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You, sir—didn't you send us one or more trial 10-cent and 15-cent subscribers a few weeks ago?

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Actually, however, we have lost money on all these 15-cent subscribers; the paper was furnished at less than cost. Still we are willing to stand the loss if we can get these trial readers as regular members of The Progressive Farmer Family. That is why we made the offer, and that is why we want you to help us again.

We want you to see each of the trial subscribers you sent us and get him to subscribe for a year if he has not already done so. It is not our custom to allow anything at all for getting renewals. But in the case of these trial subscriptions, you may keep 25 per cent—one-fourth—of all you collect, or we will credit you three months on your label for each dollar you send us.

Now, Brother Club Raiser, I hope you will go for Mr. Trial Subscriber right away. His paper stops this week; he will not get another unless he renews. See him, and land him, or we have lost all the trouble of getting him into the fold. We don't want to find him falling from grace; we count on you to see that he keeps the faith.

And he can surely stay on the list if he will. Get him for a full year—one dollar—if you possibly can; otherwise, six months, at fifty-five cents; and lastly, try three months for thirty cents. Anybody can give you thirty cents for three months—or if he can't, and will promise to pay by the end of 1906, send us his name, and we'll continue the paper.

Now won't you, please, see each one of your trial subscribers right away—certainly in the next ten days? It is the opportunity of a life time to get each man as a permanent reader, and I shall regard anything you may do for us as a personal favor.

Yours sincerely,

CLARENCE H. POE,
Editor and Manager

LAST CALL FOR THE WINTER COURSE.

Remember it begins at A. & M. College at Raleigh, January 8, 1906.

You need this course: it will fit you better to farm; put interest in your work; increase your rewards.

Total cost, thirty dollars.

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C. W. BURKETT.

Among other excellent articles soon to appear in The Progressive Farmer is "How the Farmer May Best Spend the Winter Months" by Prof. Andrew M. Soule, of Virginia; "Where Rural Life is Happiest" by E. E. Miller of Tennessee; "New Year Reforms for Farmers" by Prof. J. M. Johnson of Georgia and Prof. J. N. Harper of South Carolina; "What is a Fair Price for Cotton?" by H. J. Faison; and two strong papers on "How to fight the Tobacco Trust," by Mr. W. B. Veazey of North Carolina and T. Y. Allen of Virginia.

THIS WEEK'S FEATURES.

COTTON ACREAGE.—President Harvie Jordan sounds the first note of the long campaign to keep down the 1906 cotton acreage, urging the necessity of crop diversification. Page 1.

THE TOBACCO ASSOCIATION.—President S. C. Adams, of Virginia, sends a ringing New Year message to Progressive Farmer readers, to be followed next week by strong articles by M. W. B. Veazey and T. Y. Allen. Page 1.

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BETTER LIVE STOCK.—Col. I. C. Wade, of Georgia, suggests that neighbors combine to purchase pure-bred sires. Page 3.

A COTTON TRUST.—Messrs. John P. Allison and B. F. Keith argue that farmers must control in any combine that may be effected. Page 4.

"THAT OLD FOOL WOMAN."—Dr. H. F. Freeman urges that she be kept out of the sick room. Page 6.

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USING FERTILIZERS MORE JUDICIOUSLY.—Dr. C. W. Burkett of The Progressive Farmer staff makes some suggestions that will save you from wasteful expenditures. Page 9.

JOHN BILLINGS.—It's not Josh Billings, but Josh could hardly beat "Uncle Jo's" selected sayings. Page 10.

OAKS AND PINES.—You will learn something new about these trees you have seen all your life. Page 11.

THE NEWS.—Our news review is crowded off our editorial page. Pages 12 and 13.

FOR THE YOUNG FOLKS.—Dr. Henry Wallace gives good New Year advice. Page 14.

TO TOBACCO FARMERS.

An Appeal by President Adams, of the Inter-State Association.

Messrs. Editors: I was glad to see Mr. Veazey's letter in The Progressive Farmer some weeks ago. It was to the point and right in line with the efforts of our Inter-State Tobacco Association. The future of our organization is bright.

Our aims and objects must be carried out if the producer of tobacco ever shares his part of the profits which are making the Tobacco Trust one of the richest and most oppressive of this country. The tobacco growers have the power to correct these evils, and when aroused by education they will assert their power. That these results may be speedily accomplished, every producer must realize that he individually must do his part. The officials of our organization are powerless unless our efforts are backed up by the manhood and financial aid of the rank and file.

Won't the tobacco grower learn a lesson from the Cotton Association which is doing so much for the producer of that staple?

Our plan to establish steam prizeeries and factories for plug and smoking tobacco will solve this problem if we will put our money and influence behind it. This has been proved by the plants we are operating. The dark tobacco growers of the West and of Virginia are rapidly falling in line, and in some sections have made the fight and won.

At this time, the beginning of a new year, it is in order to plan to do better along all lines. Let



PROF. ANDREW M. SOULE.

Prof. Soule is well-known to farmers throughout The Progressive Farmer's territory, having been for years at the head of the Agricultural Department of the University of Tennessee, and for two years now as Dean of the Virginia College of Agriculture and Director of the State Experiment Station, he has done much to give a new impetus to agricultural education in the Old Dominion. An occasional correspondent of The Progressive Farmer, Prof. Soule will write in next week's issue on "The Best Use a Farmer Can Make of the Winter Months."

one of our first plans be to talk up and work up our organization in our communities. What sense is there in starting out to do another year's hard work, and leave it to a heartless trust to name the price of your labor? Have you a common laborer in your section who will render you a year's hard service and leave the question of the price entirely to you? He is not there, and ought not to be. Have the intelligent tobacco growers of Virginia and North Carolina less manhood and business sense than the commonest laborer? That question will be answered by your action.

S. C. ADAMS,
President Inter-State Tobacco Growers' Association, Red Oak, Va.

Mr. Trial Subscriber—Here's a Good Example for You.

Editor Progressive Farmer: Yours of the 15th received too late for me to use your blank in renewing my subscription to The Progressive Farmer; I am in a club of trial subscribers with J. A. Battin, and I handed him \$1 before I got your letter. I am well pleased with the paper, and if it continues as good as it is, I will be a subscriber as long as I live, and when I am dead, I hope my children will take it and heed its advice in farming and many other good things. I am a poor man and bought me a little home nine years ago, and I have managed to pay for it without The Progressive Farmer, and now with the paper, why can't I make some money?

Wishing you all a happy New Year, I am,
N. J. ALLEN.

Clayton, N. C.