

GOOD CROPS PROMISED. GOVERNMENT REPORT.

Winter Wheat Nearly 9 Points Above Ten-Year May Average.

Washington, May 10.—Returns to the chief of the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Agriculture made up to May 1 show the area under winter wheat in cultivation on that date to have been about 2,723,000 acres. This is 1,422,000 acres, or 4.6 per cent. less than the area sown last year, and 2,858,000 acres, or 10.6 per cent. more than the area of winter wheat harvested last year.

The average condition of winter wheat as estimated by Statistician Henry Heizer, of the Produce Exchange, basing his figures on the government's report, is 459,706,500 bushels.

WILL INVESTIGATE ELLIS ISLAND. Commissioner General Sargent Here to Probe Contracts for Concessions.

Washington, May 10.—Commissioner General Sargent of the Bureau of Immigration, who is to start for Hawaii next week, went to New-York this evening with the intention of spending two days at the Ellis Island station. While there he will make a careful investigation of the various privileges which are held under contract, with a view to acquainting himself with the conditions and learning something about the individuals who have presented bids for these concessions for three years following the end of the present fiscal year.

BRANDEGEE ACCEPTS. Has Deep Sense of the Obligations of a Senator.

Hartford, Conn., May 10.—Frank B. Brandegee was formally declared to be chosen as the junior United States Senator from the State of Connecticut in joint session of the General Assembly in the House chamber to-day. The proceedings were in conformity with the constitution and were carried out in a dignified and impressive manner.

FEVER UNDER CONTROL. One More Death in Panama—Eleven Cases in Hospital.

Washington, May 10.—Colonel Gorgas reports from Panama that J. J. Slattery died there yesterday from yellow fever, and that there were eleven cases in the hospital to-day. He expressed the conviction, however, that the outbreak is over.

RAILWAY MEN SEE GUNS MADE. Conclusions of Sections To Be Presented to the Congress To-day.

Washington, May 10.—How the United States makes big guns for its navy was learned to-day by the foreign delegates to the International Railway Congress, who, with many of the American delegates, spent the afternoon in the Washington Navy Yard and gun factory.

INSTINCT SAVED BIGELOW'S FRIEND. He Refused to Extend \$300,000 Note of the Defaulter's Six Months Ago.

Milwaukee, May 10.—A lucky instinct saved \$300,000 to one of Frank G. Bigelow's friends, Alderman George Lonstorf, iron mine owner.

HALF MILLION DOLLAR FIRE IN UTICA. Utica, N. Y., May 10.—Utica suffered a loss of \$525,000 by fire this evening in less than two hours' time.

WE CRYSTALLIZE. Our endeavors in one announcement.

Aside from the beauty and elegance of the designs and colorings of our fabrics, the feature on which we wish to put most stress is the character of the workmanship, and particularly the interior or invisible details, and the refined and exclusive style of design.

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ARMY AND NAVY NEWS.

[FROM THE TRIBUNE BUREAU.] Washington, May 10, 1905.

MOVEMENTS OF NAVAL VESSELS.—The following movements of vessels have been reported to the Navy Department:

ARRIVED.

May 9.—The Iwawa, from Portsmouth, N. H.; the Hercules, at Norfolk; the Iowa, at Norfolk; the Pennsylvania, at Culebra; the Illinois, at Hampton Roads; the Scorpion, at League Island; the Detroit, at Puerto Plata; the Sterling, at Monte Cristi; the Casar, at Hampton Roads.

SAILED.

May 9.—The Iwawa, from Portsmouth, N. H.; the Iwawa, from Boston for Portsmouth, N. H.; Newport; the Texas, from Hampton Roads for Annapolis; the Iowa, from Hampton Roads for Norfolk; the Detroit, from San Juan for Boston; the Minneapolis, for New-London, to destroy wreck; the Brooklyn, from New-London for Boston; the Santo Domingo City, the Denver, from Monte Cristi for Sanchez; the Detroit, from Monte Cristi for Puerto Plata; the Casar, from League Island for Hampton Roads; the Cincinnati and the 121 Can, from Shanghai for Seattle.

HARLAN NOT TO RETIRE. The Project for a Presbyterian "Cathedral" in Washington.

