Will Not Run at a Loss.

COTTON SEED OIL MEN COMPLAIN.

Manufacturers of cotton seed oil are "up lost" a proposition that has already closed four or more of the largest wills in the State and will likely cause more mills to elose down. At the beginning of the season the market price of seed was \$12 per ton. The quotation later in the season was set at \$17 by the Atlantic Cotton Oil Company, which operates four of the largest mills in the State. The price has bounded past the quotation and is now \$20 per ton. Mann-facturers claim that when the seed is bought for \$30, anywhere from \$2 to \$3 is lost per ton. There is no expected advance in the price of crude or remoed oil and all mills which are now buying at \$20 are engaging in the wildest speculation. In this connection a gentleman who understands the business thereughly said yesterday:

"I had a great deal rather buy oil on the New York Exchange and I old it with hopes of an advance. Refused oil," he said, "can now be bought in New York \$2 cheaper than it can be manufactured by mills paying \$20 per ton for seed.

"The situation is a serious one. The policy that some of the mills are pursuing by paying \$20 for coad is a very destructive one. The cancer of the advance are two-fold. Pirst, the late seeson and the opening of ten or more mills in the State. The new mills or mills or mills in the State. quotation later in the season was set at

Refering Company.

"The Atlantic Company owns and controls for of the facet cotton seed mills in the State, and not one of them is running, owing to the high price of seed." Mr. Phelps said:

"Two of our mills ran for a time at the first of the censor, but we have closed all of them down now and I do not know when we will pesterday to over 300 of our buyers to hold peterday to over 300 of our buyers to note off until the price came down to \$17. I have figured it is every way possible to buy seed at \$20 and make morey. When the seed at \$20 and make morey. When the seed at \$20 and make morey, when the seed at \$17, little thin' ag at the time that it would ever get there, but, to my surprise, it has gone beyond. The only thing for us to do is to that down. American press during and subsected with the control of the contro

Mr. Phe.po is every much neouraged with the progress of the work on the old Mutas! Refinery. The refinery was bought some months ago by the Atlantic Cotton Oil Company and at once a force of men was set to work on improvements. The capacity has been increased to 100 barrels per day, almost double the former capacity, and the storage capacity has been increased to 20,000 barels. The mill will be put into operation very

Mr. C. S. McCullough, president and treasurer of Per-Dec Oil and Ice Company, Darlington. The Per-Dec mill is a new one and her not yet been completed. Mr. McCullough said that he had been buying seed up to the time that the price reached \$20. He considere it soicidal to buy at that price. Mr. McCullough is an experienced mill man and understands the situation thoroughly.

Mr. A. C. McFall, manager of the oil mill the control of the column of the column.

in this city under the course of construction, could not be seen yesterday, as he was slightly lade posed. It is understood, however, that he is not buying at \$20.

Another matter which brought Mr. Phelps

of the refigery. He had very little to say in regard to the matter other than that he was reed to ship every barret of oil to New York and thes expert it. He had heped to get shipping room here for about 21,000 barrels within the next three or four months, pany which he represents is a large one and has agents in England, Germany, France, Scotland, Hotland and several other countries. Last year the export business of the Atlantic Company was about 21,000 barrele and this year the business will be almost doubled .- News and Courier, Sept. 28

Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of discase is the worst form of slavery George D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich , telle how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that site could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bettles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female heart I am thoroughly disillusion diseases quickly oures nervousness, sleepless ness, melancholy, headache, backache, fainting and dissy spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak, sickly, run down people. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c. Sold by J. F. W. DeLorme, Druggist. 6

Fields' Minetrels

Al G. Fields long ago established himself as the king of minstreley and has held that place securely against all competitors for public favor, but this year be bas surpassed nimeelf, and his company under the direction of Dan Quinlan, is the most superb minatrel company that has ever delighted a Sumter audience. The costumes are as handsome as money could our or good taste device and the performance from first to last left nothing to be desired.

The specialties were exceedingly fine, par-ticularly the acrobatic work of the Zoust family. The singing of Andrey Pringle, base; Handel Hastings, buritone: Will Wall-ing, tenor, and Archie Hood was exquisite and each of them was encored. The company was well balanced as to voices and the over-

The house was crowded and if a well leased audience and a good business at the box office are inducements the Al G. Fields
Big Minetrels will visit Samter again, and
they will be very welcome.

