CIRCULATION.

The actual circulation of Volume V which closed with the issue of February 17th, 1891, was as follows:

7				10 1000	20.000
February	18, 1890,	12,840	August	19, 1890,	16,680
11	25, "	12,240		26, 11	16,680
March	4, "	12,000	Sept.	600	16,800
46	11, "	10,560	***	6.60	16,800
44	18, **	10,560	44	10.	17,040
3.5	25, "	10,800	**	23, "	16,800
April	1, "	10,800	44.	30, 11	-17,280
14 900 11	8, 44	10,800	October	7. "	17,040
14	15, 45	10,800	**	14, "	17,280
33	20 11	10,800	59	21, "	17,280
44	29, "	11,040	44.	28, 11	17.280.
May	6, "	11,040	Nov.	4. "	17,280
24.003	13, "	11,160	44	11, "	17,760
8.6	20, 11	11,160	15	18, "	17,760
5.6	27 11	11,400		25, 11	17,760
June	3, "	11,280	Decemb'r	2, 11	18,230
1.6	10, "	11,280	44	9, 44	18,240
6.9	17, "	11,400	5.6	16, **	18,240
64	24, "	11,400	44	23, "	18,240
July	1. **	11,400	January	6, 1891,	
- Car	8, **	11,520	86	13, "	18,240
- 14	15, "	11,640	- 15	20, **	18,240
16	22 44	12,360	6.6	27, 11	18,240
4 16	29, 11	13,800	February	3, "	18,240
August,	5, "	16,320	**	10, **	18,240
August,	12, "	16,680	64	17, 11	18,240

First 6 months, 307,080 | Second 6 months, 458,160 Making a total circulation for the year of 765,240; averaging for 52 successive issues, per issue, 14,716, and showing a net increase for the year of 5,400, or more than 113 per week.

The above statement is taken from the records kept in the office of The PROGRESSIVE FARMER, and is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. J. W. DENMARK,

Business Manager.

I am Book-keeper for Edwards & creased to not less than \$50 per capita. Broughton, Printers and Binders, Raleigh, N. C. The press-work on The prevent the dealing in futures of all PROGRESSIVE FARMER has been done for the past three years by Edwards & procedure in trials that will secure the Broughton, and I have kept account of the same. I have compared the above statement with the account I have kept, and find it tallies throughout, T. J. Bashford. and is correct.

Personally appeared before me, W. T. Womble, Netary Public, J. W. Denmark, Business Manager of The Pro-GRESSIVE FARMER, also T. J. Bashford, Book-keeper for Edwards & Broughton, and make oath that the statements contained above are correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

In witness where of, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal of office this day, February 26th, W. T. WOMBLE, 1891.

[NOTARIAL SEAL] Notary Public.

Be sure and raise plenty of food plants—a sufficient amount to supply the people and animals on your farm for the following year. Let "hog and hominy" take precedence.

The raising of mules to supply the market of North Carolina is an industry for Western North Carolina which would pay well. In fact it seems to tered. us that every farmer should raise his own horses and mules. We have learned from the proprietors of sale stables that one of the largest trades for many years in horse flesh has been made with the farmers in our eastern and middle counties the past four months. Cannot this waste be stopped? No wonder Kentucky can boast of her | the United States submit an amendfine stock farms when such large amounts are annually deposited there for the purchase of her horses and

EDITORIAL NOTES.

SENATOR VANCE'S INSTRUC-TIONS.

In our notice of the interview, which a reporter of the Asheville Citizen had with Senator Vance in regard to instructions given to him by our last legislature, we said as we understood the instructions they were to support the "plan of financial reform as contemplated by the Ocala convention, of the Ways and Means Committee of and not any particular bill." We the House of Representatives which printed this much thinking it would should have been reported and acted be sufficient, but finding we were misinstructed "to vote for and use all honorable means to secure the objects of financial reform as contemplated" by that convention. Read the resolu-

tion: Resolved. By the House of Represen- some other measure that will carry out tatives, the Senate concurring, that these principles and meet the necessiour Senators in the 51st and 52d Congress of the United States be, and they are hereby instructed and our Representatives requested, to vote for and use all honorable means to secure the object of the financial reforms as contemplated in the platform adopted by Treasury bill, if some other measure the Ocala meeting of the National Farmers' Alliance, held in December, 1890. That a copy of the above resolution be sent to our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

of this resolution, we said this:

It will be seen that the legislature per cent.

