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Carolina Weather Bureau's Re-

port for November Con-

tains Startling Data.

The November report of the South

Carolina section of the weather bu-

reau service, just out, contains much

others who keep up with crop condi-

The report says on this line:

'By far the greater part of what

the average farmer raises is for use

residue is the surplus on which alone the selling price has any effect so far

the farmer's fluances are concerned.

be profitably consumed on the farm,

and yet a series of comparisons would

indicate that the selling price of cot-

ton is less important than the pro-

year, far less than the price per

in the same locality, however widely

points, the value per acre has been

values are available, the values were,

PROGRESS OF FARM WORK.

during November the bulletin says:

frost, on the 15th, with freezing tem

arts of the State, stopped all further

rowth except of the very hardiest

egetables in the coast truck regions,

and ended the growing season of 1904.

The temperature averaged slight-

below normal, but was never cold

peratures and thin ice over the upper

it may vary in different loalities.

the profitablene s of this crop.

with crop prices.

The most interesting and valuable

SELLING PRICE

severe drought during September and October; in the eastern parts where the rainfall was more copious, the fall orcps were generally excellent.

"During November, as during the Be Misleading as to Value. - As portant Distinction. The South

seeding was not finished.

ed that they would be.

as the mid-summer condition indicat

"The yields of corn came up to ex-pectation and gathering confirmed the

earlier promising reports. Both early

and late planted corn were equally

previous gathering season this year there was practically no less in har vesting from bad weather, and all crops were saved in the very best con-

CLIMATOLOGY FOR THE MONTH. The main temperature for November was 41.6 degrees, which is 2 2 de grees below normal. The highest local nean was 57 2 degrees at Charleston; the lowest was 46 2 degrees at Green that is of interest to farmers and all ville. The monthly extremes were a maximum of 80 degrees at Walhalla, on the 22ud, and a minimum of 22 de-

grees at Greenville and Santus on the portion of the report is in the nature 15th, making the State range 58 deof a reminder, or advice, to farmers grees. The greatest local monthly tion. The charge is made in the Jan-range was 56 degrees at Waihalla, the uary issue of Everybody's Magazine, as to what makes the value of the cotton crop, and this is especially least was 37 degrees at Charleston The mean of the daily maximum temtimely just now when there are so many bizarre notions as to how to inperatures was 63.6 degrees and of the crease the price. The report shows that the return on the crop to the individual farmer is represented not by y range 23.9 degrees.

the price per tale, but by the price Frost (first killing of the seas in)per acre, and some comparisons be-In addition to the list in October: On tween South Carolina and Texas are the 1st at Cheraw, Dillion, Lugoff. On made which illustrate the point. the 13th at Trenton. On the 14 h at Aiken, Allendale, Anderson, Bates-'It is the common opinion that the burg, Calheun Falls, Camden, Edisto, selling price of an agricultural pro-duct is alone the measure of its profit-Pe zer, Pinopolis, St. Georges, St. Mat Theoretically this is true, ableness. Theoretically this is true, but in actual practice it is not wholly Mills, Summerville, Yemassee, Yorktrue, and in some instances is not ville. On 15th at Beaufort, Columbia, even the most important factor, Conway, Society Hill, Walterboro when productiveness is compared Winnsboro.

Ice-Thin ice was quite general on the 1st, 14th, and 15th. PRECIPITATION.

and consumption on his farm, and the The precipitation averaged 2 78 in ches which is 0.05 below normal. The greatest monthly amount was 4.39 at Yorkville; the least was 1.20 at Con-The case is different with the cotton farmer, for the entire production cithis staple must be sold, and none can 2.06 at Stateburg on the 12th-13th. The average number of days with 0.01 or more precipitation was 6, ranging from 1 at Allendale to 8 at Columbia,

Little Mountain, Saluda and Trenton. Sleet—Columbia, 13th. ductiveness per acre, in calculating Snow-Twenty seven stations reported snow on the 13th, generally The statement that more money only a trace, but amounting to 2 in is received for a small than for a large ches at Batesburg. The snow malted amount of money received for the Weather-The average number of

smaller crop represents a loss to the clear days was 17, of partly cloudy cotton planter, in comparison with ones 6, and of cloudy ones 7 the smaller amount received for the Winds-The prevailing direction of larger crop. This view is less comthe wind was from the west at 17 sta mon, and it is based, of course, on tions, from the northwest at 10, from the larger yield per acre of a large crop than a small one. It may b: as-

from year to at one station. velocities of 40 miles or more, at many pound or the yield per acre, and it may also be assumed to be constant

Jordon Issues a Call.

