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COTTON PLANTERS' ASSOCIATION.

A list of the delegates to the meeting of the national cotton planters' association to convene at Vicksburg, Miss., November 21st, has been partially compiled by the governor. It will be completed as soon as suitable names can be procured from the counties where appointments have not yet been made. The object of the November meeting is to discuss all matters appertaining to the cotton interests and make preparations for the world's cotton and industrial exposition at New Orleans. It is a matter of vital interest to all Southern states, and it is hoped Texas will be well represented. The delegates appointed are:

Anderson—Ben Parker.
Atascosa—Mr. Robbins.
Austin—N. Cochran.
Bandera—Chas. Montague.
Bastrop—Dan'l Grady, J. C. Higgins.
Baylor—H. S. Melvin.
Bee—L. S. Roberts.
Bell—Geo. C. Pendleton.
Bexar—J. W. Judson, E. H. Cunningham.
Bosque—Richard Kimbell, John Knight.
Bowie—W. W. Dillard, T. H. Lenox.
Brazoria—W. S. Munson, Geo. O. Jarvis.
Brazos—Jas. P. P. Mitchell, J. P. Ayers.
Burleson—H. K. White, A. S. Broadus.
Burnet—Morton Moses.
Caldwell—Lemuel Barnett, Jacob Ellison.
Callahan—C. W. Merchant, E. L. Huffman.
Cameron—J. R. Latham.
Camp—John A. Taff, J. B. Davis.
Cass—S. A. Wadley, J. H. Sniper.
Chambers—James A. Jackson, Joe Laford.
Cherokee—R. B. Reagan, J. Long.
Collin—W. A. Rea, S. T. Hatler.
Colorado—James Frazier, J. C. Kindred.
Comal—F. Schultz.
Dallas—Walter Caruth, S. P. Emerson.
Delta—J. W. Sutt, G. S. Roberts.
Denton—S. A. McKenney, T. M. Smith.
DeWitt—Jno. R. Hamilton, J. H. Russ.
Eastland—J. P. Davidson, J. H. Davenport.
Ellis—John Farrar, T. J. Quinn.
Erath—T. Hardeman.
Falls—J. C. Gaither.
Fannin—Frank Taylor, Peter Maddrey.
Fayette—Joel W. Robenson, J. L. Hill.
Fort Bend—J. H. B. House, Dr. G. Ferris.
Franklin—Joel Arrington, Rufus Marion.
Freestone—W. A. Beauchamp, R. E. Steel.
Galveston—Jno. D. Rogers, W. J. Jones.
Gonzales—Mr. Bruches.
Grayson—J. B. Bennesdaffer, E. E. Everheart.
Gregg—Rev. Avatt, Walter Paine.
Grimes—David White, S. W. Malery.
Guadalupe—Wm. Saffold, W. S. Holmes.
Harris—Ashbel Smith, G. A. Forsgard.
Harrison—Jno. Rudd, Chas. Blalock.
Hays—J. V. Hutchins, T. D. Jackman.
Henderson—Wm. H. Martin.
Hill—J. W. Yates, J. M. McDaniel.
Hood—J. D. Baker, J. E. Crites.
Hopkins—B. M. Camp, J. P. Elliott.
Houston—J. C. Wooters, A. D. Hutchins.
Hunt—J. W. Davenport, J. W. O'Neal.
Jasper—James Lee.
Johnson—L. B. Truelove, J. M. Hill.
Kaufman—J. S. Boggs.
Lamar—J. W. Hardison, S. J. Wright.
Lee—Travis Shaw, Thos. Warren.
Leon—Judge Prewitt, D. H. Carrington.
Liberty—Sim De Blanc, W. W. Perryman.
Limestone—Jno. R. Henry, Jas. Brown.
Madison—H. L. Hayes, E. B. Scay.
Marion—E. W. Taylor, A. J. B. Garrett.
Matagorda—J. B. Hawkins.
McLennan—L. S. Ross, J. W. Speight.
Milam—Ad Hell.
Montgomery—C. B. Stewart, D. M. Campbell.
Morris—J. Y. Bradfield, John Stephens.
Nacogdoches—J. J. Watkins.
Navarro—Marion Martin, Judge Ransom.
Nueces—C. M. Rogers.
Panola—H. G. Hooker, J. R. Jarrell.
Parker—J. R. Couts, D. C. Haynes.
Red River—John Terry, L. D. Van Dyke.
Robertson—H. L. Lewis, H. R. Hearne.
Rockwall—J. D. Parsons.
Runnels—T. L. Odum.
Rusk—A. W. Buckner, Abe Crow.
San Augustine—S. W. Blount, Jim Burleson.
San Jacinto—W. T. Hill, Douglass Mitchell.
San Saba—Arston Duggan.
Shelby—J. W. Ballard, E. Morris.
Smith—B. B. Baird, Major Dean.
Tarrant—Jas. H. Ayres, John A. Thornton.
Titus—Thompson Morris, E. R. Nelson.
Trinity—E. B. Adams, S. T. Robb.
Upshur—J. H. Cunliffe, Jim Pope Ford.
Van Zandt—W. W. Gibson, John Ferguson.
Victoria—William Underdounk, E. D. Linn.
Walker—G. W. Farris, J. A. Hill.
Washington—James Holt, Thomas Clay.
Wharton—I. N. Dennis.
Wilson—A. McClury, R. C. Houston.
Wise—D. Beauchamp, W. W. Brady.

