A Tale of the Waters Where Shad First Run.

The Editor of Southern Progress Tells of Four Hundred Thousand Herring at One Haul of the Seine-A Gilmpse at the Fisheries of North Carolina.

The water indented state of North Carolina has over 3,000 miles of riparian rights and the fisheries are the most important of any in the United States. if not in the world. Three hundred thousand yards of seine are operated in Albemarle sound alone, in addition thousands of stake, drift and pound nets. Some seines are nearly four miles The investments in the large fisheries of the Albemarle section sometimes reach \$30,000 and the annual profits of many aggregate \$50,000. The statistical review of these fisheries represents that they employ 6,000 people and 3,000 boats and that the pounds of fish taken yearly exceeds 33,000,000. North Carolina shad command the highest prices because they begin to run first and are early in the market. Leading industries of Dare, Chewan, Tyrrell, Hyde and Washingtor, Jounties are the taking of fish. The beds of the five sounds are covered with oysters. Formerly there were operated along the shores of Tyrrell county some of the largest seine fisheries in the world, but they were destroyed in the civil war and have never been re-

Charles Hallock, the founder of Forest and Stream, and an authority in such matters, states that the great variety of edible fresh water fish taken in the North Carolina rivers is some thing remarkable. The drag nets of the Trent river often capture 20 different species. Included are large and small mouthed black bass, striped bass, blue and vellow catfish, yellow perch, mudcats, white perch, cropples, mullets, red horse, sunfish, white and hickory shad, herring, drum, rock, weakfish, pickerel and garfish. Where the streams meet the tide the anodromous species come up from the ocean to spawn. The fresh water fish drop down from the water sheds to disport in the brackish inflow. Herring choke all the streams. Pickerel sport on the very edge of the tide, and weakfish spawn in the deep fresh water pools in coves having obvious connection with the ocean.

Of the sound fisheries there are mul-The channels leading down among them are of the lovely soft brown of the juniper. The cypress forests draw toward them like single nasses of green. Touches of white in them indicate houses and patches of gray the weather beaten wharves. Their deep waters cleared of cypress nees and stumps are of the pleasant olors that painters love. Thin touches of mist here and there give a mystery the atmosphere and soften over rugred outlines. Sailing in upon such ovely vistas in their favorable mo one can have little reason for the disparagement of the first glimpses of the und fisheries of North Carolina in the memories of any scene he may have left behind him.

There is no such nursery for fish of all species and proclivities as the Trent Most of the channel ways are paved with shell rock and spawn find hoice depositories in the hollows and crevices. All the way up the river, for tands made of poles projecting from the banks where negroes stand with long handled dip nets and scoop them as they ascend, sometimes as many half a dozen or more at a time. ccasionally there are rude windlasses shioned of unpeeled logs and poles to used in hauling drag nets across the ouths of the creeks. On the White ak and New rivers, in Onslow and arteret countles, bordering the sounds, rmen often make big earnings. The ish business of New Berne alone ocuples four or five big shippers. Vess from the outside and boats from he Neuse bay and Contentena river are onstantly arriving with fish and oysers, and the market slip at the foot Middle street is usually crowded th craft. Winter fishing for marine h is always active from Nags Head

Bogue sound. All through December weakfish are undant. So are drum, spotted sea out, mullets, croakers, catfish, perch, red horse, pickerel and black bass. From Jan. 1 to July 1 fishing improves ally, and Spanish mackerel, hogfish, eephead and blue fish afford good shing for hook and line. July and ugust are poor fishing months. Fall shing begins in September with a big un of mullets. With November comes

e rock fish and perch. Angling is a dead art in North Caroa waters. Occasionally a venerable gro will take his rickety old punt nd steal away to a deep cove, but rtsmen seldom follow the sport in s way. In the autumn they go to e beach and troll for blue fish from a liboat, or fish with hand lines for eakfish. Pickerel are plenty in the ring, but are of little account.

