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## COTTON CROP REPORT

### Recent Enormous Consumption of the Southern Mills

#### REPORT ISSUED FOR A FULL YEAR

First Census Bureau Bulletin On the Subject Shows An Aggregate of 14,456,994 Bales, of Which 61 Per Cent. Consumed At Home, Leaving a Surplus of 9 Per Cent.

Washington, Special.—The census Bureau issued a bulletin showing the production and distribution of the cotton of the United States available between September 1, 1904, and September 1, 1905, to be 14,456,994 bales. Of this 61 per cent. was exported, 39 per cent. was used in domestic consumption, leaving a surplus of nine per cent. The domestic consumption includes 36,776 bales destroyed by fire.

The exportation amounted to 8,843,929 bales, the domestic consumption 4,315,756 and the surplus 1,305,309. Of the total 13,693,279 bales were included in the crop of 1904 and the remainder in that of 1905. Of the quantity consumed in the United States, 2,138,829 bales were used in Northern and 2,140,151 in Southern mills.

### BANNER EXPORT YEAR.

In addition to the totals given 124,469 bales of foreign cotton were imported into the United States during the year. The exportation for the year covered exceeded that of any previous 12 months by 1,144,452 bales and they exceeded the average for the past ten years by 2,313,943 bales. New Orleans, with a total of 2,463,421 bales, held first rank as an exporting point, but was close pressed by Galveston with 2,388,318 bales, Savannah, Ga., with 1,299,989 bales held third place. The value of the total export was \$404,209,293.

The export of raw cotton was distributed in bales as follows: To United Kingdom, 4,043,999; Belgium, 1,611,511; France, 857,103; Germany, 2,115,672; Italy, 536,929; Russia, 125,463; Spain, 289,688; other European countries, 172,112; Japan, 324,668; British North America, 125,407; Mexico, 73,276; all other countries 9461.

### SOUTH'S HUNGRY SPINDLES.

The total number of producing spindles in the United States is reported at 24,077,524 of which 8,211,734 were in the South and 15,865,790 in the North. Notwithstanding the great difference in the number of spindles of the two sections the consumption of cotton is practically the same. The annual consumption of cotton per spindle in the Northern mills is 67 pounds, compared with 124 pounds in the South. The difference in the per spindle consumption indicates that the Northern mills are spinning yarns of very much greater fineness than those turned out by the Southern mills. The large output of the Southern mills this season has been mainly of heavy fabrics to supply a greatly increased demand from China and the Orient.

The report shows that in 25 years the production of the United States has increased from 5,755,359 to 13,693,279 bales, and that the total consumption of cotton in this country has increased from 1,671,333 to 4,378,928 bales. Within the last five years the cotton-consuming establishments of the Southern States have increased their consumption from 1,433,711 to 2,140,151 bales. During these five years the Northern cotton-consuming establishments have actually decreased their consumption by 16,955 bales, explained by these mills being engaged during this period in replacing old machinery by more modern.

### Collision on Pennsylvania.

Millsville, Pa., Special.—Three men were killed, one man was injured and a carload of race horses were either killed or so badly hurt that they had to be shot as the result of a collision at the junction of the Lykens Valley branch of the Pennsylvania railroad, a quarter mile south of this place Monday.

### Pat Crowe's Confession.

Butte, Mont., Special.—Pat Crowe has admitted that he was in Omaha six weeks ago and engaged in a pistol duel with the police, during which an officer was shot. He says the police fired 16 shots at him before he replied and that he opened fire to save his own life. He said his sole object in coming here was to surrender believing that he had better give himself up at a distance from home, so that in yielding to extradition he might make terms favorable to himself with the Nebraska authorities.

### Killing at Hot Springs, Ark.

Hot Springs, Ark., Special.—Dr. G. H. Alexander was shot and killed at 7 o'clock Monday night near his home by Merch Jamison. Dr. Alexander and his daughter, Nora, were going home when they met Jamison, who began shooting. After he had shot Alexander he fled. The shooting is said to have been the culmination of family troubles. Dr. Alexander formerly resided at Hope, Ark.

## AREY MUST PAY FULL PENALTY

### Salisbury Distiller Will Spend Three Months in Rowan Jail and Enriches the Government's Coffers.

Greensboro, Special.—The October term of the United States Court promises to be unusually interesting if not sensational. The charge of Judge Boyd was comprehensive and clear. There is a large crowd. The cases against the Federal officeholders constitute the chief topic of interest and have attracted quite a number who are here in the capacity of witnesses and attorneys. It is understood that these cases will be called for trial later in the week.

