

A BOSTON VIEW OF IT.

The Boston Journal of Commerce doesn't like the idea of the cotton planters reducing their acreage, because that will put the price of cotton up, and that it asserts would be in the end a bad thing for the cotton farmers.

There are some remarkable statements in this, based somewhat on the assumption that the planters are "trying to raise the price of cotton out of all proportion to the value of the manufactured cloth," which they haven't the slightest idea of doing.

Our Boston contemporary might have argued with plausibility, as some of our Southern men interested in cotton do, that there is a medium course to pursue, and that the production should not be so reduced as to run prices up enough to entice other countries to plant largely of cotton, thus causing large crops in those countries and calling into existence competition from quarters where there was none before.

It is a remarkable discovery by our Boston contemporary that our planters would be as well off on a 13,000,000 bale crop at five cents a pound as they would on a 6,500,000 bale crop at ten cents a pound.

The farmers of South Georgia are catching on to the sugar cane. The Macon Telegraph says the farmers of Lowndes county will have in cane this year about a thousand acres and several other counties will do as well.

It might as well be said that the farmer who produces a thousand bushels of wheat and sells it for 50 cents a bushel does as well as the farmer who raises five hundred bushels and sells it for a dollar a bushel.

Wheat, getting about twice the cost of production. Would this Boston contemporary advise the wheat growers to raise all the wheat they could regardless of prices, and tell them that they would do as well on a low price crop double the production as they would on double the price with half the production?

If it be a good thing for the manufacturer to reduce his output so as to keep it within the demand for consumption, and thus keep the price at a paying figure, it ought to be a good thing for the planter to pursue the same course and keep his production within the demand for consumption.

IN PORTO RICO. We have heard much recently about distress in Porto Rico, about the discontent among the people and the widespread poverty that prevails.

"Governor Allen within the last month or thereabouts made several trips into the interior and across the western end of the island. After his return on each occasion he has given to the local press optimistic reports regarding the condition of the crops and the outlook generally.

Nevertheless hundreds of persons in this fertile island are actually starving because the planters who formerly employed them have not the small capital necessary to plant and cultivate crops. The poverty-stricken condition of the laboring classes is shown in their willingness to emigrate. There are at present in the island emigrant agents for three different associations—one in Hawaii, one in Cuba and one in Ecuador.

This is a statement of facts, without any accompanying comment, by a writer who had less motive for misrepresentation than Gov. Allen had, who in his rose-colored statement was substantially commending his own administration. Are people eager to emigrate by the hundred from a country where prosperity prevails? The fact is that for some reason Porto Rico has been on a ragged edge ever since she came under the U. S. flag.

A farmer near Genoa, N. Y., had an Angora goat that there was lots of money in, more than in all the sheep in his barn and dropped his wallet. When he found it it showed marks of having been rifled by the goat.

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SWEET POTATO FLOUR.

Some time ago we noted that a company had been organized in New Jersey to manufacture flour from sweet potatoes, thus reducing the potato to a form in which it can be commercially handled advantageously and kept for any length of time.

"If the company just organized in New Jersey for the purpose of manufacturing flour from sweet potatoes should make a permanent success, there will be cause for jubilation far beyond the sweet potato growing belt of that State. There has never been a satisfactory market for the immense crop of the South, and the waste in this product throughout that region is probably greater than in almost any other of our staple crops.

This is an experiment in which the South is interested, for this is the habit, so to speak, of the sweet potato, which here grows abundantly and to perfection.

For twenty years Dr. J. Newton Hathaway has so successfully treated rheumatism that he is well known to day to stand at the head of his profession in this line. His exclusive method of treatment for Rheumatism, Gout, Gravel, Sciatica, Neuritis, etc., or cure 99 out of 100 cases.

CHIEF JUSTICE FURCHES.

RALEIGH, N. C., April 9.—Upon resuming his seat on the Supreme Court this morning, for the first time since his recent trial and acquittal before the Court of Impeachment, Chief Justice David M. Furches made the following official statement: "The cause of my absence from the court for so long a time will form a page in the history of North Carolina.

As to that, I have nothing to say; but I deem it proper that I should say that those who have been my friends in the matters which have transpired during my absence are too generous to expect anything of me which they do not think is right and just.

A special from Greensboro to night says the cases against the registrars and judges of election were not pressed with leave. District Attorney Holton made a long statement to the effect that this action was taken in the interest of political peace and quiet, and in the interest of the best element in the State of both parties.

