BRIGHT LEAF TOBACCO TOOK SLUMP LAST WEEK

Damaged Leaf in Sun-Cured Offerings Keep Average Low—Sound Stock Sells Better.

There were slumps in all of the bright tobacco markets of Virginia and North Carolina last week and in some of them prices for the bright leaf were decidedly off from those prevailing the previous week. In a least one of the North Carolina markets the average recorded was $5 per hundred under that of the week before.

But few brights were offered in the Richmond market during the week and they were composed for the most part of the common grades. The first offering of fire-cured dark shipping tobacco was on the warehouse floors last week. It was but a small lot and was very common. Considering the grade, it sold fairly well, but not near up to last season's figures. Much larger deliveries of dark shipping are expected this week.

The sales of sun-cured leaf last week amounted to 508,600 pounds, and something more than two-thirds of it was of the very common grades or else in damaged condition, that why so much damaged leaf is showing up is a mystery to the buyers, but the fact is that there never was a time when there was on the breaks such a large proportion of mouldy, mildewed and wet leaf. This, of course, keeps the average down, when it comes to sales.

Sound Tobacco That Sold Well.

It was noticeable last week that where really good sun-cured leaf that was in perfect order, sound and all right, showed up the buyers were found to show more animation and the bidding was more spirited. To illustrate, a well-known Louisa County farmer, R. L. Lloyd, brought a small load of good and sound leaf to Hutcheson's warehouse and before unloading it said he would be perfectly satisfied if it scored an average of $20. The load averaged $23.68 per hundred, the figures being as follows: One hundred and thirty pounds at $28, 145 pounds at $29, 150 pounds at $30, and 150 pounds at $15.

At Stonewall warehouse (Butler's), a lot that was sound throughout and had in it only one pile of common lugs brought an average of $20; the good piles going from $18 to $23. Stockton warehouse had similar experience and made a $22 average on a lot that was composed of altogether sound tobaccos. One pile of which brought $35 per hundred.

All of this goes to show that sun-cured tobacco is still saleable and at fairly good figures when it is really good stuff and is sound and in proper order, but the buyers will not pay much money for damaged and very common leaf.

Average Reduced at Danville.

DANVILLE, VA., Dec. 4.—The recent rains caused seasonable weather for handling tobacco. The farmers have taken advantage of this opportunity and brought in large quantities to the market, as the figures herein for the week indicate. From the point of quantity sold, this has been the largest week in the present season.

Prices were easier on common to medium grades, which accounts largely for the decline of $4.77 over the general average for last week.

At a meeting of the sales committee held on Friday, it was decided to suspend sales on the local market for the Christmas holidays from Friday, December 17, until Tuesday, January 4, 1921.

Sales for the week amounted to 2,252,120 pounds, average $25.83, amount paid out $539,888.33.

Sales for last week were 2,032,112 pounds, average $30.60, amount paid out $621,827.79.

Sales for the month of November, 1920, 10,570,957 pounds, average $29.15, amount paid out $3,082,010.34.

Sales from September 1, 1920, to December 1, 1920, 20,350,851 pounds, average $28.39, amount paid out $5,777,835.06.

Sales from September 1 to December 1, 1919, 23,157,862 pounds; average, $55.95; amount paid out, $12,957,567.69.

Decrease in pounds, 1920, 2,807,011; decrease in average, $27.56; decrease in amount paid out, $7,179,732.63.

Writer Reported Deported.

HAVANA, Dec. 4.—Horatio Blanco Fombona, a Venezuelan writer, who was arrested in San Domingo last month by American military authorities, landed at Santiago, Cuba, yesterday, having, it is said, been expelled from the Dominican republic. A dispatch to the newspaper El Mundo, declared he was deported from San Domingo by the Americans because of alleged newspaper activities tending to incite the native population to mutiny against American authority.

CHARGE TENNESSEE SOLON WITH COLLIDING IN AUTO

Government Nolle Prosses Charge of Intoxication Against Representative Garrett.

