

FARM AND FLOCK.

Peppers bring a ready sale. Eggs are in good demand. Turnips are in good supply.

Arkansas apple receipts are falling off.

Pecans are numerous around Kerrville.

Potatoes are in good demand at fair prices.

Quite a number of cattle are being fed at Greenville.

F. B. Honston has placed on feed at Shiner 225 steers.

Pecos valley grapes find good demand at fair prices.

Fall vegetables continue in abundant supply in Texas cities.

Concord grapes from New York state are being received in Texas.

Dallas complains of too many green tomatoes being shipped there.

Owing to the nearness of Thanksgiving, turkeys are in good demand.

Ben Robey of Coleman sold to Mr. Acres 1800 wethers and ewes at \$2.25.

S. F. Reynolds sold to E. D. Farmer, at Aledo, fourteen cars of beef steers.

The Farmers' club at Wharton has sold its entire crop of broom corn at \$90 per ton.

The British government has placed another order in this country for horses amounting to 10,000 head.

M. B. Pulliam of San Angelo has on his ranch, north of that city, a peach tree that has netted him this season \$30.

The Ellis County Poultry and Pet Stock association elected H. B. Savage judge of their show to be held in January.

In 1890 the total value of the livestock in every state of the Union was less than \$1,200,000,000; now it is \$4,555,827,375.

Jack Hall of Donley county purchased 100 three and four from J. Bird of Matador and same number from Shoobar ranch.

W. H. Irvin has sold to Judge Leroy Dehman of San Antonio 190 head of stock cattle. They were placed on the Judge's ranch below Seguin.

The Winsboro creamery began operations on the 11th. The first 1000 pounds were contracted for by a New York firm at satisfactory prices.

S. B. Walker of San Antonio and his brother, C. W. Walker, the latter having a ranch near Roswell, N. M., have bought and shipped about 1500 cattle to the ranch.

A representative of one of the largest produce houses in the north was at Corpus Christi. He made an offer for 100 carloads of cabbage, to be delivered next spring, at 3 cents per pound.

The government's monthly report for 1901 shows the smallest production of corn since 1881. It was 16.4 bushels, as compared with 25.3 bushels in 1900 and an average of 24.4 bushels in 1899.

Ellis A. Wingo of Willis Point planted in Sabine bottom land the past spring ten acres in long staple cotton. The yield was three-fourths of a bale per acre. He sold the crop at Greenville for \$4c.

York & Gore of St. Louis have closed a deal for 8000 acres of land lying in Case county, near the Katy's railway line. They propose to cut their land up into 100-acre tracts and colonize it with Kentucky and other farmers.

All of the wool at San Angelo, nearly 500,000 pounds, has been sold. The most of it has been bought by representatives of Boston firms, the balance being taken by Hill & Palmer of San Antonio. Price was about 10c.

Farmers of Harrison county are becoming much interested in the diversification of crops. A number of them are preparing to raise tomatoes and potatoes next season. Many peach trees will also be set out, it is said.

W. F. Cowley of San Angelo has bought twenty-three sections of land in Upton county from the Milburn Wagon company of Toledo, O. The consideration given by Mr. Cowley is said to be \$14,520.

C. Menalos, a cotton buyer of Jackson, Miss., who owns a farm in Lincoln county, has been experimenting with the cotton plant. He declares it a fine food for stock, looks and tastes like sweet potatoes and produces 600 tons to the acre.

THE BODIES FOUND

REMAINS OF MINE OFFICIALS RECOVERED YESTERDAY.

Were Overcome by the Deadly White Gas. Hats Had Attacked Bodies—Mine Still Burning—Only Hope Is to Flood It—Explosions May Follow.

Bluefield, W. Va., Nov. 25.—The dead bodies of the lost party of eight well known mining men who entered West mine of the Pocahontas Collieries company on Friday morning last, at 11 o'clock were recovered at 12:45 o'clock today.

At 7:30 o'clock this morning a rescuing party numbering forty persons entered the main entrance, bracing the mine as they went, in order to prove the circulation of the air. They had reached a distance of three thousand, five hundred feet from the entrance when they encountered such quantities of white damp that it was impossible to proceed further. Retracing their steps, they decided to make another attempt from the Tug river entrance, some six miles across the Flat Top mountains. They went in this entrance about 1:30 o'clock and after going a distance of 600 feet found the dead bodies of A. S. Hurst, chief inspector; Bob Oldham, sub inspector, and Fritz G. Bell, mining engineer, all huddled together. From their position they must have met death suddenly and without pain. All of them were lying face downward with no signs of a struggle. Hurst had made a pillow of his coat, on which his head rested.

