

WEATHER AND THE CROPS.

From Monday's Picayune.

With the cotton crop practically all marketed, the question of the weather now plays but an unimportant part in the calculations of the cotton trade except insofar as good rains and even cold weather would have a beneficial effect in preparing the lands for next season's operations. The crop is practically all gathered, and if all accounts are to be believed, the great bulk of it is ginned—in fact there being much less still to be ginned than is usual at this season of the year.

The harvest season has been exceptionally fine, permitting rapid harvesting of the yield, and in a good many cases adding materially to the yield itself. There is no doubt that the fine weather has contributed largely to improving the grade of the cotton marketed. There is very much less low-grade, stained and sand-mixed cotton than in average years, and naturally very much less than last year, when the crop was undoubtedly reduced in grade by unfavorable weather conditions during harvest.

Another element which contributed to the rapid marketing of this large crop has been the abundance of labor. This fact has enabled farmers to take full advantage of the fine weather to pick and house their crops more rapidly than ever before. This has been one saving factor to offset in some measure the high cost of grain and feedstuffs. This high cost of necessary articles of consumption on the farm has added to the cost of making the present crop and should serve to convince our Southern agriculturists of the importance of producing at home as much as possible all the articles consumed, and which if not produced, must be bought, thus adding to the cost of producing the staple, or money, crop—cotton.

While opinions still differ as to the size of the cotton crop, few now contend that it is a small yield, or even below 13,000,000 bales, including linters. A great many people are counting on a crop of 13,500,000 bales, but the great majority look for a commercial crop under that figure. That the Government estimate was too low is shown by the fact that in several States the amount ginned already exceeds the Government's estimates for those States.

Another Honor for Ransdell.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Representative Jos. E. Ransdell, of Louisiana, President of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, has been appointed a member of the committee composed of Congressmen to prepare bills for introduction in the next session of Congress providing for a bond issue for waterways improvement. The committee will begin work at once.

Representative Ransdell is regarded as the leading American authority on internal waterway improvement. He is the head of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress and the ranking Democratic member of the House Committee on Rivers and Harbors. His home is at Lake Providence, La.

At the meeting of St. Joseph Lodge, No. 79, F. & A. M., held at Newellton, December 10th, the following officers were elected: S. O. Landry, W. M.; W. D. Martinier, S. W.; Leopold Elgutter, J. W.; John Murdoch, Treasurer; D. Rosenbaum, Secretary; M. Bloom, Tyler; J. W. Warren, S. D.; Adolph Elgutter, J. D.; R. A. Davis, Chaplain.

The following officers have been elected for the ensuing year for Tensas Lodge, No. 309, F. & A. M., at St. Joseph: B. F. Young, W. M.; German Baker, S. W.; G. N. Clarke, J. W.; A. E. Green, Sec'y.; J. T. Moore, Jr., Treas. The following officers were appointed: J. C. Lindsay, Tyler; J. S. Rodriguez, S. D.; H. L. Smith, J. D.; R. C. Stowers, Chaplain.

Merchants complain of decided falling off in business this season as compared with previous years.

Digest of the Game Laws.

It is unlawful to catch, trap or kill, or pursue with intent to catch or kill any deer, beaver, mink, raccoon or opossum between the first day of March and the fifteenth day of November. This provision does not apply to persons killing minks, coons or opossums about their premises or cultivated land to prevent depredations.

The penalty for the above is a fine of not less than \$10.00 or more than \$100.00 or imprisonment in the Parish jail for not less than ten days, or both fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the Court.

All deer and fish found in the State of Louisiana are declared to be the property of the State.

It is unlawful for any person within the State of Louisiana to catch, kill, or have in his possession, living or dead, any deer or fish, or to purchase or offer the same for sale, except as permitted by law.

It is unlawful to kill a doe or fawn at any time.

It is unlawful to hunt or kill deer between the hours of sundown and day break, or to kill deer driven to high land by overflow or high water at any time.

The closed season for deer is seven months of each year, and as fixed by the Police Jury of Tensas such closed season begins on the first day of March and ends with the first day of October. During such closed season it is unlawful to hunt with hounds; or in any manner to annoy or destroy any wild deer. It is provided by law that the months of May, June, July, and the first fifteen days in August shall be included in the closed season as fixed by the Police Jury.

It is unlawful to kill more than two deer in one day, or more than six deer in one season.

It is unlawful to catch or kill black bass, commonly known as green trout, between the first day of February and the fifteenth day of May; striped bass, commonly known as bar fish, between the first day of December and the first day of March, unless the same be caught with a hook and line attached to a pole or held in the hand.

