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# HARRY TRACY IN SALISBURY.

JUNE 11TH, 1889. Col. L. L. Polk .- Dear Sir :write to say only a few words, as I know you must be greatly annoyed with unbusiness-like and pointless letters. Harry Tracy spoke in this town on Saturday last according to appointment, and gave us more facts and figures than I ever heard before in one day's speaking. I greatly regret that, being in the midst of har vest, and on short notice at that, the crowd in attendance was small. Had we only one lecturer of half his abil mated in this section of the State. Can we not; in some way, get up some still in every Senatorial district, to to a sense of their duty. God seed thoroughly aroused and prepared to act. Inquiring the price of sugar in Salisbury, I was informed of a terrible rise in prices, the merchant saying that the Alliance in the west had run the prices up. I rebuked my inmade him feel very cheap Our Alliance, at its last meeting, ordered \$50 Agency Fund.

Fraternally, J. A. FISHER.

## A WORD OF ADMONITION FROM A SISTER.

CEDAR FORK ALLIANCE, No. 337, Lyman, Duplin Co., N. C.,

June 8th, '89. Mr. Editor:-Please allow me space to say a few words to the sisters in the Farmer's Alliance. Scorn not to receive instruction from the humblest object that offers you its lesson. I greet you as worthy members in our order. Woman is the educator of youth and our co-student through life. and to be this she must acquire knowledge and wisdom. Education adds the greatest charm to woman; it is a companion which no misfortune n advocating the principles and car- ficial millionaires.

rying out the objects of our order. To you will not only those connected with your Alliance look for examples, but those outside the gate will diligently scrutinize each. Let me caution you that you keep the eye of the mind open among your members encourage improvement, and remember Lecturer-Dr. D. Reid Parker, Trinity that nature's motto is onward. She never goes backward. Sisters, speak not evil one to another; be kind to one another. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith. May woman be taught to be good managers particularly in rural pursuits, that when left without a protector she may not be entirely dependent upon the bounty Sergeant-at-Arms-J. S. Holt, Chalk of others; also remember, my sisters, that favor is deceitful and beauty is have done virtuously; may you excel them all, be, therefore, free from selfishness. If thine enemies hunger, feed them; do good, hoping for nothing again, and your reward shall be great. Love one another; be charitable, and impress upon your heart the teaching of this lesson. As for the first time I have attempted to write, I will close.

S. ELLEN SANDERSON, Assistant Lecturer.

Monbo, N. C., June 12, '89.

terest your readers. We are still living and working with unabated interest. Our Sub-Alliance numbers thirty in good standing, and we read, weekly, about one dozen or more copies of The Progressive Farmer. And right here I will say, every member ought to read it. Our Alliance endorsed the decision of the Birmingham Convention in the exclusive use of cotton instead of jute bagging to wrap our cotton up in, and we expect to stick to it, if the jute were furnished to us for nothing. And I can say this much for the Catawbians, when they firmly plant themselves, it takes considerable lever-power to upset them. We believe in our motto: "In things essential, unity." And now, my brother farmer, when any man tells you that you "won't stick," tell him he insults you. It is said by the use of cotton bagging in place of jute, we'll have the advantage of over \$6,000,000 back here for circulation. Now, armers, that is a very importantf item in money matters, when we take into consideration that just after the close of the war there were \$52 per capita in circulation against \$5 per capita now. Our great need is some of the money, now in the hands of heartless speculators, who are letting ity, his value could not be overesti- it out on usurious and ruinous terms to those who are compelled to have it. Further, my brother farmer, one in every Congressional, or better. say beware of the itinerant agents in festing the country at this season of make addresses and arouse the people | the year, with their smooth tongues, inducing you, before you have time the time when the people may be to think, to give them your orders, when you will regret in less than an hour afterwards that you gave your name, just as he would say for "its influence." Some of our women folks have to keep the front door shut and stay in the kitchen or back yard to formant for his misrepresentations and evade them; some days there are three a day. I hear of one of our Alliance men, who has posted in large to be sent to the State Business | lletters on his front gate: "No agents admitted here." Pretty good for "Tommie!" Brother, when he comes, tell him he hasn't found the man he was hunting for. And when he says, "just let me have your name for its influence," say emphatically, no!

