

NEGROES NOT FARING WELL.

Emigrants to Cold North Find That Climate is Not Agreeable to Them.

Things are not going well with all of the Southern negroes who have gone north, says a Greenwood dispatch. A well known conductor on the Charleston and Western Carolina railway stated to some Greenwood men yesterday that he had counted so far thirty coffins of dead negroes brought back from the north in the last three months. The severe winter is expected to be even more fatal to them. Mr. J. Brown Bailey, of Greenwood, who lives in Pittsburg, in a private letter some days ago mentioned that things were not going well with the Southern negroes by big wages. He said one hundred and sixty-five had been arrested and heavily fined the past week for being drunk and disorderly. Evidently the prosperity of big wages was too much for them. The winter has not begun yet and it is thought that not being used to such severe weather it will be the cause of the death of many of them.

Long Staple in Boll Weevil Territory.

A reader wishes to know if there is a long staple cotton which is as early as the King group of varieties—King, Simpkins, Broadwell, Mitchell, etc. He says he has a few boll weevils this fall and wants to know if he can safely plant his regular long staple variety he has been growing.

There is probably no long staple variety of cotton quite as early as the early short staple varieties mentioned. Some of them may fruit as early, although this is somewhat doubtful. The long staple varieties usually have larger, thick-hulled bolls which are probably less likely to be damaged when their growth is considerably advanced. While the earliest of the long staple cottons are probably not quite so early as the short varieties named, a long staple variety, like Express, for instance, is nearly as early and possesses other qualities which probably make it as good a boll weevil variety as the shorter varieties mentioned. There can be no question, but the farmers of the rich alluvial lands of the Mississippi valley have decided that a variety like Express is better for them, even under boll weevil infestation, than the small balled short cottons of the King type.

It is quite possible that different soil and climatic conditions may slightly change the growth and maturity of different varieties, but the Mississippi Valley, whence our inquiry comes, has tried and largely rejected the short cottons of the King type and are now quite generally growing varieties that will make a staple of better than an inch in length. Of course, this applies more particularly to the northern half of the cotton belt—but it is true even in the boll weevil infested territory.

If our inquirer only had a few boll weevils this fall and they came rather late in the season he is reasonably safe from severe boll weevil injury next season. If, however, the winter is unusually mild and the month of July is wet his crop may suffer severe injury by the weevils next year. In the average year, they are likely to lessen the yield some, but the not likely to prevent the profitable growing of cotton if prices are right. But the third year, or year after next, 1918, he is likely to have a heavy infestation of weevils unless the winter of 1916-17 or 1917-18 is very severe and summer conditions are also unfavorable to the weevils.—Progressive Farmer.

It Smelled Like It.

The Swedish jitney driver drew up beside the road, jumped out and with wrench in hand crawled under the auto. Taking advantage of the stop the only passenger, a German, proceeded to eat a lunch consisting mainly of Limberger cheese. Suddenly the driver emerged from beneath the machine and with bulging eyes and a hand on his nose stood staring at the auto.

"What's the matter?" inquired the German innocently, between mouthfuls of cheese.

"Ay don't know," said Ole. "But Ay tank the engine bane dead."—Chicago Tribune.

Preparedness.

A young married couple was attending a fair in Mississippi. Finding themselves jostled about in the centre of a vast crowd, the husband remarked:

"I say, dearie, I think you'd better give me the lunch basket. Don't you see, we are apt to lose each other in the crowd."—Boston Transcript.

A little cough often ends in a large coffin.

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TO DECIDE WHISKEY PROBLEM.

Quart a Month Bill May Be Proposed. Convene Next Week.

There will be nothing spectacular about the 1917 session of the general assembly, convening January 9. A constructive programme of legislation will be introduced, in addition to the several hundred local bills, sure to be proposed. The session will be well ordered and business-like. No great issues are to be decided. This will be a new legislature, the members having been elected for two years at the last election.

