

The Cotton Situation.

A Marked Decrease of Receipts for January.

New Orleans, Jan. 27.—Secretary Hester's weekly cotton statement issued today shows for the twenty-seven days of January a decrease under last year of 157,000, and a decrease under the same period year before last of 256,000.

For the 149 days of the season that have elapsed the aggregate is ahead of the same days of last year 928,000, and ahead of the days year before last 1,030,000.

The amount brought into sight during the past week has been 229,515 bales, against 209,158 for the same seven days last year, and 267,570 year before last.

Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus far from the new crop, the supply to date is 9,003,228, against 8,081,462 for the same period last year.

STRAIGHT FACTS.

A whole lot of fancy phrases can be written about remedies, but it takes facts to prove anything—good straight facts. And the strongest fact you ever heard is that Tannophilin is the best cure for piles on the market. It cures absolutely. Has a healing, soothing effect from the start.

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Must Stand Together.

Taking the cue from the convention at New Orleans, Southern newspapers have endorsed the plan of reducing the cotton acreage and they are giving wide publicity to the efforts of the farmers to control the situation in the future. In this matter the press can be of inestimable value to the South. The future welfare of the people depends upon united action and if we hope to accomplish the aims desired it is absolutely necessary for the planters to stand together. They must abide by the agreement. They must cut the cotton acreage 25 per cent., they must buy less fertilizers, and they must go in for diversified farming on a more elaborate scale.

The association idea must spread to every township and hamlet, and if the men who produce the money crop will not throw away the opportunity they will reap full benefit and profit from their labors in the fall. To further carry out the movement in behalf of the farmers, it is important to hold a part of the present crop, refusing to throw it on the market at prices far below the actual cost of production. The leading "bear" speculator in New York, who would become a "bull" tomorrow, if that would help to fill his pockets with gold, is sending out flaming advertisements, urging the producers to sell before the market is driven down to five cents. It is not safe to regard what he says, but it is safe to join in with the majority of Southern people who are just beginning to show the master hand.—Greenville News.

The action of the New Orleans convention as shown by the full reports of its proceedings printed during its session and since its adjournment, was most conservative. As pointed out by The Times-Democrat, it did not waste time in condemning dealing in futures, and other things over which the farmers had no control, but went directly at the question of acreage and use of fertilizer. There is where the planters can act effectively; can, if they desire, absolutely control the price of cotton, at least so far as keeping it at a fair price is concerned, and it is agreeable to see them working to that end. The deliberations of former conventions have been

more in the way of putting the responsibility on others than on the planters themselves, and little, if anything, was accomplished. The New Orleans meeting, however made the production of the staple practically the sole object of its assemblage, and the result will be watched with interest. When the next convention meets at Asheville in August it will doubtless receive reports that will show actually what has been accomplished toward the 25 per cent. reduction of the area devoted to the staple. It is an undertaking of vast proportion, but one which can be carried out if the farmers stick together on the two propositions presented.—Charlotte Observer.

A VERY CLOSE CALL.

"I stuck to my engine, although every joint ached and every nerve was racked with pain," writes C. W. Bellamy, a locomotive fireman, of Burlington, Iowa. "I was weak and pale, without any appetite and all run down. As I was about to give up, I got a bottle of Electric Bitters, and after taking it, I felt as well as I ever did in my life." Weak, sickly, run down people always gain new life, strength and vigor from their use. Try them. Satisfaction guaranteed by Crawford Bros., J. F. Mackey & Co., and Funderburk Phar. Price 50cts.

To Hold Cotton.

New Orleans, La, Jan. 28.—The General director of the Cotton Association will meet here February 4, to consider the plans for carrying over 2,000,000 bales of the unsold portion of the cotton crop of 1904 until January, February and March, 1906, and to perfect plans for organizing a permanent cotton ware house system.

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A neglected cough or cold may lead to serious bronchial or lung troubles. Don't take chances when Foley's Honey and Tar affords perfect security from serious effects of a cold. Sold by Funderburk Pharmacy.

Russian Casualties at Sandepas 1,045.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 28.—A telegram from Chansiamutum says the Russians lost 45 officers and 1,000 men killed or wounded at Sandepas, January 26. The Russians took 102 Japanese prisoners, besides, arms, wagons and ammunition.