ACKNOWLEDGED.

has made the instructions broader and

stronger than anything contemplated

asked if Senator Vance would obey in-

form set forth in the declaration of

have been, to employ their own meth

ods in the securement of reforms, they

Now, that all may understand exact-

ly what the deman is for financial re-

form as adopted at Ocala were, we

1a. We demand the abolition of na-

shall establish sub-treasuries or deposi-

loan money direct to the people at a

low rate of interest, not to exceed two

per cent. per annum, on non-perishable

tate, with proper limitations upon the

quantity of land and amount of money.

the circulating medium be speedily in-

c. We demand that the amount of

2. We demand that Congress shall

pass such laws as will effectually

agricultural and mechanical produc-

prompt conviction, and imposing such

penalties as shall secure the most per

We condemn the silver bill recent-

y passed by Congress, and demand in

4. We demand the passage of laws

prohibiting alien ownership of land,

and that Congress take prompt action

to devise some plan to obtain all lands

now owned by alien and foreign syn-

dicates; and that all lands now held by

railroads and other corporations in ex-

cess of such as is actually used and

government, and held for actual set-

5. Believing in the doctrine of equal

rights to all and special privileges to

a. That our national legislation shall

be so framed in the future as not to

build up one industry at the expense

b. We further demand a removal of

the existing heavy tariff tax from the

necessities of life that the poor of our

d. We believe that the money of the

country should be kept as much as pos-

hence we demand that all national and

State revenues shall be limited to the

necessary expenses of the government

economically and honestly adminis-

We demand the most rigid, hon-

est, and just State and national gov-

ernmental control and supervision of

the means of public communication

and transportation, and if this control

and supervision does not remove the

abuse now existing, we demand the

government ownership of such means

of communications and transportation.

ment to the Constitution providing for

the election of United States Senators

by direct vote of the people of each

Immediately after the adoption of

these demands, brother Davie, of Ken-

enacted into law would bring the finan-

and industries: Therefore, be it

ties of the toiling masses.

resolution carefully:

lieu thereof the free and unlimited

fect compliance with the law

coinage of silver.

none, we demand

of another.

land must have.

Ocala.

print them in full:

tional banks.

in President Carr's letter to Senator Vance. In that letter Mr. Carr only structions to advocate the Sub-Treasury plan of financial reform. But the instructions passed by the legislature embraces the "objects" of financial reprinciples at the late convention at Ocala. The Ocala declaration embraces not only the objects set forth in the Sub-Treasury plan, but includes the objects embraced in the Land bill, the free coinage of silver and the abolition of the national banking system. While our Senators are left free by these invalue. We also gather some encour- value. structions, as we think they should agement from the fact that Henry are actually committed to the advocacy of all the objects of financial reform put forth by the Alliance at that which is authorized by the gov- or backing. ernment to represent a value, money, to day; let it be paper bills, coppers, silver or gold. If this discussion had no money in another country. Every been only about a name, we would nation has its own money and comb. We demand that the government have remained silent; but we saw THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER making straight B. J. N. says, the balance of trade tories in the several States, which shall headway on this subject towards the camp of plutocracy, as we thought, Therefore, it was a vain effort on the inadvertently. farm products, and also upon real es-

Ancient Rome, which adopted its theory (as is said), was owned by 1800 individuals at its disruption and downfall, but Venice, adopting our view. from a small nest of islands in the nation. Mediterranean, became mistress of the sea and of commerce, and remained so tions; providing a stringent system of for five centuries. "Money is a persistent value," is the plutocratic idea. 'Money is the representation of a comparatively persistent value," is the democratic idea, and the idea of the foremost civilized nations. That money is a value in itself, much less a persistent value, is a barbarian idea of the middle ages very well suited to the oppressors of the human race in all countries. It is old, gray and mossy and bespattered with the tears and

blood of ages. -Let us draw some deductions from needed by them be reclaimed by the THE FARMER'S idea of money being a persistent value. The first thing it will do, it will force you to ignore all paper bills as money. The next step to be taken, and which you will be forced to take, is to ignore all the metals in use as money, which have not a persistent value. First, we will discard copper; second, we will ignore nickel; and third, we will ignore silver, for that fluctuated last year 26 per cent. What then? You will be c. We further demand a just and equitable system of graduated tax on driven into the company of the gold bugs, and become a complete worshipper of the gold itself. You then "will done, is an insult to the American peosible in the hands of the people, and note with pleasure that Mr. Cleveland ple, and it is the duty of every Amerithinks the country needs more money. * * If he shall thus be soundly converted (to free silver) we shall understand that he represents many things which the farmers and laborers of this country are demanding, and so may

expect to be not unacceptable to them. We care not whether money is called the medium of exchange, the measure of values, or the measure of the power 7. We demand that the Congress of cover the whole ground, if we exact their uses for explaining particular functions of money.