The woman gave her name as Mrs. Eugene Herring and said she was from Union, S. C. Her husband left her a few days ago in search of employment and came to Wilmington. He wrote her last Wednesday and said he had secured a position in a cotton mill here and told her to come at once. She did so and after a fruitless search for him appealed to the police to assist in finding her husband. They inquired at both cotton mills and found that no such man as Herring had been employed or even seen by them.

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Bishop Turner, colored, of Georgia, is in favor of banishing all the original negroes to Africa. What has Africa done to Bishop Turner?

LOOKS LIKE MURDER.

Mannie Breece Shot and Almost Instantly Killed by An Associate WITH WHOM HE QUARRELLED.

Hardison Fired On Him While He Was Retreating; Then Made Good His Escape—Quarrelled Over Petty Police Court Case. A. L. Hardison, a young white man aged about 21 years and employed at times in the weaving rooms of the Wilmington Cotton Mills, last night at 7 o'clock shot and almost instantly killed Mannie Breece, an associate, aged about 18 years, with whom he had a quarrel at Front and Wooster streets, over a trivial matter in the police court yesterday morning, in which Hardison's father prosecuted a man named Keeler for an assault. Hardison made good his escape and despite the most vigilant search by the police, he had not been apprehended this morning.

Mr. E. M. Wilson, who keeps a grocery store at corner of Front and Wooster streets, was an eye-witness to the shooting. He stated to a STAR reporter shortly after the murder last night that Breece and Hardison began quarrelling in front of his store and were using very violent language. He told them to stop their quarrelling or move. Breece said all right and Wilson stepped back into the store. Very soon they began again and Mr. Wilson heard them get together before he could reach the door to reprimand them a second time. Breece had a knife when he first heard them quarrelling and he judged from the sound of the scuffle that they were fighting with instruments of this kind. When Mr. Wilson got to the door they had broken loose and Breece was running sideways down Front street toward Dawson and looking backward at Hardison. Mr. Wilson says that to the best of his recollection Hardison then stepped back, drew his pistol and fired twice, at the same time exclaiming "Let him come," with an oath. Breece staggered on down the street to Mr. Marcus Gray's store and fell into the proprietor's arms, saying "Hold me." He died in a few minutes and before Mr. Wilson could telephone for a physician came quickly but Breece had in the meantime died.

When Mr. Wilson went to the telephone he says that Hardison left. He had an ugly gash about his temple, but he did not see other injuries. Police-man J. A. Martin soon came upon the scene and traced Hardison down Wooster street to a house occupied by a Mr. Barfield, where it is said he washed the blood from his forehead and jumped over a fence and disappeared. Chief of Police Furlong, who was very soon upon the scene with a special detail of five men, completely scoured that section of the city for Hardison, but failed to find him. He lives with his father and other members of the family at Second and Dawson streets. Breece lives with his mother and several sisters at Front and Wright streets.

The wound which caused Breece's death was from a .32 calibre pistol and the ball entered just under the left shoulder from the back and, it is presumed, penetrated the heart. The matter was considered at length at the regular monthly business meeting of the division, which was held last night after a very satisfactory session, conducted by Lieut. H. M. Chase, commanding. Mr. A. F. Gibson presided at the meeting and Mr. Chas. E. McMillan was secretary. Aside from the Charlotte trip the company is also considering the question of attending the Buffalo Exposition in the Summer. The plan is to go from Wilmington to New York on the cruiser Hornet and thence to Buffalo by rail. Plans for this trip are, however, not yet definite. Mr. J. M. Murphy was elected a member of the Reserves and after the meeting Mr. J. G. Prempert was initiated into the mysteries of the "Royal Grand Bouncers."

FIRE AT TOMAHAWK, N. C.

Dwelling and All Out Houses On Widow's Farm Destroyed Yesterday. Mr. Dickson MacRae, who arrived in the city last evening from a trip up the A. & Y. railroad, brought news of a severe loss by fire sustained by Mrs. Haywood Boykin, a widow living near Tomahawk, in Sampson county, yesterday about noon.

During the morning, when the wind was blowing a March gale, fire broke out in the forest about the farm which Mrs. Boykin conducts since the death of her husband, and the flames were communicated to the residence and all other buildings, including smoke house, stables, etc., which, with entire contents, were burned to the ground. The damage to buildings alone is estimated at \$1,500, with not a cent of insurance.

Most of the fences about the farm were also burned, leaving the platted crops at the mercy of the stock running at large. The loss is extremely heavy upon Mrs. Boykin and the sympathy of the community goes out to her in the misfortune.

SUIT AGAINST COTTON MILL.

