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SPOTS AND FUTURES.

Net Receipts of Cotton at the Ports—New York Sun's Review of the Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, August 14—Galveston, 934,440; New Orleans, 1,770,006; Mobile, 206,084; Savannah, 755,881; Charleston, 171,129; Wilmington, 280,418; Norfolk, 339,241; Baltimore, 44,252; New York, 98,459; Boston, 154,408; Newport News, 15,472; Philadelphia, 45,128; West Point, 143,639; Brunswick, 74,340; Port Royal, 75,754; Pensacola, 17,608; Texas City, 54,019. Total, 5,180,273.

The *Sun* says: Cotton was at one time fourteen to twenty points higher, but lost part of the improvement, closing barely steady at a net advance of eight to nine points; August declined six points. The sales were 226,800 bales.

Cotton causerie: Liverpool advanced sharply to day, and prices rose in response. There were some showers reported in parts in Mississippi, Louisiana and Alabama, but the precipitation in Texas was very light. Shorts covered, and bad crop reports continue to pour in. So prices advanced. Towards the close rumors were in circulation that heavy rains had fallen in Louisiana and Mississippi, and though they were not verified prices reacted and lost part of the improvement. The market closed barely steady.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Wheat and Corn Closed Lower—Oats Higher—Lard Unchanged—Ribs Lower.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO August 14—The liquidation of September wheat, which took place on Wednesday and Thursday, about eliminated that character of trading from the wheat market for the present, and to-day the action was quiet and uninteresting. September wheat opened from 55½c to 55c, sold between 55½@55⅝c and 54¾c, closing at 55c bid—¼@⅜c under yesterday. Cash wheat was steady.

Corn—The interest in corn was moderate. May corn opened at 27c, sold between 27@27⅛c and 26¾c, closing at the inside—¼c under yesterday. Cash corn was firm, prices ruling about the same as yesterday.

Oats were firm. May oats closed ⅛c higher than yesterday. Cash oats were ¼c higher for new and ⅛c for old.

Provisions—Until late in the session the product exhibited strength, which was in consideration of the fact that hogs had advanced 5@10c. The trade did not show a corresponding improvement, however, and but scant interest was shown in the market. Prices eased off later, with wheat. January pork closed 5c lower; January lard unchanged and January ribs 2½c lower.

DEMOCRATIC HEADQUARTERS

Important Campaign Matters Discussed at a Conference Held Yesterday.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, August 14.—There were very few callers this morning at the Democratic National headquarters at the Hotel Bartholdi. An important conference, in which Senator Jones, Governor Stone, of Missouri, and Senator Gorman took part, was held all the forenoon in Senator Jones' room at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Important campaign matters were discussed, it was said, and the appointment of the campaign committee was gone into.

Hon. Arthur Sewall, when seen this morning at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, announced that he would leave for his home in Maine in a day or two. He said that he was very well satisfied with the way matters were shaping themselves in the campaign. "I am convinced" said he, "that the speech made by Mr. Bryan was a powerful argument in favor of our cause and will bring the ticket many voters."

THE TRUCK MARKET.

New York Prices for Southern Fruits and Vegetables.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, August 14.—Pears, Southern, fancy, barrel, $1.00 to 3 50; watermelons, car-loads, $100 to 250, do per hundred $8 00 to 25 00; muskmelons, barrel, 75c to $2 50; peaches, Maryland and Delaware, basket, 30 to 75c; do carrier, 40c to $1 25

The "sound money" Democrats of Maryland are likely to send sixteen delegates to the Indianapolis Convention, notwithstanding action of the Executive Committee of the Sound Money League of Maryland in deciding to make no effort in that direction. The opinion is growing that a "sound money" electoral ticket should be nominated in Maryland.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—Spirits turpentine dull but steady at 23¾@24¾c. Rosin quiet and steady; strained common to good $1 57½@1 60.

CHARLESTON, Aug. 14—Spirits turpentine firm at 21@22 sales — casks Rosin firm; sales — barrels: B, C, $1 25, D, E $1 30, F $1 30, G $1 35 H $1 40 I $1 45, K $1 50, M $1 55, N $1 60, W G $1 70, W W $1 75.

SAVANNAH, Aug. 14.—Spirits turpentine firm at 22¾ with sales of 3 000 casks; receipts 1 708 casks.

