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could be and will before many years be made in the South, adding that much more to the value of the crop. But there are possibilities in the seed and in the stalk that have not yet been measured. As a food material it has been demonstrated that bushel for bushel cotton seed is worth more than corn, and is not very far behind wheat. And experiments demonstrate that when fully utilized the value of the seed alone is as much as the ordinary crop of cotton was a few years ago, so that it would be possible without any manufacturing into goods to make the cotton crop of this year yield \$700,000,000 or \$800,000,000. Add to this the increased value from manufacturing into such ordinary goods as are now turned out by Southern mills and we would have a cotton crop worth \$1,500,000,000 or \$1,700,000,000.

But there are other possibilities in the cotton seed which may make an unlimited demand for it and add immensely to its value. As an illustration: It is said that a process has been discovered by which fine white paper may be made from cotton seed hulls. It was discovered twenty years ago or more that paper could be made from these hulls, but only a coarse quality, and the process of working the seed was so costly that it didn't pay for that kind of paper. But this new discovery seems to utilize the hulls for the manufacture of fine paper, which gives them larger value. There is so much confidence in it that it is announced by telegraph that ten or more paper mills are to be immediately erected in the cotton producing States, reaching from Texas to North Carolina. The result of this will be to create an extraordinary demand for cotton seed hulls and add much to their value.

It is not among the impossibilities that the day may come when it will pay to cultivate cotton for the seed alone, when the seed may be worth more than the lint. Whether it is to be king or not cotton is becoming a greater crop than it ever was, and one that the South can always depend upon, if she doesn't depend upon it too much.

AND HANNA GRINNED

After the election the boss Republicans celebrated with a big banquet at the Union League Club in New York. Hanna was there, Senator Platt was there, Ex-Secretary Alger was there and a number of others more or less distinguished. They felt good and when speech time came one of the gentlemen who was called upon for some remarks was General Greene, of New York; what happened when he spoke is thus told by a Boston correspondent of the New York Sun who got it from a Senator, who was present, who thought it too good a thing to keep, although it occurred at a private dinner, and therefore he gave it to the Sun's correspondent. The Sun, which is a Republican paper, seems also to have considered it too good a thing to keep and therefore published it, after remarking that it might look like trifling with the properties to report for publication what happened at private dinners the Senator said:

"Still, it is a good story, in my estimation, and, of course, the Sun is entitled to it. Well, here goes. It came time for Gen. Greene to speak. He was in his best mood. He is a fine-looking, soldierly fellow. He was very happy because General Dick Cheney, a Senator from Boston, had been elected to the borough of Manhattan had been out from less than 30,000. Gen. Greene said some very handsome things of the Senator from Boston, who was complimented to receive his endorsement before either the President or his Secretary of War would act."

"Senator Hanna grinned, everybody else at the table smiled, and it was an interesting bit of the evening."

And Hanna grinned, and they all smiled except Alger. And the reader might inquire "who runs the administration, McKinley, or the Senators who have a pull?"

Helen Gould receives on an average weekly about 1,000 begging letters, aggregating in amounts asked for about \$1,500,000. She has a printed circular which she sends out in reply. The requests range all the way from \$5 to \$1,000,000.

The trust idea is spreading. Forty of the big tomato cultivators of Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky have formed a combine to raise the price of their product 30 per cent. They want to get even with the Meat Trust.

NOW FOR THE BIG ARMY.

The probabilities are that when Congress convenes one of the first things that it will be called upon to consider will be the bill for the increase of the army to 100,000 men, which is the number that the President has fixed upon. As the Republicans are in the majority and this increase was practically endorsed by the voters who voted for the re-election of McKinley, the bill will doubtless go through with a rush. They can't lose much time on it because the time of enlistment of about 25,000 volunteers now in the Philippines will expire June 1st next, when they must be disbanded, and therefore there must be hustling to get men to put in their places.

The indications are that the administration will endeavor to enlist as many natives as they can, and thus get up a Philippine army, a large portion of which will consist of Filipinos, which would be a good thing for them to do if they can, for it will not be easy to pick up 35,000 men to go into the regular army for service in the Philippines. Another advantage in this would be that it would save the cost of transportation, and the natives can stand the climate better and are more immune from the diseases which have proved so troublesome and fatal to American soldiers.

