

The Bolivar Bulletin.

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CHRISTMAS, the happiest season of the year, is upon us and those who have been blest with prosperity should remember the poor.

JUDGE E. S. HAMMOND, of Memphis, died of pneumonia in New York, December 17th. Deceased was a native of Mississippi, an ex-Confederate soldier, a learned lawyer and a just and impartial judge.

As usual the BULLETIN will not be printed Christmas week. Our next issue will be January 6, 1905. The business and subscription of the paper have increased during the year and we thank our friends cordially for their patronage and sincerely hope that each and every one will have a merry Christmas and prosperity during the coming year.

REPRESENTATIVE H. E. Carter informs us that at the coming session of the legislature he will, in response to what he properly considers a popular demand, introduce a bill to redistrict Hardeman County. He has not fully formulated the measure, but his idea is to reduce the number of districts from twenty to eight, grouping them together as conveniently as possible, allowing the voting precincts to remain as they are at present. Under the provisions of the proposed bill, we will have only sixteen Justices of the Peace, instead of forty-eight, hence the saving to the tax payers will be considerable.

Don't Tell What You Know.

I have noticed in your paper several divisions in as to the best method to increase the price of cotton; among the number that of burning 1,000,000 bales, each farmer of the South bearing his pro rata share of the burning, and I am astonished at the number who favor this ridiculous scheme. If such an agreement was entered into, it would take 500,000 special detectives to see that the agreement was carried out, and 500,000 additional detectives to see that the first 500,000 did not appropriate the said 1,000,000 bales instead of seeing it destroyed.

Now, if you will pardon me, I will suggest a remedy and let it go at what it is worth. To begin with, the farmer is the only dealer in any kind of goods which the buyer puts the price on. He brings all kinds of products to market and the buyer says what it is worth, and he has nothing to do except to accept the price offered or take his goods home. No one ever heard of a farmer taking anything back home, regardless of what he was offered. He accepts the merchant's price, goes home and swears he will not do likewise again, but straightway does the same thing again. Such is the farmer.

Now, the same thing applies to cotton, and instead of burning 1,000,000 bales, which were raised at a cost of from 4 cents to 6 cents per pound, and which would necessarily cause a loss to every farmer participating in the destruction, I would suggest that the present crop be sold at the price it will bring, but let the farmers throughout the cotton belt adopt a plan for next season, which is this:

When the special agent for the district or county comes around and asks how many acres you are going to put in cotton and whether you will increase or decrease the previous year's crop, do not give him the information he desires, decline to answer his questions, do not tell him a lie but refuse to answer any of his questions, and when he goes to the gin with a blank to fill out as to the number of bales of cotton ginned up to a certain time, refuse to fill out the blank and do not allow any employe to give him the information he seeks. Let each gin adopt the plan of branding bales instead of numbering them, thus preventing the agent getting his information by looking at the number of the last bale ginned.

This will put the government at the guessing business, and when it is generally known that they are guessing at the crop it will not affect the market like the so called 12,164,000-bale guess has demoralized the cotton crop this season.

This "so-called" government estimate of the crop, based on Nov. 15th, is nothing more than a guess pure and simple, as at that date the crop could not be estimated by any living person, and the government estimate has caused a serious loss to many farmers who could ill afford it. Get up a "Know Nothing" Farmers' Association, and obligate every member to keep his information to himself, and let it be known that such an association exists, and you will see that the next government report as to the size of the cotton crop will not have the wide spread effect it has had this year, even though it be large or small.—L. W. Henry, of Grenada, Miss., in Commercial Appeal.

AT CHRISTMAS TIME.

By IRENE MAY FELT.

Within the old cathedral dim The wild choir chant a hymn, That old, old story o'er again, Of peace on earth, good will toward men.

Far out upon the briny deep The mariner his watch doth keep For his bright, guiding Bethlehem star, The beacon light that shines afar, And, as he sees its kindly rays, He thinks of home and other days, Of loved ones in a distant clime At Christmas time.

Again at the old homestead's door Dear friends and kindred meet once more, To sit around the hearthstone's glow, And hark to bells across the snow, They talk of youth and hope and love, And gently speak of those above, The mingling scene with faith sublime, At Christmas time.

