

THE NEWS IN BRIEF

Items of Interest Gathered By Wire and Cable

GLEANINGS FROM DAY TO DAY

Live Items Covering Events of More or Less Interest at Home and Abroad.

Domestic Affairs.

The final outcome of the West Point hazing cases resulted in the dismissal of two offenders and the suspension for a year of the other six.

Democratic leaders have planned a hot campaign for New York, including several speeches by Mr. Bryan, with a view of carrying that State.

At Robinsville, Mississippi, H. B. Suber and J. H. Gilmore, rival merchants, fought a duel with pistols. Suber was shot in the breast. His pistol failed to go off, and then he seized a shotgun and shot Gilmore in the back. Both will die.

But 12 years old, Isaac Edwards was given a four year term for arson in Suffolk.

Fredericksburg Masons are planning a new temple as a memorial to George Washington, who was a member of No. 4 lodge.

Governor John A. Johnson, of Minnesota, was renominated with a whoop in spite of his declaration that he did not want it.

A special from Eskridge, Kansas, says: Grieving over the result of the Springfield riots, caused Plato Brakebill, a negro resident of this place, to commit suicide at Alma, Kan., by swallowing carbolic acid. His pockets contained a number of riot clippings.

Ten incidents against two of the alleged mob leaders at Springfield, Ill., were returned by the special grand jury of Sangamon county. Six of these are against Abraham Raymor and four are against Kate Howard. Raymor is charged with murder, four cases of malicious mischief and one of riot. The charges against the Howard woman are for malicious mischief, and are identical with those against Raymor on these counts.

Chairman Hitchcock of the Republican campaign committee, visited President Roosevelt to advise with him concerning the situation in New York.

Jesse L. Livermore, the spectacular young cotton operator, is said to have lost a million dollars in a single break in prices last week.

Four thousand men of the American fleet attended high mass at the Cathedral at Sydney Sunday, and had a great reception tendered them later in the day.

John Early, a North Carolinian, was found at a hotel in the heart of Washington City with a well developed case of leprosy.

The railroads in the Southeastern freight association have filed answer to the government in the cases affecting the recent increase of freight rates in their territory.

Mayor-elect Richardson, of Richmond, opposes the plan to have a demonstration in his honor.

From the Foreign Field.

Holland will go it alone in spanking Castro.

Pope Pius is considered well enough to resume his audiences.

The Belgian House of Deputies passed the Congo Annexation bill.

The American warships had a great day at Sydney and the men were allowed to go ashore with arms.

Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased. Kidney trouble has become so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If the child urinates too often, if the urine scalds the flesh or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depend upon it, the cause of the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose.

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MUST INVESTIGATE

Methods of Exchange Trading Under Suspicion

ENORMOUS SALES LOOK SHADY

Following the Tremendous Business of Saturday the Governing Board of the New York Stock Exchange Orders an Investigation, Believing That There Was an Utterly Motive.

New York, Special.—A special committee of five members of the New York stock exchange will conduct an investigation of the transactions which took place on the floor of the exchange Saturday, when more than a million shares were bought and sold in enormous blocks and in such a manner as to arouse suspicion that the sales were so matched as to create a fictitious impression of activity. The governing committee of the exchange took up the matter after trading had closed and in a brief session authorized the president of the exchange, R. H. Thomas to appoint the investigating committee.

George H. Ely, secretary of the exchange, said it was the intention of the governors to have a thorough investigation at once. The names of the members of the investigating committee will probably be announced later.

The great volume of the trading during the two hours' session of the stock market on Saturday is shown by comparison with that of Monday. The number of shares sold Saturday was 1,099,000, while in the five hours of trading Monday 387,000 were traded in.

The belief that Saturday's sales were manipulated had its origin in the fact that shares were bought and sold in tremendous blocks without greatly affecting the market prices, but the real purpose underlying the sales has not been ascertained, if it be ulterior, as suspected by the brokers.

Some of the more conservative members refused to accept the orders when they became convinced that the sales were "matched," an order to sell a block of given stock being followed through a different broker.

Some of the smaller brokers who trade on the floor for the other members of the exchange, accepting a reduced commission of \$2 for each 100 shares bought or sold, were reported to have given the names of three or four firms as having done practically all of Saturday's enormous business. Through them the committee may be able to trace the source of the alleged simultaneous orders to sell and buy. A single firm was reported to have handled transactions amounting to 600,000 shares, so great a business that its sheet did not reach the exchange clearing house until Sunday morning.

The main question before the investigating committee will be the identity of the prime mover in Saturday's extraordinary market. If it is found that the orders were matched severe discipline may be applied, as it is a violation of the rules of the exchange.