We have taken the suggestions of | millions. THE FARMER kindly, and have proceeded to consult the dictionaries and J. N., how Grover Cleveland, elected to study money, but we fear with some on a free coinage plank, did not defend tucky, wishing no doubt to emphasize the first demand, and desiring to let fatality to his cause. First, we find the honor and rights of the nation, but the world know that it was the chief | the word "value" as evanescent in its | actually went to private banks to borand most important of all the demands | meaning as the hues of the rainbow, | row gold to pay bonds when there was of our reform movement, introduced as variable as the wants and fancies a surplus of paper money and silver in the following resolution, which was of man, as shimering as the sunshine the treasury. When I thought of these adopted by a rising vote, only four on a glass of water. What THE FARMER and many other villainies perpetrated votes being cast against it. Read this terms stable or persistent, is persist- by this government upon the rights of ent, and constant never. Dives would | an innocent people, I went out to an WHEREAS there is now a bill known give a world for a drop of water, and old field and ripped and snorted and of President Elias Carr. President of calling. Let them take up this fight, as the Sub-Treasury bill in the hands | Richard III. a kingdom for a horse. | threw up dirt for two level hours. This | the North Carolina Farmers' State one that the Master inaugurated, one can only say they are comparatively one says "money is a persistent value" persistent, for every individual has his in itself, and not a representative of upon at the last session, and which if own estimation concerning the value value; when one says we shall hesitate understood, we will add that he was cial relief so much needed by all classes of anything, and even this estimation to right these wrongs, because there is is made changeable by circumstances, so much silver; because it will jeopartime and place.

Resolved, That this national convention of the Farmers' Alliance and Industrial Union do most respectfully and earnestly ask that said bill be enacted into law as soon as possible, or Senator Ransom, as well as Senator Vance, was instructed. We think the instructions are very plain, and that and by authority of the government justice and the principles of freedom. Senator Vance is pledged to the Subcannot be substituted, embodying the objects and principles of said bill, which carries with it the building of can't grow crops on it; it is simply use above eternal truths, will meet with county, N. C.; Chaplain, W. B. Up- summer, but that they are continually sub treasury warehouses and the loan- ful for plugging teeth and making my sharpest weapons of defense. We In our next issue after the adoption ing of money on them and land, at a quilt butterflies. But on account of say none of this for B. J. N., or THE low rate of interest, not exceeding two its scarcity and indestructibility, it FARMER, remember. makes a good representation of value.

WHAT IS MONEY? AND B. J. N. Silver is a much more valuable metal A VOICE FROM THE "BUCK EYE in the arts and uses of life than gold: But it is more plentiful and compara-Mr. Editor:-It certainly affords me tively it is made to represent value great pleasure to know that my former with gold as 15 is to 1. But there is communication, making some objec- not 15 times more silver in the world tions to The Progressive Farmer's than gold; hence, before the tyrannical definition of money, deserves by it a act of its demonetization it was above passing notice. The only difference par, says B. J. N., of Morrisville. between us can be expressed in a few . Thus we conclude from the nature of words. It affirms that "money is a value itself, and the standards adopted persistent value." We deny, and by the human race to represent value, affirm that money is only the repre- that money is not a persistent value in sentation of a comparative persistent | itself, but simply a representative of

Before, we have said that where the Clay, Thomas Jefferson, and John C. metal has a value of its own, as in gold, Calhoun agree with me. Not only silver, nickel and copper, just to that these powerful minds so decided when extent of value they represent a value a question akin to this was up for in themselves, and where any money national discussion, but also every wo- has no value itself, it must represent a man and man in the United States call | value in something else called security

While we are passing, we will remark what is money in one country is parative representations of value; as must be settled in bullion as such. part of The Farmer to endeavor to stretch his definition of money so as to cover one universal money. There is no such thing. What we call money in one nation is no money in another

THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER no doubt will excuse us- for not noticing many points he made on account of more important matter requiring our attention; because the resultant of his theories would ultimately combat the rights, civilization and Christianity of the age, and lead to the worship of the golden god.

