

RELIGIOUS NEWS.

A brief outline of the doings of the different Christian organizations throughout our State and country—Personal points, etc.

More churches have been built by the Methodists of Maine this year than in any recent year.

Baptists are gaining largely in Iowa. Their additions one hundred thousand more this year than last.

The Congregationalists of Fairfield, Conn., are about to build a house of worship to cost \$40,000.

Rev. W. L. Grissom is conducting a protracted meeting at Liberty church this week.—*Davie Times*.

The United Presbyterians built eighteen parsonages last year and spent in the work \$49,500.

During a recent visit to Montana, Bishop Hendrix, of the Methodist church, dedicated three new churches.

A paper called *Il Roma* and printed in the Italian language is issued by the Italian mission in New York city.

Twenty persons were immersed last week at Olivet church in Iredell county, N. C., Rev. J. B. Marsh, pastor.

Rev. T. W. Smith is conducting a series of meetings at Center church, and is assisted by Rev. J. H. Page.—*Concord Times*.

Rev. G. M. Webb, of Shelby, reports forty-seven baptisms at Long Creek and Pleasant Hill churches.—*Biblical Recorder*.

The First Congregational church in Buffalo, N. Y., has a membership of four hundred and ninety although only ten years old.

Rev. B. H. Phillips has gone to Colorado for his health. There is hope for his recovery, but he is very feeble.—*Biblical Recorder*.

Little over a year ago Rev. C. C. Harrah organized a Congregational church in Peoria, Ill., and it now has a membership of over one hundred and fifty.

Rev. R. P. Pell, of Albemarle Presbytery, has been elected evangelist of Fayetteville Presbytery and signified his willingness to accept.—*N. C. Presbyterian*.

Fifteen additions to Beth Church in Wilmington Presbytery. We hope to have good news from Mt. Horeb for next week's issue.—*N. C. Presbyterian*.

The First Presbyterian church of Eureka, Cal., with sixty members has received into Presbytery of Benicia. A special session was held to receive the church.

Bro. M. B. Royster, of Apex, one of our aged and highly respected brethren, is critically ill. He will be eighty years of age in December next.—*Biblical Recorder*.

Rev. T. S. Brown, pastor of the Lutheran church, in Charlotte, greatly to the regret of people of all denominations, has tendered his resignation. Ill health the cause.

Rev. Dr. W. H. Ryder left over \$270,000 to various Universalist institutions. The theological school at Galesburg, Ill., receives \$32,356 and henceforth will be known as the Ryder Divinity school.

Rev. J. R. Maynard, of Morrisville, baptized seven new members at Swift Creek church on September 21st, and two at Ephesus on Sunday before. Five others await the ordinance.—*Biblical Recorder*.

The New York Tribune, says that Dr. James M. King has had six consecutive pastorates in New York city, covering a period of sixteen years—the only record of the kind in the Methodist church.

The Monroe Register reports the continuance of the meetings at the Methodist Church in that town and much interest is being manifested. Rev. J. W. Jones, of Maxton, has been assisting the pastor, Rev. A. P. Tyer.

It is proposed to open in Philadelphia shortly the "Church Training and Deaconess House of the Diocese of Pennsylvania" for training women for work under the auspices of the Episcopal church. It will be open to women of any diocese.

The New York Herald of the 19th announces that Mr. Rockefeller has given another million of dollars to the Chicago University. This with his first \$600,000 and the \$400,000 raised by the Baptists north, makes two millions for this University.

During the nine year's pastorate of Dr. Smyth in the Second Collegiate Dutch Reformed church of Harlem City, New York, about one thousand two hundred members have been added, and one small church has become two large congregations.

Rev. Frederick E. Hauser, a graduate of Heidelberg University and connected with the German Reformed church in this country, has been elected professor of Hebrew exegesis and church history in the German Theological School of Newark, N. J.