Catawba wheat crop is good-most farmers say as good as they ever saw. The straw is short but the grain is cut and in the shock. Fall sowing of oats are generally good-spring sowing short but stretching up considerably from recent fine rains. Cotton small, but growing well now; some planted over, some replanted with peas, and some have a very good stand from first planting. Success to THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER. M. A. A.,

Cor. Shawnee Alliance, No. 331.

The Southwest says: Another effort can depress, no clime destroy, no is being made to revive interest in the enemy eliminate, no despotism enslave. | movement for a national bankrupt An ornament in prosperity and a law. In view of the fact that Conrefuge in adversity. My friends, of gress has been so successful in devis- unable to attend to their affairs on the one could do it; but when he took one guide to knowledge; and in this paper insurance in our Alliance, on the plan all the instrumentalities for smoothen- ing laws to make bankrupts, it is farm, so at the last meeting a com- single stick they could break it very we have it. So I say, brethren, if it I shall hereafter propose, we shall ing the wrinkled brow of care, tran- no more than right that it should mittee was appointed to see after the lesson was taught will do us good in our homes, and strike another blow at the moneyquilizing the mind of the suffering in- bring its wonderful brain-power to individuals and secure aid for them that if they would work together they promote the cause of the Farmers' valid for elevating the mind to higher bear on the subject of devising the during their illness. This has been were strong, but separate they were Alliance, the first dollar we get we and nobler purposes, and for making most scientific and least painful attended to and will be looked after weak. In unity we are strong. So can spare, less put it into the editor's life happy, there is nothing more method of disposing of them. As a until they shall have sufficiently re let us join in one common cause and hands for THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER. powerful than a home surrounded bankrupt manufacturer it has proved cuperated to take charge of affairs work to keep down trusts and with the wealth of nature in perform- a magnificent success, and it is not again. ing this duty. I must impress upon, possible that all of its talent runs in At the last meeting of our lodge tify our homes and bring this grand your mind the importance of the posi- that direction, because it has turned we had an election of officers which Old North State of ours to the front,

#### ACTION OF MARTIN COUNTY AL-LIANCE MEN.

ROBERSONVILLE, N. C. Resolved, By X Roads Alliance, No. 1,058, Martin county, in regular session Saturday, June 1st, 1889, that we do hereby indorse and pledge ourselves to stand by the action of our national meeting held in Birmingham, Ala., May 15th, in adopting cotton covering for cotton. Also, the ar rangements for books and advice as to cotton seed; and if any member of this Lodge refuses to stand by this resolution he or she shall be expelled as an unworthy member.

Resolved 2d, That we urge upon all of onr members the necessity of takvain, but a woman that feareth the ing stock as liberally as circumstances Lord shall be praised. Many daughters | will allow to put up a cotton seed oil mill at as early a time as practicable, and that we ask all the Alliances, at our county meeting, to join us in this enterprise.

Resolved 3d, That this Alliance offer a premium of \$2.00 each to any one of its members that may raise the most hay from crab grass on one acre this year; also, from grass and peas together.

Resolved 4th, That this Alliance this place. hereby accepts and adopts the act of assembly, entitled An Act to Incorpo- October, 1883, with ten charter mem-N. C. and Sub-Alliance as its charter seventy-three members. We number MR. EDITOR:-A line or two from Alliance, No. 431 (Shawnee) may in- of incorporation, and the constitution among our ranks some of the best by-laws, rules and regulation which may be prescribed by the properly | State. constituted authorities thereunder.

be spread upon the record in our into it. minute book, and a copy be sent to THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER for publication. Offored by

