

present, and all who can be requested to bring baskets containing something to go towards the dinner.

J. W. Lowe, Secretary of Moss Neck Alliance, No. 737, Robeson county, informs us of the death of Bro. Patrick Grady, of dropsy, August 23d, aged 54 years.

Information has been received at this office of the death of Sister Sarah Ansley, of Buckhorn Alliance, No. 192. She died on Tuesday, 12th inst. No further particulars.

County Secretaries, please give the postoffice address, when you send in the names of the President, Secretary and Business Agent, of your county. Let us have them at once.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Chatham County Alliance is postponed to the second Friday in October on account of court the first week. C. R. Scott, President Co. Alliance.

The brethren of Chatham will have a mighty gathering of the clans at Mt. Pisgah on next Saturday. Speeches, dinner and a good social time generally. They expect a huge crowd.

Bro. W. J. McKoy, of Alliance 1,366, Elizabethtown, informs us of the death of Bro. M. W. Tatam, which took place on the 2d day of August of paralysis, in the 49th year of his age.

H. C. Dunn, Secretary, says Alliance No. 496, has been somewhat quiet, that it "comes to the scratch on all Alliance questions, and its members will stand by the order if it rubs off all the hair.

Bro. W. C. Drake, sending money to renew his subscription for another year, says: "Down with monopoly. Lay on and spare not. The people will sustain you. The universal prayer is, 'God bless our leaders.'"

G. W. Sutton, Secretary, reports the death of Bro. R. P. Rogers, of Marion Alliance, No. 1,278, Union county, which occurred June 28th, 1889, in the 34th year of his age. Died of tumor in the stomach.

It was the tobacco of the Vance County Farmers' Alliance Tobacco Company that was so warmly endorsed by the Georgia State Alliance. The Company was fortunate in being represented by its genial Superintendent, Bro. W. L. Taylor, Jr.

The editor of THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER will speak at the Alliance Fair at Mill Bridge, in Rowan county on the 26th and at Gay's Chapel, Iredell county, on the next day, the 27th. Bro. G. W. Sanderlin, our worthy State Auditor, will also speak at Mill Bridge on the 27th. We hope to have brothers D. R. Parker and W. A. Graham with us at Gay's Chapel.

We learn through Bro. William M. Harper, of Harper's Cross Roads, Chatham county, that the Farmers' Alliance in the vicinity of Richmond, Chatham county, intends to give a regular Alliance picnic at Richmond Station, on the Cape Fear and Yadin Valley Railway, on the 27th of this month, provided some efficient speakers can be procured to deliver addresses on the occasion. The occasion will doubtless be pleasant and profitable.

Bro. W. A. Graham reports the death of Bro. J. A. Munday, Treasurer of Machpelah Alliance, No. 430, which occurred near Kildville, Sept. 8th, 1889, in the 55th year of his age. He had never been absent from a meeting of his Alliance since its organization. No one in the fraternity was more earnest in the work of the Alliance or gave his attention more zealously to furthering its objects. He had been for many years a consistent member of the M. E. Church South.

Secretary Barnett, of Alliance No. 331, says there has not been much said about it in our organ, but it is a fact, nevertheless, that No. 831 is orthodox on all the important movements of the State and National Alliance; has adopted the Incorporation Act; favors consolidation; is down on trusts and trust bagging; has contributed \$97 to the State Agency Fund, with \$34.50 more subscribed, and we number on only 44 members at that; and we don't claim to be rich or even "good off." If all the rest of the Subs would do half as well, the Business Agent would go on his way rejoicing and accomplish much good.

Alliance No. 185, of Chatham county, had a picnic at Rosebud Academy on the 5th inst. There was a large crowd of people in attendance. The occasion was presided over by Mr. C. A. Calver, and after a fervent prayer by Rev. D. Wicker, the audience was entertained with a lengthy and interesting speech by Mr. A. W. Wicker, literally tearing up railroads and bursting bagging trusts and all other similar anti-Alliance monopolies. At the close there was a dinner spread upon a table about one hundred and fifty feet long, which was filled with some of all the good things that Chatham county could afford, and was enjoyed immensely by the whole audience, which was one of the most orderly and respectful gatherings ever seen. After all had partaken to their satisfaction, they re-

turned to the stand and enjoyed speeches from several other Alliance members, all of whom did credit to themselves and the occasion. Having had the inner man regaled with choice delicacies, and having been greatly strengthened in the principles of the Alliance, the party, before leaving for home, voted that the proceedings be sent to THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER and the Chatham Record for publication.