Danville, Va., Capitalist Dead.

Danville, Va., Special.—James P. Acree, a leading tobacco warehouse man and capitalist of Danville, died Monday at the General Hospital after an illness of several months in the fifty-third year of his age. He was at the time of his death president of the Danville Co-operative Warehouse Company, and of the Waddill-Holland Real Estate and Insurance Company. Mr. Acree, with his brother, the late E. F. Acree, founded Acree's warehouse, the largest plant of its kind in the South.

Bank Cashier Suicides.

Americus, Ga., Special.—With a bullet hole centrally through his forehead and already cold in death, Alonzo Walters, cashier of the Bank of Ellaville, at Ellaville, Ga., was found Monday night in the lavatory of the Windsor Hotel in Americus. Beside him was the automatic revolver which had ended his life.

Prospects Bright.

Columbia, Special.—The prospects for a successful opening at the University of South Carolina are bright. Applications from prospective students are being received daily and there are now only a few rooms left in the dormitories. From present indications the dormitories will not be able to accommodate all who come. The extensive improvements now under way will make the campus more attractive than ever. Every effort is being made to promote the comfort and welfare of the students.

Embezzler Government Funds.

New Orleans, Special.—Emmett E. McLeod, chief clerk in the United States engineer's office in New Orleans, was arrested Monday afternoon charged with embezzling government funds. The exact amount alleged to have been taken by McLeod is not known, but it is believed to be small.

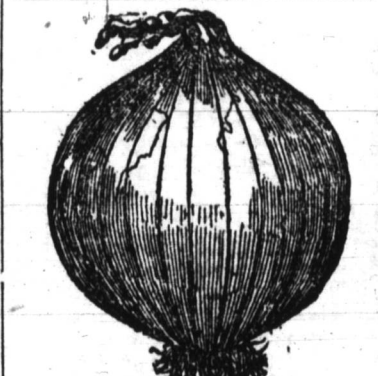
PRACTICAL ADVICE ABOUT DIVERSIFIED FARMING

Mixing a Track Fertilizer.

Fish scrap has about the same percentage of nitrogen as cottonseed meal, no potash, and more than twice as much phosphoric acid as the cottonseed meal. The meal will have nearly two per cent. of potash, which the fish scrap lacks. But in making a mixture of acid phosphate and potash you will not need this additional phosphoric acid, and can get more potash in the meal. But if you use the muriate of potash to make a fertilizer mixture, you will not need the potash in the meal, and it is probable that if you use such a low grade article for potash as kainit it would be better to use the meal as an additional source for potash. Your soil needs a good percentage of potash, and it is difficult to get a large percentage in the fertilizer if kainit is used. For truck purposes I have found that the following is an excellent mixture: Acid phosphate, 900 pounds, cottonseed meal 600 pounds, nitrate of soda 100 pounds, and muriate of potash 400 pounds. To get the same percentage of potash in kainit, you would have to use nearly 1800 pounds. It is cheaper to get potash in the muriate than in kainit, as you need to buy so much less. Kainit is a poor article for truck crops, especially near the sea, where you have salt enough already, and kainit is mainly salt, while the muriate is half potash.—Professor Massey.

Southport Globe Onions.

Connecticut's famous Southport Globe onions stand unsurpassed among popular American varieties of the onion. They are in high favor in some of the finest commercial onion growing districts of Ohio and New York and during a few years past have made a steady advance in standing everywhere as a highly bred, perfect onion. Eastern onion growers use the red and white Southport Globes to produce the exceptionally



Southport White Globe.

large, solid, beautifully formed bulbs that bring top prices in New York City markets.

Besides the two varieties named, there is a yellow Southport Globe that resembles the others in shape and general character, but is of a rich yellow color.

The white is one of those beautifully white, perfectly globe shaped onions that take the eye and bring highest price in any market. Its skin is thin and paper like, the flesh fine grained, crisp and mild flavored. Add to this that it is a tremendous cropper, and it represents almost an ideal product in its line.—Weekly Witness.

The Home Grounds.

The home grounds may be compared with a picture in which the lawn forms the canvas, with the house the principal centre of interest. Viewed in this way the house should not be hidden behind a yardful of trees, but should, at least, have the front facing an open stretch of lawn. Trees, if planted near the house, are preferably placed at the side and rear, so as to form a setting and a background for it. The usual practice of planting several rows of trees running from the front of the house to the street is only conducive to monotony in effect and furthermore it is very difficult to establish and maintain a lawn under such circumstances.

The most appropriate places for large trees are along the boundaries of the grounds. The most pleasing way to place them is not in straight lines, but in groups, with lower-growing kinds in front and toward the centre of the grounds.