The fire is still burning in Baby mine and the mine officials seem at a loss to understand how it will be finally extinguished. The only way, it is believed, is by flooding. This will be an enormous undertaking, as the mine is a drift mine. Mine experts claim there is great danger of explosions by flooding the mine, as when water comes in contact with fire the generation of gas will be so great as to possibly blow away the whole side of the mountain.

Charged With Murder.

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 25.—A sensation was created here today when the grand jury returned a verdict against Mrs. Georgia Emma Hooks, a well known and wealthy widow, charging her with poisoning her husband, the late Cerro Gordo Hooks, who died several weeks ago.

At the time of Mr. Hook's death persistent rumors were afloat that his demise was brought about by other than natural causes and Deputy Coroner Ernest Miller empanelled a jury and began an investigation. The body was exhumed and Dr. William Krauss, a well known chemist and physician, was instructed to perform an autopsy. The stomach and other organs were taken from the corpse and after an exhaustive examination, lasting ten days, Dr. Krauss reported to the coroner that deceased had come to his death from poisoning. The expert also reported that powdered glass and arsenic had been found in great quantities in the stomach of the dead man and he advanced the statement that Mr. Hook's had died from these poisons.

Negroes at a Lynching.

Shreveport, La., Nov. 25.—The particulars of a sensational murder and lynching have just reached this city from Herndon plantation, about eight miles below Shreveport, on the Bossier parish side of Red river.

The most curious feature of this affair is that the men who did the lynching were negroes and strung up one of their own race. The affair was attended with all the sensational details which generally go to make up the history of these affairs. The negro avengers not only determined upon the summary execution of their victim, but took him from the hands of a white officer for that purpose. The killing which led up to the lynching occurred Saturday night.

More Rioting at Galway.

Dublin, Nov. 25.—Serious rioting followed the illuminations last night at Galway in honor of the election of Colonel Arthur Lynch to parliament. The nationalists paraded the town, wrecking stores and windows of the houses of the unionists and nationalists suspected of voting for the defeated candidate, Horace Plunkett. The police had difficulty in clearing the streets. Vigorous baton charges were met by showers of stones, which resulted in numbers being injured. A large force of extra constabulary has been drafted to Galway.

Two Buildings Collapsed.

Houston, Tex., Nov. 25.—A pile of bricks and debris now marks the place where only a few hours ago stood two thriving business establishments. All night long men have come and gone about the place of the wreck asking how it happened and have left the scene knowing but little more about it than when they arrived. One thing is certain—the two-story brick building in which was located the hay, grain, fruit and produce establishment of Lillenthal Bros., at 107 Main street, and that portion of the Converse building next door, in which the Maxman Notion company do business, are now in ruins. The collapse occurred last night about 11:30 o'clock and was witnessed by no one so far as can be learned. There are various theories regarding the cause of the fall, a very prevalent one being that cracksmen blew a safe open and the concussion caused the Converse building to fall. Others, including Mr. T. Maxman, manager of the Maxman Notion company, think the fall was due to a weakness in some of the walls. There is some evidence to support both theories, but until the debris is cleared away sufficiently to permit an inspection of the interior of the buildings there can be nothing but speculation concerning it.

Found in a Bonded Car.

San Antonio, Tex., Nov. 25.—Juan Garza and Manuel Otilvarez were arrested at the Sunset freight depot this morning, and when caught were in a bonded car of silver bullion being shipped from Torreon, Mexico, to Newark, N. J., to be refined. The contents of the car were valued at one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Both men claimed to be ignorant of the riches that surrounded them, and said their presence in the car was only to return to this city from Eagle Pass. According to their statement they attended the bull fights at Eagle Pass last Sunday and imbibed too freely of megal, which fact caused them to miss their train. Their tickets were only good to return that day, and for several days they have attempted to ride home on a freight. They got aboard of one, but selected the wrong car. Before United States Commissioner Seelighon this afternoon United States Deputy Marshal Lancaster lodged complaints against the men, charging them with breaking and entering a bonded car being sent from one port to another. The punishment for this is a fine of \$1000 or five years' imprisonment or both.

