M THE STATE CAPITAL.

rd for Murderers of Man Found Near Longview.

ES HAVE CEMETERY IN CHARGE.

Burying Ground Turned Over Them to Beautify—Aged Couple's Celebration.

tin, Texas, August 23.—The governor offered a reward of $200 for the ap- sion of the unknown murderer or rers of the unknown man whose was found in a horribly mutilated tion in the lower portion of Gregg y, August 8. The atrocity of the excited much interest at the time he murdered man is believed to be a party of movers who camped for or two near where the body was The movers originally consisted of men, a woman and several children, he murdered man is supposed to have the husband of the woman. As the was not discovered until a week after had been broken up, the officers having great difficulty in getting on rack of the supposed murderers. A of movers that suited very well the iption of those who are supposed to committed the crime, passed through n about a week ago, going north.

A FAITH CURE.

e people of Robinson Hill, Austin munity, are all worked up over what regard as a veritable miracle. About months ago, Mr. William Lochridge partially stricken with paralysis at ston. Three weeks later he was re- ed to Austin and has since been con- to his bed at the residence of Mr. H. Jones on Robinson hill. He was lyzed from his hips down and lost complete use of his legs. A few days he began to grow worse and yesterday life was despaired of.

eing that his condition was growing e hourly, Mr. Edgar Nalle, who is ted to Mr. Lochridge by marriage, be- ght him of a noted Christian Science an at Peoria, Ill., and to her he tele- hed, stating Mr. Lochridge's condition asking her assistance. Last evening Nalle received a reply informing him the Christian Science people would t Mr. Lochridge's case at 6 and 7 ock, morning and evening, and would n last evening.

onderful as it may seem, Mr. Loch- e was able to turn over in bed unas- ed at 9 o'clock last night, and this ning before 10 o'clock he was up and to walk about the room unattended. re may be no miracle connected with case, but the fact that Mr. Lochridge regarded as beyond all possible recov- last night and is able to walk around morning and converse with friends trange, to say the least.

STATE CEMETERY.

t last the State cemetery has been ed over to the ladies to improve and utify and it will not be long before silent city of the dead, where repose remains of Albert Sidney Johnston other heroes of the "lost cause," will sent a far different aspect from that ch it now presents. The ladies who e taken the initiation in this movement the members of Albert Sidney Johnston pter, Daughters of the Confederacy, they will be assisted in their good rk by the Daughters of the Republic, oughout the State. The officers of Al- t Sidney Johnston chapter of this city Mrs. Benedette Tobin, president; Mrs. lard, first vice president; Mrs. Z. T. more, second vice president; Mrs. R. Finley, third vice president; Mrs. J. Clark, secretary, and Mrs. Rose A. uld, treasurer. Major Mobley, superin- dent of public buildings and grounds, l go to the cemetery tomorrow and as- them in beginning the work of im- vement and beautifying.

n this connection it may not be amiss state that the uncertainty which has retofore existed regarding the correct lling of Albert Sidney Johnston's name s at last been definitely settled a letter from the son of the great Con- erate leader, who states that the family me is "Johnston" and not "Johnson," as ny have all along supposed. The letter s written to the Daughters of the Con- eracy of this city.

GOVERNOR JESTER'S ACTION.

Acting Governor Jester this evening sent e following telegram, which is self-planatory:

r. W. W. Ridling, Sheriff, Bonham, Texas:

Austin, Texas, August 23.—Dear Sir—fidavits from citizens are before me to e effect that they have been driven from eir homes by a mob and can not return r want of protection. This violation of e law should be thoroughly investigated d those who are guilty of the murder young Meadows should be arrested and nished. The citizens should be per- itted to return to their homes and given at protection of life, liberty and proper- guaranteed by the constitution and s of our country, and which is the alienable right of the humblest citi- n of the State. I trust that the good putation your county has enjoyed as law abiding community will be main- ined, that the excitement incident to e unfortunate disturbance at Leonard ay subside, that the laws may be en- rced and the rights of the citizens re- tored. The law is supreme and its majes- must be upheld. You will please ad- se me if you can restore order and en- rce order without the aid of the State. ours truly, George T. Jester,

Lieutenant and Acting Governor.