J. R. ROBERSON, Business Agent.

#### SMITH'S ALLIANCE, No. 1,397. June 4, 1889.

MR. EDITOR :- Having returned home after an absence of ten months, I had the pleasure of annexing my. self to the honorable body above mentioned, which was organized during my absence. I got to hear of it: the good it was doing, and the manner in which the people took hold that it was a good thing and therefore the first opportunity presented itself I joined.

organized with 17 member and has Use no trust bagging if the bottom kept increasing until it numbers falls clear out of the trust and the top about fifty, most of whom are male falls in after it. members; good, honest, hard-working, energetic men, who mean exactly what they say when they go into power if you will but use it. anything. The Alliance is gradually gaining ground every day, and the is the most contemptible condition on day does not seem to be very far distant when all the material in the vicinity will be taken into the Alliance. We intend to make it a success by all putting our shoulders to the wheel and moving things right square on. It has been predicted that it will only last a few months or years and then it will die out, but we are going to prove such prophecy to be

We farmers have been in need of something now for a long time to ameliorate our condition, and the Alliance seems to be the very thing

The farmers are looked down upon as belonging to an inferior class of beings, and those who have it in their power treat them with contempt. This ought not to be; it is time that the farmers are having a showing, and if they don't take care of themselves no one else will look after their section are looking fine; wheat and We still keep receiving them. We fine, very fine. The wheat is mostly fully aroused to a true sense of their less commercial fertilizer and more among the number was our beloved good earnest. Some few of our memduty, as well as necessity, and are determined to take care of "No. corn, and are planting less tobacco. One."

they will no longer bow in submission to the tyrant's command and wear the cruel yoke that has been dragging the Farmer's Club. He will fine out FARMER, but, by the fall I don't think ness Agency and will send it as soon them down for many long and years. They intend to accomplish all this by so easy this time. We (the Alliance) is a necessity for the welfare and the tight just now, but we think to working smoothly on, placing the have come to stay. strokes where they will count the most, with the Alliance banner raised wished to teach his boys an impor- work it is a lamp unto our feet and high above their heads.

tion you hold. You will be foremost out some mammoth specimens of arti- resulted as follows: President, Charlie that she may blossom as the rose. Kimball. He was our former Presi-

dent, but we did not think we could do better than to put him into the same office again, as he is wide-awake in everything pertaining to the welfare of the Alliance.

Vice President—A. W. Foil. Secretary-Wm. T. A. Kluttz. Treasurer-Chas. A. Gobble. Lecturer-Jno. D. Ketchie. Assistant Lecturer-Jno. M. Free-

Chaplain-Michael Beaver. Doorkeeper-Jno. A. Ritchie. Assistant Doorkeeper-D. A. Kluttz. Sergeant at Arms-Jno. H. Gobble. Business Agent-Jno. Beard.

Several of the officers were reelected at our last meeting, but as was said of the President, we did not think we could do better than put them back again. Respectfully,

J. D. K., Cor. Sec'y and Lect'r.

### THE ORDER IN GASTON.

Belmont, N. C., June 1, '89. Mr. EDITOR:-Having been appointed Corresponding Secretary for Belmont Alliance, No. 1,341, 1 will try and give you a few items from

Belmont Alliance was organized in rate the Farmers' State Alliance of bers, and has steadily increased to practical farmers in the county or

Nearly all of the available material Resolved 5th, That these resolutions in the community has been worked

> We have made very good trade arrangements with our local merchants, and have secured many other advantages in trading through the organization.

Our members are fast waking up to the importance of raising the State Business Agency Fund. We have raised about \$60 by cash and subscription, which amount will be increased to more than a hundred.

We were well pleased with the way the Rimingham Convention handled the the "Jute Bagging Trust." It now rests with the members of the Alliance whether their decision to. of it, and I came to the conclusion use no "Trust Bagging" will be a success or a failure.

We would urge every Alliance in the State to take prompt action in this Our Alliance has been organized matter and stand firmly by the deabout seven or eight months. It was cision of the Birmingham Convention.