War corresponding these days is membat worse than soldiering. face at Bull Run?' i asked Teenty-one correspondents have been ... Well sir 'said the man half apol-

Homicide in Timmonsville.

J M. Trueluck Shot by Amos Singleterry.

Timmonsville, Sept 25 .- Last night at about 10 o'clock Mr. J. M. True. luck, a prominent young liveryman of this place, was shot and danger-Singleterry by name The wound is in the abdomen, and the doctors have been unable to locate it. It is considered as being very dangerous. The shooting took place near the stables of Mesers. Purvis and True. luck, and the following are the facts in the case. Mr. Millard Purvie, a brother of Mr. Trueluck's partner, had a difficulty with the negro in the afternoon in which the negro was lightly punished for having given offense to Mr. Purvis some time ago. The trouble was considered settled and Mr. Purvis had gone home. At the hour named above, Mr Trueluck The causes of the advance are two-fold. Pirst, the late season and the opening of tee or more mills in the State. The new mills are enzions to get down to business, and most of them are buying at \$20 or thereabout. The demand and price of the products of the sead, vis, halls, meal, oil, listers, are not of such a nature to warrant the safe buying of such a nature to warrant the safe buying of such a nature to warrant the safe buying of such a nature to warrant the safe buying of such a nature to warrant the safe buying of such a nature to warrant the safe buying of such a nature to warrant the safe buying of such a nature to warrant the safe buying of such a nature to warrant the safe buying of such a nature to warrant the safe buying of such a safewheat whereby a uniform price can be cetablished and maintained."

The trouble, however, this senson seems to be with the mills. Every mill is at logger-beads with the others. The condition is sumewhat similar to the cotton mills when not been captured. The shooting created great excitement among the friends of Mr. Trueluck, and earnest the negro. Mr. Trueluck, and earnest the negro. Mr. Trueluck is a very popular young man and the town is shocked. met the negro at the stables and the shocked.

Michael Davitt Disappointed in Boers.

London, Sept 18 .- The Pretoria correspondent of the Standard in a recent dispatch throws and entirely new light upon Michael Davitt's overflow reaches out more than a mile, experience in the Transvaal and his feelings towards the Boers. In view of Mr Davitt's contributions to the

told me,' says Mr Batte, 'that he had that morning advised the Transvaal Now that the Free State is conqueralone the might of England, in the interests of humanity and to prevent further bloodshed we will surren

" 'Instead of doing this,' said Mr Davitt, 'they have sent a message of a threatening character, telling Lord Roberts that they will blow up the terms are they do not state, and they he paid -The State do not really mean to carry out the threat Their whole action will cover them with ignominy and contempt before the civilized world. They purpose prolonging the busifight, for the one object of heaping secretary of state, Grobler; the state the dictation of that old man Kruger | pected to be open for traffic tomor-'That old man Paul Kruger,' row continued Mr Davitt, 'is engaged in a sort of spiritualist seance business events that were to happen on some day. I came out here at my own expense. It doet me 300 pounds. I was full of enthusiasm for these peo ple. They know me, they know my feelings, but they never trusted me Today they refused to give me any information for my papers and I go away broken and eick at

HEAVY FIGHTING

not endure it."

London, Sept 26 -The Daily Mail has the following dispatch from Lorenzo Marques :

phere is no longer possible. I can-

For me to remain in this atmos

"Heavy fighting is reported across the Sabi river This means that the British are intercepting Steyn and Reitz who with their forces are at tempting to push northward and effect a junction. A command is said to be surrounded near Peitersburg "

HOW HE GOT IT.

In one of Channey M. Depew's stories be told of meeting as funny a man as bimself.

"One day," said Mr Depew, "I met s soldier who had been wounded in the face He was a union man, and I ask ed bim in which battle he had been in

... In the first battle of Bull Run, sir,' he replied.

"Bot how could you get his in the

tilled or bave died of disease during ogetically, after I had run a mile or two I got careless and looked back."

