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on it for information and guidance concerning commercial, social and

"Should this powerful institution have a conscience, be amenable to moral law, be subject to considerations of right and wrong, be respon sible to God or man for its influ -Rev.Reynold E. Blight, Los Angeles, Cal.

## High Post Given Hogro.

President Taft has nominated Wil-liam H. Lewis, of Boston, a negro, to be an assistant attorney general of the Department of Justice. This is the first time that a negro has been named for such a prominent position in the department. Lewis, at present an assistant United State attorney at Boston is one of the best known negro lawyers in the United States. He will succeed recently to take up private law practice in Danville, Ill. The place pays \$,5000 a year.

There is a social side to the appointment, which is the most important that has been given to a negro since the days of reconstruction. Lewis' wife will have precedence at White House receptions over the ond, its effect upon the State. wives of representatives, and if she 1. Clearly, if a county can is invited, as is most likely, the President will probably find his re-ceptions boycotted. It is safe to say that no Southern representative will attend a reception at which the negro and his wife are among those

## To Sell & Million Bables.

Famine is making dreaded head-way in China that a million bables are offered for sale by parents who cannot support them and who need food for themselves. This is a terrible state of things. One can hardly feel like doing so. There are so many unpleasant things in this world nany unpleasant things in this wor with which we must come in conts that we are glad to get rid of all we

The sad truth is that half a milion babies can be spared in China lion babies can be spared in China, because there are so many of them. For a long time travelers denied that there could be 400,000,000 peo-ple in China, because such a large portion of the country was poorly settled or not settled at all. Recent le live from hand to mouth and he very alightest nourishment on the very alightest nourishmen It is said that 20,000,000 of Chine rere swopt away in the Tai Ping re-sellion, while 7,000,000 are said to have been drowned in one inundation the Yellow river.—Philodelphia

## dicts Cotten Said For Sale.

### State Ald For Road Building.

At each session of the General Asmbly some measure of State-wide mportance, some especial constructive, progressive legislation is enacted which marks a forward step in the upbuilding of the State. At this time there is no question which is creating more interest than that of building work will meet with the hearty approval of the people. During the these three elements of plant food. The farmer, knowing that these for the newspaper.

"It is the window through which for State aid for this purpose. No appropriate proportions and quantiinvertant or far-reaching ties will increase cropyields, neglects General Assembly for its considera- things which are equally or more tion. It is impossible for the State

to make direct appropriations for duction of crops. That these other to do is to authorize the State to aid cial flurries in Wall street and a the counties in this great work. This bill authorizes the creation

of a semi-annual road fund to be loaned to the several counties which comply with the provisions of the act. It affects no county which does not by vote avail itself of its privileges. It authorizes the issuance of State four per cent bonds, which are to be sold and the proceeds arising there from are to be loaned to the counties at five per cent. From this five per cent the four per cent interest is to be paid upon state bonds and the additional one per cent interest is to be used for creating a sinking fund for the purpose of retiring the State bonds at matu-

rity. In this way the counties get money for road building at five per cent, which pays both principal and per cent, and often more, for inter-est alone, and inless they lay aside est continues from generation plied can be made to "come back" to generation until a sinking fund is provided for retiring such bonds. The bill proposed does away with

this criminal wastefulness From a careful study of this mea sure it appears that there are but two questions to be considered—first its effect upon the counties, and sec-

1. Clearly, if a county can get its road money under it by paying for both principal and interest what it now pays for interest, is a good bill from the county standpoint.

2. But as to its effect upon the State, the bill asks for no appropriation, and only authorizes the State to lend its credit to the countles in order that they may get the benefit of cheaper rate of interest which the State can get by reason of the fact that it can sell a bond for four per cent, whereas a county cannot sell its taxible bond for less than five per cent. The State does not spend a dollar, except such as may be necessary to prepare and sell the bonds and keep the accounts with the several counties, and col-lect the interest due by the counties and pay out the interest due to the holders of the State bonds. The State is given every facility for the ollection of its interest that it has for the collection or any State tax, and a penalty is provided for each day any county shall be behind in the payment of its interest. Before a loan is made to any county, the bond of such county must be filed with the State Treasurer obligating such county to pay the five per cent neerest semi-annually at a fixed time. Upon failure to pay the State has every remedy for the collection of the amount due. The State spends nothing, but

The State upends nothing, but from increased taxables in every county where good roads are built it will get additional revenue for all time to come. Not only is the State not called upon to upend anything, but a way is provided for increasing its revenues. Where money has been expended for road building.

