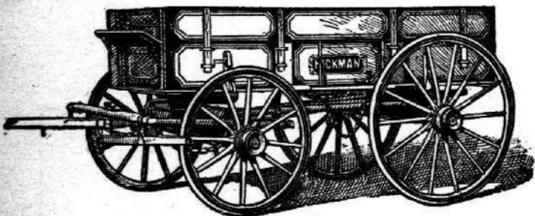


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Succession Notice.
No. 15,750—First District Court, Parish of Caddo, State of Louisiana: Succession of Grant Berry. Notice is hereby given that H. A. Winter, administrator, has this day filed a tableau of debts in said succession, and unless opposition be made thereto within the time specified by law, the same will be duly homologated as prayed for.
Witness the Hon. E. W. Sutherland, Judge of said court, this 8th day of April 1912. F. A. LEONARD, Clerk.

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COTTON MARKET

Office of The Caucasian, Shreveport, La., April 18, 1912.

Shreveport Market.

The market closed firm 1-16 up.
Receipts 179 bales.
Low middling10 7-8
Middling10 1-4
Good middling11 15-16

Shreveport Receipts

Stock on hand Sept. 1.....437
Rec'd this day179
Rec'r previously.....140,317 140,496

Total stock to date140,930
Shipments to date133,91p
Net stock on hand7,588
Same day last year11,008

Comparative Statement.

| | This yr | Last yr |
|--------------------|---------|---------|
| Since yesterday | 179 | 0 |
| Same day last year | 0 | 0 |
| Thus far this week | 185 | 0 |
| Thus far last year | 123 | 48 |
| Since Sept. 1 | 140,496 | 104,436 |
| Stock on hand | 7,588 | 11,408 |

Local Receipts.

| | This week | 1911 | 1910 |
|----------|-----------|------|------|
| Saturday | 20 | 66 | 0 |
| Monday | 15 | 9 | 0 |
| Tuesday | 144 | 30 | 0 |
| Wed'day | 27 | 18 | 48 |
| Thursday | 179 | 0 | 0 |
| Friday | 33 | 53 | 0 |
| Total | 385 | 156 | 102 |

THE STEAMER TITANIC.

A Version of the Wreck Given from St. Johns, N. F.—The Titanic Going at High Speed When the Collision with Iceberg Occurred.

It may be said that in the greatest number of accidents the main cause when traced develops carelessness or recklessness. This may be applied to disasters in coal mines, to the tragedies of the sea or on land, which claim the lives of hundreds and thousands, besides the maiming of scores who have escaped death.

This observation as applied to the wreck of the Titanic may not be sustained, but it would seem singular that in a sea filled with ice and floating icebergs that greater diligence was not observed against the possibility of accident. Perhaps over confidence in the strength of the Titanic to withstand impacts with the ice and icebergs led to the disregard of prudence which would have been observed by the commander of steamers of lesser dimensions than of the Titanic.

It has already been reported that the French liner La Touraine had communicated on April 12 in the afternoon to the Titanic of great icebergs, which the La Touraine had avoided, which was acknowledged.

The version from St. Johns, N. F., would indicate that when the Titanic struck the iceberg she was going at eighteen knots. The story as related by a special to the Times-Democrat from St. Johns, N. F., April 17, goes on to say in detail that the impact was so terrific as to abate to render the ship asunder. The decking was broken through, the sides crumpled in as though so much cardboard, and the bulkheads forming the watertight compartments, upon which such great reliance was placed, were crushed in from the bow to nearly midships.

This version of the wreck is credited to the British steamer Bruce, which was in port on March 19, and is now en route to Sydney, N. S. She is supposed to have picked up by wireless the story from other ships that were near the Titanic, and from others which took up the thread from that time as they got it from intercepted wireless messages.

There is no support for the sensational narrative, except for the insistence of the statement that when the crash came the Titanic was making high speed.

The version of the wreck credited to the Bruce says that the force of the collision smashed several of the boats and all of the upper works to pieces. The ship is said to have piled up bow on, the force of the blow being greater on the port side, which tore to pieces, causing her to list far over, almost turning turtle. She is declared to have struck with such speed and momentum as to rear half out of the water, beating her bottom off on the jagged submerged ice from the bow clear to midship as she crashed ahead before her engines could be reversed.

