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KENTUCKY CROP REPORT.

Condition of Crops and Live Stock July

For the July report replies were reexived from 145 correspondents, representing 95 counties.

Development of the wheat crop dur-Development of the wheat crop dur-ing the month of June shows the fol-lowing results in the great wheat roowing States of the Mississeni Valgrowing States of the Mississppi Valley: In Ohio and Michigan the crop is and they cried, "Fetch him out! Fetch fair, both in yield and quality. In him out!" Youder I see the blind old Illinois, Missouri and Kansas the crop has suffered greatly during June from rust and chinch bug, and the quality will be poor, owing to damage from the suffered greatly design to the temple. At his first appearance there goes up a shout of laughter and decision. The usually large number of smut heads. varies from very fine in some sections Samson, that he may make us sport.

And they called for Samson out of the anticipated. The most frequently mengrains to the mesh being found. The While they laugh and cheer, they die. berry is lacking in plumpness, which, The three thousand who perished that together with the presence of considerable smut, will materially interfere with quality. In the western section by bad amusements and by good of the State the crop has been damaged by rain since harvest. The estimated average yield per acre for the State that I have no sympathy with ecclesiis 13 busheis. In 1897 estimate yield astical straitjackets, or with that July 1st was 12 bushels and 6 2-3 bushels for a corresponding date of 1886. For the western section the yield is 13 bushels; for the central and eastern it is 16 and 11 Lushels respectively.

CORN. Favorable weather conditions have prevailed during June and the corn crop is now in excellent condition. The average for the State is 93, an im provement of four points during the month. On July 1st, 1887; the condition was 87. In the western section a few counties, including Union, Webster, Caldwell and Trigg, report the crop suffering for want of cultivation which has been interfered with by excessive rainfall In the central section the drouth has been relieved in those counties along the northern border and the crop is fast regaining lost ground from this source. Taking the State by sections the conditions are: For the Western, 93; Central, 96, and Eastern, 100; each being an improvement during June.

The condition of the oat crop is 85 for the State as against 91 on June 1st. On July 1st, 1897, the condition was 80. The crop has improved in the central and about held its own in the eastern section, but in the western section it has fallen off from 96 on June 1st to 71 on July 1st.

The acreage of tobacco compared with 1897 is 123 per cent., or 237,038 acres for the State. The eastern section report the greatest increase, viz: 36 per cent. In the western section the acreage is increased 23 per cent, while in the central the increase is but 9 per cent. The condition of the crop shows an average of 92 for the entire State July 1st, 1897, the condition was 68, and on same date of 1896 the condition was 92. In the western sec-tionthe crop is, to some extent, foul.

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Grasshoppers on I worms are reported proying on the plants and the utmost vigilence will be required to maintain present condition of 93. In the central section the crop is very spotted and the stand is poor. The first setting is growing nicely, but the replant seems blood disease, Swift's Specific is the age is but St. In these counties of the eastern section where a crop is grown the condition appears excellent with a greatly increased acreage.

> HEMP. The condition as hemp crop is 86 as compared with average years. On July 1st, 1897, the condition was 87 as for a corresponding date of 1896 it was 80. MEADOWS AND PASTURES.

The acreage of clover meadows cut s compared with 1897 is 97. The yield ooth as to quantity and quality is good O timothy meadows the acreage as compared with 1857 is 94. The yield is light and the qualit, of much of it is poor, owing to the presence of weeds. Pastures are most excelient, the condition being 99. Live stock is in satisfactory condition. The demand for stock ewes has greatly increased, and farmers are turning their atten tion largely to sheep breeding.

LUCAS MOORE. Commissioner of Agriculture.

The August number of McClure' Magizine will be a special fiction number with a story of school life by Rudyard Kipling; a story of liners and icebergs by Cutcliffe Hyne; a new chapter in the life of the King of Boyville, showing the King in his first experience of love, by William Allen White; the story of a love adventure in a London fog, by Hester Caldwell Oakley; a railroad story by John A Hill; and a characteristic story of rural life by Rowland E. Robinson.

It is Essential to the Making of a Healthful Christian.