In thus enlisting Filipinos the administration is taking the one from Great Britain's method in India, where she hires Indians to keep Indians in subjection. The administration may not be so successful in this in the Philippines as Great Britain is in India, but whether or not it is going to be a costly business.

KRUGER IN FRANCE.

President Kruger is receiving a very cordial reception in France, which is doubtless gratifying to him and to his people, but there should be no special significance attached to this. The French people who are throwing their cheques up in the air and making the welkin ring with their huzzas for the doughty old Afrikaner have very little interest in him, his people or the Republic, but they hate England and this gives them a chance to give utterance to their sentiments. It may be observed, however, that the Government is not only keeping strictly aloof from these performances, but is taking special precautions to prevent anything that might lead to complications with Great Britain, and will look on passively while the populace exercise their lungs shouting for Kruger and the municipal authorities content themselves with extending him courtesies and presenting him with medals, and so will Great Britain, which is fully aware of the feeling of the French people and how harmless such demonstrations are.

Even if France took an interest in the South American Republics she is in no condition to look horns with John Bull, and therefore she will not look. If there were any prospect of securing the co-operation of Russia or Germany, it might be different, but both of these and France, too, will have all they can attend to in China for some time to come. As we see it the visit of Mr. Kruger to Europe will amount to about as much as the visit of the Boer delegation to this country did. There will be cordial receptions, municipal courtesies, friendly speeches, warm popular demonstrations, and that will be the end of it. And all this will not be worth a continental to the Boers.

A man in Baltimore laid up with rheumatism which proved too much for the doctors had it seared out of him by a nocturnal visit from a burglar man. The rheumatism left the same time the burglar did, and neither came back. He says he prayed to the Lord to be cured and had faith. It is a pretty strong faith that combines the Lord and the burglar to answer supplications of that kind and to effect cures.

I. N. Marks, a preacher in Geneva, Wisconsin, has made his mark with the male members of his congregation, by saying, in a sermon, that if men cannot find time to fish on week days, if they go to church on Sunday, there is no harm in going fishing. If he was angling for popularity he struck it, and also gave Sunday fishing a boom.

A New Orleans man is said to have discovered a process by which cotton seed oil can be used as a substitute for linseed oil, of which about \$250,000,000 worth is used annually. The substitute can be sold for about one-third the price of the linseed oil. Cotton seed is coming right along.

A sympathetic Chicago Squire who probably had some reminiscences, has decided that when a girl kicks a fellow she must shut the presents he made her in moments of confiding bliss.

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THE ELECTORAL VOTE
 As Announced by the State Board of Canvassers.

The Following is the Electoral Vote by Counties as Given Out by the Canvassing Board, Which Met at Raleigh on Tuesday Last.

Overman, Dem.	Price, Rep.
Alamance	1,238
Alexander	774
Algonquy	709
Alleghany	1,121
Ashe	1,618
Beaufort	1,799
Bertie	2,480
Bladen	1,102
Brunswick	828
Buncombe	3,724
Burke	1,359
Chatham	1,328
Caldwell	1,111
Camden	498
Carroll	1,046
Catawba	1,428
Catawba	1,618
Chatham	1,489
Cherokee	774
Chowan	898
Crawford	404
Cleveland	2,228
Columbus	1,828
Craven	2,028
Cumberland	1,964
Currituck	927
Dare	404
Davidson	1,328
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Durham	3,378
Edgecombe	5,009
Forsyth	2,482
Franklin	2,781
Gaston	1,328
Gates	1,125
Graham	388
Granville	2,228
Greene	1,328
Guilford	3,388
Halifax	3,990
Harnett	1,328
Haywood	1,728
Henderson	1,328
Hertford	1,387
Hyde	867
Iredell	2,523
Jackson	1,080
Jones	3,124
Lenoir	1,942
Lincoln	892
Madison	1,328
Martin	1,819
McDowell	1,014
Mecklenburg	3,728
Mitchell	461
Montgomery	1,100
Moore	1,606
Nash	2,600
New Hanover	3,247
Northampton	1,328
Onslow	1,328
Orange	1,375
Pamlico	597
Pasquotank	1,126
Perquimans	1,328
Person	1,656
Pitt	3,284
Polk	1,328
Rockingham	3,284
Rowan	2,081
Sampson	1,287
Scotland	925
Stanly	1,288
Stokes	1,288
Surry	1,898
Swain	590
Transylvania	223
Tyrrell	1,790
Union	1,288
Wake	4,774
Warren	1,672
Washington	1,328
Wayne	3,104
Wilkes	1,704
Wilson	2,616
Yadkin	850
Yancey	964
Total	167,796

