COMMERCE AND FINANCE

NEW CROP COTTON STEADY

Near Months Were Relatively Easy Under Liquidation During the Whole Session, But the Market Steadied up Toward the Close on Covering Despite Good Weather Reports.

New York, July 28.—The cotton market opened steady at a decline of 1@4 points, with near months relatively easy under liquidation and shortly after the call August sold off to 9.82, or even with the low point of yesterday and about 9 points net lower. New crops meanwhile were relatively steady in spite of good weather reports, and the market steadied up in the late session as a result of covering, with prices in the middle of the morning about 1@2 points net higher.

New Orleans Cotton.

New Orleans, July 28.—Cotton, spots closed quiet and unchanged; middling 10 11-16; total sales 50 bales on the spot.

Futures opened dull, 3 points net lower to 1 higher.

Throughout the short Saturday session the market remained dull, narrow and featureless, August and December showing a range of but 3 points. Although reports were favorable for a good cotton crop and although the weather outlook was also considered good, the market was prevented from falling by week covering of shorts. The close was steady, July being 10 points over yesterday's close, with the remainder of the list from 3 points higher to 4 points lower.

New Orleans Futures.

New Orleans, July 28.—Cotton futures closed steady as follows: July, 10.61; August, 10.45; September, 10.26; October, 10.19; November, 10.20; December, 10.22; January, 10.23; February, 10.34; March, 10.40.

New York Cotton.

New York, July 28.—Cotton, spot quiet; middling uptands 10.90; middling gulf, 11.15; sales, 1,055.

Futures closed steady. Prices ranged as follows:

	Open	High	Low	Close
August	9.87	9.92	9.83	9.90
September	10.05	10.05	10.03	10.04
October	10.18	10.22	10.16	10.20
November	10.19b	....	....	10.21
December	10.27	10.31	10.26	10.29
January	10.32	10.36	10.31	10.33
February	....	10.46	10.36	10.38
March	10.44	10.47	10.43	10.48

Receipts at the ports to-day 5,311 bales, against 3,583 last week and 9,500 last year. For the week 30,000 bales, against 29,567 last week and 73,420 last year. To-day's receipts at New Orleans 934 bales, against 2,040 last year and at Houston 1,154 bales against 3,426 last year.

Liverpool Cotton.

Liverpool, July 28.—Closing: Cotton, spot quiet, prices 1 higher; American middling fair, 6.54; good middling, 6.38; middling, 6.04; low middling, 5.86; good ordinary, 5.62; ordinary, 5.33. The sales of the day were 5,000 bales, including 3,700 American. Receipts 3,000 bales, including 2,500 American.

Futures opened quiet and steady and closed quiet: July, 5.78; July-August, 5.75; August-September, 5.69@5.66; September-October, 5.58@5.60; October-November, 5.56; November-December, 5.55@5.56; December-January, 5.56@5.56; JanuaryFebruary, 5.56; February-March, 5.58; March-April, 5.60; April-May, 5.61; May-June, 5.62.

CHARLOTTE COTTON MARKET.

These prices represent the prices paid to wagons:

	July 28.
Good middling	11¼
Strict middling	11¼
Middling	11¼
Good middling, tinged	11
Stains	9@10

PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston steady	10⅞
New Orleans quiet	10 11-16
Mobile dull	10⅝
Savannah quiet	10 9-16
Charleston nominal	—
Wilmington nominal	—
Norfolk steady	11 1-16
Baltimore nominal	11⅛
New York quiet	10.90
Boston quiet	10.90
Philadelphia quiet	11.15

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston steady	10⅝
Augusta quiet	11 1-16
Memphis quiet	10⅝
St. Louis quiet	10 15-16
Cincinnati	—
Louisville	—

Comparative Port Receipts.

	July 28. Yesterday	Last Year
Galveston	965	1,615
New Orleans	934	2,010
Mobile	....	147
Savannah	1,649	2,991
Charleston	....	38
Wilmington	....	381
Norfolk	....	1,747
Boston	....	464
Philadelphia	....	77
Total	....	9,500

Estimates.

	July 28. To-day	Last Year
Houston	600@800	3,100

Miller & Co.'s Cotton Letter.

Special to The Observer.

