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## THIS WEEK'S PAPER—SOME RANDOM COMMENT.

This page's feature, an illustrated object lesson of what is taking place in the rural districts throughout The Progressive Farmer's territory, speaks for itself. Turn the leaf, and there is the great big subject of reform in baling American cotton. Another article on this same problem which is pressing harder and harder for solution—and pressing upon the cotton farmer's pocket-book at that—you will find on page 3 from the pen of Mr. W. C. Moore of South Carolina.

On this same page 3 is another article so laden with importance and timeliness that we have mentioned it to you on the tip-top of the first page. Mr. Patterson is a progressive Virginia farmer who has fattened his acres, his cattle, and his pocket-book by the methods he describes of sowing grass and clover at the last cultivation of his corn.

Rotation for the cotton farmer is a live subject of which Professor Massey begins to treat in this issue.

Will a hog farm pay? Mr. French, whose letter we put back again this week under its Sunny Home heading, thinks it would—that there's

If the growers and handlers of American cotton do not reform the present methods of delivering our cotton abroad, it will only tend to intensify the determination of foreign spinners to induce a larger production of cotton in other countries.

No other cotton shipped from any other part of the world carries a loss for "country damage."

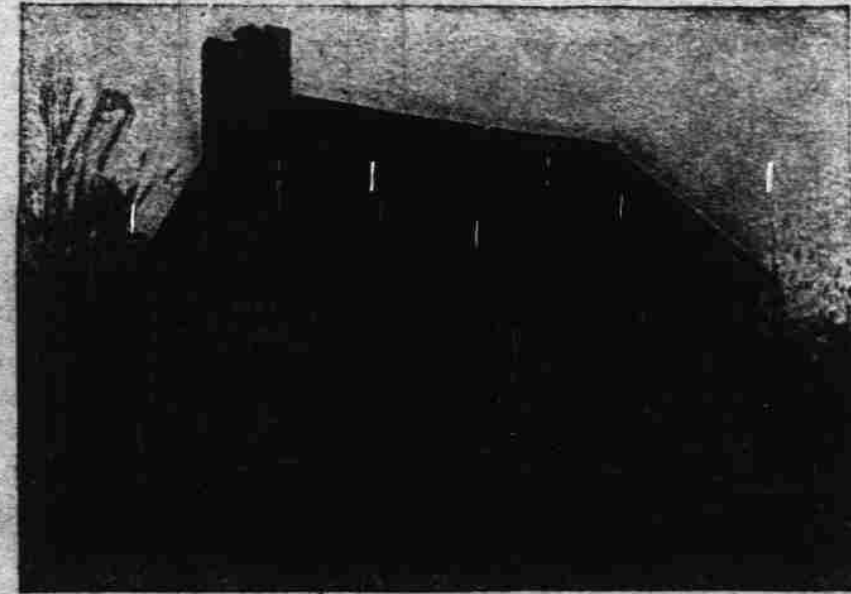
We should make the American bale of cotton as attractive from every standpoint as any other bale of cotton grown on any other land in the world. This should be so not only from a matter of pride, but from the economic demands of the present time in good business methods.

(See full articles, pages 2 and 3.)

money in a hog farm. Still he wouldn't go it that way, hogs exclusively.

Keeping a promise made in last week's paper, we are giving also Mr. A. J. Moye's views on the

## Before and After Taking.



## LOOK ON THIS PICTURE—

The cuts above show the old school buildings in Cedar Falls and Franklinsville districts, Randolph County, N. C., before taking consolidation and local tax.

## AND THEN ON THIS—

The two cuts below show the new buildings in these same Cedar Falls and Franklinsville districts after taking consolidation and the local tax.



## "GO, AND DO THOU LIKEWISE."

necessity for co-operation of the warehousemen and farmers.

If you knew a hard spell of dry weather was on the program just ahead, how would you prepare your crops to stand it to the best advantage? Perhaps the editorial on page 8 will help you. On page 9 you will find announcements of The Progressive Farmer's Field Marshals for the summer subscription campaign, and also a most interesting article by Harrow, full of horse-sense on the mule-raising business.

Visions of winter egg baskets filled with the fruit of the hen already fit before Uncle Jo's eyes, and so he is giving on page 11 some useful hints on present dieting of your larger hens that may greatly help the egg supply next winter.

And don't forget that the plan for getting a rural high school is explained by Supt. Joyner (page 14). And when you reach this there's a splendid stimulant in Dr. Stevens's article on the next page telling of the opportunities that await the trained farmer boy.

We came near overlooking the turnips on page 13—rutabaga turnips—one of the freshest and best articles in this week's paper. You will find Mr. Merriam's letter more than worth reading.

And then there are the Plow-Handle Talks, the Farmers' Organizations, the combination of the Home Circle and Social Chat with Mrs. Grimes in charge. Well, we've tried, in short, to spread a

good picnic dinner for the mental appetite of the family.

I have never failed to get a satisfactory stand of grass and clover when sown in corn.

Brother farmers, I want to see you do the profitable thing. Try sowing grass.

If the readers of this article could only see the stands of clover and orchard grass that I have gotten on very thin rolling land the past seven years, they would not hesitate to do likewise and profit by my experience.

These results have been obtained without one ounce of fertilizer.

(See Mr. Patterson's complete article on page 3.)

## No Institutes in Virginia.

Messrs. Editors: I have your postal. No Farmers' Institutes have been held in this State this summer on account of the Jamestown Exposition. There may be a few later, on however, but they have not been arranged.

Yours truly,

G. W. KOINER.