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IT IS NOT YET TOO LATE.

It is too late now to get the general mass of Southern farmers to make the 30 per cent cut in cotton acreage which Mr. Harvie Jordan says must be made in order to keep up prices.

But it is not too late, Mr. Farmer, for you individually to avoid on your farm the excess in acreage against which farmers are warned.

It is not too late even now to take some of the land you have bedded and ridged for cotton and put it to corn instead. It will be too late in a few days, but it is not now too late.

And we most sincerely believe that this is the thing to do. Even with last year's cotton acreage it will be very hard to keep prices on the sunny side of the ten-cent mark.

But the natural tendency is to increase acreage. Labor is more plentiful than it has been for years, and from many sections we have the ominous news that more cotton is being planted than heretofore.

Yet a cotton manufacturer in whom we have implicit confidence tells us that the trade outlook is the worst he has ever known. Few mills are running on full time, and a general shut down for sixty days is contemplated. "At prices now offered for our class of goods," he says, "we should have to get cotton at seven cents a pound in order to make 10 per cent profit."

It is not yet too late, we repeat, to take some of your cotton land and put it to corn. Better do it.

IF YOU WANT TO—

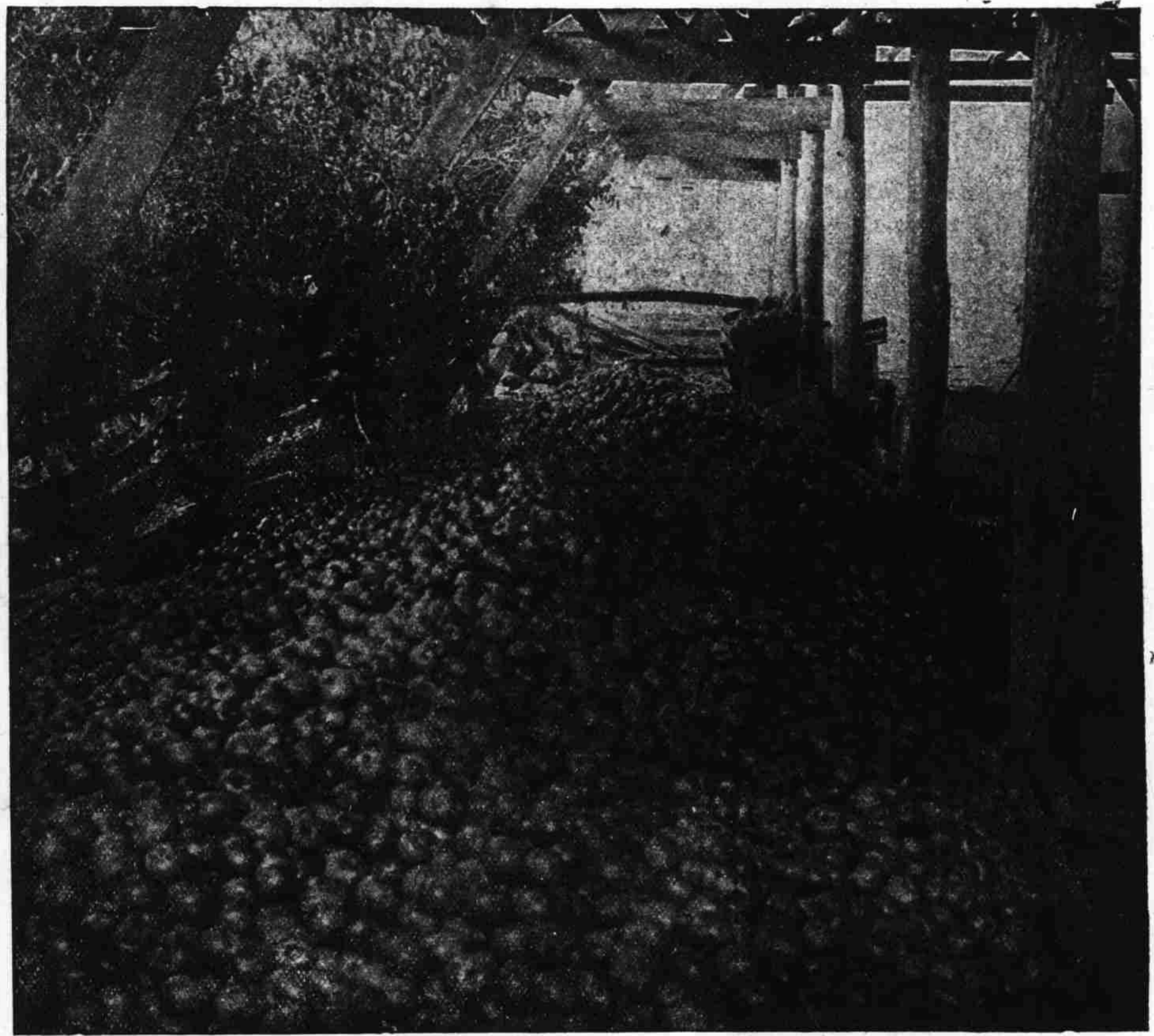
If you want to know where, when, and how to buy money-making Percheron horses, read Mr. Null's article on page 3.