New York, July 28.—The near approach of bureau day makes the market particularly nervous. Shorts are afraid that bulls may make some attempt to lift prices and are therefore ready to take profits on every small decline. Crop reports, however, are rapidly changing sentiment and as soon as the bureau report is out of the way, we look for considerable bearish activity. Spot markets throughout the South began to show the effects of withdrawal of that support which came solely from the July squeeze in New Orleans and which has so completely crumbled out. The reports so far published by The Journal of Commerce show serious crop deterioration only in Georgia. Some damage in North and South Carolina, but exceptionally favorable conditions throughout Mississippi and Arkansas. There are still to be heard from the great cotton growing State of Texas, where conditions are very favorable, and Louisiana and Arkansas, which have an exceedingly fine promise at the present moment.

The new State of Oklahoma will begin its maiden year with a prospect of perhaps a crop of a million bales. In all this, there is certainly nothing to suggest that the forthcoming report will show any falling from the July condition.

Liverpool had closed before The Journal of Commerce report on Mississippi and Arkansas was available, and on Monday will have to digest this as well as The Times-Democrat's monthly review of the whole crop situation, which as we have said above, cannot be otherwise than favorable on the average. We believe in selling cotton on every rise, and should not be surprised to see a serious decline by the time new cotton begins to move freely.

Liverpool is due to come one higher on Monday. MILLER & CO.

Hubbard Bros. & Co.'s Cotton Letter.

Special to The Observer.

New York, July 28.—To-day has been a regular midsummer Saturday market with very few orders in the hands of commission houses and consequently a small business done with variations at the most of three to four points. The market finally closing at about one point below yesterday's. Crop reports coming are of a very favorable tenor except from a few places in Georgia and the Carolinas where too much rain is complained of.

New York Produce.

New York, July 28.—Flour—Steady but quiet; Minnesota patents, 4.50@4.60; do bakers, 3.40@3.85; winter patents, 4.00@4.25.

Rye flour—Quiet, 3.45@4.10.

Cornmeal—Quiet; fine, 1.20@1.25; coarse 1.10@1.12; kiln dried, 2.75@2.85.

Rye—Dull; No. 2 Western, 67½.

Wheat—Easy; No. 2 red, 81⅞ elevator. Options show ¼ advance to ⅛ net decline; May, 78; July, 83¼; September, 85⅝; December, 85⅝.

Corn—Easy; No. 2, 56⅝ elevator; options ¼ net lower; July, 56⅝; September, 57; December, 55½.

Oats—Quiet; mixed, 39½.

Beef—Steady; family, 10@10.50; mess, 8.00@8.50.

Cutmeats—Quiet; pickled bellies, 11½@12¾; do. shoulders, 8¼@8¾; do. hams, 12¼@¾.

Lard—Steady; Western prime, 9.00 nominal; refined, quiet; continent, 9.40; compound, 7@7¾.

Pork—Firm; family, 19.50; mess, 19.50@20.00.

Tallow—Steady; city, 5; country, 4⅞@5¼.

Rosin—Steady, $3.95@4.00.

Turpentine—Steady, 59½@60.

Rice—Quiet; domestic, 3¼@6¼.

Molasses—Steady; New Orleans, 36@38.

Coffee, spot Rio—Firm; No. 7 invoice, 6¾; mild, steady; Cordova, 8½@11¾.

Futures—Firm, 5@10 points net advance.

Sugar, raw—Firm; fair refining, 3¼; centrifugal, 3¾@3 13-16; molasses sugar, 3; refined, steady; confectioners A, 4.65; mould A, 5.15; cut loaf, 5.40; crushed, 5.50; powdered, 4.90; granulated, 4.80; cubes, 5.05.

Freights, peanuts, potatoes and cabbages—Quiet, unchanged.

CHARLOTTE PRODUCE MARKET.

(Corrected daily by J. W. Zimmerman Company.)

Chickens—Spring	12 @25
Hens—Per head	35 @40
Ducks	25
Eggs	14
Rye	80
Corn	75 @77½
Cotton Seed	22½
Oats—Feed	55 @57½
Oat Seed	50 @55

Chicago Grain and Provision.

Chicago, July 28.—Continued heavy movement of wheat from the farms had a depressing effect to-day on the local wheat market, final quotations on the September delivery being off ½@⅝. Corn ⅜@⅝ lower; oats ½@⅝ lower; provisions unchanged to 7½ lower.

