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THE CURTAILMENT OF COTTON CLOTH PRODUCTION

Hours of Labor Were Shortened in Many of the New England Mills.

MARKET BEARISH.

New York, Nov. 8.—An avalanche of selling orders, as a result of bearish development late last week, threw the cotton market into demoralization at the opening today.

Washington, Nov. 8.—The census bureau today issued a report showing that 7,012,317 bales, counting round bales as half bales, had been ginned from the growth of 1909, to November 1, compared with 8,191,557 bales of 1908.

Round bales included this year 109,665 compared with 149,866 for 1908. Sea Island 54,332 compared with 45,479 for 1908.

The report shows the following comparisons in cotton ginned in the states up to November 1, compared with the same date of 1908:

Table with 2 columns: Year (1909, 1908) and Bales. Rows include Florida, Georgia, N. Carolina, S. Carolina, and Distribution of the Sea Island cotton for 1909.

Corrected statistics of the quantity of cotton ginned this season to October 18, are 5,230,967 bales.

To Curtail Production. New Bedford, Mass., Nov. 8.—The curtailment in cotton cloth production, adopted by most of the mills of New England, was begun today by all the mills of this city, with the exception of the Whitman corporation.

PRELIMINARY CORN REPORT 2,762,316,000 BUSHELS Indicated Quality of the Crop of 84.2 Per Cent. Against 86.9 Per Cent. Last Year.

Washington, Nov. 8.—The crop reporting board of the department of agriculture in a preliminary report gives the indicated total production of corn for 1909 as 2,762,316,000 bushels against 2,548,851,000 as finally estimated last year, with the quality as 84.2 per cent. against 86.9 last year.

Tobacco Report. Preliminary estimates of the average yield per acre of tobacco is 897.7 pounds against 820.2 pounds as finally estimated last year, a total production of 267,473,000 pounds is thus indicated against 278,985,000 last year.

GOVERNMENT VS. CARTER TO BE HEARD JANUARY 10

This is Action to Recover Monies Held by Captain O. M. Carter at Time of His Arrest.

Washington, Nov. 8.—The United States Supreme court has advanced for hearing January 10, 1910, the government's case against Capt. Oberlin M. Carter, seeking possession of the money held by Carter at the time of his arrest for defalcation in connection with the improvement of the harbor at Savannah, Ga.

AUTO PLUNGED INTO CHICAGO RIVER

Search Is Today Being Made for Bodies by Police, Aided by Fire Boats.

Chicago, Nov. 8.—Search for the bodies of the occupants of the automobile which plunged into the Chicago river last night was resumed today by the police force and city fire boats.

They were aided in their efforts by a diver in the employ of the city in identifying the victims. The number of persons who lost their lives, however, is still unknown.

REPORT IS MADE BY PASTOR SMILEY

A Busy Day at the Weaverville M. E. Church—The Town Is Growing Fast.

Correspondence of The Gazette-News. Weaverville, Nov. 8.—Yesterday was busy day at the Methodist church. In the morning a church conference was held and Rev. T. E. Smiley gave in his report for the conference year now at a close.

In the afternoon the "Golden Links" missionary society had Mrs. G. G. Harley, district secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society, to deliver an address on Missions.

The services of the evening were the most enjoyed, since the "Little folks" of the "Light Bearers" society gave an extraordinary program, called a "Missionary School."

The Christian work that goes on in Weaverville is seldom if ever surpassed by any other town of its size in North Carolina.

The college Baraca class is striving to become the banner class of the state, and with their exceptional instructor, Prof. Dean, they are able to hold a member after they once get him in class.

A few evenings ago the members of the Epworth league were delightfully entertained in the English room of the college by Miss Lussie Reeves.

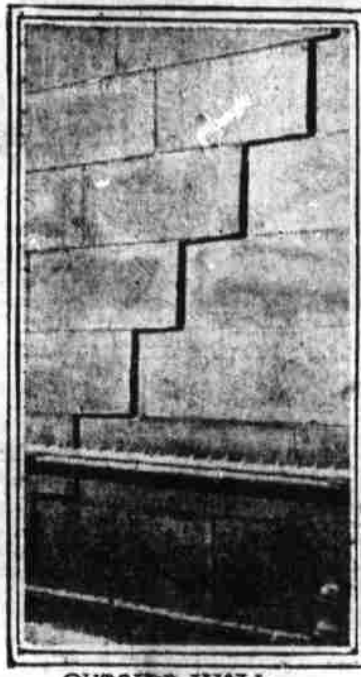
The Methodist Protestant church building that has been in course of construction for some time is being rapidly pushed to a finish, and when complete will add much to the appearance of the village, as well as speak well for its pastor and members.

Dr. C. P. West is erecting a 20-room hotel on Main street. A hotel is something that Weaverville has long been in the need of since travelers have been during their stay in the village.

Mr. Gudger in Cherokee.