To B. J. N., speaking for B. J. W. wê ought to say we meant no personalities. Also we will say that we did not mean to be critically correct to the figure. Therefore we thank him for all proper corrections. My arguments made for the free coinage of silver, cut and trimmed, were these:

1. All argument grounded on the present price of silver is unsound and misleading. First, because free coinage will increase the demand, and the increased demand will increase the price. Why? Because when silver was demonetized it was at par (above par.) Why? Because the nations of the world will raise the price to pre-

the roguish manner in which it was can to spew every one who had a hand in the matter, as well as their abettors, out of its mouth, and to reinstate the free coinage of silver by way of con-

3. The demonetization of silver was a fraudulent change of the contract of the United States with the bondholders, for the silver dollar was the unit over the slain. They were brothers, and standard of value made so by laws to buy. Neither of these definitions then existing. The coinage of this unit difficulties and new dangers, which was stopped, the bonds thereby made logical correctness; but they may have payable in gold; thus changing the contract, doubling the burdens of the people and robbing them of untold

When I thought of these things, B. Therefore, when we talk of values, we is what makes me so touchous, when dize the political interests of some Money is the standard of comparison party or individual. The eternal laws Randolph county, was called to the prevent it. of these values, nothing more and of right, justice and freedom should be chair. nothing less. The most persistent first vindicated and let party or men value in this world is land; but this standing in the way go to h-l. We able; but the government can stamp cannot compromise the honor of the sented. paper bills representing that value, nation. We cannot compromise right, perform all the needs of money. The | We are willing to a full, face discusvalue of gold is "all the eye;" it is sion on all measures; but anything D. Reid Parker, N. C.; Vice President, in winter. It is suggested that, like mostly a matter of human fancy. You looking to leniency towards these J. E. Robertson, Charlotte county, Va.; many other wild animals, they probcan't eat it; you can't drink it; you scoundrels or to a compromise of the Secretary, E. C. Bullock, Halifax ably do sleep more in winter than in

LUCIUS LAGONE.

STATE."

COLUMBUS, O., April 18, 1891. ordinary occasion, and replete with in- was also appointed. terest. President Po k possesses that qualities that pre-eminently qualify interesting discussions. him for his responsible and exacting shall be on the morrow; fame is a vapor | passed at Ocala, Florida. and riches take easy wing; but I cherish the hope that the words and works of was passed by a rising vote: President Polk, being guided by large and happiness of this great nation.

live and succeed. It certainly has as- young ladies and the matrons. sumed high patriotic grounds, and tion and false prophecies will not bring meeting. enduring success, because it will put doubt and suspicion even upon our aims and objects. We must get the step, if we march and fight together, for cherished principles and patriotic be speeded? With many the tension is purposes. Some would prefer that the managers only degrades the rank and file, and we must none of this, for it is sure to defeat us.

President Polk received a right royal welcome. We hail him as one from the ranks, and not born to the purple. Experience has taught him the hardships of the struggle, the pleasure of touch and sympathy with the masses. his speech, he has few equals. He is a born leader. He has the greetings in politics with an eloquence that is touch of genius.

We never think of him as a "bad Johnny in gray," but as a loyal son of N. And any suspicion on this point, any man would feel himself away from home in Ohio. We have only eulogy 2. The demonetization of silver in for the courage and valor of the Southern soldiers that we met in battle; but but only loathing for the cause for which so many heroic lives were sacrificed. But the war is over, and now one country, one nation, one flag, is the glory of us all. Our souls are touched with deepest sadness as we think of all the blood that our countrymen poured out so freely upon its thousand battle-fields. And with a common anguish we may well weep all. But we are confronted with new demands courage of a high order, and principles which no danger can shake, and which defies the party lash.

> Democratic party claim that this will den light. be their victory. We shall see.

> > W. R. PARSONS, Chaplain O. T. F. Alliance.