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Notice.

My regular office days will be Saturdays and first Mondays. All other days you will find me at my office near L & C depot. Will keep school books at both offices and will be glad to wait on you any day in the week. W M Moore, Co Supt of Education. Jan 16, 1906.

The Solution in a Nutshell.

Method That Will Solve Cotton Problem.—Fifty-two Successful Crops.

To the Editor of The State:

The all-absorbing question for solution is how can we get rid of 5 cent cotton and make it impossible for it ever to return and distress our people?

This will do it: Let every grower of cotton sow wheat, rye, oats and barley in ample quantity for home consumption and some to spare. When these grains are taken off the land sow one bushel of peas on each acre to make peavine hay. When in bloom cut the vines and cure and house them for feed, to sell what is not needed on the farm when the proper time comes. After thorough preparation of the land plant ample acreage in corn to secure enough for home consumption with some to spare. Drop peas between the hills of corn or sow them broadcast, one-half bushel to the acre, the last plowing to improve the land. Let each farmer secure one or more mares and raise his mules and horses instead of buying them. The writer had a half brother who raised eight mules in nine years from one mare. He missed only one year in nine. Sherman's army stole them all.

Let each farmer be well stocked with hogs, sheep, goats, cattle and poultry. Let each farmer be self-supporting as near as possible.

After each grower of cotton has done the above, let him plant all the cotton he can cultivate well, make every pound he can and sell it for all he can get, which will not be less than 10 cents. If the growers of cotton will fall in line and follow the advice given, the people of our southland will be the richest and happiest people on earth in 10 years.

Let every one who has cotton on hand hold it if he can. Let those who cannot hold sell direct to our factories. If they have to give it away, give it to our own people. I was told a few days ago by the president of a factory that he would give more than anyone else.

While a large crop was made last year, the writer does not believe there is more cotton in existence than the factories in existence. Last year because of the high price of cotton, the factories ran on short time, some of them closed down. Notwithstanding this there was no cotton at the close of the season to be had. Now every factory will run on full time and cotton is cheap at 9cents.

The above advice is from one who has grown, gathered and sold 52 crops and made money every year. He never failed.

Ellison S Keitt, Enoree Plantation, S. C., Jan 22, 1905.

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Notice to the Public.

I will hold all inquests in the county. Phone to my residence at Pleasant Hill for me when needed. J. Montgomery Caskey, opt. 20—1f Coroner L. C.

A Fertilizer Dispensary.

Another Scheme for the Monopoly of Private Business by the State.

Special to News and Courier.

Columbia, Jan. 27.—It is stated that the commission appointed to report on the feasibility of the State entering into the fertilizer business will make a report Monday, and it will recommend that a fertilizer factory be established in or in connection with the dispensary. It will be claimed, it is said, that the people of the State paid about \$2,000,000 more for fertilizer last year than they ought to have, and since courts have failed to give relief the State should do so. The proposition is to start out with one factory and increase the number as occasion or circumstances may demand. The farmers of the State will be called upon in the report, it is said, to meet in the Court House of the various counties on salesday in February to adopt resolutions favoring the plan, and to show the Legislature that they demand action. This correspondent's informant says the report will create "lively reading." P M B.

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Auditors Notice

Notice is hereby given that this office will be open from the 1st day of January to the 20th day of February 1906, for the purpose of receiving the returns of the taxpayers of Lancaster County. All persons having property in their possession or control as Manager, holder, or as Husband, Parent, Guardian, Trustee, Executor, Administrator Receiver, Accounting officer, Agent, Attorney or factor on the 1st day of January, 1905, are required to list the same for Taxation within the time required by Law, or incur the penalty of 50 per cent which attaches in case of failure to do so. Only returns of personal property are to be made this year, and improvements on Real Estate. Persons liable to Poll Tax are required by law to make return of same. The Poll Tax of One Dollar is laid upon all male persons between the ages of 21 and 60 years except persons who are exempt by law. It will be to the interest of every taxpayer to make his return promptly and save the penalty of 50 per cent which attaches after the 20th day of February. After the above date I will be found in the Auditor's office to wait upon the public. Respectfully, JNO A COOK, AUDITOR, L. C. Lancaster, C. H., S. C., Dec 8th 1905.

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