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Each of the above-named papers are requested to keep the list standing on the first page and add others, provided they are duly elected. Any paper fail ing to advocate the Ocala platform will be dropped from the list promptly. Our people can now see what papers are midished in their interest.

LETTER FROM CUMBERLAND.

CUMBERLAND CO., N. C. "Answer to How a Gritty Farmer got tition in the manufacture, sale, or pur soon as it does break, the people by school, "The Patrick Henry Institute." Along without Borrowing," and I am chase of the same, or the control on thousands will be swayed hither and It was received with a burst of applause so much pleased with the answer that the part of any person or persons, or the there by every wind of doctrine. by the audience. There was not a dis I can only condemn the writer for one one or more firms or corporations, of Some will be "for Paul" and others senting vote. All were agreed upon thing, viz: he left a blank space at the any patent or trade marks, thereby "for Appollos," but multitudes will honoring the man who had done so bottom where his name should have creating a monopoly intended or having be for every superstition of hero much for the cause of education among been. A man who is able to be such a the effect to prevent free and full com | worship that can raise money enough | them. God grant that our people, and just critic should not withhold his petition in the manufacture, producto pay its priests-the newspapers who especially our legislators, may wake name from his brother farmers. Had tion, or sale of any commodity of advocate it. he given his name to the public, he general use; or the control by any If you want to see personal politics matter, and may the time soon come doubly as well. When God governs the people. governs the grit and keeps it at all meaning of this act in any State or time laboring man, that selfish ends may be or in the District of Columbia. to, or even looks favorably on the years, for each and every offense. solved to return home and send her price of the same. fuel to keep her from suffering. Un-fortunately, the rich woman found her in conflict with this act are hereby like people." Our people have been own richly furnished dwelling quite repealed.

THE UNITED STATES. be able to pull through without her Mr. EDITOR:-I do not make attacks help, which she had to do. Such re on "parties." I have quit it. Attack- remedy? Nominate men who represent ligion and brotherly love comes from ing men, whether individually or col- an issue-not men who stand on platthe devil. Near fifty years ago I made lectively, is a poor way to do them forms. Can you convince men of your the acquaintance of a modest, intelli- good. It generally drives them deeper sincerity in advocating financial reform gent man; he looked like a real Chris into error, "sets the hair" on them. ment; then he coined the money. On come the "rewards to the faithful." one occasion we were talking of his The parties are called "armies."

is a mean business; it withers and dries persons-are "no respectors of perup a man's soul; it is the last thing at sons." Statesmen never attack a class night and the first thing of a morning."
As you will see, he had no time to pray unless when he was asleep. God was Arraying men of opposite political not in his business. This man died faiths against each other is as bad as rich and prematurely. The soul of arraying men of different occupations man should grow and expand, and be or religious. If the men of opposite every plank except one than such a come noble, full of love for God and faiths so arrayed are in different sec- platform gormandizer. man. Think of a withered, dried up tions, the estrangement becomes hope less-the enmity everlasting. There is tree, "by its fruits." If he has pro-The farmers and laboring people of then nothing to soften the rancor of duced nothing on the main questions this country are all, or nearly all, so alienation.

poor. And why? With a national This is why I know that mere partithe money and property of this coun- sections can never really aid any

