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Youmans Deals With the Cotton Yield.

FAIRFAX, Aug. 22, 1898. executive committee of the American | convention.' Cotton Growers Protection Association. At this meeting, after electing | those interested are most earnestly re-Lane, deceased, and after simplifying hereby requested to interest themselves ing it to that of the National Cotton that their counties shall be represent-Growers' Union, it was determined by ed. the president and vice-president to inaugurate a vigorous policy on the part of the cotton growers of the south to meet the requirements of the

prices and impending ruin. reliable sources of information the committee unanimously arrived at the conclusion that the present crop would fully equal, if not excel the last, and, if rapidly thrown upon the market, of from ten to twelve million bales unite. now in hand while manufacturers and speculators have only about three million bales, if that, and that if the cotton growers would withhold the present crop from the market for 90 days, say till December 1st, the world would be bare of cotton and at their supply, it was determined to effect a thorough and complete organization of the cotton growers beginning with the smallest geographical subdivision with a view of holding the present crop and following up this line of action, through the medium of township clubs, by enrolling all land holders in a contract to reduce next year's acreage one-half.

It is manifestly clear that such a line of proceeding would place the cotton growers in command of the situation and change the outlook from one of bankruptcy and ruin to one of charge papers are issued. The purprofit and competency.

It further seems that an effort in this line would meet with the aid and approval of almost every business interest in the South.

Well knowing that the principle obstacle to the accomplishment of this undertaking would consist in the maturing obligations of the cotton growers, incurred in the production of the crop, a special committee has been arranged for, consisting of one member from each State, to confer with capitalists and provide the necessary funds to take up these liens and carry the cotton until such time as it can be disposed of at fair profit.

Under instructions from the executive committee of the National Cotton Growers' Union, with a view of placing South Carolina in a position to carry out these propositions, I now call upon you as the president of the organization in this State to call a convention to meet in Columbia at the earliest possible day. Please use representation from each county in

Should our State act with promptness and decision, it would in all probability have a most happy effect on all the other cotton-growing

This is a matter of vital consequence to the entire cotton belt and too important to brook any unnecessary de-

While I have thought proper to give you an outline of the committee's plan of proceedure, it was thought best by the committee not to make it public just yet.

Yours very sincerely, L. W. YOUMANS. One Million Rations.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25 .- In accordance with the determination of the administration the Comal sailed from Tampa to Habana to-day with 1,000,-Capt. Niles of the artillery, in con- he will be lynched. formity with the orders of the President and Secretary of War. Supplies will be furnished to other provinces

Attention, Cotton Growers.

The following letter on the vitally COLUMBIA, S. C., Aug. 29.—Presiimportant subject of the handling of dent Wilborn has called a cotton this year's cotton crop has been re- grower's convention for the 20th of ceived by the president of the South | September. In his call he says: "It | Carolina Cotton Growers' Association: is requested that every county send are quieting down again and seem to sented to be interviewed. During the delegates. The county organization in | be satisfied now to go to Cuba, or any-Hon. J. C. Wilborn, Yorkville, S. C. each county is requested to meet and where the Government my see fit to terms the campaign just ended. The My Dear Sir: I have just returned elect delegates. Where it is impractifrom Memphis, Tenn., where I have cable to call a mass meeting the county been as the vice-president for South presidents are requested to see to it Carolina to attend a meeting of the that a delegation comes to the State neither they nor their officers have

"Where there is no organization Col. Maxwell, of Louisiana, president, quested to co-operate with the clerk of to succeed the late Hon. Hector D. | court of said county, the clerks being the title of the organization by chang- at least to the extent that they will see 7th army corps to Havana, to Havana

"This meeting will take steps that will be of inestimable benefit to every cotton grower in this State. At a conference in Memphis a committee present threatening exigency of lower from each State was appointed to negotiate for money whereby liens on From the best informed and most the present crop could be taken up and the bulk of the crop of this year held off for ninety days and perhaps longer,

would in all probability sell far below is liable to depress present prices. 5 cents. In view of the fact that the The producer has the key to the situacotton growers have the present crop tion if he can be induced to act as a two-thirds of the enlisted men of this

> "Send a delegation from every community and let them discuss plans in return to their homes; but, their county convention for this crop, also for the next crop, and send county recommendations to the State convention."-Special to Greenville News.

To Prevent Pension Frauds.

