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the new State. The resolution calls OUTRAGEOUSLY BRUTAL AND for the instruction of the special com-DISGRACEFUL.

tive body and we confidently look for good work.

As was to be expected, the County Alliance of Cumberland is preparing to make the visit of the State Alliance as comfortable and pleasant as possible. We hope to see a properly accredited delegate from each of the eighty five counties organized with a goodly number of visiting brethren. Elsewhere we publish reduced rates with instructions for delegates and members. We would advise each dele-

gate or member who expects to attend the meeting to call on their railroad agent at their earliest convenience and ascertain if he has received instructions to sell tickets at reduced rates, if he has not, notify us at once, so we may arrange it.

OPPOSITION TO TRUSTS.

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HERE is a very strong sentiment L among the people of Washington Territory, which is soon to become a State of the American Union, in opposition to combines and trusts, and it has been known for sometime that an effort would be made in framing the constitution of the new State to insert a clause prohibiting forever what is known to the present genera tion as commercial trusts. The con stitutional convention has been in session at Olympia, W. T., for sev eral days, but the first intimation of a fight on the question of trusts and combinations was made on Wednesday last, when John Kirmear, of Seattle, chairman of the committee on corporations, introduced a very plainly worded resolution denouncing trusts and combinations as among the worst existing evils and likely to in terfere with the industrial growth of

chosen. It will be an able, conserva- LET THE VOICE OF THE PEO-SCOTCH-IRISH CONGRESS. PLE BE HEARD AND

RESPECTED.

"THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER is still ica, consisting of the President, quarreling about the failure of the passage of the Railroad Commission bill. Is not brother Polk ever going to forgive the farmer members of the last Legislature for not voting as he directed ? He should not be so vindictive. Farmers, even if they are members of the Legislature should be entitled to opinions of their own as well as editors.

We clip the above from the Daily Plant, a paper that was decidedly opposed to a Railroad Commission, but a large majority of whose readers among the business men and farmers, were in favor of it. If advocating the rights of the people against the encroachments of corporate powerthe interests of the many against the manipulations of the few, and exposing the trickery of those who deceive and misrepresent the people, is to be characterized as "quarreling," then THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER . would inform its contemporary that it proposes to "quarrel" until the rights and just demands of the people are respected. This paper assumes to "direct" the votes of no one. It did its duty faithfully and fearlessly, but always respectfully, in the contest over the Railroad bill. It stood by what it knew to be the wish of the tens of thousands whom it represented, and made a straightout face-to-face fight with the most formidable power and influence that exists in our State. In reviewing its course, it has nothing to regret. And it is a matter of very little concern whether or not THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER is "ever going to forgive the farmer members of the last Legislature for voting against the

Robert Bonner, of New York; the Secretary, A. C. Floyd; the Treasurer,

Mr. Frierson, both of Columbia, Tenn. and the Vice-Presidents from the various States and Territories, met at the Glenham Hotel, in New York city, on Thursday last, to transact business of importance. Among the Vice-Presidents present were Col. T. T. Wright, of Florida; Mr. A. G. Adams, of Tennessee; Dr. Hervey McDowell, of Kentucky, and Mr. Wm. O. McDowell, of New Jersey. Among letters of regret from other Vice-Presidents were those from Hon. A: T. Wood, of Hamilton, Ont., and Col. McClure, of Philadelphia. The meeting was enthusiastic, and measures were passed which insure the continued and accelerated progress of the organization. All matters not definitely settled by the council were given in charge of an executive com mittee appointed by the chair.

THE Executive Council of the

Scotch-Irish Congress of Amer-

On this committee were appointed the secretary and treasurer, Col. J. F. Johnston, of Birmingham, Ala.; first vice president at large, Col. T. T. Wright; Dr. J. S. McIntosh, of Philadelphia; Prof. Geo. McKoskie, Princeton College; Dr. Robert Pillow and president was added to this committee, first Scotch-Irish history, which will machinery. be principally under the control of the secretary. The annual dues were fixed at \$2, which also entitles the applicant to a copy of the annual publication. All members of the Scotch-Irish race are eligible. The organization is social and historical in character, and devoid of political or sectarian significance.

the columns of THE PRGRESSIVE FAR-MER, explicit instructions as to how to raise it. He desires to know the kind of land best suited to the plant, what fertilizer is best, the best time he may be able to give concerning it.

