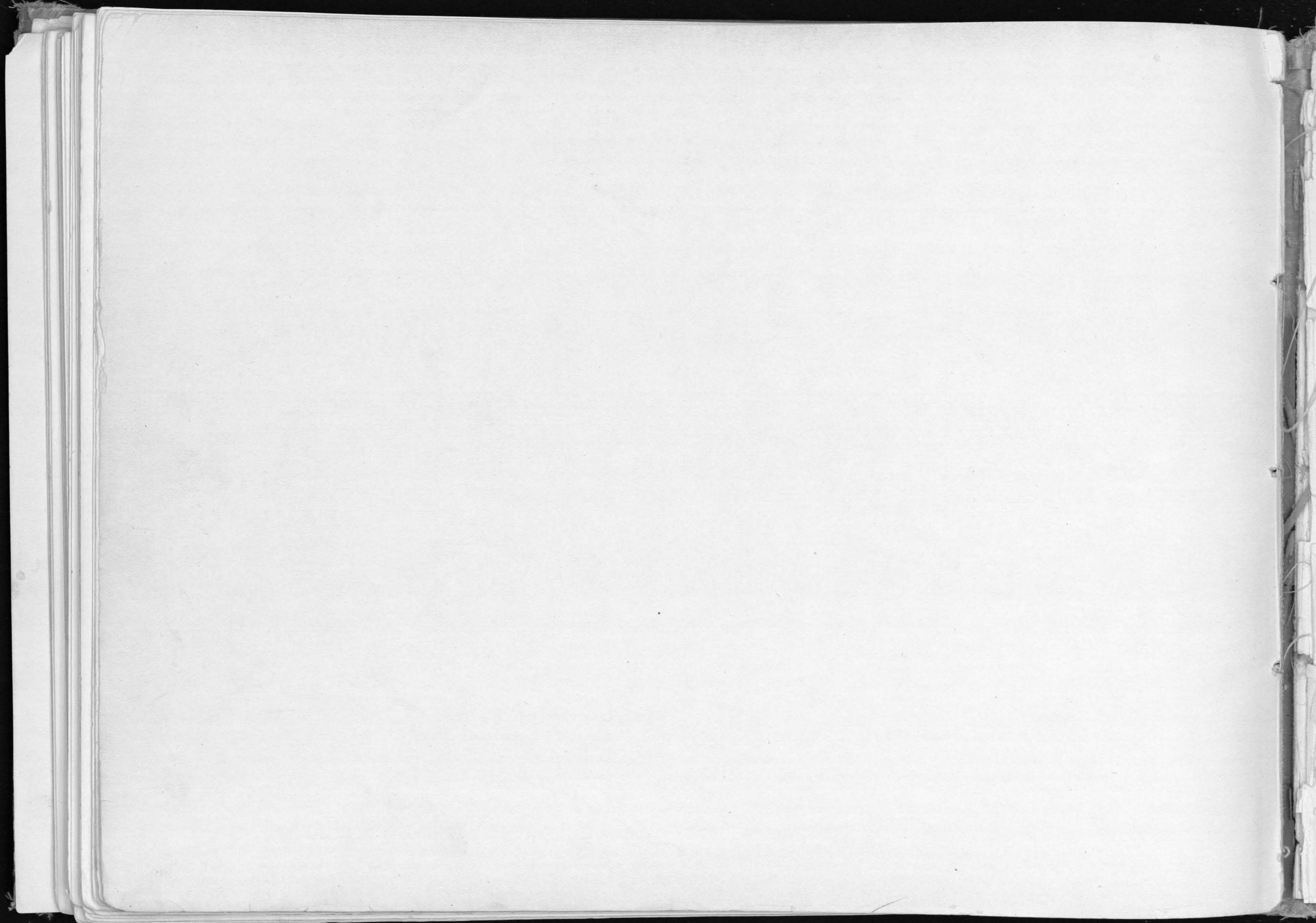
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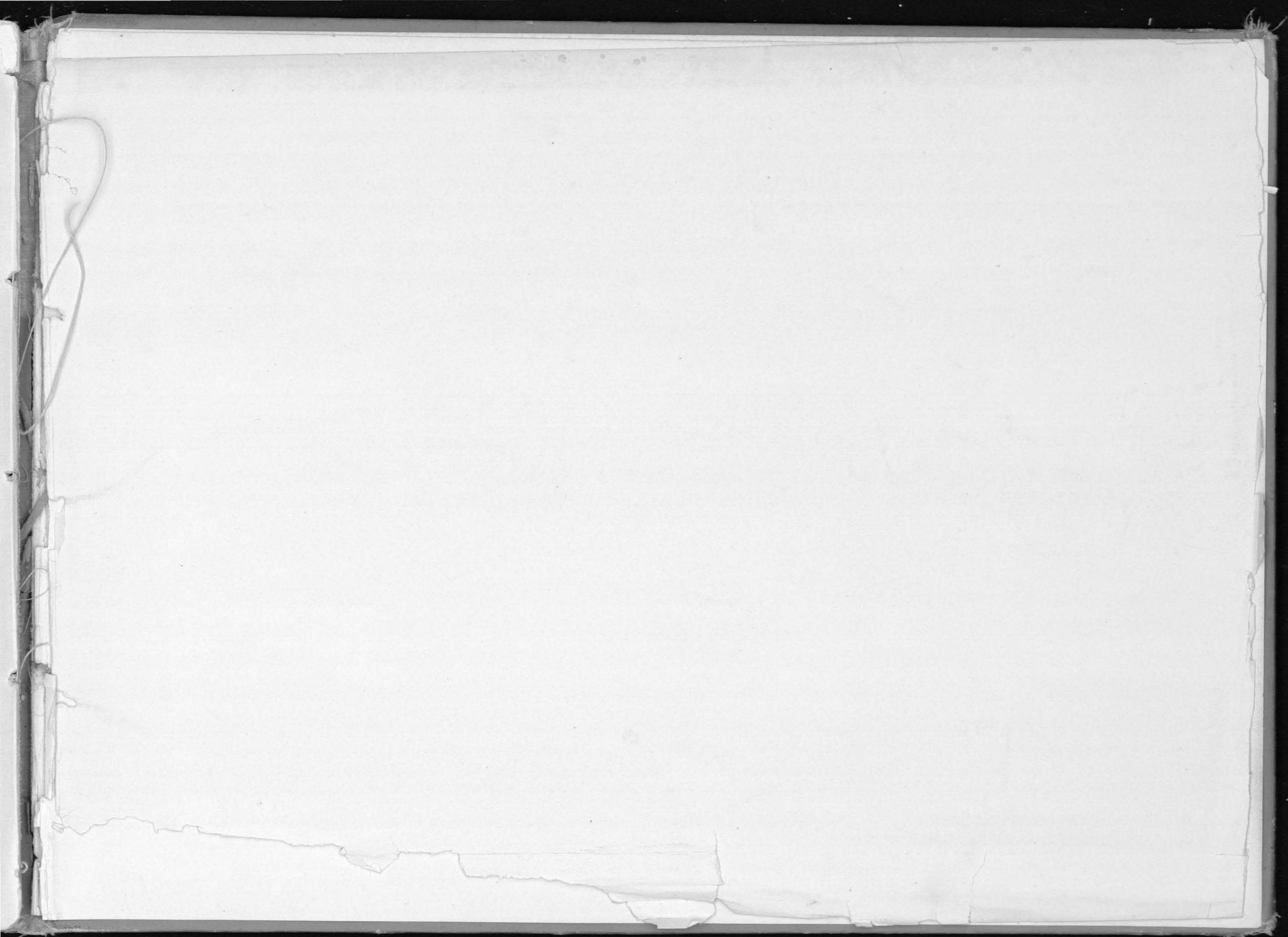
