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## TO TRUCKERS.

AN INTERESTING CIRCULAR TO FRUIT AND PRODUCE GROWERS.

The fruit and Produce Trade Association of New York have issued an address to the growers and shippers of fruits and vegetables in the Atlantic Coast States, stating that, owing to the enormous increase in truck and fruit growing throughout the Atlantic Coast States, it has become more apparent each year to the receivers of the property here that packages of uniform size are not only needed, but imperatively demanded. The circular says that the inequality of size in packages has been annoying and embarrassing to commission merchants and a loss to shippers and growers.

The principal advantages of uniform packages are as follows: First, the property could be handled here to decidedly better advantage. Second, small packages cost as much for freight as the full size and sell for much less, proportionately, (because buyers are so prejudiced against them) thereby making them very unprofitable to the shipper. Third, different sizes require different prices to correspond with the package, the quality of the contents being the same. Fourth, they are threatened with adverse legislation in consequence of the irregularity of the packages in use.

For these reasons we recommend the immediate adoption as far as possible of the round hooped flour barrel as the standard of measure, with the barrel crate equal in capacity to the standard barrel, rounded measure, and the half-barrel crate and third-barrel crate to be proportionate parts of the standard crate or barrel.

The dimensions of a standard flour barrel are: Diameter of head, 17 inches; diameter of bilge, 19 1/2 inches; length of stave, 27 inches; length between heads, 25 1/2 inches.

## MASONIC GRAND LODGE.

The Grand Lodge of Masons adjourned at midnight last week having disposed of business much sooner than it expected. It was decided that in January 1894, the meeting should be at Wilmington, in honor of St. John's lodge of that place, which will celebrate its centennial. This will be the first meeting at any point save Raleigh, and some of the members are not pleased with the idea at all, as they do not like the precedent. The republication of the Masons code was ordered. All Masons in this State were forbidden from using the "cerneau" rite.

The following grand officers were elected or appointed, and were installed by Past Grand Master Blount: Grand Master, H. A. Gudge; Deputy Grand Master, J. W. Cotten, Senior Grand Warden, R. J. Noble; Grand Secretary, D. W. Bain; Grand Treasurer, William Simpson; Grand Chaplain, T. W. Nelson, Senior Grand Deacon, L. M. Totten; Junior Grand Deacon, J. A. Leach; Grand Marshal, E. F. Lamb; Grand Sword Bearer, W. E. Moore; Grand Pursuivant, P. M. Persall; Grand Stewards, A. K. Smith and A. L. Brooks; Grand Tiler, R. H. Bradley.

## FINE SHOWING.

The increase in the number of cotton spindles in use in the South during the year ending September 1st 1891 according to a statement prepared by the New Orleans Cotton Exchange was 149,999 of which North Carolina was credited with 59,000, South Carolina 35,000, Georgia 5,000.

North Carolina has now more spindles running than any State in the South except Georgia, having passed South Carolina during the year. Georgia is 5,000 spindles ahead of us. That will be running at the Vance Mills in 1892. It is thought that 3,000 will be put into the Salisbury Mills in 1892. News and Observer.

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## SECOND SIGHT.

THE REMARKABLE POWER OF A FIFTEEN-YEAR-OLD GIRL.

About five miles from this city, says a Platte-City, Mo., dispatch, lives W. D. House, a farmer, who has a daughter with a wonderful power or gift. The girl is about fifteen years old, and for several years she has been considered by the simple country folks around the neighborhood to be "odd." She has a dreamy appearance and is slow of speech, but when she does talk she shows that she is above the average of girls of her age in intelligence.

She is as well educated as most country girls of her age who have had only the advantages of the district school, but her peculiarity is that she seems to have a clairvoyant property or second sight. She says that she can read letters without breaking the seal, and on several occasions she has done this with letters where it was impossible that there could be any collusion with those who wrote the letters. She can also take a book and hold it closed in her hands and read from any designated page in the book.