THE GRANGE IN POLITICS.

We find the following sensible article in the Farm and Home and adopt it as being equally applicable to the Alliance as the Grange:

This is the dull season of the year at our national capital and in the legislative halls of the various States of the Union, but it should not be a dull season out among those upon whose actions now depends so much in our country. We are apt to find fault with our Legislatures and with Congress, with our Representatives and our Senators; but whose fault is it that they do not represent us? It is really the fault of the people themselves, and as farmers are in the majority they are most to blame. The people are the great first cause in our republic. The people are now making Legislators, Representatives and Senators. In the "caucus" or the "primary" is the beginning. Careful attention here, and all's well. Indifference, neglect here, permitting wire pullers and the agents of corporations, monopolies and others of their class to get in their work, and the convention is not "of the people," the candidates are not "of the people," the Legislature is not "of the people," and it does not elect a United States Senator "of the people" or "for the people," and our legislation is not "for the people." Think on these things, fellow-farmers, and help make good Legislators, Congressmen and Senators; then we will have "a government of the people, for the people, and by the people." Now is the appointed time.

The position of the Grange in politics is often misunderstood, often misrepresented. As an organization of farmers it does not propose to organize a grange party, or to use its influence to build up any one party. Even the discussion of partisan politics is prohibited in its meetings. Yet its principles "underlie all true politics." Through its great educational advantages it is making the farmer a better citizen. It makes better Democrats, better Republicans, better men in all parties. It is pointing out to the farmer voter his true course of action, that he is not only the balance of power, but the power itself, in all parties, and that it is his right, his duty, to use that power in his own party for the good of his class and the good of his country.—Mortimer Whitehead.

FARMERS' STATE INSTITUTE.

To be Held at Raleigh During Fair Week, October 15, 16, 17, 18.

The Institute will be opened every day at 11 a. m.

Dr. D. REID PARKER, Director.

JOHN ROBINSON, Chairman.

Discussions of questions proposed will be opened by speakers designated and will then be open and all invited to participate.

There will be a number of addresses by distinguished speakers.

The present partial programme is announced:

Tuesday, Oct. 15.

What are the best opportunities presented the farmer in the Albemarle section? Hon. Elihu A. White, Elizabeth City.

What are the obstacles to agricultural development in the mountain section. J. B. Freeman, Esq., Hendersonville.

Wednesday, Oct. 16.

Alliance day. Should the farmers cooperate to manufacture their products into the first stages? Walter Phillips, Esq., Battleboro; B. F. Grady, Esq., Albemarle.

Thursday, Oct. 17.

Road making. Good roads are a prime necessity to the farm. Hon. S. B. Alexander, Charlotte; Dr. R. H. Lewis, Raleigh.

Friday, Oct. 18.

The agricultural and manufacturing possibilities of the Piedmont section and what methods will most rapidly develop them. Virgil A. Wilson, Pfafftown, N. C.; R. P. Rhinehart, Newton, N. C.

An Alliance Mass Meeting will be held in Raleigh, Wednesday night. Good speakers will be present.

A PRIZE WORTH CAPTURING.

At the State Fair on Schools Day, Friday, October 18th, the most unique and attractive feature of the day's entertainment will be a spelling match between one or more pupils selected from the different schools attending. Mr. J. W. Denmark, State agent for the J. B. Lippincott Company, publishers of Philadelphia, offers to the best speller a magnificent prize, the best published edition of Worcester's dictionary, worth \$13.25. To the second best speller Worcester's unabridged dictionary, worth \$10. To the third, Worcester's octavo dictionary, worth \$4. The words for the contest are to be pronounced from Worcester's school dictionary, which any book dealer will supply at 80 cents; if not, address J. W. Denmark, Raleigh, N. C. The colleges of the State and the schools of Raleigh are justly excluded from these contests.