KENDALL'S CONDITION.

Mr. Kendall, the gentleman who was aken from the train here last night while uffering from severe mental aberration, as removed the city hospital this after- oon, and tonight his condition is thought o be somewhat improved. His people in axton, Mo., have been tlegraphed for, and will come as fast as the cars will bring hem. The unfortunate man is accom- anied by his wife and child, and was raveling in Texas for his health when overtaken by the malady which has de- throned his reason. At times he grows quite violent, but Mr. R. E. Morse, a New York commercial traveler and an old friend of Mr. Kendall's, stays with him constantly and sees that he offers no harm to those about him.

TAX ROLLS FILED.

The 1897 tax rolls of the following counties were received today at the comptroller's office:

Bell—Total valuations, $12,393,040; decrease, $222,350.

Dickens—Total valuations, $1,228,692; decrease, $173,843.

AGED COUPLE'S CELEBRATION.

Comptroller Finley is back from Tyler, where he went to attend a celebration given in honor of the sixtieth anniversary of the marriage of his father and mother, who are aged respectively 82 and 80 years. The celebration was attended by nearly everybody in Tyler and was a most enjoyable affair.

TIMOTHY CASWELL.

The funeral of the late Timothy Caswell took place today in the family burying ground near Fiskville. Deceased was a native of the State of New York, where he was born in May, 1831. He had long been a resident of Travis county.

CATTLE QUARANTINE.

The governor today issued a proclamation quarantining all cattle in Wheeler and Collingsworth counties until October 1, on account of splenetic or Texas fever.

PERSONAL.

Colonel N. A. Cravens of Willis, Texas, is at the Hotel Salge.

Attorney General Crane is still confined to his room with sickness.

Assistant Attorney General Hill is back from a visit to his family at La Porte.

Sheriff Todd of Milam county was here today on business with the governor's office.

Agricultural Commissioner Jeff Johnson is back from a successful hunting trip in Burnet county.

District Judge Walter Gillis of Del Rio was here today on business with the comptroller's office.

Senator John E. Linn of Wharton is in the city and announces for Reagan for senator and for Jester for governor.

SILVER AND WHEAT.

SENATOR JONES TELLS WHY ONE FALLS, THE OTHER RISES.

Law of Supply and Demand, He Says, Is Solely Responsible for Present Conditions.

Waco, Texas, August 23.—Senator James K. Jones, chairman of the democratic National executive committee, arrived in the city this morning. Senator Jones is here on business connected with the American Cotton company, he being one of the directors, and visited the round bale plant early this morning.

After several hours consultation with Managers Moore and Ball, the senator gave audience to friends and newspaper men. Asked if he would say anything on politics, Senator Jones replied: "I do not care to talk politics, as there does not seem to be any occasion for it; yet I am never averse to speaking my sentiments on political questions when I am asked to do so. Upon what particular subject do you wish me to speak?"

"You are aware, senator, that the revival of business and the marked advance in the price of wheat is claimed by the republicans to be the result of their victory last fall and that the advance agent of prosperity is actually filling dates?"

"The increase in the price of wheat," the senator began slowly, "is the result of failure of the wheat crop in India and in the Argentine Republic, and the prohibition by the Russian government of the export of wheat from that country. The calamitous conditions in India have made that country a wheat importing market, whereas it has for years past been a wheat exporting country. The Argentine Republic has also exported great quantities of wheat in recent years, but the failure of the crop has reversed conditions and she is now importing large quantities of wheat. Russia has always raised a surplus of wheat until this year and finding the crop short at home and elsewhere except in the United States, the Russian government has prohibited its export. Under such conditions it is not strange that wheat should go up in price. What proportion of the crop in this country had left the farmer before prices reached the remunerative point is problematical, but certain it is that wheat is now commanding a good price, and the great advance is calculated to have more or less effect upon business generally.