Since April 1—Receipts 184,054 casks against 165 215 for the same period last year; exports 157,505 casks against 142,546 last year; stock 31 765 casks against 25 090 last year.

Rosin firm; sales 2,000 barrels; receipts 7,189 barrels; A, B, C D E $1 40, G $1 45, H $1 55, I $1 60, K $1 65, M $1 70, N $1 75, W G $1 85, W W $2 00.

Since April 1—Receipts 442,845 barrels against 421,948 last year; exports 432,959 barrels against 385 921 last year; stock 144,864 barrels against 125 307 last year.

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BUSINESS UNCHANGED.

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF THE SITUATION IN TRADE.

Industries Continue Quiet With More Men Idle—But Favorable Crop Conditions in the South Have Stimulated Buying.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, August 14.—Bradstreet's says that the volume of business throughout the country is practically unchanged. New features do not point to improvement in prospects for Fall business. Industries generally continue quiet, with more men idle than a week ago. The most significant feature was higher rates for money early in the week; some difficulty in obtaining the immediate money. This disappeared with a manifest reaction against the free silver sentiment which followed the silver demonstration at New York August 19.

Jobbers in woollens are meeting immediate wants only. Receipts of new wools exceed sales, and manufacturers prefer to let holders carry the raw material. Jobbers of dry goods report no outlook for an active Fall demand. Higher priced cotton strengthens views of manufacturers but does not sell goods.

Mercantile collections are difficult to make at Charleston and Atlanta. Jacksonville jobbers report remittances slow, as do those at Birmingham and in the West, at Cleveland, Detroit, Milwaukee and St. Paul.

There is little or no demand for iron or steel, notwithstanding the capacity of furnaces in blast was restricted during July more than 50,000 tons. Manufacturers of hardware and jewelry report business excessively dull.

Crop reports from some portions of South Carolina are discouraging, while the vegetable crop in Florida has been greatly reduced by the drought. Crop conditions in Alabama have fallen off within two weeks and the Kentucky tobacco outturn has been reduced by the prolonged drought.

Wholesale dealers at Chicago and at St. Louis report moderate gains in distribution of dry goods.

The brighter side of the picture is found in generally favorable crop conditions at the South, which have stimulated buying at Baltimore, Savannah, New Orleans and Texas. The early movement of cotton is pointing to improved mercantile collection.

The financial situation at New Orleans is relieved by sugar bounty payments.

There are 253 business failures reported throughout the United States this week, compared with 269 last week. The increase as compared with the corresponding total one year ago is 63.

HORRIBLE OUTRAGE.

Brutal Treatment of a Little White Child in Baldwin County, Alabama.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MOBILE, August 14—Rev. Gardiner C. Tucker, rector of St. John's Church, Episcopal, Mobile, and his family have been spending the Summer at Battle's wharf, a resort on the eastern shore of Mobile Bay, Alabama. At 2 o'clock this morning, Mr. and Mrs. Tucker were aroused by a tapping at the back door of their home and then a childish voice was heard, crying out, "Please, mamma, let me in."

Astonished and alarmed, the parents opened the door to find their six-year-old daughter lying on the steps. She was taken in and soon told her awful story. In substance, she said that a man had taken her from the house and into the woods, where he had injured her. She was out of the house about an hour. The man, she said, brought her back to the house, putting her down at the gate. She had dragged herself to the rear gallery and knocked at the door. She said that the man was short and thick-set, of light complexion, a white man or a mulatto negro.

Mr. Tucker immediately aroused his neighbors and searching parties were organized. By the light of torches, lanterns and lamps the country adjacent to Battle's wharf was thoroughly scoured. By daybreak the whole community was on foot, but no definite clew could be obtained, except that about 12 o'clock the children in the Catholic Orphans' Summer Home had been alarmed by an intruder who came in at the window and when the children asked what he wanted, replied: "The sisters." Then he retired. He was said to be a negro. The man who entered Tucker's house went in at the window, picked up the child from a bed on which lay also a 12 year-old daughter of Mr. Tucker. The little victim did not awake until she was out of the house. Reporters have gone to the scene, but as yet nothing has been heard from them.

FUSION IN WASHINGTON.

