They Are Wise.

"Those bicycle riders are nothing but a set of cranks," said the man who does not ride.

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GROWING TEA IN AMERICA.

An Industry that Gives Evidence of a Rich Profit.

The Washington Dispatch says Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has received a report from a veteran horticulturist whom he sent recently to investigate the tea farming industry carried on at Summerville, S. C., with a view of ascertaining the prospects of profitable growth of the tea plant in this country.

The report says the labor question is the most important one in the economics of this business in this country. It estimates the minimum cost about eight times as much to pick one pound of tea in South Carolina as in Asia.

The profitable production of leaf depends upon rainfall or moisture in the soil. In districts favored with sufficient heat and rains plants furnish from 15 to 20 pickings yearly. In the South Carolina fields the conservation of moisture by draining is enhanced by systematic surface culture, which largely prevents the evaporation of moisture from the upper stratum of soil and secures a gain equivalent to a fall of from 10 to 15 inches of rain.

As to the future of tea culture in the United States and the encouragement for its extension, the report quotes the promoter of the South Carolina tea fields as saying that if he were 20 years younger he would plant 500 acres as rapidly as he could procure the plants. The picking of the leaves, requiring discrimination in selection, has to be done by hand. The problem was ingeniously met by establishing a small colored school, where tea picking is included in the curriculum.

PALMETTO PENCELINGS.

The State dispensary at St. Stephen's, Berkeley county, has been robbed of about $42 worth of liquors.

The State Teachers' Association closed its annual session last week at Paris Mountain, Greenville county. It was a most profitable session in every respect.

Capt. Geo. B. Newcomb, roadmaster for the Northeastern Railroad Company, died at Lane's, from sunstroke. His remains were taken to Petersburg, Va., for interment.

The offer of the city council of Anderson of $100 reward for the arrest and delivery to the city authorities of one Chris or Christic Harris or Harrison, a negro boy charged with criminal assault with intent to rape, has been increased by the city council to $250. The mayor of Anderson has written to the Governor requesting him to offer an additional reward of $250 for his apprehension.

A white man got on the train at Branchville last week bound for Augusta and took a seat. Ben Briffle, a negro who had temporarily vacated it, stepped up and said: "This seat is occupied." The other replied that there were plenty of others he could take. Briffle attempted to use force, when the white man shot him through the body just over the heart. The slayer in the confusion among the passengers stepped off, disappearing in the darkness. No one knew him.—Atlanta Constitution.

When Congress "settled" the armor-plate problem by fixing $300 a ton as the limit of the price to be paid to plate manufacturers it neglected to consult the platemakers. The other day Secretary Long of the navy department opened the bids for about 6,000 tons needed for new battleships. Two letters, coming from the greatest armor-making concerns in America, politely declined to make plate at the price specified. A third company accepted the terms, but hedged its offer around with so many conditions that it can hardly be acceptable. Secretary Long has now referred the whole matter back to Congress, stating three propositions by which the plate may be secured. One is to give the contract for twenty years to the Illinois Steel Company, and pay the company a forfeit whenever the armor plate purchased falls below 6,000 tons a year; the other is for the government to buy or build a plant of its own, and the third is to raise the price limit so that all manufacturers may deem it worth while to compete. Thus is the glorious and enlightened nation "up a stump" on the armor-plate question. It may stick to its original figures and pay dearly for the privilege, or it may raise the price at the behest of the more powerful manufacturing concerns. In either event it is likely to pay just as much as it did before Congress sought to make a bargain in the plate business. The only benefit resulting from the action of Congress may be that the powerful companies will be somewhat less dictatorial and independent than they formerly were. But even this benefit is not assured.

BILL ARP'S WEEKLY LETTER.

THE SOUTHERN PEOPLE ARE THE NEGROES' BEST FRIENDS.

PHILOSOPHER DRAWS COMPARISONS

He Has Strong Convictions In Regard to Lynching and Throws Out Some Timely Suggestions.

These "Boston yankees" already have big money in cotton mills in South Carolina. Three-fourths of the capital in the new mills in Spartanburg is New England money, and they have never yet even suggested the employment of negro operatives. Indeed, it is a new departure if Boston has suddenly fallen in love with the negro, for all the genuine yankees I know or have known had little use for him, except as a base of political operations. The new little city of Fitzgerald that is made up of Illinois yankees, won't even allow him a domicile in the corporation. I know a yankee lady who was taken sick here and she wouldn't eat anything they cooked, and liked to have perished to death during her long illness. Kind neighbors took nice things to her, but had to tell her they were cooked by negroes. It is curious how they don't mix things up north, for in one hotel you will find all colored waiters and in another all whites. There are hotels in Florida where all the waiters are New England girls. In the northwest no colored barbers are allowed. They would lynch one just as soon as he put up his striped pole. There is really less prejudice against the negro at the south than at the north. There are more trades and occupations open to him. But all this has been said and resaid for thirty years. "Oh, but you lynch them," they say, and the New York Herald keeps an account against us—over 300 in the last twelve months. If it was 3,000 we would still ask, like Governor Oates, "What are you going to do about it?" Lynching for that crime is the law of nature, and will go on. When juries are organized to try hyenas and wolves and gorillas, maybe these brutes in human form will be tried, but not before. The argument is exhausted, and we stand by our wives and children. If the brute who was burned at Dallas had had as many lives as a cat, I would have have burned them all. The fate of that poor little child has haunted me ever since. And so let the negro bishops and preachers and teachers and editors stop bewailing the lynchings and go to denouncing the outrages and teach to their people the enormity of the crime and its swift and sure punishment. The emotions of the human heart are the same at Urbana as at Dallas.

But Anglo-Saxon fears are aroused prematurely. No white children have yet been displaced that I have heard of. The papers say that some wealthy negroes are about to build a cotton mill in Alabama. That is alright, of course, and they will employ negro labor. Mr. Anglo-Saxon can't complain about that, but he charges that Hon. Hoke Smith in 1893 wrote an article for The American Review advocating the employment of negro labor in our cotton mills as a means of competing with the Chinamen. Well, I don't believe that Mr. Hoke Smith wrote any such thing, for we have no Chinamen in that business, and if we had, how could the negro compete any better than the white race? I know of no trade or occupation in which the negro excels the white man, either in skill or cheapness. But this man is very mad with us, and actually abuses Frank Stanton for writing poetry about mules and watermelons and violets and daisies, while the white people are threatened with the direst calamity of thirty years. Stop, Stanton, stop; and write a poem about the black cotton mills that loom up in the distance.

But while on the subject of the dusky race, my attention was called by my wife to a photograph and a sketch of Queen Lil that appears in the July number of The Puritan. The photograph indicates a handsome woman of Moorish complexion and features quite as English as Queen Victoria's. The sketch gives her praise for her manners and her lavish entertainments and her modesty of deportment. It closes with these words: "She is really a queenly woman. Her bearing is dignified, her manner gracious, her language perfect and one leaves her presence echoing the sentiment: 'Once a queen, always a queen.'

Now that dethroned woman has been the butt of hundreds of cruel jokes and slanders and for what was it? For political schemes that are now about to mature in the annexation of Hawaii. Or am I too suspicious of our American politicians? May the good Lord help us all and keep us from stealing, especially from a woman.

P. S.—Allow me to thank all those kind friends, far and near, who have sent me the poem I asked for: "Man wants but little here below," by J. Q. Adams. It gratifies me to learn that so many are better versed in literature than I am, and I thank them for their kind consideration of my ignorance.—BILL ARP, in Atlanta Constitution.

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