"The decline in silver I attribute to exactly the same cause as the advance in the price of wheat, namely, supply and demand. The failure in the Indian and Argentine crop cut off the supply and the demand forced the price of wheat up. The demonetization of silver in nearly all the important commercial countries has destroyed the demand for silver in those countries, acting upon silver just as a big crop of wheat in India, Argentina and Russia acts upon wheat. Those three countries are the only wheat exporting countries in the world, except our own land; a failure of the crop in either of them advances the price, a good crop in all of them lowers the price. Supply and demand governs the price of everything, including money, and if silver were admitted to the mints as a money metal a demand would be created which would force the price up, just as the demand for wheat has forced up the price of wheat. The result of the action of Japan in changing her coinage laws confirms the contention of the democrats that the price of gold has doubled. The Japanese yen under the new law contains just half the amount of gold that the old yen does, while the silver yen is unchanged. The Japanese gold yen, under the old law, contained 25.72 grains of gold, while the new yen contains 12.86 grains. The silver yen remains the same, containing 416 grains of silver. Whether the leading Nations will continue a system, which has in twenty years doubled the price of gold, until it is again doubled is yet to be determined."

Cotton Is Stirring Business.

Temple, Texas, August 23.—Since the excellent rains of a few days ago there has been a general revival of business in lines. Saturday was one of the busiest days in Temple this year. The indications are now that Bell county will raise at least one-fourth more cotton this year than it did last year.

An Eloper Arrested.

Dallas, Texas, August 23.—E. T. Hill was arrested by Detective Ramsey tonight on a telegram from the chief of police at Memphis, Tenn. Hill was accompanied to Dallas by Miss Grace Bryan, with whom he eloped. He will be held by the Dallas authorities until an officer can come from Memphis for him.

Knickerbocker special noon train, St. Louis to Boston, Big Four.

SOME CHANGES NECESSARY

If Baseball Is to Be a Profitable Business in Texas.

FUTURITY IS TO BE RUN TODAY

Owners of Mud Horse Want Rain. Gossip of the Track and Locally. National League Games.

Paris, Texas, August 23.—At the conclusion of the last game of the season here it was asked on many hands, and with seemingly not a little solicitude, too, if Paris would be in the Texas-Southern league again next year. The interrogatory was put in several instances to the officers and directors of the Paris association. It was a question which went unanswered, but it is well to note the replies which were given and which responses indicate the sentiment in this enthusiastic baseball city, for it is a fact which has been commonly commented on that there is not a point in the State which displays more interest in this American sport than Paris. It is a fact that the game here is attended by good sized and well paying crowds when fast ball is being played, and it is a notable truth that the audiences are made up of some of the leading and most prominent people here. I was said today that it was a recorded fact that there was one man in the city whose vocation is along the professional lines, who has not missed a single professional baseball game during the season just closed. It may be opportune at this time to state what seems to be the preponderance of opinion, as to the future of baseball in Texas and Paris, of those who are its enthusiastic supporters and who are at the head of the association here.

From a financial standpoint, the enterprise has been, they say, a glaring failure, for it is no secret that those most interested here have drawn from their private funds to maintain the Paris team to the very end of the season. The managers here in this connection, however, say that they are not single and alone as relates to this phase of baseball, for they realize, they state, that none of the clubs of the Lone Star States this year have enjoyed the "fat of the land." They maintain, however, that this deplorable state of affairs can be remedied to no little extent by action from the State association. They contend that there are several wrongs to be remedied, chief among which is that the season is too long. Three months, or 100 days, the overwhelming opinion is, they are inclined to think, long enough for the season. They believe to open up in May and run until the latter part of July or the first week in August would be a most acceptable period and would result in better games, larger crowds and better satisfaction all around.

They feel that changes should be made in the association's rules, which they regard as important, pertinent and necessary to the welfare and maintenance of baseball in Texas. They think it not only advisable, but absolutely essential, that rules be promulgated limiting the salary list of every club in the league and making the limits reasonable, a system carried out by the National league.

Another change which they regard of paramount importance is a rule requiring by compulsion the payment of every guarantee for each game which is not contested. They favor a resolution mandatory in character and making it necessary to men the guarantee within a reasonable time, or on demand of the president of the league, forfeit the franchise.

If these wrongs, which nearly all of the directors think exist, are remedied, the general opinion of those in charge here seems to be that Paris will again be in the league next season, and remain, as it has this year, to the wind-up.