Democrats Dissatisfied with the Report of the Conference Committee.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ELLENSBURG, August 14—Between 2 and 3 o'clock this morning the conference committee agreed upon the following fusion plan, which was reported back to the several conventions at the opening of the forenoon sessions: The Populists were awarded two Presidential electors, the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Secretary of State, Auditor, Land Commissioner and one Congressman. The Democrats were allotted two electors, the member of the Supreme Court, the Treasurer and the State Printer. The Free Silver Republicans were allotted one Congressman, the Attorney General and the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The scheme is being vigorously discussed and debated on the floor by the three conventions. The Democrats are greatly chagrined and dissatisfied with it, and it is probable that their convention will reject the proposition and nominate a separate ticket, unless they are given a Congressman.

DOCTOR NANSEN,

The Arctic Explorer, Tells of His Attempt and Failure to Reach the North Pole.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

VARDO, NORWAY, August 14.—Dr. Nansen, the Arctic explorer, says he expects that the Fram will eventually arrive at Spitzenbergen. He says that she drifted with the wind westerly in a direction to 84 degrees. Rocky seas, he says, prevented him from entering the mouth of the Olensk river for the purpose of procuring dogs, and lack of dogs prevented him from reaching the North Pole, which he would otherwise have found. Dr. Nansen says he found water 3,800 metres deep, which became appreciably warmer at a depth of 190 metres. The land voyage, he says, was very arduous, but had extremely valuable results. He reached the northern coast of Franz Joseph land in the autumn of 1895, and built a storm house there, in which he lived all the next winter.

Reports from Montpelier, Idaho, place the amount taken from the Bank of Montpelier by three robbers Thursday at $10,000. The outlaws struck out for the Jackson Hole country, with the sheriff and a posse of thirty men in pursuit.

To Cleanse the System

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AN IMPORTANT CASE

CONCERNING RAILROAD INTERESTS OF THE SOUTH

The Injunction Suit Against the S. A. L. to be Heard To-day in the U. S. Circuit Court at Greenville South Carolina.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

GREENVILLE, S. C., August 14.—What is known as the railroad rate case will be heard here to-morrow before United States Circuit Court Judge Simonton. The case has attracted national attention and the contest is being watched with keen interest by the business and railroad world.

The great railroad interests of the South are fully represented here to participate in or to hear the proceedings. The immediate point at issue is whether certain railroads should be permanently restrained from making proposed cuts in rates.

The temporary order was secured in behalf of the Port Royal & Augusta road by Major Augustine T. Smythe, of Smythe, Lee & Frost, and he has given the *News and Courier* correspondent the statement of the case:

"Owing to the Southern Railway Company changing its terminus of their Baltimore line of steamers to Portsmouth, thus making competition with the Old Bay Line, which is controlled by the Seaboard Air Line, the Seaboard threatened to cut the rates to an unremunerative point, unless the Southern took off its boats. The Southern claimed as much right to run a line of boats from Norfolk to Baltimore on the Seaboard, whereupon the Seaboard cut all through passenger and freight rates about 35 per cent. This rate their connections refuse to recognize. The Southern States Freight Association, after endeavoring and failing to secure recognition of the cut rates, ordered a cut of 80 per cent. Mr. John H. Averill, receiver of the Port Royal & Augusta Railroad, through his counsel, Smythe, Lee and Frost, of Charleston, filed a bill in the United States Court for South Carolina, asking an injunction against a continuance of the 35 per cent. rate and against the putting into effect the 80 per cent. cut. The bill recites the facts and then takes the ground that these cuts are in violation of the provisions of the Inter-State Commerce law, and that the S. A. L. and its connections and the other roads have entered into a combination and conspiracy by these cuts to inflict great loss and damage on the other railroads and the public: that no public demand had been made for any such reductions in rates; that the commercial and farming interests of the country will suffer untold damage by the great demoralization of rates; that railroads are public corporations, charged with the performance of grave public duties, which they are obliged to perform under pain of forfeiting their charters; that the law requires all rates to be reasonable and just, thus affording sufficient income to the roads to enable them to keep their roadbeds and stock in proper condition to carry on their operations. Upon the filing of this bill, Judge Chas. H. Simonton, United States Circuit Judge, granted a restraining order and a rule to show cause to-morrow why a permanent injunction should not be granted, and the hearing comes off to-morrow on this rule.

