

THE STANDARD

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Corncracker's Letter.

The wind was high here yesterday. Marvey Cook's school closed last week. Every one of us took a shower bath, coming home from the speaking on Saturday evening.

young people had an old time "asses candy pullin'."

Master Willie Long is dangerously sick with croup. Rufus Krimminger says he boiled three wash pots full of hard soap from sunrise last Monday till 11 a. m. the same day. We wonder which is the strongest, the lye or the soap.

Little Drops of Tar, Pitch, Turpentine and Other Tar and Resin Products.

Union Station work at Raleigh progresses. An Alliance paper begins at Hickory in two weeks. Revenue raiders destroyed a still in Durham county.

Items by "Boo!"

Mrs. R. M. Krimminger has been quite sick. Mrs. R. M. Blackwelder had a nice pig to die last Thursday. Mrs. Martha Robinson is improving in health.

A Strong Speech

ON QUESTIONS OF THE DAY BY HEN. TERRELL.

Notes Taken at a Public Meeting Held at Held a Well-Filled House to Hear Mr. Terrell's Address on the Importance of the National Alliance and the Farmers' Cause.

The courthouse was full. Every section of the county was represented by men of all occupations and all callings. There were men from wall to wall, of both colors, and several ladies were present.

Among other things and in substance, Mr. Terrell said: I am here, ladies and gentlemen, to discuss matters and conditions from the farmers' standpoint. We want to discuss the conditions that confront us in a plain and practical way and without any feeling as to classes.

largely in it. But little legislation on the money question is made that has any direct bearing upon the general public.

We violate the spirit of the constitution and betray our trusts when we allow the land of this country to go into the hands of foreigners, men whose interests are not identical and in sympathy with ours.

The mission of the Alliance is not to fight the merchants, the bankers or any other class of citizens. We are 51 per cent of the population and pay 80 per cent of all the taxes.

The object of this government is to protect, not a few to the advantage of the many. A railroad is a public highway and the government ought to have control of it. We cannot afford to insult our intelligence with a long recital of the manner and shape in which the railroads take advantage of the people.

you have a mule to sell the price is down, and when you have one to buy then the price is up; these things are true and cannot be denied.

We do not ask you to take our security unless you think it is good. But we want, as producers, to be on equal footing with the rest of mankind. When we have anything to sell we do not want the market brought down by speculators and combines—

In 1865 the money in circulation amounted to \$52 per capita, and in 1890 it was just \$10 per capita. How is that? It is true that the population has increased, but there has been more than a corresponding increase in the production of the country.

The farmer is getting a great advantage from his position to the free coinage of silver. Mr. Cleveland has a right to entertain his own views; this is a free country. But if Cleveland stands where he does the people do not want him.

MILLINERY! MILLINERY!

CANNONS AND FETZER HAIL SPRING! Gingham = at = 5 = Cents, FORMER PRICE 81 CENTS. REMEMBER OUR MILLINER WILL BE IN WITH A FULL LINE OF ALL THE Latest - Styles - in - Hats!

Political Points. The majority of Cleveland's enemies are those who oppose him for personal reasons, but his record as administrator of the people is clear.

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The merchant buys in the lowest markets and sells in the highest; go to likewise, my friends.

CONCORD MARKETS. COTTON MARKET. (Corrected daily by Cannons & Fetzer.)

SPECIAL INVITATION. Your presence is most earnestly desired at my GRAND OPENING Tuesday to Saturday, MARCH 24TH TO 28TH,

FASHIONABLE MILLINERY. I have taken great pains in selecting the VERY LATEST AND MOST STYLISH PATTERNS

WILL SUIT THE TASTE. Be sure you come and see. Respectfully, Miss Nannie Alexander.

L. M. ARCHEY, M. D.

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Office opposite St. Cloud. Got to Come at Once!

THE TAXES I'm going to collect at once; if not one way then another. If the amounts are not settled within a few days I shall advertise and collect not only the taxes but cost.

RECEIVER'S NOTICE—Having been appointed receiver of and for The Cabarrus County Cooperative Store Association, I hereby notify all persons indebted to said corporation, or to John A. Clime, agent, or to Bell & Sims, agents of said corporation, that prompt payment of said indebtedness must be made to me as receiver; and all persons having claims against said corporation must present the same to me.

ELAM KING, Receiver. SALE OF BRICK. Contractor's Notice. Fine Farm For Sale.

AS administrators de bonis non, with the will annexed, of the estate of John S. Donnell, deceased, late of Baltimore, Maryland, and under authority vested in us by the will of John S. Donnell and the laws of North Carolina, we will sell for public auction, at the door of the courthouse in Concord, on

WEDNESDAY, THE 26th of MAY, 1891, about two hundred and thirty (230) acres of land, belonging to the estate of John S. Donnell, lying on Dutch Buffalo creek, near Foils mill in No. 6 township in Cabarrus county, on which Jacob A. Clime now resides, and the description and boundaries whereof are fully stated in a deed from C. N. White to John S. Donnell, recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Cabarrus county in Book 21, page 76.