McCloskey Glad It's Over.

Dallas, Texas, August 23.—When Manager McCloskey was seen last night he was in high spirits.

"Well," said he, "the season is over at last, and I must say that I am glad of it. It has been a hard one for me, and I have not a cent to show for my year's work—in fact, I am in debt—but I was determined to stick it out, and did it, in spite of the sneers and predictions of South Texas managements. Why, before I left on my last Southern trip a certain manager came to me and advised me to throw up the sponge. 'You will lose money if you make that trip,' said he. I told him that I proposed to fight it out to the bitter end. I am not a quitter, and I think I demonstrated that when I held out after that Southern trip, during which I was beat out of $400 in guarantees. No club has ever failed to receive its guarantees when due from the Dallas management, and this is more than any South Texas club can say.

"I will be manager of the Dallas team again next year, and I promise to put in an aggregation that will win the pennant or know the reason why.

"The men on my team at the close of the season are, I believe the most perfect gentlemen I ever saw on a ball field. They have stood by me gallantly, and I promise that I will not soon forget nor neglect to repay their kindness."

Several of the players left for their homes in the North today, and before the close of the week they will all be gone.

Mike Lawrence Got a Watch.

Dallas, Texas, August 23.—The handsome gold watch offered by the Dallas fans to the most popular player in McCloskey's aggregation was awarded to Mike Lawrence today. Lawrence received 1724 votes; Russ Hall, shortstop, had 1381, the next highest number.

THE NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Per cent.
Boston	102	71	31	696
Baltimore	96	64	32	677
Cincinnati	95	61	34	642
New York	97	60	37	619
Cleveland	98	52	46	531
Chicago	102	49	53	480
Pittsburg	99	43	56	434
Philadelphia	102	44	58	431
Louisville	103	44	59	427
Brooklyn	100	42	58	420
Washington	99	40	59	404
St. Louis	101	27	74	267

The Philadelphia-St. Louis, Washington-Cincinnati and Baltimore-Chicago games were postponed on account of rain.

At Brooklyn— R. H. E.
Brooklyn .....000 133 14*—12 19 1
Pittsburg .....201 002 001— 6 13 1
Payne and A. Smith; Hawley and Merritt.

Second game— R. H. E.
Brooklyn .....001 000 *— 1 2 1
Pittsburg .....000 000 0— 0 3 2
Kennedy and A. Smith; Hughey and Sugden.

At New York— R. H. E.
New York .....002 203 3— 8 10 1
Cleveland .....302 000 2— 7 12 2
Meekin and Wilson; Young, Powell and Zimmer. Game called at end of seventh on account of rain.

At Boston— R. H. E.
Boston .....021 010 00*— 4 6 1
Louisville .....100 000 000— 1 3 6
Nichols and Bergen; Hill and Wilson.

Second game— R. H. E.
Boston .....302 111 01*— 9 15 3
Louisville .....110 001 000— 3 8 2
Lewis and Bergen; D. Clarke and Wilson.

A DOZEN YOUNGSTERS

Will Probably Be Seen in the Futurity Today.

New York, August 22.—The greatest 2-year-old event of the year, the futurity, is to be run on Tuesday at Sheepshead Bay. Howland, the son of Hindoo and Imp. Rochette, will likely be favorite. The horse, however which has shown himself to be unquestionably the best 2-year-old of the year, Hamburg, is not entered.

"If Hamburg were only entered," said his trainer, Charles Patterson, today, "I would not have any fears as to the result. He is the better colt of the two and is in condition to run the race of his life. He is the best racehorse I ever saw and I own Ornament. Howland performed well at Memphis and those who saw him became so enthusiastic that they declared him unbeatable. Howland had the call over Hamburg, so let him keep it."

Trainer Patterson, nevertheless, thinks Howland has the best chance for the futurity. On Friday last Howland was sent three-quarters in 1:15¾, the best time he has yet made at the distance. This morning he was sent out for a "breather" but was not allowed to fully extend himself. Several caught him in 1:17 time. Esther Clayton or Wilhite will ride him Tuesday.