'To illustrate all of the foregoing President Harvie Jordan of the Southern Cotion Growers' Protective calculated for the total cotton crop of association Wednesday issued a call South Carolina and Texas for a numfor an interstate convention to be held ber of years, selected to represent the at New Orleans, Jan. 24 26, 1905. conditions briefly stated above. In Among the matters for consideration the value per acre, in South Carolina, to be acted upon are the following, was \$14 20; in Texas, \$22.50; the price according to the call: "Financing per pound was 11.2 cents. In 1894, the entire spot cutton business of the the value for South Carolina was south; creating a bureau of statistics \$14.30; for Texas, \$12.50; the price for benefit of the producers; establishper pound 6.9 cents. In 1896 the ment of a cotton exchange in each valuas were, for South Caralina, State through which cotton can be \$15.90; for Texas, \$10.90; the price sold direct to the manufacturen; or per pound 7.9 cents. In 1898, the ganization quickly of all the cotton year of greatest production for which producers in each cotton growing county; reduction of cotton acreage for South Carolina, \$11; for Texas, and use of commercial fertilizers for \$13 80; the price per pound 5.9 cents. 1905, of not less than 25 per cent.; The limits of this article will not adoption of a local warehouse system that a full discussion of the weather to meet the practical demand of both tivated revailed, and the acreage cul- farmers and bankers throughout the amounts in connection with the south; to make New Orleans the leadbe safely salized per acre, but it can ing cotton exchange in the United acre is the cued that the yield per States; the formation of a close alliprofitableness tolling factor in the rather that of raising cotton, large yield the price per pound. A for mutual co-operation and protections are personal tolling the price per pound. A for mutual co-operation and protections are profitableness. the mo, at and high price would be tion. These are among the lead ng the rest profitable combination, but matters for consideration. They are ile of 'supply and demand' as- momentous and some of them involve sert lie of supply and defined a tremendous propositions. But none tremendous propositions. orating on the variable factor, i. e., le price. The conclusion is that inensive farming will do more to make
sesses the brains, the manhood and ensive farming will do more to make cotton raising profitable than will the money to solve any great question varying the acreage from year to year which threatens her prosperity."

in the hope of raising the price by lim ting production or increasing the "Boss I'm Ready To Skin The Cat. acreage to supply an existing deficiency at high prices. If the supply from Thomson, Ga., says: John Butler borne, through John Moore, the Wall can be made fairly constant the price and Guy Reed, the two men who were street broker, who was acting as R gwill remain fairly constant. The convicted of the murder of Mr. R. G. ers' representative in collecting the effect of the weather on the growing Story here 21 days ago, were hanged crop is, after all, the main factor in in the jail yard at 10.30 a. m. Wedthe prefitableness of raising cotton." nesday. They both took the matter National Committee to pay out money coolly, showing but little fear or ner- to carry Delaware, and he (Rogers) As to the progress of farm work The weather conditions through sheriff; "Boss, I'm, ready to skin the be completely protected. rember were favorable for cat." The negroes killed Mr. R. G. t crops remained in the Story, a prominent farmer, because ing at me with deadly seriousness, his inly of late, scat be would not let them off from work voice charged with conviction, 'if one afternoon. The body was found in Bryan's elected there will be such as neir first plugh some aonth; gathering an busking picking seed peas; dir ing and g sweet potatoes; and g hering crops such as turnip, leanuts A general killing frost, except long the coast where it was a heavy

Shot Assailant. Puckett, chief of police of that town, to save his land from such a calamwas shot through the bowels and As hough to afferd safe opportunity for he fell he shot Jess Wofford through utchering farm hogs, have in the the stomach. The latter died shortly stern portions where much meat after while Puckett is in a dangerous condition. The men were drinking wing was delayed by drought, and rowdy and when Puckett en- cal stuation through which we should the Georgia railroad about 40 miles ing carried to the Zebuion jail and

main satisfactory. Wheat and oats "Rice thrashing was practically fin-ished, and the yields were not as large

> Some Inside History of the Campaign of 1896.

Of Fve Million Dollars Raised by the Trust Magnates a Few Days Before

the Election for Special Use

in Five Doubtful States and Given to Hanna.

