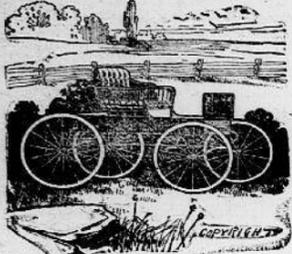


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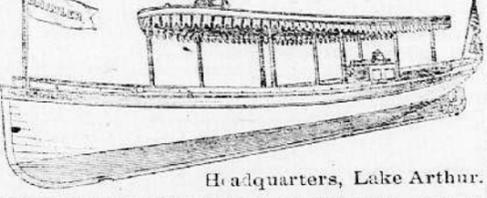
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Edgings, Insertings and Head-
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| We also have the real flie thread
undergarments, worth \$1.50
for | 1.12 | We also have the Elastic Seam Draw-
ers, in Nainsook and Pepper-
ell, for 49c and | 58c |
| You can find here also the imported
silklyse undergarment worth
\$2.00, at | 1.48 | All silk Sox Supporters worth
25c, for | 10c |
| International Linen Collars,
worth 15c, for | 12c | Suspenders in all grades and
prices, from | 9c |
| Union Made Overalls, in white
painters', paper hangers and stri-
ped, also plain blue, worth 75c
as he should have the heavier Overalls,
the run of the mill, worth \$1, for | 83c | Handkerchiefs in plain white and
colored borders, from | 4c |
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any 75c article, for | 48c | Boys' Blue Serge Suits, worth
\$3.50, for | 2.23 |
| Extra heavy Madras Shirts, excep-
tionally well made, the \$1.25
kind, for | 88c | Nice assortment Boys' Shirt Waists,
with or without collars,
for 24c and | 48c |
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the kind you were glad to
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"GO SOUTH YOUNG MAN."

S. L. Cary's Reply to an Article in
 the Decatur, Ill., Herald.

Noticing in your paper several
 sales of lands in your vicinity at
 \$100 to \$150 per acre, and that
 some of these parties were in-
 vesting in farm lands in South-
 west Louisiana at \$20 to \$50 per
 acre, the question came to my
 mind naturally, and to yours and
 also to your many readers, are
 these men acting wisely in so
 doing?

Possibly I may answer that
 ques on more intelligently for
 having lived ten years near Free-
 port, Ill., over thirty years in
 Iowa, and almost nineteen years
 in Southwest Louisiana, at Jen-
 nings, at all times an owner of
 and a dealer in real estate.

There is no doubt about the
 lands of the great state of Illinois
 being worth \$100 to \$150 per acre,
 as we are now on a 3 per cent
 basis, and lands being the best
 security on earth, must be worth
 all they pay 3 per cent upon.

How then about the Southwest
 Louisiana lands selling at \$20 to
 \$50? As the selling price of any
 article is generally the best opin-
 ion of the best men in the market
 are the Louisiana lands, any ex-
 ception to the rule, and if so, why?

Eighteen years ago these same
 lands were held at 12 1/2 cents to
 \$1 25 per acre. Why? In part
 because the pirates Lafitte and
 Kidd took possession of the coast
 about one hundred years ago,
 found it admirably adapted to
 their purposes, and reported to
 the world a "dismal swamp."

The Acadian settler perfectly
 happy in having escaped from
 Nova Scotia and his English op-
 pressors, was contented to be
 "fitting in the paradise of Amer-
 ica, and as he styled it "The
 Eden of Louisiana."

The blot, the drop of ink, the
 stigma of a malarious swamp,
 was written all over our early
 memories by geography and his-
 tory both.

Eighteen years ago a few peo-
 ple from Iowa came and settled
 at and near Jennings. Attracted
 by the healthfulness of the cli-
 mate and free homesteads on a
 prairie similar to Illinois.
 Ten years later these lands were
 mostly taken up and were selling
 slowly at \$5 to \$10 per acre.

