## WAIVED EXAMINATION.

**Ed Purvis, the Mulatto Tramp, Charged With the Murder of Flagman Blackwell, up for Examination at Dunn Yesterday. Sent Back to Jail at Fayetteville.**

Ed Purvis, the mulatto tramp, arrested on suspicion of having murdered Flagman Blackwell last Sunday morning at Mingo water tank, on the "Short Cut," in Harnett county, was carried before a magistrate for examination yesterday morning at Dunn, the county seat of Harnett. He waived examination and was committed to jail without bond. He was carried back to Fayetteville and will be confined in jail until the Harnett county superior court convenes on the first Monday in September.

The Fayetteville Observer of Wednesday says:

"Sheriff Pope, of Harnett, will arrive this afternoon and tonight he will carry Ed. Purvis, the suspected murderer of Flagman Blackwell, and Nero, the principal state's witness, to Dunn, where the preliminary trial will probably be held tomorrow.

"Some very damaging evidence has just developed against Purvis. It is as near as possible as follows:

"Sunday afternoon Mr. J. L. Graddy was on his farm near the Atlantic Coast Line bridge, which crosses the Cape Fear, when two tramps, one a bright mulatto and the other black, approached him and asked him for a watermelon. He told them to go up to his house and tell one of the boys to give them one.

The mulatto then asked Mr. Graddy if he had heard anything of the shooting affair near Dunn Saturday night. He replied that he had, and from a number of questions the fellow asked, he became suspicious of him, especially as the man was ringing wet, evidently having recently swam the river.

Mr. Graddy had just directed the men to his house, when a train was seen coming towards them and then both men fled, taking opposite directions. (This was the train with the posse and blood hounds from Florence which had been searching for the murderer.)

"Mr. Graddy hastened into town and notified the authorities that he had seen what he suspected was the murderer of Flagman Blackwell. A number of men were immediately sent in search, but the men could not be found. This morning Mr. Graddy went into the jail, to see if the man held there was the same one he had seen. As he approached the big cage in which the cells are, the prisoners were bunched in the corridor, and Mr. Graddy peeping through the steel bars, at once picked out Purvis as the man with whom he had talked Sunday afternoon. He is positive of the identification."

## ROUGH ON THE POOR PEOPLE.

**Their Taxes Raised One Thousand Per Cent—The Rich People's Raised Ten Per Cent—Loge Harris Loses a Job—Ladies Ask for Pardon of a Patricide.**

Raleigh, N. C., August 19.—Auditor Ayer said this afternoon: "It has been said that we are proposing to raise all taxes out of the people of means and corporations; but our board of equalization has increased taxes on poor people 500 per cent. and in some cases 1,000 per cent. Yet the rich people's taxes have been increased only 10 per cent."

The clerk to the board of equalization says it will not change the land assessment this year. The auditor is working on getting at banking stock. Pitt county in its report gives in no bank stock, yet there is a bank at Greenville.

Buncombe is the first county and Johnson the second to send to the auditor abstracts of listed taxables for 1897. They came today.

The penitentiary directors refuse to appoint Loge Harriss attorney. They refuse, in fact, to appoint any attorney at all. They say they have four attorneys on their board and don't need another.

A delegation of ladies called on the governor today to ask him to pardon Avery Butler, who in Sampson county, when only 14 years old, assassinated his father.

### Found Dead in Bed

(Special to The Messenger.)

Goldsboro, N. C., August 19.—Mr. John J. Kornegay, brother of the late W. F. Kornegay, president of the North Carolina railroad, was found dead in bed this morning, caused by heart failure, in the 64th year of his age. The funeral service will be held from St. Paul's Methodist church tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock.

### The Heroes of the Hour.

In the incident at Wrightsville beach on Saturday evening, when Messrs. John D. Sprunt, John Hall, E. J. Wood and Miss Sue Hall came very near being drowned, there was more than one hero. Quite a number of people rushed to the rescue, and even strangers risked their lives.

All agree that the timely arrival of the life boat from the Carolina Yacht Club was the only thing that averted what would have been one of the saddest occurrences that ever happened in our city. To. Mrs. Edwin Northrop is probably due the saving of the imperilled people. It was she who ran all the way up the beach to the club house and notified Mr. J. P. Walton to go quick with the life boat. Mr. Walton is a brave, experienced boatman, with plenty of brawn and nerve, and he launched the boat in a jiffy, and while he steered Messrs. George Davis and Edwin Metts rowed. A person who witnessed the scene says it was a magnificent sight and made a perfect picture.