MISTAKEN IDENTITY.

The tragic fate of Zura Burns at Lincoln, Illinois, and the statement that she was a former resident of Austin, aroused investigation, and set the memories of the older citizens to work. No clue to such a person as Zura Burns can be discovered; the rumor possibly had its origin in the similarity of the name to that of a young lady now residing here, Miss Zella Burns, a daughter of a prominent citizen. In the days of the Davis administration there resided in the city a Mr. Burns, who was chief clerk in the treasury department. He had two young daughters, but as he is now known to be living in Galveston, neither of these could be the unfortunate victim of the Lincoln tragedy. Clerks of long service in the postoffice know nothing of Zura Burns. It is clearly a case of mistaken identity.

THE O. A. DELIVERS AN OPINION.

The Old Alcalde was never known to hesitate in expressing an opinion when demanded by the occasion. When sufficiently aroused the old man is apt to say something harsh. A certain editor here, by his persistent and unwarranted attacks upon the executive, having aroused the indignation of the stern old ex-governor, he remarked, in substance, to a friend: "The idea of such a man as that (the editor) attempting to run each succeeding administration is absurd. If John Ireland desires or deserves popularity he should court his enmity." By the way, the Old Alcalde bears well his honors as a law "professor."

THE SPECK OF WAR.

The hearts of the thousands of volunteer militia ordered to arms on the occasion of the recent Gause disturbance, feels freer as it becomes more apparent that, like Butler's presidential boom, there is nothing in it. They tell it on the Austin Grays that there were many sad partings that memorable night as the brave young heroes pictured to their mamma and sweethearts the gory fields upon which they were to win their laurels and shed their blood. 'Tis also said that some were very indignant the next morning and avowed the intention of depriving the state of their services if they were expected to recognize "nigger equality" by fighting him face to face. This affair recalls to memory the history of a military organization in a North Texas town. The boys had just received their handsome uniforms and formidable looking arms from the state, and, in true soldierly style, they nightly paraded the streets, declared by all the ladies to be "oh, so very sweet!" and arousing the envy of their less fortunate companions. The only thing necessary to complete their happiness was a war. The amount of belligerency compressed into that company was enough to have precipitated strife with all our European acquaintances, had it been allowed a voice in the councils of the nation. It was not enough to captivate the girls and subdue the boys; they wanted blood, carnage, glory, gore. One day there came rumors of an Indian uprising; it was confirmed. A rumor that state troops were to be called out quickly followed. The military boys, lugged out in their every-day-but-Sunday uniforms, with blanched faces and clogging step began to hang around the telegraph office. The wires clicked faster, fuller and fuller, the story of massacre and misery. Night came and with it the story for a regular meeting of the soldier-boys. A boot-black and a news-boy hung around the "barracks" to watch the proceedings. They got the establishment in order, and after waiting and watching until near the hour of adjournment, discovered a pile of papers on the secretary's table. It embraced thirty-nine resignations—there were forty in the company. The other member, upon receipt of the first intelligence had embarked on a fishing excursion. I learn that there is another company organized in that little town, but it contains none of the old members. As the old veterans of the late disturbance say, "a man who has spilt his blood on one battlefield ain't hankering after another powder performance."