Enough snow to completely cover the ground fell at Millford, Mass., on Sunday.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

E. T. J.—If a member is expelled from a Sub-Alliance, does he not have to apply to same Alliance, if he wishes to be re-initiated?

Answer—Yes.

Can he join any Alliance other than the nearest one to him, without the consent of the said nearest Alliance?

Answer—No.

If a member sells goods for part of the profits is he not disqualified?

Answer—If he sells to the public—Yes.

If a member is repeatedly notified in writing, to appear before the arbitration committee to answer charges against him and he refuses to comply and will not notice any request of the Alliance, is this sufficient cause for his expulsion?

Answer—Yes.

A. A.—Will a member holding a dimit have to join the nearest Alliance to him?

Answer—Yes; otherwise by the majority consent of said nearest Alliance.

What should be done when an Alliance admits members who live nearer another Alliance?

Answer—Notify such an Alliance, calling attention to Sec. 1, Art. VI.

E. T. W.—Is a member suspended immediately on failure to pay his dues or at the expiration of three months?

Answer—At the expiration of three months from the date he is due.

ELIAS CARR, Presd't State Alliance.

IN MEMORIAM.

A number of cases of cholera are reported in Athens, Greece.

Cotton picking is the order of the day throughout the cotton belt.

The forests of Pentelicos are on fire, and 27,000 trees have been destroyed.

It is denied that Corporal Tanner has been invited to stump the State of Indiana.

Mr. Edison is said to receive no less than 1,200 letters daily since his arrival in Paris.

Cholera has made its appearance in Bagdad and the disease is spreading in western Persia.

Gov. Beaver, of Pennsylvania, has declared in favor of the mountain laurel as the national flower.

The widowed Crown Princess Stephanie is about to receive the golden rose this year from the Pope.

Prof. Mangum has sufficiently recovered in health to resume his college duties, though he is still feeble.

Allerton, the famous trotter, went lame Tuesday of last week in a race on the fair grounds at Des Moines.

The Diamond Street Tutti-Frutti Club is arranging for a private chewing gum contest.—Philadelphia Record.

A dispatch from Santa Anna, California, says a perceptible shock of earthquake was felt there Tuesday afternoon.

An old man in Tennessee took his first ride on a railroad the other day and died from the excitement caused by it.

Secretary Tracy has sold his house in Brooklyn for \$30,000 to a tailor, who will have his hop on the first floor.

The New Berne Journal says the corn planted on land where Irish potatoes were raised last spring is doing well.

Rev. J. W. Blincoe, a prominent minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, died in Ashland, Va., Sunday.

His mouth was full of dirty oaths, beyond repair was his new fall clothes, to subdue his feelings he vainly strove, he was putting up the parlor stove.

One shape of fall neckwear for gentlemen is a one-sided scarf which has the appearance of a double-breasted coat.

Senator Voorhees is reported ill at his home at Washington. He had a severe congestive chill Thursday of last week.

Mrs. George Coons, of Little Sandusky, Ohio, died last week of what physicians pronounced to be genuine Asiatic cholera.

Mrs. Susa Young Gates, daughter of Brigham Young, is to be editor of a young ladies' magazine at Salt Lake City.

Ex-President Cleveland and Mrs. Cleveland are going to Lenox soon to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Whitney.

The Anson Baptist Association will meet with the church at Wadesboro Thursday before the 4th Sunday in October.

Sir Charles Dilke has gone to Friedrichsruhe as the guest of Prince Bismarck. It is predicted that he will soon re-enter public life.

Ex-Congressman Amos J. Cummings is to lecture in Cincinnati, Indianapolis and St. Louis for the benefit of the Greeley Statue fund.

Lord Salisbury dresses plainly, is of medium height and inclined to be stout, with hair and beard plentifully sprinkled with gray.

A destructive fire occurred in Louisville Sunday night, causing a loss of \$1,263,000; a number of firemen were killed by falling walls.

A scheme is announced for the construction of a ship canal between Edinburgh and Glasgow. The capital is placed at £7,000,000.

