

FARMERS' UNION BUREAU OF INFORMATION.

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How to Control Cotton Market.

About all the cotton farmers have to do in order to control the cotton market is to control themselves.

We don't need more money, more men or better business men in the cotton States in order to manage the cotton business. About all you need is to get together and use what you already have in hand, like business men should do, and the power you have will astonish the cotton farmers as well as the balance of the world.

Why is it that we find so many Southern men engaged in the cotton trade on Wall street, New York? Is it not because these Southern men from the field know more about the conditions of things in the South and more about how to control the cotton farmers than foreigners do?

Well, then, why not come together at home and use our own business men and talents, and our peculiar natural advantages for our own benefit instead of allowing foreigners to reap the profits from our fortunate natural gifts in the way of the ideal cotton belt of the world? Twenty men may stand about the bog talking about the bad plight of the cow in the mire to no good—but three men may unite and pull together and out comes the cow on firm ground. Farmers, walk right in the union and take hold; stop talking and pull together.

Cotton Warehouse or Poor House?

For many years cotton producers have been producing money making cotton crops, but in placing the cotton upon the market all others in the cotton business have become rich while the Southern cotton producers, as a rule, have remained poor.

There is but one excuse for this and here it is: Most any common clodhopper can produce a good crop of cotton, but it takes a different kind of work to place this cotton on the market so as to retain the profits in the hands of the producers, where it justly belongs.

Most any common cotton farmer can, single-handed, independently and alone produce a profitable crop of cotton, but it takes the combined efforts of many thousand cotton producers to keep the old crowd of cotton speculators from reaping all the profits.

These speculators have applied a code of business rules and methods or system in handling your cotton crops that producers have failed to do for themselves. These men have supplied the cotton warehouses and the business organizations for the purpose of distributing your cotton among cotton manufacturers and have, as might be expected, reaped their profits in money, while the producers of cotton have stood aloof from concert of action and took their profits out in grumbling and cursing the speculators.

There is but one remedy for this evil, and that is the cotton producers must supply the facilities for handling their own crops until the cotton is placed into the hands of consumers at a reasonable profit to the producers, or the cotton farmer will remain in his present hazardous position.

Cotton farmers, you must organize and put your cotton in bulk, and then place your best men in charge of your business or the speculator will continue to do this thing for you. You cotton growers must build your own warehouses to protect your business or the same old crowd will continue to do this for you, and continue to levy a tariff for this job to suit their idea about this work and not to suit your idea.

Farmers, prepare for war in time of peace. Several warehouses are now on the way, not yet completed. Some farmers claim that they approve of the warehouse plans, but they can't raise the money for them. Well, now, I deny this. In many cases this is not true. We know good and well that if some would try, they could get up this warehouse stock just as well as they got up other things that are not so important.

Finally, we wish to say to all ye calamity howlers and fault-finders that you cannot build warehouses with your tongues. It takes the cash. And another thing, too, that if you will not try to help yourselves when the way is open for you to do it, do for the sake of common good of the country, and respect for yourselves, stop abusing others for not helping you when you will not try to help yourselves. Put up the stuff, or hush up and go way back and sit down and behave yourselves like good modern slaves should do.

Farmers, do not wait longer for something to turn up in your favor. Go out and turn something up for yourself. Do not stand about talking and grumbling and waiting for a good opening to come your way, but go right into the farmers' organization, unite your strength with that of your fellow farmers and make your own opening.

If others can organize a cotton business by picking up your own men at your own door and working them to the advantage of the speculating crowd there is no reason on earth why cotton growers cannot do the same thing for their interest, and even better if they will only combine their power in similar business organizations like the gang does that take our profits away from the farmer.

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Recent Marriages by Rev. D. F. Carter.

Rev. D. F. Carter, of Pulaski township, has recently performed the following marriage ceremonies:

January 25, 1906, at the home of the bride's father, Porter Haulbrooks, Luther H. Smith and Miss Mary J. Haulbrooks; both of Oconee.

February 1, 1906, at the home of the bride's father, F. B. Lee, Miles A. Smith and Miss Iner N. Lee; both of Oconee.

March 1, 1906, at the home of the bride's father, J. G. Lee, W. S. Phillips and Miss S. K. Lee; both of Oconee.

