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SPOTS AND FUTURES

New York Sun's Review of the Cotton Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb 19—The *Sun* says: Cotton declined five to six points on some rumors, but rallied and closed two to four points higher, closing very steady, with sales of 214 000 bales.

To-day's features: It was an irregular market, but in the main it was stronger than yesterday, for it seems to be a fact beyond question that the bears have been overdoing the matter and that the position is oversold. Therefore, although there was some decline at one time, owing to a fall in Liverpool, liberal interior receipts, a rumor that the Neill estimate had been increased to 7 000 000 bales, a large estimate for New Orleans to-morrow, dullness of spot cotton, and stagnation in the dry goods trade, yet later on the course of prices was reversed and they advanced easily and closed very steady, owing to small receipts at the ports, a denial of the rumor that the Neill estimate had been raised to 7 000 000 bales and an after confirmation of the previous estimate of 6 500 000 bales, a small estimate for Houston to-morrow, expectations of lighter receipts next week, buying by leading German houses, and also buying, it is said, by Isaman Swann & Co. There is a very remunerative parity between New York and Liverpool, and it ought to cause larger exports in the near future. It would stimulate the export trade now but for the refusal of Liverpool to adapt its contract business to modern requirements. Liverpool to-day sold futures to some extent here, but also bought and the Continent likewise bought. The South sold to some extent. The recent decline in prices shook out a good deal of long cotton and deposited it in much stronger hands and the market is accordingly regarded by not a few as being in much better shape than recently. One great drawback is the dullness of spot cotton, however, and it may continue dull until commercial paper becomes more salable. A change for the better in the commercial paper market would stimulate dry goods and increase purchases of raw cotton; but paper sticks at 6 per cent, and apparently not much is wanted even at that.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Wheat, Corn and Oats Closed Higher—Lard and Ribs Dull But Unchanged In Price.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO Feb. 19—The morning hours of to day's session of the wheat market were notable for the freedom with which long wheat was sold. In the afternoon the exact contrary was the feature, the demand being sharp and imperative, and a full recovery of the early loss took place. The cold weather, which made its appearance last night, and the fact that Northwestern receipts showed curtailment, only 332 cars arriving against 439 last Wednesday and 420 a year ago, contributed a firm tone to the opening, but the pressure of offerings, some of which represented the holdings of prominent traders, destroyed every vestige of strength and prices moved downward with considerable celerity. About noon reports of sales of cash wheat at New York and here changed the current of sentiment and after becoming steady a gradual recovery set in, the effect of which was to finally lift prices above what they were at the close yesterday. May wheat opened from 65⅛@65⅛, sold between 65⅝c and 64⅜c, closing at 65½@65⅝—⅝c higher than yesterday. Cash wheat in the sample department averaged steady.

Corn—The corn market was a counterpart of the wheat market. May corn opened at 30c, declined to 29⅝@29⅞c, rallied to and closed at 30c—⅛ of a cent higher than yesterday. Cash corn was weak and ⅛ of a cent lower.

Oats—The early decline and the latter advance in wheat and corn were reflected in oats. May oats closed ⅛ of a cent higher than yesterday. Cash oats were easy.

Provisions were dull. The close was not far different from that of yesterday. May pork closed 2½c. lower. May lard and May ribs unchanged.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Condition of the Gold Reserve—The Morgan Syndicate Will Get About $38,000,000 of the New Bonds.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 19—The Treasury gold reserve at the close of business to-day stood at $91 442 820. The withdrawals for the day amounted to $333 000. Up to the close of business as reported to the Treasury, $78,000,000 have been paid in on the recent bond account, of which $58 000,000 have been "taken up" in the Treasury figures and $20 000 000 still remain in national bank depositories.

Messrs. J. P. Morgan & Co., and associates, under their bid for $100 000 000 of United States four per cent. bonds of 1925 made in accordance with the recent circulars of the Secretary of the Treasury, are entitled to receive bonds of the face value of about four million seven hundred thousand dollars, in addition to those of which they have already been notified. Exact figures cannot be stated until returns from various sub-Treasuries are fully verified. This will give Mr. Morgan about $38 000 000 of the new bond issue.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 19.—Spirits turpentine quiet and easy at 29¼@29¾c. Rosin quiet and firm; strained common to good $1 60@1 62½.