July 28.	High	Low	Close
WHEAT—			
May	82⅝	81⅞	82
July	75⅛	74⅝	74⅞
Sept	79	78¼	78½
Dec	79	78¼	78½
CORN—			
May	48⅛	48⅛	48⅛
July	50⅛	50⅝	50⅝
Sept	51	50½	50½
Dec	47⅞	47½	47⅝
OATS—			
May	35⅛	35⅛	35¼
July	33⅝	33⅝	33⅝
Sept	—⅝	32¼	32⅜
Dec	33⅝	33⅛	33¼
PORK—			
July	18.75	18.00	18.43
Sept	17.05	17.00	17.02
LARD—			
July	8.80	8.77	8.77
Sept	8.87	8.80	8.82
RIBS—			
Jan	—	—	7.65
July	9.07	9.06	9.07
Sept	9.15	9.12	9.15
Oct	—	—	8.95

New York Bank Statement.

New York, July 28.—The statement of the clearing house banks for this week show that the banks hold $18,892,475 over the legal reserve requirements. This is a decrease of $498,525 as compared with last week. The statement follows:

Loans, $1,058,415,000; increase, $12,746,400; deposits $1,060,116,900, increase $15,277,700; circulation $47,044,300, decrease $869,100; legal tenders $89,470,900, increase $1,961,300; specie, $184,466,799, increase $1,377,700; circulation $47,044,300, decrease $869,100; legal tenders $89,470,900, increase $45,900; reserve required $265,029,225, increase $3,844,425; surplus $18,892,475, decrease $498,525; ex-United States deposits $21,682,350; decrease $1,302,225.

Naval Stores.

Savannah, Ga., July 28.—Turpentine—Firm, 57; sales, 151; receipts, 1,961; shipments, 1,256.

Rosin—Firm; sales, 2,257; receipts, 1,488; shipments, 2,359; stock, 67,301.

Quotations: A, B, C, $3.70@$3.72½; D, $3.90@$3.97½; E, $4.05@$4.10; F, $4.10@$4.15; G, $4.15@$4.20; H, $4.20@$4.27½; I, $4.25@$4.37½; K, $4.67½@$4.60; M, $4.77½@$4.80; N, $4.85@$4.95; W, G, $4.95@$5.10; W, W, $5.00@$5.15.

Wilmington, July 28.—Spirits turpentine—Firm, 56½; receipts, 100 casks.

Rosin—Firm, 355 bid; receipts, 399 barrels.

Tar—Firm, $2.00; receipts, 24 barrels.

Crude turpentine, $2.75, $4.30, $4.60; receipts, 212 barrels.

The Dry Goods Market.

New York, July 28.—The dry goods market was quiet to-day but more confidence was expressed as a consequence of a fair trade during the week. White goods were still very strong; linens are high and buyers are holding off; burlaps easier and quieter as a consequence of large arrivals of supplies during the week. Silk imports for the month show an increase as compared with last year. Cotton goods were generally firm.

The Money Market.

New York, July 28.—Money on call nominal; no loans; time loans easier; 60 days, 3¼@4 per cent.; 90 days, 4@4¼; 6 months, 5⅛. Prime mercantile paper 5½@6¾ per cent. Sterling exchange steady, $4.84.85@$4.84.90 for demand and at $4.82@$4.82.05 for 60-day bills. Posted rates, $4.82½ and $4.85½; commercial bills, $4.81¼@¾; bar silver, 65½; Mexican dollars, 50½.

Cotton Seed Oil

New York, July 28.—Cotton seed oil was about steady, and dull; prime crude f. o. b. mills 26 new crop; prime summer yellow, 36@38¼; prime white, 43; prime winter yellow, 43.

WILL GIVE AWAY $70,000,000.

Mrs. Sage, It is Said, Will Distribute the Immense Fortune Among Various Charities.

New York Sun, 28th.

Mrs. Sage would not make any statement horself yesterday as to what would be done with this immense fortune, which she, as a woman of advanced years, has to handle, but Dr. J. Carl Schumuck, who has been her physician and close friend for 18 years, made the statement that it would be distributed by Mrs. Sage among various charities. Dr. Schmuck was at the Sage home in Lawrence, L. I., last night. When he came away from visiting Mrs. Sage he said:

"In leaving his fortune to Mrs. Sage Mr. Sage has left it to charity. She will distribute it. What can she do but give it away? How could a woman of such advanced years spend a thousandth part of it herself?

"Mr Sage knew his wife had made a study of philanthropy and that she knew much more than he did about it. He knew that in leaving it to her she would take advantage of this study she had made and distribute the fortune wisely. Despite the impression which the will may have given, the fortune has been left to charity.

"I do not know Mrs. Sage's exact plans. That she has certainly some pans I do know. Her gifts will be along broad lines; as she is deeply interested in educational work, in various forms of charitable enterprise, in the soldiers and sailors, in the Young Men's Christian Association and in hospitals. That is all I can say to indicate what will become of the fortune."

