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Farms of the South.

While it is true that the industrial development of the south is going forward with amazing rapidity, it is nevertheless true that, by virtue of the extent of the agricultural interests of the south, agriculture is yet the foundation of the business of that section. A change from poverty to prosperity of the farmer, and a change from land without a selling value to land in demand at an advance of from 50 to 150 per cent. over the nominal price of one or two years ago, is the most far-reaching development in southern advancement of the last quarter of a century. It is farreaching in many ways, says the Manufacturers' Record. It means that within the last year or two southern farm properties have increased not less than \$1,000,000,000 in value, probably at least \$1,500,000,000. But more than that, it means that under the improved financial condition the southern farmer has gained new courage, new backbone, that he has learned how to market his cotton crop; that he has fought to a finish the great battle as to whether the producer or the speculator is to control the fight, the entire handling of cotton from the field to the factors with the facto the field to the factory, whether the factory be in this country or in Europe, has entered upon an entirely new stage in its history. It also means that land will be more thoroughly cultivated, for the successful man, whether he be a farmer, a merchant, or a manufacturer, is always better able to work to good advantage than the one who is fighting a losing battle. During the last six years the total value of the cotton crop, including seed, has been \$3,600,000,000, against \$2,190,000,000 for the preceding six years, showing a gain in the last six years over the preceding six of over \$1,400,000,000. It is not, however, due to this great increase in cotton alone that the southern farmer is in better shape. More and more has the diversification of agriculture gone on; the meathouse at home rather than in

A Kansas woman, Mrs. A. J. Stanley, of Lincoln, has been awarded a prize of \$250 by a Boston firm for the best answer to the question: "What constitutes success?" She wrote: "He has achieved success who has lived the others capsized.

Two of the men who remained with the schooner left on a raft, he left on the gang plank and the fourth remained. Several ships passed Summer best are distance before he was picked up by a boat from the Europa. He thinks he was the sole survivor. has achieved success wno has lived well, laughed often and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love of little children; who has filled his niche and ac complished his task; who has left the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem or a rescued soul; who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it; who has always looked for the best in others and given the best he had; whose life was an inspiration; whose memory a bene-

A federal law providing that all package goods made articles of interstate commerce should be marked with the real weight of their contents might be useful and proper, asserts the New York Tribune. Bottles should indicate their actual capacity, and, as in Germany and France, they should be marked by lines in the glass, so that a customer at a glance can tell just how much fluid one of them contains. A full package law, we believe, would have the support not only of the public, but also of the great majority of packers and dealers Business is crippled, not strengthened by deceit and trickery. The average American wants a square deal, both in business and in politics.

A New York publishing house that got out a holiday edition of Dickens Christmas stories received the following remarkable letter a day or two "Charles Dickens, city. Dear We should very much like to book your order for all press clippings about you and your book, which appear in the various publications in the world. Of all the clippings bureaus ours is the one which can give you the promptest and most intelligent service. Yours faithfully, ---.

EIGHT DEAD. LIFE IS ENDED

Hampshire Home.

FAMILY MURDERED WAS 70 YEARS OLD

Charles Ayer, a Farmer, Killed Seven He was the Most Successful Mer-Persons and Then Committed Suicide.

Pembroke, N. H., Jan. 18.—Seven persons, all members of the family of Charles Ayer, are supposed to have perished in a fire which yesterday destroyed Ayer's farmhouse, near here. The bodies of a child and of Ayer's mother-in-law have been found in the ruins. Mrs. Ayer and four children are missing and it is feared that they, too, are victims of the fire.

The theory of the county authorities is that Ayer was the murderer, but up to a late hour they had been unable to find any evidence to indicate the methods employed to wipe out the family. Whether the victims were shot, or killed by other means, cannot be told at present. Up to a late hour only charred fragments of two of the victims had been recovered, although persons who visited the scene of the fire thought that they observed two other trunks in the blazing ruins. The victims of the tragedy were:
Charles F. Ayer, aged 43, killed himself by shooting.
Mrs. Addie Ayer, his wife.

Mrs. Isaac Lakeman, Ayer's mother-in-law. Flossie Ayer, aged 12.

Flossie Ayer, aged 12.
Alfred Ayer, aged 10.
Bernice Ayer, aged 6.
Andrew Ayer, aged 4, and a girl
baby, all children of the Ayers.
The fire occurred about 9 o'clock in the morning and Ayer drove up to the home of his sister, Mrs. George Bailey, in the town of Chichester, about six miles from his home, just after 10 o'clock. He remained at Mrs. Bailey's place during the afternoon and when informed that his buildings had been burned manifested some agitation. A moment later he drew a revolver and, pointing it at his right temple, fired and fell unconscious. He died last

ONE SURVIVOR IS FOUND.

Twelve Persons are Believed to Have Perished Because of the Wreck of a Schooner.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 18.-Adrift on a gang plank from 9 o'clock last Saturday morning until 5 o'clock Monday afternoon without food or water, Earl Sumner, the only known surviving member of a party of 13 people aboard the four-masted schooner Robert H. Stevenson, was picked up by the German steamer Europa, bound from Philadelphia for Savannah, Monday afternoon and brought to Savannah yesterday. Besides the ship's crew there were four women board, all going to Havana on a pleasure trip.