A stronger massing of trees and tall shrubs may be used in the proper position to shield the house from the prevailing winds. By using a variety of trees with tall shrubs next, and smaller shrubs in front, a most effective wind break may be formed, and by planting the latter in irregular groups a much more pleasing effect is possible than where all are placed in formal rows.

Evergreen trees are most desirable on the north and west, because of their effective wind-break qualities in winter. They are not suitable trees for the south side of a house

Not So Much.

"Are your exercises benefiting you any?"
"Yes; I am getting a fine muscular development."
"Giving exhibitions to your friends?"
"Well, I picked up a fifty-pound cage of ice left by the iceman this morning and swung it around as though it had been a feather."

or in front of windows.

In winter the sunshine should be given a free chance to enter the windows and thereby greatly add not only to the cheerfulness of the rooms, but also to the lowering of the fuel bill.

The smaller shrubs and flowering annuals are best placed in the corners by the porches, along the base of the house wall and in front of the larger plants at the sides of the lawn. Groups of such plants on either side of the entrance gates are usually very pleasing.—Southern Cultivator.

How to Cultivate Sweet Potatoes.

The first thing is to select a smooth piece of land not too rich, commencing not later than March and keep it well plowed and dragged until time to plant the slips; in dragging with a split-log drag with the split side down.

Next, lay off the rows three and a half feet wide; avoid turn rows as much as possible; list with a turn plow and follow with scotter in same furrow. Drag off list with light poll before setting out slips. Set out the slips sixteen inches apart. Use a sack of good guano per acre. Do not use any top dressing as it makes the vines rot too much in the middles. Run rows so as to have a little drain to avoid the covering up of the vines and preventing them from taking root in the middle. Cultivate shallow and fast and lay by early, using a small turn plow and an eighteen-inch scrape in laying-by.

About the middle of October is the time to dig and put away potatoes.

In determining when the potatoes are ripe, cut one and let lay in sun a day; if the potato dries white it is ripe. Dig when the ground is dry; hill up and cover at once. A very important thing is not to pull off the small strings as it sometimes makes the potato rot.

Avoid bruising the potato as much as possible, by using sacks in the basket you carry the potatoes in. Put cornstalks next to potatoes, a little dry grass, just enough to keep the dirt from running through to the potato, then put on dirt nearly on top of hill and spread sacks over top with dirt on edges. Stay in this way until cold weather and then finish covering. Judge for yourself the thickness of the dirt.

Another very important thing is the sheltering of the hill. Now the way to have your cornstalks is to cut them this winter and put in a dry house and use them next fall. In this way I have always been successful in keeping my sweet potatoes.—W. J. McDaniel, in Southern Cultivator.

Put a Crop Between Clover and Tobacco.

There is a prejudice among the growers of bright tobacco against either clover or peas preceding tobacco, while growers of dark tobacco in Virginia depend almost entirely on clover to make their tobacco. And yet even the growers of bright tobacco value a soil that has a good deal of humus in it and will clear up a pine thicket to get this. While clover immediately preceding bright or mahogany tobacco may not be advisable, I would nevertheless use crimson clover and peas, too, in the improvement of land for tobacco, but would always put another crop in between these and the tobacco. I suppose that in your section you grow the mahogany leaf, and in that case I would not advise you to sow clover this fall on land to go in tobacco next spring. But I am sure that by a good rotation of crops and the improvement of the soil through the use of legumes you can increase the amount and improve the quality of your tobacco. If I could not do this I would drop the tobacco and grow crops that would let me improve the soil.—W. F. Massey.

Soda on Millet and Corn.

It may pay to scatter seventy-five to 100 pounds of nitrate of soda on the millet after it is up and when it is dry from rain or dew to prevent scalding the leaves. I never have used a plow in the corn field for many years and never used nitrate of soda on corn, and do not believe it will pay. Corn should be planted on a well manured clover sod. Then the winter grain following will need only acid phosphate and potash, to be followed by peas and crimson clover and then back to the corn with the clover and manure.—W. F. Massey.

Stay on the Farm.

It requires a stronger head and a stronger heart to take charge of father's farm than to go to town and become a part of the machinery. If you are a weak-minded young man, or have not the courage to do a man's work, it will of course be best for you to go to town and be a cog in one of the little town machine wheels. You will be soon forgotten there, and your failure will scarcely be noticed.—Farm and Market.

Blinks.

The grass widow is not to be winked at.—Knoxville Sentinel.
How about a contest for the able liars who have to write daily to distant wives?—Baltimore Sun.
Leap year has not made an appreciable reduction in the sale of bachelor buttons.—Atlanta Journal.
The things that we oughtn't to do seem to be the only ones that makes life worth living.—New York Press.

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