Washington, May 10.—Justice Harlan, of the Supreme Court of the United States, was asked to-day regarding the report that he would retire from the bench and devote the remainder of his life to the raising of funds for the erection of a Presbyterian cathedral in Washington, the movement for which was started by him, in case the Presbyterian General Assembly takes favorable action on the project. He replied:

In the circular letter which I sent out in February I did say that if the general plan suggested by me was approved by the Church at large, and my services were needed, I would take pride in devoting a large part of the time remaining to me in co-operating with others in the interest of what, for want of a better name, might be called the Cathedral Church of our denomination at the national capital. But I did not say I would retire from the bench merely to aid in that project. That would be unnecessary.

I have formed no purpose to retire at any particular time. My work is most agreeable to me, and, as I now think, I will keep at it steadily until I am unable to do so, until my friends tell me that it is my duty to stop.

The justice was asked whether his proposed cathedral, if erected, would be of the Catholic or Episcopal kind. He said:

I care nothing for mere words. The word "cathedral" does not distinguish Protestants and Catholics have no exclusive right to cathedral structures. There are Presbyterian cathedrals in Scotland, the home of Presbyterianism. In my circular letter to the Presbyterian ministers and laymen I distinctly stated that the cathedral had no place in a non-practical system like ours, and that the word cathedral was in that respect a misnomer.

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The money to build such a structure would come principally from Presbyterians. If the Church at large sympathizes with the movement, I do not doubt that all the money needed can be procured, and that the new church building will be ready to be occupied about the time when all the Presbyterians of our country will stand together in one denomination. That time, I hope and believe, is not far off. It will be a grand occasion, to be forever remembered, if the first meeting in the new Presbyterian minister shall be that of a general assembly representing all the Presbyterians of our country, forgetting past differences, have agreed to cooperate in respect of matters that are vital and essential in religious belief. Still more—and this is a consideration of no small importance—the new minister can be utilized as a place for the meetings of the General Assembly from year to year, and to repeat the words of a great Presbyterian thinker, within its walls and under its roof the best men of the nation and under the banner of the Church could from time to time give expression to their mature thinking on the great themes of Christianity.

The General Assembly is to meet at Winona Lake, Ind., and the cathedral question will be taken up.

S. TECUMSEH SHERMAN COMING HERE.

Albany, May 10.—S. Tecumseh Sherman, the new State Labor Commissioner, will go to New-York to-morrow afternoon to spend the rest of the week inspecting the department office there. He said to-day that he would make no appointments or changes until after he had familiarized himself with conditions in New-York City and seen Governor Higgins. He expects to return here next week in time to meet the Governor when he comes back.

THE COURT OF APPEALS CALENDAR.

Albany, May 10.—Appellate Division, third department, calendar for to-morrow: Nos. 78, 89, 95, 109, 85, 101, 194, 105.

Store Closes at 5:30 o'clock

2940 Madras Shirts At 75c, worth \$1 and \$1.50

A fine, big collection of smart, new, fresh, finely laundered plain Negligee Shirts, with detached cuffs. All made of excellent woven madras; some in white grounds with colored stripes; others in stylish dark effects—but not an undesirable style, pattern, or coloring in the entire offering.

Six Hundred Fine Walking Skirts, at \$6 Each

A Season's Clean-up of the Largest Concern in the Business.

This is one of the finest offerings of Women's Separate Skirts made this year. The Skirts come from a manufacturer who makes nothing else, and he is the largest manufacturer of Women's Skirts in the business. The present collection is composed of the aristocracy of his stock.

The materials are the most stylish, and the most seasonable for Summer wear—velvet, plain and fancy mohair, light-weight prunella cloth and water-proof worsteds. The colorings include blue, green, brown, various mixtures and black. The Skirts are made over the very handsomest models shown this season. All are in Summer weights, and are finished with hand-made hems at the bottom, which will allow of letting down if it is desired to lengthen the Skirt. Every Skirt is fresh and perfect.

There has been no handsomer stock shown this year at regular prices, and no more desirable Skirts for Summer wear are to be found anywhere at any price than will be found in this collection today. It is a piece of remarkably good news.

Singularly Low Prices Of Fine SUMMER VOILES

Crisp, light, graceful Voiles—their popularity is reasonable. At their best in value, at their lowest in price, here and now:

50c All-wool Voile Panama, 35c a Yard

With all the qualities of French Voiles; made of yarns a little heavier—giving the effect of a Panama weave. The colors in greatest demand:

Cream Light Blue Light Pink Cadet Blue Light Tan Light Gray Cardinal Royal Blue Green Navy Blue Black

36 inches wide, at 35c a yard, instead of 50c. Tenth street.