A COTTON PICKING MACHINE THAT REALLY PICKS COTTON.

Demonstration of the Lowry Auto-Picker at the Foster Plantation Proved the Claims for it. Large Crowd Went Out From the City and Saw a Machine With Almost Human Intelligence. Planters and Merchants Adopt Resolutions Endorsing Claims of the Inventor and Commending the Device.

(From the Shreveport Times.) How much cotton would a cotton picker pick if a cotton picker would pick cotton? Mr. G. A. Lowry, inventor of the Lowry auto-cotton picker, claims that his machine, operated by five boys, will pick twenty-five times more cotton than the average negro hand picker of the South, and the demonstration of the machine given in the presence of many prominent cotton men of Shreveport and planters from the surrounding country on the Foster plantation, five miles from this city, yesterday afternoon, proved success and interest was not the least doubt among the spectators that they had at last seen a cotton picking machine that would really pick cotton.

Mr. Lowry and Col. Jerome Hill, the well known cotton man of Memphis, who has been in business in that city for thirty years or more, have been in the city since the opening of the national cotton convention, and intended to give an exhibition of the cotton picker last Wednesday, but on account of the non-arrival of the machine the exhibition was postponed until yesterday afternoon. The trip to the Foster plantation was made on a special train over the Vicksburg, Shreveport & Pacific railroad, provided by the men interested in the patent. An invitation was extended to all parties interested in cotton picking by machine, and a large number of Shreveport's most prominent cotton men responded. The party was accompanied by a representative of the Times.

The special train of three coaches, in charge of W. H. Quigg, division freight agent, and H. B. Hearne, commercial agent of the Vicksburg, Shreveport & Pacific road, left the Union Station at 8 o'clock, carrying planters and representative business men of the city. The Foster place was reached in fifteen minutes, and the cotton picker was in the field ready for business.

Col. Hill, in a few appropriate remarks, welcomed the party, stating that the cotton picking machine had only been exhibited a few times before this and had proven a success; that the machine talked for itself, and he felt satisfied that after those present had witnessed its operation they would agree that the cotton picking problem had been solved; also the labor question, which is yearly growing more perplexing throughout the South.

The machine was started, moving off like a chariot and picking one whole and two half-bolls of cotton clean within a very short space of time. The immediate machine action, almost like "it was business," carried the crowd into a real such a wonderful interest since the Merger machine type setting machine first made its appearance. All of the witnesses were of the opinion that Mr. Lowry had the correct theory, that the machine he has now, which is to some extent in a crude state, would when perfected, do everything its inventor claimed for it.

The machine yesterday did what it was advertised to do, and that was to really pick cotton. In picking with the Lowry picker human brains direct the machinery to the open bolls, the machine with raws the cotton from the boll, carries it to the bag and carries the bag. The operator is seated, and his only duty is to see that the machine, or that part of it which is known as the "arm," is brought into contact with the open bolls. The machine does all of the other things and does them well. Four negro boys, two of whom never before saw the machine, operated the "arm" steadily, and each picked at the rate of 25 bolls per minute. It is estimated that the machine will pick at least 3,000 pounds of cotton in one day. This estimate is made on the accepted ratio that it will pick about 200 bolls of cotton out of 70 to 100 bolls to weigh a pound, assuming the machine has the motive power for propelling the machine, and the cost of a day's consumption is a very small item.

The cotton bolls used in the demonstration were as full as they could possibly be, and the picker was dry and brittle, but notwithstanding this the cotton was picked almost without any trash. A most attractive feature of the Lowry cotton picker is its simplicity, which will make it a hard matter for it to be out-gone, and a man who has ever operated a common gin can operate the picker.

After the exhibition, which lasted about one hour, Col. Hill asked those who witnessed it for their opinion. An informal meeting was held immediately, and the following resolution, offered by W. L. Foster and seconded by W. E. Taylor, was unanimously adopted and signed by all present:

"Resolved, That, having witnessed on the Foster plantation, near Shreveport, La., the Lowry cotton picker at work, we are pleased to certify it as a success and an invention that solves the most serious problem that confronts the cotton grower today, and we thank and congratulate Mr. G. A. Lowry for having conceived and put into operation a machine that enable one man to pick five times as much cotton as he could with his unaided hands. We commend it to the cotton producers of the South.