A determined step has been taken by the war department to prevent pension frauds that might be perpetrated as an outcome of the war just closed, for this work, as he enjoys the confiand with this purpose in view Pension dence of a great many of the regi-Agent General St. Clair Mulholland, ment. of this city, has received advices from ascertained and noted before his dispose of this regulation, it was explained, is for the purpose of preventing false claims in the future.

Gen. Mulholland said the importance of the precaution could not be too highly estimated, as it would save the Government a vast amount of litigain a few days, and said it was likely that many would endeavor to escape to their homes.

plan he cited a case of a soldier's widow claiming a pension on the ground that her husband had contracted deafness while in the civil war, whereas an investigation proved many years prior to his enlistment. It is to prevent a repetition of just such cases as this, Gen. Mulholland said, that the present plan has been adopted .- Philadelpnia Evening Tele-

Conductor Cason Murdered.

MACON, GA., August 27 .- A special to the Maton Telegraph from Dupont, Gr., says that conductor Cason, of the that place yesterday by Mark Graham, a negro. Cason had taken a month's vacation and was on his way to South Carolina where he was to have been married. When the train reached Dupont, Graham and a white boy boarded the train to get a drink of water. They got into a fuss and in the absence of the regular conductor Cason undertook to stop it. As he approached the negro drew a pistol and shot him, inflicting a wound from which he died much, and there is a good deal of almost immediately. The body was taken to Waycross, Ga., where a crowd was formed and started after the mur- from the 1st South Carolina volunteer 000 rations for distribution to the derer. Hounds were procured from infantry. starving people of Cuba. These McRee's lumber camp and started on rations will be distributed by Lieut. the trail. The chase led toward the A. D. Niskern, under the direction of Florida line. If the negro is caught

\$100 Reward. \$100.

will be furnished to other provinces in the island under the direction of officers of the army as emergency may demand.

It has been learned that there will be no difficulty regarding the entry of the supply vessels to Cuban ports or their distribution under the direction of United States army officers. It is stated that the Spanish authorities in Cuba are glad to have the provisions sent in.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh cure is the only positive cure now known to the ordination of the medical fraternity. Catarrh cure is the only positive cure now known to the ordination of the medical fraternity. Catarrh cure is the only positive cure now known to the ordination of the medical fraternity. Catarrh cure is the only positive cure now known to the ordination of the medical fraternity. Catarrh cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh cure is the ordination of the medical fraternity. Catarrh cure is at least one dreaded disease requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh cure is the ordination of the medical fraternity. Catarrh cure is the or

Ready to Obey Orders.

News and Courier.

Camp Cuba Libre, Panama Park. Fla., Aug. 24.-The cry to "Go home!" is gradually decreasing, and the boys

of the men have realized the fact that | brighter, more cheerful and less harany idea as to their immediate dis- since he embarked at Tampa. position, but they are obligated to serve the United States for two years, unless the Government sees fit to dis- the evident consciousness that whatcharge them sooner.

If the war department orders the we go. If they see fit to send us to Manila, to Manila we will go, and nothing the men can say or do will | Shafter said : change "Uncle Sam's" purposes, and

It would be impossible for the Government to hold an army together if regiments, brigades or divisions were allowed the privilege of disbanding by simply making their wishes has been achieved is the capitulation which it is hoped will force present known; and, on the other hand, it would be "unamerican" not to recog-"The big crop that is now growing nize the voice of its people to some extent even in time of war.

I think I voice the sentiment of regiment, when I say that they would like to be mustered out of service and patriotism and manliness is too strong for them to ask to be relieved of their obligation. Their sense of duty to their country restrains them from pressing their personal desires.

Lieut. Frank G. Tompkins has been detailed as Judge Advocate of the Field Officers' Court. He is a young man of fine sense and good judgment, and no better man could be detailed

Washington relative to regulations for breezes and pleasant nights since the Washington relative to regulations for mustering out soldiers. In these advices, which emanate from the war the work we do, and the balance is as soon as our guns had been placed 000 to \$800,000. It is the intention department, it is ordered that the spent in playing, sporting, fishing, in a position to cover the town. physical condition of each soldier be etc. Even the rations are getting better. We all had fried ham and rice to-day for dinner, and fried ham, biscuit and coffee for supper.

