

AN UMPIRE'S VALEDICTORY. An umpire went sailing out into the east, Out into the east the sun went down, He thought of the club that loved him best.

The Condition of Crops in South Carolina. COLUMBIA, S. C., August 4.—The State Department of Agriculture furnishes the following information regarding the growing crops, derived from the reports of its county and township correspondents.

Cotton. The favorable condition of the cotton crop during June has been fully maintained in July. Throughout the State generally the plant shows a rapid and healthy growth, and the reports indicate one of the finest crops grown in the State for many years.

Wheat. The favorable condition of the wheat crop during June has been fully maintained in July. Throughout the State generally the plant shows a rapid and healthy growth, and the reports indicate one of the finest crops grown in the State for many years.

Other Crops. The smaller crops have been necessarily neglected on account of the labor needed to keep the more important crops well worked, and the condition is consequently lower than it would otherwise have been.

Facts About Hops. From an article on the position of the hop trade in Bradstreet's, we take the following: The American crop of 1884 was estimated in round numbers follows: New York State, 135,000 bales; Pacific coast, 75,000 bales; other States, 10,000 bales; total, 220,000 bales.

Feeding Dry Hay in summer. "I understand," writes a correspondent at Haverhill "that the Editor of the Farmer has practiced feeding dry cows in summer on dry hay. Is more grain required under that method? If the method is a good one I would like to keep my cows in that way. I have practiced soiling the past fifteen years." It is true that we have practiced feeding dry fodder more or less, in the summer season, for many years, not because we have believed it in every case better than green food, but as a matter of convenience. Like our correspondent, we have soiled or stall fed our stock chiefly, for many years, during the summer season, using large quantities of green food, such as green rye, oats, barley, corn, millet, clover and all the common grasses grown on the farm.

Old Age Seeking Relief. HARTFORD, Ky., March 25 '85. Dear Old Friend—Puffs similar to the enclosed Rev. Jessie H. Campbell's ("Two More Important Cases") occur almost weekly in our paper in relation to Swift's Specific. I presume upon our old friendship to inquire of you in relation to its curative qualities, price and manner of procuring it. Having lived 83 years through the most important part of the world's history, the prospect of dying from cancer on the face is not very consoling. Let me hear from you at earliest convenience.

Very truly your old friend, HARRISON D. TAYLOR. ATLANTA, Ga., March 26, '85. My Dear Friend—Your very high ly esteemed favor of the 24th inst. reached us on the 25th. You want information in regard to the celebrated medicine manufactured here, known as S. S. S. I have watched with much care the effect of this medicine upon those who have used it, and bear willing testimony to its good results in a great majority of instances. The firm engaged in its manufacture are gentlemen and capitalists, and are far above falsehood or deception as any man in your community. You may confide implicitly in any of their statements touching its utility. You can get it at the drug stores in Linnisville, Evansville or even in Owensboro, Ky.

I am sorry for your affliction, but I believe this medicine will cure you if persisted in. I would not stop under one dozen or more large size bottles which can be secured at reasonable cost. JOHN M. JOHNSTON, 72 Marietta street, Atlanta, Ga. Treatise on Blood and Skin Diseases mailed free.

The Swift Specific Co., Drawer 3, Atlanta, Ga. Father Jardine, pastor of a Catholic church at Kansas City, Mo., has been detected in immoral conduct with women and requested by his congregation to leave. His vestry supports him, and on Sunday week he officiated with two large revolvers buckled on under his robes, while the vestrymen were gathered near him heavily armed. A vast crowd present hissed and yelled during the service and sermon, but attempted no further violence.

For its soothing and grateful influence on the scalp, and for the removal and prevention of dandruff, Ayer's Hair Vigor has no equal. It restores faded or gray hair to its original dark color, stimulates the growth of the hair, and gives it a beautiful, soft, glossy and silken appearance.

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added for freight charges. Current quotations are 12 cents for choice States, and 10 cents for Pacific—being below the cost of production, and unless the new crop should fail, prices must inevitably go lower till next season.

With a good crop we shall not be surprised to see prices drop five cents per pound, which will barely cover the cost of preparing the hops for market, after taking them from the poles. In any case, however, it is not anticipated that good hops will be left standing, on the poles, even on the Pacific coast, where labor is so scarce and dear. Human nature is the same everywhere, and there are few farmers who will not take the chances of the future, and incur a little extra expense, rather than face a dead loss.

The best qualities never go a-begging, but with the present accumulation of stock, another season of over production will cause the lower grades to be almost wholly neglected, unless they sink to a sufficiently low ebb to induce speculation. There is probably no other farm product which differs so widely as hops, between the highest and lowest grades.

Florida Oranges vs New England Apples. A correspondent of the Connecticut Farmer has been writing Florida oranges as being better than Florida apples, as he says it is impossible to go into the orange growing sections without catching it. He writes home that "if an ambitious, industrious, enterprising young man would take \$1,000, go to Florida, buy the land, set an orange grove, and give it ten years of labor, he could retire from active business. In the same letter, he mentions the case of a county judge, a grandson of John Quincy Adams, who occasionally has to serve his own warrants because the constables are afraid to undertake the job. In the front hall of his residence are displayed three heavy revolvers, two rifles, one carbine, several knives and two saws. The judge apologized for this warlike exhibition by saying that a good workman required a good assortment of tools. Judge Adams is an orange grower.

On some date, Mr. Gilbert, in the Maine Farmer, says "fruit trees have come out of the winter's frosts in admirable condition. On our own trees we have not seen a terminal bud, even that is showing any signs of weakness," and he concludes that "after all, Maine is proving one of the best fruit growing States in the whole Union, and is finding as few obstacles in the way as in any locality." "Why, then," he asks, "should capitalists and amateurs look away to the orange groves of Florida? There is a larger profit in planting orchards in Maine. Who is the more competent to judge, a Maine farmer, with a record of orange fever, or a cool headed farmer who knows from both experience and a wide observation, just what he is talking about?"—New England Farmer.

THE LONGEST BEARD.—A. B. Paris, of Franklin county, Tenn., wears a beard which is six feet nine inches in length. He is obliged for convenience to keep about four fifths of it wound about a board, which he deposits in one of his inside pockets. The owner of the longest beard paid a visit to Nashville recently, and created quite a sensation by allowing it to flow out in its unconfined condition.

PLOWING AS IT SHOULD BE.—A citizen who lives near the line of Greenville and Laurens counties has devised a new system of plowing which he declares to be superior to any other and to discount the sulky plow by long odds. He has provided himself with a very large mule named Bullet and a very small one named Shot. Bullet is hitched to the front of the plow while the inventive farmer bestrides Shot and holds the plow handles, which he has had raised and made longer for the purpose. This plan has all the merits of originality, comfort and speed and is respectfully recommended to the public as a method of utilizing mule power hitherto unthought of.—Greenville News.

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