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SOUTHERN PROGRESS.

Some Interesting Facts and Figures About Cotton and Other Products, and Industrial Enterprises in the South.

Col. W. F. Switzer, chief of the bureau of statistics of the United States treasury, was present, by invitation, at the opening of the Centennial Fair of South Carolina, at Charleston, Monday, and delivered an address which is published in the News and Courier, from which we clip the following interesting facts and figures:

I will be pardoned for saying that the cultivation, manufacture and exportation of cotton is one of the great paramount material interests of the people of South Carolina. It is not their only interest, but it is one to which they have given much attention, and in the rapidly developing future will, if they are wise, render more, not only by improved processes of culture, but by increasing the acreage now devoted to cotton (above 25,000) through the subjugation of large forest wastes to the use of the plow.

That cotton is an interest of great value to them is attested by the fact that there were exported from this city alone during the last fiscal year 340,000 bales of 153,500,000 pounds of this staple, worth in "spot cash" more than \$17,500,000.

It cannot be questioned, therefore, that even the history of the production and exportation of this leading staple will be of enduring interest to the people of this Commonwealth. So believing, I am tempted to glance at it and to say that according to reliable history the first mention of cotton by any writer is by Herodotus about 450 years B. C., and that the culture of cotton was first practiced in India. It is not known, however, for history furnishes no means for ascertaining the fact, when or by what progressive stages of discovery and invention cotton was first utilized by man. There is no authentic record of any cotton being manufactured in Europe before the tenth century.

Before the discovery of the Mississippi River, and about the year 1536, the cotton plant was found growing in the country drained by that stream and in Texas, but the experiment of its culture was not entered upon in the United States before 1621. It was first valued as an ornamental plant and cultivated in gardens or nurtured in boxes or pots.

It was not until after the Revolutionary war that cotton in the United States was cultivated with a view to export, and one of the interesting facts connected with its early history on this continent is that the first exportation of cotton occurred from the port of Savannah, in 1784, just one year after the declaration of peace. This export consisted of ten bales, and we have the testimony of authentic history for the statement that the sailing vessel upon which these bales were carried to the port of Liverpool was detained in that port and the captain of the vessel arrested by the municipal authorities on the charge of attempting a fraud upon the public, the charge against him being that it was impossible so large an amount as ten bales of cotton could be produced in the United States.

THE PROGRESS OF A CENTURY.

Observe what we have accomplished in a century: 10 bales exported in 1784; 3,969,568 bales exported in 1885! Computing each of these bales to be five feet in length, the number, laid end to end, would form a continuous line nearly four thousand miles long, or from Philadelphia across the ocean to Antwerp, or from New York to New Orleans and return, and would cover an area of nearly 1,500 acres.

A year after this initial export the culture of short staple cotton was commenced in the United States, and in 1795 1,000,000 pounds were exported from this city. Since that time—as we learn from the authority already cited—the use of cotton, which previously had been limited for the most part to the hot climate where it grew, has been marvelously extended, so that at present it constitutes not only the entire clothing of a large majority of the human race, but it has become a part of the material in which the people of all lands and languages are clothed, excepting, perhaps, the most debased and savage races of mankind.

In reference to the production of raw cotton in the United States from 1821, the first year in respect to which there are official data, to 1884, and also the exportation from 1791, Col. Switzer gave the following interesting figures:

The total production in 1821 was 430,000 bales; in 1884, 5,646,441. Our agricultural experts predict that notwithstanding the ravages of the cotton worm in some of the States, and of unfavorable weather during the months of August and September, the cotton production for this country for the present year will reach 6,500,000 bales. In 1791 we exported about 190,000 pounds, and in 1826, which was the last year the exportations were reckoned in pounds to 204,500,000. The year preceding our civil war our exports of cotton reached 3,126,867 bales, and the year immediately following the close of the war (1866) 1,552,457.

Our largest export was in 1883, namely, 4,626,808 bales. In 1784 ten bales; in 1883 more than four million and a half of bales!

But cotton is not by any means your only interest or the only valuable production of the soil of the South. Sugar, rice and tobacco, and corn and other cereals, and fruits in great variety are successfully cultivated, and are receiving more attention than at any time in your history.

Since 1879 the South has added 11,000 miles to her railroad mileage, the building of which, added to the investments in old roads and their improvement, foot up but little, if any, short of \$500,000,000.

INCREASE IN OTHER PRODUCTS

Elaborate tables are given of the comparative value of property in the South in 1879-80 and 1884-85, which show that in 1880 the total assessed values in the South were \$2,184,208,505, while in 1885 they were \$3,076,514,435, showing an increase of \$892,305,930. South Carolina advanced during the same period from \$132,237,986 to \$158,709,000 of assessed values.

The production of corn has increased from 334,000,000 bushels in 1879 to 498,000,000 bushels in 1885—a gain of 165,000,000 bushels—and of oats from 42,000,000 bushels to about 70,000,000 bushels, while of tobacco, fruits and vegetables, the grasses, &c., the increase has been equally as satisfactory. In the raising of hogs and live stock generally the same wonderful progress has been shown.

In 1880 the total crop values of the Southern States amounted to \$549,850,000, and in 1885 to \$669,077,000, showing the remarkable increase of \$119,227,000—an increase of 12.68 per cent.

In 1880 the value of live stock was \$326,378,414, and in 1885 it is \$562,916,258—an increase of 72.47 per cent.

The cotton mills have increased from 180 to 333, and the number of spindles and looms from 713,989 and 15,522, respectively, to 1,460,697 and 27,004—a gain of about 100 per cent. Cotton seed oil mills that in 1880 numbered 40, with a capital of \$3,504,500, now number 146, and their capital is \$10,792,450.

In 1880 the South made 397,301 tons of pig iron, in 1884 it made 657,599 tons—a gain of 260,298 tons. Three States, Virginia, Alabama and Tennessee, that in 1880 produced 178,006 tons of pig iron, in 1884 produced 481,744 tons—an increase of 303,738 tons, or 9,500 tons more than the net increase in the United States, the production in the whole country outside of these three States being less in 1884 than in 1880. In 1880 6,048,571 tons of coal were mined in the South, and in 1884 the output was 10,844,051 tons.

The amount of phosphate rock mined in South Carolina in 1880 was 190,000 tons and the capital invested in the business was \$3,493,300, while now the capital is over \$6,500,000 and the amount of rock mined largely over 400,000 tons.

This hurried summary, imperfect and impartial as it necessarily is, presents an encouraging view of the recuperative energies of the Southern people, desolated and impoverished as they were by the civil war, and affords an earnest that, unless retarded by unwise legislation at home or at Washington, they will not only become self-sustaining but the exporters of large amounts of raw material and manufactured goods to other States, and to Mexico, Central and South America and to Europe.

Col. Switzer then said that there are many other small industries all over the South that even more strikingly exhibit the new spirit which has come over that section. A great many local enterprises, such as wagon, broom and furniture factories, fruit canneries, flour, grist and saw mills, planing mills, wire factories, potteries, marble and slate works, have been established to manufacture articles heretofore brought from the North.

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