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"Our Aim will be, the People's Right Maintain,  
Unwav'd by Power, and Unbrib'd by Gain."

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## THE CROP OUTLOOK.

ALTOGETHER THE PROSPECTS ARE VERY FAVORABLE.

Showing the Probable Yield Which Indicates That We Will Have Enough and to Spare--An Increase of Area.

The Department of Agriculture reports a good season for cotton picking during October in the Southwest, and only moderately favorable weather in the Atlantic Coast States. The wet weather of September proved very injurious to the quality, prostrating the plants and rotting the bolls, causing blight and shedding, and injuring the prospects of the top crop. There is much stained fibre, and the quality is much poorer than that of the previous year. Picking was late in commencing but there has as yet been no killing frost, rendering possible a partial compensation as to the length of the season. Indications of the yield per acre average the same as last year at this time, though the previous condition of the plant scarcely warrants expectation of so much late growth and harvest. The outcome in November and December, States West of the Mississippi, report a slightly larger yield than last year, while Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee indicate a slight reduction. Other States indicate nearly the same expectation at this date.

Returns of the yield of corn made to the Department of Agriculture, indicate a yield per acre quite as large as that of 1885, and larger than any other crop since 1880. The aggregate grown on a larger area will exceed that of any previous American product, being very close to 2,000,000,000 bushels or about 32 bushels per capita, which has been exceeded in several previous years. The corn surplus states average yields as follows: Ohio 32.2 bushels; Indiana 35; Illinois 36.2; Iowa 37; Missouri 31; Kansas 27; Nebraska 36. These seven States produce 68 per cent of the crop aggregate. The general average will fall somewhat under 27 bushels. There is a good supply of maize in nearly all parts of the South, so that comparatively little will be required from the West. Yields of Atlantic States are moderate; seriously reduced by the frost on the northern border.

After three years of low yields, potatoes give an average of about 80 yield of 1879. The averages of prominent potato growing States are as follows:

Maine 1,108 bushels; New York 82; Pennsylvania 82; Ohio 80; Michigan 75; Indiana 75; Illinois 80; Iowa 90; Minnesota 95; Dakota 80; Nebraska 80. The yield has been increased in the South. It is high in the Northern belt of territories.

The total product on the basis of these averages is about 195,000,000 bushels or 4,000,000 more than the estimated product of 1887. The average yield of buckwheat is approximately 12 bushels per acre, and the crop nearly 11.4; Illinois 12.6; Wisconsin 9.5; Minnesota 11; Iowa 11.8; Missouri 10.7; Kansas 9.5; Nebraska 11.3. The hay crop is slightly above the average yield of 1.22 tons per acre. It has been nowhere seriously injured by drought. There is a strong tendency to the increase of area in the South, and yields upon cultivated area rather than natural meadows, are relatively large.

## The New Hanover Election Returns.

"What are they going to do about it?" was the question discussed yesterday by the people—white and black—who seem deeply interested in the outcome of the trouble at the Court House concerning the irregularity in the election returns of this country as shown by the Star.

The whole question—as it affects the country officers—has been carefully and thoroughly considered by two of the leading members of the Wilmington Bar, who yesterday gave it as their opinion that the election is vitiated by the failure to complete the canvass, and sign the abstracts and produce the returns thereof as the law directs and requires; and that, as the matter may involve the legality of acts performed by the persons assumed to be elected, that it is the duty of the Board of County Commissioners to take such action in the premises, when they are called to pass upon the returns at their regular meeting on the first Monday in December next, as will set the question beyond dispute or cavil, and if for any cause they find a vacancy existing in their control, to fill such vacancy by appointment, as they are empowered to do by Article 4, section 24, of the Constitution of North Carolina.

