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COTTON IS KING.

The White Commodity Refuses to Come Down From Its High Perch.

The activity in the cotton market continues and the price is ballooning day after day. If any one had said in the beginning of the season that cotton would rise 15 cents he would have been looked upon as a dangerous person. Now the price is 15 cents up.

Yesterday the price on the local market ranged from 14 1/2 to 15 1/2 cents. Five bales were sold. One man sold 17 bales at 1 1/2 cents.

The high prices have cleaned out the cotton pretty thoroughly in this section but there is a little movement and farmers are gathering together the odds and ends of their crop.

There is still some picking going on in the field when the weather will permit.

ORIENTAL.

Jan. 28.

Mr. W. Haskins is visiting her mother in Philadelphia.

Mr. W. Haskins who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. G. L. Griffin here has returned to her home in Philadelphia.

We had a heavy rain fall last Friday night. It caused trade to be dull Saturday.

Mr. T. C. Walsger who has been living here moved out on a farm last week. Mr. O. N. O'Neal moved in the house Mr. Walsger left, and Mr. J. W. O'Connell who has been living on a farm moved in the house lately occupied by Mr. O'Neal.

Mr. H. W. Haskins left Monday to visit relatives in Kingston.

One of the Kershaw sports took one of our young ladies out driving this evening and for some cause he let his horse run into a lamp post at the corner of First and Main street and threw the young lady out and hurt her. The horse broke loose from the buggy and dragged the young man for some distance.

Mr. A. F. Midgett's cotton gin came very near getting burned up last Friday. It is supposed that there was a match in the cotton and while going through the gin it caught, and there being a lot of cotton on the floor it made her work to put the fire out.

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FOREMAN.

Jan. 27.

Rev. J. W. MacNamara preached at Wire Grass Sunday night.

The heavy rain, which began falling Tuesday night and continued without ceasing until Saturday night, made it very disagreeable for the pedestrian.

Mr. J. R. O'Connell and daughter, Mrs. Maynor, formerly of Aurora, Beaufort county, but now residing near Beaufort, was the guest of Dr. D. W. Humming Sunday.

The Sharples family, S. T. Merrill, Capt. called today for New Bern loaded with bales of cotton from the Sanders and Norris farms.

Rev. J. R. Jinnett filed his regular appointment at Russell Creek Sunday at 11 o'clock, after which he went to Beaufort, to consult a Doctor in regard to his two little children who are sick with a throat trouble.

Mrs. Mattie Hummings and Mrs. Dollie Dudley, paid a flying visit to Mrs. J. R. O'Connell's near Beaufort Monday, returning home in the afternoon.

Mr. M. T. Merrill is building a very neat little dwelling house on his farm in front of the new church building at Tuttle Grove.

Miss Daisy Brewer, is quite sick with the Grippe. We hope however, that she will soon be able to resume her studies in her school at Russell's Creek which is now closed owing to her illness.

THE NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

No negro was seen at the meeting of the Illy white Republican state central committee of Louisiana which met at New Orleans to arrange for a State convention.

Reports to the state mine inspector of Alabama indicate that the estimate of twelve million as the coal output for 1904 will be easily reached.

Representatives of the southern steel companies met in New York and, it is said, discussed the revival of the southern iron pool.

A \$225,000 blaze in a Louisville warehouse came near causing a panic among guests of the Galt house, who thought the hotel was on fire.

John Mitchell has been re-elected president of the United Mine Workers. He refused to allow his salary to be increased from \$3,000 to \$5,000.

Former Governor Francis, of Missouri says that he is not a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the presidency.

By the fall of a wagon in the Independence mine at Victor, Colorado, fourteen men were killed and one seriously injured.

In order to escape disfranchisement, Congressman Harrison of Texas, journeyed 4,000 miles to pay his poll tax.

Of the 184 men in the outfit at Onancock, Pa., when the explosion occurred, not one escaped.

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The Atlantic Coast line has filed an exception to the order of the Corporation Commission requiring it to put on a passenger train to connect with the Southern Railway at Selma.

President Roosevelt has appointed H. Smith Wesley, a former bishop of the Mormon Church, to be assayer of the mint at Boise City, Idaho.

Warrants are out for the arrest of Mayor Harris in Manager Will Davis, of the Irigoin theatre, and others charged by the coroner's jury with being responsible for the loss of the life in the Irigoin fire.

The bitterest cold of the winter is prevailing in the north west and states of the middle west. In some places snow is falling.

Whitaker Wright, head of the defunct London and Globe Corporation, charged with fraud, was found guilty, died from heart disease, Jan. 26th, shortly after leaving the court room, after having been found guilty of fraud and sentenced to seven years penal servitude.

