

I think it would pay the State & the City to look carefully into the merits of this rock before deciding.



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Dear Sir

I see by the papers that the city of Raleigh proposes to pave the streets surrounding the capitol square, provided the State will pay half of the expenses. If the State agrees to that, I think the State should have something to say about the kind of pavement to be used. The shell rock pavement I am selling for the N.C. Pros. Co., such as is used in Goldston, & some of it has been put down five years ago. The expense of repairs on worn squares has not been one dollar. It is perfectly smooth & shows no wear, it is totally impervious to water, & on that account will stand firm on sand, sandy loam, or ^{or any other soil} clay. It needs no foundation whatever except the natural ground. Maj Wilson says it is the best pavement in all respects he ever examined. He is an expert. I refer you to Dr R. H. Lewis & Dr H. B. Battle, both of whom have examined it. It six inches thick a cub. yd. will lay 6 square yds. and will cost delivered in Raleigh $41\frac{2}{3}$ ^{cts} per square yd. six inches deep. The putting down will cost $\frac{1}{3}$ ^{cts} per sq. yd. very little. A very small sum.

W. Lewis.