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A Great Gathering!

OF THE FARMER AND LABOR ORGANIZATION OF THE WHOLE UNION.

Over a Thousand in Attendance.

A COMMON PLATFORM OF PRINCIPLES AND DEMANDS WILL AGREEED ON.

(Editorial Special to The Caucasian.) ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 22, 1892. The Farmer and Labor Organization are here in full force and have captured St. Louis. Delegates and representatives are here from the following organizations: viz: F. A. I. U., F. M. B. A., P. of I., A. F. of L., F. A., K. of L., B. of L. E., C. A., & C. F. A. The great Industrial conference met this morning in the Exposition Building. Henry Terrell, of Texas, called the conference to order. Hon. C. P. Walbridge, president of the City Council, welcomed the delegates, after which addresses were delivered by Messrs. L. L. Polk, president of the Farmer's Alliance and Industrial Union; T. V. Powderly, General Master Workman of the Knights of Labor, and Ignatius Donnelly, on behalf of the Farmers of the Northwest. The convention will not get down to business before Tuesday morning. Such demands will be adopted as the various organizations can harmonize on. Will write a letter for next issue giving proceedings.

FROM JEFFERSON TO BRICE.

The call for a national Democratic convention, is signed "Calvin S. Brice, chairman," asking all citizens who favor "pure, economical and constitutional government," to unite with the democracy. Where are the principles of Jeffersonian Democracy? They are certainly not represented by the national Democratic party, if a man who is attorney for the Standard Oil monopoly, who is one of the principal owners in the Briceville, Tenn. mines, where convict labor starves out honest men is the typical representative of the party. What perversion, what detraction, what a land slide from Jefferson to Brice! The same Brice whose large fortune is invested in railroad stock, well watered, and the people paying the dividend thereof. The same Brice whose domicile is in New York City, and his office on Wall Street, but who represents Ohio in the United States senate. This is the man who stands sponsor for "pure, economical and constitutional government," and the Democratic party, the great party of the people recognizes the leadership of such a man. If the management of the National Democratic party does not change, the pure Democrats will leave it. If the pure Democrats take hold of the party and bring back the principles of Jefferson, the plutocrats will leave it. Which shall it be?

The Asheville Citizen says: The anti-Pinkerton bill has passed the New York assembly. It prohibits the hiring by corporations of any private detective. "I would be a good thing if every State in the union had such a law and the many alleged 'detectives' frozen out. In the main, Pinkerton's crowd is set unit to have anything to do with the execution of the law. As the 'private detective,' he can never be relied on to detect anything more important than may be a drunk or a house burglar. Yet they are allowed to carry pistols—and in fact, I expect many of them join the agencies just to get the privilege of carrying a gun. The ordinary 'detective' of to-day is what might be termed a Loo-Lo.

A resolution has been introduced in Congress by Hon. Thomas Watson, of Georgia, to investigate the Pinkerton Agency, but it met with opposition from men like Oates and will probably be laid aside with many other good measures.

The Earl of Chatham, England's greatest statesman, once said, "Show me the laws of a country and I will show you the condition of its people."

You may talk as you please, and swear like you wish, but government will always be as bad as the people allow them to be.

Boisism must cease to be the order of the day. The people are tired of it.

The farming that pays men to pay the wrong man.

WHO PAYS THE TARIFF TAX.

The value of our dutiable imports and the amount of duties collected have been as follows during the past five years:

Year	Dutiable Imports	Duties Collected	Average Rate
1887	\$450,325,322	\$214,222,310	47.10
1888	465,143,774	216,042,256	46.63
1889	484,856,768	220,576,959	45.13
1890	507,571,764	226,540,036	44.41
1891	466,455,173	215,903,729	46.28

Total \$2,377,232,801 \$1,095,285,820 46.40

The value of imports subject to duty given above are the sum of the values of the goods at the place of purchase, that is the prices at which the goods are offered for sale to any one in foreign markets. The duties imposed on these goods by the United States at its custom houses.

