

FARMER'S EGG BASKET

The McKinley Law Checked Importation and Gave a Home Market.

EFFECT OF THE WILSON BILL.

The Canadian Farmer Has Protection but the American Farmer Has None.

There is no reason why Canada, Mexico, China, or any other country should supply the United States with a single egg.

The purpose of this article is to show by a few figures the benefit which the American farmer derived from the McKinley law.

From 1883 to 1890, there was no tariff upon eggs. The Canadian farmer could send his eggs across the line from Maine to California.

The following statement shows importations of eggs, by countries, the year before the McKinley tariff went into effect, for the year ending June 30, 1889.

Table with columns: Countries, Dozens, Value. Lists importations from Austria-Hungary, Belgium, China, Denmark, France, Germany, England, Scotland, Nova Scotia, etc.

The next table shows the points at which these eggs were received:

Table with columns: Ports, Dozens, Value. Lists ports such as Bangor, Bath, Boston, Buffalo Creek, Cape Vincent, etc.

It would evidently be impossible for farmers fifty miles in the interior of any of the states bordering on the Great Lakes, to compete with eggs shipped by water from Canada.

The McKinley tariff imposed a duty of 5 cents a dozen on eggs. This law went into effect October 1, 1890.

The following table shows the importations of eggs since 1883:

Table with columns: Year ending June 30, Dozens, Value. Shows a significant decrease in egg imports after 1890.

During the last year of the McKinley tariff the only eggs we bought were from Canada, and from China.



What does all this talk about sixteen to one mean? It means that free coinage of silver will ruin business and close the workshops so that when there is a job for one man there will be sixteen men out of work applying for it.

THE MORTGAGED FARM. Payment of Debts in Debased Currency Means Practically Repudiation. A NEBRASKA FARMER ANSWERED.

If the McKinley law had been let alone, the American farmer in 1890-6 would be supplying nearly every egg in the American market.

The American farmer could not sell eggs in Canada even if they had no tariff on American eggs.

A Pointer for Farmers. I remember one instance that bears particularly upon this question that came to me today as I sat here, and that was this: My father came from the New England states upon this prairie in 1837.

What Stewart Thought in 1894. Senator Stewart of Nevada made a speech in Congress February 11, 1874, in which he said:

Let everybody know what a dollar is worth. The farmer will then know how to measure the difference in price between his wheat in Illinois and the wheat in Liverpool.

FIGURES FOR FARMERS. Arithmetic for Wheat Growers Which Neglects Tax and Interest Considerations. A FREE SILVER MATHEMATICIAN.

When we resumed specie payment in 1879 our domestic animals, horses, mules, cattle, sheep and swine were valued in 1888, values decreased from \$1,445,423,062 to \$2,467,868,924.

Assumed net profit to American farmer... The second slip makes a similar statement of the assumed profits of raising 5000 bushels of wheat in Mexico.

Cheap Dollars. Everything is cheap or dear according to what we have to pay for it. Sugar is cheap at 5 cents a pound, but would be dear at 10 cents.

Is this what the farmer and the workman really want? Apply this illustration to labor, if you please. The workman buys dollars with labor.

A Question for Farmers. If the volume of silver money controls prices, as the free coinage would have us believe that it does, so that the more silver coin there is in circulation, the higher is the price of wheat.

Warren, Minn., Aug. 6.—To the Editor: I enclose comparative slips circulated by an advocate of free silver, which subject I would like your opinion on.

There is abundant proof that Mr. Bryan is an insincere politician and an unwise adviser of the people.

During the extraordinary session of Congress of 1893, called by President Cleveland, Mr. Bryan made a speech in which he declared that:

At this time another change has come over the spirit of his white house dream. He and his fellow Populists ascribe the fall in the prices of commodities to the fall in the price of silver.

The Irishman and the Potato Bug. Mr. Tenney's story at Madison of the Irishman who swallowed a potato bug and then a dose of Paris green.