Cornelius Vanderbilt and his mother are about to expend \$250,000

in erecting a building for religious, social and industrial uses. It is to be in charge of the rector of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal church, with which Mr. Vanderbilt and his mother are connected.

Rev. J. N. Hoggard filled his regular appointment here Saturday and Sunday. He seemed to be in a happy mood and preached two excellent sermons, and baptized eighteen candidates in Beal's mill-pond Sunday morning, one of them for Meberrin.—*Roanoke Patron, Potosi*.

ALLIANCE NOTES.

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

—Jugtown Alliance, No. 1,542, Catawba county, resolves that they will support no paper antagonistic to the farmers and their organization.

Stanly Creek Alliance, No. 433, Gaston county, heartily endorses the course of THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER for presenting all matters to its readers in their true light.

—Pleasant Grove Alliance, No. 32, Wake county, resolves that its members will not patronize the papers that are slandering our National officers and the Alliance generally.

—"Alliance man" writing from Swanner, N. C., says that the brethren in that vicinity are standing as firm as flint; that they have selected good men for the various county and legislative offices.

—Goose Creek Alliance, No. 169, Union county, has denounced the slanders that have been circulated against our National President and has resolved to sustain him in all his undertakings.

—Loves Alliance, No. 1,380, Wilkes county, have decided to withdraw their patronage from papers unfriendly to the Alliance and which have been engaged in slandering our organization and its officers.

—Deep Springs Alliance, No. 166, has resolved that they will not patronize any merchant that sells jute bagging, or any ginners that uses it; that they fully endorse the course of THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER in the past.

—Concordia Alliance, No. 422, Rowan county, has resolved to support only such newspapers as treat the Alliance justly, and that they will patronize cotton gins, grist mills, etc., owned by Alliance members in preference to all others. They ask all Alliance men in the State to stand by them in their resolutions.

—Bro. J. F. German, President of Beaver Creek Alliance, No. 1,995, Wilkes county, writes that they now have 23 male and 14 female members; that their membership is composed of some of the best material in the country, and that the ladies are taking an active interest in the welfare of the order. He says the Alliance members in his section show a general disposition to vote for such men only as favor the measures advocated by the Alliance.

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ACT IN THE LIVING PRESENT.

There is no higher crime against a free government than to abridge or trample upon the rights of citizenship. The glory of any country is the defense it throws around its humblest inhabitant. That is the great country whose citizens, from the highest to the lowest, are equally free and independent. This is the secret of the unparalleled greatness of ancient Greece and Rome. At one time, to have been a Roman citizen was to have had a sure guarantee of protection, not only in Rome, but even in the most distant and barbarous countries on the globe. And so has it been with America. But is it so to-day? Our own grand Republic is tottering on its base; the name American citizen has lost its power for protection, and unless the almighty dollars will jingle in a man's pocket, so far as protection is concerned, he may go to the devil. This is not a day dream, it is a stern fact, and our readers know it to be true. Patriot! if you would save your country, act now! Forget the rivers of gore that flowed in our horrible war, and

Let the dead past bury its dead; Act! act in the living present, Heart within, and God o'er head.

It will be too late to save the Republic when partisan prejudices has stabbed it to the heart and monopoly has sucked away its life-blood.—*Our Country*.

The Sub-Treasury bill proposes simply that the government shall lend its credit to its people on easy terms as to national banks. It lends its credit in the shape of bank bills to these banks at one per cent. Why not lend its credit in the shape of treasury notes to the people at one per cent?—*Luray Union*.

GENESIS OF INIQUITY IN GOVERNMENTS.

CHAP. I.

1. In the beginning man created commodities.

2. And exchange was without interruption, and direct; and financiers were a thing unknown. But the Spirit of Greed moved upon the hearts of men.

3. And Government said, Let there be gold coin: and there was gold coin.

4. And Government saw the gold coin, that it was capable of monopoly; and Government divided gold coin from all other mediums of exchange.