Dr. Porter, one of the oldest physicians of this county, says that he knows the girl has an extraordinary power and he has thoroughly tested the matter. He says that he wrote a letter at his office and sealed it. He took this letter in his pocket to the house and called the girl. She came to him and shook hands. As she did so she said, "Doctor, you have a letter for me and you wrote it." She then held his hand and read the letter, which was still in his pocket.

To make a further test he brought one of his own medical books to the house and which he was positive she had never seen. He gave her the book and told her to read on a certain page. He had selected the page purposely, it being one on which there appeared a number of long technical words. She read the page accurately, with the exception of the hard words, which she said she could not pronounce. She says she cannot explain how she does it, but it seems to be in her head when she takes the letter or books.

## BRIDAL FANCIES.

- Married in white, you have chosen all right;
- Married in gray, you will go far away;
- Married in black, you will wish yourself back;
- Married in red, you will wish yourself dead;
- Married in green, ashamed to be seen;
- Married in blue, he will always be true;
- Married in pearl, you will live in a whirl;
- Married in yellow, ashamed of your fellow;
- Married in brown, you will live out of town;
- Married in pink, your spirits will sink.

## "MUST BE MY MOTHER."

A teacher was describing the character of Jesus Christ. She did not tell the little boys of whom she was speaking, but went on and described His character in all its beauty and loveliness, self-denial and cheerfulness; and, as she spoke in words that brought tears to the eyes of the little fellows, at last she said to one little boy: "Do you know who it is of whom I am talking?" and this little fellow said: "It must be my mother."

## Shiloh's Consumption Cure

This is beyond question, the most successful Cough Medicine we have ever sold, a few doses invariably cure the worst cases of Cough, Croup and Bronchitis, while its wonderful success in the cure of Consumption is without a parallel in the history of medicine. Since its first discovery it has been sold on a positive guarantee, a test which no other medicine can stand. If you have a cough we earnestly ask you to try it. Price 10c, 50c, and \$1. If your lungs are sore, chest, or back lame, use Shiloh's Porous Plaster. Sold by W. M. Cohen.

## TARIFF REFORM THE ISSUE.

MR. MILLS GIVES HIS VIEWS ON THE COURSE OF THE PARTY.

"Your opponents say that you are opposed to the free coinage of silver. What have you to say in reply?"

"I say what I have said all the time. I have spoken often, in Congress and out of it, for it, and have already voted for it. I do not believe that it would in the slightest manner relieve the financial distress of the country, but I think that both gold and silver should be in the circulation of the world to the fullest extent possible. The people of the East, of all parties and classes, firmly believe that free coinage would be disastrous to them. The people of Texas, at least many of them, think it would be a great boon to them. In my judgment both opinions are groundless.

"If we persist in the agitation of the question and demand it in our National Convention we will lose in our fall election all our Eastern States and gain none in the West. The result will be the election of a Republican House, Senate and President and the passage of a force bill, with the military in control of our elections in the South. I have, therefore, to avert such a disaster to the Southern people, advised the postponement of the further agitation of the subject until the tariff is reduced.

"On the tariff issue we have won the country and can hold it, and put a hundred times more money in circulation than by free coinage. If a free coinage bill is reported in Congress I shall vote for it, as I have always done, but I shall not advise the report of such a bill. If the tariff was reduced to a revenue basis it would put in the pockets of the people and in circulation more money than a thousand millions of dollars. If our mines were open to free coinage the circulation would be increased \$10,000,000. Besides, reduction of the tariff can be accomplished, and the other cannot.

"A reduction of the tariff to 25 per cent. above the revenue basis would increase our imports \$300,000,000, and that amount of exports would have to go out to pay for the imports. Eighty per cent. of these exports are agricultural products, of which cotton is the largest, and we have produced of that this year 3,600,000,000 pounds. Such an increased demand would increase its price 4 or 5 cents per pound, and that would add to the pockets of the cotton growers in one year \$150,000,000 while free coinage would not add one dollar to their purses.

"The great monumental evil that is destroying not only the prosperity of the people but the political institutions of the country is excessive taxation on the products of labor. It is concentrating the wealth of the country in the hands of few thousands and condemning millions to hopeless poverty. The whole attention of the country ought to be attracted to this abuse, and every effort should be made to tear it out by the roots."

