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Every Day in the Year.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 1906.

THE FARMER AND THE SPECU-LATOR.

The Chattanooga News reprints from The Manufacturers' Record figures in which the value of cotton and the gold and silver production of the world are compared, showing that the cotton crop is more valuable than that example, the total value of cotton procombined value of the gold and silver hows a cotton valuation of \$395,148,on in excess of the gold and silver ord also shows what it means for the the world's cotton production, saying: Destroy corn, and you can find a sub-

culture; destroy wheat, and other grains tinue to do so. would furnish bread for mankind; but If our friends in other parts of the short the South's cotton crop by country will be content to let us alone, civilization would be halted. Earth life; it is needed in the palace by members of the G. A. R. king as well as in the humblest the peasant; it is the glistening like of the royal pleasure yacht

orld, employing more than \$2,000,000,000 of capital and annually producing of manufactured goods an equal amount of the census of 1900, except the populamore than iron and steel; it is the tion estimates by Governors, which teresting things he said were that he dominant power in commerce; it brings are recent; to the South from Europe an average of over \$1,000,000 a day for every day in the The News is of the opinion that this

is more evidence that the South should jeniously guard the interests of the cotton planter. "The chief danger to this branch of agriculture," says the the speculators are willing to stake they can depress prices and hold them then seized a broom and gave him a insignificant in comparison to attract the negro was shining his shoes and the attention they do.

seasions of the New York and Chicago Davis as to which is the Crazy Horse Typothetae, the organization of mas- of American politics. ter printers. The long-distance telephone and the phonograph combined are used. In the office of the Chicago day's Observer by Mr. Thos. M. Huf-Typothetae there is a megaphone, ham, of Hickory, of the famous secwhich is connected with the long-dis- tional debate in the House in 1876 betunes telephone. The megaphone is tween Mesers. Blaine and Hill, was Wednesday night, a highwayman held placed in the room where the meet- widely read and has been much ap- up a street car conductor and relieved at their friends in Chicago are do-In the same way the members of

000 to ascertain the localities of the graves of Confederates who died in Northern prisons and mark them with headstones, The Washington Post

us: Would it not have been equally in consonance with kindly sentiment, and vastly more useful and beneficial, to bestew this money on living ex-Confederate soldiers? There are thousands of and yet we are perfectly aware that it of staple products. The tilling of the soil would be worse than useless to is at last coming to be with us one of the suggest such a thing. It would exact sciences. said the government was pensioning those who tried to who suffered on its behalf. Undoubtedly lars. This increase has been caused

likelihood of a measure to pension exclined to the belief that nothing good will ever come of bringing it up. The kindly sentiment of The Post cannot but be appreciated in the South, but there is something about the proposition of a Confederate veteran drawing with us of the South. This matter of who died in Northern prisons or were generally speaking, be just as great a does not appear so. It is true many production was \$2,578,652,000. This their States being unable to pay even their section has fully recovered from ger the imagination. Verily, the farms the effects of the war they can con- and farm products cut no small part

half, and the financial and commer- we shall come along fairly well. If world would stagger; destroy cotton, there is anything in the way of penno substitute for cotton. Cotton, the sion legislation that would really benh's crown of glory, is the basis of cfit the South, as well as all other secitest industry of the world; it is tions of the country, it is the curtailstaple which enters into every ment of the unjust sums now drawn

GRATIFYING SCHOOL FIGURES. the ship of commerce; it is an es- A young friend in Philadelphia has ntial in the hospital, where it makes sent The Observer the tabulation be- and it was found that he knew noththe currery of the day, as it is on the low-a comparison of the educational ing, or if he did he would not tell it.