Only two cases of interest were before the court that of D. L. Arey, of Salisbury, who was convicted at the June Charlotte term and appeared here and voluntarily surrendered himself. He left in custody of a deputy marshal for Salisbury, where he enters upon his three months' imprisonment in the county jail of Rowan. Arey also brought with him and is ready to pay \$22,000, the amount of the judgment against him. He will also pay a fine of \$200 and costs, amounting to something over \$1600, aggregating \$23,000, which sum the United States gets from this one defendant.

Following the disposition of this case was the trial of one W. B. Lucas, from Montgomery county, charged with operating unlawfully a branch distillery. After very earnest argument by his attorney, Bradshaw, and the district attorney and the charge of the Judge, that he did not care to follow Mr. Arey and failed to answer when called to hear the response of guilty from his jury. He is pursued by an instanter capias, but the chances are that he will not consume the further attention of the court at this time.

### State W. C. T. U.

Raleigh, Special.—The twenty-third annual convention of the W. C. T. U. of North Carolina ended Wednesday afternoon, and is pronounced the best ever held. Mrs. Laura Winston, of Morganton, was elected president; Miss Elizabeth Marsh, of Winston, vice-president; Mrs. N. Ore Johnson, of High Point, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Mary E. W. White, of Guilford College, recording secretary; Mrs. Mary E. Carland, of Greensboro, treasurer. The following heads of divisions were chosen: Evangelistic, Mrs. Mary E. Carland; prisons, Mrs. L. C. Blair and Mrs. Strickland; almshouses, Miss Lucy Davis; Sabbath observance, Mrs. P. D. Hackney; systematic giving, Mrs. F. E. Rose; mothers' meetings and purity, Mrs. Elizabeth Turner; temperance literature, Mrs. Pettis; scientific temperance, Mrs. Batts; press work, Miss Allie Winghamam; antinarcotics, Mrs. Mills; medal contests, Mrs. Mary Nicholson; organization, Miss Notre Johnson; health and heredity, Mrs. Mary Hobbs; peace and arbitration, Mrs. Mary E. W. Davis. The place of next year's meeting will be selected by the executive committee during the winter. Delegates were elected to the National Convention to be held at Los Angeles, California, October 27, as follows: Mrs. M. J. Branner, Waynesville; Mrs. Shore Kernessville; Miss Marsh, of Winston, and Mrs. Battle, of Raleigh.

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Spencer, Special.—The board of aldermen of Spencer have awarded a \$35,000 contract for sewers, street improvements and sidewalks to Mr. C. Markley, of Roanoke, Va., whose bid was a competitive one for the municipal improvements in Spencer. The work on the sewers will be begun at once and pushed to rapid completion and the streets and sidewalks will be constructed as rapidly as possible. In addition to the above improvements a graded school building will be erected at once at a cost of approximately \$10,000, for all of which bonds are being sold.

**Lord Inverclyde Dead.**  
Wemyss Bay, Scotland, By Cable.—Lord Inverclyde, chairman of the Canadian Steamship Company, died Sunday at Castle Wemyss, his residence here aged 44. He had been ill for a month with pleuro-pneumonia. Lord Inverclyde's brother, James Cleland Burns, succeeds to the title.

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## BARTLETT TO LEAD

### Bay State Democrats Held a Noisy Convention

#### DELEGATE WAS HOWLED DOWN

Was Determined to Read Sub-Platform Which He Said Was Written by W. J. Bryan—Municipal Ownership Endorsed.

Boston, Mass., Special.—Gen. Charles W. Bartlett of Boston was nominated by the Massachusetts Democracy for governor. There were no contests for any of the places on the ticket. The remainder of the ticket nominated was: Lieutenant governor, Henry M. Whitney, Brookline; secretary of state, Henry B. Little, Newburyport; treasurer and receiver general, Daniel J. Doherty, Westfield; auditor, P. J. Ashe, North Adams; attorney general, John T. Leahy, Boston.

Up to the time that James E. Cotter of Hyde Park arose to place before the convention the name of Gen. Bartlett as the gubernatorial candidate, it was believed that there would be a contest. Former Mayor John H. H. McNamee of Cambridge had announced that he would make a struggle for the honor of leading the party in the coming campaign. To the surprise of the convention, however, Mr. McNamee did not make any contest but seconded Gen. Bartlett's nomination.

