

JULY CROP REPORT.

The Highest July Report in Several Years—Promising Prospects Throughout the Country.

WASHINGTON, July 15.—The following statement of the condition of the cotton, corn and wheat crops, was issued by the department of agriculture to-day:

COTTON.

Returns to this department show an increase in the condition of cotton since the June report. The condition is reported at an average of one hundred, being the highest reported in July for several years. The following are reports by States: Forty-five counties in North Carolina average 101; 19 counties in South Carolina average 99; 70 counties in Georgia average 97; 16 counties in Florida average 92; 31 counties in Alabama average 93; 40 counties in Mississippi average 99; 16 counties in Louisiana average 96; 71 counties in Texas average 111; 33 counties in Arkansas average 104; 23 counties in Tennessee average 103. There are some complaints of drought in North Carolina and South Carolina, and of too much rain in Mississippi. Insect injuries are not reported to any extent.

CORN.

The increase in the area planted in corn is one per cent. over that of last year. The average condition of the crop for the whole country is the highest for many years, and is one hundred, being seven per cent. more than last year at the same time. There are some complaints of drought in the South Atlantic States, while in the valley of the Mississippi and those States north of the Ohio river there is complaint of too much rain. The Pacific States report very high condition.

WHEAT.

The general average of winter wheat July 1st, 1880, was 65 against 91 on July 1st, 1870. It improved slightly during June. The whole South falls off nearly a fourth, but the heavy winter wheat region north of the Ohio river rules high at 98. The Middle States are three per cent. about the average, and the Pacific four per cent. West of the Mississippi, the crop averages 84 against 89 last year. Spring wheat averages 91, the same as in July, 1879. This shows a decline in June, when the average was 97. The New England States average 99, the Middle States 93, and those north of the Ohio average 96. West of the Mississippi the general average is 90, Minnesota being 101, while Nebraska falls to 62. Iowa stands at 91. On the Pacific coast California reports 96.

How to be Weatherwise.

John H. Tice, the weather prophet of St. Louis, gives the following directions to those who aspire to be weatherwise:

As everybody is interested in the weather so each one should qualify himself or herself to read the sky, and to interpret the meaning of the winds, sky and clouds.

An intensely blue and serene sky indicates heavy rains and severe storms in from twelve to forty-eight hours. A gray, hazy sky indicates a continuous dry and generally hot weather.

A southeast wind indicates the existence of a low barometer, if not a storm centre in the northwest. The aspects of the sky and clouds will tell whether it means mischief or not. An almost immediate cessation of rain may be expected as soon as the northwest wind sets in. It matters not what the aspects are when the wind sets in; fair weather will ensue it, and continue from three to four days. The passage of a storm centre from the gulf and southeastward of our locality is a partial exception only so far that it clears off more tardily.

There are really but two primary kinds namely, (1) those that float at a great height above the earth's surface, and (2) those that float low. Those that float high, say from six to nine miles, are of a fibrous and gauzy structure; they are hence called cirrus, that is, hair or tuft clouds. The clouds that form in the lower strata of the atmosphere, say from one to three miles above the earth, are irregular in structure, and of a more or less nodular form. They are called the cumulus that is, the heap or pile cloud.

While the cirrus remains nebular in structure and indistinctly defined against the sky no rain need be expected. Under the low barometer, however, they develop by accretion,

become smooth and compact in structure and much enlarged in volume. They now sink lower and become sharply defined against the blue sky. Rain may be now expected, especially if they unite with the cumulus forming the nimbus or raincloud. If the cirrus, instead of forming the nimbus reascends, it dissipates, and no rain need be expected until it lowers again, which generally is in twenty-four hours.

A Busy Family.

A case of assault and battery, in which farmers' sons were plaintiff and defendant respectively, was on trial in Justice Alley yesterday, and the plaintiff's lawyer was very anxious to make out that the defendant's family must have seen the fight which took place just outside the kitchen door. The defendant's mother being on the stand the lawyer began:

'Well, where were you when the first blow was struck?'

'Down cellar skimming milk and tying cloths over my preserve jars,' she replied.

'Where was your husband?'

'He was in the barn mending harness and greasing the wagon.'

'Where was your daughter Sarah?'

'Sarah was in the north bedroom changing the pillow-cases on the spare bed.'

'And where was Jane?'

'Jane? She had run over to a neighbor's to borrow some coffee and a nutmeg.'

'Let's see! Haven't you a sister living with you?'

'Yes, sir. She was sewing carpet rags up stairs.'

'Ah! she was? You have a younger son named Charles, haven't you?'

'Yes, sir, and he was salting the sheep across the road.'

'Just so. You are a very busy family, I see. I suppose even the dog was very busy just at this particular moment.'

'Yes, sir he was. Old Bose was down at the gate looking towards Detroit for one-horse lawyers!'

That closed her testimony and settled him more than a foot.—Detroit Free Press.

Two Paths.

An English lady, having been asked as to the propriety of attending on Sunday an exhibition of Bible pictures, replied with an illustration which illuminates a wide range of duties. She said:

Along the South Downs are two paths, one a very few inches from the edge of the cliff, another about two yards off. Many have walked, and walked safely, along the first path, but it was dangerous.

One step to the left, and they would have fallen, perhaps, several hundred feet in the sea below; or, if a piece of loose rock suddenly separated from the other parts, it would have carried the person who chanced to be treading it, down, down with it, into the abyss.