Underground Telephone System.

Galveston, Tex., Nov. 25.—Colonel E. K. Baker, general manager of the Southwestern Telephone and Telegraph company, and O. P. Boon, right of way agent of the company, are in the city today from their headquarters at Austin. The cables have now arrived for the underground system, which the company proposes to install at Galveston, and it is the intention to begin placing the cables next Monday. There has been considerable delay in putting in the underground system here, owing to the fact that it requires a different cable from those used to withstand the salt water.

The Mining Engineers.

Beaumont, Tex., Nov. 25.—Some time next week likely on Thursday or Wednesday, a party of two hundred and fifty members of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, who are making a trip from New York to Mexico, will visit Beaumont for a few hours. The party will include the most prominent members of the profession of mining engineering in the country and an effort is being made to arrange a proper reception for the party, and to show the members over the oil field. Captain A. F. Lucas of this city is a member of the organization, and he is interesting himself in the matter of showing proper recognition to the party.

Houston Fireman Killed.

Houston, Tex., Nov. 25.—Frank Medlenka, a member of the fire department of this city for several years and driver on steamer No. 8 of the Fire department, died at St. Joseph's infirmary at 11:20 o'clock last night as the result of an accident received while driving to a fire at the corner of McKinney and Chartres streets yesterday afternoon. Both of Mr. Medlenka's legs were broken, his hip bone was broken and he had a large hole in his side, and was otherwise bruised and injured so that it was thought at the time to be hardly possible for him to recover or even live through the night.

IN A BURNING MINE.

EIGHT OF THE OFFICIALS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST.

They Supposed All Danger Had Passed and Entered Shaft to Investigate—Rescuing Party Was Forced to Return by the Deadly Fumes.

Bluefield, W. Va., Nov. 23.—Superintendent Walter O'Mally of the Pocahontas Collieries company, along with State Mine Inspector William Priest, A. S. Hurst, chief coal inspector of the Gastner, Curran & Kullitt company of Philadelphia; Robert St. Clair, chief coal inspector; Morris St. Clair and William Oldham, subcoal inspectors; F. G. Bell, mining engineer, and Joseph Valdemell, manager of the Shamokin Coal and Coke company of Maybury, Va., comprising a party of eight, entered the west main of the Southwest Virginia Improvement company's collieries yesterday for the purpose of examining the true situation in regard to the recent explosion and fire in the Baby mine and to this hour (12 o'clock midnight) have not been heard from.

It was supposed that the Baby mine proper had been cut off from the West mine for the purpose of operating the West mine. The large fan in the West mine had been started at an early hour in the morning and at 11 o'clock it was thought that all gases originating from the fire in the Baby mine had been forced from the main portion and it was considered safe to enter. At 6 p. m. a party, consisting of experienced miners, led by Assistant Superintendent King, entered the mine to rescue the lost party of eight, but in a short time they returned, having encountered such quantities of black damp as to make it impossible to enter any distance into the mine. Assistant Superintendent King was completely overcome by gas and is now in a critical condition.

A consultation is now being held in the company's office at Pocahontas of the different mining experts from Flat Top field, these experts having been rushed to Pocahontas by special train. All efforts are being used to recover the bodies of the inspecting party, but no hopes are entertained that any of them will be recovered alive.

The secretary and treasurer of the Southwestern Virginia Improvement company, C. S. Thorne of Philadelphia, is directly in charge of all movements at the mines. The fire that originally started in the Baby mine last Thursday and which was supposed to have been under control, is now burning furiously. All the members of the lost party are prominent in the coal field and the excitement now prevailing at Pocahontas is intense, business having been practically suspended. All the members of the party are married, some having large families.

A Dream of Empire Disipated.

Victoria, B. C., November 23.—J. Seeley of the secret service of Yukon territory, who is here, says that the conspiracy to seize the Klondike was formed in Dawson and was discovered by police there in September. It was an organization known as "Order of the Midnight Sun," founded at Dawson by some American Fenians. A branch was formed at Skagway, but the order did not extend further north. The papers of the association were seized at Skagway, but the seizure being made in United States territory, they are held by American officers. The secretary of the order has fled to Seattle.

International Live Stock Show.

