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Our trade balance is certainly not found wanting.

In congress there were not enough votes for
women.

Congress agrees with old Doc Johnson, that na-
ture, having given women so much power, the law
should wisely allow her none at all.

The City and the Fair.

Atlanta's finest spirit spoke through the delega-
tion of business men who appeared before the
Finance Committee of Council on Tuesday and urged
a municipal appropriation of seventy-five thousand
dollars for the projected Southeastern Fair. Those
gentlemen represented the people's common interests
— the industry and commerce, the labor and capital,
the needs and the opportunities of the entire com-
munity. They showed that the exposition idea is
backed by public sentiment that it commands the
hearty, definite support of the Chamber of Commerce
and the Board of County Commissioners, and that it
will be pressed surely and swiftly to execution as
soon as the City's aid is pledged.

The Finance Committee and the General Council
never faced a richer opportunity to promote Atlanta's
vital interests. The proposed fair is the most timely
and altogether the most important enterprise that
has been conceived for this city within a decade. If
carried duly into effect, it will mean employment for
hundreds of men at a season when employment is
sorely needed; it will mean encouragement to lagging
industries; it will mean cheer and stimulus to every
sphere of business; it will mean new prestige for At-
lanta and quickened prosperity for the entire South-
east.

An appropriation of seventy-five thousand dollars
each from the Board of County Commissioners and
from the Chamber of Commerce is assured, provided
the City Government appropriates seventy-five thou-
sand. Thus, as a member of the delegation expressed
it, the county and the business men are ready to
spend two dollars on the City's property for every
dollar spent by the City itself. Such an offer cannot
be rejected in reason or justice.

The Finance Committee should, and we believe will
provide for the needed appropriation in the January
budget.

The forecast for Alabama is for a long dry spell.

Governor Blease seems to be determined not to
go out as a lamb.

The weather is welcomed, even if it did come a
day later than scheduled.

Resources Beyond Cotton.

We of the South have reckoned so long in terms
of cotton that we are likely to undervalue other re-
sources, despite their greater importance. Cotton,
with its seed included, constitutes less than twenty-
nine per cent of the income from Southern farm
products, and when compared with the aggregate out-
put of Southern factories, forests and mines the re-
turns from the largest crop of cotton sold at the
highest price seem paltry.

The eight billion dollars yielded the South by cot-
ton during the last nine years is only four hundred
million more than the average annual production of
the South's industry and agriculture, exclusive of
cotton. The Manufacturers' Record, which is authority
for this estimate based upon carefully gathered
figures, presents an impressive statement of the rela-
tive values of the South's food harvests and its cot-
ton crop. The following table has reference to the
year 1913:

Crops	Values
Corn	\$76,652,400
Hay	135,402,000
Wheat	111,633,000
Oats	71,974,000
Irish potatoes	37,611,000
Tobacco	95,945,000
Barley	642,000
Sw. potatoes	27,600,000
Rye	2,471,000
Rice	21,797,000
Flaxseed	68,000
Buckwheat	1,372,000

The value of the cotton crop for the year in
which the foregoing food crops were raised was ap-
proximately one billion, forty-nine million dollars.
That is impressive enough when considered alone,
but it falls far short of the value of any group of
the principal food crops. The South's dependence
upon cotton has been more imaginary than real; a
custom rather than a need, and certainly a mis-
fortune rather than an advantage.

Nearly half of January is gone, and gone, too, are
some of the month's resolutions.

A former Maine governor is now taking a course
in agriculture. Probably with a view of being better
able to advise the farmers if he should reenter public
life.

How Georgia Merchants
Can Serve the State.

In response to an appeal from the State Cham-
ber of Commerce, hundreds of merchants are agree-
ing to buy Georgia-grown corn, hay, oats, wheat
and other food staples, which are up to market
standards and are prepared for commercial han-
dling, at prices current for Western products of the
same kind and quality. This course is clearly to
the interest of the merchants as well as to that of
the farmers and of the public; and if adopted generally
at centers of trade, it will lead this Common-
wealth to an epoch of good business and broad pros-
perity.

The necessity for curtailing the cotton acreage
this year and for extending food crops is manifest.

Any other policy will expose the State to just such
peril and hardships as befell last autumn. A large
or even average output of cotton in 1915 will bur-
den the planter, the merchant and business at large
with the same dark difficulties from which they are
now emerging. To prevent this disaster, every interest
in the State must exert itself, and they all must
work together.

The farmer is urged to sow grain and to raise
forage, vegetables and livestock; but unless he is
assured of a market for such commodities he cannot
be expected to venture very far in their production.
He knows that heretofore there has been no dependable
outlet for food crops; every possible convenience
for the sale of cotton has been provided, but scant
accommodation, if any, has been given home grown foodstuffs. A wagonload of cotton
could be converted into cash without difficulty or
delay; but a wagonload of corn, peas or potatoes
could not be sold except at great pains and often at a
loss. This condition must be remedied, if Georgia
is to escape another crisis; and it is largely from
the merchants that a remedy must come.