try? Ten dollars per capita only give | righteous cause. the people of these United States \$550,- If you will track the party worship. 000,000 to do business on. All the per home to his den, you will find that national legislating, if such law-making at heart he is a hero worshipper. He as we have had since the war, can be is a "respecter of persons." His jus-Chaplain-Rev. E. Pope, Chalk rightly and truthfully called legislat | tice is not blind, but keeps one eye on ing, has been done for the interest of the main chance. He ever prates and Wall street and the men of capital prattles of men-of persons. Cleve- Piney Grove Alliance, situated in the everywhere, at the expense and shame- tand or Hill, Blaine or Harrison. Whole southern part of Durham county, N. ful disadvantage of the laboring and columns of newspapers are wasted C., decided that in order to carry fortoiling millions of this politically cursed every day in discussing the most ward the great work they had under Sergeant-at-Arms -J. S. Holt. Chalk land. The chief business of our repre trifling acts of these and a few similar taken as Alliancemen, it would be sentatives in Congress, since the war, men. Their slightest words are tele- necessary to educate the people. They has been to sell votes at a big price, to graphed all over the country to furnish at once saw that to do that work it rich men and corporations, drink pop texts for abuse or praise according to would be absolutely indispensible to skull liquor, smoke, chew, dress fine the editors political affiliations. There wild up a good school in their midst. and gamble, and of course have a good is nothing very remarkable about They immediately set themselves to time in general. Funeral occasions of either of the four men. One of them. vork to secure such a school. This Representatives and Senators have Cleveland, appears to be a good busi- writer was called upon to take charge been sumptuously and shamefully en- ness man and honest, which combina- of the work. For two years and a half joyed, and if all newspaper reports tion is considered rare among poli- he endeavored as best he could to inhave been half true, then I am inclined | ticians. But there are ten thousand | truct the pupils placed under his care, to feel that the devil was made to re- men in North Carolina, who if not his at the same time using all available joice and be glad. What is a cultivated equals, are at least fully competent, if | nears of promoting the educational

go into all kinds of dissipation, excesses satisfactorily the duties of his office.

leaving the devil and drunkard out.

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A BILL TO DEFINE TRUSTS AND

PREVENT THE SAME.

introduced the following bill:

W DREWRY SMITH.

over and over again The man who than he could ever hope to do, would bly outgrown its quarters. Hence the will coolly and deliberately curse and veto more pension bills, surrender, ecessity of building a new and more blight fine opportunities for doing more battle flags, ask for a lower re commodious house at once became apgood, is either a fool or a human devil. duction of the tariff, and write tariff, parent. The good people of the neigh-Prother armers and laboring men messages in shorter and more intell. It and became more aroused than ever of this great land, let us vote for no gible sentences. Hill and Blaine ap- pand went vigorously to work to build more such men, unless we do so by pear to be both smart and corrupt, for themselves the needed house. The mistake. Let it be with us, God first but there are ten thousand other ma | whole community entered into the and God and our country all the time, chine politicians in the country who, work with a zeal and liberality highly if these two should die, could take commendable; but Mr. Patrick Henry their places, and if not exactly as Massey left his farm to the care of smart and corrupt as these, would at others, and gave his whole time to the least be praised and blamed by the work for several months. As a result, the same newspapers as being so. the new house is finished, and a nice Harrison appears to be a conservative one it is—said to be the finest and best little lawyer from Indiana, who still arranged school house, outside of the Mr. Williams, of North Carolina, remains true to the interests of his towns, anywhere in Central North clients, the rich men who bought his Carolina. When the house was com-Be it enacted by the Senate and House office for him. His equal is so com- pleted the stockholders called a meet of Representatives of the United States | mon that I cannot afford to waste any | ing and after transacting other im of America in Congress assembled, breath upon him. Now these are the portant business, it was decided to That a trust is a combination of capital four whom party beeming makes name the new institution of learning. or skill by two or more persons, firms, heroes of. These are the four whom Several names were suggested, none of or corporations for the purpose of the idoltry of hero worship makes which seemed to meet with popular creating restrictions on trade or limit- occupy more space in the newspapers favor. Finally, one of the leading ing or affecting the price of merchan | than the religion of the Lord Josus. | stockholders and patrons of the school dise, products of the soil, or other Meanwhile the people are spiritually arose and stated briefly the interest commodities of general use, or which starving for a fair, candid, truthful, that had been taken in the work by tends to affect the sale or price of such non partisan discussion of a hundred different individuals, and by the commerchandise, products of the soil, or questions of public interest. If the munity as a whole; and concluded by MR. EDITOR:-I have just read the other commodities, or prevent compe | "color line" breaks this year, or as suggesting as a name for the new

