

The Round Cotton Bale.

A great deal has been claimed for the round cotton bale, one of its chief alleged advantages being the superior protection from fire which it gives.

The assertion that cotton put up in the best style of the round bale will not burn to any great extent has been disputed, but a severe test made a few days ago before the St. Louis Board of Underwriters would seem to sustain this claim.

The St. Louis Republican gives the following account of the experiment:

"A round bale was shown completely covered, ends and all, with a closely woven and with no cotton whatever exposed. The 'flash hazard,' one of the greatest risks in cotton, is thus removed by the new method of baling. It was explained that no cutting of the wrapping of any sort was necessary or permitted, as a guaranteed sample of the bale was drawn in process of making, and properly identified:

"As the objection has been raised that the bale could not be sampled, it was demonstrated perfectly that a sample could be drawn from the round the same as from any bale, simply by cutting it. Then the ends were cut open and the character of the winding fully shown. The bale was then placed upon proper supports, the bagging still further cut and the cotton thrown back and exposed, and wood piled under, around and on top of the bale, and coal oil poured over all of it. It was then fired.

"After twenty minutes the fire had died down and the bale was rolled out, and it was found that beneath the outer layers the cotton was untouched, and that it could not penetrate the ends of the bale, simply charring the exposed ends slightly. It was again set fire to, but the blaze quickly died out.

"Meanwhile another bale of similar character was shown, with an iron rod run through it properly supported, and this was unwound clean down to the core, rolling off like a roll of paper in a modern printing press, delivering the cotton in a smooth, regular 'bat,' ready for the machinery. There was no litch anywhere in the unrolling.

"Then the fire bale was returned to, and to show that water would not penetrate it, as well as to put out any little remnants of the fire that might be left, water was poured upon the bale. Then, with the unrolling of one single turn it was shown that under the first layer the cotton was perfectly dry and not damaged in any manner. The bale was then recovered, weighed, and it was found that it had lost 11 per cent.

"Every account we have seen of experiments with the round cotton bale has indicated that it is an immense improvement upon the old and slovenly way of baling cotton which is still almost universally used in this country.

Asheville Citizen: Hon. Locke Craig of Asheville has been selected to deliver the annual address before the orphans at the Thomasville Baptist orphanage in July.

Winston Sentinel: Jas A Robinson, editor of the Durham Sun, was called to his old home at Orange, Va., yesterday, in consequence of a telegram announcing the critical illness of his mother, Mr. Robinson was a resident of this city for several years, being editor and publisher of the old Winston Leader.

Wilmington Star: Yesterday morning Fred Gibbs, an old colored man about eighty years of age, was found dead in his house on Brunswick street, between Second and Third. The old man was found lying in the fire place, and death had evidently been caused by the extreme cold weather.

Raleigh News and Observer: Among the arrivals on the steamer Campana last Saturday, we notice the name of Mr. John Morehead, who arrived a year ago was called to England and thence to Scotland as an expert in electrical engineering, and to give an expert opinion as to the erection of a large carbide plant at the 'Fagen Falls' in Scotland. Mr. Morehead is a gifted young North Carolinian who is making fame as an electrician both at home and abroad.

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CLEANINGS

Items of Interest Clipped From our State Exchanges.

Clinton Democrat: The February court of Sampson Superior court convenes here next Monday.

Scotland Neck Commonwealth: Mr. W. H. Hackney killed a hog 25 months old which weighed 520 pounds, and Mr. W. R. House killed one 31 months old which weighed 445 pounds. Winston Sentinel: The cold wave struck Winston-Salem pretty forcibly last night. The mercury registered 5 above zero this morning. A Salem man who lives near the mineral spring, says his thermometer registered 2 below zero.

Mrs. T. W. Mason died at her home in Northampton county Monday the 25th. She was the wife of Hon. T. W. Mason, who was the candidate for Lieutenant-Governor on the Democratic ticket in the late election. Snow Hill Standard: The home of Mr. Isaac Herring came near being burned last Friday night. A lamp exploded and did damage to the furniture and Mr. Herring was slightly burned himself.

Fayetteville Observer: Our townsman, Mr. Jesses Powers, a popular engineer on the C. F. & Y. V., was united in marriage last Tuesday at Germantown, N. C., to Miss Ada K. Hill the charming daughter of Dr. T. H. Hill, of that place. The young couple have our best wishes for a happy and prosperous life.

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Wilmington Star: The residence of Mr. J. D. Benton, 918 South Second street, was entered and robbed Wednesday about midnight. The burglar entered the room of Miss Lizzie Hickman, who lives at Mr. Benton's, but was discovered by that lady, who gave an alarm. Nothing was taken except a pocket-book belonging to Miss Hickman.

Charlotte Observer: It's rather cold to talk of cycling, but there is some news too good to keep, for instance the fact that Mr. Thos. Daniel, of Newbern, the crack athlete of the State, is coming up this spring with a team of five picked men from Newbern, and will tackle any five riders here, either on the road or track. Mr. Daniel was here yesterday, and of course hung up at Fitzsimons' drug store. Fitz says the Charlotte boys won't do a thing to those Newbern fellows.