The effect of the case in railroad circles is shown by the fact that among those in this city to attend the hearing are H. M. Comer, president, Central of Georgia; A. B Andrews, first vice president, J. M. Culp, traffic manager, and Judge Henderson, general counsel for the Southern; S. R. Kaott, vice president, Louisville & Nashville; Reuben Foster, president, York River Steamboat Company; H. S. Haines, commissioner, Southern States Freight Association; J. H. Averill, receiver, A. T. Smythe, general counsel, R. H. Wright, G. P. A., Port Royal and Augusta; General Superintendent V. E. McBee, General Counsel Watts, Messrs. Spalding and King and H. W. B. Glover, general traffic manager of the Seaboard Air Line; W. J. Craig, S. J. Simpson, of the Charleston & Western Carolina; W. H. Liles, general counsel for the Columbia, Newberry & Laurens; R. G. Stone, general freight agent of the Georgia, Southern & Florida; G. T. Barron, general counsel, and W. H. Fitzsimmons, Atlantic Coast Line; W. H. Black, E. R. Black, counsel for Southern States Freight Association, and W. L. McGill, secretary Southern States Freight Association; H. A. Smith, counsel for S. A. L.; W. H. Fitzgerald, commissioner of the Associated Railways of Virginia and the Carolinas; Judge Edward Baxter, H. C. Cunningham, general counsel for the Georgia Central, and W. A. Winburn, G. F. A. for the Central of Georgia.

VENEZUELA TROUBLE.

Probability of an Early and Satisfactory Settlement of the Difficulty Between Great Britain and the United States.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, August 14.—In the House of Commons to day Sir William Harcourt, the leader of the opposition, asked in regard to the Venezuelan situation, if the proposal contained in the dispatch sent to the Foreign Office by the United States Government on June 12th last had removed the difficulties, and further inquired whether there were any prospects of a speedy submission of the question to arbitration.

Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, First Lord of the Treasury, said that the Government was still considering the proposal made by the United States Government, which was regarded by the Foreign Office as opening the way for an equitable settlement of the difficulty. The Government, he added, had every expectation that the pending negotiations would lead to an early and satisfactory result.

Sir William Harcourt said that the House would regard Mr. Balfour's statement as satisfactory, and asked to have the paper on the subject prepared to be presented to the House.

Mr. Balfour replied that the Government would present the papers to the House as soon as might be consistent with public interest.

BASE BALL.

Result of Games Played Yesterday at Various Places.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

Portsmouth—Portsmouth 23, Lynchburg 7

Mobile—Mobile 2, Montgomery 12.

Brooklyn—The Brooklyn-Baltimore game postponed on account of rain.

Boston—Boston 4, New York 0

Philadelphia—Philadelphia 14, Washington 0.

Louisville—Louisville 5, Chicago 4.

Pittsburg—Pittsburg 6, Cleveland 4

Roanoke—Roanoke 11, Petersburg 1

Richmond—Richmond 7, Norfolk 3.

The U. S. cruiser Raleigh left New York yesterday to join Admiral Bunce's squadron at Hampton Roads. The fleet is expected to sail for another week's evolutions at sea, after which New York will be the rendezvous until Li Hung Chang's arrival.

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MR. AND MRS BRYAN

Abandoned the Contemplated Visit to Mr. Sewall—Will Visit Friends in Dutchess County, New York.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, August 14.—It was not until 1 o'clock this afternoon that Wm. J. Bryan was able to announce definitely his plans for the next few weeks. The decision arrived at last night that he should take a rest at some quiet resort to recuperate from the effects of the severe strain imposed by his tour from Lincoln to New York and to give him the opportunity to write his formal letter of acceptance, set Mr. and Mrs. Bryan to thinking about a suitable place, and it was finally decided to accept an invitation tendered some time ago to visit Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Perrine, at their home, Upper Red Hook, in Dutchess county, New York. A telegram was sent Mr. and Mrs. Perrine, and when the answer was received this afternoon saying that the visit would be agreeable at this time, Mr. Bryan announced his programme.

Mrs. Perrine was a teacher at the Female Academy in Jacksonville, Ill., while Mrs. Bryan was a pupil there. Mr. Bryan also knows her well, as he was a student at the same time at Jacksonville College.