might reasonably expect to get many person or persons, any firm or firms, "at home," go to the average political when every child in all this land will a hearty and honest handshake which corporation or corporations, of the convention. If you are a student of have a chance to develop and train the he cannot get while he remains un manufacture of any article or com- men and things, you will there learn faculties with which his God has en known. I must say that I like gritty modity of general use for the purpose what is sapping the foundations of our dowed him. Yours truly. farmers, but when I find a gritty of creating a monopoly, or which tend institutions. The average delegate is farmer and a gritty Christian both in to create a monopoly, so as to affect there to get some advantage for him the same hide, I love him more than the prices of the same to the injury of self. Farmer, lawyer and merchant elbow each other in the mad effort for grit and money, something good will Sac. 2. That it shall be unlawful to personal gain. "Dark hosses" are come of it, sure, but when the devil form and maintain a trust within the scouted mainly because there is not to have an "understanding" times sharp to grind to powder the States or Territory of the United States with them. A nominates B from "his WHEREAS, We, the Farmers' Allitown"--or "his county." When B ance of Rutherford county, in regular reached, then evil, and only evil will Smc 3. That any person acting in his gets in he gets A a place. This is session assembled, believing and feelcame. A selfish dollar inflates the own behalf, or as agent of any firm or good business, conducted on ordinary ing that the laboring masses of the possessor's pride and vanity, hardens corporation whatsoever, who shall aid business principles, for the individuals country have not been represented, his heart and makes him a fit subject in any manner in the organization or engaged, but the business of the people and their interests have not been duly for Brimstone Lake State. Not so carrying on of a trust, or be in any suffers always in such hands. The considered, and feeling necessarily with the righteous dollar; it makes a manner interested therein, or who shall, real issues must be neglected because compelled in the name of justice to man love and help his fellow man and after the passage of this act, aid in the the main issue is personal gain. Out make certain demands, the enacting of live for the glory of God and His Son, business of a trust, or be in any way of a convention, in which the average reformatory laws on account of grievour Redeemer. One of the great causes interested therein, shall be guilty of a delegate is seeking something for him ous and unjust burdens upon the prowhich we have had to battle with since high misdemeanor, and upon conviction self, is necessarily evolved a candidate ducers of this republic by unjust legisthe war has been grit, coupled with tion thereof shall be fined in a sum of who is seeking something for himself. lation, do therefore avariciousness. I would like to find one single independent Rich—own more than ten thousand, and may be ing a few thousand musty cash, with a imprisoned in any penitentiary not look out for himself throughout his and heartily endorse and adopt the certainly one of the very first to advo mands. The enacting of some reforfine farm under his feet, who belongs less than one year nor more than three official career. A Liliput begotten of Ocala demands set forth by the cate this matter in our Order to say a matory laws on account of grievious Farmers' Alliance. There may be Smc. 4 That it shall be the duty of self-seekers. And yet we complain that a copy of the above be sent name it may be called, what is pro- of this Republic, by unjust legislation, such a man, I do not say there is not, United States district attorneys in the public business is neglected in the to The Progressive Farmer. but if there is. I would like to shake every district, on the request of any primaries, we begun our neglect in the his hand, for I feel sure that God is in person or persons making complaint, primaries, and our candidates have conhis heart and mind. Men of means- to prosecute for a violation of this act; tinued it in Congress. They have been a plenty of money-can see no reason and they are hereby instructed to call true to the principles upon which they for financial reform. A rich woman the attention of the grand jury of each were elected. In the primaries and once ordered her carriage. She in of their several districts, and to lay conventions you heard little but the Rutherford County Alliance, recomnot only poor, but in want of food and of farmers formed for the purpose of but of "appointments," of "appro- and that a copy be sent to THE PROfuel, the weather being cold, so she re- increasing the products of the soil or priations," of "chairmanships," of GRESIVE FARMER. 'clerkships," and the distribution of