## A Thrilling Voyage.

The adventures of capt. Kidd and the fiction works of Captain Marryatt, are still fresh in the minds of all our reading people. Robinson Crusoe is also a charming memory to us all, though Crusoe was no specially noted for his marine exploits. But that fact is stranger than fiction, is exemplified by the appended narrative of a voyage made by Capt. Joshua Slocum and his family from Rio de Janeiro the Capital of the Argentine Republic, to this port in a little 35-foot craft, drawing but two feet of water. Captain Slocum is a modest gentleman of about 45 years of age, with sandy beard and a piercing blueish gray eye, and would not be likely to impress one as being the daring, intrepid mariner that he has proved himself to be. He is however, an "old salt" of the higher type, and accompanied only by his devoted wife and two sons (aged 18 and 8 years respectively) has accomplished one of the most remarkable voyages on record. Having lost the vessel in which he sailed to South America, Captain Slocum, assisted only by his wife and two sons, set about the construction of a craft in which to return home. This craft is of the cutter style of marine architecture, is 35 feet in length, 7 feet broad and but three feet deep. She is China-junk rigged and bears the suggestive name of "Liberdade," (Liberty). The boat was built at Paranagua, S. A., and on the 24th of last July Captain Slocum and his little family set sail in her for New York, arriving at Southport several days ago. The New York Herald at the time of the Captain's departure gave a cablegram outlining the daring attempt of this bold voyage.—Wilmington Messenger.

## A Novel Marriage Ceremony.

A Georgia Justice recently performed the ceremony for a couple in a manner entirely peculiar to himself. After asking and receiving affirmative responses to the usual questions he concluded the ceremony in the following words:

"By the authority vested in me as an officer of the State of Georgia, which is sometimes called the Empire State of the South; by the fields of cotton that lie spread out in snowy whiteness around us; by the howl of the coon dog and the ground vine whose clinging tendrils will shade the entrance to your humble dwelling place; by the red and luscious heart of the watermelon, whose sweetness fills the heart with joy; by the heavens and all that is in or under them, in the presence of these witnesses I pronounce you man and wife, and may the Lord have mercy on your souls."

## Took Him a Long While.

"I must have a talk with this George to-night," said the old man, "and see if he means business."  
"Oh don't, pa!" pleaded Gracie. "It will kill me if you do."  
"Tut, tut," he returned; "hasn't he been coming here a year and never proposed yet?"  
"That's true, pa," she replied; "but give him a little more time. You know George stutters so."

## A Fearful Outlook.

When times get so hard that delicately cultured girls, reared in the lap of luxury and accustomed to every delicacy that can be craved by the intellect on palate, are unable to pay two cents for a stick of full flavored chewing gum, and are compelled to cut indigestible quids from the heels of abandoned overshoes it is time that something was done with the tariff. We are not alarmist; we don't say that such times have fallen upon us yet; we don't even say they are near at hand. We do say, however, that such times have been, aye, and worse, in the siege of Jerusalem. Let our states be warned in time

## Consumption Surely Cured.

To the Editor—Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for the above named disease. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy FREE to any of your readers who have consumption if they will send me their express and post office address.

Respectfully,  
T. A. SLOCUM, M. C.,  
181 Pearl St., New York.

## A MIXTURE.

EDITORIAL ETCHINGS EUPHONIOUSLY ELUCIDATED.

Numerous Newsy Notes and Many Merry Morsels Paragraphically Packed and Pithily Pointed.

When you doubt, abstain.  
A false chord of music is a discord.  
Quiet conscience gives quite sleep.  
Fear is the tax that conscience pay to guilt.  
The cheeky man is one of metal—usually brass.  
A false cord of wood is about seven eights.  
Less judgment than wit, is more sail than ballast.  
Discretion in speech is more than eloquence.  
There is nothing little to the really great in spirit.  
A corner in honey—behind a screen at a party with a pretty girl.  
It is claimed by old hunters that a rabbit trail is merely a hare line.  
If the early cucumber is ever cramped for space it makes its wants felt.  
The centennarian may not be a musician, but he is certainly beating time.  
For a man to think he will live forever is the mistake of a man's lifetime.  
In leap year it is nothing strange to read of female lawyers going courting.

The dressmaker, like the suburban farmer, makes money on the out skirts.  
It doesn't bother lawyers to see breaks ahead—that is if they are law-breakers.  
Wall street men love dogs At least they are very fond of pointers of the market.

When a barbor cuts a slice off your neck you feel like getting up and lathering him.  
Time waits for no man because some men are so long in coming to time, we suppose.

Talk is cheap. If talk were dear we should have less trouble and more work in Congress.  
Happiness is only relative, and some people find that it is a very distant relative indeed.

"Fine days," said the judge, as the seventy fifth man went through the mill for "\$5 and costs."  
Hon. W. H. Barnum's condition is improved, and his physicians have slight hopes that he may recover.