From an unusual standpoint Dr. Talmage in this discourse discusses amusements and applies tests by which they may be known as good or bad. The text is Judges xvi., 25: "And it came to pass, when their hearts were merry, that they said, 'call for Samson, that he may make us sport.' And they called for Samson out of the prison hous; and he made them

There were 3,000 people assembled in the temple of Dagon. They had

impatient for the amusement to begin, these sources. The quality is greatly blindold giant pretends he is tired impaired by the presence of an un- and wants to rest himself against the pillars of the house, so he says to the Where threshing has begun the yield last who leads him, "Bring me where is very disappointing. In Iowa, Wis- the main pillars are." The last does consin and Nebraska winter wheat co. Then the strong man put his hands on one of the pillars, and, with the mightiest push that mortal ever to poor in others. In these States made, throws himself forward until sir ng wheat is threatened with rust the whole house comes down in owing to the extremely rank growth thunderous crash, grinding the audiof the plant. In Kentucky the excep- core like grapes in a wine press. "And tionally fine showing of June 1st has so it came to pass, when their hearts not been maintained and the crop is were merry, that they said, Call for tioned cause of damage is rust, which sport. In other words, there are seems to have been general. The crop amusements that are destructive and very imperfect, rarely more than two the heads of those who practice them.

> amusements carried to excess. In my sermons you must have noticed wholesale denunciation of amusement to which many are pledged. I believe the church of God has made a tremendous mistake in trying to suppress the sportfulness of youth and drive out from men their love of amusement. If God ever implanted any thing in us He implanted this desire. But instead of providing for this de-

in Gaza are nothing compared

has for the main part ignored it. As FOR ALL WOMEN which women suffer is caused by weakness or derangement in the organs of menstruation. Nearly always when a woman is not well these organs are affected. But when they are strong and healthy a MEELREEY T WineofCardul Is nature's provision for the regu-lation of the menstrual function. It cures all "female troubles." It is equally effective for the girl in her teens, the young wife with domestic and maternal cares, and the woman approaching the period known as the "Change of Life." They all need it. They are all benefitted by it.

in a riot the mayor plants a battery at the end of the street and ins it fired off, so that everything is cut down the good as well as the bad, so there are men in the church who plant their batteries of condemnation and fire away indiser minately. Everything is condemned. They talk as if they would like to have our youth dress in blue uniform, like the children of an orohan asylum, and march down the path of life to the tune of the "Dead March" in Saul. They hate a blue sash, or a rosebud in the hair, or a tasseled gaiter, and think a man almost ready for the lunatic asylum who utters a conundrum.

Young Men's Christian associations of the country are doing a glorious work. They have fine reading rooms. and all the influences are of the best kind, and are now adding gymnasi ams and bowling alleys where, without any evil surroundings, our young may get physical as well as spiritual im rovement. We are dwindling away to a narrow-chested weak-armed, feeble-voiced race, when God calls us to a work in which He wants physical as well as spiritual athletes. to God that the time might soon comwhen all our colleges and theologica seminaries, as at Princeton, a gymna-sium shall be established. We spend seven years of hard study in preparation for the ministry, and come with bronchitis and dyspepsia, and liver complaint, and then crawl up into the rulpit, and the records say, "Doesn't he look heavenly?" because he looks sickly. Let the church of God direct, rather than attempt to suppress, the desire for amusement. best men that the world ever knew have had their sports. William Wilberforce trundled boop with his children. Martin Luther helped dress the Christmas tree. Ministers have pitched quoits, philanthropists have gone a-skating. Prime ministers have

played ball. Cur communities are filled with men and women who have in their souls un-measured resources for sportfulness and frolic. Show me a man who never lights up with sportfulness, and has no sympathy with the recreations of others, an i I will show you a man who is a stumbling block to the Kingdom

religion. They lead young people to think that a man is good in proportion as he groans and frowns and looks sallow and that the height of a man's Christian stature is in proportion to the length of his face. I would trade off 500 such men for one bright-faced, radiant Christian on whose face are the Every words, "Rejoice evermore!" morning by his cheerful lace ... those years and say that I have no confidence in a do nothing." To these gay men life is a thrill and an excitement. They is a thrill and an excitement. ways turns out badly. I would not want him for the treasurer of an orphan asylum. The orphans would

Among 40 people whom I received into the church at one communion, there was only one applicant of whose piety I was suspicious. He had the longest story to tell; had seen the most visions, and gave an experience so wonderful that all the other applicants were discouraged. I was not surpris--wings black, feet black, feathers black? Our religion is a bright angel -feet bright, eyes bright, wings bright, taking her place in the soul. She pulls a rope that reaches to the skies and sets all the bells of Heaven a-chiming. There are some persons who, when talking to a minister, always feel it politie to look lugubrious Go forth, O people, to your lawful amusement. God means you to by

appy. But, when there are so many of innocert pleasure, why amper with anything that is dangerous and polluting? Why stop our ears to a Heaven full of songsters to the is of dragon? Why turn back from wild flowers and a lash with the nimble torrents, and with blistered feet attempt to climb the hot sides of Coto-

