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## CORN AND WHEAT.

There is a very general complaint, says the Chicago Record, throughout the entire corn belt of the country of drought, severe heat, and parching winds. Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, and Illinois, seem to be suffering most severely from the want of rain; yet in parts of Michigan and Missouri and very generally in Indiana, the heat is excessive and the drought protracted.

The effect of this is disastrous to corn, which is at a stage of its growth when long-continued dry weather is fatal to an average yield. All through the earlier part of the season the prospects for an unprecedented crop of corn were good, for it is seldom that the early part of the season is more favorable for abundant harvests of all grains than the present year. Wheat matured early, and the crop, especially in the winter-wheat sections is large, and the berry unusually well developed and heavy. The wheat market is glutted and the demand is small.

The peculiar spectacle on the market is the small margin between the prices of wheat and corn, the latter going up rapidly, while the former is gradually declining. September wheat closed in the market at 52 3-8 cents on Thursday, while September corn closed at 43 3-4 cents, a difference of 8 1-2 cents. Yesterday corn made a further advance. The wheat reports were favorable to the strong demand for corn.

On the same day a year ago September wheat was 65 1-4 cents, and September corn 39 1-2 cents, the difference being 26 1-4 cents. With so narrow a margin between them it may come about that corn will soon be worth more a bushel than wheat. Already the report comes from Kansas that corn all over that state is selling from 3 to 5 cents a bushel more than wheat. It not infrequently happens that the highest price of corn will reach the lowest price of wheat in a year, but this is often due to unnatural causes, as when corn reached \$1 in May, 1892. With a continuance of the present drought legitimate demand may advance the price of corn above the market price of wheat but the breaking of the drought would at once widen the margin between the prices of the two commodities.

## THE ALABAMA CAMPAIGN.

Perhaps the most important election in any state this year will be that in Alabama, which takes place August 6. A full state ticket is to be elected, and also a legislature, which will choose a successor to Senator Morgan.

A breach has been growing in the Democratic party in that state for some years, and in 1892 Kolb was a candidate for governor as an independent Democrat and Populist against Jones, regular Democrat. On the face of the returns Jones was elected by 11,437 over Kolb, but charges of fraud were made against the Democratic election officials, and so well sustained were they that the opinion was quite generally entertained that Kolb had fairly elected. In the present campaign Kolb has been nominated for governor on a combination ticket, which is popularly known as the Jeffersonian-Populist-Republican ticket, while Col. Oates, one of the most popular men in the state, is the Democratic nominee. The campaign is being fought with a desperation that has rarely been equalled in this country; for with the Democrats it is a struggle to retain the state, while with the Kolb faction the watchword is, "the wrong of 1892." Appearances indicate that the Democrats will be beaten.

The Populist-Republican platform declared for protection and for "a free ballot and a fair count," which appeals to the colored voter. There are some local questions involved, and among them is the removal of the state capital to Birmingham, the repeal of the present state election laws, and the adoption of the Australian ballot system. Should the Kolb party win, from five to seven of the Democratic members of congress from the state would remain at home, and their places would be filled with men who would act with the Republicans on national issues.

The Alabama campaign is the first one in several years where the Democrats are involved in a life and death struggle for supremacy in a southern state.

Ex-Postmaster Hare says the statement that a circular was sent out from the postoffice department advising letter carriers throughout the country that the contract for furnishing uniforms had been awarded to a certain Cincinnati clothing firm, is true. He says he received such a circular, and that it is now on file in the office here.

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