Henry H. Rogers, president of the Amaigamated Copper Company and one of the leaders of the Standard Oil group, directed the raising of a \$5,000,-000 fund to buy five doubtful States for William McKinley in the 1896 elec-

the sale of which ... Rogers tried vainly to stop by inreatening criminal libel proceedings against the Ameridaily minimum temperatures was only 39.7 degrees, making the average dai- eral distributing agent for periodicals and magazines.

Lawson makes the charge in con nection with his exposure of the secret of the Bay State gas fight between J. Eiward Addicks, of Delaware, and Mr. R gers. Lawson for Addicks had arrange a settlement with Rogers by which the latter was to be paid \$6,000,-000 on a specific date for his rival gas concessions. The money was to be Gas stock.

Unless the receiver could be dis charged and Addicks regain possession of the comoany all hope of raising the money necessary to perfect the settlement arranged with R gers would have to be abandoned; the war would be continued, and Lawson, Ad dicks and all of their following crushtemplated suicide when he first heard of the receivership.

Lawson says he went to see the Boston broker to learn if the receivership ey. Some of his political could be ended. He asked the broker; the southwest at 9, from the north- says, replied: \$150,000 for the lawyer and had planned a scuille on the stasumed as an approximate fact that the east at 7, from the north at 5, from the cost of cultivating an acre of cotthe east at 2, and from the southwest bary State bonds, and \$150,000 for the receiver were waiting for the train at one station. the east at 2, and from the southwest bay State bonds, and eloutout for the southwest bit one station.

High Winds—High winds, reaching son said he teld the broker receiver that was to take them from Wilmingboats, with their brave crews, were the cuntry that no spot cotton is best on to New York, Lawson doesn't safely across the breakers. When the ing offered for sais. At Meridian, that the only hope of getting the state outright that the two men were surfman reached the wreck they were Miss., factors refused to sell where places, prevailed over the State on the money was from Mr. Rogers, saying:

"The question is how to get Rogers saying: to advance so large a sum in such a ticklish business. He does not want to get mixed up in a matter in which any one man's treachery might mean State prison.'

Lawson then visisted Mr. Rogers He says in his article: 'Rogers refused absolutely to be a party to any payment that could be traced back to him. He canvassed the sources of hazard; first, through treachery on the part of Fester, Braman or Addicks, he might be accused of bribing a court officer, the receiver: Addicks might blackmail him by charging him with conspiracy, or a constituey charge might be brought Foster, each with his booty fled." by Bay Strte steckholders and he held

ROGERS' ALLEGED PLAN. kind. He began by letting me into then causing slump when they got the secret that the chances of a Mc-Kinley victory in the election the following week looked pretty bad, and attacks the life insurance companies, were done Bryan would surely win. Hanna had called into consultation half a dozen of the biggest finances in Wall street, and it was decided to turn at letst five of the doubtful policy States. To do this a fund of \$5,000,-000 had been raised under Rogers' direction, to be turned over to Mark A special to The Augusta Chronicle Hanna and McKinley's cousin, O:-

"It would be legitimate for the vousness. Just before the black cap would arrange it that the coin to satwas slipped over the head of Butler, isfy Braman and Foster should come with a grin on his face, he said to the through this channel. Thus he would

"'Lawson,' said Mr. R gers, looka canebrake. A lynching was averted panic in this country as the world has by the quick work of Judge Henry C. never seen, and with his money ideas Hammond of the supreme court, in and the crazy headed radicals he will convening court and giving them a call to Washington to administer the committed, the nation's affairs business will surely criminals tried and han;ed within 27 be destroyed and the working people days, being the record for rompt adsuffer untold misery. You know we ministration of justice in this State all hate to do what Uncle Mark says is necessary, but it's a case of some of In an effort to arrest Jesse Kofford, try's good. Bryan's election would os sacrificing something for the coun-

VISIT TO BANKER MOORE.