HENDERSON, N. C., April 30, 1891. Mr. Editor:-The delegates appointed by the County Alliances under the call Alliance, met in the court house in Henderson, at 12 m. on the 28th inst. J. H. Ball, Esq., President of Vance they will be made free. Neither the County Alliance, called the body to devices of man or the machinations of order, and at his request, J. H. Dunn, the wicked one can forever hold them Esq., read the call for the convention, in bondage. Relief must and will

A committee on credentials was appointed, which committee reported value is immovable and not transport- are mad; mad as a wet wasp. We thirty-two counties properly repre-

after which Dr. D. Reid Parker, of

A committee on permanent organization was next appointed and reported as follows: For President, Dr. church, Wake county, N. C.

The convention elected the same,

association to be known as "The Alliance Tobacco Growers' Association of the State."

A committee on constitution and by-Mr. Editor:-President L. L. Polk laws was appointed whose duty it is to has just organized the Farmers' State report at next meeting of the Associa-Alliance of Ohio. This was an extra-tion. An executive committee of five

Much work was mapped out to be wonderful and rare combination of done which elicited some lively and

A resolution was adopted endorsing duties. No man can foresee what the demands of the Supreme Council

The following resolution of thanks

Resolved, That we, the Alliance Towisdom and uncommon sagacity will bacco Growers of the States, extend abide the crucial tests of the on-coming our hearty thanks to the citizens of future, and conserve the prosperity Henderson for their kind and unlimited hospitality; to the Tobacco Board of Parties may pass away, and new Trade and the warehousemen for their ones succeed, but principles, equal splendid banquet, and to the ladies our and exact justice, pulses this farmers' | special thanks for their graceful attenmovement; and just so far as it does tions on that occasion. We thank this, it will demonstrate its right to them again and again. God bless the

The convention adjourned to meet at the battle is upon us, and we cannot the call of the executive committee, shirk responsibility. Misrepresenta- which will name time and place of J. H. Dunn.

DOES RELIEF AWAIT US?

In what form is it to come? Can it

great-grows with the days. To them music should be "our partyism," as life is a burden. Longingly they look they are familiar with its strains. for relief. Its form they do not pre-Vitiated tastes and depraved appetites scribe; anything that will spare them and unstinted praise of demoralized from utter, complete ruin. This is not figurative; it is fact, nor does this embrace the few; it is applicable to the many—the toiling millions who have long been shorn of their just earnings to the fostering and fattening of a pampered and select few, a clique taken as a whole of unmitigated scamps. This I say with all that the conscious victory, and has put him in language implies, without a question as to its being sustained by the facts. In the directness, vigor and power of True it may be that some of these favored ones have not directly used their means to accomplish this result, yet and cheers of the millions of our peo- they are nevertheless guilty since they ple. He demands purity and integrity are particeps criminis. They do not repudiate the action of the majority sublime, in which one feels the visible by refusing to share in the spoils and booty, nor do they put on the barriers of compression and use this fund or any portion of it to the relief of the the Nation, and spelled with a capital down-trodden, the oppressed, and this too in a so called Christian land-in this age of Christian civilization (?) civilization indeed. If this is a civilization, then what must be barbarism? Measured by Christ's standard, the action of this favored class is not worthy to be tolerated; it is not only selfish, it is mean, contemptible. They exemplify by their actions that they neither fear Him, nor do they make any pretension to love their fellowman. How long, oh God, shall this iniquity last? How long shall this class of wicked ones who seemingly exult in spreading themselves as the green tree be suffered to stand? May the day be hastened when the places that know them now shall know them no more forever! God uses man to further His purposes. He helps in every good work. Lets call on Him, We are sanguine for the future of and with girded loins lets enter this the Farmers' Alliance in Ohio. The contest resolved that this yoke of ensigns and omens are with us; the field | slavement shall not longer be wornis white, and the harvest is near. The a yoke that is not easy, nor is the bur-

> Duty to our loved ones, duty to society demands this of us. We can be, we must be freed of these burdens that have been born too long. Just here the church, the so-called followers of Christ will do well if they would retain their influence over societyprove themselves worthy of their high ushered in. The enslaved must be, come, and the powers of all hell cannot ALLIANCEMAN.

HIBERNATION OF SQUIRRELS.

The idea that squirrels remain torpid through the winter is not sustained by facts. Recent observers, on the contrary, report that squirrels have often been seen abroad during severe weather waking up and taking food. Reproduction takes place before warm and then, after some discussion, re- weather, newly-born squirrels having solved themselves into a permanent | been found as early as March 21st.