SAVANNAH, February 19.—Spirits turpentine firm at 27c for regulars; sales 410 casks; receipts 50 casks. Rosin firm and unchanged; sales 8,500 barrel; receipts 1,891 barrels.

CHARLESTON, February 19.—Spirits turpentine—market firm at 26@26½c; sales 20 bales. Rosin firm; sales 200 barrels: A and B $1 00, C $1 00@1 10, D $1 10@1 80, E $1 80, F $1 35@1 40, G $1 45, H $1 55; other grades not quoted.

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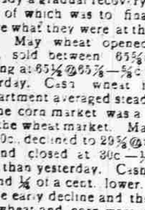

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CONGRESS YESTERDAY.

SENATOR HILL CALLS ATTENTION TO NUMEROUS PETITIONS

For Which He Says There is a Mania, Especially on Temperance Subjects—Reports from Committees—Appropriation Bill—Pensions—An Angry Altercation—Two Important Measures Considered by the House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON February 19—Mr. Hill of New York, Democrat, called attention to an accumulation of petitions, on the same printed form, received by him within the last ten days, against the sale of beer on Ellis Island, in New York harbor, (where immigrants land) as having a demoralizing effect on the immigrants, and on Bedloe's Island, as injurious to the soldiers stationed there. He said that he could not very well see that the sale of beer to immigrants on Ellis Island could be of any great injury to the temperance cause, or could have any serious effect on the health and lives of the immigrants. On the contrary, he was disposed to think that a glass of beer was a very welcome thing to those immigrants. The vast effort which well meaning but misguided people put forth in flooding Congress with those petitions showed the crusading spirit, the extreme paternalism, or the extreme Rooseveltism of these people. He had also received a lot of petitions from various places in New York for a Sunday rest law for the District of Columbia. It was difficult for him to see exactly how the people of his State were interested in a Sunday law in the District of Columbia, unless they desired to affect or regulate the conduct of their Senators and members of Congress. He suggested that the rules should be changed so that petitions, instead of being presented in the morning hour, should be placed in a box kept for the purpose or be handed to the Secretary. There was a mania for petitions, especially on temperance subjects. He even found some against the sale of cider. They were evidently intended for the New York Legislature, and that showed the carelessness with which this petition business was conducted. He gave notice of a motion to change the rule on the subject.

Mr. Wolcott of Colorado, chairman of the Postoffice Committee, reported a bill to prevent the sending through the mails by any department of the Government, of matter weighing more than four pounds, except written or printed matter. He spoke of the great abuse of sending through the mails type-writing and other machines.

Mr. Carter of Montana, Republican, offered a resolution to recommit to the Finance Committee the House Tariff bill and the committee amendment, and gave notice that he would address the Senate upon it next Monday.

A resolution was offered by Mr Lodge, instructing the Finance Committee to investigate and report generally, on all the important facts and circumstances connected with the issue of United States bonds in 1891, '95 and '96, and as to how the proceeds of such bonds have been disposed of.

Mr. Hill said that he would like to examine the resolution more carefully than he had time to do now.

The resolution went over until to-morrow.

A joint resolution to revive the grade of lieutenant general of the United States army was introduced by Mr. Elkins of West Virginia, Republican.

The Diplomatic and Consular Appropriation bill was then taken up and passed without any material amendment.

The conference report on the Urgent Deficiency Appropriation bill was presented and explained by Mr. Hale and was agreed to.

Mr Call inquired how many pension bills were on the calendar.

Mr. Gallinger said that there were between fifty and sixty. He added that it was the feeling of the friends of the Cuban resolutions that they should go over till to-morrow. He had no disposition to do anything hostile to those resolutions.

Mr. Call said he was very anxious that they be considered and acted on at the earliest possible date.

Mr. Morgan gave notice that he would ask the Senate to proceed with their consideration at 2 o'clock to-morrow.

