

Several weeks ago we reprinted from the New York Bulletin a careful estimate of the growing crop of cotton in the South. The New Orleans Cotton Exchange now brings out a statement some three weeks later than that of the Bulletin. We present the figures of the increased acreage in the several States as furnished by the Exchange. They are: For North Carolina, 25 per cent; South Carolina, 10; Tennessee, 10; Georgia, 20; Alabama, 7; Mississippi, 8; Louisiana, 24; Texas, 25; Arkansas, 5; Florida, 24. These rates of increase show a gain over the estimate of last year, made by the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, of 994,748 acres.

Up to the date of the report, June 7th, the weather was so unfavorable that with other drawbacks the crop was thought to be some fifteen to twenty days behind. It is probably still more than that, as the rains of the present month have given the grass a very decided advantage over the planter.

The report of the Agricultural Bureau will give further information respecting the acreage of the growing crop.

THE SPECIAL TAX BONDS. The holders of special tax bonds of this State have decided to make war on the State for their collection. They have secured such eminent counsel as Caleb Cushing, "that fox" of Massachusetts, and Reverdy Johnson, also a lawyer of great astuteness. The State Courts of North Carolina are entirely ignored, and, indeed, the S. T. B. Holders, propose to resort to the universal panacea of the day, the Federal Courts.

Now all this will be very fine for milords if milords can get around this express provision of the Federal Constitution, contained in Article XI of the amendments:

"The judicial power of the United States shall not be construed to extend to any suit in law or equity commenced or prosecuted against one of the United States by citizens of another State, or by citizens or subjects of any foreign State."

Possibly we should not now consider the provisions of the Constitution as binding any body outside of the Southern States. However, we shall see what takes place. The payment by the people of North Carolina of these tax bonds would be an almost intolerable iniquity.

THE PLYMOUTH LITIGATION. The libel suit, brought by Hawkins against the New Orleans Picayune terminated in the Fourth District Court in that city, last Saturday night, by a verdict in favor of the plaintiff. Hawkins' damages were set at the high figure of \$10,000. After the verdict was rendered, two jurymen went to the office of the Picayune and confessed that they had been bribed. Of course the Picayune publishing company will apply for a new trial.

where our correspondent pictures himself as the representative of a great newspaper, standing an ambassador among the ambassadors at the Court of Sweden. If it were a mere fancy we might smile at its felicity and forget it. But it is something more than the imagery of a skilled writer; it is part of the new philosophy of modern life. The quaintness of the thought and its felicity of expression both lose themselves in the background of the picture, wherein is revealed a new allegory for nations, the power of the press hanging like a cloud over royal thrones and kingly thrones and imperial crowns.

The chairman of the Indian Peace Commission forcibly illustrates the doctrine and virtues of the Christian religion in the views he promulgates concerning the treatment of the red men who have been captured by the troops. Mr. Meacham, though he has on his person several wounds inflicted by the Modocs, and though he has been an eye witness of some of the worst atrocities they have committed, yet talks calmly in favor of a pacific policy and moderation in the punishment of the tribe. The guilty should be treated with justice and consideration. The Indian has no defined notion of justice but thinks the deed of a white man can be expiated by the death of any other white man. Whatever was the disposition made of the Modocs, he expects no further trouble from them. Their desires for war are thoroughly satisfied. He holds that there need be and will be no change in the Government policy on account of this war. He must and will pursue a humane and forbearing policy with the Indian. His own idea of the best policy for the future is that all tribal lines should be abolished.

Forty years ago the New York Sun published a prescription from some of the leading physicians in the world for the prevention of Cholera. This has been reproduced by another New York paper. As the dreadful malady is raging in certain parts of the country we reprint this morning, believing we are doing a service. The prescription is this: "Take equal parts of opium, red pepper, rhubarb, pepper, and camphor, and mix them for use. In case of diarrhea, take a dose of ten to twenty drops in three or four teaspoonfuls of water. No one who has this by him, and takes it in time, will ever have the cholera. We commend it to our Western friends, and hope that the recipe will be widely published. Even when no cholera is anticipated, it is an excellent remedy for ordinary summer complaint."

Philadelphia has its mysteries of crime as well as New York and Brooklyn. Two children, Annie Reagan and Maggie Lyle, aged five years, who had been missing since Wednesday, were found Friday morning locked up in a closet in an empty house in the Twenty-fifth Ward. One of the children was beyond human aid and the other revived after being removed. There were bruises upon both children. No clue to the mystery has yet been announced, though the police are working up the case. Maggie, when taken from the place of confinement made the remark: "Woman took me to the country for gum doll baby, and when I got back a man put me in the closet." At this time the child was laboring under great mental excitement, and the statement was not credited.

Dr. F. S. Lewis died from a mild attack of small-pox, says the Columbia Phoenix. Judge Orr was buried with high Masonic honors in the Presbyterian graveyard, at Anderson, last Wednesday. A colored woman has died in Camden from small-pox, so we learn from the Journal. The disease is said to have been brought from Charleston, where it is said to prevail.