It is unlawful to use dynamite, drugs or sawdust for the purpose of catching or killing fish. It is unlawful to kill fish at night by method of "striking." Seining or netting of any description is prohibited except on the written permission of the Game and Fish Commission; and Game Wardens are empowered to confiscate seines or nets being used without permission.

It is unlawful to sell, exchange, expose, or offer for sale or exchange, to have in possession, or to keep in cold storage, either for one's self or for others, any deer or fish during the closed season provided herein for the same, irrespective of the time when or place where the same were killed or caught.

It is unlawful for any railroad or common carrier to transport beyond the confines of this State any deer or fish above named.

The penalty for the violation of any of the above provisions is a fine of not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$25.00 as applied to deer, and not less than \$1.00 or more than \$5.00 as applied to fish. The fine being increased for each additional fish or deer.

Non-residents and unlicensed foreign born residents are prohibited from hunting for market or profit; the penalty in such case is not less than \$50.00 or more than \$100.00 or imprisonment in the Parish jail not less than ten days or more than thirty, or both at the discretion of the Court.

All birds, both resident and migratory, are declared to be the property of the State.

It is unlawful to sell or have in possession for sale, the skin or body or plumage of any of the birds protected by the laws of this State.

The following birds are defined as game birds: geese, brant, ducks, rail (mud hens), coots (poule d'eau), gallinules, snipe, woodcock, sandpipers (chorooks and papakoots), tatters, curlews, plovers, wild turkey, imported pheasant, grouse, prairie chickens, quail, doves.

It is unlawful to kill, snare, trap or in any way take, capture, annoy, or destroy the following named birds during the closed season as hereinafter provided: The closed season for doves is from March 1st to September 1st; geese, brant, ducks, rails (mud hens), coots (poule d'eau), gallinules, tatters, curlews and plovers March 1st to October 1st; wild turkey geese April 15th to November 1st; woodcock, March 1st to November 1st; quail, wood duck, March 1st to November 1st; sandpipers (chorooks and papakoots) May 15th to September 1st; blue winged teal ducks April 15th to October 1st.

The killing of wild turkey geese is prohibited at any season of the year. The killing of summer ducks is prohibited at any season of the year until the open season following July 30, 1910. The killing or having in possession of woodcocks and prairie chickens is prohibited until December 1, 1910, after which date the closed season for the same will be from February 1st to December 1st. It is made unlawful to kill or destroy more than twenty-five of the birds above mentioned within any one day of the open season, and the number of the same is prohibited between the hours of sunset and sunrise. It is made unlawful to capture or attempt to capture any of the birds above mentioned at any time, or to destroy or attempt to destroy, or to take the nests or eggs of the same. It is made unlawful to kill any of the above named birds by any means other than with an ordinary gun capable of being held to and shot from the shoulder.

It is unlawful to sell or offer for sale, or to have in possession, for the purpose of sale any of the above named birds between the first day of March and the first day of the next open season therefor, as well as during the regular closed season provided herein.

It is made unlawful for any common carrier to transport any of the above named birds out of the confines of this State. Non-resident hunters having a license are allowed twice in each season to carry home with them two wild turkeys, twenty-five ducks, snipe or rail, and 12 birds of other varieties hereinabove named. The package in which the same are transported must be so arranged that its contents will be exposed to view. A non-resident hunter is one who resides out of the State. All packages containing dead game or parts thereof, when shipped within the State, must be plainly marked with the name of consignor and consignee, and the itemized statement of the number and variety of its contents, and must be so constructed as to admit of easy examination of its contents.

In order to post premises, it is required that a written warning against hunting on the same shall be posted in a conspicuous place, and that public notice of the same shall be given by publication in three consecutive issues of the newspaper published nearest to said property.