In addition to those whose heroism we have already mentioned, we learn that of Mr. W. C. French, who travels for Mr. N. K. Fairbanks, of St. Louis, Mo. He was a guest of the Seashore hotel, and when he heard the alarm he went into the surf with his pants on and swam out to the endangered persons and aided and encouraged them till the arrival of the boat. Great praise for the part he took is on the lips of everybody at the beach.

Mr. U. M. Robinson is also one of the heroes of the affair. To him Captain W. H. Gannon doubtless owes his life. Captain Gannon is an expert swimmer and attempted to go to the rescue of the drowning people and got into trouble himself. In all probability he would have drowned had it not been for Mr. Robinson.

Mr. Walton is praised by everybody for the part he took in saving the drowning people. An eye-witness of his fine work in handling the boat says it was a picture worthy to be put upon canvass.

"I crave but One Minute," said the public speaker in a husky voice; and then he took a dose of One Minute Cough Cure, and proceeded with his oratory. One Minute Cough Cure is unequalled for throat and lung trouble. E. H. Bellamy.

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## THE NEXT CAMPAIGN.

**The Republican Managers Making Preparations for the Campaign in those States Which Have Elections This Year.**

Chicago, August 23.—National republican managers are preparing for campaigns in half a dozen states, where local elections are to be held this fall. Henry C. Payne, national executive committeeman from Wisconsin; Charles G. Dawes, of Illinois; Colonel W. A. Rand, of Wisconsin; E. V. Smalley, of the National Sound Money League; George E. Roberts, of Iowa and S. A. Perkinson, private secretary of Senator M. A. Hanna and assistant secretary of the national republican committee, are in the city and two conferences have been held with Secretary M. G. Dowling, secretary of the National Republican League, regarding the policy of the various state campaigns in which the election of a United States senator is at stake.

Two informal conferences have been held, which were participated in by Henry C. Payne, Colonel Rand, Charles G. Dawes, Secretary Perkins, of the College League and Secretary Dowling, at which Mr. Dowling's plans for league work in the various states where state campaigns are on were discussed. The conference at which the plans of the league will be determined will take place as soon as Major Charles Dick, of Ohio, secretary of the republican national committee, arrives. Mr. Dick stands very close to Senator Hanna and will represent the national chairman in the conference. One feature of especial moment in the conference will be the Ohio campaign. The situation in Ohio is a peculiar one, and the desire of those high in the councils of the party is that no mistake shall be made. What part, if any, the Republican League will take in the elections in Virginia, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland and Massachusetts, will also be determined on at the coming meeting. The question as to the propriety of the league renewing the relations with the national committee, which were so effective last year in the national campaign, is also an important one.

Early in July Secretary Dowling and General McAlpin, who was at that time president of the league, perfected an arrangement with Chairman Hanna which practically placed the league in the relative position of an auxiliary of the national committee, but under its immediate direction.

## SOUTHERN JOTTINGS.

If J. Hoge Tyler looks like the newspaper pictures of him, the democrats of Virginia probably nominated him to frighten the other party into the woods.—Minneapolis Times.

Under the recent act of the Texas legislature requiring forfeitures of charters for non-payment of the franchise tax, 68 foreign and 288 domestic corporations have forfeited their charters.

J. M. Moser has been dismissed from the ministry by the Southwest Virginia synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. The charges against Rev. Moser is that of preaching the doctrine of sanctification, or sinless perfection.

Horse swapping in Georgia is to be encouraged and protected by a chartered association. The Georgia horse swapper needs no encouragement to continue his favorite occupation, and no organization can make his bargains more binding.—Atlanta Journal.

Taking it altogether, the Tennessee exposition is proving a far greater success than its promoters ever anticipated. It has drawn to this southern city thousands upon thousands of people from nearly every section of the country. Nor have any gone away disappointed.—Baltimore American.

A negro boy about 19 years old who was found in the room of the daughter f R. O. Stone at Ricoes Bluff, Fla., on Saturday night, and whom the father tied to a post of the porch for safekeeping, was taken at midnight by a party of armed men, notwithstanding Mr. Stone's remonstrances, and thrown over the bluff into Maid Lake.

The populist leaders declare first that one thing is the paramount issue and then another—anything to differentiate their own from the announced democratic doctrine. Our goldbug "democrats" try to switch the democracy off from the Chicago platform by proposing to run the next campaign first on abuse of the fusion legislature (for whose election they are responsible), and then on the rallying cry of a white man's party (which they themselves have put out of power.) The Virginia example is a wholesome one. We will stand fast to the Chicago platform, in all its planks, and we will tell the truth about the legislature (not abusing the silver populists) and advocate the white man's party, too.—Fayetteville Observer.

