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LETTER FROM VIRGINIA.

About.

MARKSVILLE, Page Co, Va.

RALEIGH, N. C., MAY 24, 1892.

LETTER FROM WILSON COUNTY. three which is at all abreast of the ESSAY READ BEFORE BETHEL

God Made.

MR. EDITOR :- If you can see fit to let me into our columns, I shall be pleased to take part with the many who are contributing such rich thoughts and noble sentiments, not that I can throw any new light upon the theme so much discussed, but because I feel an interest in the subject and that I as a citizen and a constituent of this Republic, wish to make myself felt in some way for the good of my fellow. men. I can remain silent no longer. The sad and deplorable condition of our government to day demands our most serious and earnest consideration. My eyes, I believe, have been opened to the startling realization of the existing enormity of our financial condition. It is plain that it is being ruled by des

pots. For the last few months I have been unceasing in my eagerness of effort to discover, if possible, the true condition of our country, and more anxious still was I to comprehend and locate the prominent causes which led to the much talked-of evils.

Having in my possession a few o the records and documents containing some of the most important issues of our political leaders, and other matter containing such facts as are well cal culated to bring into a reasoning mind the foreseen relations evidently existing between such issues and certain classes, viz: capitalists and monopo lists. I have become thoroughly though sadly convinced that the grievances of which our people so seriously complain are far from being in anywise visionary, but, on the other hand, these grievances are of a much more serious laid stress on the point wherein a tax when there was but very few million lished. Now a new state of things has Gature than most of us have imag 1000. Our government is evidently a corrupt one, all things working together for good to them that control the money, but from them that hath not the money will be taken away even that which they may happen to have. Though the text is Scriptural and very applicable in its place, I tell you it will SUTO not do for the "money lords" to appro priate. They appropriate it to their own justification and happiness and to the deprivation and destruction of others. Hence it has been by and through the influence of the mighty 'money devils" and their coadjutors that our Republic has been degenerated into its present perilous condition. And, dear readers and fellow travellers to the land of servitude and poverty, it is high time for us to begin to think for ourselves, and not only to thick for ourselves but to act for ourand save ourselves. So now let us not 'there is nothing I can do." We must open our eyes and behold the approaching enemy. We must fix our bayonets at the word of command and whenever the order to "charge!" is given, let us charge with an irresistible column that is utterly incapable of being broken. Let every Sub-Alliance in North Carolina and the United States adopt the platform of demands formulated and adopted by the St. Louis Conference of labor organizations which met at St Louis, Feb. 22, 1892, and when they shall have adopted it let each member stand by it, and with the love of his country in his heart, defend its hand, "conquering and to conquer," kind."

current discussion, though even this The State of Affairs in the Country That leses strength because of the defect which doubtless helped it to pass the

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as an advanced symposium of the subject

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It has been said by one of our greatin the condition of the masses that de belongs to them.

It may have been that no essay was notes prosperity, but rather a tendency aid before Congress asking for an in- hood and womanhood of human kind, of the land than Harrison, Cleveland, individual resources should be made. fore the tribunal of a long suffering black and white alike, and their chil-

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wealth of Wall street demands protection. But what is the wealth that cannot be protected by a military force? It is the wealth that has been robbed committee, in that it falls short of ex- est statesmen, "Show me the laws of from the people, it is the wealth that pressing the author's known belief in a country and I will show you the con-the single tax on land values, a theory dition of its people." So we are led benefit of the few, it is not the fear that of taxation which hardly receives to the conclusion that the laws of our the masses will violate the law, but notice in any part of what was designed | country are not in accordance with | that they will repeal the law and give justice and equity, for there is nothing unto the people the wealth thas justly