raised on flattery, and it is disagreeable

warm and comfortable, so she con- THE GROWTH OF PARTYISM IN doubtless for me to tell them that they are represented in Congress and everywhere about as well as they deserve to be. But you ask what is the practical if you nominate men whose voice has tian man, and doubtless was then, but he fell in love with money, and he went in for making it with all his mind. They become personal too, and "anhaye never been lifed in its behalf, who have never added an idea to the common become "campaigns," The opposite stock of knowledge and who have not shown that they had any practical on gathering in the dollars, until he was able to start a brokerage establishment; then he coined the money. On come the "rewards to the teithful" door "Perhamments in the dollars and soul. Step by step he went party becomes the "enemy." The shown that they had any practical knowledge of the subject? This is "casting the children's bread unto the shown that they had any practical knowledge of the subject? This is "casting the children's bread unto the shown that they had any practical knowledge of the subject? This is "casting the children's bread unto the shown that they had any practical knowledge of the subject? This is "casting the children's bread unto the shown that they had any practical knowledge of the subject? This is "casting the children's bread unto the shown that they had any practical knowledge of the subject? This is "casting the children's bread unto the shown that they had any practical knowledge of the subject? This is "casting the children's bread unto the shown that they had any practical knowledge of the subject? This is "casting the children's bread unto the shown that they had any practical knowledge of the subject? This is "casting the children's bread unto the shown that they had any practical knowledge of the subject? This is "spoils" the children's bread unto the shown that they had any practical knowledge of the subject? This is "spoils" the children's bread unto the shown that they had any practical knowledge of the subject? This is "spoils" the children's bread unto the shown that they had any practical they had any practical the shown that they had any practical the shown they had any practical they had any practical they had an dogs." Perhaps you are keeping some fellow in the back ground who has business. He said: "William, this Successful preachers lose sight of privately promised that at the proper time he will swallow the "Ocala platform" whole, I think I know five hundred who will agree to swallow any ordinary platform, or stand on it or under it for the sake of a good office. You had better nominate a man who

has honestly and intelligently opposed Let a candidate be known like a

at issue, cut him down. If he produces only platforms and promises he is barcurrency contracted to \$10 or less per san agitation can never accomplish the ren. The people are struggling with great capits, how can it be otherwise, and relief the people now demand. Abuse questions now; let thoughtful men while 250,000 people own \$40,000,000 of of parties, of persons, of classes and of speak out; perhaps we may find some one who is a head taller than the rest of us in the knowledge of needed re-W. J. PEEL.

THE ALLIANCE SCHOOL.

ELM CITY, N. C. Mr. Editor:—Three years ago the mind worth, when the possessor will as well advised as he was, to discharge entiment of the community. At the lose of this period, it was found that and rascality? The poor illiterate, but | Any of the ten thousand would he interest in the school had greatly honest man's position is to be preferred | represent the views of our people better | acreased, and the school had consider-

RUTHERFORD COUNTY EN-DORSES THE OCALA

C. W. Massey.

up to a full sense of their duty in this

PLATFORM.

Lalliputians-a seif-seeker begotten of National Alliance and Industrial Union; few words regarding it? By whatever and unjust burdens upon the producers

A, A. YORK. W. O. BAKER, H. P. LYNCH,

Committee. Resolved, We, the members of the instructed her driver to take her to the before them the law as above enacted: interests and claims of persons, of mend that no member of the Alliance Having studied the principles and to The Progressive Farmer. dwelling of a poor woman, he did so | Provided. That this act shall not be towns, of counties, of sections and of in this county plant this year more theories of the business very thorough She alighted, went in, and found her construed to apply to any organization parties. So in Congress you hear little than five acres of cotton to the horse; ly and also had the further advantage County Alliance recommend that no

H. P. LYNCH, L. FOWLER, D. S. WILKINS, Committee. LETTER FROM McDOWELL COUNTY.

Mountains.