Shake off the shackles of monopolies and trusts. You have it in your

Remember that voluntary serfdom earth, and that voluntary submis sion to wrong and injustice is the most degrading, and that all men or classes who knowingly submit to wrong and injustice without using their influence to correct it are unworthy of sympathy or assistance.

In conclusion, brethren, let us go to work in earnest and with a will. "No fearing, no doubting, our order should know When here stands our rights and yonder our foes."

Fraternally,

# IN UNITY THERE IS STRENGTH.

SCALESVILLE ALLIANCE, No. 1,522. Mr. Editor:—As you have never heard anything from our Alliance, I beg space to write you. We are yet alive, (and as one brother said,) we are living at home, making our own of it. bread and hominy. Crops in this

monopolies, improve our farms, beau-

AN APPEAL TO THE BROTHER-HOOD.

JUSTICE ALLIANCE, No. 1.063. Franklin Co., N. C., June 11th, '89.

7th, Bro. J. H. Medlin had the misfortune to lose, by fire, his dwelling, and as we desire and intend, by the kitchen and smoke house with nearly help of God, to cut loose as quickly all of their contents, which leaves him as possible from trusts and monopoand his family in a very deplorable lies, and as the use of cotton for condition. He lost all his provisions, bagging will tend to advance the clothing, etc.; saved only his beds and price of cotton; be it therefore no bed clothing. Bro. Medlin is a hard working, honest and upright man and is a worthy member of the other kind, provided it can be ob-Farmers' Alliance. He is now thrown tained. upon the charity of the Order and the people. He needs help and needs it now. Any aid or assistance your brethren throughout the State to this Lodge or any member can give him important matter, so that we may will be highly appreciated and thank- make a move in time and in the right fully received by him and his Alli- direction to secure cotton cloth bagance. We have appointed a commit- ging. tee of three from this Alliance to receive and forward to him anything which may be contributed in his present distressed condition. Those desiring to help him can leave whatever they give with either of the committee who are J. O. B. Alford, at Jackson's Mill; Sam. Faulk, at Bowden's Mill, and W. B. Bowden, of this Alliance, on May 26th, with an near Cedar Rock. Those wishing to give money can send it to W. H. hail storm, thereby almost totally de-Stallings, Justice, N. C.

By order of the Alliance. JAMES QUALLS, Pres.

# W. H. STALLINGS, Sec'ty.

FROM ROWAN COUNTY.

MILL BRIDGE, N. C. of Mill Bridge Alliance, No. 424, as well as your sympathy. Rowan county, the incorporation of the Alliance was ratified, the consoli- come to our assistance. Give money. dation of the Wheel and Alliance was wheat, cats or whatever else you can opposed and the following resolution divide with us; and be assured that was adopted:

now known as the jute bagging trust, ceived and acknowledged. Open your which proposes to control the entire hearts purses, garners, &c., and help trade of jute bagging at the expense us all you conscientiously can. of the cotton growers; and, whereas, Send money by registered letter to we, the farmers of Mill Bridge Alif. J. W. Miller, President Bear Poplar. ance, think such combination injuri- Rowan county, N. C.; and grain and ous and unjust to the farmers of the other freight to same at Cleveland, a land; therefore be it

Resolved, That we use some substitute for jute bagging, and that we do his postoffice, as above named. not buy a single yard of jute nor patronize the trust in any way until they reduce their prices to or below their former standpoint.

F. W. LINGLE, Cor. Sec'y.

#### ----FROM HYDE COUNTY.

SLADESVILLE ALLIANCE, No. 1,398. Hyde County, June 8th, 1889.