"What is the prospect of reducing the tariff?"

"Everything depends on the present Congress and the course pursued by the Democratic National Convention next summer. If Congress presses earnestly for tariff reform and the Democratic House passes a thorough revenue tariff bill, ignoring and opposing protection in every feature, and if the National convention will make the issue in the coming contest and give the people a sound Western Democrat as the nominee for President, we will win, carry the reform, and remain in power for years. The contest in the convention, from present indications, will be between Hill and a Western competitor. Hill, in his recent speech at Albany, declared for the protective tariff of 1893. Without giving up all we have been contending for, we cannot accept his platform or his candidacy, and we must look to the West for our standard-bearer."

John, try the Patent Shoe. They are the best I ever saw.

## NERVOUS HEADACHE.

A SIMPLE BUT EFFECTIVE REMEDY.

The ordinary nervous headache will be greatly relieved, and in many cases entirely cured, by removing the waist of one's dress, knotting the hair high up on the head out of the way, and while leaning over a basin, placing a sponge soaked in water as it can be borne on the back of the neck. Repeat this many times, also applying the sponge behind the ears, and the strained muscles and nerves that have caused so much misery will be felt to relax and smooth themselves out deliciously, and very frequently the pain promptly vanishes in consequence. Every woman knows the aching face and neck generally brought home from a hard day's shopping, or from a long round of calls and afternoon teas. She regards with intense dissatisfaction the heavy lines drawn around her eyes and mouth by the long strain on the facial muscles and when she must carry that worn countenance to some dinner party or evening's amusement, it robs her of the pleasure to be had in it. Cosmetics are not the cure, nor bromides, nor the many nerve sedatives to be had at the drug shop. Use the sponge and hot water again, bathing the face in water as hot as it can be possibly borne, apply the sponge over and over again to the temples, throat and behind the ears—where most of the nerves and muscles of the head center—and then bathe the face in water running cold from the faucet. Color and smoothness of outline come back to the face, an astonishing freshness and comfort is the result, and if a nap of ten minutes can follow, every trace of fatigue will vanish. The same remedy is invaluable for sunburn, and the worst case of this latter affliction of sensitive skins will succumb to the hot water treatment. The cold douche should not follow in this case; instead, a slight application of vaseline or cold cream, which prevents peeling of the skin, as the hot water prevented inflammation. Nothing so good for tired eyes has yet been discovered as bathing them in hot water, and neuralgia in nine cases out of ten will yield to applications of cloths wrung out in water in which the hand cannot be borne.—Harper's Bazaar.

## DEMOCRATIC MAJORITY

IN CONGRESS NO INDICATION OF THE RESULT OF THE ELECTION NEXT FALL.

The Lynchburg News speaks of the increased Democratic representation in the present national House of Representatives as follows:

"We hesitatingly say that these figures do not afford one particle of hope for the future. On the contrary, they are pregnant with mischief and distraction. Leaving out Connecticut, always Democratic, and not a State named will cast a single vote for the candidate of the Democratic party in 1892, with the possible exception of Michigan, which we have managed to fix by the doubtful process of a gerrymander, and not one of them will retain its present partisan status in Congress, which is due now chiefly to Republican apathy, as is clearly shown by a critical analysis of the votes. In not one of these States did the Democrats win by reason of acquisitions."

Take Massachusetts, for instance, presenting New Democrats gain rather three than the party, but the party, than it was in the State publican vote Illinois, as represented in this State the congressmen, but was 17,239 less than the Republican vote fell. "And so it goes. The opinion, the shadow of a Democratic party in New the Northwest; and it would folly to trim our sails to these treacherous and altogether treacherous breezes."

## GOVERNOR HOLT'S.

EMANCIPATION ADDRESS APPRECIATED.

The following letter from the most eloquent and popular colored man in North Carolina is one which is no doubt most gratifying to Governor Holt:

LIVINGSTON COLLEGE,  
SALISBURY NORTH CAROLINA,  
JANUARY 13TH, 1892.