Where these robbers would stop, it submitted of sufficient merit which to poverty and demoralization. No is hard to tell, but the day is breaking even explained the principles of this period of our history has been marked and God in his mercy is raising up a newest and most rapidly growing with such general depression and dis band of men such as L. L. Polk. Maschool; but surely none should have satisfaction. Wherever we turn is dis- cune, Watson, Butler, Murdock, Peele been deemed worthy of a prize which content, labor idle or working for a and hundreds of others to stay the lacked in this subject, at a time when very low price, tramps filling our high- dark waters that are overwhelming the a acclaration in favor of the single tax ways and starvation staring in the face people. For sometime this band has has been widely circulated over the of desolate homes. These forerunners been working in the interest of the peosignatures of a large number of Con- of revolution spring up on every hand ple, and God has blessed their efforts gressmen, mayors, lergymen, bankers, On the other side we see mountains of and added to their number until their State legislators, judges, prominent wealth heap up the products of half voices are heard all over this land and ranway officials, manufacturers, law requited labor. All over the land the hope is springing up in the hearts of yers and merchants; when a notable wail of distress comes up from poverty the people. To my mind there is no petition of 105,000 signatures has been stricken homes, crushing out the man- worse enemy to the wealth producers vegigation into its merits; when the blighting the beauty of youth and de Sherman, Hill and a majority of the quession of introducing it for local stroying the faith in a living God in a members of Congress who have worked purposes in the District of Columbia land of plenty, where the willing hand so hard for the destruction of silver. is under serious consideration by the of industry has created abundant With gold as a basis and the banks to district committee; when the current wealth. Why should that hand be issue the paper currency, the people sariff discussion in Congress has run paralyzed for the want of the very would be entirely at the hands of Shyalmost wholly on the lines which lead | wealth it has produced? Why should | locks. Now the people have the remedy, up to the single tax-turning upon the comfortable homes and food and rai they must take the case in their hands question of the incidence of taxation ment be denied to those who have pro- and study these banking and financial on industry, rather than on the old- duced these things? These are ques systems. It is not a question of negro fashioned dispute of how its draft on tions that must soon be answered be slavery alone, it is a question of both In the face of all these developments, but much-enduring people. In view dren. It has been truly said that men surely no essay should have been con- of the fact and the responsibility that and women will do more work for less sideced a model one which entirely rests upon us as American citizens, I money under bondage of debt than ignored so prominent a phase of the earnestly ask shall we lay aside our they will under the lash, and will do subject. they will under the lash, and will do it with less trouble to their masters; The declaration alluded to above, the circumstances that have brought about so the lash has been abolished and a readers of this paper may remember, this trouble? Most of us can remember better and cheaper plan has been estab-

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CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERIES.

MR. EDITOR:-It is very desirable that the farmers, and especially those who wish to restrict areas in cotton, should look into some of the advantages of cooperative dairying and make an effort to recuperate their losses by this means. If they will but give this system a fair | every district in the Union. trial, we are sure they will be pleased and his family.

MR. EDITOR:-Alliancemen who have not studied the situation and the principles and demands of the Order should give them immediate attention, for the time is rapidly approaching when every voting member will be put to the test, and if they have overlooked or lost sight of recent important events in the history of the Alliance, or are ignorant of its aims and objects, they cannot act intelligently or consistently when the crisis comes, and if they wish to avoid an awkward and unenviable position they must also be careoreth, M. G. Gregory, Wm. C. Connell. ful how they consort with Democrats and Republicans, for pledges given to either party now will bring embarrassment in the future.

On the 7th day of June the demands of the St. Louis Conference (which are the Alliance demands) will be presented to the National Republican Convention at Minucapolis and the representatives of the National Republican party will be requested to incorporate them in and make them a part of their platform. One week later, June 14th, at Chicago, the same opportunity will be given, the same request made of the representatives of the National Democratic party there assembled in na convention. If turned away tional empty-handed by both conventions, as the representatives of the Alliance have been by both Congresses, the last and only hope is Omaha; then a wide open door welcome will await them in the house of their friends; then on the 4th of July will assemble in national convention the representatives of a political organization having for its platform the identical demands of the St. Louis Conference of Feb. 22, 1892, and there and then, after four fruitless efforts to obtain even a promise of relief from the old political parties, this new party of the people, born of the necessities of the people and of the situation, will nominate candidates for President and Vice President of the United States, which will be followed by putting up an electoral ticket in every State and a candidate for Congress in

