

Scrap and Facts.

New York, October 31: Following the resignation of Hamilton Fish as assistant treasurer of the United States, in charge of the sub-treasury here, a corps of book-keepers under the direction of United States Treasurer Treat today began checking over the books of the office. The counting of the cash in the vaults has been taken care of as the checking of the books has been completed. There is in the vaults approximately \$173,000,000 in gold coin; \$17,000,000 in currency and \$80,000,000 in silver coin and this must be counted and verified piece by piece. The work will probably take at least a month. The counting is only done when an assistant treasurer leaves the office. Mr. Fisher resigned as assistant treasurer in order to accept a nomination for congress.

Union City, Tenn., October 29: It is reported today on what is considered good authority that the constitution and by-laws of the night riders were procured and brought here yesterday and will be placed in the hands of the grand jury. The constitution and by-laws, among other things, are said to provide that no bank or trust company will be permitted to make any loans, large or small, for a greater rate of interest than 6 per cent, and further that after the 1st day of July, 1909, no farmer will be allowed to employ any colored help on his farm and that all negroes will be notified to leave the country under penalty of death; that all merchants shall not be allowed to sell goods at not to exceed 10 per cent profit and otherwise regulating all wages to be paid by the farmers for help and regulating the price of corn, cotton and all farm products. The by-laws show that the organization not only comprises the night riders of Ohio county, but includes all night rider organizations over the entire south.

Petersburg, November 1: Interest in the Balkan situation is centered in the positive statements of several parliamentary leaders that Russia has determined to drop the idea of the proposed international congress and will refuse to recognize the annexation by Austro-Hungary of Bosnia and Herzegovina. This information, although purporting to come from official sources, is not entirely exact. Russia has finally committed herself to the principle that the question of the annexation of the provinces may be discussed in a conference of the powers, and Austria will permit the status of Herzegovina to be included in the program, but only on condition that the delegates will refrain from questioning her action, and content themselves with registering the abrogation of the article referring to this matter in the Berlin treaty. The foreign office state that the negotiations between Russia, Austria-Hungary and other powers on this question are still in progress and considers that an acceptable formula for submission to the congress may ultimately be found. It is difficult, however, to foresee how a satisfactory agreement may be reached without some sign of the other withdrawing its contention.

New York, October 31: The Financial Chronicle placed the total world's visible supply of cotton at 3,367,182 bales as against 3,185,877 bales a year ago and 3,314,308 bales two years ago. The visible supply of American cotton was placed at 2,829,182 bales as against 2,425,877 bales a year ago, and 2,555,298 bales two years ago. The intaglio for the week aggregated 610,868 bales, compared with 654,462 bales for the corresponding week last year. The intaglio to date aggregates 3,619,635 bales as against 2,737,143 bales for the corresponding period last year, southern consumption to date was estimated at 350,000 bales, as against 434,000 bales last year. Northern spinners' takings to date totaled 481,636 bales, as against 273,520 bales last year. The world's takings of American cotton for the week aggregated 3,629 bales as against 28,712 bales for the corresponding week last year. Takings of American cotton to date total 1,766,858 bales, as against 1,647,110 bales for the corresponding period last year. Exports of raw cotton from United States ports for the week total 310,556 bales, against 373,894 bales for the corresponding day last year. The amount of cotton on shipboard not yet cleared was 302,324 bales, as against 181,007 bales a year ago.

Reeffoot Lake, Tenn., October 31: "We know who fired the shot and who put the rope around Rankin's neck," said Gov. Patterson in a statement yesterday afternoon, just before his departure for Union City, where a special grand jury is investigating the night rider deprecations in this section which culminated recently in the murder of Capt. Quinton Rankin. The governor said: "The proof which has been developed is positive as to the guilt of some of the men under arrest and implicates others. This will all be presented to the court at the proper time and a long step has been taken to discover and suppress lawlessness in this region. Conditions have been extremely bad, the night riders going from one lawless act to another until the culmination came with the murder of Capt. Rankin and the attempted murder of Col. Taylor. We know who fired the shot and who put the rope around Rankin's neck. The number of men actually at the killing was probably not more than ten, while some stood guard and others held the horses. The whole number engaged in the undertaking did not exceed 25. The inquiry will be further prosecuted and the state will have ample evidence to convict." The confession of Ferriner, Hog and Morris substantiate, it is said, that of Ted Burton. They will be taken to Memphis for safe keeping.