To His Excellency, T. M. Holt, Governor of North Carolina

DEAR SIR:—On my return from Erie, Pa., a few days ago Dr. Thomas of Thomasville kindly gave me a copy of your speech delivered to the colored citizens of Raleigh on the first of January, being the occasion of the celebration of the 29th Anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation by Abraham Lincoln. I read the speech carefully and I beg the permission to take the opportunity to congratulate you on the broad, patriotic, statesmanlike and practical spirit evidenced in that address. The speech was indeed masterly in its conception, and opportune in its "New South" tenor. To my mind it argues no little significance when the Governor of the great State of North Carolina, consents to be present during the celebration of the Emancipation Proclamation, just 29 years after a civil war, which meant the perpetuation of slavery in this section of the country. It is more significant when the Chief Executive of the State delivers an address on such an occasion, voicing not only his own convictions, but the sentiment of the best people whom he has the honor to represent as their Chief Executive officer, in expression of sympathy, wholesome advice and substantial interest in their (negroes) endeavors to become intelligent citizens and in the development of a better, nobler manhood and womanhood. In such utterances from our State officials throughout this section of the country, I humbly believe one can see the dawning of a brighter day, not only for the colored people, but for the South as well, of which he forms a large and indispensable part.

North Carolina has great natural resources and they are pre-eminently adapted to productive labor and to great and profitable enterprises.

We only need harmony, skill and capital to turn to advantage these resources. Such speeches will hasten the solution of the so-called "Southern Problem" and finally result in the harmonious adjustment of all our real and apparent antagonisms. This done, justice and peace will reign within our borders. Race conflicts will be the dream of the alarmist, capital and skill at home and abroad will receive a new inspiration, and we will then realize that the Old North State reproduces indeed and in truth a happy and contented people blessed by the Lord.

I confess to an agreeable surprise at your evident knowledge of and your manifest concern in the material advancement of the colored people of the South—a fact so often forgotten in reference to the status of the negro in this country.

In conclusion, I beg to ask your Excellency will kindly participate in the least degree, appearing in these lines of course, to contribute my action to the cause of the colored people.

The latest calculation makes the world's age 1,526,750,000 years. The microscope shows that the humble snail has 30,000 teeth in its mouth. The raven is the only bird known to the entomologists which is a native of every country in the world. The frog, owing to its peculiar construction, cannot breathe with the mouth open, and would die from suffocation if it were kept open forcibly. The eyeball of the owl is immovably fixed in its socket; hence the look of wisdom that that bird always appears to have. In the horse an eye in which the white predominates indicates a vicious nature. The descendants of a single wasp number as many as 50,000 in one season. November is the fatal month which kills them all off, except two or three females, on whom depends the perpetuation of the race. The largest animal known to exist in the world at the present time is the porcupine, which averages 100 feet in length, and the smallest is monad, which is only one twelve hundredth of an inch in length. No animal has more than five toes, digits or claws to each foot or limb. The horse is one-toed, the ox is two-toed, the rhinoceros is three-toed, the hippopotamus is four-toed and the elephant and hundreds of other animals are five-toed. The city of London is put down by geographers as the center of the land hemisphere. In other words a radius of about 6,000 miles on the curved surface of the earth, with London as a center, would describe a circumference enclosing more land than any 6,000 mile circle that could be drawn from any other city in the world. The highest velocity ever given to a cannon ball is estimated at 1,026 feet per second, being equal to a mile in 3.2 seconds. The velocity of the earth at the equator, due to its rotation on its axis, is 1,000 miles per hour, or a mile in 3.6 seconds. Therefore, if a cannon ball were fired due west and could maintain its initial velocity, it would beat the sun in his apparent journey round the earth. If we were to count all the islands in the world we should find that they mounted up into the hundreds of thousands. There are over 1,000 islands under the flag of Japan, and in Georgian Bay, the northern extension of Lake Huron, where we find very few islands on the maps, most of them, of course, quite small. It was among these beautiful wooded little islands the Huron Indians took refuge when they were assailed in 1649 by their implacable foes, the Iroquois. Among the labyrinthine channels the Iroquois could not successfully pursue them, and those who escaped to the islands saved themselves from the extermination which befell the rest of the tribe.

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