W. E. Taylor, W. L. Foster, W. E. Glassell, E. L. Keene, Andrew Quarles, E. J. Moore, C. H. Mingo, E. N. Evans, E. Y. Moore, W. W. Page, J. B. Whitworth, James Fullilove, W. F. Hall, C. B. Winship, W. F. Dillon, T. C. Barrett, L. M. McDuffie, W. Strauss, B. B. Shofield, John Vance, J. W. Soudy, R. M. Wallfort, J. H. Prescott, A. M. Ward, Jr., George Dabney, W. M. Forrest, C. E. Moore, L. W. Mize, T. G. Roquemore, C. W. Hardy, T. J. Leaton, A. R. Holcomb, R. L. Oiles, W. Bath, Adolph Cohn, J. W. Sorber, L. S. Cain, T. F. Hay, W. P. Goss, R. C. Harwell, E. S. Hardy, E. G. Hines, F. M. Williams, J. A. Thigpen, S. J. Harmon, J. C. Pugh, W. E. Steere, J. J. Green, W. S. Penick, E. K. Holman, H. Youree, O. H. Sample, F. H. Leonard, W. B. Crouch, S. B. McCutcheon, E. A. Frost, E. L. Dorr, A. M. West, Charles Randall, S. B. Hicks, John Sewell, C. E. Frazier, J. C. Sutherland, Charles Lipscomb, A. A. Goodwin.

After the adoption of the resolution calls were made for the inventor, who came forward after some persuasion and was introduced by Col. Hill. Mr. Lowry stated that he highly appreciated the compliment paid him and wanted to assure those present that the machine would be manufactured in the South, so that the South might get all the benefit possible from the invention. This sentiment was well received.

Mr. Lowry and Col. Hill will leave today for Memphis, where another demonstration will be made. William Forrest, a son of the great Confederate cavalry leader in expressing his opinion of the test said:

"I am pleased to be here and witness this great and successful test of the cotton picker." W. C. Moore, of Charms, S. C., who is one of the most successful cotton planters in the South, and who attended the recent cotton convention and re-

mained over three days to witness the operations of the picker, said that he was delighted at having witnessed and was amazed at the great success of the test.

Galloway-Kearney Marriage.

Wedding bells pealed forth gladsomely Wednesday evening, the occasion being the marriage of Mr. Walter Galloway, of Saulsbury, to Miss Georgia Kearney, of Bolivar, at the Baptist Church. The Yuletide idea in the holly and mistletoe decorations, as designed by Miss Mary Ingram, was most artistically worked out by the many willing ones who assisted. The stars in the background, together with the silvery moon beams shining through the eastern windows, seemed to presage a long life of joy and happiness for the handsome young couple, as well as suggesting the "Christmas Star" marriage.

Mrs. John Campbell presided with her usual dignity at the organ and ushered the bridal party in to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march. During the ceremony "Always" was softly played.

The ushers, Messrs. Robert Cox, and Woodard Aldridge, of Saulsbury, Knox Tate and Preston Mitchell, removed the ribbons which admitted the bride and her maid of honor, Miss Annie Kearney, the groom and best man, Mr. Clarence Galloway, to the altar, where they were met by Rev. T. E. P. Woods, who said the ceremony in an impressive manner. The bridesmaids, Messrs. Virgie Kinzie and Iva Bredren, with Messrs. Will Kearney and Oscar Black, occupied positions on either side of the bride and groom.

The bride wore white henrietta on train with veil, carrying roses. The bride's maids were also gowned in chinging white and carried white chrysanthemums. The groomsmen and ushers were band some in the customary black with white gloves. Mr. and Mrs. Galloway left on the evening train for Saulsbury, their future home.

Many handsome presents from loving friends and relatives attest the popularity of the young couple. Miss Georgia is a daughter of Wm. R. Kearney, one of Hardeman's most valued citizens, who is loved for her gracious manner and sweet disposition. Mr. Galloway is likewise a worthy representative of a splendid family and a young man of sterling worth. The BULLETIN adds its congratulations to those of their numerous friends.

