

THE FARMER'S VINDICATOR

It is with pleasure that I learn from observation from the press, and particularly from your valuable paper, that our impoverished farmers are at last beginning to see their great error in investing all their means and devoting all their energies to the production of a single article—cotton—and to realize the necessity of diversifying their farm products and producing all articles of prime necessity.

But this is not going far enough; it is only the first step towards independence. We must not only do that, but to resume our former eminent position in the Union, which will develop the immense wealth which nature has placed at our doors, in beds of coal, iron, limestone, marble, slate, and our forest of timber, must utilize our water power, and above all, manufacture our great staple at home. And hoping to impress on our people the importance of manufacturing, I here make a statement of the capital, labor and expense in making one thousand bales of cotton and the gross and net profits thereof, which is followed by a statement made by a Philadelphia expert of thirty years' experience in manufacturing cotton as to the capital, labor and profits in manufacturing the same cotton at the North.

Since the war, the fair average work of a field hand would be the cultivation of twelve and one half acres of average land, say ten in cotton and two and a half in corn, and the average product is about four bales (five hundred pounds each) cotton, and sixty bushels corn—allowing one mule for every twenty five acres, it would require to make one thousand bales of cotton, as above, and feed for the team, about as follows:

3,125 acres average arable land, at \$10 per acre (no timber land),	\$31,250
125 mules, at \$150 each,	18,750
Farming utensils,	4,000

Amount capital, real and personal property,	\$54,000
Also, the hire of two hundred and fifty hands, at \$150 each, (they to feed themselves,)	\$37,500
Wear and tear on teams and farm tools,	3,500
Bagging and ties, incidental,	2,500
Contra,	\$16,000

By 1,000 bales cotton, 500, pounds each, at 12 cents,	60,000
Net profit, is \$14,000	

If this one thousand bales converted into farms, numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 700, (in or near the city of Philadelphia) in one year it will require as much machinery of best quality, as follows:

100 horse power engine,	6,000
Buildings,	12,000
Total cost of buildings, machinery and motive power,	\$18,000

The ground we will not estimate as it will vary, according to location, from \$5,000 to \$50,000. It requires 54 expert operatives to convert this cotton into yarn of above numbers in a year, and the usual average wages paid such hands at the North is fifty seven cents per day, or about the same as paid the labor that produces it, the other expenses, principally fuel, we cannot well estimate, as it varies greatly in price from location and other causes, such as season of the year, combination of transportation, etc. But it is conceded by all manufacturers, that as a general thing, the conversion of baled cotton into thread of the above numbers, increases the value one hundred per cent, leaving a gross profit to the manufacturer of \$60,000—about one half which is usually the net profit, say \$30,000.

Twenty five per cent, can be added to the value of this thread, by spinning it finer—say into numbers, 14, 15, 18, 20, 22 and 24. To do the first would require an additional outlay of \$12,410 in machinery, and thirty six operatives, at fifty seven cents each, per day. And to do the latter, it would require the same operatives and machinery, but longer time, than one year.

Result. Both producer and manufacturer invest about the same amount of capital, and pay the same wages. The producer employing 250 workers, makes \$14,000. The manufacturer, employing 90 workers, makes \$37,500.

Profit in favor of manufacturer, \$23,500. Now, why with these facts before us with all the natural advantages the South has over the North, viz: Proximity to cotton fields, (thereby saving freights, storage, insurance, commissions, samplings, weighing, compressing, repairs, waste, stealage, etc., together with all the charges, speculations and speculations of middle men

operating in cotton) abundant and more reliable water power; mild winters, cheaper food and fuel, unemployed labor, and many others to add the advantages of the new process of manufacturing yarns direct, from seed cotton, by which more than one third of the buildings, motive power machinery and operatives, are dispensed with; saving one half the usual waste, and producing a thread twice as strong and equal in every other respect to those made of baled cotton. Why can we not monopolize the manufacture of our own cotton?

Perhaps some carrier will say, we like the men. There is scarcely ten miles square in all the South that has not a ten or twelve horse water or steam power, to which, if \$5,000 is properly expended in machinery eight women or children can convert 600 pounds seed cotton into yarns daily, thereby doubling its value. Within ten miles square around nie, the gin houses and apparatuses cost half as much as would the machinery to spin the cotton they prepare for shipping to Northern mills.

And I venture the assertion that there is not a county in our Southern land so poor but which, with the proper energy, enterprise and combination; could erect and run a factory capable of spinning 1,000 bales of cotton annually. Suppose our entire crop of four million bales was doubled in value by being converted into yarns before shipping? Instead of \$240,000,000, we would realize \$480,000,000 for it. Who can estimate its advantages, or the changes it would produce in our once beautiful and prosperous South? I leave it to able pens than mine, and remain, Yours truly,

THE WAY SHE CURED HIM

A Merchant Was Afflicted in Having Faintings Spells, but Will Recover. No More.

[From the St. Joseph Herald.]

He had been going home for the past ten or fifteen nights in a state of mental agitation, that made it very difficult for him to maintain a perpendicular position and considerably more difficult for him to draw a straight line while walking; so strangely did his head feel that in spite of his strenuous efforts, he would stagger and stagger. The real cause of this mental embarrassment was, he had formed the acquaintance of a saloonee who had but recently launched out in the liquor traffic. But the cause he assigned to his unsuspecting wife was that he was feeling very tired and faint, and wanted to retire. Lovingly she arranged the bed for him right after night, and with her delicate hands drew off his boots, and while she was shooing out the spirits of camphor, and when her factory organ was attacked by the strange perfume that reeked from the prostrate form, she had attributed all the extravagant use of brandy that her dear "hubby" had bathed his head in.

This thing had been played on the wife too often, and she followed her legs for one night, and saw him enter a family resort for gentlemen on Second street. She did not rush in like an enraged and deeply wronged female, and get him by the hair and pull him out. No; she was too easy going for that, but she went home, vowing to him eternal vengeance. Late that night she heard some one step on the porch. 'Twas him—but he was sober this time, only the wife, so patiently waiting for vengeance, did not know that. As the husband stepped lightly along the porch, his foot struck against something and he stumbled. "He's faint," exclaimed the wife, as she stooped and took up the water bucket, which was half full of water, and "I guess I'll bring him to."

He opened the door, she stood there; he opened his mouth to speak, and she threw the water full in his face. "Come home faint again, will you?" she said as she slammed the door shut. When he had blown the water from his mouth, he managed to say, "Mary, forgive me, I'll join the temperance lodge next time they meet." Mary is now informing all her female acquaintances how she cured her "old man" from fainting.

A fellow in Kentucky ran away with a farmer's daughter and horse, and was hotly pursued. The farmer got within close range, and flourished a revolver. "Don't shoot, for heaven's sake!" shouted the lover. "I won't," was the reply, "because I'm afraid I'll hit the boss. Just leave her horse and take the gal." The compromise was accepted by the young folks, who walked on to the preacher's house, the father riding home on his horse. There is a little town in New York State where every man and woman has been converted, and some of them are paying back tea and coffee borrowed six or seven years ago.

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