The second choice in the betting is likely to be Thompson's entry, The Huguenot and Gibraltar. The former is a brother to Henry of Navarre and has won two races so far. He arrived tonight from Saratoga. Gibraltar is fresh in the public mind as the conqueror of Frohman and Varus in the Undergraduate stakes at Brighton Beach last Tuesday and if the track is heavy will bear watching.

Mike Dwyer's Previous has not been performing very satisfactorily of late, but it is said that Saratoga had done wonders for him and that he will be up to the form displayed by him when he won the Great American stakes at Gravesend. He will have the advantage of Simms on his back.

Plaudit, the likely son of Hanyar and Cinderella, is at Gravesend, but is rported to be a little under the weather.

O. H. Belmont's Great Bend, J. E. McDonald's Central Trust, J. G. Folan's Bees Murrillo, J. R. Keene's Uriel and Hayman and Frank's Demagogue have all been seen in public and undoubtedly will be seen at the post in the futurity. Their chances, however, are considered those of outsiders. Central Trust worked three-quarters over the Sheepshead Bay track this morning in 1:16¼. Dave Gideon's Frohman will likely be a starter, but he is a very different horse today from what he was in the spring. At least a dozen youngsters will go to the post in the futurity and the stake will be worth in the neighborhood of $45,000.

The tenth renewal of the Futurity stakes, which is run today at Sheepshead Bay, promises a larger field than usual and looks like a much more open race than the years when Proctor Knott, Potomac, His Highness, Domino, Butterflies and Requital, all favorites, won.

Howland, on form, will no doubt be the favorite, and as he is the stable companion of Hamburg, this year's champion, his owners ought to have a great line on the race, and if they make him the favorite he will be a very hard horse to beat. Previous, who will represent M. F. Dwyer, is one of the most consistent colts out this year and is very seldom out of the money. Uriel, the representative of the Keene string, is considered the crack of the stable, and will carry many a dollar for the public.

Gibraltar is one of the Thompson trio and has won his last three starts and has only been defeated once. In the early part of the season Frohman was considered by good judges to be one of the best colts of this year, but lately he appears to have lost all form and has performed very indifferently.

The Huguenot is a full brother of the famous Henry of Navarre, but although a very fair serviceable colt, does not look to follow in the victorious footsteps of his brother.

Marcus Daly, the owner of Ogden, last year's winner, will start a field of three, but it does not look like they have much of a chance.

Plaudit is a Western colt that has won a stake this year and good judges say he will certainly get a piece of the money.

The race will be run today at 3 p. m., central time, and will be described during its progress by telegraph at the Marble Palace Turf Exchange, where the following odds were posted on the boards last evening: Howland, 2 to 5; Previous and Uriel, 3 to 1 each; Briar Sweet, Demagogue, Central Trust, 8 to 1 each; Lalouette, The Huguenot, Plaudit, 7 to 1 each; Gibraltar, 4 to 1; Frohman, 4 to 1.

The prospects for a fine day for the Futurity were exceedingly poor tonight and all of the horsemen who had what they thought were mud horses were hoping the strong northeast wind and heavy clouds would bring rain and plenty of it for the rich stake for 2-year-olds, in which about $40,000 would go to the winner. On the other hand, the real lovers of the sport longed for a fine day and no flukes, so that the best horse might win, although it was conceded that Hamburg could easily beat any of the lot down in the greatest 2-year-old stake of the year, but unfortunately Hamburg will not run.

Winners at Brighton Beach.

New York, August 23.—It was cold, damp and disagreeable at Brighton Beach today and there was a fairly good attendance on the last day of the season.

Mile and a sixteenth, selling—Passover, Rotterdam, Dorian. Time 1:48½.

Six furlongs, selling—Benares, Glenone, Briar Hill. Time 1:15¼.

Five furlongs, selling—Trolley, Takanassee, Guilty. Time 1:02.

Mile and a sixteenth—Tom Cromwell, Peep o' Day, Rensselaer. Time 1:47¼.

Five furlongs—Salabar, Fonsalvar, Leodsville. Time 1:02.

Winners at St. Louis.

St. Louis, August 23.—Fair grounds results; track dead; weather fine:

Six furlongs, selling—Pelleas, Wild West, Briggs. Time 1:16¼.