5. And government called gold coin Legal Tender, and other mediums of exchange he called Taxable Notes. And confusion and depression were the first day.

6. ¶ And Government said, Let there be a monopoly in the midst of the people, and let it divide the commodities from the commodities.

7. And government created the monopoly, and divided the commodities of the producer from the commodities of the consumer: and it was so.

8. And Government called the monopoly Bank. And poverty and wretchedness were the second day.

9. ¶ And Government said, Let the gold coin be gathered together unto one place, and let paper appear: and it was so.

10. And Government called the paper Bonds; and the gathering together of the gold coin called the Good Security; and Government saw that it was good.

11. And Government said, Let the Bonds bring forth compound interest and usury, yielding extortion after his kind: and it was so.

12. And the Bonds brought forth interest and usury, yielding extortion, whose seed was in itself after its kind: and Government saw that it was good.

13. And misery and want were the third day.

14. ¶ And Government said, Let there be forces behind the Banks, to protect the Creditor from the Debtor; and let them be to collect the Interest, by the seasons, and by the days, and by the years.

15. And let them be to protect the Banks, and to intimidate the people: and so it was.

16. And Government made two great forces; the greater force to kill the insubordinate; and the lesser force to demand the Interest; and he made the police force also.

17. And Government set them all over the country to intimidate the people.

18. And the greater force the government called Army; and the lesser force called the Civil Authority: and Government saw that it was good.

19. And fear and trembling were the fourth day.

20. ¶ And Government said, Let the good Security buy up the land and take rent that may crush the producer.

21. And Government created the great tariff, and every tax that oppresseth the workers, and all interest which the Bonds brought forth abundantly, after their kind: and Government saw that it was good.

22. And Government blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and monopolize all the exchange, and let the rent increase upon the earth.

23. And desolation and crime were the fifth day.

24. ¶ And Government said, Let the Bonds be perpetuated, and be payable in gold, and let usury and sculduggery bring forth fruit after their kind: and it was so.

25. And Government made Taxes after their kind, and interest after its kind, and Rent after its kind: and Government saw that it was good.

26. ¶ And Government said, Let us make politicians in our image, after our likeness; and let them have dominion over the Taxes on commodities, and over the rent of the earth, and over the interest on the Bonds.

27. So Government created politicians in his own image, in the image of Government created he them.

28. And Government blessed them, and said unto them, Be fruitful and govern the people and subdue them, and have dominion over Rent, Interest, and Taxes.

29. ¶ And Government said, Behold, I have given you Rent, Interest and Taxes, that you may have dominion over all voters, and over everything that voteth upon the face of the earth.

30. And over all workers on the earth, that ye may live upon the product of their toil. I have given you their wealth: and it was so.

31. And government saw every thing that he had made, and behold, it looked very good. But fury and wrath were the sixth day.

CHAP. II.

1. Thus Rent, Interest, and Taxes were finished, and all the host of Politicians.

2. And the seventh day Government ended the confusion and misery he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all the crime he had committed, and gave man a chance.

3. And the seventh day was blessed; because, that on it Government rested and the era of man began.

4. And it came to pass, that man

said, We will exchange freely without Bonds or gold coin; and it was so; and interest was no more.

5. And man said, Behold, each of us will rule himself; and it was so. And the politicians went to the land of Nod, and took unto themselves work.

6. And man said, Behold, much land is vacant, we will settle thereon, and pay no rent.

7. And Banks and Politicians called upon government, saying, Help us, for man has sense.

8. But Government was resting from all his labors: and the Army and Civil Authority were no more.

9. Thus Rent, Interest, and Taxes were abolished.

10. And every man reaped the full product of his toil.

11. And peace and prosperity were the seventh day.

AN INDEPENDENT.

FROM ABANDONED FARMS.

Some of the Thoughts that Came to a Man Who Occupies Two of Them.