[By Associated Press.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—On the ground of insufficient evidence, the government today nolle prossed the charge of driving an automobile while intoxicated which was placed against Representative Finnis J. Garrett, of Tennessee, after Mr. Garrett's car had struck and knocked down a young woman here several weeks ago.

The charge of colliding, which also was entered against Mr. Garrett, stands and he will be given a hearing on it, probably next week.

Several representatives, who were with Mr. Garrett just before the collision, told counsel for the government that not only was Mr. Garrett not intoxicated, but that there was no evidence that he had been drinking.

Pitt Would Meet Crackers.

PITTSBURGH, PA., Dec. 4.—Jimmy Dellart, captain of the 1919 University of Pittsburgh football squad, was in this city yesterday trying to arrange a game between Pittsburgh and the University of Georgia. Dellart was one of the gridiron coaches at Georgia during the past season.

NANTUCKET LIGHTSHIP TORN AWAY FROM STATION

Mishap Causes Confusion Among Vessels That Skirt Dangerous Shoals.

[By Associated Press.]

BOSTON, Dec. 4.—The Nantucket Shoals lightship, leading mark for all transatlantic shipping making port at New York, was torn away from its lonely and important station in a storm Thursday night and caused confusion among vessels that skirted the dangerous shoals. After inquiry from several ships that missed the floating beacon and wireless combing of the seas, the mystery of the lightship's disappearance was solved when she put in at New Bedford today.

All was well with those aboard, but new moorings and other apparatus were needed before she could take up her ocean outpost duty again.

Haney Joins White Sox.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—Secretary Grabiner, of the Chicago Americans, today announced the signatures of Pitcher Harry Haney to a White Sox contract. Haney is from Jacksonville, Fla., and recently finished his schooling there.

SALE BY ARMOUR & CO. IS APPROVED BY COURT

Disposition Made According to Decree That "Big Five" Retire From Outside Business.

[By Associated Press.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Sale by Armour & Co. of its interests in three wholesale grocery concerns was approved today by the District of Columbia Supreme Court under the decree issued by the court last February.

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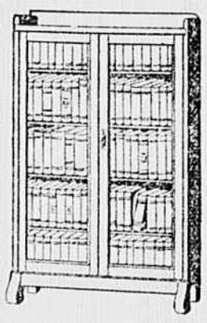

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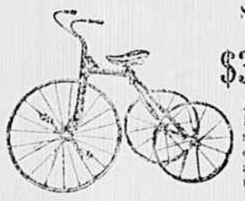

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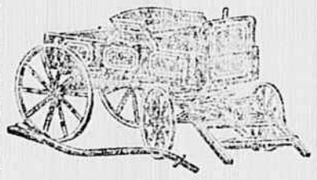

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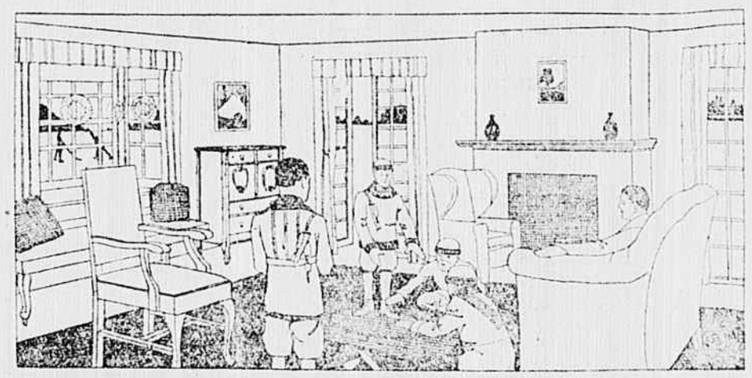

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THE EVENING DISPATCH

Small Dark Sales at Lynchburg.

LYNCHBURG, VA., Dec. 4.—The loose leaf tobacco sales on this market this week footed up 154,900 pounds. Receipts would have been larger but for several days of very inclement weather. The rain, however, made a good season for handling tobacco, and much larger sales are expected next week.