Poor little Delaware! Is it possible that she is in danger of being represent in the U. S. Senate by a Republican.  
Belva Lock wood is consoling herself with the sentiment that she who expects nothing shall not be disappointed.

The bottom of the reservoir of Roanoke City, Va., dropped out Saturday night the second time with in six months.  
Mrs. Jay Gould is reported to be in a dying condition and it thought that she cannot survive more than a day or two.

Senor Canovas, the conservative leader in Spain, was hooted at and his carriage stoned by a mob in Madrid on Sunday.  
A Locomotive is being constructed in Boston, which is to pull ten coaches over an ordinary road at 80 miles an hour.

There were two murders in Savannah on Sunday, all of the parties to which are negroes; one of the murders made his escape.  
In Savannah a mob of negroes tried to kill James Thompson, a colored Democrat, from the country. His crime was he voted the Democratic ticket.

Mrs. Frank A. DeGroot, of Milberry, Mass., gave birth to four babies a few days ago. Mother and children are all doing nicely, but the father is badly broken up.

There are 400 steam and sailing vessel aggregating 999,000 tons, being built in the United Kingdom, as compared with 249 vessels of 349,000 tons at this time last year.

Now awake, arouse, ye monopolists and land grabbers; ye subsidy seekers and crapet-baggers; ye noble army of contractors; ye repairers of old hulks and solid South detractors.

In Paris duels between women are not infrequent. One has just occurred. They were arrested before they had succeeded in wounding each other with the swords. Love was at the bottom of it.

The five great European Powers have now 12,000,000 men under arms. It is no wonder that the people are poor and oppressed by taxation with such a multitude of consumers to provide for.

Mr. Edward Venable, just elected to the House in Virginia, is said to be a son of Prof. Charles Venable, the celebrated mathematician of University of Virginia, who also has a son who is a Professor in the University of North Carolina.

Alfred Tennyson, the great poet of England, is very sick from rheumatic gont. Robt. Browning is also suffering from a carbuncle. He also is a true poet, who has written some great poetry and much that we cannot understand.

New Mexico, Wyoming, Idaho, Arizona, Washington, Montana, and North Dakota seven Territories all have a good chance to get into the Union now that the Congress is all Radical. They may all be Republican but it is not certain. Washington and Montana may be kept out because of doubt as to their political complexion.

The official vote of Pennsylvania shows plurality for Harrison of 79,779, which is 1,240 less than Blaine's vote; further returns from California shows no change in the result as heretofore published; the Republican candidate for Congress in the fifth district of Maryland, claims that he was elected by five votes, and will contest for the seat.

It please us to see able Northern papers beginning to urge the abolition of the Electoral College. The people should vote direct. The New York Commercial Advertiser has been interviewing and reports that the editor of Staatsztung Sena-Sewell, Republikusn, of New Jersey Chancy Depew, ex-Meyor Grace and others favor it.

The Republican organs having done all then can to arouse the North against the South are beginning now that election is over to give taffy to the South. Harrison's organ at Indianapolis, the Journal, has begun this matter-of-course palaver. In 1891, the South will be again denounced and preparations made to dragonade it. Talk is cheap. It will pay to try to win to Harrison the so called Democrats who are Protectionists but supported Cleveland.

Mr. Cleveland bore his defeat with philosophic equanimity. He is reported in the N. Y. Herald as saying: "There was a contest between two great parties for the supremacy of certain principles. One party won and the other lost—that is all there is in it." That Governor Hill was disloyal to him Mr. Cleveland does not believe. "I have not the slightest doubt," he says, "of Governor Hill's absolute good faith and honesty in the canvass."

The Business Mens Cleveland and Thurman Club of New York will permanently organize for the good and needed work of securing ballot reform in New York. The purpose is to make war upon fraudulent voting and to put down trading in votes. Republicans will be asked to join them. Go father in the work and organize against intimidating in any way employes. There are ten times as much bullboziny of operatives in the North as there is in the South.

Mr. Hill's plurality in the State of New York according to the returns thus far received, is 17,740. Mr Harrison's plurality in the State 12,787. So Mr Hill comes out 30,520 ahead of Mr. Cleveland. A few weeks before the election Mr. Dana of th, Sur promised that Mr. Hill should run 20 000 votes ahead of Mr. Cleveland. Mr. Hill's ostentations professions of loyalty to the Presidential candidate of his party led persons not in the secrets of the secrets of the Hill canvass to discount this assertion of Mr. Hill's friend as the unauthorized expression of a too buoyant enthusiasm.