Five and a half furlongs—Denial, Sir Joseph Lister, Melvin Burnham. Time 1:09½.

Six furlongs, selling—Horseshoe Tobacco, Nicholas, Amelia Fonso. Time 1:15.

One mile, selling—Parole d'Or, Bridgeton, Outaway. Time 1:42½.

Mile and three-sixteenths—Gold Band, Glad Eyes, Nannie L's Sister. Time 2:02½.

Five furlongs—Siva, Tonawanda, Miriam G. Time 1:09¾.

Jockey Killed in a Race.

Kansas City, August 23.—Jockey Jesse Clutter was killed at the Exposition race course this afternoon. He had the mount on Dazzle, an odds-on favorite, in the second race. The horse went down and the boy's skull was fractured by the fall. Today's winners: Kildare, Billy Underwood, Artless, Rolla, Dasimor.

Sporting Notes.

Manager Newton Asberry of the Joe Davis Oil Company team desires a game with the Model Laundry club next Saturday.

The Houston football team will practice tonight at the corner of Capitol avenue and Caroline street. This is the first practice of the season.

The Model Laundry team and the Dude team will play a game of ball Thursday afternoon at League park for the benefit of the Faith Home. The Dude team which has been selected by Captain Callie Hutchinson will practice this afternoon at the park.

A meeting was held last night at which a city baseball league was organized, the following teams joining: The Colts, the Auditoriums, the Americans and the Grays. Under the schedule the first games will be played Sunday at League park—the Grays vs. the Auditoriums at 2:30 o'clock and the Colts vs. the Americans at 4:30. An admission of 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children will be charged.

Shipped Cotton to Spain.

Bryan, Texas, August 23.—A cotton firm of this city bought 225 bales of Brazos bottom cotton from two farms Saturday and shipped it from Wellborn to Barcelona, Spain.

M'CALL—Austin, Texas, August 23.—After a lingering illness, Mrs. A. P. McCall, mother of Hon. John D. McCall, quietly breathed her last this morning at her home in this city, aged about 74 years. Besides Hon. John D. McCall, the deceased leaves two sons, Messrs. Will and Shelby McCall, and one daughter, Mrs. Evans, to mourn her loss. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 6 o'clock from the family residence on East Fourteenth street.

"Throw physic to the dogs" and use Angostura Bitters, if you desire good digestion and a healthy appetite. Sole manufacturers, Dr. J. G. B. Siegert & Sons.

THEY WILL NOT REDUCE IT

French Government Does Not Intend to Abolish Wheat Duty.

WOULD ONLY ENRICH SPECULATORS

Comment on Prices Is Exaggerated. While Consumers Pay a Little More, Producers Are Benefited.

New York, August 23.—A dispatch to the Herald from Paris says:

There seems no reason to believe that the import duty on wheat will be taken off, even temporarily. There seems but one opinion, namely, that to abolish the duty would merely enrich the speculators, derange the equilibrium of the budget, work serious harm to the French cultivator and bring not an iota of relief to the consumer. An official at the ministry of agriculture said:

"In years of plenty the duty has not been able to make cultivation profitable. This year there is sure to be a big deficit in the crops. The growers will, therefore, be able to derive some benefit from the duty. This they can do without bread being forced up to famine prices, as the party clamoring for the abolition of the duty alleges. Therefore, it is my personal opinion that there is not the most remote possibility of the government removing or even reducing the import tax on grain."

The Temps publishes the following interview, unofficial, it is true, but nevertheless obtained from some one at the ministry of agriculture, where some idea of the views of M. Vieger is sure to be had:

"The wheat crops during the last few years were abundant. The market was overcrowded. Prices were low and quotations went down to 20 francs per quintal and even to 18 francs, but the land was fertile and the cultivators managed to get some little profit from the plentiful harvests. This year the conditions have been unfavorable. The crops have been bad everywhere in France and Europe generally. The heavy rains, hails and floods have simply devastated the fields. America—and we ought to be glad of it—has escaped these calamitous conditions and by herself can furnish the markets of the old world.