Standing in the vestibule of William P. St. John's residence, No. 123 West Thirty-fourth street, Mr. Bryan told a group of newspaper men what his plans were. He said that he, Mrs. Bryan and Mr. Sewall would leave New York over the New York Central some time tomorrow forenoon, probably at 10.45 for Irvington-on-the-Hudson, to stop over Sunday with John Brisben Walker, editor of the *Cosmopolitan* and an old friend Mr. Sewall will return to Maine from Irvington, while Mr. and Mrs. Bryan will proceed on Monday to Upper Red Hook. They expect to be with the Perrines a week or ten days and on the conclusion of the visit they will start West. Mr. Bryan said he expected to stop at several places on his Western journey, among them Buffalo, Erie and Cleveland. He was not prepared to give the dates, but it is known that he will be in Buffalo August 27th and in Erie on the 29th. At the latter place he will address the convention of Democratic clubs of Pennsylvania. He will reach Lincoln about September 1st, and probably receive the notification committee of the National Silver party at that time.

Beyond the information contained in this statement Mr. Bryan had nothing to say. With reference to his physical condition he told a Southern Associated Press representative with a smile that while he felt that he had not reached the end of his physical strength and power, he felt necessary to have as much rest and quiet as possible while engaged in the composition of his letter of acceptance.

Mr. Bryan will not make any speeches, according to present intentions, on his trip to Upper Red Hook. He said his speaking programme had not been arranged, but that he might speak in New York again before the election. Mr. Bryan's voice is still husky, but he looks well and strong.

The decision to proceed West immediately after the visit to Upper Red Hook is understood to mean an entire abandonment of the contemplated visit to Mr. Sewall at Bath, Me. Whether Mr. Bryan will visit New England during the campaign is doubtful, but it is said that his personal inclinations are towards a New England campaign, and he may go there when he comes to New York again.

This afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Bryan went to a photograph gallery and had more photographs of themselves taken. Afterwards they took a drive about town with Mr. St. John and Mr. Sewall.

RAILROAD RATE WAR.

Negotiations for Final Settlement of the Trouble Between the Southern and the S. A. L.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, August 14—It is understood that negotiations for the settlement of the Southern Railway and Seaboard Air Line trouble have made considerable progress. This is not officially admitted, but interests outside of the Seaboard Air Line and the Southern Railway are striving to bring about an understanding which will prevent the renewal of hostilities after the hearing before Judge Simonton to-morrow. It is reasonably certain that if an agreement is not reached the Seaboard Air Line will find ways and means of cutting into the revenue of the Southern Railway and this in turn will be felt by other roads. The Pennsylvania is understood to have taken a hand in the effort to get a settlement and its influence with both lines is necessarily considerable. As matters now stand there is a deadlock in hostilities, the breaking of which may be full of significance and is waited with much concern.

WARM WIRELETS.

The yacht Alva, with William H. Vanderbilt and friends, arrived yesterday at Fort Monroe.

The Italian Government is persistent in its demand for report on the lynching of three Italians near New Orleans.

The United States Treasury gold reserve at the close of business yesterday stood at $106 063,916. The withdrawals were $202 0.0.

At Fort Wayne, Ind., Robert J. Paced an exhibition mile yesterday in 2 03, breaking the track record of 2.03¾ made by himself two years ago.

The President has appointed George C. Seibels assistant paymaster in the navy, subject to examination. Seibels is from Alabama. There were more than 150 applicants for the place.

It is announced at Indianapolis that a one-fare rate for the round trip has been secured for those who will attend the convention of the National Democratic (gold-bug) party in Indianapolis September 2nd.

The American Line steamer St. Paul, Capt. Jameson, arrived at New York from Southampton yesterday, after another record-breaking passage of six days and thirty-one minutes. This beats her former best record.

At Chattanooga, Tenn., on the charge of husband murder, Mrs. Sallie Jones was arrested and committed to prison without bond. The woman's paramour, Robert McRay, was also incarcerated with her, as an accessory to the deed.

The Monticello Club, the big Democratic club of New Haven, Conn., closed its doors last night. It is said that the club is in financial strains and that there is a conflict in the club's management between the gold and silver elements of the party.

"Horning" Professors.

Many college men will be interested in knowing just what the practice of "horning" professors is. President Tucker of Dartmouth gives what may be considered an official definition of this form of disorder. It is an expression of "dissatisfaction among students with a professor and consists of a "noisy and insulting demonstration against the instructor at his office or at his residence." Sometimes it is "attended with damage to property, but not with violence to person."—New York Tribune.

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