A vessel has arrived at Lewes, Del., which picked up a number of shipwrecked sailors, and reports seeing several abandoned vessels.

Walter G. Campbell, of Youngstown, N. Y., made the trip Sunday with a dog through the rapids of the Niagara gorge below the falls.

A news agency in London has received a letter from "Jack the Ripper," in which he promises another Whitechapel horror in about a week.

When applied to for his autograph, Carlyle once forwarded a card with the single word "Don't," followed by his name and address.

Last year's crop of peanuts is about consumed, and this year's crop is a failure. Hence, Barnum will exhibit in Europe next year.

A Laporte (Ind.) man obtained his sixth divorce on Saturday and was at once remarried to a young girl of sweet 18. The man is 65 years old.

Prince George of Wales is the only member of the English royal family who speaks the language of his country without a foreign accent.

The recent trip over Niagara Falls in a barrel is generally referred to as "a public disaster." The occupant of the barrel came out alive.

The Inter-State Exposition opened last week in Chicago for its seventeenth season with a fair attendance, though diminished by the rain.

Hon. Jefferson Davis' paper in the October *Belford's*, "Does the Majority Rule?" will be looked for with interest by a large class of readers.

The Republican State Convention of New Jersey met Tuesday at Trenton and nominated Gen. E. Burd Grubb for Governor on the second ballot.

The United States steaming Iroquois, which has recently been repaired at Mare Island Navy-yard, sailed from San Francisco for Honolulu Sunday.

Chapel Hill has been stirred from centre to circumference by the recent revival in the Methodist Church. There were over one hundred conversions.

M. Corvillain, the proprietor of the cartridge factory, the explosion of which caused such a frightful series of disasters in Antwerp, has been arrested.

The Czar is occasionally a generous patron of the arts. He has just paid the painter, Semirski, six thousand pounds for a colossal picture of Phryne.

Seven new houses in a row of eight on South Walnut street, West Chester, Pa., have been taken by newly married couples or prospective bridegrooms.

Mrs. Michael Shilling, of Hamburg, Pa., is a raving maniac from having brooded over the discoveries and predictions of an itinerant fortune teller.

A man calling himself Harry Lacy, and claiming to be the advance agent of Forepaugh's show, has been arrested at Wheeling, W. Va., on the charge of swindling.

Captain Wissman, at Zanzibar, has offered a reward of £5,000 for the head of Chief Bushiri, who threatened to destroy the mission stations in the interior.

It is absolutely essential that every Maid of Honor employed in the British Royal Family should be a good horsewoman and a correct reader of music at sight.

If strawberries are to be set out this month, the bed should be well prepared and care be taken in setting out the plants, to insure a good thrifty growth this fall.

Mr. Gladstone told the Rev. Theodore Cuyler, when the latter visited him, that he considered plutocracy and loose divorce laws the worst evils of American civilization.

The German Court dress is to be remodeled on an ancient costume which comprised knee-breeches, buckle shoes, a sword, three-cornered hat, and also a periwig.

M. Adolph Paques is an aged Parisian barber who was a great man years ago. He had among his clients Chateaubriand, Lamartine, Victor Hugo, Mlle. Mars and Malibran.

Claus Spreckels wants to present a new White House made from sugar to the government. Some one says this looks like offering taffy to the Executive of the nation.

A steerage passenger named Edward Walsh on the incoming liner Servia from New York to Liverpool committed suicide in mid-ocean last Monday by jumping overboard.

The Earl of Zetland, the newly appointed Viceroy of Ireland, will take the oath of office in Dublin Castle on October 1st, and will make his state entry into the city on December 1st.

"Do I make any progress?" asked a timid learner at the Belmont Bicycle School. "Yes," said the instructor, "you fall much more gracefully than you did at first."—Philadelphia Record.

The total business of Savannah for the year foots up \$109,000,000, about \$3,300,000 increase over 1888. The naval stores trade was \$3,000,000, an increase of \$1,000,000 over last year. The grocery trade was \$19,750,000, and the liquor and tobacco and provisions trade \$8,750,000. The dry goods trade was \$3,500,000. A million and a half dollars in building improvements are in progress.

