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Tobacco Holds the Record in Uncle Sam's Cash Account.

CULTIVATING THE SO-CALLED WEEED

Where and Under What Conditions the Plant is Most Successfully Produced. Secrets of the Factory and Tricks of the Trade.

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Some say it is a sprout from the old Yellow Pryor, developed by some indolent stroller in the soil...

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THE SHIPPING LEAP. These gentlemen, the foreign buyers, want a tobacco that is exactly the reverse of Burley...

HAULING IN



barter from those who had a static habitation. Time out of mind the Arctics have grown a smaller sort with leaves that cure green instead of yellow.

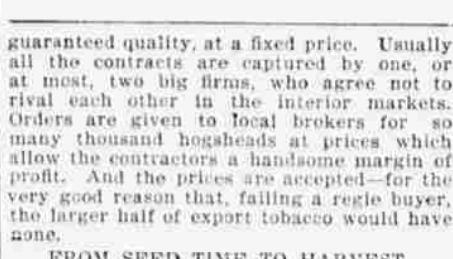
By taking up moisture, yet still remain marketable. Hence the special type, "shipping leaf"...

TOBACCO AND SKINS were in large part the accepted Virginia currency. Thrifty backwoods men, lacking wives, secured them by sending abroad enough tobacco to pay for passage and outfit...

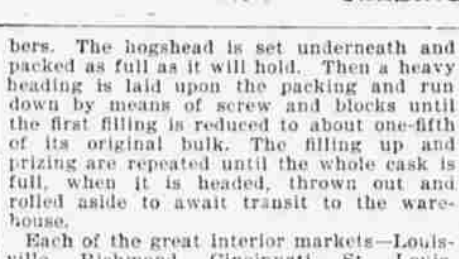
FOUR CLASSES OF TOBACCO. Tobacco is now grown in a dozen states and parts of states. The yearly crop is about 300,000,000 pounds...

guaranteed quality, at a fixed price. Usually all the contracts are captured by one, or at most, two big firms...

SAMPLING



SEALING



FROM SEED TIME TO HARVEST. A tobacco seed is a very little thing to occasion so great a matter as the tobacco trader...

THE ART OF CURING. Properly cured, the color is the palest straw gold. Curing is the art and mystery requiring infinite pains...

Though cigarettes and such small deer have the world for a parish, they are manufactured largely from tobacco grown upon the sandy lands of the seaboard...

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each morning and went from warehouse to warehouse, guided by the blowing of a horn, which told when and where their presence was required...

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case is one in which a man was attacked by a dog, the dog indulged the presumption that the dog was the aggressor, and says that he must "give way to the interests of man. Whether this be so or not as a question of pure ethics, it is so recognized by man-made law in courts administered by man.

"I appeared for the plaintiff and it must be confessed that the evidence failed to establish his claim. He presented the matter before the justice of the peace in the best light I knew how, but had very little hope of securing a verdict. My client, when I finished whispering to me that he would say a few words if I was willing, and considering the case lost, I consented. It was the most unique speech I ever heard and it won the case. He said: "Squire, I brought this suit and the evidence, except my own, is against me. I don't accuse any one of lying, squire, but the witnesses are the most mistaken lot of fellows I ever saw. You know me, squire. Two years ago you sold me a horse for sound that was blind as a bat. I made the trade and stuck to it, and this is the first time I have mentioned it. When you used to buy grain, you stood on the scales when the empty wagon was weighed, but I never said a word. Now, do you think I am the kind of a man to kick up a rumpus and sue a fellow unless he has done me wrong? The broker is a greater rascal, for the justice to decide for the plaintiff."

There are four honest companions in Jacksonville—the broker, the dentist, the undertaker and the capitalist, states the Florida Citizen. Where you see one of them you will find the rest—taking a drink. The undertaker and the capitalist admire the dentist and the broker because they can tell such wonderfully clever stories. The broker and the dentist reverse and love the undertaker and the capitalist because they are such wonderfully good listeners.