A TEXAS FREDDIE.

It seems from the New York World that a Texas cattleman has been playing a new role in that city. When a Texan goes on the trail the dainty Gebhart's laurels are likely to fade. Does anybody know him?

The talk in theatrical and operatic circles yesterday was the resignation of M'lle Nixau of Maurice Grau's opera company. It is said that the young man in the case is Chas. L. Dambmann, whose father was an importer in this city years ago, but is now dead. He met M'lle Nixau a few days after her first appearance, and prevailed upon her to allow him to pay Mr. Grau a forfeit of $3,000 for her withdrawal.

The consummation of this contract took place a short time before the company left for Baltimore, whither M'lle Nixau generously went also, in order to sing upon the arrival of M'lle Jeanne Fouquet of Paris, who is to take her place.

"It is understood," said a well-known manager yesterday, "that the couple will go to the young man's cattle ranch in Texas, and in November will sail for Europe on the City of Chicago."

"Are they married?" asked the reporter.

"No, they are not, as far as I know."

"Do they intend to be?"

"No, I don't think so."

"Why?"

"Oh, well, I don't think M'lle Nixau is such a fool."

SAN SABA.

A Horrible Accident—Split in Two by a Circular Saw.

Special to the Gazette.

San Saba, November 1.—A fatal and horrible accident occurred at Richland Springs yesterday. Mr. George Sinclair, formerly of Dublin, Texas, owned a saw mill at the place, and while reversing the carriage it is supposed that his foot slipped and he fell on the saw, which struck him on the upper part of his head, splitting him wide open down to the small of his back, cutting his spine in two and severing the ribs from the spine. His wife is frantic with grief.

THE WACO HOMICIDE.

A. O. Lynn Shot Through the Heart and Instantly Killed.

Verdict of the Coroner's Jury—A Virtual Acquittal of Cline.

Special to the Gazette.

Waco, November 1.—Pierced with bullet holes, the dead body of A. O. Lynn lay this morning in an upper room of the Bank saloon, corner Fifth and Austin streets. He was killed a little after midnight by D. W. Cline, the affray terminating in the street in front of the saloon. Both men belonged to the sporting fraternity, Lynn being interested in the Bank saloon and gambling house, and also ostensibly proprietor of "Horse-Shoe" variety theater on Bridge street. He is well-known in this section, having conducted a farm and sheep ranch near Mt. Olivet, in this county, until about four years ago, when he embarked in the wholesale liquor business here, afterward investing in saloon property. He was about 33 years of age and married, his wife being in Nashville, Tenn., where she went about two years ago. For the last three years, at least, he has led what is popularly known as a fast "sporting life," and seemingly possessed of large means, he had full swing in his chosen mode of life.