The Stevenson, loaded with coal, sailed from Philadelphia January 8. diversification of agriculture gone on; more and more have fruit growing and truck raising, "hog and hominy," with the meathouse at home rather than in first mate and two men being drowned. This fate he witnessed. He thinks the west, been developed throughout the the others capsized.

ON THE FIRST BALLOT.

Clement Fallieres Is Elected President It Has Been Discovered in the State Treasury of Kansas.

Paris, Jan. 13,-The national assembly met yesterday in the palace at Versallies for the election of a presi-dent of the republic. The assembly consists nominally of 591 deputies and 300 senators, but owing to deaths, ill-summary of the report prepared by ness and the passage of some of the deputies to the senate, leaving their seats vacant, the number present was decrease of about 850, making 425 rotes necessary to elect a new president.

M. Clement Armand Fallieres, president of the senate, was elected, re-ceiving 449 votes to 371 for M. Dou-mer, president of the chamber of

deputies.

In all 849 voters were present. The final figures were: M. Fallieres 449, M. Doumer 371. Scattered 28. One voter abstained from depositing his

M. Fallieres returned to Paris from M. Failletes returned by a military Versailles escorted by a military guard of honor. He will take over his new duties February 18. He is 64 years of age and is noted as an orator.

Ship Foundered at Sea. Funchal, Madeira, Jan. 18.—The Norwegian ship Servia foundered at sea January 11. Capt. Sorensen and his crew were rescued from the Servia by the German ship Kalliope. The Kalliope put in at this port yesterday and landed the shipwrecked seamen

Bondsmen Paid \$425,000.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 18.—State Treasurer Mathues received notice yesterday that a check for \$425,000, to his order, had been deposited with the Pittsburg Trust Co. by the personal bondsmen of the defunct Enterprise national bank of Allegheny. This makes \$801,755.37 paid to the state out of the \$1,030,000 of state funds on de-

A German Statesman Dies. Berlin, Jan. 18 .- Baron Von Richthofen, secretary of foreign affairs died last night.

Awful Tragedy in a New Marshall Field, Merchant Prince, Is Dead.

chant of Modern Times--A Biographical Sketch.

New York, Jan. 17.—Marshall Field, the millionaire Chicago merchant, died at the Holland house at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon after an eight days illness of pneumonia. Death came Death came peacefully while members of the fam ily who had been in almost constant attendance for several days were gathered around the death bed. They as well as the dying merchant were prepared for the end.

Marshall Field was without question the greatest and most successful merthe greatest and most successful mer-chant of his generation and he was one of the world's richest men, his wealth being estimated at anywhere from \$100,000,000 to \$200,000,000. He was a native of Conway, Mass., where he was born in 1835. At the age of 17 he became a clerk in a store in Pitts-field, Mass., where he remained four years. He went to Chicago in 1856 and began his career in that city as a clerk in the wholesale dry goods es-tablishment of Cooley, Wadsworth &

During the four years that he remained with this house he showed marked commercial ability and in 1860 he was given a partnership. The late Levi Z. Leiter was also connected with the firm, and in 1865 the two young men withdrew and in company with Potter Palmer they organized the firm of Field, Palmer & Leiter, which continued until 1867, when Mr. Palmer withdrew and the firm became Field, Leiter & Co. This continued until 1881, when Mr. Leiter retired and the firm became known as Marshall Field

nrm became known as Marshall Field & Co., as it is to-day.

The house forged to the front very rapidly, and it is now the largest enterprise of its kind in the world, having numerous branches throughout Europe and Asia. Its remarkable success is attributed almost entirely to Mr. Field and his methods. He made it a rule never to borrow money and never to issue a note. He paid cash for everything he bought, not only in for everything he bought, not only in connection with his dry goods enterprise, but for all of his dealings in real estate and in other investments. The great fire of 1871 was the only reverse ever experienced by the house of Marshall Field & Co. Its losses at that time aggregated ever \$1,000,000. that time aggregated over \$1,000,000. At the close of the world's fair, in 1893, Mr. Field endowed with \$1,000,-000 the museum known as the Field Columbian Museum, for which a home valued at \$8,000,000 is shortly to be erected in the heart of Chicago. He later gave to the University of Chi-cago land valued at \$450,000 to be

used for athletic purposes.

He was prominently mentioned as a vice presidential candidate on the democratic ticket in 1904. He was several times offered second place on the ticket, but refused to accept it.

Mr. Field was twice married, his first wife having died several years ago. Mrs. Field left two calldren, the company of the compan

ago. Mrs. Field left two children, Ethel, now married and residing at Leamington, England, and Marshall Field, jr., who accidentally shot himself at his home in Chicago November 22, 1905, and died five days later. Sep-tember 5, 1905, Mr. Field was married in London, England, to Mrs. Caton, widow of Arthur Caton, of Chicago.

A \$78,000 SHORTAGE.