Each of the great interior markets—Louisville, Richmond, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Henderson, Clarksville—has from a dozen to fifty of them. They are big buildings, full of broad, long spaces, into and out of which tobacco rolls in steady stream through some eight months of the year. The men controlling them must have behind them capital running up into the millions. They make advances to dealers, who in turn help the planter—dealer and factor alike depending on the crop for reimbursement. Looking at all the tobacco, warehousing included, in the good earlier time buyers gathered

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One night the broker told of a lawsuit in Alabama. A cracker from the mountains was on trial for dog and mauling a "nigger." He was arrested, and having no money, the judge appointed the broker to defend him. The broker was not a lawyer in the legal sense of the word, but the judge who was an old colleague of his, said he was an idiot because he wasn't one; in other words, that he was a lawyer by instinct. The broker cross-questioned the witnesses briefly, sending in now and then an sarcastic and discomfiting trajectory. When he came to make a speech he said: "Gentlemen of the Jury, I have taken great pains to show you that my client was a respectable citizen. Ten witnesses have asserted on oath, mind you—that he stands high in his community."

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Incidents and Anecdotes Concerning Members of the Dog. Visiting the indignity of a dog upon its owner is generally thought just, if the owner knew that the canine character was bad. In an opinion which a correspondent calls a literary classic, reported in 71 N. Y. S. R. 417, Russell, J., says that it was decided as far back as 1855, in 22 Barb. 606, that if one dog kills another in a controversy, "the owner of the slain dog is entitled only to the salvage, consisting of the skin of the deceased." But as the present

confederate army—this well established principle of law."

"That, gentlemen, is enough. I leave the case in your hands."

Each juror changed his gait, looked at his neighbor, nodded, and, without leaving their seats rendered a loud and emphatic verdict of "Not guilty," and then joined in three cheers for the defendant and his lawyer.

The undertaker found fault with the story, because nobody in it had been killed. The dentist remarked that if anybody deserved killing it was the broker.

A very funny story is told by the Chicago Times-Herald on James Epler and Oscar Delew, both of whom enjoyed a reputation for wit and humor during the late '60s. In one of the townships adjacent to Cook county the people elected a new justice of the peace. He was a man known for his strict application of parliamentary rules to everything possible, having acted as president of many small deliberative bodies in the township. In fact, he was regarded as "a little bit of a snob" by the "poor temporers." His election was due to this fact, which had brought him popularity. He was what the craft called a "judge of necessity," for necessity knows no law.

Among his first cases was one of trifling importance—an assault. Epler and Delew were the parties to a case. Delew was the name of the prosecution. Both sides announced they were ready for trial. Just as the court was about to proceed Mr. Epler arose and said: "If your honor please, I move that this case be dismissed."

"I second the motion," quickly put in Mr. Delew.

"It is moved and seconded that the case be dismissed," was put by the court. "But, your honor," quickly interrupted Mr. Smith, with great surprise at such procedure. "Mr. Smith, this court has presided over meetings before, and is thoroughly familiar with parliamentary procedure—it needs no assistance from you in this matter."

"But your honor—" "I shall fine you for contempt, Mr. Smith, if you continue to disturb this court."

The court then put the question again, adding: "All in favor of the motion will rise." Epler and Delew rose and the prisoner and the prosecutor arose. "The motion is carried by a vote of 3 to 2, and the case is dismissed," declared the justice.

A RELATED STORY. The Depredations of a Group of Omaha Kids on Hallways—"Say, do you see that fellow standing over there by the patrol box?" asked Clinton of the drugist.

him spirit good, and when we reached Center street, and I saw his wind was falling him, I slowed up and allowed him to fasten his paw on my collar. He brought me down to the patrol box, where the cops had the rest of the gang, and pretty soon along comes the patrol wagon and takes us all to the station. Oscar Grebe was a crying like everything, once said as he was done 'nother' to be 'rested for,' but they took him in just the same. When they got us in the cooler and commenced fishin' in our pockets, I asked Oscar Grebe where he was in for, and he says, 'for stealin' a wagon and raisin' Cain.' I told him the wagon belonged to us, and showed him the receipt for the 29 cents, so they asked the matter over and let us go, telling us they'd keep an eye on us, and the next time we'd get thirty days on bread and water. When we got to the barber shop on 15th street, Williams was in there, and he said to me, 'I saw you in the bar, but you ain't no deeker for the bar, you're out on the sidewalk. The barber told me you were in there, and I told him you ain't no deeker for the bar, you're out on the sidewalk. He told me you were in there, and I told him you ain't no deeker for the bar, you're out on the sidewalk.'

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