Who has paid into the treasury of the United States \$1,095,285,820 during the past five years? It was certainly paid by one of the five parties concerned in the importation of the \$2,377,232,801 worth of goods, either by the importer or the foreign manufacturer.

If the importer paid these duties he added the amount to the price of the goods, and as Mr. Depey says, the tariff tax during the past five years has been doing a most unprofitable business in exporting goods to the United States, for every dollar's worth of goods which he sends here he pays not only the cost of handling, insurance and freight, but also 46.4 cents in duties to the United States. His net return, therefore, when he sells his goods here, is only 48.6 cents.

Is any one stupid enough to believe that this is true? If foreigners send their goods to the United States, do they not do it because they can get more for them here than where they were made? If this is true the consumer in the United States, not the foreign manufacturer, pays the tariff tax.

Some Cleveland Questions.

What do You Think of them?

Did Cleveland in his letter of acceptance declare against a second term, and did he afterwards accept nomination for a second term? Did Cleveland write a letter on civil service reform to G. W. Curtis, and did he afterwards keep in office a number of republicans who had opposed his election, and yet later on he has introduced a bill to reduce the salaries of government officials, Mr. Wheeler, of Alabama, has introduced one which provides for a reduction of 20 per cent. on all salaries amounting to \$5,000 or more and a reduction of 10 per cent. on all salaries exceeding \$300. Will you be kind to put a tax of 51¢ per thousand on cigarettes. The tax is now fifty cents per thousand.

Gossip on the House side of the Capital has it that the Pacific Coast members of both parties are exceedingly jealous in the eastern members shall share any of the credit of restrictive Chinese legislation. It is rumored by one of the Congressmen who opposed Mr. Mills for the speakership are anxious to make him show his hand in the election of Representatives. The report which is to accompany the bill adopted by the ways and means committee of the House in favor of free trade has been prepared. Mr. Denby, United States minister to China, has introduced a bill to the State Department of the recent insurrection in that country. There will be a general observance of the 22d of February in the District. A bill for the better regulation of the liquor traffic in the District has been introduced in the House by Representatives. The House committee on labor will introduce a resolution investigating the operation of the eight-hour law. The committee holds that it should be strictly enforced.

THE CLEAR RING.

The Progressive Farmer says the people of Chicago conceived a great plan for a royal visit from the American Congress. They sent a luminous invitation to each member of Congress, to visit that city on the 22d instant and to order the use of trains, free passes, the hospitality of the city, etc. They were even so considerate as to send a return envelope and a neat "response card" on which to write the answer. Our own Grady wrote his reply as follows: "If Chicago can pay the expenses of its members of Congress as proposed, would it not be advisable to spend that amount on the Exposition rather than suggest the suspicion that this is an effort to influence the action of members on the \$5,000,000 loan proposition."

YOU ARE INTERESTED.

There is no reason why there should be any prejudice existing among any of the members of the Alliance. The object of the organization is to secure reforms in the management of national affairs. It does not seek to destroy any legitimate business interest. Every merchant, every doctor and every lawyer, is directly interested in the success of agriculture, for when it becomes unprofitable all classes suffer. If you are not a member of the Alliance you should join if eligible, if you are not none the less should you throw your influence with the organization to secure reform upon which your prosperity as well as the farmer's depends.—Tarboro Advocate.

Whoever controls the volume of money in any country is absolute master of all industry.—James A. Garfield.

News from Washington.

NOTES AND ITEMS FROM CONGRESS AND WHAT IT IS DOING.

Some Bills Introduced--Personal Mention.

The Tariff bill will be called up for discussion in House March 1st. Speaker Crisp, who has not yet recovered from his case of the grippe, is at Fort Monroe for a few days. Congress was not in session for three or four days last week.

Mr. Palmer's speech in favor of the constitutional amendment for the election of Senators by the people and Mr. Sherman's resolution forshading the introduction of a bill to meet the case of the Italian prisoners killed in the New Orleans parish prison were the chief features of the morning's business in the Senate last week.