An Appeal to Democrats

Senator Tillman, the member from South Carolina of the national Demo oratio committee, has again telegraphed to Col Wille Jones, chairman of the South Carolina Democracy, urging him to raise a fund for the employment of Bryan speakers. In response to this appeal, Col Jones has issued the follow ing letter to the chairmen of the coun-

ously wounded by a negro, Amos ty Democratic executive committees : Dear Sir : I have just received a telegram from Senator Tillman, our national committeeman, who is with the national committee in Chicago, earnestly requesting me to call on the people in the State for contributions in aid of the national Democratic party

The money is to be used to defray the expenses of speakers in the doubtful States. While we all realize that South Carolina will go for Bryan, it is cer tainly our duty to do what we can to belp our Democratic friends in the doubtful States

I will thank you to take up this very important matter at once and call upon all club presidents in your county, and the people generally, to take up a collection among the faithful, and please remit sums so collected to Col U. X. Gunter, Jr, secretary, or to me as chairman, and the sme will be remitted to the chairman of the national Demooratio committee

Wilie Jones, Chairman. Col Jones earnestly hopes the county obsirmen will make vigorous efforts to raise money for this purpose. Senator Tillman expects South Carolina to confriends of Mr. Trueluck, and earnest tribute \$4,000, or an average of \$100 efforts are being made to arrest the to the county. It takes work to raise

The first contribution came in this norning and was from Marion County. P. B. Hamer remitted a check for \$60 for the Democrate of that county.

FLOODS IN TEXAS

Fort Worth, Tex. Sept 28 -The Trinity river continued to rise all day and is fully 95 feet at this point. The recembling a big lake, and is from three to six feet deep

Much of the Cotton Belt Railroad

Richmond, Va. Sept 25 -Mrs Eiiz abeth Van Lew, who, during the war government if they would commend between the States, furnished the Union themselves in the eyes of the world forces with valuable information against and obtain the sympathy of European the Confederate government, assisted nations, that they should treat at prisoners in escaping from Libby prison once with Lord Roberts to this effect: and who afterward was rewarded by Gen Grant with the postmastership at ed and we are quite unable to resist Richmond, died at her residence here this morning at an advanced age

A FINE IMPOSED.

Yesterday Mr. Harley, the man in whose place Howard Allen was killed Last Sunday night, was brought before the police court on the charge of main mines or destroy Johannesburg if taining a gambling resort. He some terms are not made What the was given the maximum fine which

Lorenzo Marques, Sept 26 -The German steamer Herzog, which sailed for Europe today, had among her passengers the Transvaal postmaster without seriously meaning to general, Van Alphen; the assistant up the bars of gold they are taking treasurer, Mallerbe, and a large from the mines and of accumulating quantity of bar gold The railroad and hoarding them in obedience to from Delagoa Bay to Pretoria is ex

Mr Carnegie said some time ago that with some blind boy predicting \$3.000,000 to Hanna's campaign fund in 1896 The probabilities are that it will not throw in quite so liberally this

The Hon Geo. E Prince, of Anderson, with Stevenson, of Chesterfield, and Weston, of Richland, are spoken of as candidates for speaker of the State house of representatives.

"Uncle Tom," an old negro of Lex ington, Va., who saw a great deal of Gen Lee during the civil war, baving been employed as a cook as headquarters, confessed that only once had be heard anything disrespectful said about the idol of the south. In relating the incident, he said : "One night erbout de middle ob de war. I seed a curi'us man go inter de gen'l'e tent. He cum out, en whin he got ter whar I wuz he wuz er rippin' en er roarin' en er scotin' 'Whut's de trubble ?' I sez ter'im 'Trubble,' ees br, 'I jes got orders ter ride forty miles ter night wid er messidge, en here' tis er snowin' en er blowin, en er electin' like all persess ed. Im darned ef I know what Gip'l Lee's erthinkin' erbout ' Well, sir, I jes' looked at 'im fer a minit en then sez ter 'im: 'Fo Gawd. I doan reckin yer does know what Gin'l Lees er thunkin erbout. Man, sir, ef one er

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Gin'l Lee's thoughts wuz ter get inter

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