Now, all opera houses, theaters. bowling alleys, skating rinks and all styles of amusement, good and bad, I out on trial to-day and judge of them for certain cardinal principals. First, you may judge of any amusement by its healthful result or by its baneful reaction. There are people who seem nade up of bard facts. They are a con bination of multiplication tables and statistics. If you show them an exquisite picture they will begin to discuss the pigments involved in the coloring; if you show them a ost-mortem examination of a flower. hey never do anything more than feebly smile. There are no great tides of feeling surging up from the depth of their soul in hillow after billow of if Nature had built them by contract and made a bungling job out of it. But, blessed be God, there are people in the world who have bright faces and whose life is a song an anthem, a paean of victory. Evthat crawl up the side of a great tower, on the top of which the sunlight sits and the soft airs of summer hold perpetual carnival. They are the people you like to have come to your house; they are the people I like to have come to my house. Now, it is these exhilarant and sympathetic and warm hearted people that are most tempted to pernicious amusements. In proportion as a ship is swift in tion as a horse is gay it wants strong driver; and these people of exuberant nature will do well to look at the reaction of all their amusements. If an amuse-ment sends you home at night ner-vous so you can not sleep, and you rise in the morning, not because you are slept out, but because your duty been where you ought not to have been. There are amusements that send a man next day to his work bloodshot, yawning, stupid, nauseated, and they are wrong kinds of amuse-ments. There are entertainments that give a man disgust with the drudgery of life, with tools because they are not

swords, with working aprons because they are not robes, with cattle because they are not infuriated bulls of the

swords, with working aprons because they are not robes, with eattle because they are not infuriated buils of the arena. If any amus:ment sends you home longing for a life of romance and thrilling adventure, love that takes poison and shoots itself, moonlight adventure and hairbreadth escapes, you may depend upon it that you are the sacrified victim of unsanctified pleasure.

ure. Our regreations are intended to build us up, and if they pull us down. as to our moral or our physical strength, you may come to the conclu-

sion that they are obnoxious. Still further: Those amusements are wrong which lead into expenditure r creation is not thrown away. all folly for us to come from a place of amusement feeling that we have wasted our money and time. You may by it have made an investment worth more than the transaction that yieldproperties have been riddled by costly ements? The table has amusements? The table has been robbed to pay the club. The champagne has cheated the children's wardrobe. The carousing party has burned up the boy's primer. The table cloth of the corner saloon is in debt

to the wife's faded dress. Excursions that in a day make a tour around a whole month's wages; ladies whose lifetime businers it is to "go shopping" have their counterpart in uneducated children, bankruptcies that shock the money market and appall the church, and that send drunkenness staggering across the richly figured carpet of the mansion and dashing into the mirror, and drowning out the carol of music with the whooping of bloated sons come home to break their old mother's heart. When men go into amusements that they can not afford they first borrow what they can not earn, and then they steal what they can not borrow. First they go into embarrassment and then into theft, and when a man gets as far on as that he does not stop short of the penitentiary. There is not a prison in the land where there are not rictims of unsanctified amusements. me and ask me to go and beg their boy off from the consequence of crimes that he had committed against his ememployer's till, or the disarrangements of the accounts! Why, he had salary enough to pay all lawful expenditure, but not enough salary to meet his sin-ful amusements. 'And again and again I have gone and implored for the young man-sometimes, alas! the petition unavailing.

