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VALUE OF STATISTICS.

There have been numerous slurs cast against Neill, the great cotton statistician and his failure in estimating the last cotton crop of this country.

In finding Mr. Neill's estimates so far from the real crop of cotton raised, there have been numerous assaults made upon his reputation for accuracy.

The Neill estimate was for 1898-9, a crop of over twelve million bales.

This estimate was sent to European buyers, who have regarded this as the actual estimate to be figured upon, and no figures since shown, in receipts at principal cotton points and estimates of crop remaining back, has influenced foreign consumers in the least.

In this is seen the influence and reputation of Mr. Neill, an unfortunate fact, as the cotton market in this country has had the foreign influence against it, and the cotton grower has had to contend against the Neill estimate of over a 12,000,000 bale crop, although good judges say the actual crop will be over one million bales less.

But the Neill estimate must govern the present cotton crop, local price and foreign demand, and while foreign consumers may run short of supplies they will not purchase except through necessity, unless it be upon the basis of the large crop estimate of Neill.

The value of statistics is in their reliability. The cotton crop of 1898-9 has been a disappointment to the producer, and hardly any considerable profit to the manufacturer.

What will the coming crop be? Will an increased acreage give the cotton expert an opportunity to figure in advance another twelve or thirteen million bales yield, and the producer be left to sell his cotton on that basis, no matter what the actual picking may be?

It is to be hoped not, and more it will be well if the cotton acreage can be under-estimated rather than over-estimated also if there can be secured statistics of what cotton is actually raised, not taking the acreage in advance and multiplying it by some figure, thus growing the crop and fixing its value, before a single pound is picked or taken from the field.

The American cotton grower needs protection against the foreign statistician.

How's That?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that can not be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHERRY & Co., Props., Toledo, O.

We the undersigned, have known F. J. Cherry for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.

W. A. MANN, WYMAN & MANN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, Ohio.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Testimonials free.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Counting.

She—My face is my fortune. He—Well, poverty is no disgrace.

Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. George D. Williams of Manchester, Mich. tells how such a slave was made free. He says, "My wife has been helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Elizabeth's Pills, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This impressive remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backache, fainting and other ailments. This miracle working medicine is a Godsend to weak, sickly, run-down people. Every bottle guaranteed, only 25 cents. Sold by P. B. Duff, Druggist.

Verdict.

The haunted house stands only a ghost of a chance of being rebuilt.

THE BEST remedy to your skin is a good skin medicine. Call Hall's Serravallo's and have the best medicine MONEY CAN BUY.

JAPANESE DIVISION.

The method by which these Regard Weapons are Prepared.

An interesting paper of Japanese weapons by Mr. Williamson appears in the "Transactions" of the Japanese Society. The blades are made from metal chiefly the deposits of manganese iron ore and ferro-silicon sand, and in the opinion of many experts, no weapons are superior to those produced by the Japanese.

The method of making the blades was as follows: A strip of steel is heated to a red heat, and then bent into a curve, and the ends are joined together by a process of welding.

When the blade is complete, it is ground with a knife, and the tang—that part inserted in the hilt—is shaped. The blade is then roughly ground, and if the smith is satisfied with it he generally signs his name upon the tang. Now it is ornamented, and the process is interesting.

The blade is thickly coated with a mixture of charcoal, fine river sand and finely powdered clay. When this coating is nearly dry, a design is treated upon it, consisting through to the blade. The design, when the coating is properly set, is plunged into a specially prepared fire, and when sufficiently heated—only by long experience can a man judge this—is dipped into water or oil. The operation of sharpening is done in the case of a very fine blade sometimes requiring 60 days to finish, the surface being ground over as many as 20 times. Finally the blade is minutely examined by the owner or by an expert.

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Dr. Bull's COUGH SYRUP.

Will cure Croup without fail.

A remedy for whooping-cough. Price 25c. at druggists.

Notice of Registration. For the City election to be held on the first Tuesday in May, 1899, the registration books for the First Ward will be opened on the second Monday preceding the first Monday in May, 1899, at 8 o'clock in the morning, at the City Hall for the registration of the qualified voters in said ward.

H. R. HILL, Registrar.

April 13, 1899.

If you have a cough, throat irritation, weak lungs, pain in the chest, difficulty breathing, croup or hoarseness, let us suggest One Minute Cough Cure. Always reliable and safe. F. S. DUFFY.