I have lived on a farm all my life, and now occupy two abandoned farms which adjoin my own. Their former owners got into debt and the farms were sold at sheriff's sale, and are now owned by men who are able to live without working a farm. I remember the hard times of the "fifties" before the war, and also the good times just after that "unpleasantness," when money was abundant and all the products of labor brought good prices. All kinds of business were brisk and all classes seemed to be prospering, in spite of the fact that we were then paying a large war debt. [Oh, we are paying it still, and our taxes are just as heavy now as they were when the debt was more than twice as large.—Ed.] The public officers, apparently jealous of the prosperity of the people, had their own salaries doubled, and these have generally remained unchanged to the present day, while the prices of the products of labor have been reduced one-half, and in many cases more than that.

We were told that the prices of those days were "fictitious" on account of the prevalent "inflation," and that we must come down to a "gold basis," and of course the way to "come down" was by contraction, and the way we have come down has been fun for the bondholder, but death to the farmer. Although in figures we have already paid more than one-half of the national debt, it will take more of the products of labor to pay the remainder than it would have done before a cent had been paid. This is not an accidental condition; it is a premeditated scheme to rob labor of its just dues. We all ought to know that scarcity of any necessary or desirable thing makes it high in price, and money is no exception to the rule; but money being the measure of value, the ordinary mind fails to grasp the idea that money can be high in price.

But many a farmer knows his sorrow that it takes double the amount of produce to get a dollar that it did twenty-five years ago, and hence they have tried every means to increase their crops only to make the matter worse by helping to bring down prices. One correspondent of the *Rural* mentioned laziness as one of the causes of the existence of so many abandoned farms, but human nature is just the same to-day as it was twenty-five years ago, and young men are just as eager to own a farm and home of their own as ever; but they have seen too many caught in the agricultural trap to feel like trying it themselves. They have seen men grow old and gray in useless toil trying to pay for a home, and after they have made improvements, and in part paid for it, it has perforce of hard times been sold out, only to help enrich the money shark and to add one more to the list of abandoned farms. The farmer labors under too many disadvantages. Let me mention a few. If he waters his milk, he is a fit candidate for the State prison, and a sojourn there would serve him right; but the railroad man waters his stock for the same purpose (to get something for nothing), and he is a fit candidate for the United States Senate. The farmer issues his promise to pay and pays the interest on it. The banks issue their promises to pay and get interest on them. Real estate pays an outrageously large disproportion of all State taxation. If the farmer is in debt on his farm he is taxed for the full amount, while the man who holds the mortgage often gets off scot-free.

Again, our tariff system on the necessities of life causes the poor man to pay as much of the tax as the rich man, and causes millions to accumulate in the United States Treasury, and these are lent to the banks free of interest. Farms that were bought twenty-five years ago at \$40 per acre will not sell at the present time for \$20. But United States bonds were bought at forty cents on the dollar, and were then refunded in such a way that they are now worth \$1.28. The cause of all this is that we have voted for money sharks and corporation lawyers to make our laws, and they have made them in their own interest and those of their clients. Now, if these conditions continue to exist it is only a question of time

when the farmer who owns the land he tills will be a person of the past, and his place will be filled by the miserable tenant farmers so common in the Old World.—*W. W. Coats, Allegheny county, New York, in Rural New Yorker*.

BLACKBERRIES.

Where wild blackberries are so fine and so plentiful as they are all over North Carolina, it is hard to get growers to realize that there is large profit in cultivating them. The low prices at which the wild berries usually sell lead them to suppose that the cultivated fruits would go in at the same rate. This is a great mistake. In Baltimore while the wild berries shipped in buckets are selling for a better average price than strawberries, and many growers in Maryland and Delaware consider them more profitable. The sorts now cultivated have been selected from wild plants at the North. We have among us many wild plants which produce very superior fruits. Will the farmers and fruit growers co-operate with us in developing a blackberry that will bring money to their pockets? If you know or find a wild plant with very superior fruit, mark it, and next fall, in November, send the plant to the N. C. Agricultural Experiment Station at Raleigh. Do this and aid us in making the Station the source of real profit to farmers, truckers and fruit-growers.—*W. F. Massey Horticulturist*.