The work of rescuing bodies from the Hardwick mine continues, and the number of victims is now estimated at 178. It is believed that many of the imprisoned men are still alive, but water is still pouring into the mine, and the water damp makes the chances for rescuing them in time doubtful.

The Fiji Islands have been swept by a hurricane which destroyed entire villages.

Fourteen men were killed by the falling of a cage shaft at the Stratton Independence mine January 26th.

When a man knows how to give the baby a bath his wife doesn't know whether to rejoice because he is so smart or to weep because he is so little like a man.—New York Press.

Important to Farmers

The State agricultural Department has issued a circular which should be of interest to fruit growers as it treats of the best way to spray fruit trees. It is important to look after the trees now and destroy the eggs of the insects and pests which will later destroy the fruit if the trees are not thoroughly sprayed. Especially is this true of the apple crop. If farmers want a good crop they should begin at once to spray their trees before the buds start. This circular tells the best means and apparatus.

The State entomologist, Franklin Sherman, has issued circulars on the various pests: The Hessian Fly, Cotton Boll worm, and the Horned-headed Apple borer. The last circular is on Spraying Apparatus.

Any one of these circulars may be obtained by applying to Mr. Sherman, Department of Agriculture, Raleigh.

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YESTERDAY'S MARKETS.

Cotton, Grain, Provisions and Stocks

Range in Prices. Receipts and Shipments.

The following are the market quotations, received by private wire to A. S. Baxter & Co. New Bern, N. C.

New York, Jan. 28.

March	16.55	16.94	16.51	16.93
May	16.87	16.80	16.93	16.20
July	16.98	16.40	15.91	16.33
Aug.	15.21	15.85	15.63	16.70

Chicago, Jan. 28.

Open	High	Low	Close
Chicago Grain			
May Wheat	89 1/2		89 1/2
May Corn	49 1/2		49 1/2
May Oats	41 1/2		42 1/2
May Rye	6.70		6.70
May Pork	13.27		13.29
May Lard	7.37		7.48

New York, Jan. 28.

Open	Close
Amr. Sugar	139 1/2
Mo. Pacific	94 1/2
So. Pacific	91 1/2
Union Pacific	81 1/2
W. Va. Ry.	144 1/2
Amr. Copper	50
Atchafalpa	70 1/2
R. S. Q.	24
Reading	47 1/2
Texas Pacific	37
W. Va. Ry.	40 1/2
Southern Ry.	38
Southern Ry. pf.	84 1/2
U. S. Steel	114
U. S. Steel pf.	57 1/2
Penn. R. R.	123
Kate	28 1/2
Louisville & Nash	108
St. Paul	145 1/2
N. Y. Central	120
C. & O.	86
B. & O.	85 1/2
N. & W.	64 1/2
Brooklyn R. T.	49 1/2
Colorado So.	12 1/2
Coal, Fuel, Iron	33
Amr. Cotton Oil	33
Va. C. Chemical	32 1/2
Rock Island	30 1/2
Tenn. Coal, Iron	40 1/2
Am. Ice	8 1/2
A. C. P. Ex-Div.	4 p. c.

WASHINGTON LETTER

[Special Correspondence.]

When ex-Governor John D. Long, art-ward secretary of the navy, was in congress, Colonel Pete Hepburn of Iowa, nicknamed the Massachusetts member Taffy. That name is still remembered by the older members, survivors of the Forty-ninth, Forty-fifth and Fifty-first congresses.

"As soon as Mr. Long came to the house," said Colonel Hepburn the other day, "sitting at the long gallery of ex-speakers' portraits in the rear lobby where he was standing, 'every member who undertook to deliver a speech was assured of an audience. Whenever one arose to speak Mr. Long took a seat immediately in front and listened with rapt attention. He would give his eyes to the features of the orator. The speech concluded, Mr. Long would rush forward cordially, clasp the member frantically by the hand and congratulate him."

"I thank you ever so much for that speech," he would say. "I had serious doubts on several points of the subject you have been discussing. You have cleared them away for me. I am very grateful to you."

"Yes," replied Colonel Hepburn, "that is why I called Long Taffy, but do you know that he made a friend for life of every member to whom he listened so attentively and congratulated so warmly? There's a good deal of human nature in us all. We do like a little praise."

Popular Martyrdom.

Naval officers who happen to be on waiting orders are asking themselves who are to be the Mantonomoh martyrs. The Mantonomoh is a large monitor which has been lying disused at the League Island navy yard, Philadelphia, for many months. With the monitor Puritan she is to be fitted out for tropical service, and some of the "waiting orders" officers will be directed to take berth on her.

The opinion of every commissioned officer from captain to midshipman is that there is small choice between her and service on a vessel of the Mantonomoh type. Her upper deck is only about a foot above the water line, and with the least sea on everybody must stay below, where, if the thermometer ever marks a temperature below 100 degrees, officers and crew consider it cold weather.