** It is a curious fact, says the Tennessee Farmer, that only two European countries, Germany and Great Britain, at the present day import as much barley as the United States. Practically, all the barley consumed in Europe is grown there, except that received from Canada.

remain in the United States.

** The National Potters' Union, which was in session at Wheeling, West Virginia, last week, unanimously adopted a resolution condemning, in the strongest terms, all trusts and combines, and declaring them to be prejudicial to the interests of capital, Col. H. G. Evans, of Tennessee. The industrial enterprise and the consumer. The union also, in discussing laborwhich meet at the Glenham Hotel on saving machinery, decided that the Friday to arrange some important de- time has not yet come when skilled tails, notably the publication of the labor could be replaced by automatic

> *. At the last meeting of the Cumberland County Alliance a local committee, consisting of brethren W. H. Tomlinson, W. W. Huske and G. W. Lawrence, were appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the meeting of the State Farmers' Alliance, which takes place in the city of Fayetteville on the 13th day of

stalled officers for the ensuing term The membership new seems to be more enthusiastic and ready to take hold of the work than at any previous time. I don't know but we are going for sowing, and any other information to have a real revival sure enough; if we do it will break out about 9 o'clock, July 27th, 1889. The neighboring Alliances are invited to be with us, and help carry on the good work. I'll tell you about it."

-Secretary Harrell, of Rutherford County Alliance, writes as follows: "On Friday, June 28th ult., we had the pleasure of listening to some of the best speeches that we have ever ** Since the last issue of THE heard. President S. B. Alexander, PROGRESSIVE FARMER, Kilrain and Maj. W. A. Graham and R. B. Hunter, Sullivan, the pugilists, have met in of Mecklenburg county were with us the State of Mississippi and fought. on that day. The rain poured all day, The battle, which lasted two hours, and prevented the people from coming was a thoroughly brutal affair and out, or there would have been more resulted in the defeat of Kilrain, who people in Rutherfordton than had been received terrible punishment. The there for many a day. However, the Governor of Mississippi is making speeches will do an immense amount stenuous efforts to arrest the men, and of good. They will be 'as bread cast says he is determined to do it if they upon the waters.' The County Allimet on yesterday with 104 delegates present and elected officers for the ensuing year"

> -W. C. Jarman, Secretary, writ. ing from Purgatory, under date of July 2d, says that Whaley's Alliance, No. 335, of Onslow county, at its last meeting, adopted the act incorporat. ing the State Alliance, and endorsed the consolidation of the Alliance, Wheel and Union, and also the action of the Birmingham meeting, in relation to cotton bagging. The Alliance, however, opposed the proposed con-

stitutional amendment making the fees \$1.50 instead of 50 cents. Crops in this section are looking well, but they are having entirely too much cool weather, caused by the almost incessant heavy rains. [When we remember the point from which the brother writes, his reference to cool rains is indeed refreshing.]

-The Goldsboro Argus is pleased to say of the recent Alliance meeting in that city: "That was a grand gath. ering of farmers that assembled in this city yesterday to hear Mr. Harry Tracy's address. He did them the compliment to say that it was as fine a body of honest, determined looking yeomanry as he had ever addressed in all the rounds of his glorious work. 145. The total cost of our roads, The farmers of Wayne county are up and doing, and Goldsboro, as well as the country round about, is feeling the beneficial results. One of our largest supply merchants told us yes. terday that the cash trade of Goldsboro from the farmers is better and more extensive in every way than he has ever known it in the six years that he has been engaged in business

TITH what feelings of shudder VV ing horror the American youth have read of the gladiatorial contests among the old Romans, where thousands of her young men were matched against each other and were forced to slav each other in the arena to gratify a brutal and barbarous desire among the populace. How repugnant to every sentiment of refined, Christian culture the bullfights of Spain and Mexico! But the elevating influence of Christianity had never been felt by them. What a sad and deplorable comment on our boasted civilization, was the brutal and barbarous prize fight on the 8th inst. in Mississippi, between those brutes in human form -Sullivan and Kilrain? And what is to be said of the hundreds who trav elled thousands of miles and the thousands who flocked hither from New Orleans to witness it? Sullivan will return to his home in "cultured Bos ton" to be applauded and lionized by public receptions and grand ovations by a people who, during recent years, have had much to say about "relics of barbarism." Every consideration of decency and self respect demands that the people should put their seal of condemnation on the American prize fighter. He is a foul and disgraceful blot on our civilization and should be stamped out without mercy. They and their aiders and bettors, 000 farmers and tenants, and only Legislatures of Dakota, Arkansas and when caught in any State, should at once be introduced to the ball and chain, the mortar-hod and the anvil in the penitentiary, and required to give exhibitions of their muscle power for twelve hours every day for ten years. It is said that the State authorities of Louisiana and Mississippi made some effort to prevent the fight, but if the printed reports be true, it is evident that their efforts were not seconded by the local authorities. Indeed it was claimed by the gang that there was really no law in those States to prevent it. If this be true, there should be no excuse hereafter. No decent American can read the sickening and disgusting story without feelings of humiliation and shaine, and no reflecting man can witness the avidity with which they are consumed by the millions of readers, without being profoundly impressed with gravest apprehension as to the

