

*Editorial Commenter's Review:* The constant and increasing success of the silk-growers of Mississippi, for a period of six years, has attracted the attention of wealthy citizens all over the United States, and has led to all the gentlemen who took an interest in the business, and then another at Orleans, and then another at Cambridgeport. There it was acknowledged that several States of the Union could produce easily, at a small cost, a quantity of silk, and that the raising of silk culture was encouraged among the farmers. The best means of encouraging this important addition to the list of products to be sent to home market for the cocoons, to start the silk-reeling industry with the silk culture. The Combs Mississippi Silk Company was formed all at once. The capital needed for the business was small, as business was unburdened, the reel, owned at Lyons, France, and sufficient to buy the cocoons was provided, and in the future. The silk-growers of America, having cocoons can send the company a fair estimate of the cocoons, small or large, about 20 to 30 to a pound, packed in a pasteboard box. The price to be paid for dry cocoons is from 10 to 15 cents a pound, according to the quality. They have been fed upon many breeds, like wild cocoons, can not be reeled without loss, such as the mulberry, silkworm, etc., all breeds being reared in the same manner. The big rough black silk from the Bulgarians, South Russia, Persia, etc. are good only for the native use. The company having a large stock

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the day was visited by a gale of wind which gradually increased in force, until it finally bore a hurricane for some time. At 8 o'clock the rain began to pour, and the storm prevailing; it prevailed generally over the southern and western parts of England. During Saturday evening and night extensive damage was done, and a large number of life are reported to have been lost. In and about the metropolis the disastrous effects of the storm are still visible. At sea, the shipping has been greatly injured. The *City of Swallow*, Brighton, Portsmouth, Plymouth and other places on the coast the storm was very severe, and caused great damage and loss of life. There was a heavy sea in the Channel, and several disastrous wrecks are reported. A Danish brig was wrecked near Havre and her crew were killed. Several of the Channel steamers could not make port. There were letters from London to Paris on Sunday morning. It is feared that the missing vessels during the next few days will be distressing in the extreme. *The Evening News* says: We shall hope to have in a few days complete and true accounts of the remarkable hurricane which was as sudden in its arrival as intense in its character. The west coast the cold was intense. Snow fell on Rome last night.

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