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THE EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

Points and Paragraphs of Things Present, Past and Future.

The COMMONWEALTH does not take to lads very often, but the one-acre crop is to be a fad with Texas farmers next year; and we should like to see it prevail in Halifax county.

The news of the stamping out of yellow fever by reason of the frost is quite reassuring. The advices from Jackson, Miss., of 4th said: "With heavy frosts the past two mornings the heavy germs are dead."

It has been given out that John Wannamaker has made a contract to pay the Philadelphia Record one million dollars for one page of advertisements in that paper a year.

A fairly well informed farmer in remarking recently on the improved condition of the farmers and others, said one of the reasons for it is the economy which the people generally have been practicing for the past year or two.

It is a great drawback to any community for the general public to get the impression that the people of that community are careless about discharging their financial obligations.

A NIGHT OF TERROR. "Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave General Burnham of Machias, Me., when the doctors said she could not live till morning."

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT.

As it Relates to Others.

SOME COMMENTS ON SLAVERY.

BY G. GROSVENOR DAWE.

Written For The Commonwealth. Though this is written two weeks in advance of election day, yet the various elections of the country will have been held before it is read, and we shall have realized once more the advantage of having a government that is representative, a government that can be rebuked by a vote and cast out by a vote.

Wireless telegraphy is perhaps the foremost wonder of the age just now. Plans are being matured for more thorough experiments about Washington by the signal corps of the army.

Speaking of the slavery of men and women and also of the necessary effort made by the United States to have one style of government throughout, reminds one of the war being now waged in South Africa.

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