

THE NATIONAL ISSUE.

Whatever the issues may be in the coming campaign between the Democratic and the Republican parties the tariff issue will unquestionably lead.

The main argument was that the protective policy would stimulate the establishment of varied industries, and in time make us independent of all other countries for the manufactures which we need.

Preserving Sweet Potatoes. The sweet potato crop of the South is not as valuable as one as it might be because of the difficulty in keeping the potato or putting it in form to bear transportation.

As a Negro Sees It. They have fooled the Negro and are now trying to fool the white man. Editor Star.—In the issue of your paper of 22d inst. you gave an account of a circular issued by certain white Republicans in the county of Franklin.

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should be such discrimination against the American in favor of the foreign purchaser? Is there any reason why the foreigner should reap the benefit of this protective policy, while the protected apply the thumb screws to their home victims and squeeze the last cent out of them?

It will not do to say (for that is a fake that can't fool a ten year old child) that these goods are shipped abroad and sold at a low price and sometimes below cost because they are a surplus that the shippers want to get rid of.

The people are beginning to understand these things now and the anti-tariff-revision statesmen will discover this when they face them on the hustings and are asked questions.

Whatever the other issues may be this one cannot be made too prominent. To overcome these difficulties the South Carolina Agricultural Experiment station has been pursuing some experiments, the results of which are given in the following which we clip from the Charleston News and Courier:

We have just received from Prof. J. S. Newman, director of the South Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station, a printed report on "A New Method of Preserving Sweet Potatoes," perfected by himself and Mr. J. T. Pickett, foreman of the station, which will interest all farmers in the South as well as in the rest of the States.

What, then, becomes of the predicted blessing this protective policy was to be to the people by giving them an abundance of good, cheap goods? In this respect it has been a failure and a fraud, and this has been the only thing which entitled it to any consideration from them.

Charles Filer, a burglar, serving a term in the New Jersey penitentiary, got out last week. He didn't file his way out, but while in he invented a sewing machine that he claims is away head of those now in use.



HEALTH. The general health of a woman is inseparably related to the local womanly sex by the delicate womanly organism is diseased, the body loses plumpness, the cheeks lose their roses, and a nervous and fretful condition becomes habitual.

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Twinklings. Teacher—Can you tell me what causes darkness, Willy? Willy—The gas companies.—Puck. —Just So: Belle—She doesn't seem disappointed in the engagement is broken. She says there are just as good fish in the sea. May—but they don't always bite.—Judge.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

Chatham Record: The wheat crop is threatening out badly. Many farmers are saying that more than a crop is to be owned. It is related of one farmer that he had to borrow a pack of wheat, after his crop was threshed, to make up the two bushels which the thrasher charged.

Greenboro Record: Tuesday night John W. Stafford, of this place, was a very much disturbed individual and with good reason. With his wife and several children he has resided for some months at Revolution Mill, conducting the boarding house at that place.

Goldboro Herald: An incendiary fire broke out at 11:15 o'clock consumed at least \$30,000 worth of property within one hour. It started in the rear of Lamb's livery and sale stables and before being discovered had spread to the main building and buggy warehouse of Mr. John F. Southern, the blacksmith shop of Harris & Graham, the store of Mr. John E. Crow, the dwelling of Mrs. John E. Crow, and the large warehouse (filled with merchandise) two stables and soft coal pile of Messrs. H. Well & Brown, and the job house of John E. Crow.

The Americans say the friars must go because the Filipinos want them to, and the Filipinos would give much to find a power that could make the Americans go for the same reason. The Americans are not willing to practice what they preach.—Jacksonville Times-Union, Dem.

Even the pessimist must confess that the world is an admirable teething-ring for eyes teeth.—Puck.

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Wholesale Prices Current. The following quotations represent the market for the week ending July 24th. The quotations are always given as accurately as possible on the basis of the actual market prices for any variations from the actual market prices of the articles quoted.

Financial Markets. NEW YORK, July 24.—Money on call was steady at 2 3/8 per cent. The market closing offered at 2 3/8 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4 1/2 to 5 per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with the actual business in bankers' bills at 48 1/2 for demand and 45 1/2 for sixty days.

Naval Stores Markets. NEW YORK, July 24.—Spirits turpentine steady at 45¢ to 47 1/2¢. Rosin steady at 45¢ to 47 1/2¢. Turpentine steady at 45¢ to 47 1/2¢.

Cotton Markets. NEW YORK, July 24.—The cotton market opened steady with prices two to seven points lower and almost immediately developed pronounced weakness. For the balance of the day weakness held, with a slight upward tendency in the late afternoon.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET. (Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange, Wilmington, N. C., July 24, 1903.)

Spirits Turpentine—Market firm at 45¢ per gallon. Rosin—Market steady at \$1.10 per barrel for strained and \$1.15 per barrel for good strained.

Country Produce. PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 75¢; extra prime, 80¢; fancy, 82 1/2¢; per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 65¢; extra prime, 80¢; fancy, 82 1/2¢. Spanish, 77¢.

Foreign Markets. LIVERPOOL, July 24.—Cotton: Spot in fair demand; prices 1-3/4 to 1-1/2 American middling fair 5-1/2; good middling 5-1-1/4; middling 5-1-3/4; low middling 4-1/2; good ordinary 4-1/2.

Marine. Sahr John R. Fell, Loveland, Baltimore, George Harris, Son & Co. Clyde steamship Oneida, Hale, New York and Providence, H. G. Smallbones.

Marine Directory. List of vessels in the port of Wilmington, N. C., July 25.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Commodities. C. O. Railroad—1500 bales cotton, 1000 bales turpentine, 1000 bales rosin, 1000 bales turpentine, 1000 bales rosin, 1000 bales turpentine, 1000 bales rosin.

Produce Markets. NEW YORK, July 24.—Flour was easy and quiet; winter patents \$3 75 to \$4.00. Wheat: Spot easy; No. 2, 78 1/2¢. Options closed weak and declining, as follows: July closed 81¢; September 77¢; December 77¢.

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