Democratic absentees are giving the leaders of the House a great deal of trouble, and now that the serious business of the session is getting before the House the continuation of this practice will prove very embarrassing, as it enables the Republicans to get up at any time by refusing to vote, thus breaking a quorum, as was done several times this week.

Congress, or as many of its members as can spare the time from important committee work, left here Friday for Chicago, as guests of the World's Fair committee of that city, returning next Wednesday morning.

Representative Rayner, of Maryland, this week delivered one of the strongest speeches against trusts ever heard on the floor of the House. He reminded the Republicans that neither the Interstate Commerce law nor the Sherman Act, passed at the last session of Congress, had prevented the continued formation of the trusts and combinations which he was denouncing.

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ALLIANCE IN DUBLIN.

Appointments of Hon. G. W. Wilcox, Dis. Lecturer, 3d District.

He will speak at the following places at 11 o'clock:

Island Creek, Saturday, March 12, at Pin Hook. Rock Fish, Monday, March 14th, at Corinth Church. Magnolia, Tuesday, March 15th, at Magnolia. Cypress Creek, Wednesday, March 16th, at Chingquepin Alliance Hall. Smith's, Thursday, March 17th, at Cedar Fork.

Lime Stone, Friday, March 18th, at Hallsboro. Kenansville, Saturday, March 19, at Kenansville. Warsaw, Monday, March 21st, at Warsaw. Faison, Tuesday, March 22nd, at Faison. Wolfcrape, Wednesday, March 23rd, at Lot's Branch. Glisson, Thursday, March 24th, at Branch's Store.

Alberson's, Friday, March 25th, at Alberson's Branch. President Marion Butler is expected to visit with him at Kenansville, Warsaw and Faison. Everybody invited to attend.

GREAT PROSPERITY.

"Our debts represent our investments and our mortgages are an evidence of our prosperity." So said the Kansas republican league, and so has re-echoed many republican orators and papers during the past year. We have just learned that the Kansas league, late of Huron, has within the past week commenced foreclosure proceedings on 65 mortgages in Brown county alone, and almost as many in Spink county.

This only represents a small portion of the mortgages that are being foreclosed. The mortgages which are being foreclosed are an evidence. A great many who are threatened with foreclosure, knowing that they cannot redeem their farms, are induced to give up possession on receipt of \$25 to \$50. Then the farmers proceed to the payment of that mortgage as another evidence of prosperity. Here there is quadruple evidence of prosperity:

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REAL CHRISTIANITY.

REV. THOMAS DIXON ON THE UNFAIRNESS OF SOME CRITICS.

A Prelude on the Bill Pending in the New York Legislature Authorizing the Sale of Liquor on Sunday—How Colonel Ingersoll Attacks a Pious Thing.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—Rev. Thomas Dixon, Jr., proceeded the sermon in Association hall this morning by reviewing the question involved in the bill now pending in the New York legislature which grants practically free whiskey every day and Sunday too. He said:

It is a dark day in the history of the great temperance reform. Apparently the saloon is about to master the forces of our Christian civilization. Everywhere the saloon is aggressive and triumphant. The reason for this is not far to seek. The forces of temperance are sadly divided. The prohibitionist sullenly maintains his position upon the rock of ultimate truth and demands annihilation or nothing. The high flyers of the prohibitionist are the only genuine reformers and all others are base imitators. Our Catholic business men work their own line. Meaning the devil laughs and grows fat, rides into power on every popular wave, makes legislatures and governors his puppets.

WYLLIE BURNED.

The colonel here reminds me of the boy who was studying history. His teacher told him that the "Emperor Nero played the fiddle while Rome burned." He went home and told his mother that the "Emperor Nero was playing the fiddle—so you burned Rome!" The language he used was almost identical with the language of the teacher, and yet the boy declared that he burned Rome because he did not like the time that Nero played. He almost got it right. But in almost stating the truth he missed it the more completely.