True the foreighnt farmer will raise enough food
supplies to meet his own needs, regardless of the
market situation. Efficient farmers have done that
always. But it is not they who make Georgia's
problem at this decisive juncture of affairs. It is
the rank and file, the thousands of tenants, men
who are governed by the facts immediately about
them, rather than by tendencies or by oncoming
needs. Nor will the production of merely enough
foodstuffs to supply families on the farm suffice. At
a conservative reckoning, Georgia imports annually
from distant quarters twenty-four million dollars
worth of wheat, corn and oats; and if to these were
added the money that flows out of the State for
meat, vegetables, butter and other such products, the
total would be far in excess of a hundred million
dollars. So long as that condition continues, we
shall fall short of the prosperity to which our
natural resources entitle us, and every business
interest in the State will suffer a handicap.

Now is the time to effect this long-needed change;
now when the need of cutting down the cotton acreage
is so urgent that even the most imprudent
are impressed; now when a world war is increasing
month by month and day by day the demand for
American food products. If the merchants of Georgia,
reinforced by the consumers as undoubtedly
they will be, seize this occasion and open markets
for home-grown food staples, they will render the
State inestimable service and at the same time set
their own interests immeasurably forward.

The Journal believes that the merchants of Georgia
have the foresight and public spirit to espouse
this important cause. We believe that the responses to
the Chamber of Commerce appeal, already numer-
ous, will become almost unanimous; and that as a
result of the markets thus created the year 1915 will
bring the most abundant food harvests and, there-
fore, the most bounteous prosperity this Common-
wealth has ever witnessed.

Where is the old-fashioned Roosevelt follower?

Hot poker and heated arguments should be
quietly dropped.

The faint heart that failed to win may not have
done so badly, after all.

It's well to know how to do some things, and
better to know how not to do others.

When a man says he is blind it means that his
digestive apparatus isn't working as it should.

What has become of the old-fashioned training
school for boys that used to be located in the
woodshed?

Editorial Echoes

Possibly the South Sea Islanders who are said
to be relapsing into cannibalism, have been reading
the papers and decided that European culture
and religion constitute nothing more than a white
man's bluff—Courier-Journal.

A Petrograd correspondent of a London newspaper
has discovered that the Russians in the Caucasus
"drive little to sleep, keeping places and keep
them to act and control them so that the sol-
diers may keep warm at night." It may be remem-
bered that Baron Munchausen, although a Hanoverian,
was employed in the Russian service in a war
against the Turks—New York Sun.

ATLANTA MOURNS
HER MASTER SON

To the Memory of Samuel M. Inman

I stand above his grave and mourn my son.
I do not know if I do not bend to mourn.
Worthy of me he lived, worthy he died.
Great is my sorrow. Greater is my pride.

In this my son. And now, upon my breast
Shall he repose. He hath earned gentle rest.

And honorable. For me none labored more.
He was my Master-BUILDER. At my door,
He ever stood with gracious hand outstretched
Inviting beauty, art, and fortune in.

My temples seek his praise. And all good works
Within my gates are eloquent of him.

My son belov'd whose full strength was mine.

I leant upon him, and he met my need.

With counsel wise and sweet and fitting deed.

Ah, all the land shall smile him, this my son.

And I, before my God, am proud to know

My son so loved that many fell his loss.

My son so served that many grieve for him.

With me, his mother who am proud to grieve.

Serene, I watch him pass into the night.

His life was pure and upright in my sight.

His way was clean. My youth may follow him.

The door that closes twixt my son and me

But ushers him, I know, into the Light.

Where Knights of Service stand before their Lord.

The Master-BUILDER of True Brotherhood.

I stand, his monument, above my son.

I may not bow, I may not bend to mourn.

Great is my sorrow, greater is my pride.

No wreath of rue may bind my brows for him.

I wear my sorrow as a diadem.

MYRTA LOCKETT AVARY.

The term grape fruit was probably given to it because the fruit is a large, round, juicy orange in clusters. It is not the name of any species of grape fruit, but it is a name given to a combination of several species. It is a distinct variety of citrus fruit of the botanical species known as *decumans*. It has made the greatest strides in favor of the American public of any new citrus fruit recently introduced in market. The pomelo is apt to be better preserved than the grape fruit, because it is more acid and has a longer shelf life. The pomelo is also more nutritious than the grape fruit, because it is more abundant and more easily digestible.

The popularity of the pomelo as an article of daily diet bids fair to exceed the banana within a few years. One of the leading pomological experts of the department of agriculture, Dr. C. C. Price, has said that the pomelo is the most popular fruit in the United States. It is the most popular fruit in the United States, and it is not the name of any species of grape fruit, but it is a name given to a combination of several species. It is a distinct variety of citrus fruit of the botanical species known as *decumans*. It has made the greatest strides in favor of the American public of any new citrus fruit recently introduced in market. The pomelo is apt to be better preserved than the grape fruit, because it is more acid and has a longer shelf life. The pomelo is also more nutritious than the grape fruit, because it is more abundant and more easily digestible.

The pomelo is packed from 23 to 66 in a box, according to the size, and the most desirable size averages 25 to 30 boxes to a carton. It is a good fruit for the home, and it is a good fruit for the market.

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