The platform adopted declares for a revision of the tariff and the free admission of coal, iron, lumber, hides, wood pulp and other materials; it commends the "diplomatic courage and sagacity" of President Roosevelt in aiding to end the war in the far east; calls for State supervision of insurance companies and recommends municipal ownership of public utilities.

### Nearly 10,000 Perished.

Victoria, B. C., Special.—The steamer Tartar which arrived last week from the Orient, brought news from Shanghai that the loss of life among the natives of the islands at the mouth of the Yangtze river as a result of the typhoon at the beginning of September was tremendous. The North China Daily News, of Shanghai, says: "To the east of Tabungung, two islands, one called Yavoshwa, the other Shihouisa, distant about twenty miles from Wosuh, have suffered much from the typhoon, nearly all the inhabitants having been swept away. The islands have only been inhabited for a short time, comparatively speaking, as they are of recent formation and are not much above high water mark."

The Shanghai papers say that the damage to the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Japan by the typhoon will necessitate the expenditure of \$100,000 for repairs. During the storm the steamer Peccilli, formerly the Rio Grande du Sol, foundered near the mouth of Yangtze. Her crew of 54 were saved by the German steamer Albeha.

### Pay \$2,500,000 for Mexico Mines.

Mexico City, Special.—Messrs. Schully, Perry and Newell, American capitalists, have just acquired for the sum of \$2,500,000 a group of mining claims situated in the State of Durango. The first payment, \$1,400,000, has been placed with the National Bank of Mexico, and the balance will be paid periodically. This is the most important transaction that has been made in mining claims for several years.

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### Negro Mob Lynches Negro.

Bainbridge, Ga., Special.—News has just reached Bainbridge of the lynching of a negro eight miles west of here, by a mob of his own race. The negro had criminally assaulted a negro girl and had attempted to assault another, who cut him in the breast. He was arrested by Deputies Ivey and Murkerson, who were bringing him to Bainbridge, when they were stopped by a mob of negroes, who said they must have the negro. They got him and forced the deputies to go away on another road. The negro was strung up to a tree and riddled with bullets. None of the mob were apprehended.

### Ryan to Build Vault in Richmond Cathedral.

Richmond, Special.—It is understood that Thomas F. Ryan, of New York and Virginia, is to have constructed in the half-million dollar cathedral he has given to the Roman Catholic diocese of Richmond, and which is now nearing completion, a vault to be the place of sepulture for himself, Mrs. Ryan and the bishops of this diocese, to cost about \$10,000.

## NEW INDUSTRY FOR SOUTH

### High Point is to Have an Organ Factory

High Point, N. C., Special.—The latest acquisition to High Point's diversity of manufacturing interests is a factory to manufacture organs. The gentleman promoting the enterprise met with some of the business men and the required capital stock was raised in a few minutes. The promoter is a man of experience in the manufacture of organs and other musical instruments. It is learned that the capital stock will be \$25,000 to begin with. High Point can handle the product of such an industry as well as that of any other wood working plant, and as it is on a new line the people here will take a great interest in its development.

### Deputy Sheriff Bound Over.

Dunn, Special.—The anti-liquor and blind tiger movement in this community has not in the least abated—it is determined to suppress the liquor evil in all of its various forms. The temperance forces in this vicinity are working with an unrequitable perseverance and good results are following. The Federal authorities have made this place headquarters apparently for some time. They destroyed one blockade or moonshine distillery outfit this week in Banner township, about four miles from Benson. The work was done by J. P. H. Adams and A. F. Suries. The operatives were not arrested but it is almost certain that they will be as their identity is established. L. M. Ryals, the deputy sheriff of Johnston, and who resides at Benson, was bound over to the Federal court under a bond of \$200 for selling without license.

### Laying the Track.

Durham, Special.—The Durham and Southern will be running trains into Durham before the holidays are over, according to a statement made by Captain R. L. Cheatham, general manager of the road. Captain Cheatham has just returned from a trip over the road. He said the work was progressing rapidly. The road bed has been graded and large forces of hands are now working in laying the track. This road runs from here to Apex and will connect at Apex with the main line of the Seaboard and with the Cape Fear and Northern. The freight depot for this road will be at Apex, but as yet there is no work on building. The road will enter Durham from East Durham over the right of way of the Seaboard and the Southern roads. There is talk that for the present the freight depot of the Seaboard road will be used by the new road.