The quality of the offerings was better than have been, and the average price was decidedly higher.

There is a fine demand for all good grades of tobacco, and they are bringing good prices.

Very common or inferior grades continue dull, with the outlook not at all encouraging for them.

Good Receipts at Burkeville.

BURKEVILLE, VA., Dec. 4.—There were good receipts of bright leaf tobacco at the Burkeville warehouse this week, and new buyers representing the Imperial Tobacco Company being on the market, things were livelier. While the farmers will persist in marketing their low grades and inferior leaf first, thus keeping the average down, they were well satisfied with prices generally this week. Good to fine tobaccos sold well when they showed up, some piles of the latter going as high as $60 per hundred this week, and others along in the fifties.

Liggett & Myers will be represented on the market next week, and this addition to the corps of buyers will make things still more lively. Larger receipts are looked for next week.

Much Common at Rocky Mount.

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C., Dec. 4.—The sales of leaf tobacco have been very light this week, the farmers in these parts seeming disposed to hold their tobaccos in hopes of better prices after the new year.

The sales this week amounted to only 1,200,000 pounds, and the average recorded was only $19.50 per hundred. Much nondescript and common stock appeared in this week's offerings, and the decline was on these grades. The strictly fine leaf held up in price fairly well, although all grades and styles are some lower.

Decided Slump at Wilson.

WILSON, N. C., Dec. 4.—The leaf tobacco market has had a decided slump this week, the average figure recorded here being about $5 per hundred less than last week. The slump is on all grades, but especially have the common to medium grades suffered.

The total sales for the week were 2,784,485 pounds, and the average was $18.86 per hundred. The sales for the season up to date have been 32,877,875 pounds, which brought an average of $24.31 per hundred.

Danville's Comparative Figures Tell Tale.

DANVILLE, VA., Dec. 4.—W. C. Wooding, president of the Danville Tobacco Board of Trade, furnishes the following official figures showing the present status of the market with comparisons of former months and the last season:

Sales for the month of November, 1920, 10,570,957 pounds, average, $29.15; amount paid out, $3,082,010.34.

Sales for the month of November, 1919, 8,326,918 pounds; average, $66.01; amount paid out, $5,496,657.45.

Increase in pounds for November, 1920, 2,244,039; decrease in average, $36.86; decrease in amount paid out, $2,414,647.11.

Sales for October, 1920, 9,194,649 pounds; average, $28.08; amount paid out, $2,582,265.75.

Increase in November, 1920, over October, 1920, 1,376,308 pounds; average, $1.08; amount paid out, $499,744.59.

Sales from September 1, 1920, to December 1, 1920, 20,350,851 pounds; average, $28.39; amount paid out, $5,777,835.06.

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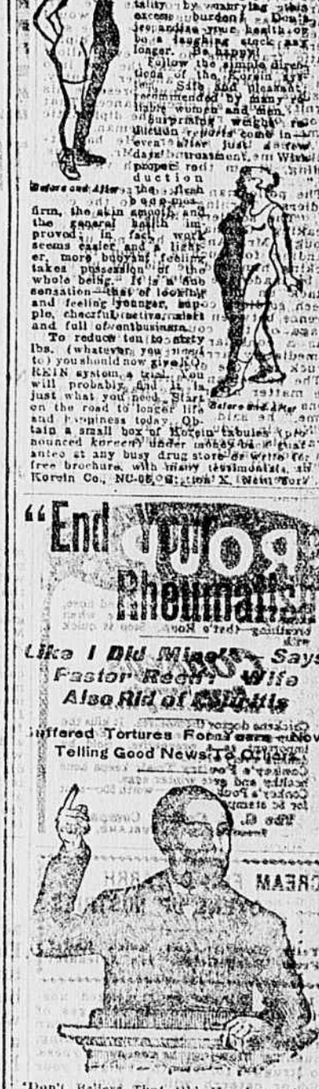
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