MR. EDITOR:-As we of the county that lies in the shadow of the Blue Ridge have never seen anything in our State organ from the field in our county, I will proceed to give some news as to the condition of our Order out and gave good attention to a masterly address by Bro. J. S. Davis, of Haywood, who talked for one hour and loved home is a smouldering mass of a half of the principles and demands of the Alliance, telling the people of their condition and suggesting the remedies, such as the repeal of the national banking law, the free coinage of silver, the land loan and Sub Treasury plan.

An amusing incident transpired during Bro. Davis's speech. Just as he finished an eloquent appeal for the free coinage of silver there was a great jingling of coins on the floor from the pocket of one of our country merchants who was with us to hear the speech. This, you know, brought down the house. By the way, the gentleman is in full sympathy with the Order.

After the speaking, we went with

the President, Bro. Goforth, to his house. where he kept us for the night in true Alliance style. The next morning we started early for Marion, the county seat, where we arrived cold and muddy, and found no stove in the court house. This, though a little discouraging, we overcome, by the help of our efficient President, Bros. Gravson, Pendergrass and some of the brethren putting up the stove and hunting in the Register's office for a lot of wood and setting it on fire-I mean after we got it in the stove. After the room got warm Bro. Davis took his stand near the stove, and though the crowd was small-only a few delegates -when he began, it increased to a respectable size before he was half through. About this time some of the town people came in. Then the speaker, seeming to understand that they were opposed to the Order, appeared to rise in dignity and power, losing all his diffidence and uncertainty, and towering in the strength of his argument far above anything we had heard before, and causing inexpressible flashes of intellectual sympathy to run all through the crowd, bringing tears to the eyes though they were brilliant with the light of sparks from the Alliance forge which were being so vigorously fanned into flame by the immortal ideas set forth by the speaker.

After the address we had a short session of the County Alliance and per-

fected a lecture system. Then we started on our way to Nebo, spending the night with B o. George Conley, Secretary of Nebo Alliance, where we were feasted and entertained in the true Carolina style. At Nebo, on account of the grippe having a pluto cratic grasp on almost all the people, cally; and they take advantage of the

In the evening, after refreshing ourselves at the McDowell Parsonage with Bro. Edwards, we rode 13 miles where, at the house of your humble scribe, we gave our brother as good as ourself and frow could get up for him. On Sunday morning, in opposition to our desire on the Alliance or any member of the and command, Bro. Davis started for Order, than if it had been signed only Haywood, but on his explaining that by the five non-Alliance Democrats, when he left home his dulcina had the 2. That we, the Iredeil County Alligrippe, we wished the parting guest ance, do not endorse the address.

The Alliance in this county is in fair condition, I think. True there is that Committee to make this address aplaxity in attendance which is the outgrowth of carelessness and indifference as is found in all organizations after by our Alliance demands; and that it the first excitement wears off; but in is a duty for each member to vote for the hearts of our people are planted the men who endorse these principles, and principles of the Order, and they are in any political party he may choose, growing, and there are no farmers but indorse all of our declaration of purposes, and almost all of them are on the Ocala platform with us.

organization, and that is the manufacture and sale of whiskey. We have this devil to fight but when the fight is on at its hottest, look for the boys of JOHN C. BROWN, McDowell. County Lecturer.

----"PLANS FOR RELIEF."

WAYNESVILLE, N. C. under the above heading, you say: not been represented, their interests "We think the problem has been have not been duly considered, and posed is in fact purely mutual insur- do therefore ance, which is far more extensively | Resolve That we, the Rutherford practical than many are aware.

was at one time for many years engaged | Ocala deman is set forth by the Nain the business and in each department | tional Alliance and Industrial Union, of it-in the office and in the field. And that a copy of the above be sent important problem.