Continuing, Mr. Lawson writes. the ground and permit ed, with the above results. Patters in, of lands for wheat and be acreage of both grains lodged in jail at Gainesville at neon week month. Ger wheat and be salved, Mr. Rogers proceeded to east of Atlanta say: The boilers at the electric light plant exploded there body was riddled with bullets. Mr. He wrote his name on the ice, cut was murdered to quiet them a fight follow-body was riddled with bullets. Mr. He wrote his name on the ice, cut was murdered to quiet them a fight follow-body was riddled with bullets. Mr. He wrote his name on the ice, cut was murdered to quiet them a fight follow-body was riddled with bullets. Mr. He wrote his name on the ice, cut was murdered to quiet them a fight follow-body was riddled with bullets. Mr. He wrote his name on the ice, cut be figure eight, and then raced a to Foster and Braman and impress-body was riddled with bullets. Mr. He wrote his name on the ice, cut be figure eight, and then raced a to Foster and Braman and impress-body was riddled with bullets. Mr. He wrote his name on the ice, cut be figure eight, and then raced a to Foster and Braman and impress-body was riddled with bullets. Mr. He wrote his name on the ice, cut be figure eight, and then raced a to Foster and Braman and impress-body was riddled with bullets. Mr. He wrote his name on the ice, cut be figure eight, and then raced a to Foster and Braman and impress-body was riddled with bullets. Mr. He wrote his name on the ice, cut be figure eight, and then raced a to Foster and Braman and impress-body was riddled with bullets. Mr. He wrote his name on the ice, cut be figure eight, and then raced a to Foster and Braman and impress-body was riddled with bullets. Mr. He wrote his name on the ice, cut be salved, Mr. Rogers proceeded to east of Atlanta say: The boilers at after being strung upon a tree his

convince Addicks to the same effect, and in addition tell him that Mr. Bogers bad angrily refused to get into the mix-up, that I should then hold readiness to meet John

Moore and Hanna or O borne as soon Brave Life Savers Take Twentyas an appointment could be arranged. That afternoon I got the word and went to No. 26 Broadway, and from there Mr. Rogers and I went over to One Men from Ship. John Moore's office

"There were generally poor yields of minor fall crops over the western parts attributable to the long and the long further to do with it. What you and Lawson, and I am to have nothing further to do with it. What you two agree to will be satisfactory to me, and remember, both of you, every dollar that is paid by the National Committee, but after it's all settled. and if there is no slip up, I will look to Lawson for whatever is expended. Is it understood?"

"We agreed that it was, and Rogers left us." Lawson says that the John Moore

mentioned was of the stock broker age firm of Moore & Schley. Mr Moore is now dead. Lowson describes Thomas W. Lawson charges that the Washington connections of Moore wrested oil steamer Northeastern enry H. Rogers, president of the & Schley, saying they did business for nint miles off Cape Hatteras for 36 Senators, Congressmen and other na. hous, Capt. Wilder and his crew of tional Micials who speculated in stocks on their inside knowledge of

When everything had been arranged for the quashing of the receivership by the payment of \$300,000. Lawson went to Boston with Mr. Rogers' attorney and the directors of the Boston companies. Legal transfers were to be made in Boston immediately and the Morthauters of the Northauters and Errine sea and and April contracts yet to be arranged, and factors claim that the borrow ing scheme speculators and exporters' the Northauters are refunded as a total and April contracts yet to be arranged, and factors claim that the borrow ing scheme speculators and exporters' be made in Boston immediately upon the Northeastern, on her way up the telephone news from Wilmington of coal from Port Arthur, Texas, to the retirement of the receiver. An. Nev. York with a cargo of crude petother party, headed by Addicks and role; m, shoved her prow into the including the lawyer, the receiver, a deacly sands on Hatteras and was representative of Mr. Moore and coun.

should be arranged in separate piles tainous waves. No surf boat ever of bills. The two packages contain- built could have lasted one minute in ing Foster's and part of Buchanan's and Braman's \$50,000 were to be in the costody of John Moorer's representation of the bulls with the big ship being pounded by the cost of John Moorer's representation of John Moorer's r sentative and my partner, who, with the axes. During Wednesday night authority on cotton in New Orleans, R gers' counsel and Addicks, had beer the ind diminished, but the temper- is cut in a long interview along the assigned to represent the Bay Ste

Lawson said that Addicks had m What's the price?" and the latter, he ment in cash that was to be made,

rush."

CASE FULL OF MONEY.

Judge Wales was on the bench in nt and two dress suit cases were stacked up in the sight of all present. The formal motion to dismiss the re-

"At once," writes Lawson, "the currency, were slipped to Braman and coast wires were broken shortly after slump of the past few weeks, that Foster. In the bustle Braman and the barest facts concerning the rescue cotton is at least two cents below the They had arranged for a special

for tremendous damages. He refused train to carry them out of Wilming to put himself into any such trap. 1 ton, and in this way. Lawson says, put forward a dezen ways to meet the plans of the Addicks men were steamship, built in Chicago in 1901, emergency, but he would have none defeated. Lawson says he learned and is owned by C. Counselman of that the two men had planned to Cincinnati. The Northeastern sailed make a big coup in Bay State Gas, but for Port Arthur, December 7, from "Finally be suggested a method he got into the market first, sending New York, arrived on the 17th and which was certainly perfect of its the price up from 4 to 10 a share, and sailed the same day. aboard at the high price.

