

PLEASANT MAJORITY 35,000

Carries Every District of Louisiana Except The Third.

New Orleans, April 19.—Parker carried three New Orleans wards—the Twelfth by 258, the Fourteenth by 251 and the Sixteenth by 17 votes.

Final figures in New Orleans show Pleasant carried the city of New Orleans by 12,775. The vote was for seventeen wards: Pleasant 27,938, Parker 14,263.

New Orleans, La., April 18.—Ruffin G. Pleasant, democrat, has defeated John M. Parker, progressive, for governor of Louisiana, by from 25,000 to 30,000 majority, estimated on the returns received up to midnight.

Pleasant has carried the city of New Orleans by about 12,000. The effort of the progressives, through John M. Parker, to break the solid south by electing Parker Governor of Louisiana, has failed. Friends of Parker are sadly disappointed at his vote.

The vote that rolled down from Red river and was met by the Orleans wave of upwards of 12,000 hopelessly swamped the progressive candidate.

It was a crushing defeat. The Hon. chief afternoon supporter of the Parker campaign, practically admitted Pleasant's election by 25,000 in an extra at midnight.

Pleasant has carried every congressional district except the

third, comprising the sugar parishes, where the Bull Moose have a foot hold. In these parishes, however, the progressive vote was cut down and reduced to a minimum and Parker didn't come out of these parishes with anything like the lead he had expected. His management had predicted 12,000 majority for him in the third. He may get out with 3000 or 4000.

In the fourth, fifth and eighth congressional districts, the democrats have swept like a cyclone. In many north Louisiana polls, Parker did not get a vote. In other his support at the polls was negligible.

The sixth district, claimed by Peterman and Parker by a large majority, is safely for Pleasant. Washington, Tanpahoia and East Baton Rouge parishes have gone heavily for the democratic candidate, which indicates that the district is democratic. In the seventh, many of the parishes which Parker had claimed, are for Pleasant and Calcasieu which at first reported a 200 to 300 majority for Pleasant, has probably gone for him by 600.

In the city of New Orleans, Parker has carried the twelfth ward by 258, Judge Hall carried this same ward four years ago by 23 votes.

Twelve Orleans wards at 10:30 gave Pleasant a total of 22,188, against 10,147 for Parker, showing a Pleasant majority of 12,041.

UTILIZATION OF CUT-OVER CYPRESS LANDS.

By H. B. Hewes, in Southern Lumberman.

As a rule the cypress manufacturers today are working on the principle that reforestation of their cypress swamp lands is not practical, from either an economic business point of view, and are cutting their lands absolutely clean of timber, leaving nothing that can possibly be converted into a marketable product.

The reason that cypress is of exceedingly slow growth, that few trees under 200 years old are of sufficient size for saw logs, and that the average mature cypress tree has been standing at least 500 years, and oftentimes much longer, and that even under an exemption of taxation it could not be made profitable to practice forestry in cypress. The expense of building railroads through a cypress swamp for the purpose of reaching the timber is so great and present day methods of steam logging so intricate, that only thickly wooded areas can be economically logged, and the idea of selecting only large and mature trees to cut and allow the small trees to grow would be impracticable for that reason, if for no other.

These reasons are generally accepted by practical cypress lumbermen as being sound and logical, and in acting upon them they undoubtedly do so as their best judgment and interest dictates. While the above is the rule, there are instances where possibly forestry, as generally understood, is practical, and where to some limited extent has in the past been practiced. I refer particularly to certain swamps in the lower Mississippi Valley that have been and are still subject to periodical overflows, and where the cypress has been logged out instead of having been logged with steam skidders or pull boats, thus permitting the large timber to be selected, and the small timber allowed to remain and grow.

The writer knows of certain tracts in the Atchafalaya Basin where the timber has been logged in this manner for over forty years, and where only the largest of the cypress has been taken out at each of the float periods, and today the small timber 14 in. and less in diameter, breast high, is still standing. It was also noted that the small timber left standing in some of these thinned swamps was growing much more rapidly than similar size timber in virgin swamps, which was attributed to the fact that the trees received more light and sunshine, and possibly more root space. This fact, I think, was touched upon by Mr. F. T. McLean, of the Forest Service, in a report he issued on cypress in 1908, and is again referred to in a more recent report by Forest Examiner Wilbur R. Mattoon, who has been cooperating with the Southern Cypress Manufacturers' Association committee on utilization of cypress cut-over lands, and who is still conducting experiments along that line.

