

Prosper

Every farmer wants to prosper, though many are far from it. Now and then outside circumstances prevent success, but in most cases the real cause of half or total failure is found in the methods employed. When this is the case the man has it in his power to become successful. He has but to inform himself as to better farm methods; and then work industriously, wait patiently and hopefully. He should by all means keep up hope, not become discouraged; stay in the fight. No one is whipped till he gives up.

Great success may not come in a year, but if one gets on the right road he need not worry if he has some distance to travel yet. All he will have to do to arrive at the desired point is to keep moving. Success in farming is not arrived at by leaps or bounds, but by going steadily forward in a methodical way.

All who fail to be successful should first of all firmly resolve to succeed. This requires that hope shall be kept alive and strong. Most of the unsuccessful should also resolve that their methods will be improved as soon as they learn how. Study will be needed. Reading will have to be done, but the helpful suggestions of successful farmers that can be got in every neighborhood should not be despised. Don't go to the unsuccessful to learn. Those who succeed are the ones to seek information from. Any Southern farmer who is capable of resolving to succeed and of working resolutely and with ordinary intelligence will win out.

Immigrants

Captain J. F. Merry, the general General Immigration Agent of the Illinois Central and the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley Railroad Companies, reports that from June 30, 1905, to June 30, 1906, 914 families from points north of the Ohio river were located at points contiguous to the Illinois Central and Yazoo & Mississippi Valley Railroads in West Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana. This report does not include the many families who located at New Orleans,

Memphis, Jackson, Vicksburg and other large cities of those states. In addition to these, upward of three hundred Italian families were located in the same territory during the same period.

He has also just completed a manuscript for an illustrated one hundred and twenty-five page pamphlet concerning The Yazoo-Mississippi Valley, which the noted correspondent, William E. Curtis, declares is the richest valley on this hemisphere. The Captain does not regard the locating of 1,200 families in one year as a remarkable showing, but in view of the stringent quarantine regulations, during the first quarter of the year, he is inclined to think the results are all that could reasonably have been expected. Captain Merry expects the hearty co-operation of every citizen of Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana in making his report for next year read 2,000 families instead of 1,200. All who would like to assist the Illinois Central in bringing the right class of immigrants South should write Captain J. F. Merry at Manchester, Iowa, for a supply of his literature.

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W. S. Turner, Crawford, Miss.

EDITOR GAZETTE:

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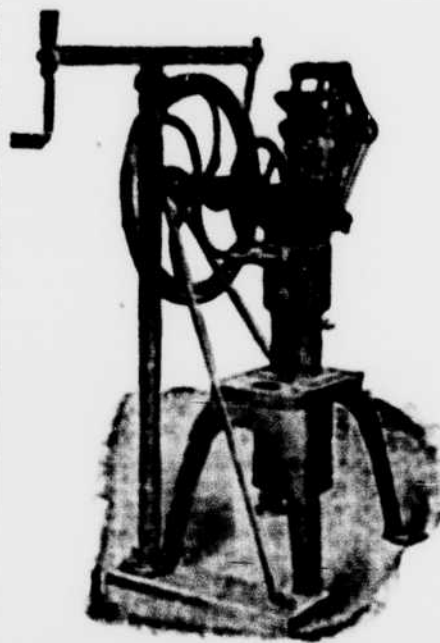
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