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Cotton Crop Estimates.

Under date of Saturday last, Latham, Alexander & Co., have issued a circular in which they estimate the cotton crop for 1904-1905 at 11,300,000 bales, this result being arrived at by figures submitted by "reliable and intelligent correspondents in every cotton growing county in the Southern States." The firm states that its efforts to obtain approximately correct results have been as diligent and thorough as it was possible to make them, and the following table is the result:

States.	1904-1905	1903-1904
Alabama	1,150,000	1,000,000
Arkansas	800,000	705,000
Florida	60,000	55,000
Georgia	1,550,000	1,325,000
Louisiana	900,000	824,000
Mississippi	1,500,000	1,357,000
North Carolina	1,400,000	1,250,000
South Carolina	950,000	825,000
Tenn. & C. & Ok. Ty.	550,000	451,000
Tex. and Ind. Ty.	3,200,000	2,856,000

Estimated total 11,300,000 10,011,000

It is added that the "gathering season has been exceptionally fine in all sections and the crop, thus far has been secured in good condition and marketed rapidly, on account of urgent demands from spinners, who carried over very small stocks into the new cotton year."

In connection with this estimate of the New York firm of 11,300,000, it is interesting to note that A. J. Vick of the firm of Hayward Vick & Co., leading cotton dealers of New Orleans, while in the city yesterday stated that he did not believe the crop would be over 11,250,000 bales, and that in view of this indication the price should not be less than 10 cents.

A special telegraphic canvass made by The Journal of Commerce, of New York indicates a crop of 11,275,000 bales. These three estimates seem to be unusually close together.—Charlotte Observer.

Former Greenville Woman Murdered in Georgia.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 20.—News was received in this city tonight of a double tragedy at Kennesaw, 58 miles from Atlanta on the Western and Atlantic railroad, in which J. R. Butler of Augusta, an engineer on the Central of Georgia railroad, had shot and killed Mrs. Lola Green of Atlanta and mortally wounded himself with the same pistol. The tragedy occurred in a hack in which the couple were riding to the depot to catch the train to Atlanta. The exact nature of the trouble which led up to the killing and suicide is unknown. Mrs. Green came to Atlanta from Greenville, S. C.

TO CURE A COUGH

The coughs so prevalent these days usually develop before you realize what has happened. Now the best thing to do is to take the most reliable cough cure you can get. None better than Murray's Horehound Mixture and Tar. It is made of the purest ingredients and can be given to infants as well as grown people. Above all else it CURES. You will find it at all druggists. 25c a bottle—extra large bottle.

Tax Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the time within which Town taxes can be paid without penalty expires on Nov. 30th instant. The tax books are now open at the office of C. D. Jones, Esq., Town Treasurer. If not paid on or before above date, executions will issue for taxes with costs and penalties. R. E. WYLIE, Mayor. Nov. 21, 1904.

Ex-Governor Thompson Dead.

Former South Carolina Executive Passes Away at His Home in New York—Funeral in Columbia.

New York, Nov. 20.—Hugh S. Thompson, former governor of South Carolina, died at his residence here tonight. He was born in Charleston, S. C., in 1836. In recent years he was comptroller of the New York Life Insurance Company.

No funeral services over the body of Mr. Thompson will be held in this city. The body will be taken to South Carolina from here at 3.25 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. No arrangements for services in Columbia have been made, except that the interment will take place on Wednesday afternoon.

Quarrel Over The Propriety Of Asking A Negro For A Match Results In A Fatal Stab.

Huntington, W. Va., Nov. 20.—Anthony Martin was stabbed to death on the street to-day by Currie Coon, son of Councilman John Coon. Martin and Samuel Rittenhouse, while walking along the street stopped a colored man and asked him for a match. Coon was passing in the opposite direction, and he made the remark that no gentleman would ask a negro for a match. The men came to blows, and Coon stabbed Martin to death. Coon also plunged his knife into Rittenhouse making an ugly wound in the neck but he will recover. Coon walked up street with a bloody knife in his hand and surrendered to the police.

Young Man Kills Himself.

Asheville, Nov. 20.—John O. Grimes a well-known young man of this city, employed as book-keeper in the nursery department of the Vanderbilt estate, at Baltimore, committed suicide this morning between 10 and 11 o'clock by taking poison and then plunging into the river. It is said that a love affair is responsible.

KILLED BY A WOMAN.

Due West, S. C., Nov. 21.—Bennett Haynes, a young man from Honeapath, was shot and instantly killed last night by a young woman, who lived in the red light district. Haynes, with several other young men were carousing about the house, which has anything but a good reputation, when they became mixed up in a row. The young men were drinking, the women were in bed, and another homicide has been added to the long list in South Carolina's record.