Wilkesboro Chronicle: S. J. Ginnings, Esq., has a sunflower stalk, as large as a man's leg, twelve feet high and fifty-two flowers on it. This beats the record.

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## F. I. L. I.

**The Ancient Company's 104th Anniversary Excursion to Wrightsville Beach Yesterday—The Lumber Bridge Riflemen Joined Them—Result of the Target Practice—Features of the Day.**

The Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry, as a pleasant means of celebrating its 104th anniversary—August 23, 1897—decided on a beach excursion with its friends from Fayetteville and points intermediate. The old company was accordingly joined at Fayetteville yesterday morning by the Lumber Bridge Light Infantry, accompanied by a number of the friends of that gallant corps, and left at 7:30 a. m. by the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railway for Wilmington and Wrightsville Beach. The train arrived here at 11:50 a m., and on it were about 450 of the military and their friends. Of the military there were the following:

INDEPENDENTS.

E. L. Pemberton, major commanding; B. R. Huske, first captain; T. T. McGilway, second captain; L. Huske, third captain; J. G. Hollingsworth, fourth captain; J. H. Robinson, Jr., first sergeant; J. H. Culbreth, second sergeant; J. B. Tillinghast, third sergeant; D. A. McMillan, fourth sergeant; H. McGeachy, fifth sergeant; Marsden Haigh, first corporal; J. A. Worth, second corporal; C. B. Ledbetter, third corporal; E. Watson, fourth corporal; privates, J. A. Burnes, G. A. Burnes, S. Barden, J. B. Broadfoot, Crawford, A. M. Campbell, W. F. Campbell, John Clark, D. Chason, Jno. Gorham, E. E. Gorham, T. M. Green, W. H. Haigh, D. Hedgepeth, J. C. Huske, R. L. Holland, R. G. Haigh, D. Jones, R. Jones, G. Jessups, D. Kennedy, H. McDonald, W. S. McRae, D. S. Maultsby, T. Maultsby, W. McKeithan, N. M. Raynor, E. L. Remsberg, D. J. Remsberg, W. Sutton, T. Thornton, J. C. Thompson, Jr., J. C. Vann, J. A. Vann, S. Widdifield, J. Weisiger, W. B. Ledbetter and John Ledbetter.

LUMBER BRIDGE ROSTER.

S. J. Cobb, captain; E. Hall, first lieutenant; T. McMillan, second lieutenant; first sergeant, C. M. Currie; second sergeant, J. D. Cobb; third sergeant, N. L. Graham; first corporal, J. A. McFadyen; second corporal, J. B. Mallory; third corporal, J. J. Cashwell; privates, N. P. Conoly, A. R. Currie, W. E. Brown, D. C. Holder, J. L. Humphrey, J. J. Humphrep, J. D. Monroe, J. G. Little, J. E. McMillan, N. D. McMillan, L. A. McMoris, L. McMoris, J. G. McDuffie, H. C. McGoogan, D. A. McDonlad, J. C. Prevatt, J. A. Sinclair, W. E. Smith, Paul Wellington.

Among the Fayetteville people the reporter noticed many prominent in the society of that city: Mrs. A. H. Slocomb, Mrs. J. B. Broadfoot, Mrs. G. G. Myrover, Mrs. Pearce, Mrs. Bidgood, Mrs. Beach, Mrs. Will Sclocomb, Mrs. Hiatt, and many beautiful young ladies He was especially pleased to pay his respects to Mrs. A. M. Campbell, relict of the late Major A. M. Campbell, one of the former commanders of the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry, who recently died in Fayetteville, full of years and honors. The reporter shook by the hand Major W. F. Campbell, a former commander, and now serving in the ranks of the company—the esprit du corps of this time honored military organization making this a beautiful custom of the past officers, very highly honored in the observance.

On the arrival of the excursion train at Wilmington, the steamer Compton transferred the excursionists to the Atlantic Coast Line wharves, where the Wilmington Seacoast railroad train was awaiting them. The rain followed the pleasure seekers into the train that bore them to Wrightsville, but very soon after arrival at the beach the weather cleared for a delightful afternoon.

At 1 o'clock sharp the sharp-set of up-country visitors crowded Campbell's and Mrs. Mayo's for "a square meal" of fresh fish and "soft shells;" and then, while the breakers dashed at the life lines, and toyed with hundreds of bathers, the military essayed their skill at the targets in rear of the line of cottages, with the results given below:

INDEPENDENT'S SCORE.