March 29th, 1891. JAMES SWANN FRICK, Administrator of the estate of John S. Donnell, in Maryland. PAUL B. MEANS, Administrator of the estate of John S. Donnell, in North Carolina.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE.—Having been duly appointed a commissioner by the Superior Court of Cabarrus County in the cause A. J. Bost vs. L. C. Lasser, et al of said county, on Monday, the 6th day of April, 1891, at 12 o'clock m., all that tract of land lying and being in the county of Cabarrus, on Coddee creek, adjoining the lands of F. M. Morris, J. H. Morrison, A. J. Bost and others, containing two hundred and fifty (250) acres, more or less, and known as the home place of the late Moses Pitts, dec'd.

TERMS OF SALE: One-fourth cash, one-fourth in twelve months and balance in two years; note and approved security required; eight per cent interest from date of sale. March 3, 1891. JAS. C. GIBSON, Commissioner

Indeed the farmers are a great part of the population, and by right have much to do with the conditions of this country, and they, too, must assist in keeping up and supporting this grand civilization of ours.

We are thoroughly amazed that there should be any opposition to the organization of farmers, especially when it is a known fact that we have never done any damage. But there is opposition and it can't be doubted at all.

The plaid manufacturers of the State had an important meeting at Charlotte, Steele of Rockingham, Cone, of Baltimore, Hols, of Alamance, and Graham, of Asheville, were noted as present.

"Baldy" Harris, better known as "Old Baldy" who for fifteen or twenty years drove the Central Hotel "bus" died yesterday morning at his home in Log Town.

Horrible as it may appear, it is an unquestioned fact that Chicago man who paid nearly \$15,000 for a Bible did so because it's the only book of the kind that is to be found in that hopeless city. Chicago is a little lake in getting into the field and is evidently paying interest for all the years it has neither bought nor read ordinary editions of the Holy Writ.

The making of money. The government has a right to make money, because it has done so heretofore. It is said that the government can coin money but that it cannot make it. This is stuff. They try to make a difference in these two words, but with the government they mean the same.

Such is the duty of the use of the demands. There is not enough money to do the business of this country. We have borrowed from Europe until the interest paid amounts to \$83,000,000.

Much is being said now about distributors. There are three distributors only; they are: The National banks, the gold mine, the holders of United States bonds. These do the work of the money lending.

The Alliance favors a change and a great one. We demand the right to distribute. The farmer alone creates and makes and yet has nothing to say to the manner and plan of distribution. We claim that we have a right to do that, and the Alliance demands that this right be recognized.

The money question is another one that demands the attention of the Alliance. When it comes to the consideration of this we are called cranks, but we are honest about it, and the name "crank" does not affect us. Not much was said about it until this thing began to be discussed pretty freely, and then the opposition began to show itself very freely.

Those who control the money market can at will contract the currency; this is generally done when our products are thrown upon the market. When these measures are pressed upon our people we say that they are unconstitutional and undemocratic. But it is undemocratic and unconstitutional to give to the farmer as many privileges and rights as are given to the bondholder? It ought not to be, and it is not.

When the constitution of this country was framed, the idea was not to make nobility in the ownership of land. It was intended that land owners should be dangerous land-sharks. It was intended that a few men should get the complete control of all the land over which its influence acted. Its spirit was not to encourage monopolies in the ownership of anything at all; it was devised to give protection and do the greatest good to the greatest number of people, indeed to do justice to all. That is what we demand. There is a difference between the private ownership and that found in

the government owns the railroads that will work injury to the public. This cannot be. If the government owns the railroads that hurt the merchants, your doctors, your lawyers or your homes? To a thinking mind the fallacy of such a claim is patent. The speaker here showed in a very clear way how the people were hounded by railroad companies right at the beginning of the road's construction.

When the land gets into the hands of a few. When Rome went down 2,800 men owned the land. When Greece went down 550 people owned the land. This same state of affairs is seen in the history of every country that has gone down. The Alliance demands that no foreigner shall own the land in this country. We want the lands owned by Americans—American citizens, if you please.

We are not alarmed. We have gone and studied these questions and we find that 61,000,000 acres of land in this country are owned by aliens—men who have not even seen this country. Corporations own 150,000,000 acres, insurance companies own 150,000,000, and 154,000,000 acres are owned by foreign corporations. This looks like the farmers have spoken too soon? In 1850 seven-eighths of the farmers owned the land on which they worked. In 1890 seven-eighths of the farmers are tenants. What does this look like? Have we commenced to think too soon and to act too soon? Certainly not.