

The cotton farmers have made their crop this year at a heavier expense than ever before. The high price of food stuff and of musit, which has helped the Western far-

meat; the cost of nuclea has been a Sic-

at ten and eleven cents; labor has been higher because of the inc caed cost of living, most of the support of laborers being purchased from stores; and therefore if the Southern farmers are forced to sell their cotton at the prevailing low to keep the steph of the maprice they will be compelled to give til there is imposed on the away the product of their whole Just when this intprevenue year's labor without profit.

That is a momentous question. This paper has printed in full the re-olutions of the various farmers' organizations, the advice of leading farm journals, and below it prints as atement written to the Wilmington Star by Mr. A. J. ("Study") M Kin non, a leading farmer and a mon-of affairs in Robeson county, who was vice-president of the Cotton Ginners' Association when that organization was actively at work to protect the interests of the colton farmers. He write ;:

cents: The danger line has been crossed; time for action is here.

endangered from bankers, merchants and manufacturers

through every calling, profession L J Glover, is defindant, I will or trade.

cotton is the South's greatest weath producer. On the price of this article we depend for our increase wealth, prosperity and progres or our poverty, loss and decline.

the thing on which our prosperity depends for less than it cost to make it. To do that means disaster not to part but to every interest in the cotton producing States

ed? Isn't it time for action? Can we prevent this disaster? I thick so, If we can find the cause for this de-

price to prevail we can make lescotton and more of other farm prefarmers' part and for fear we might tainly remove that cause.

"If we haven't too much cotton and there is a combination on the part of Europe and other cotton spinning parts of the world to stand off and refuse to buy their supplies while the bulk of the crop is being that cause can be removed or met only by a combination of merchants, farmers and bankers, combining their resources and taking care of the cotton until the spinners are ready to take it at a price that will