

# THE COTTON CROP.

## VERY BADLY DAMAGED BY RAIN AND DROUGHT.

### PLUNGED DOWN AN EMBANKMENT.

Ten or Twelve Persons Killed and a Large Number Injured.

EVANVILLE, Ind., Aug. 31.—A wreck occurred on the Cannelton branch of the Louisville, Evansville and St. Louis railroad about 11 o'clock this morning in which four lives were lost, two badly injured and a large number slightly injured. The engine, a 2-6-2, was in the forward track of the engine broke while the train was running at the rate of thirty miles an hour. The train at the time was on a trestle, two miles from Troy, and the engine passed over the trestle and plunged down the embankment. The train was a mixed one, the passenger coach being next to the engine. The coach followed the engine into the ditch and rolled over on top of it. It was occupied by about thirty people. The steam pipes gave way and the boiling steam entered the coach. Many of the passengers were women and children. Their screams were appalling.

As soon as those who were slightly injured extricated themselves they began to shout for rescue. All were got out, but not escaped unhurt. Many were badly burned but their flesh was cooked in places until it came off.

Barbara Neimeyer, aged 18 years, daughter of a wealthy farmer of Perry county, was taken out dead, having been terribly scalded by the steam.

Mrs. Canaugh was horribly burned and will die. Her little ten-year-old son was taken from the wrecked coach and died before reaching home.

Emma Schue, aged ten years, died, after being taken out from her terrible injuries.

Jacob App, the engineer, and his fireman, John Tolla, went down with the wreck. Both are scalded, but not fatally.

Conductor James Gordon is dangerously hurt, having a number of ribs broken.

The most severely injured are: Kate Kelsch, Sydney Hess, Henry Bodue, Michael Eberthorn, Wm. Newman, Mrs. Wm. Chase and child, Maggie Hudson, Maurice Durbin and G. P. Bost.

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North Carolina—Heavy rains and low temperature were decidedly unfavorable to cotton, that is shedding its bolls, and the cotton bolls had just begun to open this time last year, new bales are being marketed.

South Carolina—The excessive rains and cool, cloudy weather of the week did not make matters any brighter, and scalding, variously estimated at 10 to 20 per cent. Rice ready for harvest was injured, and some corn was destroyed by the frosts.

Alabama—Cotton and other crops are needing rain. Cotton is shedding about 30 per cent from the indications of July 1. In the north and central counties the weather has checked the development of cotton. Worms are seriously injurious only in the Delta districts. Other crops are in good condition.

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Kentucky—Cool weather has retarded the growth of cotton, but favored tobacco, although the latter on low ground was somewhat damaged by excessive rains. There was a slight damage to both by the winds.

Arkansas—Conditions are favorable for corn and saving fodder and hay, but wheat is in poor condition and cotton and other crops are in poor condition. The weather is favorable for picking, which is much farther advanced than at this time last year.

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# THE CHILIAN WAR.

## BALMACEIDA, THE DICTATOR, COMPLETELY OVERTHROWN.

Peace and Quiet Soon Looked For—Scenes at Valparaiso—Rioters Get Arms at Friday's Battlefield—Incendiarism Feared—The Capital City Surrenders.

VALPARAISO, Chile, Aug. 30.—Santiago has been formerly surrendered, the triumph of the Congressional party is complete, and peace and quiet may be looked for in Chile before many days have passed.

After the crushing defeat which Balmaceida's forces met with at the hands of General Canto's troops on the hills back of this city Friday, and the subsequent entry of the conquering army into Valparaiso, the fall of the capital was only a question of time.

Balmaceida seeing further resistance useless surrendered his capital and fled. The insurgent fleet came into the bay yesterday morning and found conventional anchorage ground. The sailors were greeted almost as enthusiastically as were the soldiers when they entered the city Friday.

Senator Don Jorgo Montte, chief of the Junta Da Gobierno, came in with the fleet and took charge of affairs immediately on his arrival. The first business to be transacted was the formal capitulation of the city. The foreign admirals have had a general supervision of affairs in connection with Senator Walker, and a conference was held last night with the foreign admirals and the late in-actendent, Vid. Senor Montte announced that the only terms he had to offer were the unconditional surrender of the city, and of all officers and troops, as prisoners of war.

He had no terms to offer to civil officers, and had no pledges to give. These terms were, therefore accepted, and Senor Walker, Martinez was continued as Intendente, until the arrival of the Junta from Santiago, when final arrangements will be made.

Dr. Stokes had first presented a brief statement of the facts of the case to the construction you put upon it. The issue is between yourself and myself, and I will be obliged if you will give me your individual recollection of what I said.

Senator Butler writes in substance as follows, his letter being addressed to the press: "A friend has handed me a copy of a paper containing your resolutions, as follows: [Resolutions quoted.] I will be obliged to you if you will furnish me the source of the information upon which you predicate these resolutions. I have never signed any resolutions of South Carolina as thieves and scoundrels. I suppose you mean to intimate, by your language, that I will hear from you again, to intimidate me from the full and fair expression of my opinions upon your proclama-tion of secession."

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# FACTS ABOUT OUR OWN STATE.

## Encouraging Lessons from the Bureau of Statistics in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—It is said most of our tourists see foreign lands before they are fully acquainted with their own country, and in the same way many students of history and current events give their mind to foreign Governments before fully alive to home matters.

The bureau of statistics of the treasury department has been getting together some interesting and useful information relating to the States, their people, productions and industries.

To start at the initial point it can be said that South Carolina has an area of 34,000 square miles, or 21,760,000 acres, with a population of 1,151,149. The development of the State has not been so rapid as might be desirable.

The number of farm animals in South Carolina together with their value, is given as follows:

Horses	68,897	6,165,214
Mules	79,299	7,770,216
Milk cows	156,755	3,324,087
Oxen and other cattle	208,282	2,410,823
Sheep	98,570	151,225
Pigs	670,652	2,628,957

While the State debt has increased during the past decade, that of the counties shows a considerable reduction. Taken together the slight decrease is shown. The facts can be understood from the following statement: The State debt, less sinking fund, in 1880 was \$4,627,000, while in 1890 it had grown to \$6,508,619.

The business interest show up well in the comparisons relative to commercial failures in the South last year, as the per cent of local failures is but .99 as against an average of 1.26 per cent last year.

One particular fact should be recorded, as it exemplifies the tendency to economy of the working people of the State. South Carolina wage-earners have a larger number of savings banks than can be shown by any other Southern State.

All told, it only remains to be said that South Carolina makes a good showing in this exhibit of the States—News and Courier.

Dakota Farmers Rattan. FAULKNER, S. D., Aug. 29.—All of the northwestern part of Faulk county was burned over last night by a terrible and destructive fire, twenty miles wide and extending from Faulkton, fifty miles north. As far as the eye could reach the sky was lit up with burning stacks of hay and grain.

The eleventh census will show that in our 25,000,000 population 1 man in every 205 is over a foot high and 1 in every 262 is a luminate.

# NOTICES.

## Padgett Pays the Freight.

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