CLINE

came to Waco last May, and is a gambler. His peculiar forte was rolling a "wheel of fortune." He says he had been working for Lynn in the gambling room of the "Bank" saloon, and was on good terms with him. The trouble between them, Cline says, arose last Saturday night, over a five-dollar bet at faro, which Cline claims to have won, and Lynn, who was dealing, refused to pay. Hot words passed, and Cline had not been in the saloon since. Last night he says he met Lynn in front of the saloon, and by the intercession of Eubank Skinner, a member of the sporting fraternity, was induced to shake hands with Lynn. The latter, however, in a minute or so, remarked: "I'm stuck to kill you," and presented his weapon. Cline told Lynn he did not wish any difficulty and would not hurt him. Lynn attempted to force him to his knees to apologize, and again presented his pistol, asking him if he was armed. Cline said: "Yes, but not to hurt you." Lynn again threatened to shoot, and Cline drew his weapon and fired. This is Cline's account, as narrated this morning to a Day reporter. Cline said he regretted it, but it was forced on him and he could not help it. As soon as the affair was over he walked to Sheriff Harris' office and surrendered. He seemed calm and thoughtful and talked very carefully but cheerfully. He is a young man, has a good face, and local sports say he is square and honorable.

LYNN

received two wounds, one above the right groin and another in the region of the heart. He never spoke after falling, and the body was carried into the saloon and up-stairs, where friends gave it attention. An immense crowd gathered soon after the difficulty, and great excitement ensued for a short while. All sorts of wild rumors prevailed and the scene was grotesque in the extreme.

THIS MORNING

the tragedy was the topic of the town. Crowds hung around the Bank saloon, which was closed, and gazed curiously at the spot in the street where Lynn fell. It was soon to be seen from the utterances of the sporting fraternity that sympathy was with Cline. Lynn's death was deplored, but the general remark was that he brought it on himself. Some of the sports said that if Lynn had not been drinking the affray would never have occurred. Cline, meantime, remained quietly in jail where he was visited by several friends and the whole tribe of reporters for local and other papers.

THE CIVIL AUTHORITIES

were soon ready to act. Judge Evans was notified as soon as he came in town and by eight o'clock a jury of inquest was empaneled as follows: J. N. Hairston, J. S. McDonald, W. J. Malone, A. D. Bell, L. P. Peck and J. Y. Reynolds. These jurors were qualified and the sitting began in Judge Evans' office at nine o'clock this morning. They first visited the room where the body lay and viewed it, then returned to Judge Evans' office, where the inquest was opened in due form, with the following attorneys present: County Attorney Eugene Williams, General Thomas Harrison and Judge James C. Davis for the prosecution, Gen. Harrison being retained by the friends of Lynn, as was Judge Davis. For the defense Waller S. Baker, Esq., appeared.

THE TESTIMONY

was taken in due form, James Gaston being the first witness called. He deposed: Did not see Cline at that time; they walked to the corner of Fifth and Austin streets; noticed that Lynn appeared to be angry; Lynn cursed Cline to Skinner and pulled a six-shooter, threatening to kill Cline unless he begged his pardon on his knees; Cline was then standing near; Lynn pointed the pistol at Cline, saying that he was armed, but was not game enough to use it; Skinner said that Cline was no armed, but Lynn still kept the pistol leveled at Cline; Skinner caught hold of Lynn and tried to quiet him, but Lynn pushed him off. Cline stood with his hand around the post at the corner on the opposite side from Lynn; could not see where his right hand was placed; did not hear Cline speak during all this time; the two men were about eight or ten feet apart; saw Cline draw his pistol and saw Lynn with his leveled, but could not say who fired; turned my head away; heard four or five shots; when I looked again Lynn was lying on his face in the street; do not know how long Lynn lived.

After Gaston had testified the state's attorney proposed that as enough evidence was before the jury, the case be given to them. Counsel for defense objected until other witnesses could be called and heard.

At 12 o'clock the testimony before the jury of inquest was closed and they retired to consult, remaining out about ten minutes. On their return the following verdict was handed to Judge Evans. "We the jury find from the evidence produced before us, that A. O. Lynn came to his death on the night of October 31, between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock, from a gunshot wound inflicted by D. W. Cline."

This is a virtual acquittal of Cline, although he will have a preliminary trial to-morrow. Lynn's funeral took place at 4 p.m. to-day and was largely attended by all the sporting fraternity.

THE STATE CAPITAL.

Report of the Superintendent of the Texas Penitentiaries.