E. L. Pemberton, 20; J. H. Robinson, Jr., 19; E. Watson, 19; W. McKeithan, 16; S. Widdifield, 18; Jno. Ledbetter, 16; W. F. Campbell, 16.

LUMBER BRIDGE.

J. G. McDuffie, 20; D. A. McDonald, 19; J. E. McMillan, 19; Lieutenant Edgar Hall, 19; L. A. McMoris, 18; D. C. Holder, 18; J. A. McFadyen, 18; J. J. Cashwell, 17; J. D. Cobb, 17; W. E. Brown, 16; W. E. Smith, 16; Captain S. J. Cobb, 18.

Major E. L. Pemberton won the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry medal, class A, which will be worn by him until the next shoot. He also was awarded a handsome revolver. His score was 20.

The second prize, class B, was won by J. H. Ledbetter. It was a fine kodak. His score was 16.

The third prize, in class C, was won by Eugene Watson. It was a fine star shaving set. His score was 19.

The Lumber Bridge company did not shoot in class, but as a whole, and the prize offered was won by Private J. G. McDuffie. It was a handsome tilting silver pitcher. His score was 20.

The Fayetteville soldiers, with their comrades of Lumber Bridge, made a gallant show in their handsome uniforms and their admirable bearing. Now advancing from the threshold of its second century, the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry, ably officered, giving vigor to its ranks and wonderful union and ability to its organization, may look forward to a future as bright and illustrious as its past.

Within sound of its musketry and almost in sight of the uniformed groups which made striking pictures on the beach, rests Robert Adam, the first commander of the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry.

After a day of enjoyment, the two companies and the excursionists came up to the city in the evening and left at 7:30 p. m. for home.

### The Stock, Cotton and Grain Markets

(Special to The Messenger.)

New York, August 23.—The beginning of a new week brought buying orders and the feeling was extrememly bullish. Prices opened at 1 point advance over Saturday and continued upward, showing a gain of over 2 per cent. Higher prices are looked for.

Cotton—Liverpool was higher and the increased demand was general with the feeling bullish. The re-opening of the northern mills and the demand for prints were great features.

Wheat was uneasy and excited. The dollar mark for Saturday brought a reaction, despite higher foreign market. Trading was wild. The visible supply decreased 500,000 more than expected and caused renewed realizing. Armour and others are still talking $1.50 before Christmas.

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(By Associated Press.)

New York, August 23.—The stock market today shook itself free from the heavy restraint which was imposed upon it during all of last week and bounded upward again. Today the large dealers who threw their holdings upon the market last week to realize, bought back stocks in enormous volume and brought the level of the market about up to that of last Monday, when the rise seemed to have culminated. That great money interests in today's buying was shown by the heavy blocks of stocks that changed hands and the extensive buying of bonds. There was one order for any part of $1,000,000 of a bond which is a favorite in the speculation at present. The houses which had withdrawn from the market last week and had joined the selling movement toward the latter part of the week were out in full force again in the market today. It was more than a movement of the large dealers to buy back at the lower lever what they had sold.

The move for the abandonment of the bear movement and the resumption of buying was a growing scepticism regarding the reports of reduced spring wheat crop in the northwest. The enormous liquidation in the wheat market gave confirmation to these doubts. The continued rise of wheat in England and on the continent, on the other hand, was continuing evidence of the foreign need for wheat and gave assurance of great freight traffic to the seaboard to transport the grain and back again to transport the merchandise which the farmers profits would buy. The strength of corn and cotton in London also aided the stock market. The fact that foreign houses sold grain in the market and that purchases for export were largely curtailed did not prevent the sterling exchange market from weakening ½c for actual rates of both long and short sterling, the former selling to 4.83⅜ and the latter to 4.85½. This reflects the warning influence of the measures taken by the Bank of England to defer the movement of gold to this country and was a strengthening factor in the stock market. The grangers and all grain carrying roads led the improvement, Burlington leading with 2¾ per cent. The Vanderbilts' and southwestrens, the Gould stocks and International shares were all very strong and active and few failed to show a net improvement of at least a point. The anthracite coal shares, especially the Reading issues, were also active and strong.