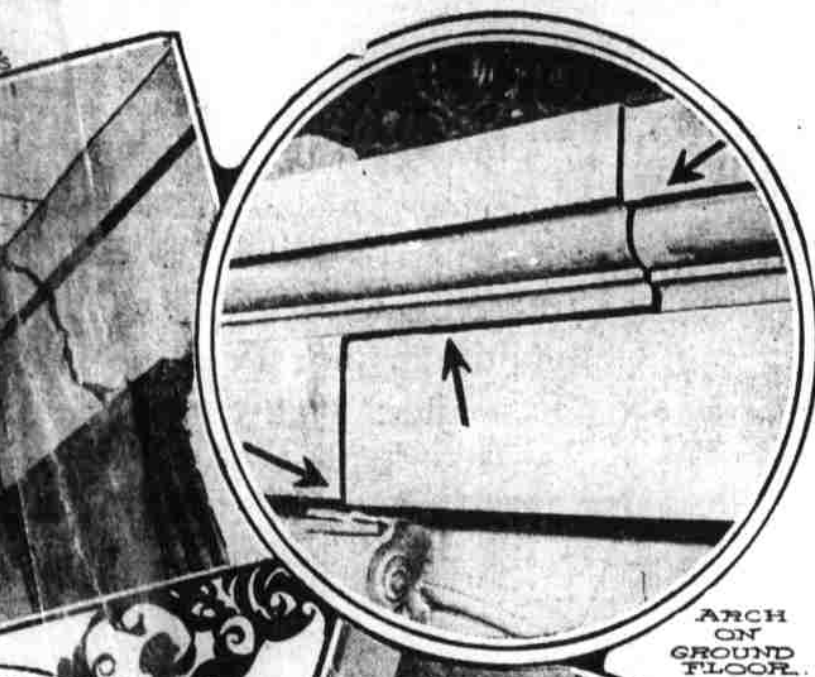
"Hon. J. M. Gudger, Jr., of Asheville," says the Andrews Sun, "was in Andrews for several days last week. Mr. Gudger has many friends in this county who are anxious to see him get the nomination for congress in this district, and they are confident that if he is nominated he will be elected."

Magnificent, Modern Building in New York Has Been Officially Condemned, and Abandoned



OUTSIDE WALL

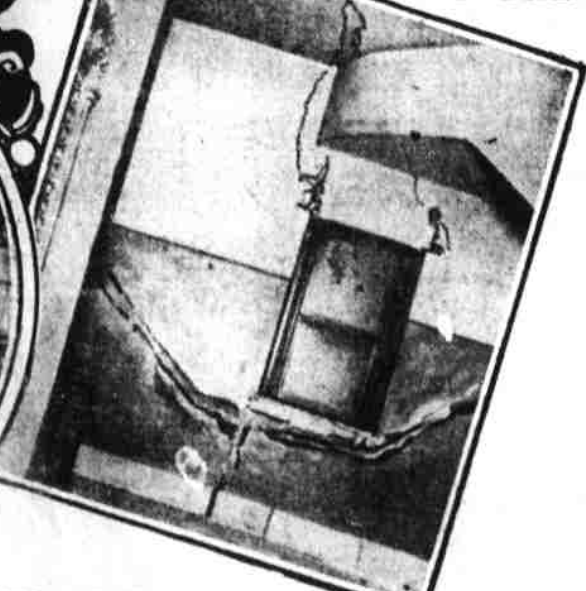
IN DISTRICT ATTORNEY JEROME'S OFFICE



ARCH ON GROUND FLOOR



CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING



ONE OF THE SECOND FLOOR WALLS

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FAULTY FOUNDATIONS: SUBWAY EXCAVATIONS MAY BE CAUSE

Loss to the City From Abandonment of Criminal Courts Building Will Be Tremendous.

New York, Nov. 8.—The owners and other financial interests connected with the immense skyscrapers in New York are deeply interested in the abandonment of a building supposed to be up to date and all are wondering if there are other buildings in the same condition.

The site upon which the building stands is part of what was known as the commons in colonial days and the house was built at a cost of \$1,500,000. The building, one of the handsomest structures in the city, covers an entire square.

It was in 1894 that cracks were first noticed in the masonry, but the architect gave the assurance that it was all right and attributed the cracks to the usual process of settling.

GOTHAM'S HORSE SHOW IS LARGER THAN EVER

Opens for a Week, at Madison Square Garden, With Numerous New Features.

New York, Nov. 8.—The annual period when New York society pays tribute to man's friend, the horse, had its beginning auspiciously when the twenty-fifth annual exhibition of the National Horse Show association opened in Madison Square garden today, to continue through the week.

There are many new features this year. The one which is attracting most attention is the initial appearance in America of Great Britain's crack military riders, her Hussars from Aldershot, who are to compete against the pick of America's cavalrymen—rough riders from Fort Riley, Kans.

Then there are the stallions, the pick of the national shows in France, Belgium and Great Britain, shown here for the first time. Another new feature is the splendid showing of work horses, for which the board of directors has offered \$10,000 in special prizes.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast until 8 p. m. Tuesday for Asheville and vicinity: Partly cloudy weather, with possibly rain tonight or Tuesday, followed by cooler Tuesday.

WILL PASS ON DR. COOK'S CLAIM

The National Geographic Society Today Appointed a Committee to Make Such Investigation.