Numerous private pension bills were then considered and passed, among them were bills increasing the pensions of the widow of Brevet Brigadier General Horace Boughton to $75 a month, giving pensions of $100 a month to the widows of Gen. O. M. Poe, Gen. Blunt, Gen. Gibbon, Gen. Thomas Ewing and to Gen. Nathan Kimball and Jos. R. West; $75 to the widow of Surgeon General Sutherland, $25 to Eliza Sanford, daughter of a revolutionary soldier and $75 to the widow of Gen. Morrow.

A bill giving a pension of $75 a month to the widow of ex-Senator Sancer, of Alabama, as colonel of an Alabama regiment, provoked a long discussion. Senators Allen of Nebraska, Populist, and Berry of Arkansas, Democrat, arguing that distinctions should not be made in pensions to officers' widows [the regular pension law in this case only allowing $30 a month] nor between the widows of officers and the widows of soldiers.

The discussion led to a very angry altercation between Senators Allen and Call, who, to the great amusement of the galleries, denounced each other as "plutocrats." Finally the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill granting a pension of two hundred dollars a month to the widow of the late Secretary of State, Walter Q. Gresham, as Brigadier General, with an amendment making it one hundred dollars, went over without action, as Mr. Voorhees, who had originally introduced the bill but was absent to-day, desired to oppose the amendment.

At 5.10 p. m., after a short executive session, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House was "strictly business" to-day and in a five-hour session disposed of two important measures. The first was the bill under consideration yesterday to extend for ten years the time within which the Government may institute suits to annul land patents illegally or erroneously issued. Mr. Hepburn's amendment to restrict the law officers to cases of fraud was rejected, as was also the amendment proposed by the Committee on Public Lands to reopen Mexican and Spanish land grants. An amendment proposed by Mr. Loud of California, was agreed to, restricting the law to patents issued under railroad and wagon road grants. A substitute offered by Mr. McCrae of Arkansas, Democrat, to repeal all legislation on the subject was voted down—149 to 72—which was a test vote on the bill.

The Army Appropriation bill was also passed without much discussion, but most of the new legislation proposed by the Committee on Military Affairs went over on points of order.

Among the propositions thus rejected was the one to compel the President to appoint paymasters from the line officers alone, shutting out civilians.

Mr. Cannon of Illinois, Republican, reported the agreement of conferees upon the Urgent Deficiency bill, and it was agreed to.

As finally adopted, the bill carries a total of $6,805 486, an increase of $1,584,033 over the total as it passed the House.

The House at 4.15 o'clock adjourned until to-morrow.

Fresh troops to reinforce the Spanish army in Cuba embarked at Madrid Tuesday. The enthusiasm of the populace was very great and the troops were repeatedly cheered.

THE PRIZE FIGHTERS.

WATCHING AND WAITING AT EL PASO, TEXAS.

Fitz in Fine Condition and Eager for the Fight—All Sorts of Stories Afloat Concerning Where the Ring is to be Pitched—Maher's Managers Confident That He Will Win.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

EL PASO February 19.—Bat Masterson, who stands as close to secretive Dan Stuart as any outsider now in the city, said at 9 o'clock this morning that, barring Fitzsimmons being chewed up by his lion, which beast has been getting decidedly unruly of late, or Maher's breaking an arm or leg, the fight would on or over within forty-eight hours of the time he spoke.

EL PASO, TEX., Feb. 19—This has been a day of watching and waiting, with the result that every one knows at sunset as much as at sunrise and little if anything more. There was somewhat of a more buoyant tone in the sporting market than yesterday, and as the afternoon wore on everbody was on the *qui vive* for tips concerning the location of the battle or any movement.

All sorts of stories were afloat concerning the point where the ring has been pitched or is to be pitched. A good authority located it across the Arizona boundary; an equally reliable one said confidentially that it would be a matter of an all-night ride; a third insisted that he would be able to reach the spot on a wheel. Stuart and his colleagues preserved the same speechless silence and would not deign to notice even the telegraphed roorback from Galveston, that the mill would be brought off on a barge in the Gulf of Mexico.

In response to a request for an authoritative statement concerning Maher's condition, this candid reply was received from Maher's backer and manager at Las Cruces this evening:

"To the Southern Associated Press—Maher will be in fair condition. His eyes are almost well. His condition will not be as good as I would like it to be, but, nevertheless, I expect to see him win or would not let him fight.