f		N. C.	N. J.
,	Pop estimated by Govs	2,000,000	2.171.00
	Pop. census of 1900	1,893,810	1, NX1,668
	School population	417,578	Santo, Ges
9	School children enrolled	491.838	115
	Total number teachers	218 166	239,500
,	Brotal number teachers	9,436	8,69
	Univs. and coleges lib. arts	13	
	Students of same (male)	2,832	2.040
)	Students of same (female)	1607	
'n	Faculties of same	227	193

a larger school enrollment than school mal-administration in great variety, ly of her schools, while North Caro- lilzed world; a strictly American work. has been long discussed without any for hers. The New Jersey schools are bers of both parties in Congress; and supported wholly by appropriations there should be no toleration for sen-Education in that State is compulsory

down. The cotton crop is too big a "sound thrashing"-presumably with thing for that, and the gamblers too the handle. His explanation is that A Chicago dispatch tells of joint tuck between Vardaman and Jeff.

The fascinating story in last Sunplauded. It suggested to Mr. Numa F. sects as a gigantic receiver for the Reid, of Wentwerth, an article on the volver. A bill to buy bloodhounds for me, transmitting to New York great men of the Senate thirty years the penitentiary was under discussion eches of the members of the ago, which will appear to-morrow and in one branch of the Legislature one

Pormer Senator David B. Hill, of beasts in his county. A bloodhound Chicago Typothetae are able to New York, has requested the New was put after a negro. The next day ck of the progress of the New York Bar Association to investigate the negro and the bloodhound walked meeting. This is bringing into the matter of the annual retainer of into town together, the best friends in the world's most wondersentions, and probably solves the Assurance Society, and this will be en of holding such succtings bet- done. The former Senator declares an anything of the kind heroto- that his hands are clean, as they no ed. The telegraph has been doubt are, and he is apparently tak- city has been suppressed and its two od for a long time, but was not ing the proper steps to establish this satisfactory,

PARMS AND PARM PRODUCTS

The leading editorial in The World's to that we ever gathered; for the most imwas a good year-an uncomn work. We are beginning to see in the them crippled and suffering, with no statistics of production the results of government behind them to give them scientific methods. We have better pensions, and the Southern States have breeds of wheat, which make larger been too poor to provide anything for yields, better breeds of corn, better breeds them beyond the merest pittances. There of cotton; we make better butter and can be but one answer to the question, more of it; and so on down the whole list

"The increase in the value of farms in tween those who assailed it and those Agriculture at more than six billion dolthis is a distinction which all govern- in part by the growth of population; for ments must recognize, and we have noth- the growth of population has not been ing to say against it-and yet we love to abnormal and there are yet almost imthink that the time will come, perhaps measurable stretches of cheap, good when there is comparatively but a hand- land-not free land, but cheap land. The ful of them left, when the whole country, increase in value has come mainly beas a matter of sentiment, will insist on cause of better methods of culture and caring for and soothing the last days of therefore of a greater productive value. every brave American who is needy and 'Every sunset during the past five years,' increase of \$3,400,000 in the value of the There is, as The Post indicates, no farms of this country."

"The dullest of all dull things, as a rule, Confederates being taken seriously by is a table of crop reports; but it is a Congress at this time, and we are inmeaning in such a list of values as these, taken from the report of the Secretary

of Agriculuture for 1906;	
Corn	\$1,216,000,00
Milk and butter	665,000,00
Hay	605,000,00
Cotton	575,000,00
Wheat	525,000,00
Eggs	520,000,00 282,000,00
Oats	132,000,00
Potatoes	58,000,00
Tobacco	52,000,00
Sugar cane and sugar beets	60,000,00
Rice	13,892,00

table and to say that its figures stagin the national wealth.

POULTRY'S TESTIMONY.