Asheville Citizen: Rev. and Mrs. Junius W. Millard of Baltis more arrived in Asheville yesterday and are staying at Mrs. Mitchell's, 41 Spruce street. Mr. Millard, who is a brother of Mrs. Henry B. Stevens of Asheville, is pastor of the Eutaw Place Baptist church, Baltimore, and has been given a vacation by his congregation for recuperation. Mr. and Mrs. Millard will spend two or three months here.

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Weyer Pacificing Cuba.

Since the famous announcement that "peace reigns in Warsaw," there has scarcely been a more extraordinary process of pacification than that which Gen. Weyer has lately been engaged upon in Cuba. A recent dispatch says that this warrior has been in Colon, and may be expected in Santa Clara to-day. "His fighting columns have left behind them desolation and ruin. There cannot now be found standing a house or even a peasant but in the Pinar del Rio, Havana, or Matanzas provinces. With all allowances for exaggeration a terrible devastation is thus depicted. And so far as we can understand, this seems to be what the President and Congress are waiting for, as a justification of their course. This laying waste of the island is to be assumed as showing a superiority on the part of Spain, which fortifies our recognizing either the independence of the patriots or even their status as belligerents. But after Weyer returns from his victorious campaign against homes and crops, to be crowded with more laurels at Havana, the real military strength of the republic will be as apparent as ever, and will show itself against the Spanish forces. Is Congress aware of connivance in the laying waste of the island?—New York Sun.

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ARRIVE GOLDSBORO. DAILY No. 36—Leave Greensboro 12:19 pm, Burlington 12:56 pm, Haw River 1:07 pm, University 1:45 pm, Durham 2:05 pm, Raleigh 3:09 pm, Clayton 3:43 pm, Selma 4:11 pm, arrive Goldsboro. 4:55 P. M.

ARRIVE GOLDSBORO. DAILY No. 16—Leave Greensboro 8:50 am, Burlington 9:36 am, Haw River 9:47 am, University 10:34 am, Durham 10:52 am, Raleigh 11:45 am, Selma 12:50 pm, arrive Goldsboro 1:40 P. M.

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NOTICE OF SALE. Under and by virtue of an order made in the Superior Court of Wayne county, North Carolina, in the special proceeding of E. F. Aycock et al, vs Gilbert Ward and wife et al, I shall sell for cash by public auction on the premises in Fremont, North Carolina, at 1 o'clock p. m., on Friday, February 12th, 1897, the property described in the petition of said proceeding, being the lot of land situated in the town of Fremont, North Carolina, bounded on the North by the lands of William Bryant, on the South and East by Aycock's Swamp, on the West by the county road leading to Wilson, containing one (1) acre, more or less, known as the "M. H. Lot," also all the machinery, apparatus and materials, used in connection therewith and belonging to the said lot and mill upon the same. F. A. DANIEL, Com.

NOTICE OF SALE. Under and by virtue of an order of sale made in the special proceeding of W. T. Palmer et al, vs L. E. Wisenbaker, et al pending in Wayne Superior Court, North Carolina, I shall sell for cash by public auction, at the court house door in Goldsboro, North Carolina, on Tuesday, February 16th, 1897, at 11 o'clock, the lands described in the petition in said proceeding, situated in Wayne county, North Carolina, and in Nabunna township, adjoining Nabunna in Wayne county, North Carolina, being the lands upon which Sarah J. Outland resided at the time of her death, and being the lands devised by Thomas Outland containing 81 acs, more or less. F. A. DANIEL, Com.

NOTICE. This is an action brought by the plaintiff against the defendants for the foreclosure of a mortgage executed by J. M. Howard upon a lot of land situated in Mount Olive, Wayne county, North Carolina, and the defendants Annie Howard Mary Howard, Pauline Howard, and Elma Howard are hereby notified to appear at a term of the Superior Court of Wayne county, North Carolina, to be held in Goldsboro, on the 6th Monday after the 1st day of March 1897, at 12 o'clock, to answer or demur to the complaint, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court and they are further notified that if they shall fail to appear and answer or demur the plaintiff will apply to the Court to grant the relief demanded in the complaint. This 4th day of January, 1897. C. F. Herring, C. S. C. Wayne Co., North Carolina.

NOTICE. By virtue of an order of the Superior Court, in an ex-parte proceeding entered J. W. Langston and others to the Court, the undersigned will sell for cash at the court house door in Goldsboro, on Monday, the 1st day of March 1897, at 12 o'clock, the following described realty, viz: Beginning with A. B. Freeman's N. E. corner on Stony Creek and runs thence with his line westerly to W. J. Pearce's line; then with his line northerly to John Smith's S. W. corner, then with this line easterly to Stony Creek, then down Stony Creek to the bottom containing one hundred and eleven acres, more or less. This 29th day of January, 1897. EARLE A. HUMPHREY, Com'r.

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