Richard I. Manning will be inaugurated for the second time as governor of South Carolina. He has already begun work on his annual message, which will review the condition of the State government during the last year.

There is every indication that the prohibition leaders will attempt to pass a measure reducing the amount of whiskey which may be imported from one gallon to one quart a month. Such a measure has already been editorially proposed by J. K. Breedin, superintendent of the South Carolina Anti-Saloon league. The liquor question will cause considerable debate.

The Laney-Odom insurance act was passed by the last legislature. This act caused a majority of the fire insurance companies to withdraw from the State. Gov. Manning in his message will propose several fire insurance measures, intended to relieve the present situation.

It is practically certain that James A. Hoyt will be reelected speaker of the house. Andrew J. Bethea, lieutenant governor, will preside in the senate. No opposition has developed to Marvin M. Mann, of St. Matthews, as clerk of the senate. There is a spirited contest on between J. Wilson Gibbes, incumbent, and H. C. Booker, editor of the Spartanburg Journal, for clerk of the house. The general assembly will elect a superintendent to succeed Capt. D. J. Griffith at the State penitentiary.

J. T. Liles, of Orangeburg, will, in all probability, be reappointed as chairman of the ways and means committee of the house.

A programme for social legislation, including a home for the custodial care of the feeble minded, will be proposed by Gov. Manning. Ample appropriation for the support of the State tuberculosis hospital at State Park will also be asked by the State board of health.

Gov. Manning, it is expected, will discuss the question of rural credits and urge that some kind of a law be enacted. The last legislature passed a resolution providing for a commission to study the rural credits matter and make report at the forthcoming session.

The pruning knife will be used by the ways and means committee in an effort to keep down the State tax levy. The demands on the State government have been increasing from year to year.

Gov. Manning will insist upon a continuance of the improvement work at the State Hospital for the Insane. The legislature has for two years given \$150,000 for this important work and a like amount will be required next year. Under the improved conditions at the asylum the death rate has been cut about 40 per cent. The amount for the maintenance of the institution will have to be increased because of the high cost of living and the increase in the number of patients.

The State officials are working on their annual reports and many recommendations will be made. W. W. Moore, adjutant general, will ask that a liberal appropriation be made for the expansion of the National Guard because one more regiment will be added to the guard this year.

The local option compulsory attendance law was enacted two years ago and fine results have been secured. It is understood that a bill will be introduced to provide for a State-wide compulsory attendance law. Liberal support for the night schools in the mill villages will be asked.—The State.

Describing Eternity.

A colored preacher was trying to impress upon his congregation the length of eternity.

"If a sparrow, bredden, should take a drop of water from the Atlantic ocean at Coney Island and with the drop of water in his beak should hop a hop a day until he reaches the Pacific ocean at San Francisco and when he got there should let the drop fall into the Pacific, and when this was done should turn round and hop a hop a day all the way back to Coney Island, get another drop and do the same thing all over, and keep on doing the very same thing until he had carried the whole Atlantic ocean over into the Pacific it would then be only early morning in eternity."—Los Angeles Times.

Miss Rankin, the new congresswoman, is receiving more proposals of marriage since her election than she can possibly accept.

TAX NOTICE.

The treasurer's office will be open for the collection of State, county, school and all other taxes from the 15th day of October, 1916, until the 15th day of March, 1917, inclusive.

From the first day of January, 1917, until the 31st day of January, 1917, a penalty of one per cent. will be added to all unpaid taxes. From the 1st day of February, 1917, a penalty of 2 per cent. will be added to all unpaid taxes. From the 1st day of March, 1917, until the 15th day of March, 1917, a penalty of 7 per cent. will be added to all unpaid taxes.

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All persons between the ages of twenty-one and sixty years of age, except Confederate soldiers and sailors, who are exempt at 50 years of age, are liable to a poll tax of one dollar.

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All persons who were 21 years of age on or before the 1st day of January, 1916, are liable to a poll tax of one dollar, and all who have not made returns to the Auditor are requested to do so on or before the 1st day of January, 1917.

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