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PROFIT IN COTTON.

To the average cotton grower there is not much profit in cotton growing at present prices or at any prices that cotton is likely to command in the future...

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On the average for ten years this gives a little over a third of a bale to the acre, worth an average of \$15.35 per acre.

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small farm, whether cotton or anything else be grown, and it is the only kind of farming that will pay well on the large farm.

In an article written for The Southern States magazine by Mr. D. A. Tompkins, of Charlotte, he gives the following table to show the possible results under the intensive system as compared with the old system of scratching over a good many acres instead of putting more effort on one acre. He figures on one acre thus:

Table comparing 'Old System' and 'Intensive System' for a one-acre farm. Includes columns for Fertilizer, Labor, Stock, Interest, Picking, Total, and Profit.

The cost of production on the intensive plan is a little over three times as much per acre, the product nearly six times as much, and the net profit nearly twenty-seven times as much.

These are not extravagant figures of Mr. Tompkins, for they have been exceeded in this and other States—on land which was only average cotton land, if not below the average.

As much as three bales to the acre have been produced in Mecklenburg and in Edgecombe counties, and by a young farmer who has become independent growing cotton near Atlanta, Ga., on land that was considered before he took hold of it very poor.

MINOR MENTION.

Senator Gray made two pertinent objections, Tuesday, to an increase of the duty on timber when he said that the "millionaire owners of timber lands are not mendicants, and that duties were simply 'putting a premium on the destruction of our forests.'"

A Havana paper shows its utter contempt for the United States jingoism by declaring in its most vigorous type that the Spanish people despise them and could "spit in their faces one hundred times."

A few days ago the Salvation Army people in New York were convicted in court of disturbing the peace by noisy demonstrations at night, and now some Salvationists in Philadelphia, Pa., have been fined for persisting in blowing-horns and beating drums.

Medical examination has shown that 7,233 out of the 23,049 children in the public schools of Minneapolis have defective eyes. In other cities similar examinations have shown a large percentage of the children so afflicted.

Some crank has been sending Speaker Reed threatening letters. He was smart enough to send them sealed, and thus escaped arrest. According to the law it seems that you can threaten a fellow as much as you please provided you don't do it on a cheap postal card, but by a two-cent stamp and seal the threat up.

CITY MARKETS.

Vegetables—Lettuce, 5c per head; beans, 7c per bushel; onions, 9c per bushel; sweet potatoes, 9c per bushel; Irish potatoes (new), 85c per bushel; carrots, 5c per bushel; cauliflower, 5 to 10c per head; cabbage, 2 1/2 to 5c per head; squash, 15c per dozen; radishes, 5c per bushel; turnips, 2 1/2 to 5c per bushel; rutabaga, 2 1/2 to 5c per dozen; cucumbers, 80c per dozen.

Meat—Loin steak, 13c per pound; mackerel, 10c per bushel; beef, 10c per pound; veal, 10 to 12c per pound; mutton, 10 to 12c per pound; pig, 10 to 12c per pound; poultry—Grown chickens, 20 to 25c per pair; spring chickens, 30 to 40c per pair; dressed chickens, 60 to 70c per pair.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION.

That the Board of Public Health to Publish to People Along the Line of Its Work. The people who live along the Seaboard Air Line will not suffer for want of practical information on industrial matters if the S. A. L. can possibly help it.

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FIENDISH CRIME.

Murderous Assault on a Party at Orange, Fla., by a No Firm Hand—Lynchings Prohibited. By Telegram to the Morning Star.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., June 5.—News reached here this afternoon of a fiendish crime which was perpetrated at Orange, Fla., about twenty miles from this city, last night, in which an endeavor was made to murder a whole family. The details, so far as can be learned, are as follows:

Shortly before midnight a farmer named Isaac Barrett, a colored man, entered the home of J. Hewson, a farmer, and murdered Mrs. Hewson, his wife and six-year-old son, while they slept. A negro boy, who was on the premises, saw the murderer as he fled from the house. The boy is said to be deaf, but the parents may possibly recover.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., June 5.—A special to-day signed a decree of foreclosure for the sale of the Cumcock coal mine and property September 1st. All the parties agreed to the sale of the mine with relatives of miners who lost their lives in the explosion at the mines was affirmed.

LOST DIAMONDS.

RE-Discovered in the St. of Guerrero, Mexico. By Telegram to the Morning Star. MEXICO CITY, Mex., June 5.—It is reported from the State of Guerrero that the lost diamond find there have been re-discovered. A few back as 1838 some Indians brought from that State specimens of what they called "crystal chips," and presented them to General Vicente Guerrero, who had them examined, and discovered that they were valuable diamonds, and which were equal to the best found elsewhere.

RALEIGH NEWS BUDGET.