Bryan's majority is 24,739, which is 5,473 more than he received in 1896. The total vote cast was 293,541. Through some error the Wake county returns show 300 votes more for Bryan than he was entitled to, but the Board let the figures stand, feeling that it had no authority to go behind the returns. In 1896 the total vote cast was 329,710, showing a falling off at the last election of 36,169 votes. The Populists received less than 1,000 votes.

In the primaries Simmons, for Senator, received 103,355 votes, to 47,282 for Carr, with eleven scattering votes, giving Simmons a majority of 55,073. He carried eighty-four out of the ninety-seven counties.

CURRENT COMMENT.
 It is reported that the American bird of freedom, the buzzard, has abandoned Galveston island since the storm. The buzzard colony was washed and blown away, and no successors have come. Probably the rest of the tribe have decided to boycott the island as unsafe for buzzard habitation.—Mobile Register, Dem.

In view of the conduct of Russell B. Harrison during his father's incumbency of the Presidency, there is probably nobody but Russell B. himself who will not believe that he has been dismissed from the volunteer service in Porto Rico for good cause. If his bumps were examined by a phrenologist, his chart would give "bumpiness" as his distinguishing characteristic.—Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.

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How the States Went at the Last Presidential Election.

For McKinley	For Bryan
Alabama	11
Arizona	4
California	9
Connecticut	6
Delaware	3
Illinois	24
Iowa	13
Indiana	15
Kansas	10
Maine	6
Maryland	8
Massachusetts	15
Michigan	14
Minnesota	9
New Hampshire	4
New Jersey	10
Nebraska	8
New York	36
North Dakota	4
Ohio	23
Oregon	4
Rhode Island	4
South Dakota	4
Utah	4
Vermont	3
Washington	6
West Virginia	6
Wisconsin	12
Wyoming	3
Total	293

Whole number of votes in electoral college, 487; number necessary to a choice, 224.

COAST LINE IN COLUMBIA.

It Subscribes Fifty Thousand Dollars to the New Union Depot.
 (Columbia State, Dem.)

Last Monday the stockholders of the Atlantic Coast Line Company met in Richmond. After the meeting a party of officials took a flying trip over the several divisions of the road. Yesterday Mr. W. G. Elliott, of Columbia, N. C., president; Mr. H. Walters, of Wilmington, N. C., first vice president; and Mr. F. Newcomb, of Baltimore, one of the directors, arrived in Columbia and spent a few hours here. They expressed themselves as astonished and gratified at the general improvement of Columbia, and they were astonished at the magnitude of the project. The Coast Line has already expressed its confidence in the upbuilding of Columbia by subscribing \$50,000 for the new station depot. It is generally supposed that the Southern is alone interested in this undertaking, but the station is being built by a stock company, in which each of these roads is equally interested. It is stated that already \$150,000 has been spent upon the excavations for the new station.

FALL TERM IS ENDED

Work of the Criminal Court Was Completed Yesterday at Noon.

The Fall term of the Eastern District Criminal Court for New Hanover county adjourned by limitation last midnight. The work of the term was finished about noon yesterday, but Judge Moore thought that in the event other matters might arise it would be as well to let the sessions come to an end as stated.

Judge Moore will leave this afternoon for Charlotte to convene Mecklenburg court to-morrow. Northwinding his very feeble health, he has maintained his excellent record during the term just ended and his friends part with him entertaining the hope that by the time for the next session of the court here he may be fully restored to his health again, if, indeed, not sooner.

The proceedings of the court yesterday were without interest and consisted mainly in winding up affairs of the week. The jury which remained all night in the case of George Nash, charged with larceny, came in upon the opening of the court in the morning and asked for further instructions, after which a verdict of guilty was returned and the negro sentenced to six months in jail with leave to the County Commissioners to hire him out.