Unless the signs of the times are read with the result, as well as find their imperfectly the above will be found a farms gaining in fertility with the fairly correct forecast of coming events. change in farming and the larger When these things come to pass will amount of manure they will be able to Alliancemen stand together as a unit save and use. Much labor is saved and with "locked shields" hurl back and the resulting products are more the minions of monopoly, or will they uniform and will bring more money stand in the ranks of the enemy and where this system is in use than where take the inconsistent and disreputable each farm manufactures its own butter. position of approving the principles of Not only this, but more cows can be one party and voting for the candi kept, insuring greater returns in each | dates of another? Will they hail it as

It is well within bounds to assert that ly legs carry them to the rear, "This which prizes were awarded in the re- put Crawford Alliance in its true light. ent time is a record of the blackest and whose faces beamed with gladness early every town in North Carolina | thing is going too far, my principles | cent competition of essays instituted | having any facilities at all for shipment can go to the dogs, but I will never de- by Public Opinion; the essay receiving which reflected on the County Alli the finances of the country they have prejudices were almost laid aside and sale of dairy products could build | sert my party," Alliancemen, prepare and operate a creamery of from 200 to for a trial of your faith. 500 cows capacity, and that such build- Alliancemen who formerly affiliated the poorest of those published. The ing and all the apparatus needed for with the Republican party, and natur- blame does not lie at the door of the successful operation need not cost over ally cherish a friendly feeling for it, editor, of course, but with the commit-\$2,000, for the handling of the smaller may fear that their support of the tee who decided the matter, and who number, or \$3,000 for the larger num- People's party candidates might result must surely have been selected with There are numerous firms in the dent by throwing the election into ion as to the conflicting schools; a con-North and Northwest whose sole bu-i- Congress, the Democrats being largely dition which unfortunately involves to me how it was that the County Secness it is to make and furnish creamery in the majority; but suppose the Re- want of special knowledge, since the supplies, and they will undertake to publicans had a majority of Congress, problem has passed out of the academic start and operate them until some one then Democratic Alliancemen could stage into that of vital issue. in the organization can master the de raise a similar objection. So that if Yet even presuming such precaution, tails and the enterprise managed by the people wait for the removal of this the bias is plainly reflected in the choice home talent. All there is to do to start difficulty they will wait forever, as made of essays which throw little light a creamery or butter or cheese factory one party or the other will always on the subject, practically leaving it in is to form an association in which all have a majority of Congress. There the state of confused thought that prethe members have an interest. Each must be a beginning, and there never vailed a generation ago. The first one should subscribe a given amount will be a better time for it than this prize winner, in fact, might be deof stock, which may be limited, and all year of grace 1892. If defeated, like scribed as a bag of chestnuts, with a should be pledged to furnish milk from truth, you will "rise again." Keep up mare's nest at the bottom; for after a knowledge and members I close by the fight and prepare for 1896 by elect-The form of organization may be ing a majority of Congressmen in 1894, A. K. GRIM.

I trust this may find room in your vote to receive lady members, and the columns and may it redound to the question was raised in the Alliance. A good of some poor, blind wayfairer.

I am not, as you will see, a sub each member be a committee to tell scriber to your paper, but have been the ladies that we did not object, and reading it for sometime. I am an Alli | that their petitions would be received anceman from head to foot and shall and considered as if they came from of the money devil, and endorse our do all in my power to defend and pro- men. I am real sorry that "Farmer's WILEY H. LAMM. mote its cause.

4.4.5 THE SINGLE TAX THEORY.

234 PEARL ST., N. Y.

MR. EDITOR:-The question of the day is the question of taxation; and At the same time Crawford Alliance don't care what you name the baby, he few determined patriots, by giving its when so great progress has been made than could be hoped if all the making the day of their deliverance, or with during the past few years in its scienand selling were done by the farmer gaping mouths, distended eyes and tific study, it is almost melancholy to standing hair, cry out as their coward- observe the standard according to to condemn "Farmer's Wife," but to can Congress from 1862 until the presand that given first place incomparably in the election of a Democratic Presi- the purpose of eliminating bias of opin-Yet even presuming such precaution, went on to Snowden. portentous recital of data familiar to saying that Crawford Alliance is still every one, it winds up by proposing in the ranks. Fraternally, as a reform substantially the system of taxation which now exists. The second ode does a little better, since it shows an inkling of basic principles, Elect offices, begin paying in your from now until Nov. 15th but it has here strangely confused and from now until Nov. 15th presents no consistent theory of taxation. The third is the only one of the for 40 cents. Make up your Club-

may be called its potential productive now we have more millionaires and endorsed. capacity, differs from all other taxes, more tramps than any nation on the in that it does not inflict any burden globe. There is no doubt but that the laboring masses and wealth producers, upon industrial effort, that it does not unequal distribution of the products of determined to understand and mainincrease the cost of living, nor dimin- labor is the great cause of all this social tain their rights, the people must stick ish the amount of wealth produced, as and political trouble.