THE BIG SALE OF THE YEAR.

"Maplewood," the beautiful country home of Jere Baxter, was sold some time ago to an Eastern syndicate. On October 23d, all the stock and farming implements go to the highest bidder, including about twenty fine trotters, most of them in foal to such stallions as Wedgewood, Candidate, Ponce Deleon and Noble Med. A large number of fine Clyde draft mares and foals, about thirty Shetland and imported ponies and a few larger ponies. Among his twenty-five Holsteins are four of the finest bred bulls of the breed, and more large milk and butter-tested cows than any herd of the same size. All harness, mowers, hay rakes, tedders, harrows, wagons and engines, balers and other machinery will be sold. It will be the biggest sale of the kind ever held in Tennessee.

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American Book Company. Foss Mfg Co.—Grinding Mills. Jere Baxter.—Grand Closing Out Sale. Dr. A. Fontaine.—Cure for Deafness.

RATES TO LAND SALE AT OXFORD, N. C.

The Richmond and Danville Railroad Company will sell parties attending the land sale at Oxford, N. C., tickets to that point and return at the following rates from points named, tickets on sale Oct. 9th and 10th, good returning until and including Oct. 13th, 1890.

Table with 2 columns: From Greensboro, Durham, Raleigh, Selma, Henderson. Rates: \$4.55, 1.90, 3.15, 4.55, .70.

Rates from intermediate points in same proportion.

DIED.

A committee informs us of the death of Bro. J. D. Laney, which occurred on the 3rd of August at his home in Union county. He was a member of Pleasant Grove Alliance, No. 1,237.

If every suffering lady who reads THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER, knew how easily and pleasantly she can be relieved she would suffer no longer. Send 2c. stamp to Mrs. Jos. W. Ashby, Mt. Airy, N. C., for free sample, or \$1.00 for one month's treatment sent in plain wrapper.

NOTICE.

To Business Agents and Cotton Raisers in North Carolina: Look to your interest. Norfolk is the best market for your cotton. Write me for particulars. Address J. J. ROGERS, Man'g'r Alliance Exchange, Norfolk, Va Box 364.

THE BRUNSWICK COUNTY ALLIANCE READY TO WORK.

SHALLOTTE, N. C., Jan. 30, 1890. The Brunswick County Alliance Business Agency is now ready to attend to the wants of the Alliance members of the county. If you want to sell your farm products, or if you wish to purchase any thing in the markets, your agent may be of material benefit to you. Consult me on the market prices of all your products. Let your wants be known to me and they shall be attended to. E. L. STANLEY, Business Agent.

MAKE A NOTE OF THIS.

On all matters relating to the State Alliance, address E. O. Beddingfield, Raleigh, N. C.

On all matters intended for the organ of the order, address THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER, Raleigh, N. C.

On all matters relating to the Business Agency, address W. H. Worth, Business Agent, Raleigh, N. C.

On all matters relating to the National Order, address L. L. Polk, President, 511 9th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

The agency will always keep posted and buy in the best markets at lowest prices on the day the order is placed. W. H. WORTH, State Agent.

To the Voters of Rowan County.

Owing to the dissatisfaction of a large number of the voters of Rowan county with the present candidate for the office of cotton weigher, I here by announce myself an independent candidate for that office. Very respectfully, ADAM L. KETCHY.

NOTICE FROM SECRETARY BEDDINGFIELD.

I have on file in my office a number of orders for Constitutions. I am not filling these orders because I am waiting to have some new ones printed, which will contain all the changes made by the State Alliance at its session in Asheville. As soon as these can be printed, all orders will be filled promptly. Fraternally, E. O. BEDDINGFIELD, Sec'y N. C. F. S. A.