Mr. G. E. Elford has sold the Greenville Mountaineer to Mr. J. C. Bailey, of the Enterprise, and hereafter there will be but one publication—the Enterprise and Mountaineer.

There is a rumor floating over the State that all is not right in the State Treasury, and there is some talk that the Legislature will be convened in extra session to examine into the Treasury affairs.

The Marlboro Times complains of large quantities of rain. Corn and cotton are doing as well as the rain and grass will let them. Notwithstanding much of the weather lately has not been favorable for making hay, the farmers are said to be gaining on the grass.

Columbia Phoenix: A terrible disaster occurred about two and a half miles above Prosperity, on the Greenville and Columbia Railroad, on Saturday, the 21st inst. The boiler of the steam thrasher of Messrs. Brown & Schumpert, while thrashing at Mrs. Fellers', exploded, killing Capt. Jesse Schumpert, Finck Reader and Alfred Gary, the last two colored, and wounding Drayton Brown, J. B. Whitman, H. H. Hipp, Anderson Porter, Anderson Singley, Simon Gallman, Brown Dalrimple, and Shed Kibler—the last six colored. Capt. Schumpert had very recently married the second time, and leaves a young wife and five children to mourn his loss. Captain Schumpert was a noble and generous man, and will be greatly missed in the community. We tender our sympathies to the bereaved family.

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A burglar entered Spooner & Keller's store in Charlottesville, Friday night, robbed the money drawer and kindled a fire, which was extinguished, however. A child died in Savannah from injuries received while on the street by the carelessness of a nurse. Wm. Dawson, a Savannah boy of ten years of age, accidentally shot himself with a pistol last Wednesday.

The following is an Atlanta Herald dispatch from Athens, Ga., dated 18th: Mr. Holliday, who was killed by a constable and posse of citizens of Jackson county, was charged with an attempt to murder the constable, who attempted to arrest him Sunday, when he resisted him with an ax. The constable then begged him to come to the Court House on Monday, at noon, which he refused to do. The posse went to his house Tuesday, when he fired on them with a double-barreled shot gun loaded with buck shot, striking three of the men. He fired a second time, and they returned the fire killing him. He was armed with two guns, a pistol and bowie knife. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of justifiable homicide in execution of the law.

Singular Phases of Insanity. The method of madness is rapidly becoming a very dangerous thing—something which threatens to materially reduce the returns of the next census, unless the healing hand of the law shall check the progress of the disease. Emotional insanity, especially, is being developed into alarming proportions. Scarcely a day passes on which some man or woman is not killed by some other man or woman who happens to be insane at the time of the killing. It makes its victims commit all sorts of queer crimes. It hurried McFarland into shooting Richardson; it made young Walworth a pariah, and the New England Bank cashier an embezzler. One Jacob Sevon, having gotten on board a train on the Erie Railway, under a delusion that he would be permitted to ride free, had his fare demanded. Unwilling or unable to pay, the conductor told Mr. Sevon of his delusion and the car of his passenger by ejecting him from the train. Then and there Sevon had an attack of emotional insanity, and while under its influence lay in wait until the time for the train to return on the next afternoon. Still the victim of emotional insanity, he placed obstructions on the track and arranged them in a way best calculated to wreck the cars and kill the conductor and all the passengers. But through some unavoidable bumping the little engine in murder failed, and the operator was detected and arrested. He was at once discovered to be insane, and will, we suppose, be returned to the asylum. Nice thing, insanity!

Some fine things are said of May and June are fair in the white blossoms of promise, but it is October that brings the luscious fruit to cheer and beautify the winter of our years. Youth is the lovely probation time of life, as life itself is the probation time of eternity. The real life, the grand years, are those that follow, each greater than the last, the preparation days; it is then, when speech and thought, each secure in its proper place, no longer at strife, throw wide the doors of conversation, when aware of herself, understanding well her duties and her claims that woman steps firmly forward, with kindly smiles, with gracious air and conscious power, to mount her waiting throne, and grasp the jeweled scepter of perfect womanhood. Every white hair that gleams among the dark, every line upon the noble countenance, telling of gathered thoughts and fresh treasures of human sorrow and sympathy, are now diamonds and pearls in the circle about her brows. Our birthdays are rounds of the ladder leading upwards, and ever as we mount, if we do not find the atmosphere purer and more invigorating, the prospect fairer and brighter, it is because we turn our faces downwards, and refuse to breathe freely, or look about us.

On Which Leg the Foot. The Maroa (Ill.) News gives this experience in relation to the exchange of courtesies between railway officials and country editors: Editors are a hard-working set of men, and travel far less than most people would think. During the past year we have done fully \$150 worth of advertising for the railways. During that entire time we have not traveled on our passes over 500 miles. This at five cents a mile makes the enormous sum of fifteen dollars which we received in return for over \$150 in advertising. This is "dead-beating" with a vengeance—paying twenty cents a mile.

