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SAM JONES' LETTER.

Atlanta Journal.

The month of July just passed into history, was a month of stirring events and the wrecks along the coasts are many and monumental. The death of the Pope stirred the whole religious world and gave to the press more columns of matter than perhaps any event since the assassination of President McKinley, or the demise of Queen Victoria. But the religious world has now about swung back to equilibrium on the election of Pius X.

The world of finance was hit hard by the shrinkage in Wall street and the bottom knocked out of digested and semi-digested securities alike.

Brown, of New Orleans, has put many bears to flight and has both bulls and bears guessing on what will come next. The postoffice department has kept the public guessing as to who will be next indicted and prosecuted for racially deeds. The political commotions have lifted and seated both Hanna and Odell in Roosevelt's band wagon, and that fact fixes the nomination of President Roosevelt for another term, while Parker, of New York, has decided that he had rather be judge than president.

It is all uncertainty and despair with the democrats still. Mr. Bryan can't and he has as good as said "the other fellow shan't." The democrats with Bryan as rider, remind me of the old negro who was riding an old mule, lambasting him every other step and the old mule going two miles an hour and a fellow rode up by the old darkey and said, "Uncle, have you missed a man going up the road this morning riding a gray horse?" The old negro replied: "Now I tell you, boss, I suppose I needs as many folks as any man on the road, but I ain't never passed nothing yet."

The democrats are in good shape for meeting folks, but they ain't passed nothing for years. They better either swap off the mule or get another rider.

I have seen only one Atlanta paper in a week. That one gives an account of some of the members of the lobbying committee refusing to serve. Don't blame them. That committee was a useless expense. They know there is no lobbying about the Georgia legislature. Who ever heard of such a thing? That committee ought to all resign and tell the speaker that it's a sham on the house for such a committee to have ever been thought of, much less to force them to serve on it. Speaker Morris ought to be a shamed of himself to thus impeach the honor of a house who has honored him so much. The idea of lobbyists monkeying around the Georgia legislature!

No buzzards around, gentlemen, unless there is something dead. But according to the Scripture: "Where the carcass is there the buzzards will be also."

I have just returned from Mt. Lake Park, Md., chautauqua and constantly I keep one eye on the crops. No where have I seen in the great north belt a prospect of more than a 66 per cent crop, many sections far below that.

The rains of the past few days have been pretty general from Nebraska to New York, but under best conditions the corn crop is one-third off in my candid judgment. And all I have said of the wheat crop is confirmed by the broader observations of the past three weeks. 60 cents corn and dollar wheat is my guess. The south has by far the best of the northern and western states on the crop outlook. If some disaster does not come to the cotton crop the south is elected, as the Presbyterians say, "So, mote it be," I say.

If the south fetches up this fall with a bumper corn and cotton crop she will make the landing in good shape. Cotton is good for 8 to 10 cents in any event, it seems to me. A fellow can unload his crop now at about 10 cents.

After seven weeks of constant travel and work, meeting chautauqua engagements, I have still three more weeks to fill, and I am travel worn and tired but fat and saucy. Never stood travel and work better than now. I am surprised at myself, for I thought two years ago I was about worn out. There is life in the old fellow yet, so to speak, and I am thankful for the fact. I am glad that I am alive. Glad I can talk and glad that thousands hear me every day.

Somebody said "Sam Jones is a back number." If that is so he is backing up on mighty big crowds all over this great country. The chautauquas are growing in number and booming in attendance everywhere. I am about persuaded that we will have a chautauqua at Cartersville next year. Everywhere the chautauqua idea seems to have taken the place of the old camp meeting. We hardly have religion enough left now to run camp meetings and it don't take much to run a chautauqua. Just about enough religion to make a fellow behave himself is enough for chautauqua purposes.

We won't, however, give up our tabernacle meetings at Cartersville. They will go on all the same while I live and work. Don't let the public forget that our tabernacle meetings begin this year

HOLLOW HORN, ETC.

Do Cows Have Hollow Horns, Hollow Tails, or Lose Their Cuds?

Dr. Tait Butler in Progressive Farmer.

The following inquiry sent to The Progressive Farmer has been referred to me with the request for a general article on the subject:

"Is there anything in cow having 'hollow horns' and 'hollow tails'? Do they lose their cuds? If so, please give remedy for same; also give all the information you can concerning above named diseases through The Progressive Farmer."