Daniel J. Sully who is now a bull in the cotton market, has sent out the following letter to his correspondents in the south: "A large number of my friends throughout the west and abroad write to inquire in regard to conditions in cotton manufacturing sections of the south as promising as those of the northern mills. If the resumption of full time is contemplated or has already been adopted by the southern mills, and whether they report any improvement in the demand for their goods. Boston reports an active and increasing demand in spots daily. Business conditions generally are improving much more than this kind of business was being done. The whisky, of course, is not actually transported through the mails, but the orders are and to such provisions has the business been carried out that the officials are threatening to come down good and hard on the promoters. The commissioner of internal revenue issued a regulation requiring rectified spirits, or alcohol, to be bonded as 'imported whisky.' The dealers in rectified spirits took exception to this regulation, which was, but made necessary by the operation of the pure food and drug law of 1906, and sought an injunction from a Federal court in one of the Illinois districts. The injunction was denied on the ground that the regulation was not believed to be unreasonable, and that the rectified spirits business here is where the postal authorities take a hand. It has been thought lately that the rectified spirits business, though as yet no bona fide cases have been made out. The rectified spirits business is being pushed to have all such cases pushed to the limit and he said today that if those who have been imposed upon by the report such cases to him, such matters will be taken up and pushed. This department is being advised as to the fight of the dealers to advertise as well as the stuff they can, but that when they get the imitation liquor they must state and not sell their products as genuine through the medium of the rectified spirits business. The rectified spirits business will be allowed and prosecutions will follow.

before the first day of next September. Do you ever stop to consider that this means an influx of \$300,000,000 in gold to America and that every advance of one cent per pound in cotton means \$30,000,000 in gold for import to this country? Can you consistently under such circumstances, with a tremendous revival in American industries developing, believe in lower prices for the staple, and can you much longer defer buying cotton when a delay of a month or two may mean an additional expense to you of 15 or more cents per bale? The cash sale strike was evidently a ruse of war conceived by English masters for the purpose of buying cheap cotton at the expense of the cotton grower. The settlement of the strike is now but a few days away. I unhesitatingly advocate the purchase of cotton at the present level, both spots and futures. It is the cheapest commodity in the world at the present time under existing business conditions.

The Yorkville Equiper. Entered at the Postoffice in Yorkville, N.C. as Mail Matter of the Second Class.

AND now the country can get down to business again.

THE New York Herald was the only big daily to issue an election forecast last Sunday. It gave Taft 306 and Bryan 177.

VOTING machines were used in some of the states today and the result of the election was announced within a few minutes after the close of the polls.

WELL, anyhow, South Carolina made a good showing for the national Democracy. Her votes were a foregone conclusion; but she helped with her money.

ALTHOUGH today's election settles the matter as to who will be president and vice president, the president and vice president are not yet elected. Only presidential electors were chosen today. These electors will meet in the capitals of their respective states on the second Monday in January next, and cast the votes of their states for president and vice president. The assembled presidential electors of a state constitute an electoral college. There is an electoral college for each state on the same day. After the votes of the electoral colleges are counted, the results are sent to Washington, and canvassed by congress. Should the candidates receiving a majority of the votes, or one of them, die between this date and the assembling of the electoral colleges, the electoral colleges could lawfully choose other men to fill the offices. As a matter of fact, the electoral colleges could, even now, lawfully elect some one else if they saw proper to do so. It would be a rather dangerous proceeding of course, as they are virtually pledged to register the will of the party by which they were nominated.

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VOTERS SHOULD BE REGISTERED. Strong Argument For Reform of Primary System.

Referring to the independent candidacy for supervisor of W. A. Douglas in Richland county, the Anderson Mail propounds pertinent questions, and makes a suggestion that will appeal to many.

"He (Douglas) says his opponent received a larger majority at some precincts in the primary than there are registered voters at those precincts. This would seem to indicate that there was something wrong about the vote in the primary."

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. W. F. Roach, Hickory Grove, has a 3-year-old land for sale. A Jeannette Kling Rectal, Co.—Will be at the graded school auditorium on Friday evening, November 6, and will present an enjoyable program of music, song and story.

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SEED CORN SELECTION. While it is true that the average farmer pays very little attention to the subject of seed selection, it is a matter of no little satisfaction that York county has numerous intelligent and progressive farmers who have been giving the matter attention for years.

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