joyed by some men to the exclusion of takes possession of our hearts. others. It takes nothing out of the products of labor that is not inevitably

does not take account of it. EDW. I. SHRIVER.

41410 WILLING TO ADMIT THE LADIES.

CURRITUCK, Currituck Co., N. C.

motion was put before the body that Wife" had not known this before she writing up what she heard about said | will live a long time. Alliance. This article is not intended

miles I must confees that I feel mean about that myself, and know that sure y some misunderttanding was at the bottom of it, but Bro. Wilson explained retary, Bro. J. J. Ferebee, had written them to get off at Shawboro and that it was not any fault of his that they I hope "Farmer's Wife" will see this, send in her petition to Crawford Alliance and help us fight for "Sallie and the babies. will continue to prosper and the Farmers' Alliance continue to grow in G. W. WILLIAMS. The Progressive Farmer

tages accruing to the use of particular briety; but to day what is the outlock "If you are going to have me say so, nature and made available only by and toil, debts and oppression; hope likes me mighty well over the creek." presence of large populations) as is en | dies out in our bosoms, despendency | So if we are in favor of reform, say so,

ion about how to get out of this trouble. not, say so. Let us see where we stand: vielded by labor for the use of land, It is evident that the country has got if we are a friend to the people they and which the single tax would take to have some reform from these will take us by the hand and will say for stermeent in place of remitting it troubles, and that at once. My plan well done thou good and faithful serto individuals to collect as toll upon is to take the Ocala and St. Louis plat- vants, thou hast been faithful at last;" selves, and that quickly, for the crisis labor which they have not exerted. Its forms and stand on them until the last but if we are not in favor of and don't is at hand. We can wait no longer collection, therefore, in no way retards river is crossed. As you all know, I vote for reform, and don't stand solid the activity of trade or adds to the cost | have not been a member of this Order | as the rock of ages, they will say, "get stand idle and say within ourselves. of goods; but on the contrary, tends to very long, but I have endorsed its prin- ye behind me, satan," for it is brethren, stimulate industry by making it un- ciples for may years. I thank God I though shalt not tempt the Lord thy profitable to withhold land from use. have never belonged to either one of God. Now, brethren, let us run this Its extension from the partial employ- the two old parties; I never believed race; there is no praise to him who does ment which it is now given, to the sub- we would get any relief from them, nor not run but to him that runs and holds stitution of it in place for all other do I believe it now without a change. out faithful to the end I have been told taxes, is at worst a matter to be con- I have voted for friends on both sides that a wild goose, when she is going to sidered; and no treatise on taxation and have received appointment from take a long journey, perishes herself can now be an adequate one which both parties. I have belonged to the to make her light. Now I think we right, and I believe it to be right now. enough to be all right, so let us start as I have as much interest in it to-day as once and on next November we will I ever did, and I long to see the time | land at a heaven of rest. when the suffering women and little children shall be delivered from the curse of drunkenness and from a MR. EDITOR :- Crawford Alliance, No. drunkard's home and a drunkard's 1,253, appointed me to write and, in a hell. But that don't meet the case just just and wise principles in the very friendly manner towards "Farmer's now; while there are a great many dear faces of its enemies. Let us go hand in | Wife," state her true position. I am | women and children suffering from the sorry that it ever reached "Farmer's curse of whiskey, we are all suffering proclaiming the "glad tidings of great | Wife's ' ears that this Alliance would | from the curse of robbers endorsed by joy and good will toward all man- not receive female members. By some this system of government that has out of place to say a word about a pub-

