Sporting News

NO TRIALS AT PINEHURST.

Scarcity of Birds and Dry Weather Hinder Hunters—Will Probably Go to Thomasville.

Special to The Observer.

High Point, Dec. 3.—Scarcity of birds and dry weather rendered it impossible to run the Continental Field Trials at Pinehurst to-day. Handlers and owners from all sections of the country, and over 200 dogs, are now awaiting the club's action and much discontent is being expressed at the neglect of the club's secretary, John White, in not informing the public as to the conditions of the grounds. The tribe will probably be moved to Thomasville, and will start with the derby Wednesday morning. Meanwhile the handlers are concerned over their dogs going out of condition. The veteran handler, David E. Rose, of Florence, Ala., who was taken seriously sick three weeks ago at the Illinois Field Trials, at Robinson, Ills., is on hand again with a good strong string of dogs. His string include: Navajo, Count Whitestone, Pearl Gleam's Count Gladstone, Masterpiece, Rosemont, Alabama Rose, and several other well known dogs.

Fast Time at New Orleans.

New Orleans, Dec. 3.—Fast time was the feature of to-day's racing at the fair grounds. In the third race Charlie Eastman made the fastest time of the present season for 6 furlongs, while in the fourth event Juggler did the fastest mile of the season on these grounds. Summaries:

First race, 5½ furlongs: Monroe, 4 to 1, won; Mazie O'Neil, 5 to 1, second; Duchess of Montebello, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:04 4-5.

Second race, 6 furlongs: Dargin, 12 to 1, won; Bill Phillips, 2 to 1, second; Wild Irishman, 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:14.

Third race, 6 furlongs: Charlie Eastman, 11 to 10, won; La Sorciere, 11 to 10, second; Palloday, 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:13.

Fourth race, mile, handicap: Juggler, even, won; St. Valentine, 2 to 1, second; Dr. Spruill, 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:39 3-5.

Fifth race, 5 furlongs: Vooing, 5 to 1, won; Jakoma, 5 to 1, second; Billy Vertress, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:01 2-5.

Sixth race, mile and a sixteenth: Only If, 11 to 10, won; Padre Lo, 6 to 1, second; King White, 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:47 1-5.

Corbett-McGovern Fight Arranged.

New York, Dec. 3.—"Young" Corbett and Terry McGovern will fight before the Eureka Athletic Club of Baltimore the last week in January. Al Herford, representing the club, offered 70 per cent. of the gross receipts and his bid was accepted today. He posted a $1,000 forfeit.

Harvard 5; Cornell 1.

Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 3.—Harvard 5, Cornell 1.

THE DEATH RECORD.

Mr. R. A. McGehee, of Reidsville.

Special to The Observer.

Reidsville, Dec. 3.—Mr. R. A. McGehee, a former prominent merchant of Madison, died here to-day at the home of his uncle, Editor J. R. Webster. He had been in declining health for several months. The burial will take place at Madison to-morrow.

Mr. P. L. Drum, of Drumville.

Special to The Observer.

Newton, Dec. 3.—Saturday evening Mr. P. L. Drum died at his home near Drumville, aged 55 years. Mr. Drum had only lately built a nice country house on his farm and soon after moving into it each member of his large family successively was stricken down with typhoid fever. The father nursed them all back to health, only to be himself the last one stricken and to fail a victim to the disease. Mr. Drum leaves a wife and eight or ten children. He was buried this morning at Pisgah church.

Mr. M. M. Smith, of Catawba County.

Special to The Observer.

Newton, Dec. 3.—This morning early Mr. M. M. Smith died at his home in Cline's township, having reached the advanced age of 88 years. For 64 years and 8 months Mr. Smith and his wife trod life's pathway together, and the ties that bound him and the fair young girl, who at 14 joined her life to his, has just been rudely severed. These good people reared fifteen children, and a host of descendants mourn his death. Mr. Smith was captain of the Senior Reserves of Catawba county, during the war between the States, and also had a son who served in the active service for years. The funeral will be held at St. Johns church to-morrow.

Mrs. Jasper L. Smathers, of Asheville.

Special to The Observer.