showed that unless something radical actuated by their refusal to insure him, prints a fac-smile of a \$1,000,000 expires on August 22,1912, when Mr Lawson is to receive \$1,-

Shot Himself. J. B. Harrison, a prominent cotton buyer fatally shot himself at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon in his room at Magnolia inn, at Barnesville, Ga., the ball entering just above the right ear and lodging in the brain. Heavy losses on cotton contracts led to the act. His losses are estimated at about \$25 000. He has been despondent for the past few days and Wednesday afternoon bought a pistol from a hardware store. Immediately thereafter, seeing the figures giving the close of the market for Wednesday, he went to his room and shot himself. He was 45 years old and stood well among the whipped in the woods near Natchez, people there. Besides the losses sustained he had considerable property the State. Lewis was being taken to and money left, amounting to \$12,000 | the county convict farm to serve a or \$15,000.

Killed the Boy.

At Chicago while E mer Hunt, 19 years of age, balanced a bottle on his head, William Dougherty, who had gave him 60 lashes across the back, been boasting of his prowess as a Charles Holland, Fred West mereland set our country back a century, and I to emulate William Tell by shooting marksman, it is alleged, attempted ed him to leave the State. and a young man named Patterson at believe it's the sacred duty of every the bottle. At the second shot Hunt Oakwood Ga., Wednesday night, Bob honest American to do what he can fell to the floor with a bullet between his eyes and died almost instantly. Dougherty escaped and the police are searching for him. | lynched there Thursday for the killing | follow my plan we wi searching for him. | follow my plan we wi searching for him. | follow my plan we wi searching for him. |

Killed by an Explosion.

"HOLD YOUR COTION."

VESSEL TOTAL LOSS. Oil Steamer Northeastern

Penading to Pieces on the Treacherous Shoals of Cape Hatteras. Crew. After Great

being imprisoned on the 21 men were taken ashore at noon Thursday by the crews of Kinnakeet, Creeds Hill and Hatteras life saving stations.

Tue big steamer is prunding Diamond shoals under a terrific sea and

oed about 20 degrees, add-

planned a revenge upon Foster and Braman after the payment of the money. Some of his political "heelers." bas to the ship. Again and again the south have the situation in hand the life boats were sent head on into the life boats were sent head on life boats were Lawson writes, had learned of the pay- the sea, only to be caught up by a monster wave and hurled back on the beach. Human determination conto be robbed in the scuffle, merely saying:

| Salitation reached the whole of great confronted with a problem of great c Well, many things happen in a it had ubsided to some extent, was buy in any quantities. The New York still in an angry mood and the little letters and papers are loaded with life boats were being tossed like cockle telegrams from Southern representashells about the helpless mass of tives to the effect that farmers are Wilmington Circuit Court room the steel. Lines were finally strung be determined to hold what cotton they next day, says Lawson. All of the tween the boats and the Northeastern have and that none is being offered parties to the arrangement were pres. and every man was taken from the on the markets. They cannot buy vessel in safety. It was over six hours They are not buying. The consensus before the first of the boats reached of opinion is that cotton abould be shore again. The almost exhausted held and accrage reduced for the next receivership was made and consented crew was cared for by the Hatteras season. It is the hope of the southern life savers. No statement could be se- farmer. The belief is firm that the cured from Capt. Wilder Wednesday,

> were obtained. The vessel, it is said, will be a total

Dr. Richardson Resigns.

severed his connection as editor with that the latest canvass of the States and to upset the charge that he was The Southern Christian Advocate and acres of cotton to every plough and has received an appointment from produce instead of 11,000,000 bales, bond policy which he hold in the Equitable Life and on which he pays a yearly premium of \$144,220. This his new field of labor. It is not defihis new field of labor. It is not definitely known who will succeed Dr. Richardson as The Advocate editor. men: President Snyder of Wofford college, Pastor E. O. Watson of Central Methodist church, or Rev. W. A. Rogers, D. D. The departure of Dr. Richardson and his family will be a year this time. matter of genuine regret throughout city. As editor of The Advocate and made many friends, irrespective of

Whipped White Man. A. D. Lewis, a white man, 33 years of age, whose home is in Chicago was Miss., Wednesday, and ordered out of sentence for insulting women on the streets. While under arrest, a crowd of six white men took him from the guard, carried him to the woods three miles from town, stripped him and then placed him on a train and order-He Was Lynched.