The larger number of the fish of orth Carolina are taken in long seines, d there are many enormous fisheries the shores of Albemarle sound, anoke and Chowan rivers. At cerin periods of the year 80 per cent the tonnage of the Norfolk and outhern railroad and Old Dominion eamships is fish, shipped from Eden-m. Elizabeth City, New Berne, Man-to, Blaufort Hatters Monday o. Beaufort, Hatteras, Morehead. Fansboro and Nags Head. The com-on length of the seines is 5,000 feet. orse and steam power are required r these, the lines running into sheath ocks on the beach, and from time to me shifted to blocks nearer the cenr of the selaing shore as the net aws together. The lines lead up from ese to windlasses or drums. For eater economy of time two boats are

ed instead of one, as in many sec-ins, the seine being loaded from each d, while the middle is being worked d, while the middle is being worked to the shore. When the two boats to the shore. When the two boats we the seine on board they move to e outer boundary of the fishery, and had been as they move in opposite directors. As they throw out the seine is boats pure inward to the shore, a boats pure inward to the shore, and when the last of the net has gone, erboard trate upon the gravel. An live failing is value boots from each we wadet, ashore with the limit and lichly fastless it to another typing in farthest shouth block. The engine

starts instantly, and the line begins to come in, straining upon the seine, with its leads lying upon the bottom a mile away. Like a moving fence, it advances shoreward, turning back the bewildered fish, which, in the grasp of the net, do not become much frightened until it has closed upon sides, after which only a few find their way around the ends. Steadily the net lines come in.

The crews, in the meantime, preparing for the next haul, take the lines into the boats as fast as they are unreeled from the drums, and lay them in a series of great coils along the bottom of the boat. As soon as the ends of the seine reach the shore its reloading begins.

As the seine approaches the shore silence prevails. The area of water inside the corks which line the seine shows signs of agitation. Quick swirls and ruffled wavelets cover the surface Large fishes make rapid curves in and out again. The splashing increases as the mass of fishes is pulled and crowded on the beach. Huge sturgeon slide heavily through the glistening mass until struck with a gaff hoof in the hands of a wiry negro. Everything is pulled out high and dry, the flapping soon ceases, and the dead mass lies in the active, brilliant shoal of fish which came up in the net.

The catches oftentimes are enormous. On Dr. Capehart's plantation, at Avoca. nearly 200,060 herring were brought in at one haul of the seine. It required 50 men several hours to get them ashore. The pile, when in the dock, measured 80 feet long, 22 wide and two feet deep. For comparison sake, the fish would have filled 20 coal cars. It has been reliably stated that as many as 400,000 herring have been saved from a single haul of the seine in Albemarle.-Frank A. Heywood.

PHILOSOPHY OF INTENSIVE FARMING

From Southern Progress, Philadelphia.

A currycomb is a valuable condiment

to hay and corn. A man will manage a farm better for

having tilled a garden. An acre will give what a man re-

quires, but will give no more. Without hands land lies worthless: without lands hands are in a similar condition.

Meal in a barrel signifies bread on the table; it is meal in a barrel when there

are acres to till. Mortgages are like the waves of the sea—the vessels they hold up today

they swamp tomorrow. It is quite as likely that a duck's back will hold water as that a sub-soil of sand will hold manure.

No bank of deposit can be found by a farmer that is so safe and that pays so large an interest as colleged bank. Ditching mans, making daily deposits in a reliable sayings bank that has never yet been known to default a dividend time.

A plow is a conhier that never fails. A spade is a dividend paying clerk. Industry, energy and will compose a beard of directors to be relied on.

and courage enough to pinch at spots. lives, but it is a tranquil one. And

A shingle that has a hole in it lets cold water on the case of its owner. and interferes markedly as far as he is concerned with the poetry showing in the harmony.

The man who has never owned a pig can have conveyed to him none of the sense of pleasure felt by a farmer as day after day he watches the development of his stock.

The intensive farmer's motto is: "No ploughing where there is no manure to turn under." He expends no unecessary force. He values labor too highly to waste it. Investments are not made where there is not a great deal of certainty in the matter of a promise to pay back. Crops are in the manure, not in the

It is waste, both of time and nuscle, to scatter the requirements of a ten acre lot over one of 20 acres. The farmer will win a wager who ventures to get more profit out of one acre than another would get out of five, the land being of like quality and the quantity of fertilizing material being the same for both fields.