In reply to these questions of J. H. S., it may be briefly stated that "hollow tail," "hollow horn" and "loss of cud" are purely imaginary diseases, existing only in the minds of those not familiar with the normal and diseased conditions of cattle. A cow becomes sick. The cause and nature of the disease is naturally a mystery to those not educated in veterinary medicine. Being unfamiliar with natural, as well as diseased conditions it is not strange that they often mistake the former for the latter, while the true seat and nature of the disease is entirely overlooked. The human mind is prone to seek an explanation for every condition, but a fiction satisfies as well as fact where through knowledge of the question is lacking.

For the last fifty years, at least, some of the brightest men of this and all other countries have spent their entire energies and abilities investigating and studying the diseases of cattle, but not one of them has yet announced the discovery of the existence of "hollow horn" and "hollow tails" as diseased conditions.

It is not denied that the frontal sinus, a cavity of the head with which the natural cavity of the horn communicates, may become diseased and the effects extend to the horn, but this is rare and is not "hollow horn." Like injury and show signs of disease, but this is also rare and is not "hollow tail" or "grub in the tail," as the imaginary disease is sometimes called.

Ninety per cent of these cases called "hollow horn" or "hollow tail," which the writer has seen, have been plain cases of indigestion or Texas fever (distemper); while the remaining ten per cent have usually been some one or another of many other diseases equally well known to the veterinarian.

I am well aware that some reader will be ready with the reply that those who have had practical (?) experience with cattle know that these diseases do exist and that such is proved by the fact that when the animals are treated for these diseases they get well. I have merely this question to ask: Who is the more competent to judge of this matter, the stock-owner who sees possibly eight or ten sick cattle a year and does not possess that technical education necessary to enable him to understand the problems involved, or the trained veterinarian who sees several hundred cases during the same period? Whose experience is the most "practical"? Even a large stock-owner would not usually see as many cases in fifty years as many veterinarians in one. This being the case, is it not strange that if these diseases really exist, outside of the minds of the laymen, some veterinarian has not been seen and recognized them?

But why do the cattle get well when treated for these diseases, and die if not? This is not entirely so. Many treated for these diseases die, while others not so treated get well. The explanation of the fact that cattle frequently get well when treated only for "hollow horn" or "hollow tails" is simple. They get well in spite of the treatment. In every animal organism there is a tendency to return to normal conditions, repair an injury, or get well if sick. Whether treated or not, many cases get well, and I regret to state, that as medicines are used to-day, in the treatment of live stock in this State, those not treated generally have the best chance for recovery. Moreover, it may be stated, in explanation of conditions which many people believe to be "hollow horn" are, therefore, either normal ones or symptoms of a variety of real diseases. Again, the last four to six inches of a cow's tail is naturally and always boneless. Just where the bones cease, or at the upper end of this soft, boneless portion, the tail is smaller and softer to give greater freedom of movement of the switch in fighting flies, etc. This natural condition is the one that is usually thought to indicate "hollow tail," except in those rare cases where the tail may be really injured or diseased.

In conclusion, it may be stated that

HE IS FOR CLEVELAND

Tammany Leader Openly Declares His Preference.

Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany, has confirmed the statement of ex-Senator James Smith, Jr., of New Jersey, that he favored the nomination of Mr. Cleveland for President. Mr. Murphy denied that he had pledged any delegation to support the ex-President, but he qualified his denial with the phrase "as yet."

"It is true," he said, "that I met Mr. Smith and talked over the situation with him. The subject arose in a discussion of my recent trip through the West and Northwest. Wherever I went I found a strong feeling in support of Mr. Cleveland, and everyone with whom I spoke said that he is the man to defeat Roosevelt."

"I told Mr. Smith that I was of the same opinion, and I believed that if Mr. Cleveland should be nominated he would be elected. I have not, as yet, pledged the support of any delegation, and can only repeat that I believe the sentiment in the Tammany organization is that Mr. Cleveland would be elected if put at the head of the ticket."

A prominent Cleveland Democrat of Tammany Hall made the following statement: "Ex-Senator Smith came to New York in May and met Mr. Murphy for the purpose of discussing Mr. Cleveland's nomination. At the first conference several Tammany Democrats were present. Hugh McLaughlin was not invited to attend because it was understood that he was committed to the candidacy of David B. Hill, which, of course, is distinctly antagonistic to Mr. Cleveland."