Asheville, Dec. 3.—News has been received here of the death at Long Pine, Saturday, of Mrs. Jasper L. Smathers, of Asheville. Mrs. Smathers went to Florida some four weeks ago in search of health, but succumbed to the dread disease. Mrs. Smathers was a native resident of Asheville and a member of one of the best families in this city. She was the wife of Jasper L. Smathers, a well known furniture dealer of Asheville, and is survived by her husband and two sons, Richard Smathers and Fred Smathers. The remains were brought to Asheville Tuesday accompanied by the bereaved. The funeral services will be conducted from the residence this afternoon.

Mrs. Jane Howard, of Catawba County.

Special to The Observer.

Newton, Dec. 3.—Mrs. Jane Howard, an old and respected citizen, passed away at her home Saturday afternoon. She leaves many children, all of whom live near. The funeral was held at Mt. Pleasant church Monday morning at 11 a. m.

Mr. William H. Ellis, of Hickory.

Special to The Observer.

Hickory, Dec. 3.—Hickory comes to-night the death of Mr. Wm. H. Ellis, one of her oldest and most honored citizens, whose death occurred this afternoon after weeks of intense suffering and confinement to his bed. Mr. Ellis, who had passed his 70th birthday, has been identified with the business progress and growth of the city ever since its early history. He moved here from Davie county in the early 'sixties. He entered the mercantile business, in which he was active until his retirement twenty years ago. Since then he has looked after his realty about town. Among this is the largest area of valuable vacant property in the city.

Those of his immediate family who survive are a wife and two daughters. The oldest is Mrs. Thomas Mott, of Washington, D. C., the wife of Captain Mott, of the United States navy, who is now stationed at Washington. The other is Mrs. Sue Pearson, wife of Capt. H. E. Pearson, who is prominent in railroad circles. He is division superintendent of the Southern Railway. He heads a school at Winston-Salem. A sister and brother in Forsyth county, also survive.

The funeral services will take place from his late residence on 6th avenue to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. The veterans throughout the city, a number of whom were his comrades in the Confederate army, will act as honorary pall-bearers. The remains will be laid to rest in the family plot in Oakwood Cemetery.

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MARKET GOSSIP

Bartlett, Frazier & Carrington's Daily Cotton Letter.

Furnished by the Charlotte Cotton Exchange and Board of Trade.

New York, Dec. 3.—New Orleans selling on The Times-Democrat estimate was said to be a factor in the Liverpool this morning. Prices there were 8 to 12 points lower at the hour of the local opening and closed at a net decline of 10½ to 13 points with Jan.-Feb. quoted at 5.43. Spots were 10 points lower on sales of 8,000 bales.

Local market opened steady at a decline of 11 (6 14 points in response to cables, bearish construction placed upon private crop estimates, full estimates for the movement and selling for both weak long and new short accounts.

There was some good buying on a scale down, but offerings were heavy, with the circulation of December notices on about 20,000 bales in the local market, and the weakness of December in New Orleans causing uneasiness with respect to the spot situation, and prices gradually worked off, uncovering stop loss orders on the decline and selling about 25 to 57 points under the closing figures of last night in the early afternoon. Times-Democrat report estimated crop at 12,450,000 bales. Report compiled by Miss Giles placed it at 12,490,000 bales and as these reports were almost exactly in line with the average estimates of the New York and Liverpool exchanges, their influence on the market could be explained merely on the ground that a government estimate in line with these figures would be taken as indicative of a crop of about 13,000,000 bales.

Early advices from the South indicate if anything a firmer attitude of interior holders, and if the Southern spot markets should refuse to follow the decline in futures, the present weakness will last merely until any weak scattering long interest has been eliminated. Present short selling will be apt to become nervous towards the close of the week unless there should be conclusive evidence of more liberal Southern offerings. The producer holds the key to the situation.

There is a strong demand for every bale offered and he can, if he will, name his own price for at least ½ per cent. per pound higher than current values.

B., F. & C.

Hayward, Vick & Clark's Daily Cotton Letter.

Furnished by the Charlotte Cotton Exchange and Board of Trade.

New Orleans, Dec. 3.—The Times-Democrat's estimate of 12,450,000 bales, exclusive of linters, repeaks, etc., is undoubtedly above the idea of bullish crop size held by the masses and conservative selling went to the extent available market, futures in Liverpool showing an opening decline of 10 points followed by further weakness.

