

The Edgefield Cotton Factory.

This mill, now in process of building in Edgefield, is to operate five thousand spindles and one hundred and eighty looms; this has been stated before in these columns. The questions have been asked, what is the capacity of such a mill, how much money would be paid out to run such a plant for a year, how much cotton consumed in the same length of time, and other of similar import.

For answer we have interviewed the management of the mill and secured figures from other mills in successful operation.

A five thousand spindle mill is not a large mill but it is above the average. In North Carolina the average is forty-eight hundred spindles. One reason capitalists commence with an average size mill and increase the capacity afterwards is, that it costs less per spindle to build such smaller mills.

The cost of the entire plant of the Edgefield mill will be, approximately, seventy-five thousand dollars; the number of hands employed, one hundred and fifty; amount of money paid out to operators per annum, twenty-five thousand dollars; bales of cotton used in same time, twenty-five hundred to three thousand.

Mr. Cecil, the contractor, speaks confidently of having his part of the work done by the first of August, although the contract does not call for the completion of the factory building until the first of September.

The Greenwood Journal in a recent issue, speaks of the cotton factory at that place started with twenty-five hundred spindles as follows: "It has done more than any other enterprise to make Greenwood what she is to-day."

This statement points the way for Edgefield to the high road of a like prosperity. The "other mill" agitated for last year in our town, is only sleeping, to awake in the coming fall.

Of the difficulties that have been overcome by others in building cotton factories we again quote from the Journal:

"The mill was organized on the 30th of the installment plan, with \$50,000 subscribed, to be paid by the month in four years. The people were then ignorant of cotton mills, and had little confidence in them as an investment, and there was great difficulty in collecting the installments. Of the original \$80,000 of stock subscribed not more the 65 per cent. was ever paid.

In June 1891 the mill began operations with an equipment of 2500 spindles and 84 looms and with a capital paid in of only \$32,000.

In January 1894 the capacity of the mill was doubled and the work. Additional stock was added to the stock had been secured, but at the time the capital stock amounted only \$85,000, which was from the cost of the plant. The order was carried by the Bank of Greenwood and by individuals friendly to the enterprise.

In May 1895 it was determined to again double the capacity of the mill. With this object in view President Durst went north and explained to his friends there what the mill had been doing and had no difficulty in securing \$40,000 of the money necessary to put in the new machinery. The remaining capital was secured at home. The total stock paid in now amounts to \$175,000, and this is all the company desires. On this capital the mill will set in motion on June 1st an equipment of 10,000 spindles and 360 looms."

Congress is expected to adjourn by the middle of May, the shortest long session on record.

In the town of Bamberg, S. C., a cotton mill will be built in which only negro labor is to be employed.

Rev. Diaz the Baptist missionary recently imprisoned in Havana, has been released on condition of leaving Cuba and is now in this country.

Cobb, the Alabama congressman who obtained notoriety by getting drunk and asking, "Where am I at?" has been unseated and his place given to a populist.

The Republican national convention will meet at St. Louis June 16, 1896.

The Democratic national convention will meet in Chicago July 7, 1896.

The populist national convention will meet at St. Louis July 22, 1896.

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The May Convention.

Although shorn of much of her territory and voting strength, Edgefield county had a good convention of her democracy on Monday last, the 4th of May, respectable, eminently so in material and fairly so in numbers.

Dr. W. H. Timmerman, the Cato of Edgefield, the noblest Roman of them all, declined the nomination to serve another term as County Chairman, and the Hon. W. H. Yeldell of Liberty Hill was elected to this responsible and honorable position. M. P. Wells, Esq., was elected County Secretary.

Dr. Jos. H. Jennings, 1st vice-president, J. T. Mims, 2nd vice-president, A. E. Padgett Treas., Dr. W. H. Timmerman, State Executive Committeeman.

The following delegates were elected by acclamation to the State Democratic convention, they go unopposed but they are all Democrats to the utmost core.

- W. H. TIMMERMAN, B. R. TILLMAN, J. M. GAINES, W. H. YELDELL, J. W. HARDY, W. R. PARKS, S. M. SMITH, N. G. EVANS.

- ALTERNATES. L. J. WILLIAMS, S. T. WILLIAMS, S. B. MAYS, J. W. AITON, Thos. H. Rainsford, R. Pickens Holloway, L. G. Bell, J. M. Bussey.

