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REFORM IN THE NEW YORK COTTON EXCHANGE.

"Sometimes we are disposed to decry the agitators, but agitation of a persistent character has resulted in many a reform. It brought about reform in the method of reporting cotton crop statistics by the Agricultural Department at Washington. It effected reform among the big insurance companies in New York, and it seems that it has caused the New York Cotton Exchange to revise its system of grading cotton for delivery on contracts. The Associated Press dispatches on Wednesday from New York announced that the Exchange had decided to accede to the complaints against the low grades of cotton that could be delivered on future contracts. That the complaint against the Exchange was reasonable, the following from the New York Journal of Commerce will clearly indicate:

"The proposals in the Cotton Exchange for a revision of the system of grading cotton for delivery on contracts involve a concession of the justice of some of the complaints and criticisms that have come from those representing the planters of the South. Contracts for the delivery of cotton of a certain grade or quality which may be satisfied with the delivery of a lower grade or poorer quality on a fixed difference in price are favorable for speculation where not actual delivery but only a settlement of differences is contemplated, but they cannot be satisfactory when actual delivery is desired in order that the cotton may be put to use. The buyer may want just what was originally bargained for, though he may virtually have consented to take something else at a different price.

"This may not be a serious matter when the cotton deliverable is of a grade or quality that is marketable or usable as 'spot' material. But it is charged that some of the grades traded in on the Exchange are absolutely 'unspinnable,' and practically of no use as 'spot' cotton. A large quantity of such is said to have accumulated here as a mere basis of speculation, and as a means of meeting contracts which cannot be met in any other way if delivery is insisted upon or the actual cotton is wanted for the mills.

"If this is the case to any substantial extent, it is a real cause for complaint, and to that degree invalidates the plea that there is advantage in an exchange which affords the means of marketing the poorer grades of cotton. There is no advantage in being loaded up with grades that are practically in no demand and are unmarketable as a material for the cotton mills. There are other complaints, the most serious of which appears to be that differences in grades are fixed in November and not changed for a year, whatever fluctuations there may be in the basic price. This is a technical matter, the effect of which is not very obvious, but it is pretty plain that the system is devised too much in the interest of sheer speculation and too little for the service of actual trade in cotton. It is in evident need of reform, and the New York Cotton Exchange is liable to suffer in reputation on account of the small measure of justice in the attacks made upon it if it does not proceed promptly to the correction of what is admitted to be wrong.

The decision of the Exchange to revise its grades is an admission that a wrong heretofore existed.

THE SPONGE INDUSTRY.

It is learned from the Fishing Gazette, an excellent and valuable New York publication, that developments in the Florida sponge industry are of a discouraging character and the progress of the business remains in an experimental stage in the artificial cultivation of sponges. The latter has suffered decidedly setbacks during 1906, but according to a late report of the Commissioner of Fisheries recent results warrant the prosecuting of the work, which now promises good results and an important adjunct of the natural sponge fisheries. The experiments were pushed with difficulty and after having had the plants constructed upon bare copper wire, the same were abandoned for insulated wire, because the injury by salts produced by corrosion to the former. Cuttings were slit and placed astride upon wire and a new skin was formed over which was an advantage as the sponges were devoid of roots by which the latter adhere to the bottom. The setbacks in the industry were principally the low salinity of the water and infectious diseases in some districts which led to an unusually heavy mortality.

It has been fully demonstrated under the past experiments that sponges of merchantable size, a number of specimens, measuring six

inches in diameter, were developed from plantings made three years ago. The latter were of excellent quality and shape.

The bill passed by Congress on June 20, 1906, for the protection of the sponge industry will go into effect on May 1, 1907. This bill provides that no sponges taken with diving apparatus shall lawfully be sold in the market.

We believe sponges could be profitably cultivated in North Carolina waters. After storms at Wrightsville Beach sponges as large as a man's hand have been washed ashore. Where do they come from? Do they grow on the rocks off the coast? Fishermen say that they do.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Hughes.—This sort of humdrum, old-fashioned, conventional theory may serve at Albany, but at Washington.—New York Sun.