"JOHN J. JUNN."

Fitzsimmons crossed the Rio Grande this morning and entertained the usual crowd of sight seers watching him making horse-shoes. After a spin through the business streets he returned to his training quarters at Juarez, where he entertained a company of visitors.

Fitzsimmons is apparently perfect physically, and eager for the fight. He stopped training to day and will rest until Friday. He asked that the following statement be given publicity:

"To the American People—Out of the goodness of the heart and believing as alleged that Peter Maher was out of condition on last Friday, I agreed to give him three days grace rather than set myself before the American people in the attitude of taking advantage of a man who was reported to be partly blind. Not seeing him myself I know nothing to the contrary. Now that the date has been set for Friday and the assurance been given that Maher will be in perfect condition on that day, I intend going to the ring side and will be ready to fight for a kingdom. If his backers say, 'Well, Fitzsimmons, here is a blind man and if you insist on fighting, go ahead,' I shall say to the referee: 'Please call time.' In doing so I shall feel justified, because I have agreed to two postponements, and the last one was accompanied by a forfeit of $2,000. In asking the referee to call time I will also be guided by the earnest belief that the Maher crowd don't want to fight under any circumstances, and I honestly believe, that Maher's backers and friends have warned him not to fight, and in so doing they have led him to believe that if he escapes a fight with me he can return to Ireland and pose as the only champion of the world. I am a naturalized citizen of the United States and I believe that I am entitled to the goodwill and support of the American people. I have been in hard and honest training for seven months and have spent thousands of dollars in preparing to meet alleged champions, all of whom at the last moment found some loop hole to crawl out of a fight. I am now satisfied that none of them possessed the courage to meet me, and I, therefore, have decided upon this course.

"ROBERT FITZSIMMONS.
"Middle-Weight Champion of World."

MISSISSIPPI POPULISTS

Holding Their State Convention at Jackson—Small Attendance.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSON, February 19—The Populists of Mississippi are holding their State Convention to select delegates to their National Convention, and also an electoral ticket. N. C. Hatheran, one of the two Populist members of the Legislature, is chairman. The Convention is the smallest ever seen here, but they make up in bitterness what they lack in members. Resolutions were introduced and referred to the committee, declaring the present capitol good enough for anybody to live in, arraigning the State Government for extravagance and calling on members of the Legislature who signed the Whitney petition to resign their seats. The Convention has transacted no real business yet.

The Populist State Convention transacted its business and adjourned. Eighteen delegates to the St. Louis Convention were chosen, Frank Burkitt, of Chickasaw, late and lamented candidate for Governor, being chairman. Resolutions of various sorts were adopted, among them being one declaring the State did not need a capitol, another scoring members of the Legislature for endorsing Whitney for President and another endorsing the Monroe doctrine. A resolution endorsing Senator Tillman's recent inflammatory speech was introduced, but even Mississippi Populists would not endorse it and it was withdrawn.

ASHEVILLE HAPPENINGS.

Swannanoa Hotel Damaged by Fire—Bill Nye Stricken With Paralysis.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Feb. 19.—The Swannanoa Hotel, a large four-story frame and brick structure, caught fire this morning, but the damage was confined to the fourth story and will probably not exceed $10,000, and is covered by insurance. The guests all escaped.

Edgar W. Nye, "Bill Nye," was stricken with paralysis at his home at Buckeshoals, eight miles from this city, last night. His physicians report that he cannot recover.

News of "Bill Nye" to-night is that he is sinking. His physician says his patient's condition is such that he may live a few weeks or may die at almost any hour. No hopes are entertained that he will survive long. His daughters, Misses Minnie and Bessie, who have been at school in Washington, D. C., reached here to-day and left for their father's bedside to-night at 7 o'clock.

Mrs. Foster and Miss Irene Saunderlin, of Church Hill, Richmond, Va., were run over on the edge of that city yesterday morning by a Chesapeake & Ohio train and killed.

The Modern Invalid.

Has tastes medicinally, in keeping with other luxuries. A remedy must be pleasantly acceptable in form, purely wholesome in composition, truly beneficial in effect, and entirely free from every objectionable quality. If really ill he consults a physician; if constipated he uses the gentle family laxative, Syrup of Figs.