Return of Adjutant-General King—The Fence Cutting Problem.

Special to the Gazette.

Austin, November 1.—The penitentiary board met this evening and received the report of Superintendent Goree for the months of August and September. The August report shows an undue proportion of deaths and escapes, which it says seem to be necessary accompanying evils of outside labor. A large proportion of the escapes were from farms, which is rather unusual. The total number of prisoners is 2,345; received during the month, twenty-two; recaptured two; discharged forty-one; escaped seventeen; pardoned thirteen, deaths seven. During September there were also a large number of escapes, principally from the railroad trains. Prisoners received fifty-four; recaptured seven; discharged sixty; pardoned five; escaped twenty-six; death six. Total number on hand October 1st, 2,369; nearly evenly divided between the prisons. Plans were submitted for a residence at Rusk for the superintendent, but action was deferred at present. A communication from Dr. Jamison, health officer at Rusk, touching certain necessary sanitary regulations, was referred to Major Goree, who promised that the evil complained of should be remedied. The Brush Electric Light Co. of Houston submitted an estimate for lighting both penitentiaries, with fifteen lights at Rusk and ten at Huntsville. The plans would cost $6,000, not including motive power, which both places already have. The subject of introducing a system of steam heating was discussed, and the superintendent instructed to secure an estimate of cost. To-day was advertised as the time of opening bids for convict labor, but none were received. Gen. W. R. Hanby of Tennessee is here, and it is understood he will put in a bid to-morrow for a number of convicts.

Adjutant-General King returned to-day from his Western tour. He reports the fence cutting trouble as becoming quieted. He says he held meetings in Coleman and five or six other counties, which were attended by the most prominent citizens, who assured him of their support of the law. The people every where await with great anxiety the action of the extra session. It is feared that if it fails to give relief, the storm will burst forth with renewed fury.

Treasury receipts for October were: General revenue, $897,994; miscellaneous, $44,019; bonds from the investment of the permanent school fund, $625,998; university bonds, $500. The land office receipts for October were $7,000. Paid into the general revenue fund to-day, $10,000.

Responding to the inquiry of a county judge, the attorney-general ruled that non-residents of a county, even if they own property there, cannot become sureties on the official bonds of its county officers.

The governor will probably issue a thanksgiving proclamation in consonance with that from the president.

A young man named Gross, son of the former land commissioner, received an appointment to a clerkship in the comptroller's office to-day.

The comptroller's reports are being revised and will go to the governor Monday. The figures will not vary much from those contained in the GAZETTE's interview of the 29th with the comptroller.

Attorney General Templeton recovers but slowly from his bruises recently received in a runaway.

SAN ANTONIO.

Postmaster Cole Under Bond—Contest Over Mexican Grazing Lands—Gen. Auger's Farewell.

Special to the Gazette.

San Antonio, November 1.—Jim Spears, sheriff of Tom Green county, is here with C. E. Cole, charged with embezzling about $700 of postoffice funds while he (Cole) was postmaster at San Angela in Tom Green county. Cole has given $2,500 bond, and has been released. The bond is good, but the case against him is considered a hard one.

There are rumors afloat of quite a collision between certain Mexicans and Americans in the interest of obtaining control of large grazing districts in Northern Mexico.

General Auger, in bidding farewell to the soldiers of this department, communicates his warm assurance of interest in their future welfare, and expresses his high appreciation of their faithful services in the advancement of civilization over a wide territory recently reclaimed from Indians and marauders. He has noticed the zeal of the troops for the honor and credit of the military service. Gen. McKenzie has issued his first order, announcing his assumption of command. The following officers are his personal staff: Aides-de-camp, First Lieutenant Jas. H. Dorst, fourth cavalry; First Lieutenant Alexander Rogers, fourth cavalry.

BASTROP.

Convictions in the District Court.

Special to the Gazette.