"The rules I have laid down are simple. I believe the powers and duties of the governor are found in the constitution and statutes."—Governor Blackburn seems to have covered up his trail even to his own crowd. They can't find him when they want to learn how come those Tar Heel Publishing Company bills are not paid.—Greenville (N. C.) Reflector.

A convicted New York insurance official says he "takes with reluctance the sentence of the court," if he had been more reluctant about taking the funds of the policy-holders he would now have no occasion to take the "sentence of the court" at all.—Norfolk Landmark.

Quite naturally the shippers regard the proposed penalization of those who fail to unload cars within a reasonable time as an unwarranted invasion of personal liberty and a dangerous encroachment on the rights of the states.—Indianapolis Star.

—This car shortage might not be so bad if there were more prompt unloading and reloading and keeping the cars on the move. Making warehouses out of cars does not facilitate the handling of freight and hasten shipments.—Youngstown Vindicator.

—The gross earnings of thirty-two roads for the first week of January were \$8,596,037, against \$7,793,889 for the first week of January, 1906, an increase of \$826,048. Twenty-eight roads show increases and four decreases. Since July 1 these roads have earned \$209,951,018, an increase of \$28,734,821 over the same time last year. Twenty-six roads show increases and six decreases.—United States Investor.

TWINKLINGS.

"Is he a close friend?" "I should say so. He wouldn't even lend me a dollar."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Dear, you know Jack was just crazy to marry me," remarked the new bride. "Yes, that's what everybody thinks."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Mamma—There, Dick, you just go right to bed without a mouthful of supper. Dick—O, mamma, I can't sleep on an empty stomach. Mamma—Then turn over on your back.—Judge.

—At the marriage altar they take each other for better or for worse. A little later he thinks it couldn't be worse and she thinks she might have done better.—Chicago News.

Clerk (coming home from a shooting party, to his wife)—Just think, Amalie, I shot thirteen hares today. Wife—Thirteen hares? Impossible! You had only twenty crowns in your purse.—Die Musketeer.

"Your constituents must realize that you are working for them." "Yes," answered Senator Sorghum; "but a good many of them have gotten the idea that I am omitting the proposition."—Washington Star.

Cockley—I understand Crooks is anxious to be a Congressman-at-large. Oakley—You mean Ex-Congressman Crooks? Why, he's in the penitentiary serving sentence. Cockley—Exactly.—Philadelphia Press.

Sh—Here, we've been married just one month, and now you no longer love me. He—But, my dear—"Don't try to explain, I'm not blind. You made a mistake—you ought to have married some silly, stupid woman."—The Bits.

"Captain, did you ever pick up a floating bottle in midocean with some pathetic message in it?" "Aye, riss, nancy a' linc." "What was the message of the bottles, Captain?" "That some ship's crew was drinkin' rum when we were drinkin' watter."—Kansas City Times.

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"It is now eleven years since I had a narrow escape from consumption," writes C. O. Floyd, a leading business man of Kershaw, S. C. "I had run down in weight to 135 pounds, and coughing was constant, both day and night. Finally I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and continued this for about six months, when my cough and lung trouble were entirely gone and I was restored to my normal weight, 170 pounds." Thousands of persons are healed every year. Guaranteed at R. R. Bellamy's drug store. 50 cents and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

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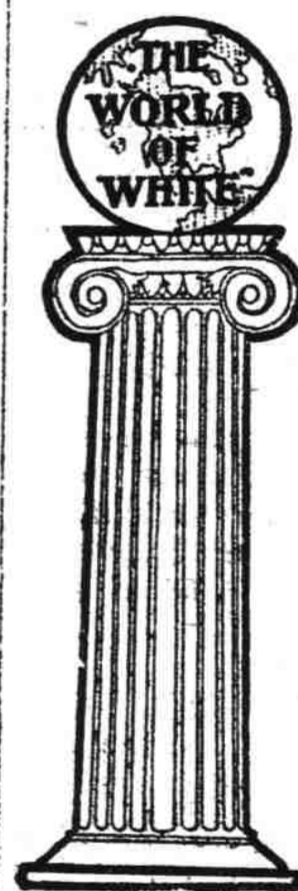
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