VENEZUELA DISPUTE.

LORD SALISBURY URGED TO ACCEPT PROPOSALS

By the United States Government for a Peaceful Solution of Difficulties—Great Britain's Naval Programme—Relief for Armenian Sufferers—Forty Lives Lost in a Theatre Fire in Spain—The German Reichstag.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, February 19—The *Westminster Gazette* publishes an article urging Lord Salisbury not to further delay the reply of Great Britain to the proposal to appoint a joint British and American Venezuelan commission. In the course of the article the *Gazette* says that England is free to accept the conciliation proposed by the Americans. There is no obstacle, except the possible objection of Venezuela to Great Britain and the United States taking the matter out of her hands and treating it as a question between themselves. For England, the *Gazette* thinks, there is great advantage in settling the question with the United States instead of Venezuela. If America claims the dispute as her own, she must assume the attendant liability of becoming surety for Venezuela. England, at least, has nothing to complain of.

LISBON, Feb. 19.—During the progress of a masked ball given by the Artists' Club of Santarem, a town fifty miles from Lisbon, last night, at the close of the carnival there, fire broke out in the building and the flames spread with frightful rapidity. A terrible panic ensued and many of the dancers and several outsiders who went to their rescue were either burned to death or fatally crushed and trampled in the rush to escape from the burning building. Forty bodies have been recovered.

LONDON, February 19.—The *Pall Mall Gazette* says that the Right Hon. George J. Goschen, First Lord of the Admiralty, will announce the naval programme of the Government on Monday. Besides the £9 500 000 sterling which will be asked for the construction of four battleships, four first-class cruisers, four third-class cruisers and sixty torpedo-destroyers, the Government will ask for a large vote for guns and men.

A rumor was in circulation on the Stock Exchange to-day that Great Britain is arranging for the purchase of Delgoa Bay.

LONDON February 19.—The *Standard* to-morrow will print a dispatch from Paris saying it is reported there that M. Richard, the Minister of Justice, has tendered his resignation with the view of settling the impending ministerial crisis.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—The National Armenian Relief Committee received to-day the following cablegram from Miss Clara Barton, President of the National Red Cross, dated Constantinople, Feb. 19, 1896: "Entrance and protection given. No obstructions

"[Signed] CLARA BARTON"

This cable, taken in connection with a dispatch received from Mr. Terrell, United States Minister to Turkey, ending with the words, 'The door is thus opened wide for charity,' removes all question as to the possibility of funds contributed in America being promptly and wisely distributed among the Armenian sufferers.

BERLIN, February 19.—The Socialist members of the Reichstag have resolved not to attend the banquet to be given on March 21st to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the creation of that body, because it has been announced that Baron Von Buloi-Berenberg, President of the Reichstag, will propose a toast to the Emperor.

In the course of the discussion of the military estimates in the Reichstag to-day, Herr Bebel, the Socialist leader, and Herr Lensman, of the Freisinnige party, attacked the right of the Emperor to absolute enforcement of discipline and authority in the army, entitling His Majesty even to order a man to be shot.

LONDON Feb. 19.—The *Daily Chronicle* announces the actual situation between Great Britain and the United States in connection with the Venezuela boundary difficulty, thus: Great Britain is resolved to arbitrate the Venezuelan boundary dispute directly with the United States. The method to be adopted and the details of the settlement are alone under consideration. The Government is being urged by persons of influence to conclude the settlement as speedily as possible.

B. & O. RAILROAD.

Changes in the Directory of the Company.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, February 19.—Orlando Smith, first vice president of the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. has tendered his resignation to the Board of Directors. Oscar Murray, formerly of the Big Four, is confirmed as first vice president. Smith will still represent the B. & O. on the Board of Managers of the Joint Traffic Association at New York. He holds the presidency of several of its subsidiary lines. William F. Burns resigned as a member of the Board of Directors and George C. Jenkins was elected to fill the vacancy.