The woman who did the shooting is only 18 and had a seven month's old baby in her arms as she passed through here on her way to jail, she did not seem to realize her position and was laughing at the by-standers jokes. The deceased was a widower of only three weeks.

—It was found necessary Thursday morning to remove the hand of Miss Minnie Russell, who was injured at the College Saturday afternoon. The operation was performed by Dr. W. G. Stevens, assisted by Drs. Hirschman, Miller and Lynn. The patient is doing nicely.—Rock Hill Record.

CASTORIA.
Beware the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

—We are selling a great many goods regardless of cost. Come and see before you buy. Lancaster Mercantile Co.

Sequel To Tatnall Tragedy.

Eugene Edwards Avenges The Murders Of His Brothers.

Macon, Ga., November 20.—Additional reports of the tragedy in Tatnall County, Georgia Saturday, in which A. J. Edwards was killed and Coy Edwards beaten by the negro Davis, say that the wife and mother of the two men notified Eugene Edwards of the occurrence when he returned from a hunting trip.

He started in pursuit of the negro, catching him just as the negro got even with a man named Wray who was driving a wagon. Edwards fired, the load striking the negro, who returned behind the horses' head and Edwards behind the tail of the wagon. With Wray ducking between them, they fired as they caught sight of each other. Edwards was wounded in the face by a splinter knocked from the wagon body by one of Davis's bullets, but the boy kept firing and reloading, using bird shot. Not until the third load struck the negro did he reel and stagger to the roadside, whereupon the boy ran to him and emptied both barrels of his gun into his body. Then he jumped upon the negro's body and stamped out any life that remained.

A great crowd gathered and wanted to burn the body of the negro and lynch his family. A counsel of cousins of the Edwards family prevented this however though the crowd was particularly incensed, because it was said that Davis was from Bullock County, where he had belonged to an alleged "Before Day Club" that was said to have brought about the murder of the Hodges family and the burning of their home.

Fire at World's Fair.

St. Louis, Nov. 19.—The Missouri State building at the world's fair, the original cost of which was \$145,000 was destroyed by fire as the result of an explosion of a hot water heater in the basement, and the flames spread so rapidly that they could not be checked. The heaviest loss was the contents of the structure which included oil portraits of Missouri governors and Supreme Court Judges.

Small Blaze at Clemson.

Clemson College, Nov. 20.—Fire broke out in the main building of Clemson college at 6.30 o'clock this afternoon on the north stairway, but effective work by the corps soon extinguished it. Only slight damage was done to the stairway and ceiling. The origin of the fire is unknown but is supposed to have been caused by rats cutting a match.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

Chas. H. Fletcher

Booker Washington Sends \$25.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 20.—Booker T. Washington, president of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, at Tuskegee, Ala., has contributed his check for \$25 to the fund now being raised for the erection of a monument to the memory of General John B. Gordon.

—The Ledger, The Atlanta Journal, Semi-weekly, and The Southern Cultivator, all three one year for \$2., but must be paid for in advance.

THE NEWEST AND NOBBIEST

LINE OF

DRY GOODS

EVER OFFERED TO THE PUBLIC.

Our Mr. Heath has just returned from the North, where he scooped in some startling values in dress goods and lots of other bargains too numerous to mention.

BROWNS AND GREENS

Being the prevailing colors, we bought heavily in those two shades in Mohair, Cravinetts, Mixed Cheviots and Whipcords. Broadcloths in all shades. Our notion department is complete and right up to the notch, and anything you may wish in that line we have it. Tailor made Skirts, Jackets and Capes. A tremendous line, and we think the prettiest and cheapest ever shown on this market. An inspection of same will be appreciated and will insure us a sale.

CLOTHING

We are still handling the celebrated high art clothing manufactured by Strouse & Bro., Baltimore. Also A. B. Kirschbaum & Co., and Sneltenburg & Co., and other lines. Beautiful patterns in browns, grays and any color you may call for. All we ask is to give us a look, and if we do not dress you up, we will be perfectly satisfied for any of our competitors to have the sale. We are still handling the

DOUGLAS, GODMAN, and DREW SELBY

Shoes, which are three of the best and strongest lines that are manufactured. Not wishing to carry over, have decided to sacrifice the price on all our Lawns, Piques and Voils, so come at once and make a purchase for surely they will go at some price. Just received a beautiful line of Furs, which are very cheap. Be sure to watch for the Fall Millinery Opening, first Wednesday in October, 5th day. All the ladies are cordially invited. Groceries of all kinds and such that will satisfy the inner man. Thanking all for past patronage and hoping for more in the future, we are,

Yours to serve,

Heath Banking & Mercantile Co.

LANCASTER S. C.