If you want to get some good new ideas about making your home grounds attractive, read page 2.

If you want to find some good reasons why you should banish whiskey from your drinks, your medicines, and your thoughts, read Dr. Freeman on page 5.

If you want to read a good talk on Horseback Riding by a lover of horses and riding, turn to page 4 and read Mr. Sidney Johnson.

If you want to know how the harrow and



Part of a \$6,000 Apple Crop—Result of Wise Spraying.

Your apple trees are blooming now. Wide-awake farmers are spraying; in other words, they are taking out "crop insurance," for there is no other way to insure a good crop of good fruit except by spraying. A cost of ten cents a tree will do the work, as Mr. Cates recently pointed out. If you have not already done so it is too late now for you to get your outfit and save your fruit crop this year, but we can at least remind you now so that another year you will be in time. If you are tired of small yields of scrawny, worm-eaten fruit, do as an increasing number of wide-awake farmers are doing every year: Invest 10 cents a tree in spraying and have fruit like you had "in old times."

weeder can help you in the working of your young corn and cotton, read Mr. Parker's article on page 6.

If you want to know what your best capital, your greatest wealth, is, turn to page 8.

If you want to know why you should have on your farm none but tuberculin-tested cattle, read page 13.

If you want to know how to work your way into the sheep business, read Mr. French on page 12.

If you want to learn many other helpful and useful things, read the numerous shorter articles to be found in this week's paper.

NEXT WEEK'S PAPER.

There will be a number of features in next week's paper to make it an issue of unusual interest. "Who Hath Believed Our Report?" is the title of a stirring agricultural sermon by our Professor Massey.

An article on the corn contest plans which are doing so much in South Carolina to stimulate the growing of big corn yields will be given by Mr. Jas. A. Hoyt.

Continuing his fine live stock articles, Mr. A.

L. French will tell how the average farmer can work himself into the hog and cattle business.

The fine article of this week on Horseback Riding, by Mr. Sidney Johnson, will be followed in next week's paper by one equally as good on Driving.

How consumption, one of the worst plagues that afflict the human family, is spread by milk and butter from tuberculous cows and what ought to be done about it, will be discussed in a timely article.

What a surpassing glory belongs to the starry heavens these clear evenings! "How to Recognize the Principal Stars" will be the subject of a fascinating astronomical article in the Home Circle by Prof. L. D. Watson of the Baptist University for Women, Raleigh.

An article on better roads is always timely, so we are glad to say that in next week's paper Professor Massey will write on "Roads and Road-Making."

And to our North Carolina readers, who are so deeply interested in the issue of prohibition to be voted on May 26th, an article by Editor Poe presenting "The Case for State Prohibition" should have special interest.