Pigpens and barnyards are the manufactories of a farm, and they are manufactories that always pay. There is no possibility of a failure or of a going behind. The secret of success in farming lies in correspondence of the acres with the manufactories. If the correspondence be with ten acres, then ten acres are enough; if with 20, 40, 80, then 20, 40, 80 are to be worked with profit.

The economies of a farm extend quite as much to mind as to pocket. The occupant need not worry himself about a depression in railroad stocks or a decline in the price of houses; around him are means of support. What if the so long prognosticated "dropping out of the bottom" does occur, acres will stay. Thank God for the acres, and for the strength of hands to work them!

One of the comforts of a farmer's roads are owned by Philadelphia, while life is that he has time to talk. If besides muscle the farmer has brain, and iron furnaces of southwest Viranother comfort is the knowledge of what his estate is inevitably to develop into. If a farmer wants to be president he can surely come to the office: and to rule over forty or four hundred acres occupied by wheat, corn, potatoes or beans is to be master where compensations are many and cares fewest.

The farm is a home-not a place to be lived at today and moved from tomorrow, but a home to be improved and beautified—a home where orchards are to be planted, where vines are to be grown, where substantial things are to be constructed, where children are to be born and fathers are to die. Into the fields come and reap new genera-tions; out of the fields and into the graveyard pass old generations.

There is no spot on earth where God more continuously shows himself than on a farm. Here becomes understood the endeating name "Father." The God is Father to the father, Providence unreals the heat-curied corn leaves, alls the grape skins with new wins,

gives drink to thirsty cattle, be the garden with many-hued flowers, perfumes the air with fragrance made among the meadows. Here, too man is made philosophic as he beholds on every hand the "evidences of de-Faith he does not need; certainty takes the place of it.

Why do men prefer the privations and battling and poverty of a city, when on a farm there is so much of plenty and peace and wealth? The Illiterate laborer selects the town because of that sense which prompts the knowing to raise his eye above the sixpence which conceals the dollar beyond. "It is easier," says the carter, "to load a cart than to grub a clearing." And so it is, only that brush land once made clear stays cleared, while carts that are laden empty as fast as they are laden. The work with the cart waxes harder with the age of the carter. The cultivation of the land grows easier with the children of the farmer.

Money in bank is never half so profitable as manure in the field. To skimp the field for the bank is to make a mistake. What the intensive farmer needs to do is to put back to his land as freely as the land is found to give. To give on a farm is to get. Ten acres well fed are worth a hundred starved This is the experience of everybody that knows anything about the matter. Living in the country is costless, because with a little turning around a man makes the rinds of his fruit worth as much as the pulps that have been eaten. To enjoy one's watermelon and then to give to the pigs the rinds is to put back more than has been To use the straw gathered at mid-summer for the winter bedding of horse or cow is to put it at fabulour interest. Cider let alone doubles its value by turning into vinegar. Calves fed from pickings that are without other value grow into butter giving cows. Colts, taking a milk that nothing else cares to drink, develop into plough pulling horses.

Few authors, not even John Burroughs, like flowers better than does Joel Chandler Harris, and he particularly dotes on roses. This taste has led Mr. Harris to an extravagance in roses which has now resulted in giving him the finest private rose garden in the South. Mr. Harris' house is in the west end of Atlanta, Ga., and he has a climate which favors him so that he can enjoy a prodigal bloom of his favorite flower from May until the middle of December. Almost as early as the sun the author is in his garden, weeding and pruning his innumerable rose bushes, every one of which he knows and cares for himself. It is this practice, his friends say, which has given him the decided stoop which he carries as he walks. "But what's a stoop," he recently said to a friend. "to the enjoyment of a rose garden?" Society, business and diversions of any kind have not the least charms for Harris in comparison with his roses When his buds are not in bloom during the year he amuses himself by reading books about them and the best methods of rose culture. His only regular work is his daily visit to his editorial office, being on the staff of the Atlanta Constitution. But his work is done at home. Joel Chandlet The farmer may grunt and grumble until he is black in the face; butter, he will find, is in proportion to the quainty of the cream churned.