I have always been an advocate of the Shelby Aurora and Forest City the principle of mutuality in insurance | Ledger for publication.

whether against death or fire; and shortly after I became a member of the Alliance, more than three years ago, I How the Alliance is Getting Along in the urged the advantage of extending our fundamental principle of co operation into this field. I brought the matter before the meeting of the State Alliance at Asheville, but so little interest was at that time taken in it that I discontinued its agitation.

Insurance transfers from the individual or family the burden that might crush and places it on the many who scarcely feel it. It is one of the most benificent inventions of mankind. It helps when help is most needed—when the strong arm is stiffened and the ruins. It has become a necessity of modern civilization, as many cannot otherwise make such immediate provision for those dependent on them, as duty requires.

A great many efforts have been made to insure live stock, but they have failed in almost every instance, resulting in much loss and disappointment, and it is my decided opinion that the Alliance should not undertake anything of this kind, at least for the present. The principle of mutual insurance against fire is very largely practiced, and those members of our Order who so desire might unite in their co-operative work.

The larger portion of the insurance of cotton factories is conducted in mutual companies. They are usually started by a number of factories agreeing together to take policies and pay in the premiums for the same. These premiums constitute the capital and all surplus is divided among the policyholders, thus furnishing insurance at actual cost. There are quite a number of such companies in the country that have no stock capital; one was recently started at Augusta, Ga.

There is an old and successful mutual fire insurance company among the Germans in Charleston, S. C., which confines its business to that city. The most successful and perhaps the largest fire insurance company in the South is located at Athens, Ga., and confines its business to that State. It is purely mutual-never had any capital stock.

If mutual fire insurance can be safely practiced by owners of specially hazardous risks, such as cotton factories, and in cities and towns liable to extensive conflagrations, surely it can be by farmers whose buildings are scattered and not liable to such contingencies. Experience has shown this to be true. In a subsequent article I will undertake to prove the truth of this proposition and suggest a plan for re-Yours fraternally,

GEO. E. Boggs.

IREDELL COUNTY MEETING.

Mr. Editor:—At a meeting of Iredell

County Alliance, held January the 14th, 1892, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted: WHEREAS, Four of our Alliance brethren have signed a Democratic address with five non-Alliance Demowe had a small turnout. This is a crats, which as citizens they had a strong Alliance for this section, numeri | right to do if they so desired; and whereas, the enemies of our Order are agencies and place most of their cash | making capital out of it, to the detriwith Bro. Worth. Here, as before, ment of our organization; and whereas, Bro. Davis made a rattling speech, as the action of these brethren in signing we used to say of Bro. Bell. We think this address was of their own responsithe Alliance flock will follow the belled bility, without any authority of the State Alliance, and we believe free from any desire or intention of injur ing the Order; therefore be it

Resolved, By the Iredell County Alliance in regular session, this, the 14th day of January 1892, that we don't consider the address any more binding

3 That we condemn the method adopted by the Democratic Executive pear as being endorsed by the Alliance.

4. That we renew our pledges to stand and think best for carrying out these demands. 5. That a copy of these proceedings

be sent to THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER, There is one thing in this county our State organ, for publication, with which we think is against us as an a request for all our reform papers in the State to copy.

M. E. RAMSEY, Sec'y,

Iredell County Alliance. ----

RESOLUTIONS BY RUTHERFORD COUNTY.

WHEREAS, We the farmers of Rutherford County, in regular session assembled, believing and feeling that the MR. EDITOR:-In your last issue, laboring masses of this country have

County Alliance, do most earnestly Allow me in the outset to say that I and heartily endorse and adopt the

2. That the members of Rutherford of observation of their practical work- member of the Alliance in this county ing. I may be able to render some as plant this year more than five acres of sistance in helping to solve this very cotton to the horse, and that a copy be sent to THE PROGRESSIVE FARMEE,