"What has been the result of wheat being scarce? Its price has gone up. If this is unfortunate for the consumer, the agriculturist, who, after all, deserves some attention, will be able to recover some recompense for his labor. The question of wheat can not possibly be regarded as alarming nowadays.

"Then, again, the comment made in certain quarters is exaggerated. The prices such as have been current during the past week have often been obtained previously without the country starving, but serious damage would be done if the duties were removed, even for a short period. This is why M. Vieger has persuaded the general council of the Loiret to vote a desire that no modification shall be made in the import duties on foreign grain.

"The municipal council voted a resolution to petition the minister of agriculture to remove the duty on flour should it prove inexpedient to abolish the duty on wheat.

"M. Caplain, who is a recognized authority on all matters connected with the grain trade, said today, however, that he did not think M. Meline would accede to the desire of the council.

"The municipal council voted a resolution urging the minister of agriculture to use his prerogative and to reduce at once from 7 francs to 5 francs the import duty on wheat."

London, August 23.—A dispatch to the Pall Mall Gazette from Paris says:

"There is to be no reduction in the tax on imported wheat and flour. The government, especially now that the elections are drawing near is mortally afraid of offending the small peasant who usually grows wheat. On the other hand, the working classes who constitute the mass of population in large towns still live largely on bread."

PROFIT TAKING SALES.

Speculative Markets Registered the First Declines in a Fortnight.

Chicago, August 23.—Speculative markets on the board of trade today succumbed to the profit taking sales and registered the first declines of moment in a fortnight. Liquidation, which began Saturday, continued on an enormous scale at the opening. During the first fifteen minutes of the session fluctuations were the most violent in many years, covering as they did a range of 5c. The bears who have been standing aloof for some time took fresh courage and pounded the market on every bulge, only letting up after establishing a net decline of 3½c for the day in September wheat, ½c in September corn and 5-8c in September oats. Sales of September wheat were made on the curb this morning at the highest figures yet reached—$1.02¼. The regular session opened with a wild dash to sell, with trades made on a range of 3c, September going at from 97 to 100. Every one in the pit seemed to have one end in view, and that was to let go. September came with a rush to 95, December touching 94¾. A few buying orders were then distributed where they would do the most good and what looked for a moment like a panic was turned into a rush to cover. September sold up without reaction of more than ½c to 99½. Another drop took place, but in a slow, deliberate way. The visible supply was very much of a disappointment to the bulls, showing less than half the decrease they had confidently figured on. Short sales were thought to be a good speculation, which the sellers obtained within a few cents of a dollar, and the bears opened their spouts with a will, only ceasing operations when the prices of September again rested at 96.

The routine news of the day was practically disregarded. Foreign crop damage news of a sensational order in the European market only had a tendency to invigorate the traders with bearish tendencies, seemingly. The bull pool, whose operations have helped the late advance in grain, were rather inconspicuous and in fact, the individual operations were lost sight of entirely during the morning. Later it was the general belief that the pool let go much of its late purchases, more especially corn.

The market for corn was extremely excited. Everyone with a profit seemed possessed only of a desire to unload, while there was a profit in sight, and many of the paper fortunes were lost. Sales were made at the opening on a range of a full cent, something not often seen in the corn pit. English markets were reported excited at goodly advances. September opened ¼@1¼c higher on this news, sales being made at 32@33c, but when the trade saw Chicago receipts posted at nearly 2000 cars, cries of starvation were quickly turned into orders to sell. The market sold off steadily to the close, but owing to the early advance showed only ¼c loss for the day. The market for oats sympathized with corn and wheat. Liquidation by prominent interests helped by a good alsed increase in the visible supply induced an easier tone, although outside trade was fair and principally on the buying side. The December option led in volume. Opening ⅛c higher, it declined steadily to the close, establishing a net loss of 1c.

THE FIRE RECORD.

Residence Burned.

Greenville, Texas, August 22.—A residence occupied by Bud Gore, in the Arnold addition, was destroyed by fire at an early hour yesterday morning. The building belonged to M. E. Mackey & Co., and was insured for $800.

Blaze at Waxahachie.