Hon. Poultry Bigelow cut a sorry figure before the Senate committee on Poultry was summoned before the conditions on the Isthmus of Panama, World Almanac and are derived from alleged information used in a recent issue of The Independent. The only intwo days" and that before his article about it was accepted by The Inde-

The figures that give North Carolina will be stealing world without end and which are not true, for notoriety's

> progress in the Supreme Court of New publishers of Collier's Weekly, which Wednesday and Thursday Deuel was on the stand, under merciless crosstion with the disreputable publication. and reading to him many incriminating letters of his own, some of them written from the bench, and causing him to acknowledge them. The New York papers carry elaborate reports of the trial and they are as entertain- one eye lost.

thetae, thus allowing the New which the readers of the paper will day last week, and a member, speaking dragged him through a hay field; in opposition to it, told of an experience with one of these noble and feroclous

A recent dispatch from St. Petersburg states that a funny paper of that editors locked up for a year. There is nothing funny about that at all.

Work for January opens thus:

"It gives one only a vast, vague idea of plenty to read that the value of the great staple crops in the United States in 1965 was more than six billion dollars. But this bounty of Nature is the very bask of our prosperity. Nor is this all that is to be said about the most valuable harvest that we was not even an applicant for it. The action at Washington seems to have been a surprise to him and his friends. The charges have not been made public but it is said that one of the principal of these is that Mr. Capers has allowed himself to be retained by the Richland Distilling Comportant fact is the improvement that it pany, of Columbia, in a suit against indicates in the practice of agriculture. It it by an Asheville distiller, when the it by an Asheville distiller, when the company may be brought into the United States Court as a defendant, in which case it will become the duty of the district attorney to prosecute it. There has been a movement to establish another Federal Court district in South Carolina and it was expected that if this succeeded Mr. Capers would have been a candidate for judge of it. His cake is all dough now. He is a son of Bishop Ellison Capers, the United States during the last five of the Episcopal diocese of South Carstroy it, and making no distinction be- years is estimated by the Secretary of olina, and has not been many years allied with the Republican party. He is the Republican national committeeman for South Carolina.

The loyalty of the Russian troops during the recent uprising in the empire, especially as manifested in the promptness with which they obeyed orders to fire upon and kill the people suffering who fought on either side in says Secretary Wilson, has registered an of their own class, was an astonishment to the world, and this will be increased as it is known that the pay of the common soldier is \$3 a yearlately raised from \$1.35. He has no chance of promotion, is subject to corporal punishment, is robbed in the quantity and quality of his supplies and treated in all respects like a beast, A contemporary, undertaking to account for the loyalty of these troops, "habits of obedience and discipline serious and stolid nature. Joined to this." it is added. "Is the religious authority with which the Czar absolutthat the productions of corn, milk and ism is joined-the semi-sacred venerabutter, and hay, outrun in value that tion felt toward him by the army and of the cotton crop; and that cotton, the peasant people." These are, no wheat and eggs run so nearly together. doubt, the explanations, the latter operating more powerfully than the for-

> Senator Tillman gave as a reason for his introduction, Thursday, of the resolution for a senatorial investigation of the recent unhappy occurrence at the White House, that he had been goaded intolerably, Wednesday, by Senator. Hale. Senator Tillman, Wednesday, made a passionate attack on the President of the United States and Mr. Hale a dignified reply, in the progress of which he charged that the by personal animus in his attack and than 20 cents. Cash in advance. his threat to offer the resolution for an to which Mr. Tillman was subjectedthe "taunts." to employ his own term. folks: he holds the right to say whatever he pleases about anybody else but WANTED-Position by experienced lady book-keeper by Feb. 15th. "B.," care

THIS MAN LAUGHS AT DEATH.

Remarkable Career of an Iowa Won der Who Has a Charmed Life. Webster City (lowa) Correspondent Chicago Chronicle.

Struck by lightning, frozen in snow drifts neck high, menaced by fire, with legs and arms fractured repeatedly because of falls and runaways, life impendent it was offered to Harper's legs and arms fractured repeatedly be-Weekly and Collier's and declined by cause of falls and runaways, life imperiled through sonambulism kicked by refractory horses and mules, trampled by infuriated steers, endangered by robbers and Indians, half choked and starved on the alkall plains of the far West, the victim of fifty more or less grave accidents, Henry Walker justice of the peace and formerly jus to-day lives to tell the tale.