Our market opened 20 to 30 lower, buying by straddlers and scalpers caused a little recovery but there was little evidence of former confidence and every little improvement attracted considerable selling. Professionals are mostly long of the market and helped to stay a decline which otherwise might have been more serious. There is no doubt, however, that confidence in a bullish outcome ultimately has been considerably shaken by this estimate which points to a commercial crop a little under 13,000,000. Should the government estimate confirm this view, fear of the under-supply of raw material for the season, which would have furnished ground for bull speculation, is expected to give way to a calmer view of the grade situation and supply and its effect on the market.

Heavy tenders in New York helped the depression in the afternoon. Our market followed and the execution of stop-limits caused a sharp break to 10.6 for March. Selling then seemed satisfied for the day and the normal reaction on profit-taking by scalpers set in.

The action of foreign markets will have great weight with speculation enterprise on our side in the near future. Should Liverpool develop steadiness and the lower level attract new business for spots, then the decline might be arrested, otherwise the fear of a large government estimate would probably induce further liquidation during the week.

Spots continued quiet, the bulk of holders were not inclined to meet the decline, others sold on the basis of 11 cents for middling. There is a better supply of good cotton on the market. The interior did not offer much and the largest Texas buyers say their bids did not draw any cotton.

Miss Giles estimates the crop 12,490,000. Mr. Price estimates ginnings to December 1st at 10,352,000 against 9,620,653 last year.

H. V. & C.

Miller & Co.'s Cotton Letter.

Special to The Observer.

New York, Dec. 3.—Liquidation on an enormous scale broke the market today, sentiment changing in all directions because of the issue of a number of large crop estimates, that of the New Orleans Times-Democrat for a yield of 12,450,000 attracting attention early in the day, and starting a decline which was not arrested before the market had lost 20 points. Then came estimates from other sources, one being for 13,000,000, and this further weakened the prices 12 to 13 points.

Stop orders in large numbers were met as the market declined and the usual talk of certain big holders being gunned for was being heard, which, however, failed to bring in new buyers. Liverpool and New Orleans were large sellers here. In fact, liquidation was general and the lower level failed to give rise to all sorts of rumors. It looks as if the crop will largely exceed the average here, but speculation at all events each was the business to-day. Definition to-day at the decline being increased by the movement of spots, which was estimated at 7,000 against 12,000 last year, and indications of a decrease in ginning to-morrow.

Liverpool was 10 to 14 lower. The Liverpool movement was also heavy. Unless Saturday's spot markets remain firm it will be difficult to sustain advocates of the decline of to-day.

Liverpool due Dec. 5 lower in the morning.

MILLER & CO.

C. P. Ellis & Co.'s Cotton Letter.

Special to The Observer.

New Orleans, Dec. 3.—Liverpool declined 11 to 12 points on American selling, induced by the announcement of the estimate of The Times-Democrat, 12,450,000 bales, which is generally construed as confirmatory of the liberal estimates of The Commercial Chronicle, on the ground that this newspaper underestimated the crops of last year and year before, from 1,000,000 to 1,500,000 bales. Liberal liquidation resulted, and under its pressure New York lost 25 to 35, and New Orleans 30 to 35 points from the closing figures of Saturday.

The spot market was naturally affected by this decline in futures and quotations were reduced ⅛ cents, middling 11 cents, January 10.38, March 10.42. Certainly if these spot quotations even approximately represent the value of the actual cotton short selling of the contract at such discounts does not look attractive, and can only be expected to result profitably if the Southern holders become sufficiently demoralized to throw their cotton on the bargain counter and sell it for whatever it will bring. It is hightime, however, that they will do anything of the kind, and we suspect that the shorts of December shipments may experience very much the same difficulty that was seen in November.

C. P. ELLIS & CO.

Hubbard Bros.' Cotton Letter.

Special to The Observer.

New York, Dec. 3.—The crop estimate of The Times-Democrat, of New Orleans, for several years foreshadowed that of the bureau report, usually it has been less than the government report, and for that reason its estimate of 12,450,000 bales had a very depressing effect upon prices before our opening. Liquidation was in evidence here from the opening continuing until a decline of 25 points had been reached, from which there was a natural reaction occurred. The severity of the decline was due to the liquidation of any large short interest, all seemed having retired from the markets during the past fortnight in anticipation of a bullish report by the government on the 10th instant. From the buying on the break, it is probable that the short interest is now smaller than for many months, as the sellers of Friday and Saturday were believed to be the highest buyers. Receipts at the interior towns and ports were on a very large scale, notwithstanding the reports received of the congested condition of the railroads.

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