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COTTON IN MEXICO.

A letter from its Washington correspondent to the Atlanta Journal gives some interesting facts in reference to the cotton situation in Mexico and in this country.

The effort has been made to mislead our farmers by the bare statement that in Mexico where the silver standard prevails cotton brings 16 1/2 cents a pound, while the price at present in the United States is a little over 5 cents. Nobody should be deceived by such stuff.

Cotton in Mexico sells in Mexican money for 15 1/2 cents a pound. The entire Mexican product is only 70,000 bales. This does not begin to meet the demand in Mexico for cotton and the bulk of the cotton used in that country is imported from the United States. A tariff of 8 cents per pound in American money, or 6 cents per pound in Mexican money is charged in Mexico for the importation of ginned cotton. This 6 cents per pound in Mexican money imposed by the tariff certainly will not be claimed, even by the silver monumentalists, as due to the kind of currency used in Mexico. As the United States produces very much more cotton than it consumes it would be impossible to add to the value of our cotton by putting a tariff upon imports of cotton. Deduct the 6 cents laid by the tariff from the 16 1/2 cents paid in Mexican money for cotton in Mexico, and we have left 10 1/2 cents. Cotton in the United States is quoted at 5.60 cents American money. The money for which the cotton is sold in the United States can be carried to Mexico and it will buy 11.20 cents of Mexican money; so that the farmer in this country can sell his cotton for American money and go to Mexico with that money and buy as much money in Mexico as his cotton would bring in Mexico, less the tariff.

This is a simple demonstration of how ridiculous the argument is that has been presented upon the question of Mexican cotton.

WHAT FREE WOOL IS DOING.

As the Philadelphia Times says, selling woolsens in England is a new departure for American manufacturers to engage in, and yet this is the story the Consul at Bradford sends to the State Department, with the further information that American woolsens are disposed of there at a profit and that, too, in the face of the fact that Bradford is the central woolen market of Great Britain.

American woolen cloth at 50 and 60 cents a yard, which experts concede to be from goods of a superior grade, is just as much a puzzle to the English maker as it is to the American at home accustomed to paying much higher figures and to believing the tariff chaff so generally thrown out to bolster up the tariff tax bounties. The new tariff disproves the argument of the high protectionist very early in the game that a reduction of the duty on wools would ruin trade abroad and the mills at home.

Nothing of the kind follows the admission of free material, but to the contrary the mills are in possession of a stimulus, the looms and spindles are working up a new competition and American woolen cloth is now in the English markets in company with American carpets, which

were there long months ago.

The prediction that American manufacturers, with the advantage of free wool, would have their goods in Bradford in six months after the new tariff bill had passed, has been more than realized. Britain is beaten on its own ground and the future is rich in progress.

Out Reed-ing Reed.

Speaker Walsler started in as a puppet. He is closing as a pigmy posing as a Czar. He is out Reed-ing Tom Reed in his tyrannical and unjust rulings. Tom Reed is a big man, and his assumption of power was not ridiculous.

Yesterday Speaker Walsler, in announcing a vote, stated that he would call out the following gentlemen as present and not voting, as necessary to constitute a quorum to-wit, Ray, of Macon, McClammy, Grizzard, Duffy, and Smith, of Gates. Of these Duffy, Grizzard and Smith, of Gates, voted, and so stated. Later the Speaker read out the same names, except that of Smith, of Stanly, was substituted for Smith of Gates. Smith of Stanly stated that he was not in the Hall at the time, and therefore could not be counted as "present and not voting."

Afterwards, in justification of his conduct, the Speaker stated that the names read were not necessary to make a quorum, but if at any time necessary to secure a quorum, he would not hesitate to count members present and not voting.—Raleigh News and Observer.

Making Offices for Themselves.

Early in the session, Senator Dowd, of Mecklenburg, introduced a bill providing that no member of this Legislature should hold any office created by this General Assembly or to be filled by it. The bill was buried so quickly that it hardly could have been said to have been given a decent burial. At the time of its interment, Senator Cook, of Warren, who then had the Judgeship in his eye, said: "Dowd, you were just joking, were you not?" The Mecklenburg Senator replied: "I was never more in earnest in my life."

The results show that Cook and his co-operation brethren were unwilling to cut themselves off of pie that they were then preparing to bake.

Two Judgeships have been created and both of them have been filled by members of this Legislature.

This is the kind of Reform the Legislature is giving the people. Neither of these offices were needed. They were created simply to give a job to two hungry Republicans.—Raleigh News and Observer.

A fine example of the "post hoc, propter hoc" style of argument is furnished by the New York Tribune, in an article pointing out the lamentable effects of the Wilson bill upon the sheep industry of the country. The value of the flocks of the United States, according to this statement, has declined nearly sixty millions of dollars between 1893 and 1895, all on account of tariff changes and free wool. But this is not the extent of the devastation. The value of horses, according to the same statement, shows a decline of more than five hundred millions in the same period: of cattle, except milk cows, sixty-four millions; of swine, seventy-five millions, and so on. The inference is of course, that this decline also was caused by the tariff changes. But horses, cattle and swine are not less protected than they were before. And if free wool does not account for this loss, how can we assume that it accounts for the loss on sheep? The argument destroys itself. The sheep industry has really suffered less than other agricultural pursuits since the Wilson tariff has made possible the material development of American manufactures.

Massinari enjoys the reputation of a distinguished scientist of the French school and naturally hails from Paris. This distinction appears to rest in the fact that Massinari gives a prescription that tobacco smoke is the most perfect safeguard by way of the annihilation of germs and disinfectants ever used. He establishes the claim that the smoke of a cigar blown through a strip of linen impregnated with living microbes, causes their death with almost miraculous rapidity.

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