Bastrop, November 1.—In the district court to-day Dan Cleveland, who was convicted yesterday of theft of cattle, was allowed a new hearing. Chandler was convicted of theft of a horse and sent to the penitentiary for four years, and Jackson Johnson was convicted of attempt at rape and sent for ten years.

The weather is pleasant to-day and business good.

A Forger Sentenced.

New York, November 1.—Steve Raymond, the English forger who was convicted of passing forged coupons of the Union Pacific railroad, has been sentenced to life imprisonment.

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DALLAS.

A Chapter of Current Events and Local Happenings.

Special to the Gazette:

Dallas, November 1.—Dr. W. F. Gordon, the alleged abortionist, made a bond of $750 last night and was liberated. Miss Eliza Conger of Mineola, on whom he is alleged to have performed the operation, is still in the city and has nearly recovered.

The first regular train south on the Houston & Texas Central since Monday last departed this morning. The force at work repairing the Bear creek bridge struck for an increase of wages, and caused a full day's delay in making the repairs.

Belle Eubanks and Amanda Robinson, colored members of the demi-monde, were brought from Fort Worth to-day and jailed. They are charged with robbing W. H. Hewling, a United States soldier, of $200 in this city last Sunday night.

Several officers surrounded the house of Robert Taber last night for the purpose of arresting him on the charge of threatening the life of his son-in-law, W. K. Smith. Taber fled to a corn crib. The officers pursued, and fired many shots at him, which he returned. He made his escape.

A petition is being largely signed asking Governor Ireland to pardon J. W. Wilson, alias Madison, who in 1879 killed Edward Lively, escaped from jail in 1878, was recaptured in the Indian Territory last summer and recently brought to Dallas jail from Fort Smith. His sentence is five years in the penitentiary.

The gas company are just finishing a $25,000 enlargement of their works.

Deer & Beer, at Cedar Hill, were burglarized last night of goods to the value of about $200. No clue to the burglars.

The manager of the Terrell opera house sent an officer to Dallas to-day and had the property of the St. Quentin opera company attached. He claimed damages to the amount of $100 for violation of contract, the company having failed to fill an engagement at his house. The St. Quentin company rather than proceed with litigation paid the $100. The property was released, and they played to good audiences at the Dallas opera house this afternoon and evening.

Bennett's hide and wool house on Camp street was damaged several hundred dollars by fire about 3 o'clock this morning. Most of the loss falls on E. G. Bower, Esq., the owner of the building.

The management of the Texas Trunk line deny emphatically the report that their road is offered for sale in Boston, but the Boston gentleman recently from that city, who first gave the information, just as emphatically reiterates the statement.

TERRELL.

Cotton Statement—Rising From the Ashes—Theatrical Notes.

Special to the Gazette

Terrell, November 1.—The cotton statement for the month ending yesterday, foots up the following figures:

Bales on hand 1st of October	1,292
Received since	5,170
Total	6,462
Shipped by Texas & Pacific	1,631
" " Central	2,400
Total	4,031
Bales on hand	2,431

A pretty good showing for an inland city so near the suburbs of our proud sister Dallas. Is it not?

We are informed that B. M. Childress and others are making active preparations to erect new and handsome bricks on the site of the Houghton block that was burned some time ago. The Harris house is approaching completion, and the flooring joists for the third story are now being put in place.

This morning we stepped into the drug store of the Griffith Bros., who, among others, were burned in the Houghton block fire, and were surprised to see how soon men with pluck, under the leadership of such men as Dr. R. C. Dansby, can rise and shake off the ashes and smoke, as though they had never been singed by the fire fiend. The indomitable energy displayed by these men is but an instance of the vim and pluck of the entire army of business men who constitute the sinew and muscle of Terrell; and every man who was burned in that fire is now doing a thriving business.

It is said that the Sunny Clime crew are going to move to Dallas.

The Black Dwarf gave an entertainment at the opera house last night. The universal verdict is that it is superior to any troupe that has visited Terrell this fall. The pleasure-loving people are under many obligations to Manager Whomes for his exertions in securing entertainments for the season, and his energy in providing a place for their amusement meets with the universal commendation of our entire citizenship.