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 17.-A total shortage in the Kansas state treasury of about \$78,000 is shown by the re-port of Accountant Morris in the ex-Gov. Hoch and made public Tuesday afternoon. The report covers all the transactions made by the state treasurers from January 1, 1898, to June 30, 1905, including the two full terms of ex-State Treasurer Frank Grimes and one term and six months of the administration of Thomas T. Kelley, the present state treasurer.

The larger part of the shortage ap pears in the accounts of the office during the Grimes administration. Of the total of \$78,000, \$60,000 is due to missing coupons from bonds owned by the state school fund and \$18,000 is due to loss of interest on warrants is sued by the territory of Oklahoma to the state of Kansas.

Four Men Killed.

New York, Jan. 17.—Two negro tun-nel workers were killed by suffocation and caisson disease, two were drowned, two others were seriously over come, and the white foreman and as sistant suffered severely in rescuing those who survived, when a com-pressed air pipe burst in the East river tunnel on Man o'War reef, opposite Forty-second street, Tuesday

Grand Jury Indicted County Officials. Owosso, Mich., Jan. 17.-Forty-four indictments were brought in Tuesday restigating Shiawassee county af-fairs and the construction of the new court house. All but five of the indict. ments are against members of the board of supervisors.

A \$300,000 Fire.

Russellville, Ark., Jan. 17.—Fire that broke out here Monday night wiped out the entire business district and entailed an aggregate loss of

WEE MAID'S MORAL VICTORY

One Time That the Arch Tempter Failed to Accomplish His Purpose.

Miss Clara Logan, and Queen Titania, of the Asbury Park baby parade, sat by a log fire telling stories of children, relates the Washington Post.

"A lady," she said, "reclined on a couch in her library one night, with the light low, trying in vain to go to sleep. "Beside her, on a table, was a dish of fine fruit.

"As she lay there she saw her little daughter tiptoe into the room in her long, white nightgown. The child, thinking her mother asleep, advanced cautiously to the table, took a bunch of grapes, and stole out again.

"The mother was grieved at such misconduct on the part of her good little daughter, but she said nothing.

"Five minutes passed. Then back into the room again crept the child, the grapes in her hand and untouched. She replaced them on the dish, and as she departed her mother heard her mutter:

"That's the time you got left, Mr. Devil."

Don't Wait.

Hanna, Wyo., Jan. 15th (Special).—Delays are dangerous. Don't wait until all the awful symptoms of Kidney Disease develop in your system, and your physician shakes his head gravely as he diagnoses your case. If you suspect your kidneys, turn at once to the great Kidney Specific—Dodd's Kidney Pills. You can do so with every confidence. A few of Dodd's Kidney Pills taken in time have saved many a life. The early symptoms of Kidney Disorder may be the forerunners of Bright's Disease, Diabetes and Dropsy. Mr. W. H. Jeffries, a resident here, tells below how he treated an attack of Kidney Trouble. He says:—

"Before I commenced taking Dodd's Kidney Pills, I had always a tired feeling every morning when I got out of my bed, and my Kidneys were in very bad shape. There was always a dull heavy pain across my loins, and I had hard work to stoop. I took two boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills, the tired feeling and back pains have entirely gone, and I am now cured." Don't Wait.

Longing for Fame.

"I suppose you are glad to have espected all notoriety in connection with ese financial exposures?"

I dunno," answered Mr. Cumrox, one times I think mother and the girls suld rather see my name in the paper at way than not at all."—Washington ac.

FOUR YEARS OF AGONY.

Whole Foot Nothing But Proud Flesh -Had to Use Crutches-"Cuticura Remedies the Best on Earth."

"In the year 1899 the side of my right foot was cut off from the little toe down to the heel, and the physician who had charge of me was trying to sew up the side of my foot, but with no success. At last my whole foot and way up above my calf was nothing but proud flesh. I suffered untold agonies for four years, and tried different physicians and all kinds of ointments. I could walk only with crutches. In two weeks afterwards I saw a change in my limb. Then I began using Cuticura Soap and Ointment often during the day and kept it up for seven months, when my limb was healed up just the same as if I never had trouble. It is eight months now since I stopped using Cuticura Remedies, the best on God's earth. I am working at the present day, after five years of suffering. The cost of Cuticura Ointupent and Soap was only \$6: but the doctors' bills were more like \$690. John M. Lloyd, 718 S. Arch Ave., Alliance, Ohio, June 27, 1905."

New Office.

Orville Nemiss—How do you know we are going to have a storm?
Capt. Salter—We have a man in the forecastle forecasting it.—Pittsburg Chronicie-Telegraph.

To Cure a Cold in One Day Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets, Druggists refund money if it fails to cure, E.W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25a

The general consensus of masculine opinion has always been that intellect was the most desirable quality in a man, and the most undesirable in a woman.

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When a girl boasts that a young man is crazy to marry her, the chances are she is somewhat daffy herself.

Piso's Cure cannot be too highly spoken of as a cough cure.—J. W. O'Brien, 322 Third Ave., N., Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 6, 1990.

Half the time when a man thinks he is having fun it is only because he is forgetting his misery.—N. Y. Press.

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