Then the compartments flooded and she began to settle by the head. The watertight compartments abaft mid section kept her afloat, but the strain grew greater each moment. She rolled heavily in the trough of a heavy sea. She had a wide list to port. Only the most superficial examination was needed to show that she was doomed. From stem to stern she was shorn and shocked from the greatest ship afloat to a rapidly sinking hulk.

The officers and crew, aided by the passengers, succeeded in keeping perfect order for a time. It was long enough for most of the boats to be launched. Less than 1,000 persons had been embarked when the cry went up: "She's sinking." From order the crowd changed instantly to frenzy, and rushed madly for the lifeboats within reach. Some of these were swamped by the overcrowding. Others were smashed to pieces against the davits in being lowered away. The Titanic settled, rather than sank, but the water rose higher in her with greater speed each minute. By the time those boats that had got clear were away from immediate danger, the water had reached the engine room. The dynamo was rendered useless, and the wireless failed. At the same time all the lights went out. Death came to those aboard her in darkness.

The story may be exaggerated, but the truth will be known and he told when the steamer Carathia shall have reached New York this evening or night or tomorrow.

Weather Forecast.

Local forecast for Shreveport and vicinity: Probably fair tonight and Friday; warmer Friday.

The Election in New Orleans.

The Times-Democrat says that complete returns of the vote in New Orleans showed that H. S. Suthon, Republican candidate for Governor, polled only 1541 out of 21,761 votes cast, just 7 per cent. This was fully 1,000 short of what the Republican leaders expected in the city.

Thomas H. Harris, Democratic nominee for Superintendent of Education, was scratched by many voters throughout the State, returns show. Mr. Harris incurred the displeasure of the independent element through his course in taking the stump for John T. Michel, ring candidate for Governor, after he had secured his own nomination without opposition. Mr. Harris probably will run 1,500 to 2,000 votes behind the head of the ticket. In New Orleans he was scratched by 580 Democrats, A. C. Carpenter, the Republican nominee for Superintendent of Education, ran 127 votes ahead of his ticket.

Judge Hall's majority in New Orleans is 19,605, and his plurality 19,652. His majority in the city is the second largest ever given a gubernatorial candidate by the city electorate. Jared Y. Sanders secured the largest vote four years ago—22,446. The total vote on Governor in the city stands: Hall 20,473; Suthon 1,541; Jones 47. Judge Hall's probable majority in the State is estimated at 40,000.

Dr. Aswell Visits Pineville Institution.

Alexandria Town Talk April 15: Hon. J. B. Aswell, who was a visitor in this city last week during the State Teachers Association meeting, visited the State Hospital for the Insane at Pineville on Saturday afternoon as a guest of Dr. J. N. Thomas, the superintendent. Mr. Aswell left on Saturday night for his home at Natchitoches, and before leaving stated to a representative of the Town Talk that he was greatly interested in what he saw at the Pineville institution, and that too much praise can not be given Dr. Thomas for the most excellent work he has accomplished for the unfortunate of that institution. He said that everything pointed to the fact that the doctor is thoroughly alive to his work and devoted to it. That it was perfectly marvelous to see the many improvements and innovations that he had made at the institution in the face of the fact that the funds for this work are quite limited. Dr. Aswell was pleased with the general air of the institution, which he said was wholesome and altogether modern. The life of the inmate is along different lines from that of the inmate of other similar institutions. They are, through a method inaugurated by Dr. Thomas, made partially self-supporting, and, likewise happier, and their health improved.

The Sunday School Convention.

The next annual session of the Sunday School Convention will be held in Alexandria. The annual banquet of the Life Membership Club was held yesterday afternoon in the basement of the Baptist church, with George M. Hearne presiding. The banquet was prepared by the ladies of the Dunlap Memorial. It was complete in its every detail and fully enjoyed.

The work of the convention is progressing satisfactorily. Its influence for good in this community could not be over-estimated. If it were not for the churches and the Sunday schools and all the schools, public and private, how long would there be peace on earth? All laws and morality would be defied and there would soon be a hell on earth.

Attention Veterans Forrest Cavalry.