The early settlers raised long-
 horned scrub cattle and Creole
 ponies.

The new settler tried fruit,
 truck and providence rice, but
 later tried improved farm ma-
 chinery (necessitating canals and
 wells for flooding) in the rice in-
 dustry. These lands were found
 to be well adapted to growing
 rice.

Canals, wells and mills com-
 bined to make sure a crop, more
 profitable than any other cereal
 crop. A crop of universal use,
 having the whole world for a mar-
 ket, a crop involving the competi-
 tion as between machine as
 against hand labor, and giving
 these prairie lands the advantage
 of machine labor as against the
 world.

Illinois has grown rich by the
 same class of people growing
 corn.

Why will not the same people
 grow rich growing rice? a crop of
 wider market, more useful and
 more profitable?

I note a few illustrations of
 yields of corn per acre; Richard
 Edwards 70 bushels, 3650 bushels
 at 60c per bushel. Clover seed
 \$12 per acre.

Of course the average yield
 and price would be a better guide
 to value with the average cost.
 A sack of rice is four bushels,
 an average crop ten sacks, equals
 forty bushels. An average price
 for eighteen years, seventy-five
 cents per bushel, or three dollars
 per sack for good rice. The av-
 erage cost of growing is one dol-
 lar per sack. The lowest yield in
 bushels 60, the average forty, the
 highest one hundred thirty-five.
 Corn costs about the same to
 grow per acre, but the average
 price at point of production for
 eighteen years past does not ex-
 ceed 20 to 25 cents per bushel.

The measure of a farmer's pros-
 perity is the length of his grow-
 ing season. This he doubles by
 coming to Southwestern Louisi-
 ana. Again, successful farming
 is reduced to stock raising, even
 in the northwest; and rice for
 feed, and our mild, open winters,
 gives our feeders a great advan-
 tage. Rice is better for and more
 fattening to stock of all kinds
 than corn, and after harvest
 grows from the stubble and
 keeps stock well through the
 winter. If there are any more
 serious objections to this country
 than to Illinois, my eighteen
 years experience has not found
 them. Cultivation improves our
 general conditions. This is em-

phatically a grass country. Our
 meadows and pastures are both
 improved by use. The best nat-
 ural sod I have ever seen has
 been improved wonderfully by
 use and irrigation. Again a much
 greater variety of crops can be
 grown here than anywhere north
 of us. And, a present (laguappe)
 oil, gushes from the eternal re-
 servoir beneath our feet in un-
 measurable, unlimited quanti-
 ties. Better fuel than coal, no
 mining, no digging, easy to han-
 dle, just round it up and head it
 in with water transportation to
 the whole earth.

I agree with Caracisti, the Rus-
 sian expert, now surveying this
 coast country for salt, sulphur
 and petroleum, that these lands
 will soon bring fabulous prices
 for mineral alone.

Another important fact is that
 a homeseeker going west on
 same parallel becomes a competi-
 tor of his old home by growing
 similar crops. But going south
 becomes a customer, growing
 principally different crops; sugar
 rice and cotton to exchange for
 flour, feed and meats.

Even were he to grow the same
 crops, the climate prevents his
 growing them at the same sea-
 son. The northern farmer, stock
 grower, editor or business man
 should change Greeley's advice
 to "Go South Young Man."

If in need of a safe see the
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 Co., agents for Victor safe. 61t

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Round trip summer excursions
 from Lake Charles to Mena, Sil-
 loam Springs and Sulphur
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 rate, sale June 15 to September
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 for eight weeks had suffered with the
 most terrible pains in her back and
 could get no relief. He says: "After
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 my wife said to me, 'I feel as though
 born anew,' and before using the en-
 tire contents of the bottle the unbear-
 able pains had entirely vanished and
 she could again take up her household
 duties." He is very thankful and
 hopes that all suffering likewise will
 hear of her wonderful recovery. This
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