"There was complete unanimity in favor of Mr. Cleveland's nomination. It has not been said, nor can it truthfully be said, that ex-Senator Smith pledged New Jersey to the support of Mr. Cleveland, or that Leader Murphy pledged the support of Tammany. The importance of the event lies in the fact that Mr. Smith unquestionably dominates the Democracy of New Jersey and that Mr. Murphy can, under conditions such as we now have in this State, readily bring about the indorsement of Mr. Cleveland by the New York Democracy."

"It is a perfectly defensible statement that three-fourths of the Democratic leaders of Manhattan believe Mr. Cleveland to be the best man for the party to put forward for the Presidency. Mr. Murphy was entirely justified in his declaration that there was in May a remarkably strong trend in New York and in the States of the Middle West toward Mr. Cleveland. He knew conditions in Tammany as no other man knows them, and his frequent visits to one of the Michigan health resorts near Chicago have put him in touch with Democratic leaders of the West."

Henry Stafford Little, a close friend of the ex-President, said: "Mr. Cleveland does not want to re-enter politics. He will refuse the nomination if it is offered to him. I mean that he will tell his closest and most intimate friends that they must work to keep him from being nominated. He would not take a nomination from the party politicians, but if the people of the country rise up and demand him for President he might submit."

"I am of the opinion that Mr. Murphy and other Tammany leaders are honest in their assurance that they will give their support to Mr. Cleveland, but Mr. Hill stands in the way. He has done more than any other man to disrupt the party, and he still stands the foremost disorganizer in the country. He could not carry his own State, and New Jersey would go against him. I would not vote for him, and I know hundreds of others who would be glad to vote for Mr. Cleveland who would not accept Hill."

"New Jersey will send a Cleveland delegation to the next national convention, and I guess that some of the other States will follow the example, but I am not at all optimistic. The Bryan influence, coupled with the Hill influence, is too strong. Mr. Cleveland is a safe man, and he could be depended upon to defend the country in the troubles that seem to be imminent as a result of the social conditions. Labor and capital will threaten each other once too often, and when that happens we want a strong and safe man in Washington."

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Which Are You?
Two men being convalescent, were asked how they were. One said, "I am better to-day." The other said, "I was worse yesterday."

When it rains, one man says, "This will make mud," another, "This will lay the dust."

Two boys examined a bush. One observed that it had a thorn; the other that it had a rose.

Two children, looking through colored glasses, one said, "The world is blue," and the other said, "It is bright."

Two boys having a bee, one got honey, and the other got stung. The first called it a honey bee; the other called it a stinging bee.

"Am glad that I live," says one man. "I am sorry I must die," says another.

"I am glad," says one, "that it is no worse." "I am sorry," says another, "that it is no better."

One says, "Our good is mixed with evil." Another says, "Our evil is mixed with good."

Big Cabin At Mooreville.
Charlotte Observer.

Mooreville, Aug. 20.—The largest coffin ever seen in this community was that of W. N. Johnston's undertaking this morning. The dimensions are: Six feet, two inches long; four feet wide; 28 inches deep. The coffin box is seven feet long, three and a half feet deep. The Observer correspondent knows the man for whom it is made and the reason his name is not given is that he is not yet dead. It is impossible for him to live but a short time longer. Being a very large man and knowing that it was only a question of time for him to remain here and knowing that a coffin could not be readily obtained, this step was taken to prevent delay in the burial. The ordinary weight of the man was about 400 pounds, and being afflicted with dropsy his size has been greatly increased. There will not be much vacant space left when he is placed in the coffin.

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THE NEAREST MAN.

Charlotte Chronicle.

The Washington Post has discovered the nearest man in the world. His name is George Mortel and he lives in Denver, Col. He abused his wife while she was living, and attended a baseball game while she was dying. He even refused to bury her and was interred in the potter's field. What are you going to do with such a brute? asks The Post. Social ostracism will not phase him, thinks our chivalrous Washington contemporary, and it adds: Remorse would be wasting time in trying to make a dent in the conscience of such a brute. For such as he, we can only hope that the hereafter holds a literal hell of the good old orthodox brand." A whipping post law for such cattle as this would be a good thing to act at this end of the line—this side of the hereafter.

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