And yet we must not judge the colonel too harshly. We cannot demand too much of a man who makes no profession of Christianity. Especially we must not be severe in judgment upon the failure of such a man to know true Christianity when we remember the tragic blindness of the apostles themselves. Christ's own chosen followers misunderstood him up to the very day of his death. They drew their swords and attempted to defend him by force. He had to rebuke them and to explain again and again how his own chosen understood him and his own chosen stood in the hour of the spirit. His leading disciples were found wrangling over the first places in the kingdom temporal which they supposed he had come to establish.

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Education in Sampson.

A HISTORY OF OUR PRIVATE SCHOOLS.

Prospects For The Future.

Mr. Editor: I propose to write a few articles for THE CAUCASIAN if they are acceptable.

In this paper I shall refer to the private schools of the county. In future papers I shall speak of the public schools, public school teachers, school houses, and the general improvements in the various branches of industry, in the different parts of the county.

SALEM HIGH SCHOOL.

In January, 1875, the writer left Warsaw, came to Salem and organized Salem High School, in Honeycutt's township. This school has been in successful operation for the last seventeen years. Ever since the writer gave up the school it has been conducted by "Salem boys," those who were prepared for college in this institution.

FIRST MARION BUTLER, NOW PRESIDENT OF THE STATE ALLIANCE, HAD CHARGE OF THE SCHOOL FOR SEVERAL YEARS, AND MADE IT A SUCCESS. IT IS NOW UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF GEO. E. BUTLER, WHO WAS A SMALL BOY IN THE SCHOOL, WHEN IT WAS FIRST OPENED. HE AND MISS JANIE EVANS, HIS ASSISTANT, ARE MAKING THE SCHOOL WELL WORTHY OF PATRONAGE, AND IT IS NOW IN A PROSPEROUS CONDITION.

BELLEVOIR HIGH SCHOOL.

This school is also in Honeycutt's township and was successfully conducted for several years by Mr. J. D. Ezell, who did good work here. Mr. Hendson the present principal has now an excellent school at this place.

PINEY GREEN HIGH SCHOOL.

And still another school in Honeycutt's township. Piney Green High School is now progressing finely in its first session, under the leadership of Mr. G. I. Smith, an experienced and model teacher. Here, near Piney Grove church, is a good building in a section heretofore devoid of school facilities. This school is destined to do much toward the mental and moral improvement of the entire community.

HAYNE ACADEMY.

This school is in Little Coharie township and is presided over by Mr. Street Brewer, a first-class instructor, and by his energy and good work many are being trained for the various duties of life. Heretofore educational facilities were not in reach of many in this section who are now receiving the benefits of a good practical education.

SOUTH RIVER BAPTIST INSTITUTE.

This institution is in Little Coharie township, and is known as the school of the South River Association. The good, substantial and convenient building was erected by Capt. James L. Aitry, at his own expense, and the use of it tendered to the South River Association as long as they maintain a Baptist school. It is now in a flourishing condition under the management of Mr. B. D. Oates and Miss Venie J. Bizzell.

GOEHEN HIGH SCHOOL.

In the land of "Goehen," in Piney Grove township, and in one of the most thrifty and industrious sections of the county and near one of the largest churches is Goehen High School, conducted by Mr. J. D. Ezell, a veteran and successful teacher. This school is doing much in educating the boys and girls of this community.

UNION ACADEMY.

In Franklin township is Union Academy, built several years ago, but has at times been without a school. There have been several good schools taught here by W. M. Shaw, W. W. Holding, Isaac Fort and Mrs. Lucas. Miss Kathleen Elmore, a progressive teacher, is doing good work there now.

INGOLD ACADEMY.

In Lisbon township near the beautiful village of Ingold is an excellent school building, which is a credit to the enterprise, good judgment and liberality of the citizens in and around Ingold. "Tom" Sloan holds the post here, and with Miss Berta Marshburn in the primaries and Miss Muriel Richardson to give instruction in music, he is making his school rank with any of similar grades. At the request of Mr. Sloan I visited the school, sometime ago, and was delighted with the thoroughness of the work and the progress the children, of all grades, was making.

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