The City to Purchase a Book Quarry—Tribune Sale—The Tucker Failure—Governor Russell—The Miller to Visit Nashville. [Special Star Correspondence.]

RALEIGH, N. C., June 6.—The city commission purchasing the rock quarry east of the city, from which the rock was taken for the construction of the capitol building. The city desires to use the stone for street purposes.

THE TRIBUNE SALE OCCURS Monday week. Mr. C. Beaudreard Poland says he has \$5,000 capital with which to purchase the plant. He proposes to start a four-page morning paper, the policy to be the same as the old Tribune.

MEASUREMENTS OF THE TROOP COMPANY. Capt. Henry Burgess, of Parkland, Me., writes to the Adjutant General to learn of the whereabouts of Captain Somers, of the Thirty-third N. C. Regiment of Confederate troops.

SCHOOL EXERCISES.

By Pupils of the Kinsey Female Seminary, LaGrange, June 5. The closing exercises of the Kinsey Female Seminary at LaGrange have been held for the past few days and the lively little town has had a large number of visitors from Craven, Green, Pitt and Wayne counties to witness the last of the school under Prof. Kinsey, who will make his future home at Wilson, N. C.

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THOMPSON SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

The commencement exercises of the Thompson School at Siler City, were held last Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. The annual sermon was preached Sunday by Rev. W. A. Branch, of Greensboro, N. C., and was very interesting and literary address by Rev. J. H. Mebane, State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Mr. J. O. Smith of Clinton, brother-in-law of Mr. R. M. Murray of this city, was the debater, and Mr. W. B. Harris, of Evans, was awarded the declaimer's medal, and Mr. Millard M. Fox, of Siler City, the orator's medal.

DECEASED AT SEA.

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DEBATE ON THE WOOD SCHEDULE OF THE TARIFF BILL.

DEBATE ON THE WOOD SCHEDULE OF THE TARIFF BILL. Divergence of Views Among Democrats—McLaurin of South Carolina Makes His Initial Speech—The Senator Criticized by Senator Clayton. By Telegram to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, June 5.—When the Senate laid aside the tariff bill to-night it had reached the sugar schedule, which has been the subject of so much interest and conflict. During the day many of the paragraphs of the wood schedule had been agreed to, but that restoring lumber to the dutiable list at \$2 per 1,000 feet proved the greatest stumbling block encountered since the debate began.

Mr. Jones of Arkansas, spoke against an additional tax on lumber, warning of the heavy burden it imposed on the people of the West. He said the rates of the bill were the result of a determination to benefit any Southern lumberman, and in this connection he read a letter from the National Lumber Convention, issued from an office in Washington, urging the petition to Senators and members be prepared, bearing the names of workmen. This, Mr. Jones declared, was the means by which the high rates were being secured.

Mr. Vest said to no effect that the bill could be first without any information on the requirements of the Government. The Senator added, as to the Wilson bill, that the three features in which it differed from the tariff bill were in the matter of free wool, free iron, and free sugar. He said that a member of my party should have been ready to take one of those articles out of the free list and put a duty on it.

Mr. Bacon answered that the Senator from Missouri need feel so solicitous as to the attitude of a Senator of his party. Equality in the distribution of taxation was a fundamental tenet of the Democratic party and he stood on that principle. Democracy.

Mr. Clayton followed Mr. Bacon, speaking for the first time since he entered the Senate. He expressed himself emphatically in favor of the tariff bill, and in favor of a tariff sufficient to carry on the Government economically administered. And in levying this tariff, he said, there should be the strictest equality in its imposition.

Mr. Clayton criticized the sugar schedule as especially objectionable. Under the Senate bill the rate on refined sugar would be not less than 64 1/2 per hundred pounds, an advantage to the refiner of 93 cents on the hundred. The price to the consumer would be increased to the extent of \$1.90 per hundred weight. This profit would go to the Sugar Trust. He said the bounty system was responsible for the present rate, and that no political party could stand under the odium that this legislation would produce.

When the paragraph on sawed boards, planing, etc., was reached Mr. Vest said that the bill would increase the rate on white pine, from \$3.00 per 1,000 feet to \$3.00 per 1,000 feet, and placing it at \$3.00 per 1,000 feet. This was justly called the "king of coniferous woods," and yet the clear intent of the bill was to make the rates absolutely prohibitive on the lumber interests of the South, and to have been confronted by the lumber interests during his last canvass.

Mr. Vest declared that the proposed rate on white pine was in the interest of the poor, to whom every penny was almost a dollar, and every drop of blood, it was, he said, the most indefensible item of the bill, without justification or palliation. Mr. Jones of Arkansas, who was a staunch opponent of the bill, declared that the bill would be a disaster to the lumber industry of the South, and that the lumber interests of the South would be benefited by the exclusion of Canadian lumber.

