

J. R. Carmichael

With the great trunk line, the Southern railway came the subject of the sketch to Jackson. He was born and grew up among our people, and no man is better known. He had little or no capital to begin with, but he made himself felt in the business world at once, and those who knew him predicted his success from the start. The northeast corner of the square had a barren, neglected appearance, and Mr. Carmichael fell in with a few dilapidated looking shops. The cut above shows how that corner looks today, with perhaps the best house in town standing there as a monument to his business qualifications

J. R. Carmichael's carriage factory is worth more to Jackson than perhaps any individual enterprise in this thriving little city. He has a gentlemanly set of men employed in the manufacture of buggies, wagons, and all kinds of agricultural implements, to whom he pays large salaries each week, to be spent among our merchants, and if there is any one thing our people would hate to see discontinued worse than another it would be the carriage factory, unless it was its genial proprietor. Mr. Carmichael has served his country well and at the same time built for himself a neat little fortune. The carriage factory, as well as its owner, is one of the fixtures of our town, and Mr. Carmichael being native-born makes our people prouder of him than they could feel it was otherwise.

While Butts County is ever glad to welcome gently manly strangers and give them a _____ to settle among us, they will excuse our pardonable pride in or own.

Mr. Carmichael knows no such world as fail. He is administrator of his father-in-law, Mr. B. C. Kinard's estate,

and sold the land of the estate at twenty dollars per acre, when on the same day other lands just as good did not bring five dollars per acre. Such achievements as this is one of the characteristics of the man. Others had been hammering away at his new vocation in a composed way for years, but he took hold with that will which grows stronger instead of weakening at obstacles, applied business methods and carved enviable reputation as well as fortune out of chaos and an unsettled state of affairs he found. Mr. Carmichael is no speculator, and our young men would do well to emulate his example, for while success is not attained in a day, the elements of success is to be found in every day's transaction, and every day of his business life has been a successful day.

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