Chicago, November 23.—Officials of the International Live Stock Exposition say they expect half a million visitors will attend the show at the stock yards week after next. Members of the citizens' committee are making arrangements based on this calculation. On December 2 Secretary of Agriculture Wilson will deliver an address at the live stock exposition, and on the 3d will speak before the National Live Stock association. Chairman Martin B. Madden has announced committees and arrangements are about completed.

China Disappoints Bankers.

New York, November 23.—A dispatch from Hong Kong to the London Times and the New York Times says there is much disappointment there and at Canton over the refusal of the Chinese customs authorities to adopt the special tariff schedule prepared by the bankers' committee as a temporary measure pending the adoption of specific tariff under the protocol. The committee's proposals are approved by good authorities.

Bob Ballard Hanged.

Bryan, Texas, Nov. 23.—Bob Ballard, the condemned negro murderer, expiated his crime at 11:45 yesterday. At 1:45 the prisoner was taken on the scaffold by Sheriff Nunn and deputies. After mounting the scaffold the only words he uttered were, "I want those preachers to pray for me," whereupon Elder D. H. Shivers, pastor colored Baptist church of Bryan, knelt and offered an earnest prayer for the salvation of the condemned man and for the strength and consolation of his father and mother and relatives. At the conclusion of the prayer the rope was adjusted about the prisoner's neck by Sheriff Nunn and a black cap drawn over his face. Sheriff Nunn then took a hatchet and cut a rope that held the support underneath the trap and the prisoner dropped into eternity. His neck was not broken and death resulted from strangulation. The attending physicians pronounced him dead at 2:04 and the body was cut down and turned over to his father.

Health Officials Settle the Cow.

New York, November 25.—Tuberculous experiments by Dr. George D. Barney of Brooklyn, which aroused considerable indignation when he announced recently that he had inoculated a young woman with the disease, were brought to a sudden close by Dr. Robert A. Black, head of the board of health in that borough, who seized the cow on which he had founded his work. Dr. Barney combats the theory of Dr. Koch, the eminent German medical authority, that consumption could not communicate from a lower animal to a human being, and with that end in view he inoculated the cow with the disease and kept her in a stable to watch the progress of the disease. The cow had become very sick and he was preparing soon to hold an autopsy on her when the agents of Dr. Black pounced her away to the public pound, where it is said she will be destroyed.

To Build Oil Carriers.

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 23.—It is stated here that the Standard Oil company has closed important contracts with ship builders for several bulk oil carriers for the Transatlantic trade. The Cramp company of this city has been awarded one of the contracts and the others go to ship builders at Richmond, Va., and elsewhere. The contracts call for the expenditure of several million dollars. At the present time there is not an American steamer in the European trade. The vessels will be 350 feet in length and will have a minimum capacity of 1,500,000 gallons each. The contract awarded to the Cramps is the first they have ever received for a bulk oil carrier.

Irreparable Loss to the Liberals.

New York, November 23.—The Colon (Columbia) correspondent of the Herald cables the following version of the mysterious disappearance of General Patino. Your correspondent has been informed by Colonel Barrera, the revolutionary leader, that General Patino and General Cortisox, respectively first and second in command of the attacking insurgent force, left Gatung in a small boat for Colon. It was a very dark night and their boat capsized in the river. General Patino, who was wounded in the arm, endeavored to save General Cortisox, who could not swim, and both were drowned. The death of these two leaders is regarded as a great blow to the liberal party.

Bad Weather in North Texas.

Denison, Texas, Nov. 23.—This section was visited last night by a tremendous rainfall and some hail. It cleared off with a cold wave. The rain is a great boon to farmers and was much needed for winter wheat. The top crop of cotton has failed to materialize. The cotton is nearly all in the hands of farmers.

Texarkana, Texas, Nov. 23.—Heavy rain, accompanied by strong winds, covered this section last night. The weather lasted twelve hours and extended for a radius of 100 miles. Reports of untold damage to cotton are received.

Another Sensation in Venezuela.

Caracas, Venezuela, November 23.—President Castro, believing a conspiracy to overthrow him existed, caused the arrest today at Puerto Cabello of Ramon Guerra, minister of war. President Castro also brought about the arrest at Caracas of a number of partisans of Guerra, among them being Montu Chan, who claims to be a French citizen. The arrests have caused a great sensation.

Paris.—Renzo Nelson was found guilty of the murder of Jack Overlin and given twenty-five years in the penitentiary.