Dr. Schmuck said last night that Mrs. Sage was not ill. Although 77 years old, she is in fairly good health. She realizes, however, that she has not many years to live, and for that reason will begin the distribution of the fortune in teh way that she desires very soon.

Russell Sage's $7.50 Suit.

T. M. Hayes, in New York World.

Some ten years ago there was a clothing store on Broadway just above John street, the same company had another store at Chambers street and Broadway. I went to the store near John street and bought a $10 suit. Russell Sage was looking over the $5 suits. Wolff, the salesman, took me near enough to hear what he said. He bought a $7.50 suit and paid at the cashier's window immediately before I paid my $10. I was making $12 a week at the time.

So Mr. Sage did not pay $12 all the time for his suits of clothes. The salesman jokingly asked me at the time to always remember the incident.

Miners and Operators Sign Agreement for Two Years.

Wheeling, W. Va., July 28.—The joint convention of the miners and operators of the eastern district signed a scale yesterday for two years and operations will be resumed within a week giving employmtnt to 8,000 men who have been idle four months.

TWENTY-YEAR BATTLE.

"I was a loser in a twenty-year battle with chronic piles and malignant sores, until I tried Bucklen's Arnica Salve; which turned the tide, by curing both till not a trace remains," writes A. M. Bruce, of Farmville, Va. Best for old ulcers, cuts, burns and wounds. 25c., at R. H. Jordan & Co., druggists.

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STOCKS GET NEEDED SUPPORT.

Bank Statement Proved a Disappointment, But Support Was Forthcoming at the Reaction and Some Stocks Rallied Vigorously to the Day's Best.

New York, July 28.—The speculative movement was not very actively pursued during to-day's short session at the stock exchange, but portective measures for the market were evidently in force. The movement was rather sluggish and irregular, and the price level was held up by the medium of some new advances at points not conspicuous during the week. The stocks selected were mostly in the class of industrials and specialties, especially amongst the metal industrials and coalers. The stocks of the great trans-continental railroads and the trunk lines were comparatively quiet, but not under active pressure. Dealings continued very large in United States Steel and that stock rose to within a small fraction of 40, which had been promised for it this week by its speculative sponsors. Amalgamated Copper and the Smelting and Lead stocks were strong and the volatile high-priced coalers made characteristic flights.

The bank statement proved a disappointment and was followed by a pronounced reaction in prices. The cash item showed only about half the expected increase and as the deposit item was swelled in addition by a loan increase of nearly $13,000,000 the surplus was slightly encroached upon by the added requirement. The loan expansion was a reminder of the needs of an extensive stock market campaign for facilities. The changes in the money situation, however, are evidently insufficient to effect the immediate ease of call money. There is an expectation expressed in speculative quarters that the surplus resources of the United States Treasury will be held in readiness to protect the money market from any dangerous stringency during the fall. Support was forthcoming at the reaction after the bank statement and some stocks rallied vigorously to the best of the day. The closing tone was irregular.

Total sales of bonds, par value, $955,000.

Total sales stocks 443,000 shares, including: Amalgamated Copper, 40,900; American Cotton Oil, 300; American Smelting, 29,500; Cincinnati & Ohio, 1,100; Louisville & Nashville, 900; Norfolk & Western, 600; Norfolk & Western do. preferred, 100; Reading, 67,400; Southern Pacific, 27,000; Southern Railway, 5,100; Union Pacific, 31,000; United States Steel, 37,800; Virginia-Carolina Chemical, 200; Sloss-Sheffield, 600.

Seaboard Air Line Stock.

Baltimore, July 28.—Seaboard Air Line common and preferred, nothing doing.

