

THE GREENSBORO PATRIOT.

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GIBSONVILLE.

Eastern Guilford's Busiest Town.



RESIDENCE OF J. A. DAVIDSON, GIBSONVILLE.

Western border of Guilford
the line of the Raleigh
seven miles from Greens-
county seat, is Gibsonville,
manufacturing town, with
of about five hundred.

Religious and educational
of this thriving town
of the material advance-
churches and two good
supported by the com-
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farming land is to be
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is the most important
in this section of the
controls a large surround-
ing. Here are two large
the Minneola mill with
and 181 looms, and the
with 2000 spindles.
being run on full time
generative employment to
of persons.

Other industries located
ash, Door and Blind Fac-
Michael, the Roller Flour
B. Huff, the Cannery of
ner, and the Tannery of

of Gibsonville are indus-
trial and progressive, and will
become the establishment
of manufacturing or com-
prise, for which the lo-
ted.

W. C. MICHAEL,

GIBSONVILLE, N. C.

SASH, DOOR AND BLIND FACTORY.

TILE, TERRA COTTA FLUES,
WELL TUBES, ETC.

The accompanying illustration portrays the plan and manufacturing plant of Mr. W. C. Michael, one of Guilford's most successful business men.

A native of North Carolina, he was born on the dividing line between Guilford and Alamance counties. Locating in Gibsonville in 1879, he established a lumber business on the present site. The business grew to meet the demands of the increasing trade until it includes every kind of lumber, sash, doors, blinds, mouldings, and other supplies for the building trade. As an adjunct to this line he handles Porosona tile and terra cotta flues, well tubes, etc.

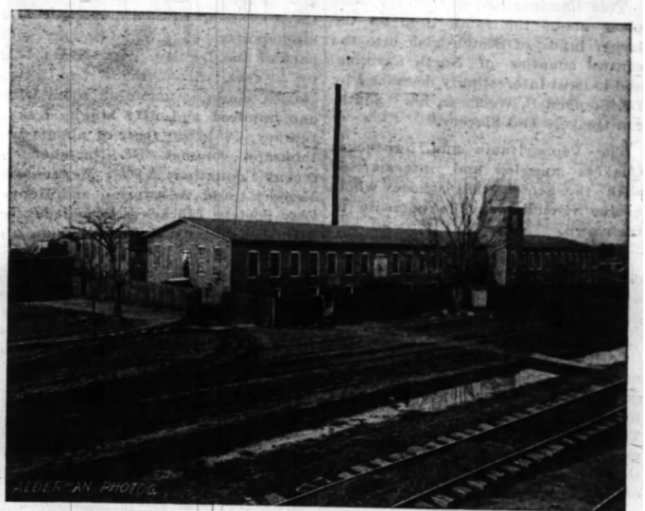
As undertaker for the village he performs the responsible duties of that office most satisfactorily and carries an extensive line of coffins and caskets from which to choose.

To meet the increased demands upon his business Mr. Michael is now preparing to enlarge his plant for the manufacture of doors, blinds, sash, and other material of this kind heretofore made elsewhere. A new building will soon be erected near the present one of ample dimensions and equipped with the most modern machinery.

Mr. Michael is one of the most progressive men of eastern Guilford county.

MINNEOLA MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

GIBSONVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA.



MINNEOLA COTTON MILLS.

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The Minneola Manufacturing Company began business in 1886 as a private company in which B. and J. A. Davidson were the proprietors. In 1888 the company was incorporated with Mr. B. Davidson as president and J. A. Davidson as secretary and treasurer.

In 1892 the other stockholders retired except Mr. J. A. Davidson, and Lawrence Holt became the president. Mr. Holt was succeeded in 1894 by Ceasar Cone, and he in 1896 by B. Frank Mebane, of New York. The mill is equipped with a 200-horse power Corliss engine, 181 looms, 2,000 spindles, and employs 150 hands in

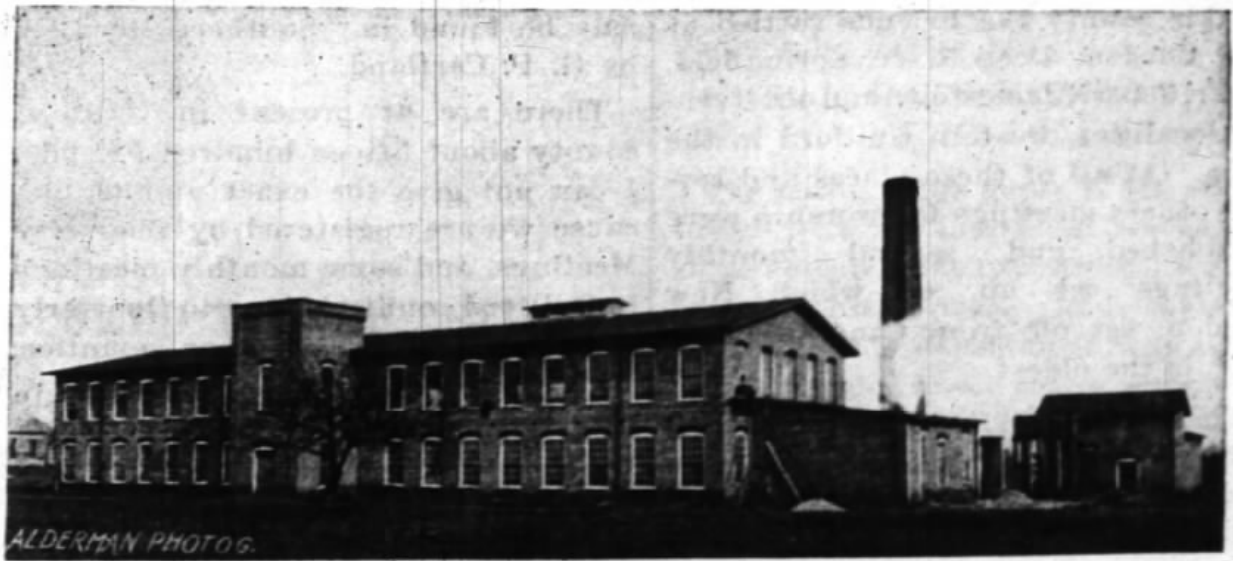
the manufacture of cotton plaids, cottonades and gingham.

Mr. J. A. Davidson, the leading spirit in this establishment, is one of Guilford county's best known and most respected citizens. His labors have been identified with the growth and development of Gibsonville from a mere railroad station to a thriving and prosperous manufacturing town.

Aside from his interests in the Minneola Manufacturing Company, he is president of the Burlington Banking Company, at Burlington, N. C., secretary and treasurer of the Gibsonville Store Company, mayor of Gibsonville, and a most progressive business man.

Hiawatha...
Manufacturing
...Company,

GIBSONVILLE, - NORTH CAROLINA



HIAWATHA COTTON MILLS.

The Hiawatha Cotton Mill, of which we present herewith a view, was erected in 1893 by Mr. B. Davidson.

In 1894 the company was incorporated and a charter issued to Messrs. D. F. Caldwell, B. Davidson, and W. W. Davidson, under the name of the Hiawatha Manufacturing Co.

In 1895 a spinning mill was installed and put in operation, since which time the mill has been running continuously day and night (Sundays always excepted), giving remunera-

tive employment to a large number of hands.

The products are cotton, warps, fillings and yarns which have always found a ready market in the trade where their high standard of excellence is recognized.

The company also has a general merchandising establishment from which the people of the town and surrounding country are supplied with every necessity for the home.

H. W. STEEL,

GENERAL

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GIBSONVILLE, N. C.