March 6, 1906, at camp, near Westminster, Thos. Swofford and Miss Sarah F. Moore.

The Richest Man in the World.

The richest man in the world cannot have his kidneys replaced nor live without them, so it is important not to neglect these organs. If Foley's Kidney Cure is taken at the first sign of danger, the symptoms will disappear and your health will be restored, as it strengthens and builds up these organs as nothing else will. Oscar Bowman, Lebanon, Ky., writes: "I have used Foley's Kidney Cure and take great pleasure in stating it cured me permanently of kidney disease, which certainly would have cost me my life." Dr. J. W. Bell.

Kills Negro in Girl's Room.

Dallas, Texas, April 6.—Jess Jones, a negro, entered the residence of Prof. P. P. Preuit, at Polytechnic Heights, a suburb of Fort Worth, soon after midnight this morning and was shot and killed by the Professor. Preuit was arrested on a murder charge, but was released on a \$100 bond after waiving examination. Shortly before midnight Prof. Preuit was awakened by a noise on the porch of his two-story dwelling and saw one trying to raise the window. Prof. Preuit secured a shotgun and sat on the end of his bed and waited. A short time later he heard the footsteps of a shoeless man. When the intruder was opposite the bed of his 12-year-old daughter in an adjoining room Prof. Preuit fired both barrels of his shotgun. The charge took effect in the heart of the negro. In the latter's hand was a large bladed clasp knife, with the blade open.

Cured Hemorrhages of the Lungs.

"Several years since my lungs were so badly affected that I had many hemorrhages," writes A. M. Ake, of Wood, Ind. "I took treatment with several physicians without any benefit. I then started to take Foley's Honey and Tar, and my lungs are now as sound as a bell. I recommend it in advanced stages of lung trouble." Foley's Honey and Tar stops the cough and heals the lungs, and prevents serious results from a cold. Refuse substitutes. Dr. J. W. Bell.

THE NEWS FROM SENECA.

The following was read before the library association by Mrs. O. F. Bacon: Character Sketch of Abraham Lincoln Compared to That of Stoneman, alias Thaddeus Stephens:

Abraham Lincoln came upon the scene of American history at a time when the nation was going through the most trying experience of its life. During his administration the Southern States, eleven in number, seceded from the Union, led by our own beloved, hot-headed State of South Carolina. Perhaps no other circumstances less trying could have developed the splendid traits of character of this great statesman. Of humble parentage, native born Kentuckian, it was natural he should have felt sympathy for the South, as he was one of her sons, and have dealt out to her that justice which she so richly deserved and which the Republican party saw she received very little of. Lincoln steered the ship of State with a clear brain and steady hand. Had Congress sustained him in his mild conciliatory measures toward the South much suffering and injustice could have been averted. As it was, the real power back of Congress, representing the Republican party, was Stoneman, alias Thaddeus Stephens, as he figures in the Clansman. Stoneman was a man of great genius; nature had given him a brilliant mind in a deformed body. His vast intellect was used to carry out his ideas of a policy by which the rebellious Southern States, or Provinces, (he scorned to call them States), should be utterly crushed, claiming that they had lost all political rights. He instituted a series of reconstruction acts by which he meant to utterly subdue the South, for he proclaimed in one of his interviews with Lincoln, "I mean to wipe out the South; it is conquered soil." When Lincoln asked him the reason for this unnatural hatred, he refused to give it, admitting, however, a personal grievance, which in later years he confessed to be the destruction of his iron mills by Lee's army as it marched through Pennsylvania. These mills consisted of most of his property, and when he saw them consumed in flames he then and there vowed undying vengeance on the South, which he carried out to the letter. Part of his policy toward the South was to disfranchise the white owners, give the ballot to the negroes, their former slaves, arming and organizing the negroes into troops and giving them authority over the whites as military for the States, to keep the whites subdued and humiliate them—a terrible vengeance, one that in the end rebounded on its author. He had not counted on the reviving spirit of these down-trodden Southerners, a spirit that might be overwhelmed by numbers, not conquered in its true sense. And so the class societies sprang into existence to put down negro rule and regain white supremacy, which, by working together in union, they succeeded in doing. Stoneman saw his boasted system of reconstruction acts, so far as the ballot and negro militia were concerned, fail right under his eyes—a just punishment for his cruel revenge on a noble people. How different in spirit from Abraham Lincoln, who said in his second inaugural: "With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and children; to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations."