The prospect is that every man in the regiment will have the opportunity of a ten-days' leave before we embark for Cuba, and it is rumored that we will be paid two months in advance a character what would have been the hungry and sick soldiers passing before we leave. There seems to be result? I estimate that our casualties through the city on their way north tion, but he doubted whether the an erroneous impression among many authorities would be able to live up of the men that we are going to be result, without so heavy a loss of 800 or more volunteers who came to the regulation. He dwelt upon the sent to Havana to clean up the city, valuable lives. difficulties that would be encountered put in sewerage, etc., as well as do in mustering out large forces of men garrison duty. It would be well, and at the same time, a great relief to Every house is strongly constructed many minds, if some one who is in of stone, and entirely different from urday afternoon in the lot on Mr. the duties that our soldiers will have Speaking of the judiciousness of the to perform as an army of occupation or garrisoning Cuba, for it seems to be a question that is troubling a great the moment General Toral made a a corner of the stall where the cow many of the boys.

Our energetic and efficient Acting Quartermaster Lieut. Wyatt Aiken that the deceased had been deaf for has just returned from the city, where has been looking after supplies for the regiment. He advises me that tomorrow he will haul in for distribution among the men 1,300 hats, 1,100 blue trousers, 800 pair leggings and a lot of other things necessary to fill in.

The following have secured leaves to visit home for the next ten days: Jas. D. Fleming, Harry L. Gass, Lieut. Walter N. Kirkland, Privates Huger McKeown, Jas. Simpson, R. A. Johnson, B. T. Nerris, J. M. Plant system, was shot and killed at Dozier, J. B. Siles, Daniel Cunningham, A. B. Desportes, J. T. Baldwin, but there was only three volunteer ed in a bath tub in which there was Woods Hughes, John Fox.

Furloughs can almost be gotten now by asking for them.

Things are sounding to-night like old times at Chickamauga, singing and laughing are going on in all the com-

Company A returned to-day from a week's tour of provost guard duty at Jacksonville. The boys liked it very rivalry now between the companies to see who will go out next on this tour

We are all glad to know that Capt. Milford, of Company A, is improving. T. M. LUMPKIN.

- Before Santiago Chaplain Brown of Arizona, was seen to seize the carbine of a wounded trooper as the fight began to grow fierce, and work his way to the front of the fighting line. Col. firearms." "D-n the articles of war!" came the quick response. there he stayed.

Gen. Shafter Reviews War.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26 .- A dispatch to the Herald from Santiago says:

Mexico, Major General Shafter conbare prospect of returning to the After due consideration the majority United States caused him to be rassed looking than at any period

Critics and detractors are alike forgotten, and with improved health and ever might be the eventual verdict of the operations before Santiago, a difficult campaign has been brought to a tion coming during Fair week the time successful conclusion. He spoke with for holding the next State Fair has greater energy and more vigor than at been changed to the week beginning any time since the capitulation. Gen. November 14.

"I look upon the campaign just most of the men have about awakened highest degree, not only in regard to This new building will contain 30 practhe military operations, but more especially in regard to the great re-sults achieved. When we decided to attack Santiago we looked for nothing more as the immediate fruit of victory | and Timmonsville are just now marketthan the capture of the city. What ing their tobacco crop. The tobacco of the entire eastern part of the province from a line at Jibari to the money now as the cotton crop. south coast together with the enemy's forces, amounting to almost 24,000 men. Surely this was a notable the Fairview stock and mechanical achievement of the campaign, bearing association will be held on the associin mind the fierce opposition we en- ation grounds, near Fairview church, countered and the comparatively small | Greenville county, September 23rd. loss of our own forces.

cumstances, but I knew the temper trial was recently granted in a crimiand capabilities of my soldiers and the moral effect of our gradually cooping nal case because one of the jurors was up the enemy within its own lines. 'My engineers were very apprehen-

sive that the Spaniards might break through on my left and cut off Siboney. This, from a purely military stand-point, might have been truthfully within a week. They have canned correct, but personally, I had not for a moment any fear on that scope. The put up 100,000 had the tomato crop result, however, I think, proved the correctness of my conclusions.

Cervera out and next to take the town. to their regret. We are enjoying fine weather, good We had gradually driven the Span-reezes and pleasant nights since the lards back on high lands circling the

was changed. The town was at my mercy and had I given the order for a direct assault it would have been 18,000 spindles to 57,000 spindles, taken within four hours. I believe and from 500 looms to 1,500 looms. that with the forces then at my command, reinforced as they had been, I was in a position to take the city by

"The town itself is admirably situ- refreshed. ated for defense, and the fight would have been a long and bloody one. he was determined to give up, and I acted accordingly.

