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DANGER AHEAD

Senator John T. Morgan, of Alabama, has written a long article for the Forum in which he pictures the main grievances of the farmer of this country in graphic language.

After portraying the many grievances that the farmers have, and stating the fact that they are "political innocents," he knocks the wind out of their sails by declaring that the farmer must keep out of politics.

But before he concludes he shows the cloven hoof of the politician. He tells of the danger arising from farmers "going into the politics." He thinks the politicians have gotten control of it.

THE OUTLOOK.

The outlook for the Alliance is brighter today than ever before. Of course there are a good many members who have been disappointed since they joined the organization.

RECENT GROWTH OF THE ALLIANCE.

At President Polk's office in Washington it is reported that the growth of the Alliance has been too rapid to keep track of during the past month.

CALIFORNIA STATE ALLIANCE.

The recent meeting of the California State Alliance was a large and successful one. The Ocala platform was endorsed without a dissenting vote.

THE HOMESTEAD AGAIN.

It is said that there are two things that members of the legislature will try to dodge. One is a law to tax dogs, the other to abolish or reduce the homestead.

A Good Offer.

At the low price of the WATCHMAN we can't afford to pay agents a commission, but we propose to give all our friends a chance.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria. When she became a Woman, she clung to Castoria. When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

OH! HOW LONG!

The Pennsylvania Farmer, one of the oldest and most reliable agricultural journals in the United States, speaking of the defeat of a good man who was a candidate for the office of State treasurer in the recent election, says:

Much as we may regret the defeat of Mr. Tilden for State treasurer we are frank to say that such a result was not unlooked for by us. Just so long as farmers will listen to the lies of the scheming politicians, just so long will they be slaves to the power that uses them for their greedy benefit.

DUTY OF THE ALLIANCE.

We extract the following editorial from the Rural Messenger, of Petersburg, Va. We commend it to the regard of all classes in North Carolina, and farmers especially:

The Alliance should not take up any more of the farmer's time than it can spare. It should be a class organization, not a general one. It should be a class organization, not a general one.

PUT THIS IN YOUR PIPE.

Plain Facts and Sharp, Pithy Sayings from Reform Papers.

Hall's own anti-sub-treasury meeting was captured by sensible men, who refused to secede from the Alliance.

The railroads of Iowa are assessed at 15 per cent. of their valuation while the farmers are assessed 35 per cent.—Union Banner.

The Alliance in Virginia is on a big boom. Meetings are being held all over the state and the order is filled with enthusiasm.

In Iowa the Alliance is doing well. There seems to be a growing desire among the farmers of that state and a healthy growth is expected.

Hall's and McAllister's threats in regard to deposing Polk, Livingston and Macune, reminds us of the old, old story about the mouse trying to overthrow the mountain.—Alliance Echo.

The kickers may kick, the growler may growl, the jackass may turn loose and bray, but life is too short, and there's too much at stake to allow them to blockade the way.—Waterloo Observer.

If President Polk had any means-ness about getting unseated by Hall at St. Louis we suppose he will breathe freely and sleep sweetly now. Poor old subsidized press and Hall.—Alliance Watchman.

Cleveland and Mills must now lose many votes when they so oppose free coinage. Their plan of reducing the tariff is so insignificant that it would be lowered but very little from what it is at present.—Pioneer Exponent.

Jay Gould appears to be drawing the concentrated cash out of Wall Street and the concentration of fire of outside criticism to himself. He asks no odds as a monopolist, but simply grazes everything in sight.—Industrial Review.

Why should the farmers support papers that are subsidized by the plutocrats? They are like lawyers paid to advocate a certain cause, the cause of the plutocrats. Why should the people support such papers? Why?—Weekly Monitor.

The educational features of the Alliance have led many people to think and by reading and listening they have at last been made to see and to know that they have gotten into the trap of designing men who want their labor for almost nothing.—Pioneer Exponent.

The railroad men of Georgia are organizing an Alliance, with the purpose of voting as a unit in politics. Every white man who draws a salary from a railway company, whether he be president or switchman, is eligible and expected to join.—The Texas Signal.

The story set afloat at Washita about the attempt to tar and feather L. L. Polk was another attempt on the part of partisan papers to steal the laurels of Amnias. They won't attack Polk with anything but the weapon used by Sampson to slay the Philistines.—Industrial Free Press.

The politicians for years have kept the farmers disputing and fighting over an imaginary dividing line, while they stood by and raked in the spoils. Someway or somehow the farmers have got into the way of shaking hands across the imaginary line, and the statesmen are out of a job.—The Old Era.

The wealth of the country increases fast enough. There is no complaint on that score as the plutocrat papers want to make it appear. The complaint is that the people who create it do not get the benefit, but that it nearly all goes into a few hands, by methods that are no better than robbery.—The Spirit of Kansas.

A New York paper has interviewed the congressman. Five favor the sub-treasury bill, and 24 oppose it. Thirty approve the land loan bill and thirty-six condemn it. Free coinage is approved by fifteen and opposed by twenty-three. Government control of telephone lines is favored by eighteen and opposed by sixteen.—Saturday Bulletin.

The new sub-treasury plan is discussed the more followers it will make. Ridicule and contempt from the old leaders only make the people firmer in their belief that there is good for the masses in it, or why is there so much opposition to it by the old politicians who have been endeavoring to enslave the whites ever since the negroes were freed?—Pioneer Exponent.

With the Ft. Scott Monitor in the hands of a receiver and the Hutchinson News sold at sheriff sale, the calamity making press, in spite of its load-carrying servility to the money power, is going to the wall. If there is any one class of fellows on earth that we delight in seeing take this kind of medicine it is those who yawn about "cadantary howlers," villifying and abusing the very men who are honestly striving to make it possible for them to lift the blanket mortgages from their offices.—Alliance Tribune.

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