The cypress manufacturers and owners know that in nearly every instance the land on which their cypress grows is wonderfully rich and fertile, and that if drained and cleared of stumps would be valuable for agricultural purposes, and they are retaining possession of their denuded lands with the hope that some day the rural sections of the South that some day will become so thickly populated and agricultural lands so valuable as to justify the expense incidental to reclaiming, clearing and colonizing their swamps.

In this connection there lies in what is known as the Atchafalaya and Grand Lake Basin in Louisiana over one million acres of cypress swamp lands, owned largely by members of the Southern Cypress Manufacturers' Association, of which over 80 per cent is now denuded of its timber and thus permitted in a few years will be entirely denuded, and which as a whole would make one of the

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moist prodigious and comprehensive reclamation projects that could well be conceived, or is possible in this country, and if ever accomplished would add more wealth to the state of Louisiana than she has received through her wonderful sulphur and salt deposits and oil wells combined. The value of this area once reclaimed and colonized would double or triple that if standing in virgin cypress forests, and we view this with a full appreciation of the "Wood Eternal."

The building of levees on the Mississippi and Atchafalaya rivers partially reclaims the lands to which I refer, and are, of course, absolutely essential and requisite to their drainage. The United States Government is now expending millions of dollars annually in the construction of these levees, and the question naturally arises why should not the Government acquire the lands, which can be purchased at a mere nominal figure, and complete the work of reclamation by constructing the necessary internal canals and levees, and erecting large pumping plants for the removal of the water, and then open the lands to settlers at the actual cost of the work? The fact that the United States Government was behind the project, and the knowledge that it would be done right, would lend confidence and stability to the plan that could be had in no other way, and settlers would have no hesitancy in purchasing and occupying the lands as fast as they were opened. The magnitude of the work involved in reclaiming the basin in question is so stupendous, and is of such a public character, is another reason why it should be accomplished by the Government rather than by private enterprise.

Precedence can be found for this in the Reclamation Act, approved by Congress June 17, 1902, and amended August 13, 1914, under which arid lands in the Western states are being irrigated. The principles involved are also included in what is known as the Newlands-Prossard River Reclamation and Flood Prevention Bill, now pending in Congress.

Some people will contend that there is no market for reclaimed lands at this time, no matter how productive they might be, and that the price obtainable would not be sufficient to cover the cost of reclamation. This may be true just at this time, but it must be remembered that there has been no market for lands of any kind for several years until very recently. Conditions, however, are changing and changing rapidly, and the indications are this country is now entering upon one of the most prosperous periods in its history, largely attributable possibly to conditions brought about by the European war. Another thing to be remembered: that in all probability after the war is over there will be an influx of immigration to this country unprecedented in its history, by inhabitants of Europe, fleeing from taxation and militarism. These immigrants will be largely agriculturists, many of whom are familiar with the merits of reclaimed lands, and they will locate where the best lands can be found, and there is little doubt but what the demand thus created will establish a price far beyond the cost of reclamation. In our opinion it is a matter worthy of most serious consideration.

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HOUSE INSISTS ON DUTY FOR SUGAR.

Washington, April 19.—By emphatic vote of 306 to 27, the House sent word back to the Senate today that it will not recede from its position with respect to the repeal of "free sugar."

The action indicates a prolonged deadlock in conference but the best chances are thought to be for repeal instead of suspension as the Senate is seeking. Senator Hardwick, of Georgia, organizing for a fight for the Senate bill.

"We have the underhold on the House because if they don't accept our proposition their only alternative is free sugar on May under present law," he declared today.

Senator Ransdell, who has been working both day and night to obtain the absolute repeal, is still confident that sentiment will prevail.

By today's action of the House the bill goes back to conference. The Senate, probably late today, will be asked to recede.

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