mittee to report in favor of a clause in the constitution to prohibit any agreement between local corporations with other local corporations, as well as foreign ones, to fix the price of any commodity apon the pain of forfeiting property and franchies immediately. Judge Henry, of Olympia, moved a reference to the corporation committee, but Mr. Sullivan, of Tahoma, tried to prevent the motion from be ing put by a point of order that it interfered with the President's prerogative, but his point was overruled and the reference motion prevailed by a vote of 43 to 23. The committee will doubtless favor a strong clause despite the opposition of delegates who, under various pretexts, hide their fear of, or interests in, corporations, and, judging from the above vote, it is safe to say that trusts and combines will not be allowed to prey upon the people of the State of Washington. There are indications, we are glad to say, that similar clauses will be inserted in the constitutions of the two Dakotas, and also, in that of Montana.

-----THE STRENGTH OF A NATION IS IN ITS HOMES.

ing to its millions permanent homes, there and keep up their "quarrel and with its liberal provision for a until they are heard. widely diffused diversified intelligence among its people, founded on a wise FRESIDENTALEXANDER'S SUCsystem of practical, industrial training, need we wonder at the progressiveness and prosperity of the French government?

THE COTTON CROP.

THE June report of the statistician of the Department of Agriculture, at Washington, shows an improve- it is right interesting to observe the ment in the condition of cotton dur- spirit with which Brer Polk, of THE ing the past month. The early-planted PROGRESSIVE FARMER, resents these areas are well advanced. That which outside suggestions. The only thing was planted in May and that which certain so far is that the man whom future of our civilization and of our had not germinated before the season the outsiders suggest will not get the

them there, will ever forgive them. THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER is not "vindictive;" it simply has convictions and stands by them. We have long been of the opinion that the farmers are as much entitled to their opinions as editors, or anyone else, but there are lots of men who do not think so. We know some who did not think so during the struggle over the Commission bill last winter. The PROGRESSIVE FARMER thought that the 60,000 farmers who petitioned the Legislature for a Railroad Commission were entitled to their opinions, and it said so. But where was the Plant when these 60,000 taxpayers expressed their opinion? Did it believe then that the farmers were as much entitled to their opinions as editors? Did it say so then? Did it come forward to aid the farmers at a time when by so doing it could, at least, have demonstrated the sincerity of its friendship? We are gratified to note the interest shown by the *Plant* in this matter, for be it known, that ample opportunity will be afforded in the future for that paper to show its devotion to the rights and interests of the business men and

Commission bill," but it is a question

of interest (to those members at least)

whether or not the farmers who sent

farmers of the State. They feel that every consideration of justice and THE last census of France showed equity demands that North Carolina L that out of 18,513,325 rural popu- should have a Railroad Commission, lation, there were 9,000,000 land and they are going to have it. The owners living on their lands, 4,570, very same game was played in the 3,255,000 day laborers. The value Texas that was played in North (aroof land under tillage varied from lina, and it has opened the eyes of the \$105 to \$323 per acre and the rent of people. Yes, brother Plant, THE PROland from \$3.64 to \$12.14 per acre. GRESSIVE FARMER is with the people in With this distribution of lands, giv. this matter, and it intends to stay

CESSOR.

It is right funny to see some of our State papers which are outside of the Allance suggesting names for the Presidency of the State Alliance which meets next month and which will elect a successor to Capt. S. B. Alexander, who is ineligible after this term; and

HARRY TRACY'S APPOINT-MENTS.

DRO. Harry Tracy, National Lec-D turer of the Farmers' Alliance, will speak at the times and places named below. His time is limited. He cannot give more than one day to a county. All who read this notice \$25,638,500; unfunded debt, \$1,523,will render a public service by advertising it as largely as possible.