THE OHIO LYNCHING.

THE OHIO LYNCHING. Intense Feeling at Urbana Against Sheriff McLean and Captain Leonard—Many Members of the Militia Company Have Left the City. By Telegram to the Morning Star.

URBANA, OHIO, June 5.—Instead of a negro dangling from a tree in the most prominent street corner, the excited populace thronging the streets, the military and sheriff hiding in the county jail, the spectacle of a peaceable community, a fleeing sheriff, a missing captain and a military company making themselves scarce, and nobody outside the Captain's circle of immediate friends knows where he went. It was reported last evening that a mob of 160 was organizing in the town of Urbana, and that the sheriff and such word went to Springfield, having the effect, it is said, of driving the sheriff off to Dayton. He is universally commiserated by the people and held responsible for the shooting of citizens by the militia.

The body of "Click" Mitchell, the rapist, has been secreted. Before being removed from the court house yard, the body of the man who shot the dead man. Every button was gone and even his shoes and stockings were carried away.

THE SPRINGFIELD COMPANY was ordered to report to the sheriff. They marched to the jail, but did not consult the sheriff, as he never made his appearance, and there is a question whether the mayor was authorized to speak for him in telling them to retire.

THE SHERIFF DENIES the responsibility for the shooting, and so does the captain. On the other hand, the citizens assert that the sheriff fired the first shot. He asserts that at least five shots were fired into the jail from the outside before a shot was fired out from the inside.

COLUMBUS, O., June 5.—Governor Baskin, in an interview to-day, stated that he favored the enactment of law making the penalty for extreme cases of criminal assault, death. He thought that the present law on the matter and the degree of crimes was the surest punishment of lynchings such as that at Urbana. He consulted one of the Judges of the Supreme Court on the matter and the latter coincided with his views.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

APPLICATION TO BE MADE to the United States Court at Mason for Appointment of a Receiver. By Telegram to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, Ga., June 5.—A special to the Journal from Mason says that a bill has been prepared there for filing in the United States Court at Mason for the appointment of a receiver for the Southern Railway in the hands of a receiver. Rumor had it yesterday that the bill would be filed to-day, but it is learned this morning that nothing will be done in the matter to-day, though the bill has been made ready. It is understood that Bacon & Miller and Dessau, Bartlett & Ellis are the attorneys representing W. B. Sparks, the Dunlap Hardware Company, M. J. Hatcher, Sam Mayer, B. L. Jones and others in the petition.

While the suit will be directed primarily at the Southern Railway, it is reported that all other roads supposed to be controlled by that corporation will be made parties, including the Georgia Pacific. The Court to appoint a receiver will not be included as they are merely leased lines. The petition, it is said, will rest mainly on the provision of the State constitution which prohibits the purchase or operation of a competing line by the owners of another.

A PITCHED BATTLE.

A PITCHED BATTLE. One Man Killed and Three Men Mortally Wounded. By Telegram to the Morning Star.

LOUISVILLE, June 5.—A special to the Evening Post from Paintsville, Ky., says: A pitched battle, in which Tom Lewis, Preston Lee, Green Charles, J. W. Charles, Shade Lee and Hemp Lee, engaged, occurred near the Virginia-Kentucky border in a village of W. Charles was killed outright and Green Charles, Hemp Lee and Tom Lewis were mortally wounded. The particulars are meagre but the report is that the crowd of the best drinking warriors gathered, after a discussion, with the above results.

MILITIA CALLED OUT.

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CHARLESTON, June 5.—A special to the News and Courier reports considerable excitement at Lusknow, a village of 115 inhabitants in Sumter county. It arose from some target practice in the streets of the village which the authorities could not stop. Governor Ellerbe was informed of the affair and wired the Bishopville Guards to go to Lusknow. This was done and a number of men have been made and everything is quiet now.

CONSULAR APPOINTMENTS.

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WASHINGTON, June 5.—The President to-day sent the following nominations to the Senate: Andrew D. Birlow, of Missouri, to be Consul General at the City of Mexico; Harold S. Van Buren, of New Jersey, to be Consul at Nice, France; Carl Bailey Hurst, of the District of Columbia (son Consul at Prague), to be Consul General at Vienna, Austria; Henry H. Morgan, of Louisiana, to be Consul at Geneva, Switzerland; William W. Casada, of Indiana, to be Consul at Vera Cruz, Mexico; Louis A. Pradt, of Wisconsin, to be Assistant Attorney General.

COLONEL H. DEB. CLAY.

COLONEL H. DEB. CLAY, one of the leading Republicans in Virginia, died at his residence at Hoxton, Switzerland, Tuesday morning.

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