Mrs. Charles Croker's latest gift to San Francisco—a home for girls out of employment—was opened a few days ago. The building and site cost \$32,000, of which Mrs. Croker gave \$15,000.

The announcement of George M. Pullman's \$100,000 subscription was an event in world's fair circles last week. It was conditional on four other Chicago millionaires consenting to go and do likewise.

Herbert Spencer has returned to London with the completed manuscript of his autobiography. It will not be published until after his death and will appear in England and America simultaneously.

Harrisonburg, Va., was visited by a cloud burst recently, and parts of the town were badly flooded. In Main street boats could have been used for a time. There was much damage from flooded cellars, &c.

It is reported that the Italian government will expel Kossuth from Italy on a demand from Germany, because in an address to Hungarians he protested against Premier Tisza's tirade against France.

Princess Sophie is the best looking of Emperor Frederick's daughters, but she is not exactly pretty. She has a pleasing face, however, and a soft, simple manner. Victoria is decidedly "German." Margaret is plain.

At Des Moines, Ia., the Union Labor State Convention nominated their State ticket and resolved to support J. B. Weaver for United States Senator. S. B. Downing, of Davie county, was nominated for Governor.

A tidal wave on the Atlantic coast ran seventy feet beyond previous high water mark, drenching thousands of pleasure seekers at the summer resorts. Old Ocean occasionally demonstrates that he is something besides a play-thing.

During twenty-four hours last week the thermometer fell thirty degrees, 42 degrees being registered Thursday morning at St. Paul, Minn. It has been quite cold throughout the Northwest, with heavy frost at Cheyenne, W. T.

At the fifth annual reunion of Maulsby's Battery, at Wheeling, W. Va., Saturday, John W. Mason, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, declared himself in favor of a service pension for every honorably discharged Union soldier.

On the lawn of the mansion of H. S. Hyde, at Springfield, Mass., Sarah E. Hyde was married to Thomas H. Morgan, of Atlanta, G., the ceremony being performed before an altar of golden rod, and shaded by a huge Japanese umbrella.

J. S. Amis and R. W. Winston, Commissioners, will offer for sale on Monday, Oct. 7th, the good will, subscription list, type, presses, furniture and fixtures of the old *Oxford Torchlight*. The material can probably be purchased at a bargain.

On October 15th, prox., Mr. H. E. Seeman will begin, at Durham, the publication of *The North State Artisan*, a journal devoted to the manufacturing, mining and agricultural interests of the South. The venture has our best wishes for success.

Nothing is more charming, says the *London World*, than to see the Prince of Wales with the Queen. His manner is so tender, so deferential and so affectionate, and he watches over her with such care, attending to her every want, and suggesting anything that he thinks will please her.

A terrible explosion occurred at the mouth of St. John's River in Florida, blowing two men—R. T. Moore, son of Captain Moore, and a colored man named Powell—to atoms. The report was heard for miles and caused an upheaval of water and a tremor of the earth.

A Philadelphia young lady in the swim who has tried all kinds says ordinarily she prefers a fat man as an escort. Besides being good-natured and jolly they are always attentive and thoughtful. "They are," she says, however, "too conspicuous for ball room purposes."

The *Wilmington Star* says, one of the most beautiful traits in the character of the late S. S. Cox, was his intense love for his mother, who died shortly before he went as Minister to Turkey. He wrote to a friend then, that the death of his mother was the greatest affliction he ever knew.

The new Baptist church is nearing completion. The seats have been put in and varnished, and the finishing touches are being given it. Services will be held in it for the first time next Sunday week. The church will be dedicated to the service of God the 4th Sunday in October.

Mr. St. Clair Hester, of Raleigh, has been elected librarian at the University, this being the first election under the present system of managing the library. After the consolidation of the libraries, the number of volumes increased so rapidly that it became necessary to adopt a plan that would allow the librarian to devote more time to his work. It is now to be opened five hours daily, and conducted somewhat upon the plan of our State library.