The total sales of stocks today were 449,362 shares, including Atchison preferred 32,253, Chesapeake and Ohio 8,230, Chicago, Burlington and Quincy 47,080, Louisville and Nashville 13,560, Manhattan L. 8,900, Missouri Pacific 8,579, Northern Pacific 7,801, the preferred 13,198, Reading 17,205, Rock Island 20,320, St. Paul 55,020, Southern railway preferred 8,134, Union Pacific 15,589, American Spirits 6,000, American Tobacco 7,565, Sugar 8,940, United States Leather 7,820, the preferred 26,020, Chicago Great Western 13,076, Western Union 12,270. The bond market showed re-awakened activity, the Atchison, Erie and Northern Pacific issues being prominent. Northern Pacific 3's gained 1⅝, Atchison adjustment 4's 1⅜ and Erie 3's 1¼.

There was a lively season of general unloading by all classes of traders in the wheat pit today, which resulted in a net break of 2c from Saturday. Transactions in the aggregate were 4,000,000 bushels and yet trading at times was dull to the point of stagnation. The selling was right at the opening when foreign houses joined in heavily and again near the close. Except for a brief period of strength following immediately after the opening, the market showed positive heaviness all day. Many traders on the curb and even right at the opening, blinded by their enthusiasm and the 3¾d advance in Liverpool futures, took on more wheat, expecting a continuation of recent exciting bull conditions, but were speedily turned into heavy sellers by the unlooked for attitude of the foreign element, whose sufferings fairly swamped the market for a time. The first trade in December here was made at 1.04. It then dropped sharply to 1.01¼, rushed back to 1.04¼ and then settling down to 1.02, hung around that figure until near the close, when it fell to 1.01½. September ranged from 1.03 to 1.06¾ and closed at 1.03½. The French markets aided the bears. They made no response to Saturday's strength on this side and closed only 10 to 50 points up on wheat and flour, against 4¼ to 5 in the advance for the day at Liverpool. Export trade was limited by a stiff holding of cash wheat here, No. 1 northern being 8 to 8½c over September and No. 2 red 4½c over. Today's break has been the first serious check the bull movement has received in a week. First prices were 1½c higher than last night on excited trading, influenced by a sharp rise in cables, but a subsequent turn in trading sentiment sent prices flying the other way, including heavy realizing, which continued all day. Final prices were ⅜ to ⅝c net lower.

### Office Robbed

Yesterday morning a sneak thief entered the office of Mr. James F. Post, the architect, in the old court house building, on Princess street between Second and Third streets and stole $95 in cash. The guilty party was suspected and a warrant was issued for him, but at last accounts he had not been [illegible]

## WILMINGTON MARKETS.

COTTON REPORT.

Wilmington, N. C., August 23.

Receipts of cotton today—3 bales.

Receipts to same date last year, —— bales.

This season's receipts to date—234,544 bales.

Receipts to same date last year—171,477 bales.

The quotations posted at 4 o'clock today at the exchange.

Cotton quiet.

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| Ordinary | 5½ |
| Good ordinary | 6⅝ |
| Low middling | 7⅛ |
| Middling | 7⅝ |
| Good middling | 8 3-16 |

Prices same day last year, 7½c.

NAVAL STORES.

Spirits turpentine—Machine barrels steady at 25½c; country barrels steady at 25c.

Rosin steady at $1.15 and $1.20.

Tar steady at $1.10.

Crude turpentine steady; hard $1.30; yellow dip $1.90; virgin $1.90.

Prices same day last year—Spirits turpentine 22c and 21c; rosin $1.32½ and $1.37½; tar $1.05; crude turpentine $1.20, $1.55 and $1.65.

Receipts today—127 casks spirits turpentine, 891 barrels rosin, 243 barrels tar, 56 barrels crude turpentine.

Receipts for same date last year—56 casks spirits turpentine, 119 barrels rosin, 34 barrels tar, 31 barrels crude turpentine.

## MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

FINANCIAL.

New York, August 23.—Money on call easier at 1@1½ per cent.; last loan at 1½ per cent., closing offered at 1¼ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3¾@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange weak with actual business in bankers bills at $4.85½@$4.85¾ for demand, and at $4.83⅝@$4.83½ for sixty days. Posted rates $4.84½@$4.85 and $4.86½. Commercial bills at $4.82½@$4.83. Silver certificates 52@52½. Bar silver 52. Mexican dollars 39⅞. Government bonds dull; state bonds dull; railroad bonds strong. Petroleum, Pennsylvania crude no market, nominally at 85.

STOCKS.