Alabama Dealers Want to Recover About \$10,000 of Laurinburg Company. Robinson Bros., of Anniston, Ala., yesterday entered suit in the U. S. Court here, through their attorneys, Eugene S. Martin and Bountree & Carr, against the Dixon Cotton Mills, of near Laurinburg, N. C.

While no complaint is filed, it is learned that the amount involved is near \$10,000 and grows out of an alleged breach of contract on the part of the defendant in failing to take a thousand bales of cotton which plain-tiffs claim were sold to the mill at approximately ten cents per pound. Cotton at present has declined to about eight cents and hence the reason for the suit. The case will be on the appearance docket at the forthcoming term of the Federal Court here.

The papers were forwarded to the U. S. marshal at Raleigh yesterday for service upon the authorities of the mill.

LETTER FROM CHAPEL HILL.

Progress at the University—Dr. Venable Notice of Miss Annie Moore's Scientific Researches. [Special Star Correspondence.] CHAPEL HILL, N. C., April 10.—Your correspondent here has a pleasant task, knowing that all news from Chapel Hill will always interest a large number of your readers.

A gentleman who has travelled extensively said to me recently, speaking of the Adams building now being erected in the city, "That is one of the most attractive buildings I have ever seen—it is beautiful." In a recent talk before the students the president stated that nearly two hundred thousand dollars had been spent in improvements on the campus in the last two years, and of this amount the State had given a comparatively small part. To see the two new dormitories and the Alumni building and the other improvements will richly repay a visit, not to speak of the other attractions which Commencement will offer.

The Faculty. In the promotion of Dr. Venable to the presidency, the University and the State have not only gained a good president, but also a good teacher. A thorough preparation in this country and in Europe, together with a course in the most advanced scientific and a charming personality make him an ideal teacher.

It is pleasant to note the fact that among the faculty in the faculty in the new catalogue are to be found the good North Carolina names, Graham, Mangum, Henderson and Ruffin, the last being grandsons of the Chief Justices. The schools of medicine and pharmacy and the department of English have improved and the addition of more professors who are elected by the trustees at their meeting here in June. Miss Annie Moore. A recent number of the American Journal of Physiology, one of the most popular and useful in the world, contains a paper by Miss Annie Moore, giving an account of some interesting researches carried on by her in the Hull Physiological Laboratory of the University of Chicago. Miss Moore's researches are along the line of investigations which have become so popular and fruitful in the present day, namely, the investigation of the effects produced by chemical and physical agents upon protoplasm. Her latest paper, published in the present issue, is entitled, "The Effect of Miss Moore's paper, which is entitled, "Further Evidence of the Poisson Effects of a Pure Na. Cl. Solution," is whether or not calcium counteracts its ill effects. Both questions are answered in the affirmative. Miss Moore is of a well known Wilmington family and is the daughter of a friend of mine who she made while teaching at St. Mary's, and who felt proud of her honors.

A TRIP TO CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Naval Reserves Will Likely Go May 20th. Business Meeting and Inspection. Wilmington Division, Naval Reserves, will likely go to Charlotte for the Twentieth of May celebration there next month. Messrs. A. L. Price, W. R. Stewart and S. K. D. C. who was his best man, at the altar. The ceremony was most impressively performed by Rev. James Carmichael, D. D., of St. John's Episcopal church.

The bride was attired in a very heavy iron satin with trimmings of points diaphane with long point medallions. She wore diamond ornaments, gifts of the groom, and carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley and bride's roses.

Miss Bellamy, the maid of honor, was gowned in a white acqueron tulle, with lace trimmings and carried white carnations. Miss Chiswell wore a pink net and silk and carried pink roses. The ushers wore bontonniers of white carnations. The groom was married in his regulation full dress uniform.

The residence was profusely decorated in palms, ferns, and flowers and presented one of the most beautiful scenes ever presented in Wilmington. Besides the many young society people who were present, the commissioned officers of the Algonquin were in full uniform, which added much to the scene.

Mr. and Mrs. Chiswell left at 7 o'clock P. M. on the A. O. L. north-bound train for Washington. From thence they will visit the groom's home in Maryland, and other cities North. The bride is one of Wilmington's most beautiful and popular young ladies, and a great favorite among her friends. The groom is a popular officer in the U. S. revenue cutter service. Lieutenant and Mrs. Chiswell have the very best wishes of a host of friends.

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FOR OLD AGE.

To the old, as to babies, the even balance of health is more important than anything else in the world. The possible health, in age, is not high and strong; it is only even.

There is no end, but death, to the trouble that comes of its loss. It ought to be watched like a baby's.