Held for Trial.

Hamilton, Ont., November 1.—Long, who assaulted United States Consul Hazelton, was held for trial.

BELTON.

Particulars of the Williams Homicide—Testimony at the Inquest.

Special to the Gazette.

Belton, November 1.—The facts developed at the inquest in case of T. Williams, who was killed last night by Geo. Eckels, are as follows: Williams was passing Eckels' place of business about 7 o'clock last night. Eckels stepped on the sidewalk and shot him four times with a shotgun in the back, then went into his house, got a shot gun, came out and fired a barrel at Williams, taking effect in the side of his throat and jaw. The other barrel missed fire. He then went into his store, got another gun, returned and fired both barrels at Williams' prostrate body. Not a shot, however, took effect. The parties had a difficulty a few days ago in which Williams shot at Eckels and missed him. Eckels was promptly arrested and is now in jail. Williams was from Brownsville, Tenn., to which place his remains will be forwarded to-morrow, accompanied by F. McFarland of the Belton bar of which Williams was a member.

WASHINGTON.

Revenue Receipts for the Current Year—Hatton's *Bitter Tirade* Against Editor Smith.

Special to the Gazette.

St. Louis, November 1.—A Washington special to the Republican says: The customs receipts for this month have fallen off about $[illegible],000 as compared with last year. Internal receipts about $[illegible] and miscellaneous receipts nearly $[illegible]. It is not believed that the same ratio of reduction will be maintained throughout the year, and the best opinion among treasury officials is that total receipts for this year will fall less than $[illegible] below those of last year. These figures thus far have been $9,000,000 less than they were for the first third of last year. The surplus revenues have been nearly [illegible],000,000 as compared with $[illegible] during the first third of last year; this ratio should be maintained throughout the year, the surplus would fail only $3,000,000 below surplus of last year, thus making total surplus for the current year $112,000,000.

That the quarrel between Assistant Postmaster General [illegible] and Editor Smith of the Philadelphia Press over the scheme resulting in reweighing of the mails on some of the trunk lines and in a large saving of the cost of the mail service, carried before a congressional committee, is no longer a matter of doubt, referring to Smith's defence, Hatton to-day replies as follows in the Washington Republican:

"Brought face to face with the conspiracy to rob the treasury for partisan purposes, of which he was the promotor and center, and of which he was the beneficiary, this man seems to cover and whines like a whipped cur. Admitting the facts to be true, they are blameless, and yet he seems to wail with the enormity of the crime of robbery he has engendered, and seems to take shelter behind the plea of insanity and to justify his rascality by the pretense that that dignitary, in some manner advised the action of the department. We say 'false pretense' advisedly, and that it is a lie we will be abundantly proven when it is brought to the test of an oath before a committee of congress. The earth contains no meaner, no more abject wretch than he who, caught in corrupt practices, cries that he is reforming the world, [illegible] name of some [illegible] conceit he has earned [illegible] attempts to escape punishment because he has been allowed to live to him a futile remark. The [illegible] plied by the Republican to the back has made him howl with pain, but it has not as yet extorted from him any denial of the damning facts that constitute his offences. The [illegible] him when congress meets, [illegible] he may rail as he pleases."

LITTLE ROCK.

Close of Mr. Keene's Engagement—Brilliant Success.

Special to the Gazette.

Little Rock, Ark., November 1.—Thomas W. Keene, the tragedian, closes his engagement of three nights and matinee here to-night. He has been welcomed with four of the largest and most enthusiastic audiences assembled in Little Rock. His engagement has been a grand success, the dramatic history of our place in performances being not only attended by the elite of the city, but also by hundreds from surrounding towns and ships. His original conception of character is pronounced superb by the press and people, and his support is excellent.

Frost in South Carolina.

Charlotte, S. C., November 1.—The first frost of the season this morning stops the growth of cotton. Rain in after the fall rains.