### Child's Sad Death.

Warrenton, Special.—The circumstances causing the death of the 9-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bagg, of Hawtree, are very sad. The child was on top of a wagon load of seed cotton with its father Monday evening, when by a sudden jerk of the horses he was thrown to the ground and one wheel passed over his body, mashing it so badly that he never regained consciousness and died during the night. The little boy was an exceedingly bright child for his age and his sudden taking away from his loved one was a great shock.

### Dixon Gets \$1,500 Damages.

Asheville, Special.—In the Superior court the case of Anderson Dixon, administrator, vs. the Southern Railway was decided, the plaintiff being awarded \$1,500 damages for the death of Hezekiah Dixon, who was run over and killed by a freight train near Black Mountain some time ago.

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### Incorporations.

The Middle Creek Lumber Company, of Franklin, Macon county with \$100,000 authorized and \$25,000 subscribed capital stock was chartered. The incorporators are: W. C. Smith, Nathalia; R. F. Branner, Otto; and F. S. Johnson, Franklin. The People's Supply Company of Wilmington, with \$100,000 authorized and \$4,000 paid in capital stock, was chartered. The object of the concern is to conduct a general mercantile business. The incorporators are: W. B. Cooper, W. B. McClellan, I. W. Cooper and L. E. McClellan, all of Wilmington.

### News Notes.

At Winston-Salem on Tuesday a fine monument to the Confederate soldiers was unveiled with impressive ceremonies. The monument was erected by the Daughters of the Confederacy. A large crowd was present and splendid addresses were made.

N. C. Long committed suicide on a Bay Line steamer on the way from Baltimore to Norfolk.

## NORTH STATE NEWS

### Occurrences of Interest in Various Parts of the State.

#### Charlotte Cotton Market.

These figures represent prices paid to wagons:  
Good middling . . . . . 9.00  
Strict middling . . . . . 8.90  
Middling . . . . . 8.90  
Middling . . . . . 9.75

#### General Cotton Market.

Houston, steady, middling . . . 10 3-16  
Augusta, steady, middling . . . 10 3-16  
Memphis, steady, middling . . . 10 3-16  
St. Louis, quiet, middling . . . 10 3-16  
Louisville, firm, middling . . . 10 3-16

#### Industrial Progress.

In accordance with the long established habit of the State Department of Agriculture, Immigration and Statistics, and annual bulletin has just been issued from the press which presents a list of the cotton, woolen and silk mills of the State, of miscellaneous establishments, by counties, including fertilizer factories and oil mills, furniture, sash, door and blind, brooms, cotton gins, saw and lumber chairs, plows, brick and tile, baskets, dairies, colliers, overalls and pants, bags shuttles, terra-cotta pipes, machine shop and foundry, mattresses, harness and various others; and a registry of improved cattle, hogs, horses, sheep and poultry. It has been difficult to obtain a complete list, and doubtless this one as presented is not perfect. Year by year the department has sought to make the list more and more complete, but some owners and managers of the manufacturing plants are averse to or very slow in, giving the information asked for. They fail to recognize that the bulletin, going to many thousand readers in the State and sought for by many enquirers from without the State, is offering free an excellent medium of advertising their business.

#### Attempted Suicide.

Wilmington, Special.—J. O. Vaughan, 45 years old, a traveling salesman for a wool cotton company in New York, attempted suicide at his hotel here by cutting his throat with a razor. He was found by one of the hotel attendants about 11 o'clock in a hallway, blood streaming from three ugly wounds in his throat. The act was evidently that of a madman, as half a dozen men were required to hold him on the bed until the hospital ambulance came. If he can be quieted his wounds will probably not be fatal. Vaughan has a family at Norcross, Ga., and was well known in the South.

#### New Hotel For Halifax.

Halifax, Special.—Dr. H. B. Ferguson has cleared the site for the new brick hotel, on the lot where the old Southern was burned some years ago. The hotel is badly needed and it will be a decided improvement.

#### North State News.

An accident occurred on the A. & N. C. road late Tuesday evening in which Conductor Bigford of a work train, got a sprained ankle, and a laborer was slightly hurt. The accident was the result of a log train running into the rear end of a work train. Ten or twelve log trucks were piled up, but were cleared away in time enough to let the No. 2 pass Wednesday morning. The blame for the accident has not been placed yet.—New Bern Journal.