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Badge Shows He's a Man.

Washington C. H., Ohio, April 6.—Prosper Randolph Milburn, a music teacher, who created a sensation by appearing on the streets of this city in women's clothes, no longer is barred from female costume. A large silver badge with the inscription, "Randolph Milburn, I am a man," worn in a conspicuous place on his person, gives him the liberty to dress as a woman if he so desires.

Milburn was arrested in this city, when he wrote to Attorney General Ellis for a legal opinion on the question. He declared that as Dr. Mary Walker, a wearing men's clothes he felt that with equal propriety he could wear women's clothes. Although he got no satisfaction from the State, Milburn on his own account searched legal precedent and discovered, as he says, that he may dress as he desires, provided that he makes no attempt at deception as to his sex.

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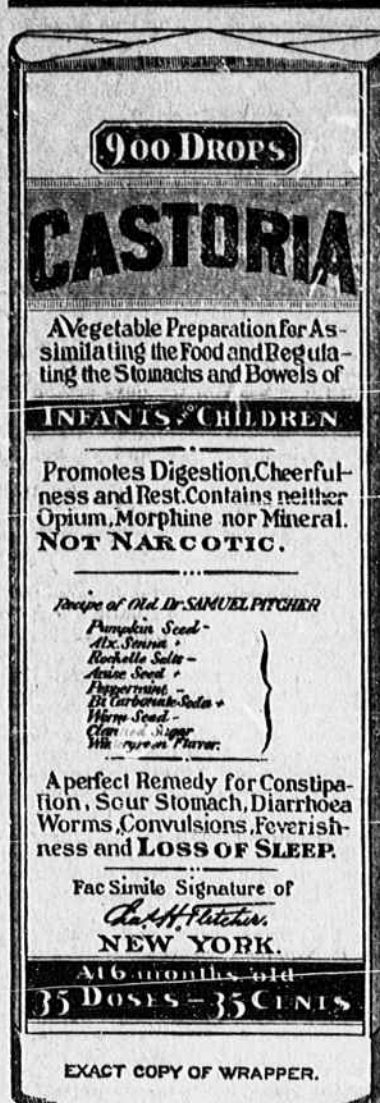
Dowie Played the Markets.

Chicago, April 7.—Overseer Glenn Volivia, who has supplanted John Alexander Dowie, as head of the Christian Catholic church in Zion, says that when Dowie returns to Zion City next week he would be accused of the following faults before an open ecclesiastical tribunal: Extravagance of the most shameful kind, misrepresentation, exaggeration, mismanagement, polygamous teachings in private, tyranny, injustice and indiscretion.

Dowie will be treated fairly, according to Overseer Volivia, and will be given every opportunity to meet every charge and make reply. Volivia said he had abundant proof to substantiate everything that had been charged against Dowie.

Officials of the church at Zion City declared that it was believed that the \$10,000,000 which he is bringing from Mexico is a bequest left to him by the late Baron Hirsch to assist in the delivery of the Jews of Russia.

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Three Children Burned to Death.

Union, April 9.—Three children, the oldest eight years old, said to be members of the Dawkins family, were burned to death in an isolated section of this county Saturday. The children were locked in the house while the parents went to work in a distant field. Persons attempted rescue, but reached the blazing building just in time to hear the cries of the children as the burning roof fell upon them. All were dead before the agonized parents arrived, where there had been a happy home a short time previously.

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Three Murderers Escape.

Helena, Ga., April 8.—The following prisoners made their escape last night from jail here by sawing the bars: Ike Rawlings, George Moon and Oliver Wilcox, colored, all being held under the charge of murder. Their escape was not discovered until this morning.

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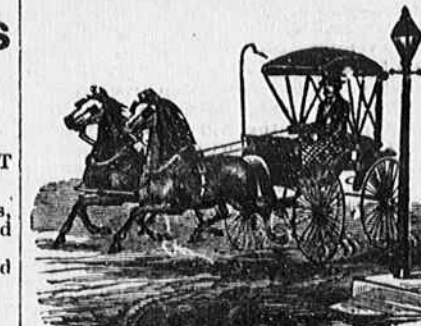
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