A farm may be wined by any man who has industry enough to work, honor enough to command confidence which the author of "Uncle Remus" has but it is a tranguil one. And Harris may truly be said to take life this sort of life is one which a man i likely to enjoy long.

Biltmore, N. C., where George Vanderbilt has built himself a palace, possibly one of these days may be regarded as the Stamm Schloss of the house of Vanderbilt, just as the castle of Hohenzollern stands in relation to the family of that name. At any rate Biltmore possibly Giltmore would have been the better name-seems at present to be the Mecca of the whole connection; a place where, secluded from the outer world by miles of hilly woodlands, the family can hold council together, and where the young scions, especially those under parental discipline for small peccadilloes, find comfort and sympathy beneath its broad roof tree. By the way, in addition to building up the most magnificent country place in the United States, and an estate com parable to those vast forest principalities from whose green depths rise the gray towers of Bohemian-Austrian and Magyar lords, Mr. Vanderbilt has also introduced industries in the way of utilising his timber and his mineral resources, so that in time the domain. beside returning a large revenue, will be an object lesson and school of forestry, a science much neglected in this country. The thinning process has be gun and a heavy contract has been signed for the transport of the Vanderbilt top and lop to a market. Mr. Vanderbilt is doing good work for the country and providing himself with a most delightful and healthy recreation.

It is estimated by Southern Progress that nearly \$150,000,000 of Pennsylvania capital is invested in southern enterprises. Of this the Leisenring estate, Clarence M. Clark, Logan M. Bullitt, John M. Dingee, D. L. Risley, W. S Harvey, F. J. Kimball, A. S. Patterson, the Houstons, Adolph Segal, A. J. Cassatt, E. F. Stotesbury and Francis I. Gowen, of Philadelphia, control over one-third. Seventeen southern rail-roads are owned by Philadelphia, while ginia are controlled by Quaker City

It is not exaggeration to say that no other section of the South is so intimately connected with the advancement of southern material interests as the Seaboard Air line, which extends from Portsmouth, Va., to Atlanta, Ga. The land of the farmer, the miner and the manufacturer, every rod of its territory teems with wealth. The traffic of the road is amazing in its immensity; its territory is feeling the magic touch of business prosperity.

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Natural History. A barking dog, the sages say, Is never known to bite; Likewise the talking pugilist

Will very seldom fight.

-Washington Star.

THERE ARE BOOKS AND BOOKS.



Mandy-I see by this paper, Hiram, that Jimmy Stone has been a bookmak-

Hiram-That so? I allus thought he'd turn out a literary feller; he wuz so smart at figgers an' spellin'.-Louisville Courier Journal.

Signs and Tokens. Don't count upon the robin

To improve the weather crop, But put faith in the urchin Who gets out and spins his top. -Chicago Record.

It Depended.

"Are you a believer in the theory that to the victors belong the spoils?" "That," replied Senator Sorghum, depends entirely on whether or not I am one of the victors,"-Washington

Cantious. Bertha-Do you believe in love at

first sight? Edith-I believe there are persons one s more likely to love before she has had time to get acquainted with them than afterwards .- Boston Transcript.

Didn't Finish Her Work.

Mrs. Bilkins-The new girl broke four plates to-day. Mr. Bilkins-Did she assign any reason for not breaking the entire set?-

Ohio State Journal.

The Right Man.

"I know the man has started the impression that I'm an idiot, and I'm going to kill him," roared Chappie. "Don't. Suicide is so vulgar," said Cynicus.-Harlem Life.

Cause and Effect.

She-Mrs. Boozeford says her heart is full to-night. He-I suppose her husband is, too,

then .- Yonkers Statesman. A Petty Sin.

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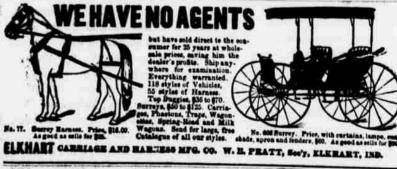
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