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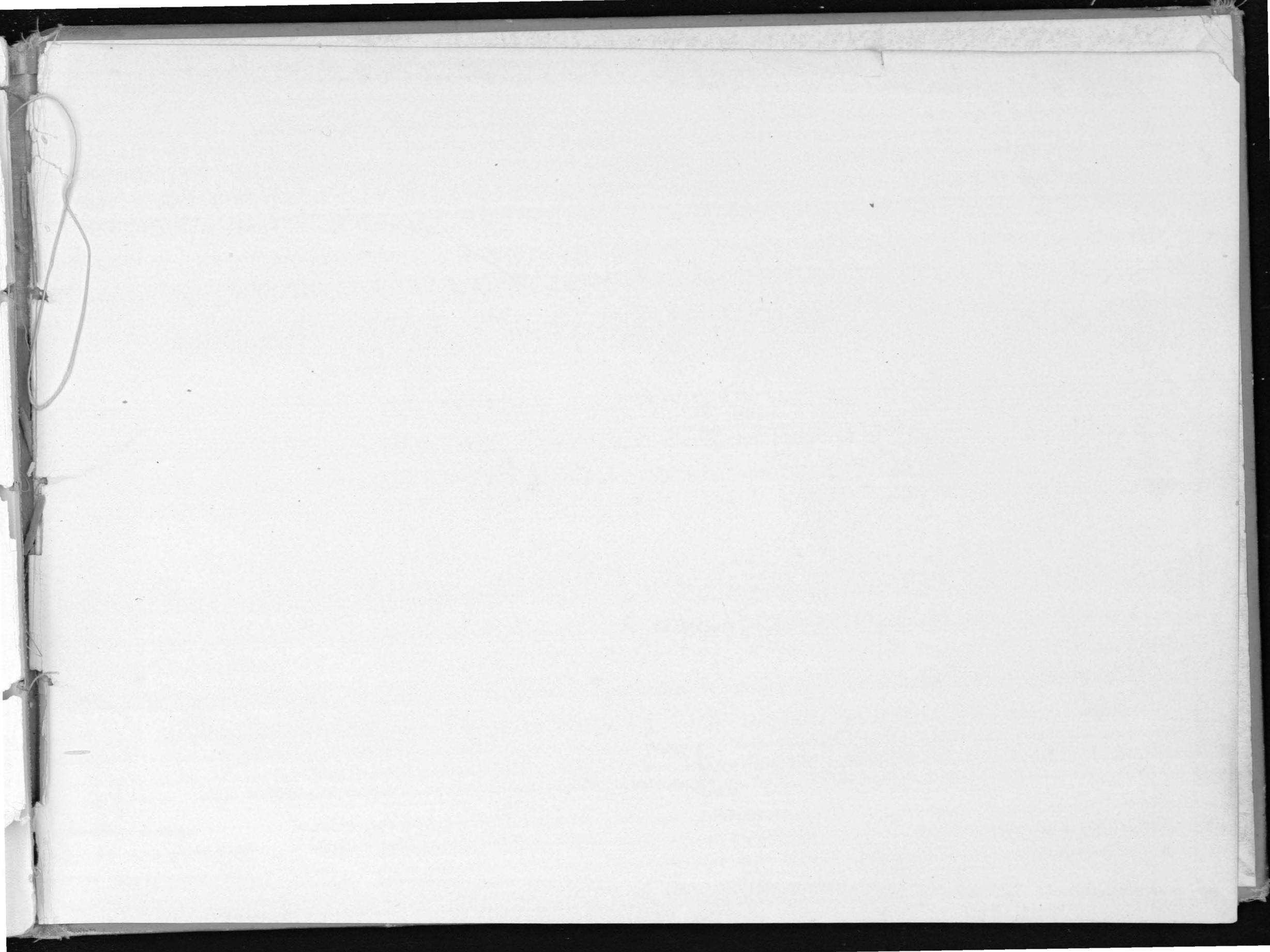
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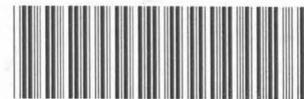




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