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| Atchison | 15⅞ | W. & L. E., pre. | 10⅝ |
| B. & O. | 14½ | Adams Ex. | 153 |
| Ches. & Ohio | 23¼ | American Ex. | 115½ |
| Chic. Alton | 160 | United States | 45 |
| Chic., B. & Q. | 97½ | Wells Far. | 108 |
| Del. Hudson | 119½ | Am. Cot. Oil | 19 |
| Del., L. & W. | 161½ | Am Cot Oil, pre. | 71 |
| Fort Wayne | 170 | Am. Tobacco | 91 |
| Illinois Central | 106½ | Am Tobac, pre. | 112½ |
| L. & N. | 61¼ | Chic. Gas | 103¼ |
| Manhattan L. | 105¾ | Con Gas | 188¼ |
| Mobile & Ohio | 31¾ | Gen. Electric | 37½ |
| N. J. Central | 95¾ | Lead | 35¾ |
| N. Y. Central | 107¼ | Nat. Lin. Oil | 22⅝ |
| Pittsburg | 167 | Pullman Pal. | 175 |
| Reading | 27½ | Silver Cer. | 52 |
| Southern Ry. | 11⅛ | Sugar | 148⅞ |
| South. Ry., pre. | 35¼ | T. C. & Iron | 28⅝ |
| W. & L. E. | 2½ | West. Union | 92¾ |

BONDS.

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| U. S. 2's reg. | 97½ | Missouri 6's | 100 |
| U. S. 4's reg. | 111¾ | N. Caro. 6's | 126 |
| U. S. 4's cou. | 112 | N. Caro. 4's | 103 |
| U. S. N. 4's reg. | 125⅝ | S. Caro. non-fu. | ¼ |
| U. S. N. 4's cou. | 125⅝ | Tenn. N. Set 3's. | 84¾ |
| U. S. 5's reg. | 113¼ | Tenn N Set 5's | 105 |
| U. S. 5's cou. | 113¼ | Tenn N Set 6's | —— |
| Pa. 6's, of '95 | 102 | Tenn. Old 6's | 60 |
| Ala. Class A | 107¼ | Va. Cen. | 66½ |
| Ala. Class B | 106½ | Va. deferred | 4 |
| Ala. Class C | 98 | L. & N Un 4's | 83¼ |
| Ala. Currency | 98 | N. J. C. Gen. 5's | 113½ |
| La. N. cou 4's | 96 | South. Ry. 5's | 93¾ |

COTTON.

Liverpool, August 23.—4 p. m.—Cotton.—Spot, limited demand; prices higher; American middling fair 4 17-32d; good middling 4 9-32d; American middling 4⅛d; low middling 4d; good ordinary 3⅞d; ordinary 3 11-16d. The sales of the day were 6,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export and included 5,500 bales American. Receipts 4,000 bales, including 700 bales American. Futures opened steady with a fair demand and closed firm

American middling, low middling clause: August 4 4-64d, 4 5-64d buyers; August and September 4d sellers; September and October 3 57-64d, 3 58-64d buyers; October and November 3 51-64d, 3 52-64d buyers; November and December 3 49-64d sellers; December and January 3 47-64d, 3 48-64d buyers; January and February 3 47-64d, 3 48-64d buyers; February and March 3 48-64d buyers; March and April 3 49-64d buyers; April and May 3 50-64d sellers; May and June 3 51-64d buyers.

New York, August 23.—Cotton quiet; middling 8c; net receipts none; gross receipts 1,041; exports to Great Britain 1,041; to France 229; to the continent 493; forwarded 321; sales 1,000; spinners 100; stock (actual) 41,675.

Total today: Net receipts 6,626; exports to Great Britain 1,735; to France 220; to the continent 493; stock 80,439.

Consolidated: Net receipts 11,842; exports to Great Britain 1,735; to France 220; to the continent 493.

Total since September 1st: Net receipts 657,623; exports to Great Britain 3,009,694; to France 701,192; to the continent 2,149,741; to the channel 5,481.

Cotton futures firm; sales 219,000 bales: January 7.11; February 7.14; March 7.17; April 7.20; May 7.23; August 7.29; September 7.33; October 7.18; November 7.07; December 7.08.

Spot closed quiet; middling uplands 8c; middling gulf 8¼c; sales 19,000 bales.

PORT RECEIPTS.

Galveston—Steady at 7⅞c; net receipts 996.

Norfolk—uiet at 8c; net receipts 5.

Baltimore—Nominal at 8¼c.

Boston—Steady at 7⅞c; net receipts 210; gross receipts 397.

Wilmington—Quiet at 7⅞c; net receipts 3.

Philadelphia—Firm at 8¼c.

Savannah—Steady at 7c; net receipts 276.

New Orleans—Firm at 7 7-16c; net receipts 5,079.

Mobile—Dull at 7⅛c; net receipts 27.

Memphis—Firm at 7 7-16c; net receipts 34.