BALTIMORE February 19—Chas F. Mayer, late president of the B. & O. Railroad Company, to day resigned as president of the Consolidation Coal Company, after having controlled its affairs for 19 years. He leaves the Company in the highest state of prosperity. Mr. Mayer's successor is Mr. S. K. Lord, third vice president of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. Several changes were also made in the directorate. The New York representation was increased from two to four members. Gen. Louis Fitzgerald, Eugene Delano, E. R. Bacon and Jas. M. Quigley were elected to represent the Gorhamites interests. The other seven directors are Baltimoreans and most of them identified with the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. Mr Lord is one of the best known and most popular railroad men in the country. He began his railroad career when seventeen years old, at Hoosic Falls, N. Y., where he was born. For fifteen years he held high positions in Western railroad organizations, and in 1880 became general passenger agent of the Baltimore & Ohio; in 1888 he was promoted to the third vice presidency, which position he will continue to hold in connection with the presidency of the coal company.

SEVERE BLIZZARD

In Michigan and Minnesota—Temperature Below Zero—Heavy Snowfall—Railroad Traffic Interrupted.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DETROIT, MICH., February 19.—Dispatches from northwestern lower Michigan and the upper peninsula state that a severe blizzard prevails in those sections of the State. Railroad traffic is badly interrupted, the service on most roads being demoralized. At Menominee the weather is bitterly cold, ten degrees below zero. A foot of snow has already fallen and there are no signs of abatement of the storm.

Dispatches from Marquette represent the streets of that city almost impassible and the street car service completely tied up. The mercury has fallen twenty degrees since the storm set in. It is expected that railroads in upper Michigan will be completely blockaded before night. Ht Holland all country roads and streets are blocked and business is suspended.

ST PAUL, MINN., February 19—Dispatches from Winona, Stillwater, Northfield and half a hundred other different points indicate that the most disagreeable storm in several years raged throughout the State last night.

SECRETARY CARLISLE

Declines to Use His Influence to Induce Democrats to Vote for Blackburn for U. S. Senator from Kentucky.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FRANKFORT KY., February 19.—Senator Goebel last night received the anticipated letter from Secretary Carlisle in answer to a petition of the Democratic members asking him to use his influence with the five recalcitrant Democratic members who refuse to vote for Blackburn. Goebel refused to give out a copy of the letter and many of the Democratic leaders denied that it had even arrived, but nevertheless it is here and was taken by Goebel and Bronston to Senator Blackburn as soon as it arrived.

WASHINGTON, February 19—The text of Secretary Carlisle's letter to the Kentucky Democracy, reference to which has been made in Kentucky, is as follows:

"Gentlemen—Your telegram, in which you appeal to me 'to request and urge the five Democratic members of the General Assembly who are not supporting the nominee to join with us (you) in voting for him,' was duly received and has been given the careful consideration which its object and the character of its signers demanded. Inasmuch as the five gentlemen referred to are acting in a representative capacity and are familiar with the whole situation and all the circumstances connected therewith I am bound to assume that they are more competent than I am to determine what their duty to their party and their constituents is, and how that duty shall be discharged; and an attempt by me to influence their action might very properly be regarded by them as a presumptuous interference in a matter of the gravest importance which has been committed solely to their own judgment. But even if this were not so, I have no right to assume that the honest convictions of the five gentlemen alluded to in your communication could be changed by my influence, or that they could be induced to act contrary to such convictions by advice which they have not solicited. Having heretofore tendered no advice or made any suggestion directly or indirectly to any member of the General Assembly on either side of the unfortunate controversy now existing, I must respectfully decline to do so now or hereafter.

"It may not be considered inappropriate in this brief response to your appeal to assure you that I will at all times cheerfully co-operate in any proper manner with you and all others in any effort that may be made to unite all our friends in supporting the Democratic organization in Kentucky and in maintaining sound Democratic principles and policies, as declared by the constituted authorities of the party, State and national, and to repeat what has been said to all who have cared to ascertain my views upon the subject, that I sincerely desire to see the present General Assembly elect to the Senate of the United States a Democrat who is in full sympathy with these objects. Very respectfully,

"J. G. CARLISLE."

FRANKFORT, KY., Feb. 19.—The supporters of Senator Blackburn, while not surprised at the tenor of Secretary Carlisle's letter declining to assist Blackburn, are angry over the cool and deliberate rebuff they have received. The result of it is to widen the breach between the respective factions on the financial question in this State and also to intensify the animosity between the friends of the Secretary of the Treasury and of the present Senator. The gold men are jubilant over Mr. Carlisle's course and say that had he lent Blackburn a helping hand, it would have been no use to attempt to send a sound money delegation to the National Convention.