Headquarters for the Forrest Cavalry Corps at our next general reunion will be rooms 108 and 110 Hotel Lanier, Macon, Ga. All members of the corps are requested to call and register and secure badges. They are requested to make it their social headquarters, for meeting and fighting battles over with the comrades they meet.

And you are especially requested to be present at 10 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday, May 8, 1912, and unite in the election of a new commander and the transaction of any business of the corps. H. I. TYLER, Lieut. Gen. Commanding The Forrest Cavalry Corps.

AUTOMOBILE WRECKED.

Narrow Escape Made by Two Shreveport Gentlemen.

Yesterday evening about 6:30 o'clock as Mr. Sam Guy was crossing the K. C. S. railroad track near his home on King's Highway, he was run into by the 6:20 passenger train from the south. The car was badly wrecked. Mr. Guy escaped with bruises.

The other accident occurred on Laurel street this morning near the viaduct. Mr. Carl Barrel, son of Hon. T. C. Barrel in his \$5,000 Lozier car was speeding with Mr. T. D. Smith, who was driving a National. Mr. Barrel's car struck the unpaved section of the street and backed down the embankment, almost demolishing the machine. Fortunately no one was seriously hurt. The damage to the Lozier was about \$2,000.

The Wreck of the Titanic.

New Orleans Picayune: The ship was the largest that has ever sailed the seas, was fitted up with every luxury which modern transatlantic travel demands and equipped with every safety device that human ingenuity has invented. There was no thought that such a ship could meet with serious accident, much less disaster, yet she now lies at the bottom of the North Atlantic, shattered and crushed by a gigantic iceberg, her thick steel sides and enormous bulk crumbling up as readily against the mountain of ice as if she were built of straw instead of massive iron.

Had it not been for the wireless telegraph, which flashed the ship's awful predicament far and wide over the ocean, the fate of the great liner might never have been known, and one more mystery would have been added to the long list so familiar to men who go down to the sea in ships. The aerial wail for help was heard by many ships and on shore more than a thousand miles away, and many have been saved from a watery grave in consequence who would otherwise be numbered among the missing. But not even the wireless telegraph was able to save the great ship from foundering or prevent a large number of her passengers and crew from going down with her.

Meningitis Report.

For Thursday noon, April 18: No new cases.
Summary: Total cases 413; total deaths 41; recoveries 57; remaining under treatment 15.

A. A. HEROLD, M. D., Health Officer.

Pleaded Guilty.

The case of Bernard Labisque was called for trial today in the District Court, Judge Bell. The prisoner pleaded guilty to assault with a dangerous weapon. Labisque had waylaid his employer, Lamarque, on the roads and threatened to kill him. The dispute was over \$125.00 which Labisque claimed was due him by Lamarque.

Rainfall.

The Weather Bureau, J. W. Cronk forecaster, reports: Precipitation has been generally unimportant, except scattered light to heavy rain falls in the eastern part of the cotton belt. Moderately cold weather has been prevalent over the north west half of the belt. The rainfall at Bainbridge, Ga., was 2 inches; Waycross, Ga., 2 inches. Light frost was recorded at Fort Smith, Ark.

River Forecast.

Red River: A slight change or fall will occur from Fulton to Shreveport during the next 48 hours.

Sulphur River: More or less rise is indicated at Finley during the next 48 hours.

Bar Association Meeting Postponed.

The meeting of the State Bar Association scheduled to be held in Shreveport tomorrow and Saturday has been postponed. This action is suggested on account of the flood from the Mississippi river which would restrain the attendance from the parishes submerged, besides the festivities of such a gathering would seem inharmonious, especially when the condition of the sufferers by flood is considered.

A Suit of Unusual Interest.

There is being tried in the District Court, civil section, Judge E. W. Sutherland, a suit of unusual interest. The suit is entitled H. M. Russell et al vs. Producers Oil Company. The issue is on the location of a well from which there has been produced several hundred barrels of oil. Engineers have failed to agree on the location and the court must decide. In this suit is involved a value of two hundred thousand and royalties.

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A TIP FOR CORN GROWERS.

A Practical Experience Related for the Good of All Concerned.