Mrs. Casey—O! do hear tell, Mrs. Flynn, that in California th' earthquakes are that violent as to break fishes and knock off any little ornaments on th' mantelpieces. Mrs. Flynn—Sure, an' that's nothin'! Moy mon Moike do th' same ting ivry blissed Saturday nite when he do come home drunk.—Life.

An immense quantity of partridge-canes, with and without the bark, are annually imported from China. Though they are a specially favorite stick for walking, umbrellas, and sunshades, the botanical source still remains unknown. They are largely used for the twisted and curled handles now so much in vogue.

The Statesville Chamber of Commerce having pledged that that city would aid materially the projected railroad from Mocksville to Statesville. Col. A. B. Andrews has ordered a re-survey of the line, on the completion of which he will visit Statesville, and hold a consultation with the people as to the construction of the road.

H. D. Castleberry, town marshal of Pelham, a village near Thomasville, Ga., was shot and killed Saturday night while trying to arrest a colored man for inciting a riot. After Castleberry was shot he returned the colored man's fire, and a general shooting began between whites and blacks, in which the colored man was fatally wounded.

For the benefit of housekeepers, we quote as follows: "If you have trouble to get your last year's catsup bottles perfectly clean, after washing them thoroughly in suds, rinsing in clear water, chop a potato quite fine, mix it with a little warm water, put this in the bottle and shake it well; it will surely remove any foreign substance."

It appears from experiments that, if, after drawing seven or eight pints of milk from a cow, half a pint remains in the udder, not only almost as much cream will be lost as the seven or eight pints will furnish, but that of the best quality, and which gives the richest taste and color to butter. This fact has been corroborated by chemical experiments, and holds good with respect to goats and asses.

In reply to an inquiry how large trees could be transplanted safely. Mr. Temple said that it depends on how carefully they are handled, and this is true of plants of any size. Practically it is not often profitable to plant trees over two inches in diameter, and generally not over one inch. He once planted thirty or forty trees from ten to fifteen inches in diameter, and they did well. They were from a peaty soil and like pot plants.

"Yellow work" is the latest popular phrase for bad work. Whence do these slang expressions come? All at once they are in the air, and all who are without respect for the purity of the English tongue are using them. They have their day and then they vanish. They die probably of inanition, but their birth is a mystery.—Boston Herald.

A pistol played the part of a temperance reformer in Manayunk a few days ago. A husband angered to desperation at his wife's constant intemperance loaded the weapon with blank cartridges, and after berating the woman fired several shots at her. She begged him to desist, and has promised never to drink again.

A brother at Wake Forest dropped us the following lines, intended for last week's paper, but as the letter did not reach us in time we give it in this issue: "There are now, on Friday 6th, at Wake Forest College, 160 students—107 former students and 53 new ones. Of those who have applied, and are to come soon, there are 30 or more. The outlook is bright and before this session shall have passed it is expected there will be on roll at least 250. The Faculty has seen fit to reject many applications on account of inadequate preparation. One of the novel features, for Wake Forest, is the department of physical culture, which is now being established. It will be ably conducted by Prof. T. S. Sprinkle. This department has for its object not only that having 'a sound mind in a sound body,' but also that of developing men, and making them nearer symmetrical. A well-equipped gymnasium, which will be amply sufficient to furnish necessary training, will soon be completed. Of this department more will be said later."

NOTICE TO COUNTY BUSINESS AGENTS.

County Alliances who wish to buy their shoes and boots through the Farmers' Alliance, will write to S. J. Perry, Charlotte, N. C., and arrange dates when he will meet your Alliance and exhibit shoes and take your orders.

W. H. WORTH, S. B. A.

NOTICE.

FAYETTEVILLE, Sept. 7, 1889.

The Cumberland County Farmers' Alliance having made a satisfactory trade arrangement with J. & O. Evans, merchants in Fayetteville, whose house is known as the Farmers' Exchange, would say to their brothers in the following counties and all good Alliance men when trading in Fayetteville, upon presenting to these gentlemen a trade card, the same courtesy will be extended to them: Sampson, Harnett, Moore, Chatham, Montgomery, Richmond, Bladen and Johnston.

W. W. AVERY, Sec'y