The two joint ballots for Senator resulted: Hunter, 60, Blackburn, 60, scattering 8. Necessary to a choice 66.

THE BOILER BURST.

Railroad Locomotive Wrecked—Engineer and Fireman Killed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

UTICA, N. Y., February 19—The boiler of the locomotive drawing the New York and Philadelphia Express train, on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Washington road, exploded near Cassville shortly after 11.30 o'clock this morning. The engine is what is known as a culm burner, and the engineer's cab is directly over the centre of the boiler. The engineer was John Kehner, of Binghampton, and he was blown into shreds. The fireman, John Lewis, also of Binghampton, was so badly hurt that he died soon after being taken from the wreck. The engine was torn to pieces and the trucks left the track. The whole mass was twisted and turned over into the ditch. The cars composing the train remained upon the track. The shock to the passengers was a severe one, but no serious injury was sustained.

A BAD ACCIDENT.

Four Men Killed and Seven Others Seriously Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SENOR, MICH., Feb. 19.—Four men were killed and seven others seriously injured at McKay's lumber camp north of here to-day. A steam log handler was being experimented with and the men were engaged in shovelling a wider road for the machine to work in. Suddenly the machine became uncontrollable and started down the road with great speed. The banks of snow on either side of the narrow road were so high the men had no chance of escape. Four of them were literally ground to pieces under the machine. Seven others were tossed on the snow banks and were more or less seriously injured. A severe blizzard is raging and no help can go to the camp from here.

WARM WIRELETS.

Ceo. Maxwell, John Serby and Samuel Maxwell, employed at the works of the Consumers' Gas Company, in Wilkesbarre, Pa., were suffocated by escaping gas yesterday. They are all married men and leave families.

E. J. Hylands, from Plainfield, Ill., committed suicide at Atlanta in a cell at the police station. He fastened a chain about his neck and choked himself to death. He was unbalanced mentally. Last week he came South to buy lands, he said.

C. F. Rush, a planter of Kemper county, Miss., was robbed of a check made payable to bearer for $1,000 and $250 in money yesterday while on a crowded Mobile & Ohio passenger train near Meridian, Miss. Payment of the check was stopped. The money and highwaymen are gone.

A dispatch from Fort Monroe says: The British steamship Bangalore, from Java with sugar, while coming in the capes last night, ran ashore on the middle grounds. A pilot steamer hauled her off and started to tow her into Hampton Roads, but the hawser parted and she went on the Horseshoe. Wreckers were at work all yesterday, but failed to move her.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

LITTLE DAMAGE

To Truck and Fruit in Florida by the Cold Wave.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., Feb. 19.—Dispatches from various sections of Florida indicate that little damage has been done to truck and fruit by the cold spell which prevailed yesterday and today. Very young vegetables in exposed places were nipped, but beyond this truckers and fruit growers report no injury. A high wind has been blowing during the cold weather, which has served to prevent frost. But for the wind there would have been heavy frost.

R. S. Lugeer & Co., importers and dealers in saddlery and hardware, Murray street, New York, have assigned. Dull trade and poor collections are the cause. Their liabilities are estimated at $150,000.

APPOINTMENTS

Wilmington District—W. S. Rone, P. E.

Carver's Creek, Wayman—February 22nd and 23rd.

Kenansville circuit and Onslow Mission, Worley Chapel—February 29th and March 1st.

Braden circuit, Bethlehem—March 7th and 8th.

Magnolia circuit, Centenary—March 14th and 15th.

Clinton circuit, Keeners—March 21st and 22nd.

A Small Business Building.

The distinction of being the smallest business establishment in this city is claimed for a diminutive Georgia pine building at 85½ East Houston street, where is located a candy, fruit and soda water business. The structure is fitted tightly between two towering brick walls and covers an alleyway surface which had not hitherto been considered susceptible of utilization. The cost of the tiny place was $150, and it rents for $200 a year. Its actual measurements are 5 feet 4 inches front, 15 feet deep and 9 feet high.—New York Herald.

