

FACTS AND FIGURES.

WHAT THE FARMERS LOST BY FREE TRADE.

Enormous Decrease in the Value of Agricultural Products in Consequence of a Free Trade Administration and Free Coinage Agitation.

Official Records Show It.

It is shown by official reports, prepared by the officials of President Cleveland's last administration, that the decreased consumption of wheat was 311,886,196 bushels, and the decreased consumption of corn 2,244,529,879 bushels—a total decreased consumption of 3,557,416,072 bushels during those four years.

Table showing losses on wheat crops from 1892 to 1896. Columns include Year, Total bushels, Total value, and Decrease from 1892.

Losses on oats and hay. The following official statistics give the losses to the farmers of the United States on oats and hay crops for the years named in consequence of the decreased consumption during the four years of free trade government and free silver agitation.

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Losses on farm animals. The farmers' enormous losses on the value of their farm animals during the four years of free trade government and free silver agitation ending March 3, 1897, are shown by the following figures taken from pages 574, 575, 576 and 577 of the 'Year Book of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, 1897.'

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Total loss on farm animals during the four years of free trade government and free silver agitation, \$3,599,422,268. The largest tin plate mill in the world is to be erected at Newcastle, Pa. See, didn't somebody predict just a few years ago that no amount of protective encouragement would make it possible to manu-

DEMOCRATS AFRAID OF THEIR PLATFORM.



facture tin plate successfully in America? Treasury officials now have no doubt that the Dingley law will produce ample revenues after it gets fairly at work.

CAN'T MAKE TIN, CAN'T WE?

Old Free Trade Argument Knocked Into a Cocked Hat.

Everybody remembers how the free traders scoffed at the idea of making tin plate in this country and how long they denied that it was being made at all.

Compared the Two Laws. The American Economist contains an instructive comparison between the first two months of the Wilson tariff and the Dingley tariff.

An Eminent Man's Views. People who are railing against the United States courts and their methods would do well to read what Justice Field said of that highest of all United States tribunals, the Supreme Court.

Trade Revival Not Threatened. The same sort of reaction which has occurred in the stock market in the past two weeks took place in the latter part of 1879, the year of gold resumption.

Another Evidence. An evidence of the improvement in business since the people of the country decided in favor of protection and sound money is found in figures in the recent report of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Their Case Hopeless. Senator Gorman's offer to surrender the Democratic leadership in Maryland provided the Baltimore Sun supports its party in the State and legislative campaign, is the Democracy's flag of distress

in that State. Gorman is a candidate for re-election to the Senate, and the Legislature chosen this year will elect his successor. A few weeks ago Gorman announced that he was not seeking another term.

Dingley Law Doing Splendidly. A good deal has been said in the Democratic newspapers, and more particularly in the mangrup free trade papers, about the failure of the Dingley bill to produce sufficient revenue.

Money Power? Again. Is it that terrible "money power" that is destroying the crops all over the world for the purpose of giving American farmers higher prices and thus showing them the falsity of the wheat-and-silver theory?

Another Slump. Another fall in silver is recorded from the financial centers in this country and Europe.

Bryanism—Free Trade—Free Rials. If Louise Michel should come to this country to preach the gospel of anarchy she would probably begin by avowing her allegiance to Bryanism, free trade and free ruin and wind up by denouncing Mark Hanna and the Dingley tariff.

Political Bird Shot. Reports from the farming regions show that the corn is shocked. So are the treasury advocates who note its advance in value.

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INCREASE IN EXPORTS

LARGER UNDER THE DINGLEY THAN THE WILSON LAW.

Argentine Retaliation Seems to Be a Bluff—Popularity of the Department of Agriculture—Interesting Experiments for the Benefit of Farmers.

Gratifying Outlook.

There appears to be no check to our exports of American manufactures under the new tariff law. The treasury figures for August, the first full month under the new law, show the largest exports of domestic merchandise of any August in the history of the country.

Table showing exports to imports from various regions. Columns include Region, Exports, and Imports.

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Populists Dropping It. The Populist party is rapidly abandoning the free silver proposition.

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Wheat Will Keep Up. European crop reports confirm the estimated shortages that have been made from time to time and give assurance that the foreign demand will keep the prices of American breadstuffs up to the point about which they have fluctuated for the past few weeks.