

BRIEF OPINIONS.

THE Wilson Rural Home and Sentinel says: Do not let any one or anything lead you from the Alliance work. Every brother and sister should give their mite for the cause—visit the sick brother—help him if his crop is behind—insist on his going to the lodge at every meeting, and there as everywhere, let no blockheads come in between us.

STATE NEWS.

THE DOINGS OF OUR PEOPLE BRIEFLY AND PLAINLY TOLD. HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK CONDENSED. The Artesian well at the rice factory is an object of public interest. It is now 120 feet in the ground and has not yet reached a current of good water but it will soon be reached and a full supply of water obtained.—E. City Economist.

TRUSTS EXPOSED.

A List of the Worst Enemies of the People. Two Billions of Capital Now in Combinations Designed to Put Up Prices and Maintain Exorbitant Values—What Have the Politicians Done to Prevent It? For some years many American merchants, or rather speculators, tired of the gradual accumulation of gain by ordinary commerce, have combined and by the employment of large capital have intercepted various commodities in their transit from the producers to the consumers.

FOR A NEW DEAL.

The People Demand New Measures as Well as New Measures. ALLURING PROMISES WONT DO. Why It Is Better to March the Reform Army Under Its Own Banner Than to Divide It Under Old Party Leaders.—The Old Parties May Be Forced to Change Platforms That Not Leaders. The Vermont Farmers' League held a great meeting at Montpelier the other day at which public grievances and other political questions were vigorously discussed. Some of the demands which were formulated were the same as those made at Ocala and Omaha, and some were different.

COURTY LECTURER'S REPORT.

The Condition of the Sub-Alliances. All Working in Earnest. Editor Farmers' Advocate: According to promise, I write this short communication to say that I have visited several Sub-Alliances in the county, and missed one or two, after a long ride, because time of meeting and address of President and Secretary were published wrong in the papers. I trust you can correct this in an early issue.

GENERAL NEWS.

Mr. Spurgeon was very ill last week. He has not recovered entirely yet. Justin McArthur has retired from the political field at Dublin, Ireland. Report says he has been a failure. Reports have been received from Chili that the rebels are losing their power. The President now has control of seventeen provinces. In Monroe and Metcalf counties, Kentucky, fifty buildings were destroyed last week by a cyclone. This was followed by a water-spout. The fastest record made on the Pacific was made last week by the Empress of Japan. Time across the Ocean, 10 days and 21 hours. A famine is feared in Morocco, owing to the great storms of locusts that are destroying all agricultural products, they come in contact with. In the leprosy investigation in Hindoo, it has been found that where the husbandman dies in the west, families have been afflicted for generations. The Chinese Government fears a rebellion among her subjects. The recent riots were not so much against the Chinese Christians as an indirect blow at the reigning dynasty. Mississippi and Virginia are trying to secure the remains of Jefferson Davis. Both delegations have waited on Mrs. Davis, who is now in New York. She has not given an answer yet. A slight shock of earthquake occurred at Charleston. There was a distinct boom and a shock. No damage was done. The earthquake was so slight that it escaped the notice of half of the population. At Grand Forks North Dakota, the Alliance platform adopted makes no mention of the Cincinnati platform demands a 100 cent silver dollar and taxation of mortgages and favors an income tax, prohibition and woman suffrage. The Alliance also endorses the Ocala platform. Prince George of Greece, who was instrumental in saving the life of the Russian Prince Imperial from the attack of the Japanese policeman near Yokohama arrived at San Francisco on the steamship Gaelic. He will go to Copenhagen, stopping in New York and London. William B. Rhett, the young South Carolinian who was acquitted of criminal assault in the New York Court of General Sessions, was released from custody to-day. There are still two indictments pending against Rhett for abduction. On each of these he is held in \$1000 bail. The body of Stonewall Jackson will be quietly moved from the grave in which it has been since its burial, and placed in the new vault built for the purpose, and over which will be erected the monument subscribed for by the entire Southern people and which will be unveiled July 21st. Interior War Department officials are not a little disturbed over the reports telegraphed by General MeCook yesterday of threatened Indian troubles in Arizona. It has been known for some time that many of the old men of the Maquis tribe were protesting bitterly against the government school system in operation on their reservation. An appropriation for experiments for forcing rain by artificial means is the latest in the scientific world. A balloon full of hydrogen gas, several hundred feet in the air, was burst near Washington last week. This was merely to determine the availability of the apparatus, both for manufacturing the gas and exploding it. Mrs. John Larson, the wife of a farmer living in the town of Troy, near Hudson, Wis., dropped her three little children in Lake St. Croix during a fit of insanity. Her husband on finding her absent from the house began a search and found her at the lake shore wading and two of her children lying on the shore dead. At a meeting of the New York State Farmers' League held in Albany the Third Party movement was unanimously condemned. A committee was appointed, of which President Armstrong is chairman, to call a delegates' meeting of the State League, to be held in this city in the early part of August, to discuss the future legislation and political action. A special cable to the Journal of Finance, dated London, says: One syndicate organized here, and having Paris interest allied with it, has sent a representative to the United States with authority to invest \$28,000,000 in grain. One of the heads of the Rothschilds, in Paris, is interested. The Duke of Marlborough is largely interested through English capitalists, who join the pool on his recommendation. When Warden McHale took charge of San Quentin prison at San Francisco, recently he ordered a careful search made of the premises, which revealed that a large quantity of arms, ammunition and provisions had been secreted, probably by friends of the convicts to enable them to escape. It was found also that a perfect code of signals existed among the convicts and it is believed that there was a well-planned plot for an uprising among the 1,400 convicts in the immediate control of the prison.

ACREAGE OF COTTON.

The report of the statistician of the Department of Agriculture for June makes the acreage in cotton 97.7 per cent of the area of 1890, and the average condition 85. The reduction of area is attributed in some districts to concerted action on account of low prices, but it is evident that it is mainly due to unfavorable conditions for planting and germination. The record of planting in the May report is quite an accurate history of crops to the present time. Planting was delayed by early rains and drought in the latter half of April followed by continued drought in May. Germination arrested, replanting of defective stands are the features of the record frequently and almost universally reported. Those conditions were less general and controlling in Texas than in any other State. The areas as compared with those of last year are given as follows: Virginia 96, North Carolina 94, South Carolina 96, Georgia 95, Florida 99, Alabama 96, Mississippi 88, Louisiana 88, Texas 91, Arkansas 88, Tennessee 73. The temperature of May was quite too low for cotton, cool nights checking germination and retarding growth. Of course these conditions make the crop late in development, in some places a few days, in others a week or two later than in seasons of early development. There is frequent mention of bad stands, but constant replanting will reduce the vacancies to a minimum. Cultivation resulting from differences in soil, amount of replanting, and relative promptness and efficiency of plantation managers.

A GOOD Omen ON SENATOR GEORGE.

Both the old political parties continue to fight and malign the Alliance in one breath, and in the next beg members of the organization to stand by the old parties. Many people are beginning to think that when the interests of the great masses are at stake the leaders in both the political parties are a unite against them. How close they run together sometimes may be shown by a successful practical by The Southern Mercury as follows: "Some Republican sent Senator George circulars headed 'The Infamous Tariff Law,' with a * opposite 300 items, from which the giving the Republicans fits for their wholesale robbery. For six weeks he delivered it over two-thirds of the state of Mississippi, until his Alliance competitor exposed the joke by showing that the circular, except the heading, was a true copy of the Mills (Democrat) tariff bill."