Many, too, and I am among them, have trodden the path farther in; we had as pleasant a view, with this great distinction from the more danger-loving passengers, we were safe; if we took a step to the left, we were stilled on solid ground; if the edge were jagged, or even a huge mass of rock fell, we only saw unevenness, or felt a slight shock.

A gust of wind could not hurl us over, neither would sudden giddiness send us rolling down the precipice.

Which path was best, was wisest, was safest? "The last," you say? Yet both have been walked without accident.

I do not lay down a rule that every one would be doing wrong in going to see a collection of pictures illustrating the Bible on Sunday, but I do say there is a South Down called Sunday; it is high above the six miles of the country surrounding it; along the edge is written: "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

There are two paths, one called "religious pleasure," the other, "hours for God alone." Which is the happiest, the safest, the wisest, the best?

Josh Billings' Philosophy.

As a general things, those who deserve good luck the least, pray the loudest for it.

My dear boy, select yure buzzum friend with great caution, once selected endorse him with yure bottom dollar.

Beaus seldom fall in luv, but when they do, they are spilt for enny regular bizness. Kards and whiskey reduce all men

to the same level, and a very low level, at that.

Good imitators are even more skarse than originals are.

I think I had rather liv in a big city, and be unknown, than exist in a village, obliged to kno evry boddy, or be suspekted bi them.

I kan trace all ov mi bad luk to bad management, and I guess others kan, if they will be az honest az I am about it.

Family Honor.

A few days ago, says the New York Herald, a young man deliberately shot his sister, who had been living a life of shame, his object being to save his family's name from dishonor; but how the family's honor was improved by the operation remains to be seen.

Before the time of the murder the stain that had been inflicted upon an honored name by the girl's waywardness was known only to the inhabitants of a single town, all of whom probably felt sorrowfully tender toward their afflicted neighbors, who at that time apparently had but a single disgrace to bemoan. The girl's death did not relieve her relatives of the mortification they had suffered by her disolute life, and the method of her taking off inflicted upon the family the additional disgrace of having produced a murderer. Meanwhile the name through the circumstances of the murder, has been dragged from the security of the local circle where it was regarded only with kindness, and been flashed by telegraph all over the country, with the particulars of the double stain it has suffered. The moral is so plain that it should be a lasting warning to others who have family wrongs to brood over. If family disgrace which is really only the disgrace of a single individual, may be terrible to endure, the misery of the suffering ones should not willfully be enhanced by notoriety.

Larning iz eazy enuff to acquire, wisdom cums slo, but sticketh to the ribs. If yer expekt to sukced in this life yer must make the world think that yer are at work for them, and not for yerself. You may find very plain looking coquets, but who ever saw a hansum pride. Life is meazured bi deeds, not years, menny a man haz lived to be ninety, and left nothing behind but an obituarie notis.

Men luv for the novelty ov the thing, woman luvz bekauze she kant help it.

There iz this excuse for luxury, all luxury kost money, and some one reaps the advantage.

The man who kant luff iz an animal, and the one who won't iz a devil. A festive old man iz a burlesque on all kinds of levity.

Fashion like every thing else, repeats itself. What iz new now, haz been new menny times before, and will be again.

Splicing the Ladder.

One night the large and splendid Sailor's Home in Liverpool was on fire, and a vast multitude of people gathered to witness the conflagration. The fury of the flames could not be checked. It was supposed that all the inmates had left the burning building. Presently, however, two poor fellows were seen stretching their arms from an upper window, and were shouting for help. What could be done to save them?

A stout marine from a man-of-war lying in the river said, "Give me a long ladder, and I will try it." He mounted the ladder. It was too short to reach the window. "Pass me up a small ladder!" he shouted. It was done. Even that did not reach to the arms stretched frantically out of the window. The brave marine was not to be balked. He lifted the short ladder to his shoulders, and, holding on by a casement, he brought the upper rounds within reach of the two men, who were already scorched by the flames.

Out of the window they clambered, and creeping down over the sturdy marine, they reached the pavement amid the loud hurrahs of the multitude.

It was a noble deed, and teaches a noble lesson. It teaches us that when we want to do good service to others we must add our own length to the length of the ladder. Harry Norton saw that his fellow-clerk, Warren Proctor, was becoming a hard smoker and a hard drinker, although he was only 16 years old. When he urged him to stop smoking and drinking Warren replied:

'Why, you sometimes take a cigar and a glass of wine yourself.'

'If you will sign a pledge never to smoke a cigar or touch a glass of liquor I will do the same,' was the reply.

The bargain was made, and Harry saved his friend by adding the length of his own example to the length of the ladder.

A widow lady near me was suffering from sickness and poverty. Her daughter, a delicate, refined girl, said to herself, 'My mother must be taken care of; I'll advertise for a place as a servant girl.'

She did so. A rich man saw the advertisement, and, determining that the brave girl should not undertake that, he procured her a situation as secretary in an institution where she gets \$600 a year. An unselfish daughter thus brought relief to a suffering mother. She spliced the ladder with her own self-denying exertions.

It is a noble thing to be unselfish, and to give up gratifications for the sake of our people. When the great Christian sago of old said, 'It is not right to drink wine by which my weak brother stumbles,' he added the length of his own influence for saving others from drunkenness.

I could tell of two Christian lads, well educated and refined, who go every Sunday to a mission school in a dirty, degraded street, that they may encourage some poor ragged boys to go there too. Those two boys have

the spirit of Jesus Christ. They are not selfish; and they mean that the poor ignorant lads shall climb up in the world over them.

That is the way to imitate the Divine Master, who gave himself that men might climb out of the folly and degradation of sin into heaven itself.

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