MR. EDITOR:-By request of my Alliance, I write you a short letter for The Progressive Farmer. Our Alliance is situated near Sladesville. embracing the best and most fertile lands in the county. What I mean by best it is the most sure land. Our principal crops are corn and cotton, but I hope the day is not far distant when the farmers of this county, as well as others will plant more small grain and raise more stock. Show me a man that raises cotton and neglects other grain with the intention of buying the necessary grains which he may need, and I will show you a man who is struggling under mortgages and other difficulties. Our farmers use but very little guano. As a general thing they make their own manures. Our greatest trouble are, we don't spend time and make enough Our Alliance numbers about 46,

welfare. It seems as if they are now oats, especially. Farmers are useing have dismissed several by dimit, home-made manure for tobacco and brother, O. T. Credle, who moved to Lake Comfort, Hyde county. We While talking with one of our not only miss him as our Vice-Presi-The farmers are determined that country merchants on the subject of dent, but as a neighbor and a citithe Alliance he said it had about done zen. Not many of our brethren have its do; that it would turn out just like as yet subscribed to THE PROGRESSIVE that we will not be clubbed out quite | there is a member but what will. It prosperity of all Alliances to have send in ours in July. I notice the On one occasion, when a father it. Why? Because in the Alliance snake-killing proposit on to begin at tant lesson, he took a number of small a light unto our path. It is impossi-There is a family in the above sticks and bound them together and ble for us to be true, good, working, named Alliance which is sick and asked the boys to break them, but not successful members without a good Respectfully

> E. A. FORTESCUE, Cor. Sec'v. P. S .- At the meeting of the Sladesville Alliance, No. 1,398, held June 8th, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted and ordered ture.

sent to THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER for publication, viz: That inasmuch as the manufacturers of jute bagging are more fully prepared than ever before to extort from the down trodden toil-MR. EDITOR: - Dear Sir - On June ers high and unjust prices for their article; and as we believe it our duty,

> Resolved 1st, That for next season we will use cotton bagging, and no

Resolvad 2d, That we earnestly invite the attention of our cotton E. A. F.

## AN APPEAL FOR HELP.

WOOD GROVE ALLIANCE, No. 404,

Bear Poplar, N. C. MR. EDITOR:—Almighty God, in His mysterious ways, has seen proper to visit a large portion of the members exceedingly violent and destructive stroying their wheat, winter oats, cotton and fruit crops, together with their gardens and truck patches and badly damaging other crops.

By this calamity, many who had to go in debt to provide for their families and stock, until wheat and oat harvest, are now left almost destitute MR. EDITOR:-At a recent meeting and greatly need your aid and charity

Now, dear and fortunate brethren. whatever you contribute in this, our WHEREAS, There is a combination time of need, will be gratefully re-

station on the Western N. C. Railroad at the same time notifying him at

> W. L. KISTLER, H. S. PETRAE, J. F. STANSILL, Committee.

The President or Secretary of each Sub-Alliance will please read or have read to their Alliances this appeal and take donations and subscriptions and forward as in appeal directed.

W. L. KISTLER, Ch'n. While many of our citizens are laudably contributing to the Johnstown or Conemaugh river flood sufferers, we do hope that they will also lend help to those nearer home who have suffered and are suffering from the most violent and destructive hail storm ever known for the last of May. We pray that our more fortunate citizens will remember and aid us in this. our time of great need and affliction, and the great God will surely bless W. L. KISTLER, Sec'y No. 404.

# FROM OLD CURRITUCK.

May 29th, 1889. Mr. Editor: -Our Alliance, No. 1,249, at Coinjock, Currituck county, N. C., now numbers thirty-eight male members. We have not gained as fast as we should have done up to this time, but we are about through with our preparatory work and intend to roll up our sleeves and go at it in bers, I am compelled to say, are a little careless in attending at our regular meetings, but they are all good and true men, and can be counted on

any emergency. We have \$20 raised for the Busias we get \$10 more. Money is a litthe head is a gook one, and when we put our money in manufactories and run them ourselves. We are certainly at the head. And when we start an suckers that will do away with many swindlers in our State and protect our wives and children when we are dead. I will write out my plan and send to you in a few days.

Yours truly, J. F. GARRENTON.

Salt and water clean willow furni-