A special from Neal, Ga., says

Herbert Simmons, a negro, was of the community's best known citiz ns. The negre was taken from the

The concensus of opinion on all sides is that to sell cotton at this time is little short of suicidal. This is the time, it is declared, for the farmers of the south to stand firm-stand pat and not show their hand. To yield, to sell at this time, is to simply add to the panic and give the bears a still further chance to beat down prices. It is argued that if the crop should reach the unprecedented figures of 13,000,000 bales, not more than 10,-000,000 bales of this will be marketed before the decreased acreage of 1905 the rural districts. is a fact beyond dispute. A heavy ourtailment of the acreage planted this at the idea of a professor with such a

The Augusta Chronicle says the be-

lief is strong among the cotton men in the State.
of that city that the fleecy staple is

As a result already far below its real market val- ing his advice, they have raised about ue. They feel that the reaction is one hundred million bushels more bound to come. They argue that Jan corn this year than in any year of this dary contracts for exportation have al ready been supplied and hence there are few seekers of cotton on the mark et. But there are February, March agents att. mpted just before the holidays, is a proof that they fear the consequences if forced into the mark et later as purchasers. The advice from all sections of the south is the same, to hold c tton. The further advice is to the effect that throughout been marketed. It is a fact, the cotton men affirm, that the farmers were

tions they are not surprised that cotton is as low as it is. that the slump did not continue. That it did not they argue is good evidence is cut in a long interview along the same line, urging the holding of cotog at sun-up the hardy life measure, a reduction of acreage next year. He urges that the farmers of conditions.

speculators and manipulators are in two dress suit cases, each loaded with night, owing to the fact that the the main responsible for the severe real market value, and that the present crisis is precipitated by the bears only in the hope of breaking the hold The Northeastern is a steel ocean of the farmers on the fleecy staple and thus easing off the situation which they have created.

Commissioner of Agriculture Stevens of Georgia says: "The thing for the farmers to do is to hold on to the cotton they have now. If they will only hold, and cut down the acre-A dispatch from Spartanburg says age next year you will see the price Rev. W. R. Richardson, D. D., has go 'shuting up' instead of down. If every one would cultivate only ten Bishop Duncan as paster of the First only 5,000,000, then you would see 5,000,000 bale crop at 12 to 15 cents than he can out of a 11,000,000 crop at 6 cents. Then by confining him It is currently reported that for the self to ten acres of cotton to the plow present the editorial work will be it would give him an opportunity of done by one of the following gentleupon which to live at home. If he doesn't want to do that he could allow his land to rest. If the farmers will see cotton bringing 12 cents next

"I am going to talk with Commissioner Poole, of Alabama, over the as pastor of Central Methodist church | telephone Friday afternoon. He is in years past, Dr. Richardson had president of the Commissioners of Agriculture of the Southern States. creeds, who held him in high esteem. My idea is to have a meeting in New Orleans some time next month to discuss the situation. If each commissioner in the cotton growing states would write a personal letter to each farmer in his state, advise him to hold what cotton he now has on hand and to plant only ten acres to the plow. I believe it would have a wonderful effect. It did in 1899 and we got ten get them out letters in a very short I feel sure that the farmers would take notice of it, and many of them would act accordingly, It is a ques tion for the farmers to determine? but I am fully convinced if they will follow my plan we will have twelve-

Skates Like a Boy at 80 Years. William Hammel, eighty years old, went skating Wednesday with the rest of the "boys" at Shiloh, N. J. dug the month. Gerlow, owing to the prelow, owing to the prelo

THE GOSPEL OF THE CORN.

One Scientist Worth Millions to th

One single scientific brain, study ing on the subject of scientific corraising, has carned in the last year fo the State that employs him over \$10;-

000,000, and this is only a beginning. Professor P. G. Holden, of the Iowa Agricultural College, in Ames, is the man. He began as a school teacher, teaching about grain as a side issue Now he is known as an agronomist and preaches the "gospel of the cora" from special cars drawn throughout

The farmers of lows once laughed spring means a higher market and a little teaching them, the best corn rush of spinners to secure stick for growers in the world, anything about future use. There is common sense in this view. revered and obeyed as no other man As a result, in large part, of follow-

century, and they expect to add another one hundred million bushels to their crop next year.

perfect ears from the fields, save them and plant from them the best and most perfect kernels. The result, added by scientific methods of cultivation, was that the boys raised more corn on their little patches than any

created especially for him. believe after a time that he knew more about corn raising than they did. He travelled all over the State in special trains last spring and winter, making "tail end" speeches and getting better crowds than any Vice-Presidential candidate saw later in included in the report for 1903, the season. He told the farmers how product of the different states, to select their seed corn, how to plant vear, in running bales, re and cultivate it, and on what sort of December 13, is as follows: ground to plant different sorts of corn Alabama. and how to handle it under different Arkausas

The results are read in the crop reton.