How brightly the path of unrestrained amusement opens! The young man says: "Now I am off for a good time. Never mind economy; I'll get money somehow. What a fine road! What a beautiful day for a ride! Crack boys, fill high your glasses! Drink! like this!" Hard-working men hear the clatter of the hoofs and look up and say. 'Why, I wonder where those fellows get their money from. We have to toil and drudge. They stare at other people and in turn are stared at. The watch chain jingles. The cup foams. The checks flush, the eyes flash. The midnight hears their guffaw. They swagger. They jostle decent men off the sidewalk. They take the name of God in vain. They parody the hymn they learned at their mother's knee; and to all pictures of coming disaster they cry out, "Who cares!" and to the counsel of some Christian friend, "Who are you?" Passing along the street some night you ed the year after to learn that he had run off with the funds of the bank with which he was connected. Who is this black angel that you call religion—wings black, feet black, feathers less young man has been killed in a grog-shop fight. Carry him home to his father's house. Parents will come down and wash his wounds and close his eyes in death. They forgive him he ever did, though he can not in his silence ask it. The proligal has got home at last. Mother will go to her little garden and get the sweetes. flowers and twist them into a chaplet for the silent heart of the wayward boy and push back from the bleated brow the long locks that were once ier pride. And the nir will be rent with the father's cry: "Oh, my son, ny son, my poor son; would God I had son, my son You may judge of amusements by their effect upon physical health. The seed of many good people is physical ecuperation. There are Christian men who write hard things against their immortal souls when there is nothing the matter with them but an ncompetent liver. There are Christian who seem to think that it is a good sign to be poorly, and because Richard Baxter and Robert Hall were nvalids they think that by the same sickness they may come to the same grandeur of character. I want to tell hristian people that God will hold

you responsible for your invalidism if it is your own fault, and when through right exercise and prudence you might beautiful rose they will submit it to body upon the soul you acknowledge, a botanical analysis, which is only the put a man of mild disposition upon the animal diet of which the Indian partakes, and in a little while his lood will change its chemical propor tions. It will become like unto the blood of the lion or the tiger or the bear, while his disposition will change and become fierce, cruel and unrelent ing. The body has a powerful effect upon the soul. There are people whose ideas of Heaven are all shut out with clouds of tobacco smoke. There are people who dare to shatter the physical vase in which God put the jewel of eternity. There are men with great hearts and intellects in bodies worn out by their own neglects. Magnificent machinery neglects. Magnineent machinery capable of propelling a great Etruria across the Atlantic, yet fastened in a rickety North river propeller. Physical development which merely shows itself in a fabulous lifting, or in perilious rope walking, or in puglistic encounter, excites only our contempt, but we affect the second of the but we confess to great admiration for the man wife has a great soul in an atheletic body, every nerve, mus-cle and bone of which is consecrated to right uses. Oh, it seems to me outrageous that men through neglect should allow their physical health to go down beyond re-pair; spending the rest of their life not in some great enterprise for God and the world, but in studying what is the best thing to take for dyspepsia. A ship which ought with all sails set A ship which ought with all sails set and every man at his post to be carry-ing a rich cargo for eternity, employ-ing all its men in stopping up leak-ages! When you may through some of the popular and healthful recrea-tions of our time work off your spleen and your querulousness and one half of your physical and manual all.

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Again, any amusement that gives you a distate for domestic life is bad. How many bright domestic circle have been broken up by sinful amuse ments? The father went off, the mother went off, the child went off. There are all around us the fragments of blasted households. Oh! if you have wandered away, I would like to charm you back by the sound of that one word, "Home." Do you know that you have but little more time to give to domestic welfare? Do you not see, father, that your children are soon to go out into the world, and all the influence for good you are to have over them you must have now? Death will break in on your conjugal relations, and, alast if you have if you have to stand over the grave of one who perished from your neglect. the deathbed of the Christian wife, on her finger and heard her say to her husband, "Do you see that ring?" He replied, "Yes, I see it."
"Well," said she, "do you remember who put it there." "Yes," said he, "I put it there." And all the past seemed to rush upon him. By the memory of that day, when in the presence of man and an arrival and the past was a seemed to rush upon him. By the man or child who can read will want to read it. presence of men and angels you prom ised to be faithful in joy and sorrow, and in sickness and in health; by the memory of those pleasant hours when you sat together in your new house talking of a bright future; by the cra dle and the excited hour when one life was spared and another given; by that sick bed, when the little one lifted up the hands and called for help and you knew he must die, and he put one arm around each of your necks and brought you very near together in that dying kis-; by the little grave in the cemethat you never think without a rush of tears; of without a rush of tears; by the family Bible, where in its stories of heavenly love is the brief but expressive record of births and deaths; by the neglects of the past and by the agonies of the future; by a judgment day, when husbands and wives, parents and children, in immor tal groups, will stand to be caught up in shining array, or to shrink down into darkness—by all that I beg you to give to your home your best affections. look in your eyes to-day, and I ask you the question that Gehazi asked of the Shunammite: "Is it well with thee? Is it well with thy husband? Is it well with thy child?" God grant that t may be everlastingly well

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