The sharpest criticism is directed at the navy department for ordering the two monitors to the tropics, where they are to be used as guardships for United States coaling stations. Other vessels, it is asserted, would do as well, and the other vessels there is occasional comment.

A Magnificent Ornament.

One of the handsome crystal chandeliers taken from the east room of the White House before its recent renovation has been placed in position in the room of the committee on the District of Columbia of the senate. It was recognized as an eminent proper that one of these handsome ornaments should go to the District committee. The chandelier is regarded as one of the handsomest of its kind anywhere. It is formed of wrought-iron and contains 5,000 pieces, costing originally \$4,000. When it was hanging at the White House it was not wired for electric lighting, but before being placed in Senator Gaskins' room it was fully provided with attachments for electric fixtures, and will contain forty-eight electric lights, with globes bearing the national coat of arms. There were three of these chandeliers at the White House, but the three have been taken to make one perfect piece, some of the parts having been injured. The chandelier is very generally regarded as superior to the chandeliers that have been placed in the east room since the remodeling, and in fact is looked upon as possessing artistic and ornamental qualities of the highest order.

A More Arsenal.

The senate committee on military affairs has a more arsenal. On the walls of its room and adjacent to its long table there was arranged during the holidays a brilliant collection of battle swords, battle axes, blades and wonderfully shaped knives which in their own blood made to look at the centerpiece in a coat of mail fastened on exhibition in a thick helmet of brass, with large slinged flaps to protect the ears of the warrior.

The weapons come from the Mantonomoh of the moon country, which was purchased last summer by Assistant Development Alonso Stewart. He wanted them from a friend that they may be an object lesson on savage warfare to the military senators.

Wants Congress to Meet Earlier.

A bill introduced in the house by Mr. Shafer of Colorado, expresses interest in a proposal suggested to have the biennial session as possible. Under the present system, which has certain purposes, a congress elect does not meet for thirteen months unless called in extra session. Mr. Shafer proposed to have each congress assemble for its first or long session on the third Monday in January following the general election and for the short session on the first Monday after the first of February in the year following.

President is a stubborn thing, and it will probably prevent the Shafer bill from getting anywhere at this time, as it has blocked every preceding measure that had the same end in view.

Overseas Service to the Navy.

The annual statement of Judge Advocate General Lemly of the number of courts martial in the navy and marine corps during the past year shows that in the marine corps there were 200 and in the navy 255.

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NEGRO LOOTED SMOKE HOUSE.

And a Quantity of Hog Meat Was Found in His Den.

An important arrest was made Wednesday night after a tipster placing in jail a negro who was brought to the city hall on suspicion of larceny by Messrs. Council Hardison and Herman Bell.

The fellow who first gave the name of Gaskins, had been looting in the vicinity of the place where the convict camp on the north side of the Neuse is located, and on Tuesday Mr. Hardison who is engaged at work on the barracks for the use of the convicts, missed his hatchet and suspected that this man had stolen it.

A short time later Mr. Ellard Barrington, being near by reported that his hatchet had been broken into and a quantity of meat stolen.

It being known that Gaskins was occupying with permission one of the "beds" of the barracks, the men went to the place and broke in. Gaskins had removed the lock that was put on the door and replaced it with one of his own.

In the room was found a housekeeping outfit on a small scale and some meat, answering the description of that stolen from the smoke house. Numerous other things were found, including the hatchet.

When Gaskins was taken to the city hall he was charged with the theft of the hatchet and the meat. He was held in the city hall until he could be taken to the county jail.

On being questioned closely by the officers he admitted taking the meat from the smoke house and said that he had carried a part of it to Clark's Brick yard. Two men were sent there to get the things, Gaskins having indicated where they were, and they returned with the stolen meat which was used as evidence in the trial. It consisted of 8 hams, 4 shoulders, 1 jaw, 1 head and 6 pounds of sausage. Besides these a bag of potatoes was found and considerable clothing, probably stolen but the owner not as yet identified.

In his trial yesterday afternoon he said his name was Will Gaskins. He admitted to the Mayor that he had been serving a ten year term in the penitentiary. He said he was discharged last November and Capt. Jesse Haskins signed his discharge; he could not produce the paper however, and is believed to be an escaped convict.

A clock which was identified as belonging to the school house near the barracks was found in the room. It was learned that it had been broken open and some articles taken. Gaskins admitted that he took the clock.

He was put under a \$500 bond for appearance at criminal court. He was unable to furnish security and was committed to the county jail.

When Harris was in the mayor's court on the charge of being drunk and disorderly, judgment was suspended on payment of costs.

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