"Personal reflections have been cast | she lay. upon me because I was not on the for a general in command of an army. It must be remembered that I was connected by telephone with the offi- old colored child. The child was playcers at the front and was better able ing in the weeds near the railroad to direct operations from the position | track, and just as the train came up it I had taken. Save for two days when ill, I was in direct command of this campaign, which I consider unequaled in American history, for it was really knocking it 20 feet in the air. It fell the first time the United States had to the side of the track dead. fought with its regular army. The civil war was a war of volunteers, but Chester last Sunday morning when the this campaign was fought and won by our regular troops.

regiments engaged against the Spaniards. While the highest credit is to port of the regulars back of it all.

cohesion and individual support noticeable in our trained troops, but lacked otherwise they made up for in enthusiasm and patriotic spirit, and I ago campaign. 'The operations of the regulars in

the campaign have proved conclusively their superiority over some organi- nesday night upon Walter Moon, while zations of State militia in which the he was visiting a young lady. Moon men are partially compelled to serve is a son of Squire John P. Moon, a by a sense of shame, but they do not show the enthusiasm of volunteers.

cerning the transportation facilities of went to see a daughter of John T. the army. The facilities were all Chapman. The young people went to there and the transportation equip- the well near the house and suddenly ment provided was all it should have both were struck in the head either by Roosevelt remonstrated. "According been, but our difficulties were enorto the articles of war, chaplain," he mous. There was only one road. To knucks or shot from a sling. The said, "you are not allowed to handle have built another would have taken young man was badly hurt, but the girl two years. The nature of the coun- received only a slight wound. Jealtry, the weather-all these things- ousy is supposed to be the cause of "Here's where I'm needed now." And ment. The use of wagons was almost the attack. The sheriff is working hard

STATE NEWS.

- One negro man quarreled with and killed another at a funeral in Prior to embarking on the steamer | Charleston county, S. C., Aug. 20.

- Excessive rains are reported from every section of the State, and in interview he discussed in general some places crops have been badly

> - The electric railway to connect Augusta with Aiken, a distance of 17 miles, will be built, it is said, in the near future.

> - The city of Chester has the honor of having two companies in the Volunteer army-one in the First and one in the Second.

- On account of the general elec-

- Converse College, Spartanburg, closed as a successful one in the is erecting a conservatory of music. tice rooms and an auditorium with a seating capacity of 2,000.

- The farmers around Darlington crop in those sections brings as much

- The 'twelfth annual display of

"From a military point of view, I perhaps took steps which might not be deemed justifiable under other cirtuents of South Caro-lina provides that jurors must be between the ages of 21 and 65, and a new 66 years old.

- The Prosperity Canning Company got in 3 cars of cases Wednesday and will be ready to ship out their product not been a failure. They will not pack "Our primary object was to drive 100 cases of tomatoes all told, much

- The stockholders of the Granby Mills of Columbia have decided to into have all the machinery in them "When Cervera left the situation running by January. The capacity of the mill is to be increased from

- Columbia responded in no mean way to the call made by the ladies of the Wayside Hospital Relief Corps. "But if I had taken a step of such for contributions of delicacies for the action I took has had a more brilliant from Florida. The result was that the through Columbia were feasted and

- Mrs. Lula Hahn of Hamburg was severely gored by an angry cow on Satthe examination in their hurry to get to their homes.

position to know would fully define ordinary buildings. Every house was a little fortress itself. Had the Spanlearned of the affair, it seems that Mrs. the battle out in the streets our loss Hahn had a most desperate battle with would have been enormous. But from the cow. Finally she was penned in proposition for a conference, I knew was confined, and but for timely aid would have been gored to death where

> -Between Grier's Station and Dunfighting line. That was not the place can, just this side of Yorkville, the train going North killed a three-yearjumped out of the weeds on the track. the engine striking it on the head and

- A very sad accident occurred in baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. John R. "I did not notice the fact at first, Culp, Jr., aged 22 months, was drownabout five inches of water- Mr. Culp be given them and they fought bravely had been in the room, but went into and well, there was the moral sup- the yard for some purpose, and when he returned was shocked to find his "Our volunteers lacked that unity, dear little baby girl had fallen into the tub, and upon gathering her into his at the same time no disparagement arms was horrified that she did not should be made of the volunteer regi- breathe and that life was extinct. Dr. ments in the campaign. What they McConnel was sent for, and every effort made for three hours to restore desire to command no better army life, but to no purpose. When the than the one composed of the class baby was found her face was in the of volunteers under me in the Santi- water, while her body was only half in the tub.

- An assault was made last Wedprominent farmer living ten miles "There has been some question con- from Greenville. Wednesday night he to find the villain.

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