He could be described as "hale and hearty" were he not just recovering from the effects of a supposedly fatal plunge down a long flight of stairs whereby he fractured his skull. After this accident, which was due to a sonpicked up for dead, but this experience has been his two score of times he speaks jestingly of his latest near approach to death, as he does of dozens of others.

Mr. Walker enjoys the novel distinc tion of being the most frequently injured man in all Iowa, dating from boyhood to old manhood, and his escapes from horrible deaths outnumber those of any other Iowan, young or years of age and his remarkable rec-Court of General Sessions, against the ord of mishaps and misfortunes began about sixty-six years ago, when he came to Iowa, a boy of 11, from his birthplace in Portage, Ohio. his manifold accidents, his life been energetic and fruitful, and to this day he is as bright and chipper as a energetic, when not in the surgeon's hands, as a man forty years his junior. During his long and busy life he has amassed a fortune in rich Iowa farms and now occupies and constantly cares for his 1,000 acres along the shores of the Iowa river in Johnson and Washington countles:

Mr. Walker's recent disastrous tussle with sonambulism caused him to become reminiscent, and he reviewed some of the many mishaps of his eventful life. Among them were the

Attack of black erysipelas; sight of Engaged in wrestling match; arn broken near shoulder. Fell out of hay mow; broke

Slipped while carrying water; sever-Trampled by a herd of forty-four maddened, stampeded steers; three Runaway mules attached to a stir

ring plow dragged him across a fortyrod field; three ribs broken. sickle passed completely over him; badly cut and terribly bruised. Mules attached to a hay rake drag-ged him over a long field; leg broken at thigh. This bone he himself set and

Lightning struck and killed cattle near which he was working in a field and stretched him senseless among their dead bodies; he recovered un-

character.
One cold winter night in the midst of the fierce Iowa storm his house caught fire, and Mr. Walker, then in his 70's, clambered to the top of the three-story building and on the lescovered steel roof fought the fierce flames for an hour. Unaided except by those who attached buckets of water to the rope he lowered, he extingulated the fire, "I am my own fire department," says the old man quaintly.

Why the Stove Was Elevated.

Boston Heraid.

During the college days of ex-Mayor Bessom, of Lynn, he had two or the professors of the college as guests at a hunting camp in the Maine woods. When they entered the camp their attention was attracted to the unusual position of the stove which was set on posts about four feet high.

One of the professors began to comment upon the knowledge woodsmen gain by observation. "Now," said he, "this man has discovered that the heat radisting from the stove strikes the roof and the circulation is so quickened that the camp is warmed in much less time than would be required if the stove was in its regular place on the foor."

The other professor was of the opinion that the stove was elevated to be above the window, in order that cool and pure air could be had at night.

Mr. Bessom being more practical, contended that the stove was elevated in order that a good supply of green wood could be placed beneath it to dry.

After considerable argument each man placed a dollar bill upon the table, and it was agreed that the one whose opinion was the nearest the guide's reason for elevating the stove should take the pool. The guide was called and asked why the stove was placed in such an unusual position.

"Well." said he, "when I brought the

The colored doctors of the city me yesterday and organized the Queer City Medical Society with the following named officers: Dr. A. A. Wyche president, and Dr. J. T. Williams six negro physicians in the city.

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FOR SALE-Perfected Bon-Culin bator, 240-egg size, 518.00, W. E. FOR SALE—Two good 25" Ather pickers; replaced by 40" muching Fidelity Mfg. Co., Charlotte. N. C.

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pool. The guide was called and asked why the stove was placed in such an unusual position. "Well," said he, "when I brought the stove up the river I lost most of the stove up the river I lost most of the stove up there so as to have the pipe reach through the roof." He got the money.

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