A Rapid Transit.

"How long did it take you to cross the ocean?" asked Gus De Smith of a very aristocratic lady just returned from Europe.

"I was seven days on the water."

"Seven days! Why, when my brother went across it took him eight days."

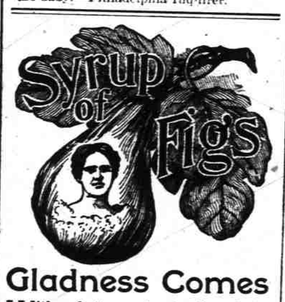
"Probably your brother went over in the steerage. I was a first cabin passenger," she replied proudly.—Texas Siftings.

A Desperate Case.

Walk O. Nights—Doctor, what is a simple remedy for sleeplessness?

Doctor—Let the person count till he falls asleep.

Walk O. Nights—He can't count. It's the baby.—Philadelphia Inquirer.



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If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, then laxatives or other remedies are not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, then one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

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Wanted—To sell the best business in Wilmington for cash or easy terms. "F."
feb 18, 3t

Notice to all interested.—The undersigned has severed all connection with the Commercial Building and Loan Association as a stockholder and local director. J. Hicks Bunting. feb 6 tf

Photographs—Big Photographs, Little Photographs, Fine Photographs, Good Photographs, Pretty Photographs. All kinds of Photographs except bad Photographs. U. C. Ellis, 114 Market street, for Photographs feb 2 tf

The latest and best cold weather drink a specialty. We serve the best hot Tom and Jerry and hot Scotch in the city. Call and see me to-day. A. P. Levy French Cafe, Princess street. jan 21 tf

A fresh supply daily of Country Sausage and Liver Pudding. Pig Feet 5 cents a pound. A full line of Choice Groceries cheap. Call and see me. Chas. D. Jacobs, agt., 217½ North Front street jan 19 tf

When you want a nice bunch of Bananas, a barrel of Baldwin's, a case or crate of fine Western Apples, a bag of Irish or Sweet Potatoes, Turnips, Onions, Beans, or Mountain Butter from ten to forty pound lots, call or send your orders to A. S. Winstead & Co., Commission Merchants and Wholesale Fruit and Produce Dealers. Jan 1 D&w tf

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Baskets, Vegetable Baskets for the shipment of Peas, Beans, Cucumbers, etc. For sale at Jno. S. McEachern's Grain and Feed Store 211 Market street. c21

Hayden, P. H., has in stock buggies, road Carts and harness of all kinds. Repairing done by skillful workmen on short notice. Opposite new Court House. c21

Commissioner's Sale.

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE OF THE SUPERIOR Court of New Hanover county, made in the cause of Edward Dudley Cowan et al. vs W. D. Cowan et al., pending before the Clerk of the said Superior Court, the undersigned will expose for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, at the Court House door of New Hanover county, on Thursday, the 12th day of March, 1896, at 12 o'clock M., the following described tract of land situate in the county of New Hanover, to wit: Beginning at the southeast corner of the Poor House tract on Smith's Creek, and running thence along the east line of said tract north 4½ deg. east 2,621 feet to a stone marked N. H. C., thence with said line north 45 deg. west 1,155 to a stone marked N. H. C., thence north 87 deg. 15 min. east 75 feet to the corner of Garrel's land, thence with said Garrel's line north 14 deg. east 493 feet to an other of his corners, thence along the line of said tract north 76 deg. east 1,954 feet to a pine tree marking the corner of Garrel's and Kerr's lines, thence with Kerr's line south 72 deg. east 1,848 feet to a stake, thence south 43¾ deg. east 1,716 feet to or near Smith's Creek, thence southwardly with the creek to the beginning, containing about 1,0 0 acres.

February 10th, 1896.

THOMAS C. McILHENNY, Commissioner.
feb 11 30t

D. O'Connor,

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Pants! Pants! Pants!

$1.00 Pants "good value," 60c.
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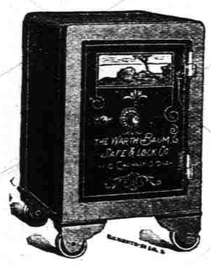

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