The indications are that the advice will be carried out to the letter by the form nine years it has been 27 1-2 Missisling. people of the South. Buyers and exporters' agents report from all over the cuntry that no spot cotton is be-00 more than ass about 125,- North Care more than a year ago, and Professional Holden is universally credited with a third interest in the extra yield.

Burned to Death. Three persons lost their lives in a fire which totally destroyed the farm residence of Chas. McMillan at the cotton exchange Wednesday cotton sluraped 47 to 55 points. Exhead of Conesus Lake, N. Y., on

Thursday. The dead Charles McMillan. Lottie McMillan his sister

Frank C. McMillan. Lula McMillan, another sister, scaped. The cause of the fire has not been explained. The McMillan's were among the

prominent families of Livingstone county. The three McMillans lost one bale of cotton was burned a their lives in an attempt to save the streets of Fort Gaines Thursday at house from destruction. Aloused by moon by farmers of Clay county, wh clothing and awoke a farmhand who planters of that county declared they of water. Lula McMillan and Mary by great ceremony and cllowe.

Dornan, a servant, were restrained by still greater excitement. Much debris.

Report Incorrect.

At a meeting of a number of ginners of Georgia and Alabama at At. counties have been asked to follow lanta, Fridey, two vice presidents this action and in this way rid the were named from Georgia to attend the next convention of cotton ginners to be held at Dallas, Texas. President J. A. Taylor of the National Ginners' association was present at the meeting and made an address urging the ginners to retain information regarding cotton produced. Among other things he said: "The government report of the cotton crop is totally incorrect. These reports are as far wrong as anything I know. Many ginners did not count their bales correctly, often adding many hundred bales more than they had in reality ginned. In many instances the number of tales ginned was guessed at. I have come to the conclusion that I and the other ginners were chumps for giving out the

reports." Shot in a Cotton Mill. At Spartanburg Arthur Leister shot and killed George McAllister in cents for cotton. I have a list of over the card room of the Appalache mill 30,000 farmers in my office, and I can at Arlington Wednesday morning. Leister was card room boss, and had while. Coming from the head of the discharged one of McAllister's family agricultural department in each state Tuesday, and this caused a quarrel between the two. This quarrel was renewed and resulted in Leister shoot-ed into an ing McAllister three times, the latter one Stamford depot. George Howdying almost instantly from the effects of his wounds. Leister came to Spartanburg and gave himself up to vernus, the sheriff. He was lodged in the

county fail. Falling Tree Killed Two.

A special from Ellijay, Ga., says by a falling tree. The tree was blown at the time.

In the Price of Cotton on Account of Ginners Report

OF THE GOVERNMENT.

Report, as Given Out by the Census

Bureau, Indicates a Vield of Thirteen Million Bales

for this Year. A dispatch from New York says th cotton market broke 30 to 35 point on the census bureau's ginners' repor

indicating a crop in excess of the government's estimate. There was very heavy trading on the decline. The bears contend that the ginners' report probably forecasted a crop of nearly 13,000,000 bales. Following the re-Priessor Holden became an agronomist—that is, an expert in grain raising—by accident. When he taught sahool in Michigan he got up with January selling around 6.66, March 6.81 and May 6.96 or a net dea corn growing contest among his March 6 81 and May 6 96, or a net depupils. He induced the hoys to pick cline of 22 to 25 points and a break of out the earliest, biggest and most practically \$6 a bale in two weeks' perfect ears from the fields, save them orders and sell more cotto figures reached in the

> THE GINNERS' REPORT The census bureau Wednesda. sued a report giving the quantity December 13 last to have been 11.

In arriving at the number of com-

ed half bales. The report to the same date year covered 812 counties as age year, in running bales, repu Florida.