Waxahachie, Texas, August 22.—The Vickery building, one door north of the Waxahachie National bank, was partly burned last afternoon. The restaurant of Quarle & Sawyer, the saloon of Garrison Bros., and bedrooms up stairs were flooded with water. It is not known how the fire originated. The occupants and owner of the building are fully insured.

Stable and Hacks Burned.

Victoria, Texas, August 22.—A stable belonging to Ed Mitchell, a well-known and prosperous colored hack driver, was destroyed by fire at 2 o'clock this morning. He also lost two hacks and six sets of harness but saved his horses. No insurance. The C. D. F. hall, adjoining, was almost destroyed, only the frame remaining. This, however, was insured for $500 which will nearly cover the loss. The firemen did splendid work.

SOUTHERN PROGRESS.

The New Industries Reported in the South in a Week.

Chattanooga, Tenn., August 21.—Among the most important new industries for the week ending August 21 the Tradesman reports the following: The Decatur Compress company, capital $15,000, New Decatur, Ala.; an electric power plant to be erected at Pensacola, Fla., by a $200,000 company; large flouring mills at Crisman and New Market, Va., and Sedan, W. Va.; the Gulfport Land and Improvment company, capital $200,000, at Gulfport, Miss.; the G. W. McDonald company, capital $1,000,000, at Clarksburg, W. Va., to mine coal, manufacture coke, etc.; and the Columbia Gold Mining company, capital $30,000, at Richmond, Va. The Colgin Cigarette and Tobacco company, capital $10,000, has been chartered at Richmond, Va., and wood-working plants will be established at Musgrove, Ga.; Hartford, Ky.; Shreveport, La., and at Nat Moore and Wilmington, N. C.

All reports from Southern manufacturers and business men continue encouraging and business prospects have not been so favorable for many years. A number of idle manufacturing plants have resumed work during the past week and Bessemer pig iron has been advanced. Prices for agricultural products are also advancing and heavy exports of wheat and corn are reported.

In the South the iron and steel trade is steadily improving and business among the textile and lumber mills is active.

Shot a Negro's Leg Off.

Bremond, Texas, August 23.—Late yesterday evening a negro calling himself Cherokee Joe got into an altercation with some white men and made a razor play at them and then went off and armed himself with a sixshooter and started back for a fight. Whereupon the men sent for an officer and the officer gave chase and ran him about a mile. Finding that he could not stop him, he fired at him, striking him in the right leg above the knee, crushing the thigh bone. Upon searching his grip he found three sixshooters and a lot of articles in his possession, some of them stolen from the editor of the paper here. The negro came from Corsicana, where he acknowledged to have stolen the pistols. His leg will have to be amputated.

Will Attend Waterways Convention.

Rockport, Texas, August 22.—The waterways convention committee have letters from many leading men of the State, indicating their intention of attending this convention, among whom may be mentioned Congressmen Ball (member of committee on rivers and harbors), Kleberg, Slayden, R. L. Henry, Sayers, Senator Mills and Governor Culberson, the latter, however, has been called to Battle Creek, Mich., and in his absence it is arranged that Lieutenant Governor Jester will open the convention.

The Case Dismissed.

Alvin, Texas, August 23.—The case against F. Nairn and six others in Justice Hobbs' court for gambling was dismissed this morning on motion of the assistant prosecuting attorney, on account of the complaining witness, H. Dewitt, being dead. This is the case that led directly to the killing of Dewitt by Nairn last Monday. Dewitt was on his way to the court room, the case having been called that morning, when he was shot.

Bound Over for Incest.

Waxahachie, Texas, August 23.—The case of the State of Texas vs. J. A. Randal, charged with incest, was called this morning and the attorneys after consultation, announced that the defense would introduce no further testimony, and the court then fixed defendant's bond at $1000 for his appearance at the next term of the district court.

Head Mashed to a Jelly.

Halletsville, Texas, August 23.—Near Hope, twenty miles south of this place, Rudolph Bolam, a young man whose parents reside near here, was riding a young horse, not yet well broken, which ran away with him and running under a tree, Bolam's head was mashed into a jelly.

Hearne's Electric Light Plant.

Hearne, Texas, August 23.—The Hearne Gin company, who are promoters of the electric light plant at this place will start the plant running with 350 lights.

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