Augusta—Steady at 7½c; net receipts 207.

Charleston—Steady at 7c; net receipts 30.

Cincinnati—Quiet at 8⅛c; net receipts 24.

Louisville—Quiet at 8c.

St. Louis—Steady at 7 11-16c; net receipts 24.

Houston—Steady at 7 1-16c; net receipts 3,296.

GRAINS, PROVISIONS, ETC.

Chicago, August 23.—The leading futures were as follows:

| | Open. | High. | Low. | Clos. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wheat— | | | | |
| September | $1.00 | $1.00 | 95 | 96⅛ |
| December | 1.00 | 1.00 | 94⅝ | 95¾ |
| May | 1.00 | 1.00 | 96¾ | 97 |
| Corn— | | | | |
| August | 32¾ | 32¾ | 30¾ | 30¾ |
| September | 33 | 33 | 31 | 31 |
| December | 35½ | 35½ | 32¾ | 32⅞ |
| May | 37½ | 37½ | 35¼ | 35¼ |
| Oats— | | | | |
| September | 20 | 20¼ | 19 | 19⅛ |
| December | 22¼ | 22¼ | 20¼ | 20¼ |
| May | 24½ | 24½ | 22⅞ | 23 |
| Mess pork— | | | | |
| September | $8.85 | $8.85 | $8.52½ | $8.57½ |
| October | 8.90 | 8.90 | 8.60 | 8.62½ |
| December | 9.00 | 9.05 | 8.70 | 8.75 |
| Lard, per 100 lbs.— | | | | |
| September | $4.75 | $4.75 | $4.62½ | $4.65 |
| October | 4.75 | 4.82½ | 4.67½ | 4.70 |
| December | 4.90 | 4.92½ | 4.75 | 4.75 |
| Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.— | | | | |
| September | $5.37½ | $5.37½ | $5.25 | $5.25 |
| October | 5.40 | 5.40 | 5.25 | 5.25 |

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour quiet: No. 2 yellow corn, 30¾c; No. 2 spring wheat, 96@98c; No. 3 spring wheat, 90@96c; No. 2 red, 99c@$1.00; No. 2 corn, 30¾c; No. 2 oats, 19¼c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 22@24c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 20½@22½c; mess pork, per bbl., $8.55@$8.60; lard, per 100 lbs., $4.65; short ribs sides, loose, $5.15@$5.40; dry salted shoulders, boxed, 5@5¼c; short clear sides, boxed, 5½@5⅝c; whiskey distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.20.

New York, August 23.—Flour market practically unchanged as to price, but rather easier undertone at the close; winter patents $3.70@$3.90; winter straights $3.60 to $3.70; Minnesota patents $3.90@$4.20; winter extras $2.40@$2.60; City mills $4.00@$4.20; rye mixed $3.25@$3.40. Corn meal steady; yellow western $1.80@$1.85; City $1.85@$1.90; brandywine $2.15@$2.20. Wheat spot steady; No. 2 red, 99c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, New York, $1.11½ afloat. No 2 hard $1.05½. Options opened irregular and developed weakness all day with few reactions influenced by heavy realizing efforts, both local and foreign; disappointing French cables, a light export and increasing winter wheat spot, closed at 2c net lower. No. 2 red, August closed at $1.05½; September $1.00@$1.00⅛, closed at $1.03½; December $1.01⅛@$1.01⅜, closed at $1.01⅛.

Corn—Market active; No. 2, 35½c elevator; 36⅝c afloat. Options opened very strong on higher cables and good local buying but turned weak and declined all day under realizing; closed at ⅝@⅞c lower. August closed at 35½c; September 35⅝@35c, closed at 35⅛c; December 35⅝@35½c, closed at 35⅛c.

Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2, 25c. Options very weak with the other markets closing at 1@1¼c net lower. September closed at 23½c; October closed at 23⅝c.

Lard—Firm; western steamed $5.00@$5.05; October nominal; refined quiet; continent $5.40; South American $5.75; compound 4½@4⅝c.

Pork—Firm.

Eggs—Firm; state and Pennsylvania, 14½@16½c; western fresh 15c.

Cotton Seed Oil—Quiet.

Rice—Firm.

Molasses—Firm.

Coffee—Options opened steady at unchanged prices, ruled fairly active with firm undertone on local demand and hope that activity in grain and cotton will reach coffee. Buying checked somewhat by unsatisfactory European cables and enormous stock accommulation. Closed steady at 5 to 10 points net advance. Sales 19,000, including September at $6.45@$6.50; December $6.70@$6.80; March and May $7.10. Spot coffee—Rio steady; Cordova 10½@16½c; sales 1,000 bags Rio No. 7, afloat at 6⅞c.