## DON'T DEPEND ON FERTILIZERS.

Why it is Impossible For Them To Maintain Solf Fertility.

The farmers of North Carolina tax the themselves about \$12,000,000 each year in their efforts to maintain soil fertility and other Southern States pay in proportion.

This tax is for commercial fertilgood roads, and any safe legislation izers purchased for the purpose of coking to the extension of this great supplying phosphorous, nitrogen, izers purchased for the purpose of measure has been presented to the to give attention to several other necessary to continued profitable prothings have been neglected is proven by the many thousands of worn and washed fields and by the many thousands of fields abandoned to broomsedge and old pine field. A large proportion of these ahandoned fields became abandoned in spite of the use of commercial fertilizers. Whether commercial fertilizers are or are not used, soil fertility must be maintained by having an ample depth of containing an ample quantity of humus and by a good soil texture. When fertilizers are depended upon for the maintenance of soil fertility too much is expected of them, and they have been in many instances responsible for decrease in natural soil fertility. They do not deepen the soil. They add no humus to the soil They do not make dormant

pland food available. They do not increase the soil's capacity for taking up or holding water. If these things are not done, soil fertility will not be nonintained by commercial fertilizers. A deep soil well filled with humus interest, whereas they now pay five will not only take up an abundant supply of water and hold it well. but will develop dormant into active and invest at compound interest one plant food Fertilizers applied to or more per cent at the maturity of such a soil will give larger and more their bonds the original debt remains profitable yields than will be given if undiminished. Few county bond is applied to shallow, humus-free soils. sues are paid at maturity, but re- The soils to which the twelve million

- 1. By preventing surface washing
- 2. By drainage of wet lands.
- 3. By deepening the soil. 4. By fall plowing.
- 5. By pulverizing the seed-bed. 6. By frequent shallow cultivation
- 7. By improved seed.
- 8. By better varieties.
- 9. By producing more home-grown

10. By growing more legumes, 11. By raising morn and better live stock.

12. By systematic rotation. The neglect of these twelve el ments of success are twelve cardinal sins against the soil and against agricultural progress. The neglect of them and the dependence upon com mercial fertilizers alone is responsible for the thousands of acres of abandoned lands now disfigured with gullies, and thousands of other acres now being cultivated and barely returning the cost of production. If half the amount of fertilizers now used were applied to soil upon which the above twelve things were practiced, the yields would be at east as large as at present; or, if the \$12,000,000 worth of fertilizers were applied to the same soil receiving the above treatment, the vields would be doubled or more than doubled -Prof. C. L. Newman in Progressive Farmer.

## A Good School in Your Neighborhood

It is not necessary to dig up the country home by the roots and take t to the city in order that the boys and girls may have a better school. It is questionable whether a city school, no matter how good, can furnish the particular training for a richer country life. Only a re-or-ganized, vitalized country school can solve the problem. And the new country school can not at all begin the solution of this problem unless the farmers believe more in their own schools and support them bet-ter. There is no other way. A trained teacher in a good sanitary eat thing needed,-Prof. O. J.

## Stick to the Newspaper.

Last week 150 business men of Kansas City held a banquet and the subject of advertisng received quite a lot of attention. Among the speakers was J. M. Robinson, a well known business man of Topeka, Kan., who gave them this kind of advice about advertising, and it is so good that it will bear repeating

'If you merchants want advertising, go to the plents that have built your city-the newspapers. They advertise you more than the little 6x9 display ad. you place in one corner of them can pay for. They sometimes say nice things about you, and often they don't say things about you which are not nice. The newspapes are the best advertisement a city or a group of

usiness possesses.' The business world is coming to realize the truth of these statements more each day. A city is known by its newspapers because they reflect the business, social and intellectual life of the community. The busiiness men today who are succeeding are the ones who are using the newspapers, not once a month or once a veek, but every day in the year. It is constant licks that makes business and the man who strikes a lick and then waits until the iron cools will never accomplish much in the world of business. You cannot do business unless you reach the people and you cannot reach the people in any way as effectively and as cheap as in the newspaper,-Raleigh Times.