75c All-wool Black French Voile, 55c a Yard.

Live, brilliant, deep, rich black. Of fine twisted yarns. 40 inches wide, at 55c a yard, instead of 75c. Tenth street and Fourth avenue.

A Remarkable Importation Of Fine SCOTCH LINENS

A large and direct importation. Therefore the prices are low. The makers who chiefly uphold Scotland's fame for fine linens made these for us. Therefore the tone of distinction, the rich weaves, the handsome patterns. The kind of linen that endures. Inspection will endorse our judgment and gratify yours.

Scotch Table Linen by the Yard

Fine, bleached Table Linen, 36 to 36 in., at 60c to \$1.50 a yard. Satin double damask, extra heavy, 54 to 56 in. wide, at \$1 to \$1.85 a yard.

Scotch Linen Table Cloths

Bordered, unhemmed: 2x2 yds., at \$2 and \$2.50 each; 2x2 1/2 yds., at \$2.50 and \$3.25 each; 2x3 yds., at \$3.50 and \$4.50 each; 2x4 yds., at \$4 and \$5.50 each.

Scotch Linen Napkins

Breakfast size, at \$2 and \$2.50 doz. Medium size, at \$2.50 and \$3 a doz. Dinner size, at \$3 and \$3.50 a doz.

Scotch Toweling

Bleached plain Crash, at 10c, 12 1/2c and 15c a yard. Brown plain Crash, at 10c a yard.

Scotch Floor and Stair Linens

All widths in three special exclusive designs, from 14 in. wide, at 10c a yard, up to 5 yards wide, at \$2.50 a yard. Measures taken and estimates furnished on request. Third floor.

Scotch Linen Towels

Bleached Scotch Huckaback Towels, hemmed ends, washed; white or red borders, at 12 1/2c and 15c each. Heavier Huckaback, at 16c and 20c.

Scotch Crash and Roller Towels

Bleached crash Towels, 36 in. long, hemmed; red or blue borders, at 21c each, or \$2.50 a dozen. 2 1/2 yards long, and made up for roller towels, at 50c each.

Scotch Bed Coverings

At \$1.75—Of lawn, trimmed with embroidery and hemstitching; back and sleeves plaited.

At \$2.75—Of dotted Swiss muslin, or light blue mull; plain, with plaits, or trimmed with embroidery.

At \$5.75—Of mull; entire waist and sleeves of broad plaits, or shirred; trimmed with lace insertions.

At \$4.50—Of mull; pointed yoke of lace and insertion; with plaits below; short sleeves.

At \$5—Of mull; front of five plaits, with bands of lace and embroidery; seams joined with heading; new short sleeves.

At \$7.50—Of handsome allover embroidered lawn; buttoned in front or back; full sleeves with deep cuffs; collar and cuffs trimmed with Valenciennes lace.

Other styles up to \$12. Second floor, Tenth street.

White SHIRT-WAISTS

New models—many in the dainty short-sleeve style. But newness is their least merit—they are prettier, far prettier, than their predecessors. This list just begins to describe them:

At \$1.75—Of lawn, trimmed with embroidery and hemstitching; back and sleeves plaited.

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RENT A PIANO OR ANGELUS FOR THE SUMMER

Then, if you decide you want to buy it, the money you have paid for rental will be credited on the purchase price.

We will rent you any piano in our stock, or an Autopiano, an Angelus Piano or an Angelus Piano Player—you will have the Summer's enjoyment out of it; you'll have the opportunity to test it thoroughly in your own home. Then, if you decide to buy it, the money you have paid will be placed to your credit in buying it. If you decide that you do not want to buy it, you'll have the enjoyment of it for the very moderate rental.

We have at the present time a number of excellent Used Pianos and Angelus Piano Players, which are offered at very low prices, and on very easy terms, to those who wish to buy a piano for the Summer home.

If you can't come to the store, write for our beautiful new catalogue, sent free upon request. Piano Store, Fifth floor.