2nd Ward Registration. Registration of voters, for City election to be held on the 1st Tuesday in May 1899, will commence on Monday April 24th at 8 o'clock a. m. and continue until Saturday following at 6 o'clock p. m., at the County Court House. This being a new registration requiring the prescribed oath for each voter will necessarily require more time to complete registration. It is requested therefore that voters will register as early as possible.

K. K. BRYAN, Registrar 2nd ward.

Remarkable Escape. Mrs. Michael Curtin, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from first dose. She continued its use and after taking six bottles found herself sound and well, now does her own housework and is as well as she ever was. Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at F. S. DUFFY'S Drug Store, large bottles 50 cents and \$1.00.

3rd Ward Registration. The 3rd Ward registration books will be opened at the office of E. S. Street at his livery stable on South Front street on April the 24th from 8 a. m. until 6 p. m. each day during the week for the purpose of registering voters, and on Monday, May 1st, at the office of T. J. Mitchell at his livery stable on Middle street. THOS. STANLEY, Registrar.

Not one child dies where ten formerly died from croup. People have learned the value of One Minute Cough Cure and use it for severe lung and throat troubles. It immediately stops coughing. It never fails. F. S. DUFFY.

4th Ward Registration. Registration of voters, for city election to be held on the 1st Tuesday in May, 1899, will commence on Monday, April 24th at 8 o'clock a. m. and continue until Saturday following at 6 o'clock p. m. at Sam Cook's Store, Eden St. This being a new registration requiring the prescribed oath for each voter will necessarily require more time to complete registration. It is requested therefore that voters will register as early as possible.

A. J. GASKINS, Registrar 4th Ward.

For frost bites, burns, indolent sores, eruptions, skin diseases, and especially Piles, De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve stands first and best. Look out for dishonest people who try to imitate and counterfeit it. It's their endorsement of a good article. Worthless goods are not imitated. Get De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. F. S. DUFFY.

5th Ward Registration. Registration of voters for city election to be held on the 1st Tuesday in May, 1899, will commence on Monday, April 24th, at 8 o'clock a. m. and continue until Saturday following at 6 o'clock p. m. at my store, No. 178 West End. WALLACE ROSS, Registrar 5th Ward.

At this season of the year when pneumonia, influenza, sore throat, coughs, catarrh, bronchitis and lung troubles are to be guarded against, nothing is so safe and sure as "Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup." It is "just as good" as One Minute Cough Cure. That is one infallible remedy for all lung, throat or bronchial troubles that vigorously upon having it if "something else" is offered you. F. S. DUFFY.

The Penance. Men admire women, not because they are women, but because they are not men.

J. Shover, Sedalia, Mo., conductor on electric street car line, writes that his little daughter was very low with croup, and her life saved after all physicians had failed, only by using One Minute Cough Cure. F. S. DUFFY.

Notice is hereby given of the act, entitled "An Act to provide a short form for agricultural lease, and certain mortgages, and to prescribe the form for probating and registering the same," passed by the General Assembly of North Carolina in 1898. All leases in the form prescribed under this act are required by law to be probated for the use and registered with the Clerk of the Superior Court in the county in which the land is situated. The act is in full force and effect. It is the duty of the register of deeds to issue a certificate of the registration of such leases.

Register of Deeds.

April 13th, 1899.

WOMEN'S OWN.

The best remedy for the female system. No matter what the trouble, it will cure it.

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Look Out for OSCEOLA Under North Carolina Tobacco this Season.

It's Going to be Heard From.

Call For and Try Osceola. Manufactured by OLD DOMINION GUANO Co., Branch, Norfolk Va.

AND FOR SALE BY ALL OLD DOMINION AGENTS EVERYWHERE.

At New Bern Mr. C. R. Foy is Our Agent, Others at Various Points.

Prospect Brewing Company's CELEBRATED BOCK BEER.

BASS' BURTON'S ENGLISH ALE.

The Drink to Cure Indigestion. AT THE PALACE SALOON.

J. F. TAYLOR MARKET DOCK.

EASTERN CAROLINA DISPATCH LINE.

Old Dominion Steamship Co. FREIGHT & PASSENGER.

For All Ports North.

The Steamer NEUSE will leave on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 6 p. m. ship.