During the day several business concerns were brought into court for failure to pay schedule E, tax, but the defendants claimed that the tax had been paid in other forms such as corporation tax, property tax, tax on stock, etc. One of the cases which was against the Wilmington Compress Warehouse Company was submitted to Judge Moore as a "test" matter. He reserved his decision in the case and will make it known later. Messrs. Junius Davis and E. K. Bryan, represented the defendant in the action.

The following proceedings during the day appear from the clerk's record:

Marshall Haynes, larceny; not prosequi; dismissed.

Mattie Nichols, selling liquor without license; submitted and paid costs.

J. H. Armstrong, carrying concealed weapons; submitted and judgment suspended on payment of costs.

William Brown and W. A. Beasley, family; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

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WON A MERITED DISTINCTION.

Miss Marie E. Murchison's Pretty Horse "Horrappe" Takes the Blue Ribbon.
 Col. M. E. Murchison last night received a telegram from New York announcing that "Horrappe" the very handsome horse belonging to his daughter, Miss Marie E. Murchison, had won the blue ribbon or first prize at the New York Horse Show in the ladies' hunting class. Miss Murchison's horse won over 62 competitors and the distinction is a great as well as a highly deserving one.

This triumph makes "Horrappe" eligible for the championship of the United States, and Miss Murchison's many Wilmington friends will hear with delight of her great success in the contest.

"Horrappe" was greatly admired here last Spring when Miss Murchison kept him for some time and those who were acquainted with his sterling qualities are not surprised at his great achievement.

THE GRAND JURY'S REPORT.

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THE TROUBLE WITH TURKEY.

United States Claims Only the Same Commercial Privileges as Great Britain Enjoy.

The most important changes in the present law will be in schedule B, which practically will be wiped out, and which includes medicines and proprietary articles. The tax, also, probably will be removed from conveyances, mortgages, etc. These, with the abolition of taxes on express receipts, telegrams, bank checks, and some other stamp taxes, will be secured, says the report, by the reduction of \$30,000,000, which is the amount agreed upon by the treasury officials and the committee.

The grand jury also finished its work yesterday and was discharged. The following is the report made to Judge Moore:

To the Honorable, Judge Augustus M. Moore:

We the following grand jury for the November term of the court, make the following report: We have acted upon 49 bills and found 44 true bills and five not true bills.

We have visited the county jail and find the jail in good condition and kept well by J. R. Mills. We would recommend that the water pipes be looked after and the ventilators in top of building be repaired by having iron bars put in ventilators; also two cupboards placed in the jail near the rear.

We have visited the County Home and find it in good condition—inmates well cared for. We recommend that glass be put in the windows where broken out. We have also visited the quarters of the county prisoners at Castle Haynes and find the camp in good condition and prisoners well cared for. We would recommend that a boiled dinner be given twice a week. We have had a great deal of trouble getting witnesses.

J. M. WOOD, Foreman.

PORT FIRM IS ITS REFUSAL.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Friday, Nov. 23.—United States Charge d'Affaires Grisham called upon Towfiq Pasha, minister for foreign affairs yesterday, to urge a settlement of the difficulty in relation to the granting of an exequatur to Dr. Thomas H. Norton, who some time ago was appointed by President McKinley to establish a consulate at Harpoot. The Porte, however, is firm in its refusal to grant the request for an exequatur.

"Really—or—?" stammered the gossip, who had been caught red-handed. "What struck you, overheard what I said about you? Perhaps—or—I was a bit too severe." "Oh, no," replied the other woman. "You weren't nearly as severe as you would have been if you knew what I think of you."—Philadelphia Press.

U. S. MONITOR NEVADA.

Vessel Launched at Bath, Me., and Christened by Miss Boutelle.
 By Telegram to the Morning Star.

BATH, ME., Nov. 24.—The U. S. monitor Nevada, in tonnage the largest government vessel ever built by the Bath Iron Works, was launched today. The vessel was released and started down the ways in a novel manner by Miss Annie C. Boutelle, youngest daughter of Congressman Charles A. Boutelle, who christened her. The hull was held in place till the last moment by a careful adjustment of the shoring; and a strong cable was not free by movement. The vessel was christened by the builders. As the monitor dashed down the ways Miss Boutelle flashed a bottle of champagne into the air, and christened the vessel "Nevada."

