

THE STANDARD.

EXERCISE FOR SPELLING CONTEST.

CABARRUS COUNTY, APRIL 12, 1890.

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From the continent in Asia comes the report that in Turkey the rate of mortgage indebtedness is increasing rapidly, with interest from 12 to 60 per cent; that all farmers are usually in debt, and that the sacred soil of Palestine, from the midst of whose borders came the divine curse upon usury, and from the temple of whose metropolis the money changers were driven with scourges by the Son of God, the rampire mortgage has laid its slimy hand upon fully three-fifths of its valuation.

National Economist. Beginning with the continent of Europe, Austro-Hungary is quoted as being heavily mortgaged, especially the agricultural portions, with a tendency toward a rapid increase, fully one-half of such property being encumbered. Interest about 5 per cent.

In Belgium the recorded indebtedness for 1886 was 206,367,000 francs, while the total amount of valuation taxable was only 341,047,000 francs. It shows all kinds of indebtedness to be on the increase. Interest about 5 per cent.

The condition of Denmark discloses a bad state of affairs indeed. The mortgage indebtedness on landed estate during the period from 1870 to 1884 increased to an average of 41 per cent of its selling value, while the mortgages on Copenhagen City property was fully 70 per cent of the value of buildings and ground.

The condition of Germany from this reliable source of information is shown to be deplorable. Prof. Praser says: "There is no mistake in stating that 80 per cent of the entire taxable real estate in the German Fatherland is charged with mortgage scarcely redeemable on the part of the mortgagors."

In the Netherlands the statement is made that the mortgage indebtedness has rapidly increased during the past eight years. The report of the mortgage banks show an increase from 37,541,261 florins in 1880 to 83,696,891 florins in 1887. Interest 4 to 5 per cent.

From Portugal comes the statement that mortgage indebtedness is on the increase, with interest at 5 to 6 per cent.

In Russia a very large proportion of landed property is mortgaged for more than two-thirds of its value and is bringing about the usual results of misery and distress. Interest from 5 to 7 per cent.

or national; it is universal. There is a general conflict at hand in the immediate future between labor in production and capital. Disguise it in any other form, yet this is the plain truth. When it will be settled or how this settlement is to be brought about, is and should be the problem which must engage the attention of all who lay claim to the possession of economic knowledge.

Concord Register, 1886.] Some controversy has existed as to the treatment of Mr. Davis on his journey South in April, 1865, and as to his personal bearing during the dying struggle of the Confederacy.

A friend has lately asked Judge B. to give his recollections of the incidents and personal impressions of the occasion. This he has kindly done, and we are permitted to publish the same as below.

We may add that General Basil Duke was partly in charge of the cavalry escort of Mr. Davis, and that he has published a full account of the movement in a late number of the Southern Bivouac.

The party rode away without a cheer, a wave of the hand, or any signal of respect on the part of the crowd. I suppose none was felt, for men seldom respect the fallen.

Soon confirmation came of Mr. Lincoln's assassination. Viewing the altered situation which this event was likely to produce, I went immediately to Charlotte, accompanied by Dr. Logan, of Charleston, an army surgeon, who was staying with me at Concord. We went in a carriage by the country road.

I called on Mr. Davis. He was lodging with a Mr. Bates, who had, he said, hospitably given him shelter. He was occupying, however at the time of my call, a small room, as a business office, near where the First National Bank now stands. I found Mr. Benjamin and Mr. Breckenridge with him.

Neither Mr. Benjamin nor Mr. Breckenridge uttered a word. The latter was busy at a desk, writing something, I thought, which related to the movements of the troops. He paused twice or thrice to ask me a question in respect to the relative situation and distances of certain places in central North Carolina.

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Union Cryptogram. Colorado Workman. The following significant cryptogram, composed of the names of all the States in the Union, makes a suggestion for 1892 that means death to monopoly:

- Arkansas Kansas Iowa Virginia Michigan Kentucky Tennessee South Dakota Florida Illinois Texas Alabama Missouri Colorado Nebraska Rhode Island California Georgia North Carolina New Hampshire Oregon South Carolina Wisconsin Montana Pennsylvania Delaware Mississippi Indiana New York Connecticut Minnesota Ohio Massachusetts Nevada Maine Louisiana Maryland Washington West Virginia New Jersey North Dakota

Statesville Landmark. The State Chronicle, speaking of the justices of the peace, says "they are the most important officers in the State and ought to be well read in the laws of the State and men of the loftiest integrity."

Dental Registrar. French statisticians are making a curious calculation of the amount of gold which is annually buried in the United States. N. Victor Meunier asserts, after careful inquiries, that the American dentists insert in American teeth the enormous of 800 kilograms (about 1,800 pounds) of the precious metal, which represents nearly four hundred and fifty thousand American dollars.

The principal thing the matter is that there are three times as many magistrates as there should be, and the result is that the business is so divided up that none of them can afford to prepare themselves for the proper discharge of the duties of the office. There are hardly as many "Men of the loftiest integrity" in the State as there are squires, and even if the fees were double what they are the division would still be so long that the office would hold out no attractions to men competent to fill it.

A Fatal Accident. Raleigh News & Observer. A most distressing occurrence took place at Washington, N. C., on Wednesday night last. About 10 o'clock, the large saw mill of Mr. Walling was discovered to be on fire. The whole town seemed as if lighted by electric lights, so great was the blaze.

Progressive Farmer. "What are the farmers complaining about? They have never seen the time when they could buy so much with a dollar as now."

Where is the Dollar. Ah, good friend, there is no man in all this land who knows better than the farmer the purchasing power of the dollar. He knows full well that it will buy more than ever before.

Interest Eats Like a Caterpillar. The following statement of farm mortgages is taken from the Banker's Monthly, which ought to be good authority on this subject.

Table with 2 columns: State, Mortgage Amount, Interest Amount. Rows include Kansas, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Wisconsin, Ohio.

Many Lives, Histories, or Biographies of the late Jefferson Davis, purporting to be written by Mrs. Jefferson Davis, are being advertised throughout the country. The only genuine work of the kind written by Mrs. Jefferson Davis is that to be published by Belford Company, 18-22 East 18th street, entitled "Jefferson Davis, Ex-President of the Southern Confederate States: A Memoir, by His wife."

Who would dare say that Washington is a dead town? With a large cannery factory going up, two large saw mills nearing completion, six large dry kilns to be ready for use in a few days, a large brick store in the course of erection, a railroad coming and many other improvements. The public spirited people here have taken the bit in their mouths and the croakers are an issue of the past.—Washington Progress.