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SOUTH BOUND.		STATION.		NORTH BOUND.	
LOCAL.	PASSENGER.			PASSENGER.	LOCAL.
7:00 A. M.	8:00 A. M.	MOOREHEAD	2:25 P. M.	8:00 P. M.	
7:05	8:05	MOOREHEAD JCT.	2:30	8:05	
7:10	8:10	TRIPLE JCT.	2:35	8:10	
7:15	8:15	HALL	2:40	8:15	
7:20	8:20	JALCY	2:45	8:20	
7:25	8:25	LYNCH VILLAGE	2:50	8:25	
7:30	8:30	SENNETT	2:55	8:30	
7:35	8:35	WICOT	3:00	8:35	
7:40	8:40	EUDORA	3:05	8:40	
7:45	8:45	READLAND	3:10	8:45	
7:50	8:50	ARKLA, ARK.	3:15	8:50	
7:55	8:55	MILLIKIN, LA.	3:20	8:55	
8:00	9:00	SHERBURN	3:25	9:00	
8:05	9:05	LAKE PROVIDENCE	3:30	9:05	
8:10	9:10	LAKE PROVIDENCE	3:35	9:10	
8:15	9:15	ALSTON	3:40	9:15	
8:20	9:20	ENOKA	3:45	9:20	
8:25	9:25	MANNFORD	3:50	9:25	
8:30	9:30	TALLULAH	3:55	9:30	
8:35	9:35	LACADE	4:00	9:35	
8:40	9:40	ALLIANTON HAY YOU	4:05	9:40	
8:45	9:45	QUIMBY	4:10	9:45	
8:50	9:50	SOMERSET	4:15	9:50	
8:55	9:55	NEWELLTON	4:20	9:55	
9:00	10:00	LAKE BRUN	4:25	10:00	
9:05	10:05	ST. JOSEPH	4:30	10:05	
9:10	10:10	LOCUST RIDGE	4:35	10:10	
9:15	10:15	GOLDMAN	4:40	10:15	
9:20	10:20	WATERPROOF	4:45	10:20	
9:25	10:25	AZUCENA	4:50	10:25	
9:30	10:30	CLAYTON JCT.	4:55	10:30	
9:35	10:35	FERRIDAY	5:00	10:35	

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The license for non-resident hunters and unlicensed foreign born residents is \$25.00 and is good only in the Parish where it is issued. The fine for a non-resident hunter or unlicensed foreign born resident hunting without a license is not less than \$50.00 or more than \$100.00 or imprisonment in the Parish jail for not less than ten days or more than thirty days, or both.

The license for resident hunters is \$1.00 and is good throughout the State. A resident may hunt on the lands which he owns without a license. A resident hunting without a license on lands other than those owned by him is liable to a fine of not less than \$5.00 or more than \$10.00 or imprisonment in the Parish jail not less than three or more than five days, or both.

Game and fish wardens are appointed by the Board of Game and Fish Commissioners, and are authorized not only to arrest the violators thereof without the necessity of first procuring a warrant. They are also authorized to make necessary search and examination of cold storage, warehouses, boats, stores, cars, conveyances, vehicles, game bags, game coats, fish baskets, and other receptacles for game whenever they have cause to believe that any of the above laws have been violated, and they are authorized to seize and take possession of any game or fish, or parts thereof which have been killed or taken contrary to the provisions of this law.

It is unlawful to kill, catch, trap or pursue any wild bird, whether migratory or resident, or to have the same in possession whether living or dead, or to expose the same for sale, other than such birds as are declared by the law of this State to be game birds, and such other birds as are hereinbelow especially excepted. It is also unlawful to take or destroy or attempt to take or destroy the nest or eggs of the same, or to have them in possession except as permitted by law. The penalty for taking a trap or cage or for other device for the purpose of catching wild birds is a fine of not less than \$5.00 or more than \$10.00 or imprisonment in the Parish jail not less than five nor more than ten days. Game Wardens are authorized to liberate any birds found in possession contrary to this act.

A household may keep one resident and one migratory bird in cages as a pet, provided the same is not kept for sale or shipped out of the State. Ornithologists holding the requisite certificate are excepted from the provisions of this act. The English sparrow, Cooper's Hawk, Duck Hawk, Sharp Shinned Hawk and Great Horned Owl are especially excepted from the above protection.

Crows, crow black-birds or red-winged black-birds, when destructive to crops, may be killed on the premises of the person whose crops are injured.

King Fishers, on account of their injury to livestock, are also excepted from the above protection.

The penalty for the violation of the above is a fine of not less than \$5.00 or more than \$10.00 or imprisonment for not less than five or more than ten days, or both at the discretion of the Court for each bird or nest or set of eggs taken, had or destroyed contrary to the above provisions.

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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY given that by virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias to me directed by the above named Honorable Court in the above styled suit I have caused the following property, situated in this parish, to be sold:

Saturday the 26th of DECEMBER, A. D. 1908.

offer for sale at the Court House door in the Parish of St. Joseph, in this parish, within the hours prescribed by law, that is between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M., to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property, situated in this parish, to-wit:

One cow and calf, one carriage or buggy, 3 wagons, 1 hay carrier and fixture, 3 disk cultivators, 1 mowing machine, 1 day loader, 1 platform scales, 1 cotton bale scale complete, one 70 saw Eagle brand, 1 Lull cotton planter, 3 Banner cotton planters, 7 steel beam plows, 22 wood beam plows, 2 Acme harrows, nineteen 5-tooth cultivators, 1 bellows, 1 anvil, 1 safe; stock of merchandise in the store on Monticello plantation, including show cases, statures, etc., as per inventory on file in my office.

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