> I want to be understood that I belong to the party that endorses our demands, and if the Democratic party should see proper to come back to these Jackson and Jefferson Democratic principles and take sides with the people instead platform square out, I don't want any dallying around the corner, but come wrote the article which appeared in straight out. Then I will be a Demothe columns of your paper. Crawford | crat, but if they refuse to do so, then I Alliance stands ready to-day and was am for the party that will adopt our ready when "Farmer's Wife" wrote platform, call it what you please, first, the letter, to receive lady members. twenty-third or fifteenth party. I cannot blame "Farmer's Wife" for is a good healthy fellow, and I think he

To my mind the record of the Ameri-"Farmer's Wife" said another thing most heartless crime. By contracting when Bro. Wright said: "That party the third prize being by far the best ance, and that was when she said, and been able to form trusts and syndicates that the people were reading for themshe told the whole truth, that our State which has reduced the people to a wage selves instead of letting the bosses use and District Lecturer and Bro. Otho slavery more heartless than any slavery them as tools to carry out their Wilson had to walk from Snowden to has ever been in America. The people schemes. He proved clearly that a the courthouse, a distance of about six having slept until this machinery was taste of Jeffersonian Democracy or and themselves in the hands of monop-Congress hall and practically control would be advocates. the U.S. Senate who does not tremble Hoping THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER have our liberties retrieved. The peo- White. ple are aroused, but the money devil is establish a military force Let us not us at every meeting. be deceived ; this cry for military force is not to defend ourselves from a foreign foe; the enemy is here among us; they tell us the wealth of the country must be protected It is not labor they want to protect, it is not the oppressed they from now until Nov. 15th want to protect, it is not the toiling millions they want to protect, but the for 40 cents. Make up your Clube.

on the rental value of land, on what aires; but that time has passed and come about and a new plan bas been

With a membership consisting of the together and elect their friends to office. does every tax on consumption, and as After the close of the war we labor. They must send their friends to Coneven an income tax does in some mea- ing people were a prosperous people. gress and be sure they are our friends We saw within our reach a home of before they send them. This year is Its levy is only upon such measure plenty for ourselves and families and one time we must do our own voting, of special opportunity for the gaining for old age. The bright future before and be sure we vote right. We must of wealth (due to the natural advan- us inspired industry, economy and so be like a negro told his sweetheartparcels of land that are created by for us? We see only before us labor and if you are not say so, for the gals and stick to it and yote for it, regard-Now I will proceed to give my opin- less of what other people say; if we are prohibition party believed it to be hayseeders have been starving long

M. G. BRYAN.

-----LETTER FROM ALEXANDER.

DEALSVILLE, N. C.

MR. EDITOR:-As nothing has appeared from this neighborhood in THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER, I think it is not means it got abroad that we would not been forced upon us by our law-makers. lic speaking. The members of the Farmers' Alliance, with a comparatively large crowd of believers and antis, assembled promptly at 11 o'clock, Thursday, April 28th, to listen to one of Bro. C. C. Wright's lectures on the financial grievances of the people.

Bros. Wright and W. W. Teague, Lecturers of the Eighth district, were there. Bro. Wright spoke one and a half hours and all listened with special attentiveness and the silence was broken only with occasional cheers. He began by briefly telling how the Alliance had originated from only a progress, and his specific reasons why its principles were stamped indelibly on the minds and hearts of the masses.

There were ex-Confederates present perfected, have awakened from their Lincoln Republicanism was a thing of dreams to find their liberties fettered | the past unless the farmer asserts his rights and maintains them next Noolies, who have crushed out not only | vember. Some of our citizens had been their liberty, but the life itself; and so busy trying to make ends meet that when we remember that the represen- they hadn't learned about the defeat of tatives of these monopolies set in our the Bland bill and its advocates by its The speaking was closed with some for the want of safety of our Republic. moral counsel that should ever be re-The result of this legislation has dready | membered by all who heard it, and been felt, and fears may justly be en- some very interesting remarks by tertained that we have gone too far to Bros. W. W. Teague and Senator The St. Louis platform was unanion the lookout. They arm themselves mously adopted by a rising vote. All and have asked an appropriation to would like to have Bro. Wright with

per of cows.

some definite number of cows.

similar to that of an alliance, with the special object named and certain rules to observed in delivery of milk, pay for butter, etc., paid down.

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The Progressive Farmer

Fraternally yours, R. L. SINGMAN, Sec'y.

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