Indian Territory

A dispatch from New Ottos RE-NEW OF with the reading of the ginners' traordinary excitement attended the break. The market was hammered with greas energy. After the first excitement the market grew quieter though the decline was not arrested. January cotton went to 6.40, which is a decline of about four cents during

the last three months. Cotton Burned. A dispatch from Atlanta, Ga,

the crackling of the flames the family set fire to the fleecy staple after a fled from the house in their night mass meeting in which the cotton occupied a house a few roads away; were willing to burn their interest in He arrived on the scene just in time | the two million bales representing an to see Charles, Frank and Lottie rush excess crop produced in the cotto ile into the burning building with pails states. The burning was accomiss in its main force from following the others. thusiasm was condenced at the mass The charred bodies of the victims meeting of the farmers at which this were found in the ruins. It is sup-radical action was planned and adopposed the third body is still in the ted. Several speeches were made and then followed the resolution which provided that Clay county should take the initiative and burn the 2,000,000 tales above the normal crop. Other

market of the surplus crop. Murdered in a Club Room.

Travis Johnson, a well known citizen, was foully murdered Wednesday in rooms at the Arlington club, his head being nearly severed from his body by either a knife or a hatchet. John Griffith, marine engineer, was arrested almost immediately after the assassination and charged with the crime. The victim was at breakfast when he received a telephone message to return to the club rooms, as some one wanted to see him. He was accompanied into the room by Griffith, who was seen a few minutes thereafter leaving the place by a rear entrance. Feeling against the prisoner is intense and a quick trial is demanded. The motive for the crime was probably robbery, as nearly \$200 was taken from the muriered man.

The neavy fog caused a fatal accident on the New Haven road Wednesday night. The Boston express due at 7 03 in charge of Conductor J. A.

Trains in Fatal Crash.

Daly, of Hartford, and Engineer Charles Bahyn, of New Haven, crashaccommodation train in land, a travelling conductor, of Mount Vernon, was killed, and many were Poor Fellow. At Chicago on Friday, after buying

a could ostensibly for a friend, Laroy K. Nesbit, a banker, committed sulthat Wm. Cantrell and Joe Chastine cide Friday in an undertaking estabwere killed and a brother of Chastine lishment. Scribbled on a card in the seriously injured near Burnt mountain banker's pocket was a note saying; 'I am tired of being a cripple.'

by a high wind across a small frame Nesbit had a shrivelled leg, and has house in which the men were sitting spent thousands of dollars in a attempt to effect a cure.

sel for Mr. Rogers, left at the same of shipping before her crew realized what had happened.

To be was at 11 o'clock and before the south the cotton factors and farmers will hold what has not already time for Wilmington. This latter contingent. Lawson says, was to carry day had come the gale that swept the money. Mr. Lawson writes: body had ever dreamed of. over the country from the middle HOW THE PLAN WORKED. Professor Holden worked on his west had struck the sea and waves never in a better condition to hold never in a better condition to hold system until it was perfected. His lowest the residue of their crop not already fame spread, and the Funk by there, really three years. plants in Boston and other important "Before I took the train for Bos were crashing over the helpless incess Carly three years. ton, just after the last deed had been antly.

The force of the wind and tide threw sold than now, and that not to do so is to give up the fight when everywho own a 25 000 acre farm in 1111raised by a new issue of Bay State signed, I had come to a complete understanding in the manner in which nois, offered him a big salary to run her on her port beam and the flood thing points to ultimate success-the it. He planted 20,000 acres of corn a Everything was running smoothly, the court proceedings the following of we extinguished her fires before whipping of the fight. year for them, sand added to their cotton gianed in 737 counties up to when R ger Fester, a well known New morning should be conducted. It was her inflammable cargo could become Factors called attention to the fact yield more than one hundred thous-York lawyer, acting for a client, threw understood that no one should take that New York financial papers adignited. Had this not been the case, and bushels the first year. The State of Iowa thought he was a good thing equivalent of 11,848.113 commercial the Bay State Gas Company into a another's word for anything, and conmit that throughout the present crisis cotton has been friendless on their exchange; "a friendless waif" is their term, and had been umercifully college, in Ames. The chair was the Bay State Gas Company into a receivership, Dwight Braman being appointed receiver. The receivership appointed receiver. The receivership with through with required conditions. Immediately on the release of the was sighted by the life savers and the hammered down by the bulls, bent on receivership Foster and Braman were to be paid their "fee," and they asked was one miles off shore and the water that Addicks only knew of it after the the freezing out of the southern hold Professor Holden made the farmers mercial bales, round bales are cours receiver had been named. ers of the goods. Under these condithat the \$150,000 cash coming to them between was a seething mass of moun-DISASTER FACED SPECULATORS.