Sugar—Firm; fair refining 3¼c; Centrifugal 96 test, 3¾c; refined firm.

NAVAL STORES.

New York—Rosin quiet; strained, common to good $1.45@$1.50. Turpentine steady at 29@29½c.

Charleston—Turpentine market firm at 25c bid; sales none. Rosin firm; sales none; strained, common to good $1.20 to $1.25.

Savannah—Spirits turpentine firm at 24c; sales reported, 881; receipts 1,742, of which 475 from Brunswick. Rosin firm; sales 3,175; receipts 3,917; quotations unchanged.

### Cotton Futures.

(Special to The Messenger.)

New York, August 23.—The dynamite bomb upon which the bulls have claimed the cotton market was resting, exploded today. Prices advanced 33 points. Liverpool started off by cabling of an advance of 4-64d in that market this morning. The opening here was marked by such excitement as the brokers have been unused to for a long time. Every one seemed to have good buying orders. Prices opened from 17 to 28 points above the close on Saturday. Liverpool and the short interest were the heaviest buyers, but considerable outside buying was noticeable. Rumors that western wheat bulls were buying cotton and very light receipts contributed to the uneasiness of the shorts. Realizing sales caused a sharp slump after the opening, but the demand was always good and when in the last hour New Orleans sent heavy buying orders here prices advanced rapidly and with surprising ease. January opened at 7.03, declined to 6.95, rallied to 7.02, again declined to 6.95 and then rapidly advanced to 7.12, closing at 7.11 to 7.12, with the tone of the market firm. It looks like a bull market, and if speculation enters it may become one. We cannot share the enthusiasm, however, and we think that those who sell cotton cautiously will find opportunity to replace with lower. RIORDAN & CO.

(By Associated Press.)

New York, August 23.—It has been a long day since the cotton exchange developed the activity and excitement witnessed on 'change at the opening of business this morning. It is safe to say that the most sanguine bull operators were not prepared for the advance that occurred on the first call, which commenced with August showing an advance of 13 points, gained strength as it progressed and culminated with an advance of 25 to 27 points. There had been a large accumulation of buying orders over night, and notwithstand clearly selling pressure from Liverpool and New Orleans, the undertone of the market was unmistakably stronger after a break of 6 to 10 points, which followed the first call. The market gradually righted itself and not only returned to the best prices, but made a further decided gain at the best point of the day, showing an advance of 26 to 38 points. Signs of manipulation in August, also in September and October, were detected. The general improvement was based on an advance of 4½ to 5½d at Liverpool. Private cables state that the English cotton trade fear they have under-discounted claims of damage to cotton through recent excessive rains in the cotton belt. The leading activity centered in October and January, the former selling to 7.21, an advance of 36 points on Saturday's closing figures, and the latter to 7.13, an advance of 35 points. In the afternoon the market was alternately strong to easier, but always very active and excited, with the tone finally firm at a net advance of 33 to 35 points.

### Charleston to Alaska by Steamer

Charleston, S. C., August 23.—A syndicate of local capitalists, headed by A. S. Emerson, have chartered a steamship and will run her from Charleston to Klondyke. She will sail from here February 15th, going to St. Michaels by way of Cape Horn. The passengers will be transferred to smaller boats and towed up the river to Dawson City. Each passenger will be allowed to carry 1,000 pounds of freight and tickets will cost $500. It is expected that the trip will require seventy days.

### Latest News From Cuba.

Havana, August 23.—A special dispatch from Madrid says there is no doubt the Spanish government will be willing to extend the commercial treaty with the United States.

The police have discovered a printing outfit which has been used to print proclamations issued by the insurgent leaders. The proprietors of the establishment, Peralta brothers, have been arrested and are confined incommunicado.

### Receipt of Sherman's Note Acknowledged

Washington, August 21.—Secretary Sherman has received prompt acknowledgment from Minister Hoshi, of Japan, of the secretary's letter of last Saturday relating to the annexation of Hawaii to the United States. Mr. Hoshi's acknowledgment is formal and does not go into the merits of the subject as the answer to Secretary Sherman's last note will not be made until word comes from the Japanese foreign office.

### Norfolk's First Bale.

Norfolk, Va., August 23.—The first bale of new cotton was received at Norfolk today, consigned to W. D. Mountree & Co. The bale came from Clio, S. C., and graded strict low middling and was sold at 9 cents per pound to Cobb Brothers & [illegible]