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Adams Express	245
Amalgamated Copper	100⅞
American Car & Foundry	37⅝
American Car & Foundry pfd.	99¾
American Cotton Oil	30⅝
American Cotton Oil pfd.	91
American Express	226
American Hide & Leather pfd.	29
American Ice	64½
American Ice pfd.	—
American Linseed Oil	20¼
American Linseed Oil pfd.	41½
American Locomotive	72
American Locomotive pfd.	113
American Smelting & Refining	151⅝
American Smelting & Refining pfd.	151⅝
American Sugar Refining	1,66⅞
American Tobacco, pfd. certif.	99⅞
Anaconda Mining Co.	25½
Atchison	81½
Atchison pfd.	100
Atlantic Coast Line	129
Baltimore & Ohio	120½
Baltimore & Ohio pfd.	92
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	77½
Canadian Pacific	164¾
Central of New Jersey	227
Chesapeake & Ohio	58
Chicago & Alton	—
Chicago & Alton pfd.	—
Chicago Great Western	18
Chicago & Northwestern	202¾
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	180¾
Chicago Terminal & Trans.	12½
Chicago Terminal & Trans. pfd.	28
C., C., & St. Louis	94⅝
Colorado Fuel & Iron	54
Colorado & Southern	34⅞
Colorado & Southern 1st pfd.	69¾
Colorado & Southern 2nd pfd.	69¾
Consolidated Gas	138½
Corn Products Refining	20½
Corn Products Refining pfd.	20½
Delaware & Hudson	220
Delaware, Lackawanna & West.	406½
Denver & Rio Grande	43⅝
Denver & Rio Grande pfd.	85
Distillers' Securities	59⅝
Erie	42⅛
Erie 1st pfd.	76¼
Erie 2nd pfd.	70½
General Electric	167½
Hocking Valley	127
Illinois Central	177
International Paper	19½
International Paper pfd.	83¾
International Pump	47
International Pump pfd.	83
Iowa Central	26
Iowa Central pfd.	56½
Kansas City Southern	25
Kansas City Southern pfd.	53½
Louisville & Nashville	143⅝
Manhattan L	—
Metropolitan Securities	—
Metropolitan Street Railway	—
Mexican Central	21
Minneapolis & St. Louis	65
Minn., St. P. & Sault, Ste. M.	154
Minn., St. P. & Sault St. M. pfd.	168
Missouri Pacific	94
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	33½
Missouri, Kansas & Texas, pfd.	68
National Lead	79⅞
National R. R. of Mexico pfd.	39¼
New York Central	137
New York Ontario & Western	47⅛
Norfolk & Western pfd.	91
North American	96½
Pacific Mail	35¾
Pennsylvania	130½
People's Gas	91½
Pittsburg, C. C. & St. Louis	77
Pressed Steel Car	49¾
Pressed Steel Car pfd.	99½
Pullman Palace Car	226
Reading	130
Reading 1st pfd.	92¼
Reading 2nd pfd.	90
Republic Steel	29¾
Republic Steel pfd.	99
Rock Island Co.	24⅝
Rock Island Co. pfd.	62¼
Rubber Goods	—
Rubber Goods pfd.	—
St. Louis & San Fran. 2nd pfd.	42¾
St. Louis Southwestern	22
St. Louis Southwestern pfd.	52⅛
Southern Pacific	72⅝
Southefrn Pacific pfd.	117
Southern Railway	36⅝
Southern Railway pfd.	98½
Tennessee Coal & Iron	154
Texas & Pacific	33
Toledo, St. Louis & West.	28¼
Toledo, St. Louis & West. pfd.	47
Union Pacific	151
Union Pacific pfd.	94
United States Express	124
United States Leather	—
United States Leather pfd.	—
United States Realty	77
United States Rubber	43½
United States Rubber pfd.	106¼
United States Steel	39
United States Steel pfd.	106¼
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	35⅞
Virginia-Carolina Chemical pfd.	107
Wabash	20
Wabash pfd.	47¾
Wells Fargo Express	270
Westinghouse Electric	152
Western Union	92
Wheeling & Lake Erie	18⅝
Wisconsin Central	24⅞
Wisconsin Central pfd.	47⅞
Northern Pacific	204⅝
Central Leather do. do. pfd.	101⅝
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Sloss-Sheffield Steel	75
Great Northern pfd.	296½
Interborough Met.	33⅝
Interborough Met. do. do. pfd.	78⅝

NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. refunding 2s, registered	104
U. S. refunding 2s, coupon	104
U. S. 3s, registered	108½
U. S. 3s, coupon	104
U. S. Old 4s, registered	103
U. S. Old 4s, coupon	103
U. S. New 4s, registered	139
U. S. New 4s, coupon	140
American Tobacco 4s	79
American Tobacco 6s	113
Atchison general 4s	102
Atchison adjustment 4s	94⅝
Atlantic Coast Line 4s	100½
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	103
Baltimore & Ohio 3½s	94
Brooklyn R. T. cv. 4s	94⅝
Central of Georgia 5s ofd.	111⅝
Central of Georgia 1st Inc.	96
Central of Georgia 2nd Inc.	90
Central of Georgia 3d Inc.	38
Chesapeake & Ohio 4½s	107⅞
Chicago & Alton 3½s	76⅝
Chicago, B. & Quincy new 4s	98
Chicago, R. I. & Pacific R. R. 4s	77¼
Chicago, R. I. & Pacific R. R. col. 5s	91¼
C., C., C. & St. Louis gen. 4s	102⅝
Colorado Industrial 5s Ser. A	77
Colorado Industrial 5s Ser. B	76⅝
Colorado Midland 4s	72½
Colorado & Southern 4s	93½
Cuba 6s ofd.	106
Denver & Rio Grande 4s	99⅝
Distillers' Securities 5s	86
Erie prior lien 4s	100½
Erie General 4s	80½
Hocking Valley 4½s	105½
Japan 6s	100
Japan 6s, 2nd Series	98
Japan 4½s, certificates	84½
Japan 4½s, certificates 2nd Series	80⅝
Louisville & Nashville Unified 4s	101
Manhattan consol gold 4s	100⅝
Mexican Central 4s	76
Mexican Central 1st Inc.	18⅝
Minn. & St. Louis 4s	94
Missouri, Kansas, & Texas 4s	99⅝
Missouri, Kansas, & Texas 2nds	88½
National R. R. of Mexico consol 4s	84
New York Central gen. 3½s	95½
New Jersey Central general 5s	126
Northern Pacific 4s	103⅝
Northern Pacific 3s	78
Norfolk & Western consol 4s	100¼
Oregon Short Line rfdg. 4s	94½
Pennsylvania cv. 3½s	97⅛
Reading General 4s	99⅝
St. Louis & Iron Mountain consol 5s	114¼
St. Louis & San Francisco fg. 4s	82⅝
St. Louis Southwestern con. 4s	77½
Seaboard Air Line 4s	86⅝
Southern Pacific 4s	91⅞
Southern Pacific 1st 4s certificates	95
Southern Railway 5s	116
Texas & Pacific 1sts	118
Toledo, St. Louis & Western 4s ofd.	81
Union Pacific 4s	103
Union Pacific cv. 4s	—
U. S. Steel 2nd 5s	98½
Wabash 1sts	114⅝
Wabash Deb. B	82
Western Maryland 4s	86
Wheeling & Lake Erie 4s	83½
Wisconsin Central 4s	90
Japan 4s ctfs.	82½

KIPLING'S PROTEST IN VERSE.

Objects to South African Colonists Being Sold in Bondage.

London Cable, 24th, to New York Sun.

Adopting the view largely held by the British in South Africa and by many at home that the government's promised grant of responsible government to the Transvaal means the retrocession of the country to the Boers, Rudyard Kipling contributes to The Standard a poem of six stanzas depicting the colonists as being sold shamefully and pugglingly into bondage, and appealing to Great Britain to prevent it. Following is a sample of the poem:

"Back to the ancient bitternass
Ye ended once for all;
Back to oppression none may guess,
Who have not borne its thrall.
Back to the slough of their despond,
Helots anew held fast
By England's seal upon the bond,
As helots to the lost."

Another stanza reads:

"Now, even now, before men learn
How near we broke our trust;
Now, even now, are we return
Dominion to the dust;
Now, ere gates of mercy close—
Forever 'gainst the line
That sells its sons to serve its foes,
Will England make no sign?"

The Standard offsets the poem by printing conspicuously its own information that the government's scheme, which has not yet been divulged, secures a majority of British representatives in the propsed Transval Legislative Assembly.

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"I am only 82 years old and don't expect even when I get to be real old to feel that way as long as I can get Electric Bitters," says Mrs. E. H. Brunson, of Dublin, Ga. Surely there's nothing else keeps the old as young and makes the weak as strong as this grand tonic medicine. Dyspepsia, torpid liver, inflamed kidneys or chronic constipation are unknown after taking Electric Bitters a reasonable time. Guaranteed by R. H. Jordan & Co., druggists. Price 50c.

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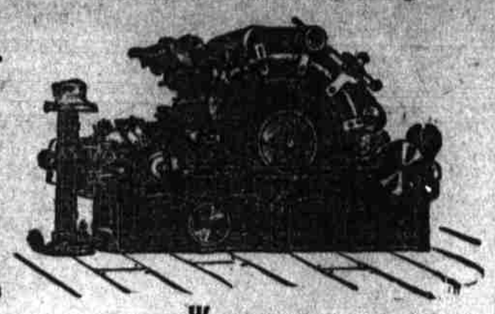
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