#### Go To Work.

(A young man started out to search for happiness. He roamed the world over in his fruitless quest and at last in his old age found it in his garden while digging amonng his flowers.)

Man has many blessings but the greatest of all is the ability to work. Are you miserable? Get to work. Does the world look blue and sad? Go to work. Have your friends deserted you and is all hope gone? funding bonds are issued, and the dollars worth of fertilizers are ap-Search for work. It will help your nake you forget your trouble, work is the greatest panacea for unhappiness. It is open to you from youth to old age. Work with your mind or with your hands, with your heart or with your soul. Do something -if it is only to make a chicken coop -and sadnesss will after awhile give way to gladness, tears to smiles. The rainbow of hope will span the clouds and tomorrow the glorious Sun will rise in a clear sky and the birds will sing their sweet melody. -'X'," in Lexington Dispatch,

## I Rise to Remark

Many things are well done that are ot worth doing. Keep busy and you'll have no time o be miserable

After all, intuition is but another word for feminie suspicion. Of two evils choose neither.

All men are equal at birth and death. Some men's only claim to distinction is a pair of white trousers or a

three-colored hat-band. Most everybody wishes he could live his life over again, but few

rould live much better. Eloquence is the truth well told. An echo is the shadow of a noise. A christian doesn't have to tell

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the coupons published elsewhere in The Graphic has been extended until Saturday, March 18th. In order for you to get the advantage of this spiendid offer you must clip out the coupon and mail it in time to reach The Graphic office on or before that

Do you know that of all the minor allments colds are by far the most dangerous? It is not the cold itself that you need to fear, but the serious diseases that it often leads to. Most of these are known as germinated. Presuments and consumers

## COTTON PICKER A MARVEL

#### Goodwin & Hardings Nachine Doe The Work at Small Cost.

Cotton picking successfully by a nachine is an assured fact. That a machine that does the work has been invented by Raleigh men is a source of local pride. The Whitney cotton gin effected a revolution in preparing cotton for the market. The Goodwin & Harding estton picker effects a revolution in gathering the cotton.

A few days ago the Goodwin & Harding cotton picker was success fully demonstrated at the Hobby farm near Raleigh. Yesterday afternoon there were four demonstrationsat the Raleigh Iron works, and each was a success. Cottou plants with cotton bolls on them had been set out and the new picker-a twentieth century marvel-did the work of picking cotton cleanly and rapidly.

A large and representative crowd attended the demonstrations yesterday, and there was great enthusi-asm over the work. It is a wonder in picking cotton," was the verdict, for the cotton picker worked like a charm.

The cotton picker, with one man ising two pickers, has a capacity of bale a day, the cost about twenty cents a hundred pounds, as against fifty cents by hand, the results showing one man in a day can pick 1,000 pounds, as against 150 to 200 pounds by hand. The machine is not an expensive one, its cost being such as to put it in the reach of every thrifty farmer. It is no heavier than an ordinary one-horse wagon, and it does not injure the cotton plant. One of the machines will carry two to four men, and this means the picking of two to four bales each day by one machine.

The power is supplied by a small gasoline engine and the cotton is taken from the plant into a tube, drawn in by a flexible shaft, the cotton being carried on by the use of a small revolving fan through a flexible tube into a receptable. The machine has fully shown that it being astounded at its work. It will make a revolution in cotton picking.-News and Observer.

## What Is A Dollor.

paper," says one. No more than "Circulating medium," says one. No more than that "Something that you borrowed from your friend," says another. No more than that. That dollar is a part of my life. I worked hard yesterday and earned a dollar. I might have spent it in a minute's time and been no richer for the investment, but I did not spend it. It was the only tangible thing I had out of the whole day's existence. The joy, the opportunity, and the privileges of the day had gone into silence of the eternity that has passed. That dollar is my yesterday, I may spend it. and start tomorrow bankrupt. may keep it and tomorrow need not work at all, because my yesterday's dollar will pay for the services of one who may do the work better than myself; or, I may work again tomorrow and the next day, and the next, and save my yesterdays until I have long years of yesterdays, strong and capable of toil, who shall labor for me and keep me in comfort when my body is too weak to toil. A dollar is part of a man's life, and as he guards his health to take care of the future, so should he guard his dollars to secure the full service of the past.—,,George Wood And-erson, in National Magazine.

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