The Philadelphia Star. The Philadelphia Star, published by Wm. Taylor, is a paper of considerable interest and value. It is published weekly, and contains a large amount of news and information. The paper is well edited and is a valuable addition to the press of the city.

STAR BEANS. Mr. Madigan was fined for insubordination, and went off to jail. "Susannah don't you cry," [N. Y. Herald's advice to Miss Anthony.] The St. Louis Globe wants Sergeant Bates brained with a rotten apple.

Professor Watson, of Michigan University, has discovered another planet. An orphan under age married his female guardian recently in Illinois, and was obliged to get her written consent to the marriage before the wedding could take place. A curious coincidence is reported from East Unity, N. H., where a child was recently born on the birthday of its mother, and the mother was born on the birthday of her father.

An uxorious old gentleman, aged seventy, fell in love with a Detroit water girl, and after three hours acquaintance proposed marriage. She refused him, and the aged lover committed suicide the next day, by throwing himself from a railroad train. A father, in consoling his daughter, who had lost her husband, said: "I don't wonder you grieve for him, my child. You will never find his equal." "I don't know as I can," responded the sobbing widow; "but I'll do my best!" The father went home comforted.

THE FASHIONS. Round Josephine waists for high-necked dresses is the next change that looms up and threatens to bring the now popular basque into disfavor. The Josephine waist is perfectly plain, with high shoulder seams, two darts in front, side forms behind, and is cut off evenly around the waist, and is worn with a broad belt, often three inches wide. A high ruff and close coat also finish the simple and tasteful corsage.

Princess Dresses. The most stately dresses of the season are the princess, or, as they are promiscuously called, the empress and duchesse dresses. These were originally made with the waist and skirt in one, but the fashion that has been most successful has the back in long entire breadths from shoulder to foot, while the plain front is relieved by a basque falling just below the waist, and concealing a belt, to which the front of the skirt is attached. Worth revived this fashion, which is merely an improvement and elaboration of the simple Gabrielle.

Grenadine House Dresses. House dresses of grenadine are made with a basque and overskirt, or else the newer round Josephine waist. The basque is lined throughout with thick silk, and requires no inner lining; its edge is simply finished with a piping of silk; the position pleats behind are pressed, flatly their whole length, and held down by two rows of buttons. Leads are put in the position to add to its weight and keep it in place. Although the edge of the basque is very plain, the bosom and shoulders have an elaborate ruff and puff of the grenadine, beginning at the waist in front and extending up around the back of the neck.

Solid Black Grenadines. For the street, for church, and for visiting, solid black grenadines with thick stripes make the favorite costume of the summer. Dotted and damask black grenadines are also stylishly worn, but in order to be effective they require to be handsomely made and very much trimmed.

The Solid Falcioni. is the garment preferred for street suits. It is made slightly full, with waist and sleeves lined with silk, and is trimmed with elaborate rows of lace in front and crocheted buttons in which jet is introduced. A high frill and sash complete the garment.

White Falcioni Robes. White satin, tulle and pique dresses for house wear are being made in the princess style. They are trimmed up the front breasts with the new bands of tucks and hem-stitching, or else they are elaborately embroidered. Open-worked, English embroidery and the closer polka dots, vines and tufted needlework are the trimmings. Very sheer French nainsook dresses are also made in this shape, and trimmed with box pleatings of the fabric set on wide bands of wash net.

Evening dresses for summer balls and hops are made of two shades of rose-colored tulle, or else of tulle and gauze. For instance, two shades of rose-colored tulle appear in one dress. The low Josephine waist is of the darkest shade, covered with lengthwise puffs or lighter rose. The skirt has three front breadths covered with lengthwise puffs of the two shades alternating. The back breadths have five or seven narrow flounces of double tulle laid in side pleats, and are of alternating tints. A tulle sash is draped loosely about the hips, crossing high on the right side, and being caught together low down on the left with a cluster of roses of variegated hues—pink, red, deep crimson and pale buff.

It is an oddity of Scotch humor that it plays continually around the severest religious faith in the world. Any reader of Dean Ramsay is prepared to believe the story that this notice was lately posted in the vestibule of a Kirk in Scotland: "The person who stole Songs of the Sanctuary from pew No. 32 should improve the opportunity of singing them here, as he will have no occasion to sing them hereafter."

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A Proclamation BY THE GOVERNOR OF NORTH CAROLINA. EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT. Raleigh, June 9th, 1873. I, THOS. H. CALDWELL, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby order that the public notice of said act be set forth in the proceedings proposed and to be published for thirty days preceding the first Thursday of August, 1873, in the Raleigh Daily Sentinel, published in Raleigh, and also for the same length of time in the Daily News, published in the various Congressional Districts of the State.

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