"General Roger A. Pryor the distinguished lawyer, is a firm supporter of the proposition to abolish the antiquated cumbersome and useless Electoral College system in the selection of President and Vice President of the United States. Speaking on the subject this morning, he said; 'I have read the article in the Commercial Advertiser, and concur in the view that the Electoral College should be abolished. Experience has shown that it is utterly useless, and has wholly missed its object, namely, the election of the President by an intermediate body of independent electors. I object to the system again, because it gives an undue preponderance to the vote of the smaller States and so may faststrate the popular will.'

## STATE NEWS.

FROM THE DEEP BLUE SEA TO THE GRAND OLD MOUNTAIN.

An Hour Pleasantly Spent With Our Delightful Exchanges.

Jonnston in the Ninth, Morehead in the fifth, and Simmons in the second district have been defeated.

Fifty one government distilleries are reported to be in active operation in Yackin country.

J. A. Foltz, son of John Foltz, of Salem short a hark last week measuring four feet 6 1-4 inches from tip to tip.

Mr. Z. T. Terrell, a prominent business man of Louisburg, a member of the firm of Egerton, Terrel & Ford died at his home near town this morning at 8:38.

Mr. Simmons was defeated by only 671 votes in the Black District. He made a splendid run. A gentleman from this District tells us that his speeches in the campaign were indeed remarkably good—able, effective and adroit.

The result of the election in our own State, while not as we would have it in some respects, yet is a handsome victory in the State at large. Judge Fowle and the entire Democratic ticket being elected by a majority of about seventeen thousand.

Col. Rowland's majority is about 5,000. It is a fine tribute to an admirable representative. Maj. McClammy's majority is nearly as much as Col. Rowland's. Col. Henderson's is about 3,000. Capt. Skinner's is about 1,000. Brower's, according to the official return, is 679.

North Carolina Congressional delegation will be as follows; 1st dist., T. G. Skinner, dem.; 2d, H. P. Cheatham (col), rep.; 3d, C. W. McClammy, dem.; 4th, B. H. Bunn, dem.; 5th, J. M. Brower, rep.; 6th, Alfred Rowland, dem.; 7th, J. S. Henderson, dem.; 8th, W. H. H. Cowles, dem.; 9th, H. G. Ewart, rep.

Mr. Claud Kitchin, of Scotland Neck, son of the Hon. W. H. Kitchin, was married on Tuesday morning to Miss Kate B., daughter of Prof. Mills, of Wake Forest College, the ceremony being performed at the residence of the bride's father by the Rev. R. T. Vann. The newly wedded pair left the same day for Richmond where they will remain until Friday.

The Oxford Orphan Asylum now has 245 children within her walls, and will need a generous offering from the good people of North Carolina on Thanksgiving day, to help her get these little ones through the winter months. Thanksgiving day falls on the 29th inst., and a generous offering for the little ones on that day would not be inappropriate.

Samuel C. White, of broken bank memory, still lingers in jail, lacking but \$500 of bail to release him. It is still insisted that his mental condition is such that his immediate relatives and friends fear to have him released. It has been the current rumor for a day or so that unless there is an improvement in his condition shortly a jury inatico inquirendo will be summoned so that he can be sent to the asylum. Since the above was in print he has given his bond.

The wagon factory for Raleigh is no longer a paper idealty. The matter was put in definite form last night and the baby was named and is now an actual, material thing. The describe amount of stock has been subscribed and at a meeting of the stockholders last night the company was permanently formed under the name of the "North Carolina Wagon Factory." The enterprise is now thoroughly on foot and the factory will certainly be in active operation at no distant day.

A Raleigh special to the Washington Post says there is likely to be a sharp contest for the seat in the Senate now held by Senator Ransom. He is candidate for re-election. Alfred M. Waddell ex-Congressman from the Sixth district and a candidate for elector-at-large on the Democratic ticket, is an avowed aspirant for the position, and a strong one; but there is another factor which, for the first time, enters into the contest. The Farmers Alliance has to-day 1,285 sub-alliances and about 60,000 members in the State, all white men, and full of their faith, which is to support Alliance men and Alliance principles. It is said that the Alliance will press its president, S. B. Alexander, of Charlotte, for Ransom's place in the Senate.