Beautiful Florida

EGMONT, FLA., Dec 14, 1904.

EDITOR BULLETIN—Please find enclosed \$1.00 for which renew my subscription to the BULLETIN and Commercial Appeal.

I have just returned from a trip up the Manatee river and while at Manatee and Palmetto, I saw some of the finest orange groves in the State. The fruit crop is better this year than has been since the freeze. Tampa with its beautiful Hotel I will far ahead of any in the South. Tourists seem to be taking advantage of this beautiful winter resort as I notice a greater number over last year at this time.

Florida is hard to beat in its beautiful scenery, fine fisheries, fruits and cigars. I have spent thirty-four months in this State without one day's sickness.

I expect to be up here in January. Write me a merry Christmas. Yours respectfully, WALTER RUFFIN.

Baptists Believe in Water.

Representative Dayton of West Virginia says that a colored preacher in his state preaches the doctrine that no person can be saved unless he or she is baptized. Recently he son of Ham illustrated one of his sermons by telling this:

Once I was out hunting on the mountains and I saw a great big buck come bookery book down the mountain side. Dat buck was followed by the dogs, bow-wow-wow just as hard as they could clip it. De buck jumped into South Branch, swummed across, an' de dogs come to de river an' barked and barked, but dey done loss de trail, fer de buck dey done loss de scent off his feet by jumpin' in de river. Den de dogs turn dere tails an' go back up de mountain side.

"Jis so it am, brederen, wid us whites and blacks, dimmerkrats and 'Publicans, ef we get in de water and wash our sinners way de devil loses scent of us an' we gets some ter glory and chooses our own musical harps to sing psalms."

A Certain Cure for Croup.

When a child shows symptoms of croup there is no time to experiment with new remedies, no matter how highly they may be recommended. There is one preparation that can always be depended upon. It has been in use for many years and has never been known to fail, viz: Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Mr. M. F. Compton, of Market, Texas, says of it: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in severe cases of croup with my children, and can truthfully say it always gives prompt relief." For sale by Cox & Co., Bolivar; J. W. Nuckolls, Toone; Bailey & Aldridge, Saulsbury.

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Coughing Spell Caused Death. Harry Duckwell, aged 25 years, choked to death early yesterday morning at his home, in the presence of his wife and child. He contracted a slight cold a few days ago and paid but little attention to it. Yesterday morning he was seized with a fit of coughing which continued for some time. His wife sent for a physician but before he could arrive, another coughing spell came on and Duckwell died from suffocation.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat, Dec. 1, 1901. Ballard's Horse-bound Syrup would have saved him. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at Cox & Co's.

Fight Will Be Bitter. Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall, of Beall, Miss., has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once and four bottles entirely cured her. Guaranteed by Cox & Co., Druggists. Price 50c, and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

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The Key that Unlocks the Door to Long Living.

The men of eighty-five and ninety years of age are not the rotund well fed, but thin, spare men who live on a slender diet. Be as careful as will, however, a man past middle age, will occasionally eat too much or of some article of food not suited to his constitution, and will need a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets to cleanse and invigorate his stomach and regulate his liver and bowels. When this is done there is no reason why the average man should not live to old age. For sale by Cox & Co., Bolivar; Bailey & Aldridge, Saulsbury; J. W. Nuckolls, Toone.

Grip Quickly Knocked Out.

"Some weeks ago during the severe winter weather both my wife and myself contracted severe colds which speedily developed into the worst kind of a grippe with all its miserable symptoms," says Mr. J. S. Egleston, of Maple Landing, Iowa. "Knees and joints aching, muscles sore, head stopped up, eyes and nose running, with alternate spells of chills and fever. We began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, adding the same with a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and by its liberal use soon completely knocked out the grip." These Tablets promote a healthy action of the bowels, liver and kidneys which is always beneficial when the system is congested by a cold or attack of the grip. For sale by Cox & Co., Bolivar; J. W. Nuckolls, Toone; Bailey & Aldridge, Saulsbury.

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