A Jacksonville special says: Mr. L. S. Covington, of Rockingham has organized a bank here with paid up capital of \$10,000, the business people of the community being largely interested in the new enterprise. Mr. J. W. Burton was elected president; ex-Sheriff Hargett, vice-president; the cashier's position being left open for the present. The bank will open for business as soon as the necessary fixtures and supplies can be obtained.

While running in front of his train at Apex to open a switch, Mr. Sidney Young, a Seaboard Air Line flagman stumbled and fell, and was run over by the freight train and very seriously injured.

A charter is granted the bank of Jones County, at Trenton, capital stock \$42,500. Thomas D. Warren and others stockholders, to do a commercial and savings bank business.

At a meeting of the tobacco board of trade at Rocky Mount a committee was appointed to issue a circular to the effect that while the burning of the Davis and Formers warehouses was a serious loss to the proprietors this fire did not affect the marketing of tobacco here to any extent, as there is abundant floor space for all tobacco coming to this market.

Mrs. J. A. Dunn having left her husband's home in Richmond county, and gone to Charlotte, bringing their children, Mr. Dunn followed, secured a writ of habeas corpus from Judge Peebles and took the children back home with him.

## TEXTILE NEWS OF INTEREST

### Notes of Southern Cotton Mills and Other Manufacturing Enterprises.

#### Roanoke Rapids, N. C.—Further

important developments of the water power properties will be undertaken by the Roanoke Rapids Power Co. of that city, in connection with plans for adding other manufacturing industries to those two established to have a capital with 50,000 spindles, and it has about closed a contract ensuring the location of a large paper and pulp mill. The Roanoke Rapids Power Co. developed 5,000 horse-power in 1893, and has increased its stock to \$500,000 for the purpose of building a mill to be equipped and furnishing power to manufacturing, and plans to further utilize its water-power to the fullest extent. It is contemplated to construct a concrete dam entirely across the Roanoke river and build an electric plant to transmit the power by electricity, the cost of this work to amount to about \$420,000. The company's engineers are now at work on the plans and estimates. H. C. Cooper is general manager.

Spartanburg, S. C.—The Beaumont Mfg. Co. will build the new mill but will at first install 4000 spindles and power for the full capacity, construction work to begin immediately under the supervision of J. E. Straine of Greenville, S. C. He has been engaged as the engineer in charge of the improvements. This will be Beaumont Mill No. 3, its product to be white and colored carpet warps, twines rope, wicking and other specialties; output proposed, 5,000 pounds daily. About 100 operatives will be employed in the mill. Beaumont Mills No. 1 and No. 2 will be the yarn mills, with a total of 9,838 spindles; No. 3 is the weave mill, having 9,792 spindles and 252 40-inch Draper looms. D. L. Jennings is treasurer of the company.

Asheville, N. C.—A meeting of the stockholders of the Elk Mountain Cotton Mills Co. was held last week to consider adding a bleaching to the company's plant. An affirmative decision was made and the capital stock of the corporation will be increased from \$150,000 to \$200,000 in order to provide the required funds. A site has been obtained, and the construction work is expected to begin in the near future. There are 84 looms in the mill and their product is damask, bedspreads, etc., all of which is now shipped to Lowell, Mass., for bleaching. Electricity is the motive power of the mill, and a steam engine is kept ready for use in emergencies in case or if water is to be pumped in time of fire.

Charlotte, N. C.—The Magnolia Mill, which is located on South Graham street, is one of the most successful of the many manufacturing enterprises of this city. This mill was instituted some seven years ago, and since its beginning has always paid handsome dividends. Time and again, the equipment has been increased to meet the demands of the trade. The business of the plant has reached such proportions that Mr. A. C. Sumner, the proprietor of the company as well as the present equipment of 48,000, thus making the total number of machines available 6,000 devoted exclusively to the manufacture of hosiery yarns. Workmen are now engaged in the construction of additional quarters, and which will be within the next few weeks, the operation of the complete equipment will be begun. The new plant will be finished by the middle of November. The Magnolia mill is capitalized at \$40,000.

#### Textiles Notes.

Over \$250,000 has been subscribed for the new cotton mill which is to be built at La Grange, Ga. The Fayetteville Mill Co. of Fayetteville, Tenn., has been incorporated with capital stock of \$110,000, for manufacturing cotton goods, by Messrs. H. K. Holman, A. M. McLaughlin, J. H. Rees, J. H. Harms and C. T. Harms.