As a rule, this season being an exception, the farmers and planters of this section of the State have planted their acres to corn. For instance last year the corn was up and growing luxuriantly and was receiving the necessary attention. This year, owing to the cold wintry rains, the acreage planted to corn is limited.

Corn is the staff of life and the farmer without corn is at the greatest disadvantage. He may plant cotton, but without corn he can not escape embarrassment.

In considering the all important question of corn, G. E. Gilmer, who is a practical and successful farmer, suggests that as the usual season for planting corn in this section is now passed by thirty to sixty days, and owing to the very unusual weather conditions, but little has yet been planted, and in many cases the land has not been broken, he wishes to call the farmers' attention to the urgent necessity of using every effort of yet obtaining a good yield.

With the great corn markets practically bare already, and a crop yet to be made which will require much feed stuff, with a large part of the richest corn belt of the United States inundated by floods, preventing the planting of these lands at the usual season, and perhaps destroying any surplus that may have been in bins, and corn seed famine over the entire country, corn growers can reasonably expect top prices next season.

He wishes to warn the farmers of this section against the too hasty preparation of their corn lands. Cotton may be muddled in on poorly prepared land and good results expected, but not so with corn. Corn land must be well prepared, otherwise failure is inevitable. We still have thirty days in which to plant native varieties, and sixty when the June or Mexican corn is planted.

Don't break your corn land while your land is wet; when you break see that it is done deep and thoroughly; do it well, even if you have to plant a smaller acreage than you had expected. One acre well prepared will make more corn than three half prepared. Break at least eight inches deep. If your land is sandy and you have already broken once, re-break, the heavy rains of the past few weeks having packed it tighter than it was before you broke it. Corn roots will not penetrate

hard tight lands. Every well developed stalk of corn is supposed to have a mile of roots. If these roots are not allowed a mellow seed bed so they can get out and hunt food and moisture, your corn will suffer from poverty and drought, and the result will be a short crop.

To those who have already planted and have gotten stands up, he advises, on account of the heavy rains we have had to plow your corn the first time as deep as you broke the eight inches deep, see if you can not break it this deep at this plowing. At this stage of the crop the roots will not be pruned sufficient to do damage; after this, work frequent and shallow. Keep your turn plows out of your corn field after the land is broken; use shovel plows or gophers; keep your land as near level as possible.

Follow these directions and make corn. If you don't, you will pay a fancy price for it next season. There has never been a time when it has been more important for our farmers to give corn their closest attention than the present. Everything points to a short crop the present season, following an already short supply.

There is a general impression in this section that April corn does not give good yields, and many who do not get their corn planted in February or March wait until May. My experience has proven this idea erroneous. The best corn I ever made was planted the middle of April, and my friends know that I have made some pretty good corn. My advice is not to plant until your land is right and prepared right—then plant just as soon as you can. Make your slogan "deep and thorough preparation, fast and shallow cultivation," and you will raise corn, planted in April or any other month during the corn season.

The State Election.

There was a light vote polled Tuesday. The Democratic ticket was practically without opposition. The election supervisors for Caddo Parish, Hon. W. H. Scheen, Marmduke Ward, registrar of voters, and Hon. W. C. Agurs, are canvassing the returns. The results may be ready this evening for official promulgation.

River Stage.

Denison 3.5, a fall of 0.4; Arthur City 10.7, fall of 0.3; White Cliffs no report; Fulton 23.9, fall of 0.9; Ringo Crossing 17.1, fall of 1.5; Finley 22.0, rise of 2.2; Spring Bank 27.1, fall of 0.3; Shreveport 18.9, fall of 0.2.

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| Corrugated Roofing | 200 tons | Forges and Blowers | 1 carload |
| Shafting | 150 tons | Fire Brick | 1 carload |
| Bolts | 200 tons | Fire Clay | 1 carload |
| Fittings and Valves | 5 carloads | Wire Rope | 1 carload |
| Boiler Tubes | 2 carloads | Wood Split Pulleys | 2 carloads |
| Channels, Angles and Beams | 3 carloads | Cast Iron Pulleys | 4 carloads |
| Track Spikes | 4 carloads | and machines making more every day. | |
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| Nuts | 2 carloads | Leather Belting up to | 24 inch |
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