He is one of the original Alliance men of the country. His time and labor and heart and brain are thoroughly devoted to the success of our cause. When you hear him you will not wonder at his great popularity as a Lecturer.

Every officer and member of the Alliance, every laboring man of whatever vocation and especially those who are opposed to the Alliance, should hear him. He will give you many things to think about. He will strengthen the weak, encourage the confirm the faithful.

He cordially invites the ladies to come out and hear him. 🜰

Remember that he will deliver a public lecture, to which everybody is invited, at 11 o'clock a. m. and a private lecture to the Alliance at 2:30 o'clock all good.

HE WILL SPEAK.

At	Whiteville, Tuesday,	July	16.
	Elizabethtown, Wed.,	£ 6	17.
	Lumberton, Thursday,	66	18.
66	Maxton, Friday,	66	19.
"	Rockingham, Saturday,	66	20.
4.4	Auburn, Tuesday,	£1	23.
6:	Foyvil'e, Wednesday,	6.6	24.
66	Gibson's, Thursday,	6.	25.
"	Carthage, Friday,	4.4	26.
"	Pittsboro, Saturday,	£ 6	27.
	Wadesboro, Monday,	64	29.
	Monroe, Tuesday,	66	30.
	Charlotte, Wednesday,	44	31.
By	order of the Executive	Comm	nitte
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EDITORIAL NOTES.

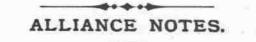
The funeral of the widow o President John Tyler took place in Ricomond, Va., on Friday morning last.

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August next. At the same meeting Hon. Wharton J. Green was chosen to represent Cumberland in the annual meeting at Fayetteville.

** At the beginning of the present year North Carolina had 1,639 miles of railroad in operation; capital stock, \$25,561,801; bonded debt, with their equipments was \$50,050,-693. For the year 1887 the gross earnings of our roads from passengers, \$834,511; from freight, \$2,136,-147; from all sources, \$3,269,078; net earnings, \$998,344; interest paid on bonds \$792,659; dividend paid on

stocks, \$516,000.



[Always give the name and number of your Alliance, your postoffice and your county, plainly, when you write to the President, Secretary, Trustee, Business wavering, convince the doubting and Agent or Chairman of Executive Committee of the State Alliance.]

> -A brother writing on business, from Toisnot, takes time to say, 'Harry Tracy has helped the cause wonderfully in this vicinity."

p. m. at the places and dates given Haywood county, reports the organi below. Brethren, give Bro. Tracy a zation of Haywood County Alliance, rousing reception, and he will do you on the 3d inst, with J. M. L. Mc- subscribed and paid in on the spat. Cracken, President, and Robt. Winare now eleven Alliances in good working order.

> -A member of Alliance No. 571 of Rowan county, says it is still lively and that the members are taking a deeper interest in the work than ever before. The great complaint in this section, is too much rain. Corn is looking well, but cotton is rather backward.

> -Bear Creek Alliance, No. 1,101, Cabarrus county, elected officers June 27th. A note from J. H. Moore informs us that the brethren are heartily in favor of consolidation with the Wheel and Union and have endorsed the action of the Birmingham meeting. He says: "Though few in number and weak financially, we are all regular "tar heels" and will stick,

-H. C. Peeler, Secretary, writes that at the last meeting of Rowan Academy Alliance, No. 1,383, held June 23d, the following business was transacted: First, the election of new officers for the ensuing term; second, the Incorporation Act and Consolidation were taken up, discussed and unanimously adopted; third, the questions proposed by W. A. Graham, in THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER of June 4th,

here.'

-Organizer W. F. Tomlinson, of were considered and approved; fourth, the Business Agency Fund was takin up and the amount of \$27.50 was This amount was nearly equal to one field, Secretary. In this county there dollar for each member of the Alliance, and they declare it to be their purpose to increase their contribution

> to that amount, and ask every Alliance in the State to do the same.

-Bro. J. N. Henry writes: White Oak Alliance, No. 881, Pender county, N. C., was organized one year ago with only 15 members. We have now 35 male members and 4 to initiate at next meeting. Our farmers having made a failure a few years back as Grangers, have consequently been slower to take hold of the Alliance than they otherwise would have been. A first-class lecturer in this section would do more to build us up than anything else. Like our brother in the tobacco section, the bagging question does not concern us so much. Ours is a tar, pitch and turpentine and you are requested to remember it. section. It is needless to attempt a -At the last meeting of Rome, description of the way in which the

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