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According to the Buffalo News there are 257 farms in New York state that make the culture of trees their principal business.

The old saying that "His note is as good as gold," has been modified in Kansas to "His note is better than gold."

New Orleans, a city of nearly 300,000 population, consumes less than 15,000,000 gallons of water daily.

The agricultural buildings at the Louisiana Exposition will cover over two acres more of ground than did the big manufacture and liberal arts building at the Columbian exposition in Chicago.

Joseph L. Thompson of Franklin, N. H., who is now in the 85th year of his age, has taught school in that town and vicinity for 65 years.

A great many California oranges are shipped east in what are known as tramp cars. There is no fruit the price of which fluctuates as much as does that of oranges, and thousands of carloads of oranges are, therefore, started east with some uncertain destination.

Reporters are often more active and more gifted with an instinct for detail than the officers, says Charles E. Grinnell in the Atlantic.

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ARE AT IT AGAIN.

Tillman and McLaurin Air Their Views in the Senate.

A VERY DRAMATIC SCENE ENSUES

The Senior South Carolina Senator Asks the Junior Senator That They Tender Their Joint Resignations.

Washington, D. C., Special.—The Senate chamber was the scene of a highly dramatic episode Monday, when Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, challenged his colleague, Senator McLaurin, to resign with him on the spot.

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said, "is a dream conjured up by him. It is the creation of his own brain." In conclusion Mr. Tillman, with a sweep of his arm, adjured his Democratic colleagues not to "fret" about the charge that they were conspiring to discredit Mr. McLaurin at home because "his crowd was demoralized, cowed and whipped."

Mr. McLaurin made no reply to Mr. Tillman, but he arose for a moment to reply to Senator Jones, to say that he did not desire that there should be anything personal in his charge that there had been an "ulterior purpose" in anything he had done.

"I thank the Senator for his courtesy," observed Mr. McLaurin, bowing with mock deference, as he took his seat.

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Manila, By Cable.—Thousands of people are leaving Batavia province for places of safety. General James M. Bell reports an important engagement between a force of insurgents at Labo, province of Camarines, and a detachment of the Twentieth Infantry.

GOLD AND SILVER

Statistics of the Country's Product of Precious Metals.

WORK OF THE MINT FOR THE YEAR

A Suggestion to Raise the Country's Stock of Subsidiary Coin to Meet Our Needs.

Washington, D. C. Special.—The report of Mr. George E. Roberts, director of the mint, upon the operations of the mint service during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1901, has been completed.

The coinage of silver dollars during the fiscal year amounted to 176,999,132 pieces, of the value of \$136,340,781.

The estimated production of gold in the United States during the calendar year 1900 was \$79,171,000, and notwithstanding the fact that this country led the world in production, its imports exceeded its exports by \$12,866,010.

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Lake Charles, La., Special.—Saul Poydras, a negro, who cut Chief Deputy Richard and wife seriously Thursday night, was lynched here Saturday morning.

STARTLING WORDS.

1,000 Soldiers Said to Have Died On Account of Neglect.

CHARGES AGAINST ARMY OFFICER

A Cincinnati Physician Claims That Many Lives Have Been Sacrificed Needlessly.

Marion, O., Special.—Dr. Charles A. L. Reed, of Cincinnati, the retiring president of the American Medical Association, was given a banquet here Tuesday night by the medical profession of northern Ohio.

"It seems, from evidence that has recently come from within the army itself, that the medical department has not only been degraded, but that it is practically without authority.

The resolution, however, I am informed, fix no responsibility for this parallel calamity, the enormity of which is only beginning to be understood.

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