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SMITHFIELD HERALD. Owen Whitley, living on the lands of Mr. J. H. Post, three miles from Smithfield, sold tobacco at the Farmington Warehouse from three acres of land for the nice sum of \$406.78.

Mount Olive Advertiser. People who imagined that all the cotton in this territory had been sold, realized their error when they saw the immense quantity that came to town this week in response to an increase price.

Lumberton Reformer. Mr. Z. B. Prevatt has sold his crop of tobacco raised on four acres of land for \$546.46, an average of \$136.61 per acre. Still some people say there is no money in raising tobacco and prefer raising cotton, the proceeds of which, even at ten cents per pound, cannot equal such returns as above.

Washington Gazette. The venerable Col. Cassary, of the Elizabeth City Economic Commission, has been ordered to go into the culture of the sunflower. It produces the finest oil and the seed make excellent nut food, and remarks: "No doubt Hon. John Small would take great pleasure in supplying his constituents with seed from the Agricultural Department."

Murfreesboro Index. On Monday night the new store of Mr. L. J. Higgins at Mapleton was robbed, goods, money and checks by a gang of five men. The store was broken into by phone and a reward of \$50 offered for the capture of the robbers. Two negro men were arrested at Conway by Messrs. Lassiter and Trapp and \$300 worth of goods were found in their possession, one of them being a person of one of them. They are now lodged in jail at Winton.

Louisburg Times. Mr. B. L. Wester, who is a truthful man, and vouches for what we are about to report, informs us that he saw a dog while digging a well he found a hickory nut 19 feet and 7 inches under the top of the ground. It was a little decayed on one side. Now the question is: Did that nut get there? Mr. Wester is positive that it did not fall into the well, as it was dug from under a rock. Mr. Wester also says that he bought 121 years ago by his ancestors, and it has been handed down through several generations. He says that the nut was found in a hole in the ground, which was dug for a well.

Rocky Mount Motor. We are sorry to note the death of Mrs. G. C. Robbins, which occurred Tuesday at her home in this place. On Saturday last Joe Lancaster and Ivey Spalding, aged respectively 28 and 27 years, while returning from hunting, met with a fatal accident. Young Lancaster told his companion to throw up his hat. He did so, and the other started to shoot the hen suddenly discharged, the load entering the head of young Shirley, causing instant death. Young Lancaster is almost crazed with grief over the unfortunate affair, which was purely accidental.

Red Springs Record. Norman Ferguson, of Bladen, has just bored a 120-foot artesian well for A. T. McCool, which furnishes excellent water and is highly satisfactory, giving a constant quantity of water at the rate of a gallon a minute. Mr. Ferguson bored a 180-foot well for the Seminary, but intended to make it deeper to escape quicksands. He found wood and coal at 140 and 160 feet, but the general water can be reached on Main street at a depth of 45 to 60 feet, and the quantity and quality would be much better than the kind in general use. He is now looking for more artesian wells are needed.

Shelby Aurora. The two Mormon elders who were required to "move on" last week, were in town again Thursday night. They were in the Northern part of the county seeking a lodging. They plan to have about 1,000 converts in the State, and will hold conference at Goldsboro in the near future. The Piedmont Conference of the Mormon Church is now in their new machinery and began work last week. It is well equipped with the latest improved machinery and will doubtless prove to be a profitable investment. The conference will be in town Friday and Saturday with a load of fine hay. He brought about 700 pounds. He is making money out of this industry.

Hillsboro Observer. Last Wednesday morning Mr. W. Silas Turner, better known as "Bill," who lived with his brother-in-law, Mr. W. H. Newman, in town, left home, taking his gun with him. Mr. Newman has not returned to his home; his relatives became uneasy about him and searching parties scoured the woods near town in which Mr. Turner was known to have done a good deal of hunting, looking for him. Saturday morning the man's body was found by his brother, Mr. James Turner, in Major George R. Collins' yard, just a mile southeast of town. His gun, a single-barrel breech-loader, had been discharged and a whole load of shot entered his neck, just below the chin, bursting the neck and causing a fatal hole in the back of his neck. Mr. Turner was 37 years of age, and as far as known he had no enemies. As to how he met his death, that may never be known.