Washington, Nov. 8.—The National Geographic society today appointed the following committee to decide whether the pole was discovered before Eric R. Howard's claim, Washington University: Rear Admiral John M. Pillsbury, F. S. N., Dr. O. W. Howard, biological services.

MR. AND MRS. PRENDERGAST ARE VISITORS IN ASHEVILLE

Controller-Lieut. of New York City Comes Here to Recuperate After Arduous Political Campaign.

William A. Prendergast, of New York, the controller-elect of New York city, and Mrs. Prendergast arrived in Asheville yesterday afternoon.



W. A. PRENDERGAST.

campaign which closed last week. They are guests at the Battery Park hotel and expect to remain here several weeks. Mr. Prendergast was elected on the fusion ticket, by a large majority.

Admits Ownership of Fatal Automobile.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 8.—Dr. James H. Crawford, a prominent physician, has admitted ownership of the automobile which killed Harvey L. Anderson, a hardware dealer well known in the south.

Come Opera Star Granted Divorce.

St. Louis, Nov. 8.—Grace Van Studdford, the come opera star, has granted divorce from Charles Van Studdford, for alleged non-support and desertion.

BROCKENBOROUGH CASE IS TAKEN UP

Champion Fibre Company for \$61,000.

The suit of Edward H. Brockenborough against the Champion Fibre Company was taken up this afternoon in United States district court, after the morning was taken up in an effort to compromise the case.

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JUSTICE MILLS GRANTS MRS. ASTOR'S DIVORCE

Agreement Reached as to Settlement and Custody of Children.

New York, Nov. 8.—Papers in the divorce suit of Mrs. John Jacob Astor, against her husband, were today submitted. Justice Mills, and Referee Young, it is said, recommended granting her divorce and the custody of their daughter, Muriel, and a large sum of money in lieu of alimony.

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IS HEADED FOR CAROLINA SOIL

President Taft Left Augusta Today After a Pleasant Stay and Will Be in Wilmington Tomorrow.

TO BEGIN WORK ON HIS MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

The Subject of Financial Legislation Will Probably be Discussed in a Special Message.

Augusta, Ga., Nov. 8.—President Taft brought his stay here to a close today, after officiating at the opening of the Georgia-Carolina fair. Governors Brown and Ansel made addresses. After the president delivered his speech he was driven through the city and took a train for Florence, S. C., where he stops this evening on the way to Wilmington, N. C. The president will spend Tuesday in Wilmington, Wednesday in Richmond, reaching Washington at the end of his 13,000 mile journey at 8:35 Wednesday evening.

While the president ends the west- and southern trip, his travels will be further extended into the east. He leaves here Thursday for Middletown, Conn., goes to Norfolk, November 19th, and Hampton, Va., the 20th, returning to the capital on the 21st, when he begins his work on the message to congress.

Essential points in the message have already been outlined on the trip. The matter of financial legislation will probably be treated in a special message. There is a strong likelihood that currency features will wait until the session of December, 1910.

For the first time in weeks the president enjoyed a game of golf this morning over the links of the Augusta Country club, where he spent much time last winter. It was after this game that the president went to the fair grounds to open the show.

Arrangements at Florence. Florence, S. C., Nov. 8.—Elaborate arrangements have been perfected for the visit of President Taft here tonight. The president will arrive at 7:30 p. m., and will remain in the city one hour, during which time he will deliver an address before the Pee Dee commercial convention now in session here and later will partake of a fine pork and bean at the Florence hotel.

The governor and other distinguished representatives of the state and city will join in welcoming the president and several companies of military have been assigned to act as escort to and from the central school building, where he is to speak.

AMERICAN FEDERATION ASSEMBLES IN TORONTO

Report of President Gompers Eagerly Awaited—A Warm Welcome Extended.

Toronto, Nov. 8.—Canada today extended a warm welcome to the representatives of organized labor from the entire continent at the twenty-ninth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor.

With three high officials within the shadow of prison, the convention eagerly anticipates the report of President Samuel Gompers, who is expected to recommend that the decision of the District Court of Appeals, affirming the sentence of Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison, be appealed to the United States Supreme court.

Mostly routine matters were considered at the opening session. The presentation of the credentials was the first matter on the program, and occupied considerable time. This was followed by the address of President Gompers and the annual report of the other officers of the federation.

One of the interesting fights expected to come to a head at the convention is the threatened split in the ranks over the action of the federation in forfeiting the charter of the Cleveland Central Labor union as the result of the quarrel with the Electrical Workers' union in that city.

The question as to whether the federation to interfere with the matters relating to central bodies of the various cities of the United States. President Gompers is out for re-election, and it is generally believed that he will be successful. The majority of the other officers are also candidates for re-election, and it seems likely that no changes will result.

"Must Always Be Right." "We are not going to be drawn into a revolution," said President Gompers, responding to the welcome extended to him. "The American labor movement is a national movement and we are going to hold together. We realize the wrongs of the past and the present. We do not underestimate the power of our opponents, but we propose to work out our emancipation in our own way, not by a revolution, but by evolution; and if there be a wrong done by any class in society the men of organized labor will be found defending themselves, not the aggressor. Who ever may be wrong, the labor movement must always be right."