Store Closes at 5:30 o'clock

Men's Sack Suits Of Fancy Worsteds \$20 to \$35

Leaving aside the matter of its exceedingly good looks, worsted is, perhaps, the most serviceable of all fabrics for men's suits. It seems to be immune from the much-dreaded "shiny" effect. We have a truly handsome assortment in light and medium fancy mixed worsteds.

The coats are made over the latest and most approved single and double-breasted models. Coats are half-lined. And there is embodied in these high-class Ready-to-Wear Suits as much hand-work as is to be found in fine custom tailoring.

We also have some very stylish Sack Suits of the same materials, at \$15, \$16.50 and \$18. Second floor, Fourth avenue.

The New Bathing Suits Are Ready

The styles for women this year are even more dressy than last season; the shape of the waist, the fine plaiting and even the trimming make them look much like pretty shirt-waist suits; the chief difference being that the necks are lower, finished in round and square styles, though some have sailor collars.

The materials are brilliant mohairs, surf cloths, taffeta silks, and shepherd's check fabrics. The skirts are in pretty gored and plaited styles; the waists are in full blouse effect. Some of the suits are finished with simple tailor-stitching, others are elaborately trimmed with braid.

Surf cloth Suits in blue and black, \$3, \$4 and \$5. Brilliant Suits, \$3.50, \$4, \$4.50, \$5, \$7.50 and \$8. Taffeta silk Suits in blue and black, at \$15.50, \$22.50 and \$27.50. Second floor, Broadway.

Japanese Dinner Gongs Much Below Par

This is an importer's stock of fine Dinner Gongs, which arrived at a time when he could not handle them with profit. We undertook to give our public the benefit. An appropriate wedding present for the month of brides.

Welcome reminders: Three in set—At \$75, worth \$125. At \$90, worth \$150. At \$125, worth \$175. At \$175, worth \$250. At \$225, worth \$350. Four in set—At \$2, worth \$3. At \$3, worth \$5. At \$4.75, worth \$6.50. Tenth street aisle, Main floor.

For Rest and Recreation

Hammocks that look attractive and feel luxurious: At \$1 and \$1.50—Canvas weave; with pillow, spreader and valance. At \$3, \$3.50 and \$4—Extra heavy canvas weave; with pillow, spreader, valance and end bars. At \$4.50, \$5, to \$10—Extra heavy canvas weave; with tufted pillow, wide valance, spreader and two end bars. Mexican hemp Hammocks, at \$1.50. Mexican grass Hammocks, all hand-woven, at \$16, \$20, \$25, \$30 and \$35. Lawn Swings that wear well and realize their obligations as to safety: At \$4—All hardwood Lawn Swings, for two children. At \$7.75 and \$5.75—For two adults. At \$5 and \$7.75—For four adults. At \$12—Iron Lawn Swings with canopy, for four adults. And Croquet Sets, complete and satisfactory: At 90c, \$1 to \$2—Eight balls and mallets, copper wire wickets. At \$2.50—Eight balls and mallets, extra heavy copper wire wickets; in sets of four balls and mallets, at \$2. At \$3.50—Eight balls and mallets, extra heavy copper wickets with sockets. Basement.

A Thousand White Lawn Waist Patterns At 55c. worth \$1

This means ample plain material for the making of the waist, as well as the trimming to make it neat and effective when finished. This handsome concession on these reasonable goods was secured because the concern was winding up its year's business. There should be lively selling when all the material for a waist, except the thread and buttons, can be secured for 55c. Basement.

3,000 Women's Initial Handkerchiefs At 10c Each, worth 12 1/2c to 25c.

These Handkerchiefs are absolutely pure linen, and come from one of the best Irish manufacturers. All have hand-embroidered initials; some in block letters, others with wreath surrounding the initial. The dozens are assorted in various patterns; the variety of initials being practically complete; although the handsome concession was secured because the manufacturer was cleaning out his season's odd lots. 12 1/2c to 25c values, at 10c each. Basement.

Framed Carbon Photographs At \$2, worth \$4.50.

The pictures include such subjects as "Madame Le Brun," "The Girl With the Muff," "Innocence," "The Broken Pitcher," "Marie Antoinette," Heads, by Rembrandt, Rubens and Van Dyck; Madonnas, and a variety of landscape and figure subjects. The size of the pictures is 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 inches, in appropriate four-inch Flemish oak frames. Regularly \$4.50, today at \$2 each. Basement.

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