Their future is short; but oh how it turns on comfort! on whether the wrinkles are wrinkles of pain or of long serene enjoyment! Scott's emulsion of cod-liver oil—for very old and very young in different ways—is the food to secure this even condition of health.

ELEGANT WEDDING.

Miss Mary Jennings Bellamy and Lieutenant B. M. Chiswell Happily Married. DECORATIONS WERE IN PINK. Bride and Groom Two of the Most Popular Young People in Wilmington Society—Many Beautiful Presents Were Received.

The wedding of Miss Mary Jennings Bellamy and Lieut. Benj. M. Chiswell, of the U. S. revenue cutter service, celebrated yesterday afternoon, at 5:30 o'clock, at the residence of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. J. H. Bellamy, was one of the prettiest events of its kind witnessed in the city of Wilmington and it will be remembered as one of the most important social functions ever known here.

The house was lavishly decorated in palms, ferns and other tropical plants and was indeed a scene of rarest beauty. The entire lower floor presented a tropical scene so profusely decorated in plants and flowers as to beggar description.

At the appointed hour the bridal party entered the front drawing room. The ushers were Messrs. Clayton Giles, Jr., and Champ McD. Davis and Jack and W. J. Bellamy, brothers of the bride. They were followed by the ribbon children, Master Hargrove and little Miss Mary Bellamy, nephew and niece, respectively, of the bride. Next came Miss Mary Chiswell, sister of the groom, and she was followed by the maid of honor, Miss Lilla Bellamy, a sister of the bride. The bride, accompanied by her father, Dr. Bellamy, met the groom and his brother, Mr. E. L. Chiswell, of Washington, D. C. who was his best man, at the altar. The ceremony was most impressively performed by Rev. James Carmichael, D. D., of St. John's Episcopal church.

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SWINGING IN MID-AIR.

Particulars of the Tragic Death of Young James Daggett at Bluefield. DELAY IN THE FUNERAL. Remains Will Not Arrive Until This Evening for Funeral Tomorrow—Universally Esteemed by the People of His Adopted Home.

The remains of the late James S. Daggett, the story of whose tragic death at Bluefield, W. Va., was related in these columns yesterday, will reach the city this evening on the A. O. L. train from the north accompanied by his brother, Mr. W. W. Daggett, of Pulaski City, W. Va. It was expected that the remains would reach here this morning but a telegram was received last night from Mr. W. W. Daggett stating that he had been left at Petersburg and could not reach here until the time indicated above. The funeral will be held tomorrow at an hour to be definitely settled upon later.

Sorrow among the former associates and friends of young Mr. Daggett and sympathy for the sorely bereaved family was general yesterday and all spoke of the shocking tragedy only in the most regretful terms. The following special telegram delayed in transmission on the night previous, was received by the STAR yesterday morning and gives additional particulars of the accident which ended the life of the unfortunate young man:

BLUEFIELD, W. VA., April 8, 1901.—Electric light and telephone wires became crossed here to night. James S. Daggett, and employe of the Blue field Telephone Company, climbed upon the pole to cut the phone wires and stood with his foot on a returning wire. When he touched the live wire with his piers the entire current of 2,800 volts passed through his body. In falling backward his feet became entangled in the wires and he hung for several minutes suspended in mid-air. He was stone dead when cut down. The remains will probably be shipped to Wilmington tomorrow.

Still another special from Bluefield is as follows: BLUEFIELD, W. VA., April 8.—James H. Daggett, a young man in the employ of the Bluefield Telephone Company was electrocuted to-night while engaged in cutting a telephone wire, which had become crossed with the main feed wire of the arc lights. The accident occurred at the corner of Mercer street and Bluefield avenue, and was witnessed by a throng of horrified spectators. The instant the young man began to climb the pole he became the cynosure of the gaze of hundreds of people who watched him prosecute his work. After climbing through a mass of wires, he stood upon what is known as the return wire, and reached the telephone wire which was causing the trouble. The moment his piers touched the latter he was seen to waver and fall backwards. In some way his feet became entangled, and he remained suspended head down wards until a ladder was procured and the body cut down. Two thousand volts passed through his body. Mr. Daggett was about 21 years old, and had been in this city only about three months, having come here from Radford, where he had been employed by the Virginia and Tennessee Telephone Company. His home was in Wilmington, N. C., and he had only this morning returned from that place, where he had been to attend the funeral of a sister. The young man came here highly recommended and made hosts of friends among those with whom he came in contact.