Talladega, Ala.—The new machinery of the Chinnabee Cotton Mills will consist of 1,500 spindles and the necessary preparatory machinery. About \$20,000 will be the cost of the additional equipment. The company has been operating 3,500 ring spindles and manufacturing yarns. It is located at Talladega, Ala.

Messrs. L. W. Brown and Charles C. Vaughn of Winston, N. C., and Albert M. Brown of St. Louis, Mo., have incorporated the Pioneer Manufacturing Co., with capital stock of \$25,000 for textile manufacturing.

Arrangements seem about completed for building a cotton waste mill here. A stock company will be organized with capital of \$200,000 to own and operate the plant. Mr. John B. Cleveland of Spartanburg is interested in this enterprise, and it is understood that the Hoffman-Corn Manufacturing Co. of Philadelphia, Pa., and Peter H. Carr, a cotton manufacturer of Taunton, Mass., will be the principal investors in the capital stock.

## MURDEROUS ATTACK

### Prominent Citizen Brutally Slain and Robbed in South Carolina Town

#### NO CLUE TO THE GUILTY ASSASSIN

Mr. R. A. McDowell, a Merchant of Camden, Waylaid and Murdered at 9 O'clock at Night While enroute Home.

Camden, S. C., Special.—Mr. R. A. McDowell, a merchant of this city, was waylaid and foully murdered on his way home Tuesday night about 9 o'clock and robbed of his watch, keys and all the money he had with him. He was struck on the back of the head presumably with a heavy club.

#### Entire State Excited.

Columbia, S. C., Special.—All South Carolina was horrified in reading the account of the murder of R. A. McDowell, brother of W. L. McDowell, editor of the Camden Chronicle. McDowell was on his way home to post his book and was killed by a blow from a bludgeon and robbed.

The dramatic effect was intensified when the news reached here that R. I. Parker, a member of the jury of the Gillis case was found in the river near Camden. Parker is in a dying condition. He states that he was walking with McDowell when both were struck down at the same moment. He was found in reeds on the river one mile from the place where it occurred. He knows nothing more of the affair. McDowell's neck was broken and Parker's forehead was struck. Bloodhounds are being used. There is great excitement. There have been many holdups in this State in the last fortnight and people are getting desperate. Since the robbing of Judge Gary in Columbia nobody is surprised at the boldness of the Camden double murder. A train from Sumter had just arrived and many people were on the street when both men were struck down. Rewards are being offered.

#### President Duncan Resigns.

Union, S. C., Special.—The Union cotton mills situation was greatly cleared at the meeting Wednesday a compromise being effected by which Col. T. C. Duncan was re-elected president, immediately resigned, and was replaced by E. W. Robertson, president of the National Loan and Exchange Bank, of Columbia, who was elected president and treasurer, the new by-laws providing that these two offices could be held by the same person. This action meets with the approval and co-operation of all the stockholders and creditors. The compromise came rather as a surprise to many, but nevertheless, was a great relief.

#### Accidentally Killed.

Asheville, Special.—A telephone message from the Big Ivy section of Buncombe stated that the death of Ellis Maner, of that place, was due to accident. Young Maner was found dead in the woods with a gun shot wound in the stomach, and the failure to find the gun that he had started hunting with led those in the neighborhood to suspect foul play. The gun, however, was later found some distance from the body, with one cartridge exploded. It is supposed that the unfortunate man accidentally shot himself, when he fell and died. Grasped in the dead man's hands were leaves broken from a bush that he caught in falling.

#### Shot His Cousin.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.—Green Steerman, about 17 years, died at Grady hospital as the result of a mysterious shooting September 20th. The boy declared that he accidentally shot himself, but his cousin, Thomas Steerman, who was with him, declared that the wound was inflicted by himself carelessly and unintentionally.

#### Compelled to Leave Town.

Columbia, Special.—W. H. Newbold, former State Detective under Gov. B. R. Tillman and a man conspicuous in dispensary affairs, was practically run out of the town of Kershaw Tuesday. Newbold has excited the ire of the people there on account of his being engaged as a detective to work up evidence against the parties accused of lynching a white man John Morrison, who had killed three men and ruthlessly and cruelly added a fourth victim on the streets of Kershaw.

#### Three Children Burned to Death.

New York, Special.—Fire started in the cellar of a four story apartment house in Brooklyn and spread so rapidly that the escape of Charles Donnelly, his wife and three children on the top floor was cut off. Firemen rescued the father and mother, both of whom were seriously burned, and after the fire was extinguished the charred bodies of the children were found in the apartment.