CARWILE RESOLUTION.

The following resolutions were offered by Col. Thos. W. Carwile: Whereas, the supremacy of the Democratic party—County, State and National—is essential to the maintenance of good government.

And Whereas, the submission of all members of the party to the will of the majority is indispensable to the preservation of Democratic Supremacy. Therefore, be it

Resolved by the Democratic party of Edgefield county, in convention assembled, that the delegates from this convention be and are hereby instructed to vote for resolutions pledging the delegates to the National convention to abide the result, and support the nominees of the National Democratic party.

TIMMERMAN RESOLUTIONS. The following were offered by Dr. Timmerman as a substitute for the Carwile resolutions:

Resolved 1st, That the people of Edgefield county, in convention assembled, express their confidence in the Democratic principles as embodied by Thomas Jefferson and emphasized and enforced by Andrew Jackson, during his administration and as practiced by some other subsequent leaders of the party.

2nd, That we regard the unity and harmony of the white people of this State as paramount in importance to any participation in national politics, and that we regard white supremacy in our State as the greatest issue that concerns our people.

Resolved 2d, That the delegates from Edgefield county go unopposed to the State convention and vote as they think best for the interest of the people.

3rd, That we pledge ourselves to loyally support the principles of Jeffersonian Democracy.

4th, That the white people of this State who have always championed white supremacy will continue to do so.

Just at this juncture, when things were getting in a snarl and a tangle, delegate A. E. Padgett, always level headed and cool and prompt in such emergencies, jumped to his feet and said: "Mr. Chairman, Delegates, and Representatives: I arise, not to make a speech, but a motion. I move that all these resolutions be laid upon the table," and all these resolutions were laid upon the table and the delegates to the State convention were turned loose with unclipped wings, to sink or soar, in other words to do as they please and as the lights shine.

The resolutions themselves, with all due deference to their movers, were but meaningless platitudes, and promptly voted them down—the creek.

"We shall know each other better when the mists have rolled away"—probably not before.

Clemson College will get a splendid revenue this year from the privilege tax. The State Treasurer has already received from that source this year between forty-eight and forty-nine thousand dollars. This shows that the farmers of this State will use this year nearly twice as much commercial fertilizers as they did last year, when the receipts from this source were only about \$29,000.—Oconee News.

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Tillman on His Trip.

THE WEST BURNING FOR SILVER, AND SILVER WILL RULE AT CHICAGO.

Washington, April 24.—Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, has returned from his Western stumping tour. "The West is burning up with the free silver fire," said the Senator to a World correspondent to-night. "Large crowds greeted me at every place where I spoke. Public sentiment is aroused, and the gold bugs are going to hear something drop at Chicago next July, and at the pills the following November, which they will never forget. The only thing I am afraid of is that the gold bug wing of the Democracy will stick to us and embarrass us in our efforts to rally the people. I want them to go to John Sherman, where they belong."

"Kentucky is the maddest State I ever saw. I don't see how Carlisle can ever go back there to live. His apostasy has disgusted the Kentucky Democrats beyond recovery. He cannot hope to carry the Kentucky delegation to Chicago."

"The Chicago convention will, I believe, have nearer a two-thirds majority than a bare majority for free silver. If we put a strong ticket on the free silver platform we will sweep the country. Then I want to see the new Democratic President issue his proclamation convening Congress in special session two hours after he takes his oath of office on the 4th of March. Then let Congress at once pass a free coinage act, and provide for a sufficient issue of paper money to offset any contraction in the currency which the gold bugs and bankers may bring about."

Why Diaz Was Released.

SPANISH MINISTER ASKED FOR HIS FREEDOM BECAUSE HE FEARED MORE TROUBLE FROM THIS COUNTRY.

Washington, April 23.—The action of General Weyler in deciding to release Missionary Diaz and his brother was taken in pursuance of the advice of Senor Dupuy de Lome, the Spanish Minister here. When the Baptist missionary was first arrested Minister de Lome called at the State Department and volunteered the information that Diaz was guilty, and that no sort of clemency would be extended to him. He declared that Weyler intended to make an example of Diaz, for the purpose of deterring other teachers of religion, both Protestant and Catholic, from giving aid and comfort to insurgents.

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