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ADDRESS TO COTTON-GROWERS.

Necessity of Decreasing the Acreage Strongly Urged.

Athens, Ala., March 13.—Proctor D. Lane, president of the American Cotton-Growers' Protective Association, has issued the following address:

"To the Cotton-Growers of the South: I wish to call the attention of the cotton-growers to the strategic movement being made by cotton manipulators to delude them into the suicidal act of planting again a large acreage in cotton. That uneasiness has been felt in Liverpool for some time in reference to a decreased acreage goes without saying, and had this menace not existed cotton values would have been lower than they have been, and now, as the end of the season is at hand and the staple is substantially out of the hands of the farmer, these gentle men who have represented the bear element for so many months while cotton was moving in large volumes now resort to this case of running values up simply as a device to induce the farmers to plant more cotton than possibly intended.

"I warn the farmers of the South that the price of the last few days is fictitious. It is the product of a conspiracy of men to systematically rob the producer of his legitimate gain. It is a delusion and a snare to catch the unsuspecting farmer, to inveigle him into the toils of another three-million surplus, so that they can bear down values lower than last season with an increased surplus on hand.

"Let the people beware, it is a bait to catch those who will bite. There can be no legitimate reasons shown for this resort to values. The production has exceeded the most sanguine expectations. Russia has placed a virtually prohibitive duty on American cotton, so we can no longer expect to sell her 500,000 bales.

"There can be no change made by next season in the finical laws of the nation. Therefore, where is the legitimate cause for this rise if cotton has been selling at the legitimate figures? It is simply the old spider-and-fly game, a recurrence of the farmer and the 'bucco steerer,' and I am constrained to exclaim 'How long, oh, Lord, how long!' Is it to be ever thus that our people are to be way laid and robbed of their meagre subsistence?

"I deny the proposition, and defy the man who made it, that any man can produce cotton legitimately for five cents with any reasonable profit, and I state advisedly and emphatically that the cotton grower—I mean literally a man who digs the ground, the unfortunate who pulls the bell-cord over the mortgaged mule—is not realizing 12 cents a day for his labor the year round. What is to be the fate of this man if cotton goes down 1 or 2 cent this fall, which is not at all improbable when we recognize the conditions that confront us and take into consideration the fact that we had a most phenomenal season for picking our crop this last season, and its classification was higher than ever known, hardly any grading less than low middling.

"Still it averaged under 5 cents, and though we may make a smaller crop the ensuing season of 1895-96 if we have a rainy or unpropitious gathering season, cotton, in all probability, will grade lower, and may be we will have a recurrence of the season of 1881, when we had a super abundance of the poorer qualities. We could then expect the same relative difference in the grades, which must, of course, result in considerably reduced returns from the whole crop.

"I invoke the most earnest attention of cotton growers to this nefarious scheme and address you this letter as a caveat, that you may not be deluded by this 'wolf in sheep's clothing,' or, in other words, this bear in bull clothing."

Mrs. Mary Whiteman, of Chowan county, 87 years old, has just cut a tooth. Her eyesight is good and she can read without spectacles.

TO THOSE.

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Lard	6 to 10
Oats	50 to 60
Potatoes Irish, per bbl	300 to 350
Potatoes Sweet, per bu	30 to 40
Sugar	8 to 5
Coffee	16 to 25
Salt per Sack	80 to 200
Chickens	12 1/2 to 20
Eggs per doz	10
Beeswax, per lb	25
Kerosene,	9 to 10
Pease, per bu	50 to 70
Hulls, per ton	500
Cotton Seed Meal	20 00
Hides	1 1/2 to 2
Minks	25 to 75