TO THE BROTHERN.

We are receiving every day many letters of inquiry about things relative to the business of this office, which are already answered in THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER. Owing to the large correspondence and increasing business of this office we are unable to answer as promptly as we wish. We ask the brethren to please read THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER and it will save them much writing and will be a source of great benefit and pleasure to them, and relieve us of a large amount of work. Fraternally, W. H. WORTH, S. B. A.

BRO. S. OTHO WILSON.

Representing this office, will lecture at the following times and places:

Table with 2 columns: Location and Date. Includes Goldsboro, Clinton, Dunn, Fayetteville, Lumberton.

Bro. Wilson will carry samples of goods, giving prices, and will give any information about the workings of the Agency. Come out to hear him, and every Business Agent should be sure to meet him. Fraternally, W. H. WORTH, S. B. A.

OFFICIAL.

Washington, D. C., January 3, 1890. At an early day the Ritual, containing form for burial service, will be published and issued from this office. Also the Constitution and Statutory Laws of the Order, with simple and practical rules of parliamentary usage.

These books will be printed in neat and durable style and will each bear the imprint of the seal of the National Order. Rituals and National Constitutions without such imprint will not be recognized as official.

This office can supply State secretaries only. Members of the order must apply to their State secretary. By order of the President, J. H. TURNER, Secretary N. F. A. and I. U.

All communications for L. L. Polk, President National Farmers' Alliance and Industrial Union, or for J. H. Turner, national secretary, should be addressed to them, 511 9th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

NOTICE.

County and Sub-Business Agents will please send their names and postoffice address, with certificate of bond, at once to the State Business Agent, W. H. WORTH, Raleigh, N. C.

13,000 PAIRS HOME-MADE SHOES.

This is the quantity just purchased of the celebrated Wetmore Shoes for our Alliance trade.

These shoes are not shoddy but honest home-made goods, and are warranted to give the best wear.

They are fully 25 per cent. better and 25 per cent. cheaper than the Northern goods. This is one of the largest single purchases of one make of shoes ever made in the State. These shoes are recommended by Mr. Worth, State Business Agent, and Capt. Powell, Business Agent Wake County Alliance. W. H. & R. S. TUCKER & Co.

NOTICE TO FORSYTH COUNTY SUB-COUNTY SECRETARIES.

Please send the name and address of your Sub-Business Agents to our County Business Agent, Bro. J. F. Griffith, Winston, Forsyth Co., N. C. This is important, brethren, as he has business of importance with your Alliance, but has no list of the Sub-Agents. Fraternally, E. A. CONRAD, Co. Sec'y.

BUSINESS AGENTS.

Fall Terms on Guano and Acid.

I am prepared to furnish the North Carolina Farmer's Official Fertilizer upon the following terms, viz: Car lots F. O. B., Richmond, Va., payable Oct. 1st, 1890, \$21.50. Payable Jan. 5th, 1891, \$22.00. Payable Nov. 1st, 1891, \$22.40. Any quantity F. O. B., Durham, N. C., payable Oct. 1st, 1890, \$21.50. Payable Jan. 5th, 1891, \$22.00. Payable Nov. 1st, 1891, \$22.40. Parties desiring to purchase on time will please send orders and notes direct to Durham Fertilizer Co., Durham, N. C. Cash orders, as above or, through this office. North Carolina Farmers Alliance Bone Phosphate guaranteed 13 per cent. available Phosphoric Acid (uns 13 1-2 to 14 per cent.) at any railroad depot in North Carolina at \$16.40.

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

NOTICE FROM STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The State Alliance does not pay the expenses of any one visiting or speaking to Alliances except the State Presidents and Lecturers, and any Alliances inviting speakers to address them should expect at least to pay their expenses. S. B. ALEXANDER, J. M. LEWNER, J. S. JOHNSTON, Committee.

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