

THE FIRST DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

Not every student of American history is aware that the Declaration of Independence signed at Philadelphia on July 4, 1776, glorious old document that it is, cannot claim to be the first expression by American people of revolt against British rule.

JOHN MITCHELL.

The leader of the coal-miners and President of the United Mine Workers is thus described in a brief sketch accompanying a striking portrait in The Outlook:

"Like so many other labor leaders in this country he is still a young man. He is thirty-three years of age. He went into the coal-mines as a boy of thirteen. His school education was supplemented by night studies, chiefly upon economic questions, and especially those relating to the organization of labor.

ANTI-NEGRO FEELING IN ILLINOIS.

Those Illinois Congressmen who are considering the outrages perpetrated by the Southern anti-blacks and seeking to make it the occasion for reducing representation in Congress must find in recent events in their own State that which gives pause to their exuberant oratory.

THE SOUTH AND ITS SCHOOLS.

The greatest need of agricultural life in the South today is farming communes, and there must be natural forces that will bring the country people together in such communes in wholesome ways.

The right kind of schools seems to be the only possible force to bring such a result. Southern civilization will need to be built around the school-house, and we shall need to steer clear, if possible, of the mistakes of other sections of the country.

AGRICULTURAL WEALTH OF VARIOUS COUNTIES.

From an article written by Mr. T. J. Pence for the Raleigh Post we select the following paragraphs regarding the relative standing of the counties in several particulars:

"The value of farm implements and machinery in Wake is \$218,600, in Davidson \$232,050, Guilford \$206,280, Mecklenburg \$232,690 and Randolph \$231,540, which counties lead in this respect. The valuation of live stock in Wake is \$655,241. Two other counties have a valuation higher than this, Mecklenburg \$708,286 and Ashe \$728,767.

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Raleigh Cor. Charlotte Observer: The need of a Reformatory in this State is pitifully great. There are a score of boys here who might at this moment be in such an institution.

We see it stated that in the county of Vance there are only fourteen whites between the ages of six and twenty-one who cannot read and write.

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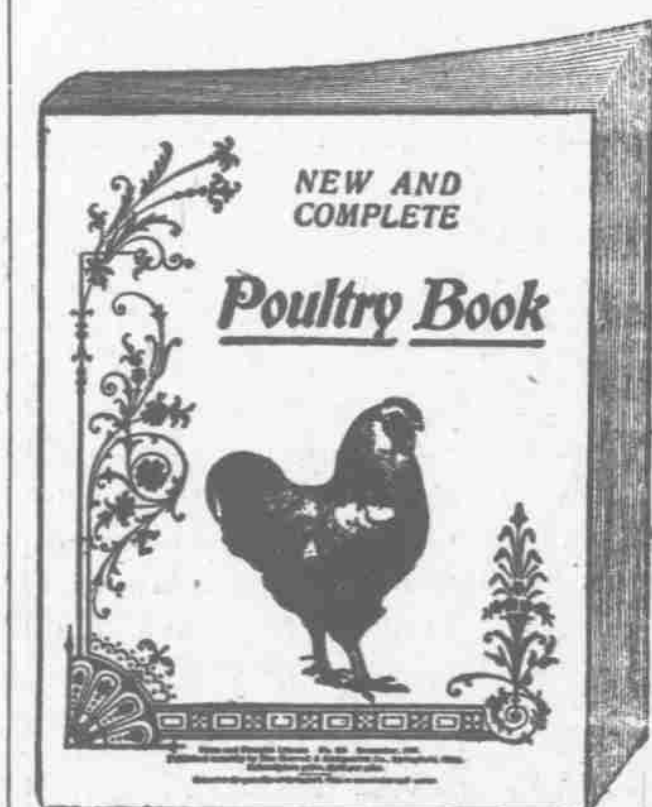
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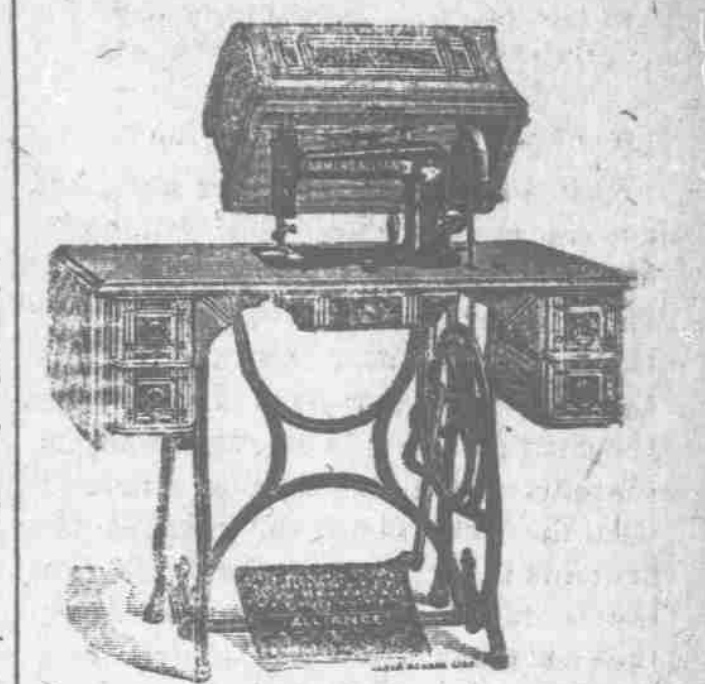
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