Dr. Russell Bellamy. Dr. Russell Bellamy, of New York, arrived in the city yesterday morning to attend the marriage of his sister, Miss Mary Jennings Bellamy, to Lieut. B. M. Chiswell. Dr. Bellamy has risen to distinction in New York where he practices his profession. He and Mrs. Bellamy will leave on April 28th for Europe, where Dr. Bellamy will make a practical investigation preparatory to supervising the erection in New York of one of the finest hospitals ever founded in the United States.

A Severe Wound. Henry Holly, a negro boy, was sent to the Hospital yesterday afternoon from the effects of a very severe gash inflicted just below the left knee by falling on a broken beer bottle. The accident occurred in an alley between Second and Third and Dock and Orange streets.

Rev. Frederick H. T. Horsfield, of Cambridge, N. Y., who has been supplying the parish of St. James, this city, for several months past, expects to leave the latter part of this week for Burlington, N. C., where he has another temporary charge.

The Delgado Baptist Church has been regularly organized with Rev. L. B. Boney as pastor and Messrs. L. B. Brady and L. L. Hudson deacons. It has twenty-seven members.

The schooner Montana, which arrived yesterday from New York, brought 3,800 rolls of cotton bagging as part cargo, for interior points.

The meeting of Carolina Central stockholders is postponed until April 17th.

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Two hundred bushels of potatoes remove eighty pounds of "actual" Potash from the soil. Unless this quantity is returned to the soil the following crop will materially decrease.



U. S. TRANSPORT RAWLINS.

Sunk at Her Pier in Brooklyn, N. Y. Badly Damaged by Fire—Four Men Overcome by Smoke. By Telegram to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, April 10.—The United States army transport Rawlins, which was to have sailed at 2 o'clock this afternoon for Havana, Matanzas and Cienfuegos, is lying with her saloon deck awash in thirty feet of water to the south of the army pier at the foot of Pacific street, Brooklyn.

Fire was discovered aft of the Rawlins' main engine room early this morning. Two alarms brought the pier six engines, two trucks and three fire-boats, and at 3:30 o'clock so many thousands of gallons of water had been pumped into the transport that she keeled over, and with water rushing in through her open ports settled slowly until her keel touched bottom.

The property loss will not exceed \$50,000. It will cost perhaps \$20,000 more to pump the Rawlins out and raise her. The Rawlins was being loaded with a miscellaneous cargo, consisting of the most part of horse feed for army use. Apparently the blaze had been smoldering all night, for the first warning was a puff of black smoke from the most part of horse feed for army use. There was no confusion. After an alarm had been turned in the crew set to work to fight the fire, but they were handicapped by the fact that the ship's pumps were being repaired. A stream from the donkey engine pump was directed against the blaze, but the decks became so hot that all hands were driven to the pier. When the firemen arrived and commenced pouring water into the hold the crew of the ship climbed back and stripped the vessel of her chronometers, a quantity of silverware and other valuable articles. To prevent the transport from turning turtle, hawsers were fastened to her bow and stern.

GEORGIA'S LATEST TRAGEDY.

Killing of Miss Cleghorne and Tragic End of the Murderer Stirred Every Portion of the State. By Telegram to the Morning Star. SUMMERVILLE, Ga., April 20.—The killing of Miss Minnie Cleghorne by J. J. Arrington yesterday afternoon and the tragic end of the murderer has stirred every portion of Georgia, the young people being well known and popular. Members of both families who were present at the funeral last night. The body of Mr. Arrington was taken to Rome, where the funeral took place this morning.

Miss Cleghorne will be buried tomorrow. She told several people here, in Atlanta and in Quitman, that Arrington had threatened to kill her. This evening the following note was found in Miss Cleghorne's writing desk: "I'm—If anything should happen to me—I have got to meet Jim A., for the last time; he will be responsible for what occurs." "MINNIE CLEGHORNE."

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

Japanese Government Accepts the Declaration of Russia Regarding Manchuria. By Telegram to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, April 10.—The Japanese minister, Mr. Takahira, to day received official advices from the foreign office at Tokio, entirely dispelling the alarming reports as to a Russo Japanese rupture and showing that the Japanese government accepted the latest declaration of Russia on Manchuria with the same sense of satisfaction that it had been received in the United States. Mr. Takahira called at the State Department and informed the Secretary of State of the gratifying turn of events. The position of Japan, as now defined in the highest official quarters, is practically the same as that of the United States. As the other Powers already have indicated their acceptance of the Russian declaration, the course of Japan removed the last possibility of division, and appears to restore the harmonious concert which has thus far proceeded in dealing with China.

The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals reversed and remanded the case of John Kipper, a negro, who was given a life sentence for the murder of a police officer at El Paso. The reason assigned for reversing the case was that there was no negro juror on the grand or petit jury.

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