

ERRORS IN REFERENCE TO THE ST. LOUIS CONVENTION.

In order to make clear how the many errors about the St. Louis Convention have gotten in the newspapers, it will be well to explain the facts.

First, The Farmers' Alliance and the Agricultural Wheel, both secret organizations, having similar ends in view, consolidated at Meridian, Miss., conditionally—if three-fourths of the States ratified the new name—The Farmers' and Laborers' Union—then thereafter, they were to be one. The consolidation was effected, and the President of the orders conferred with two organizations in the North (not secret) one known as the Mutual Benefit Association and the other as the Farmers' Alliance (Northwestern) and these two now secret organizations called a convention to be held in St. Louis at the same time.

At the same time the National Farmers' Alliance (colored) representing one million of members, also met in St. Louis.

The Mutual Benefit Association and the Farmers' Alliance of the North-west did not unite with the Farmers' Alliance and the Agricultural Wheel until the last day of the convention.

This accounts for the many different reports as to resolutions about the tariff, temperance, etc. The different orders, North and South, met at different places in the city and their proceedings are each separate from, and have no relation to the other, up to the time of their uniting.

Again, there was a confederation between all and the Knights of Labor. Not that the Knights of Labor have all of our views or we all of theirs, but a common poverty induced us to find some points on which we could agree, and the points agreed upon were made cardinal points, so that North, South, East and West, the farmer, mechanic or laborer can all sing the same song to the same tune.

It is earnestly hoped that all labor organizations will confederate in the same way. In the South, we want higher prices for cotton. In the West they want higher prices for wheat, and the Knights want higher wages. We all want more currency among the people and less in the bank vaults.

Petitions are not worth the paper they are written on. Legislators do not pay any attention to them.

If neither party will conform to our demands we will find good men that are willing to stand for our principles and we will vote for them without regard to what party they may have belonged to.

OLD FOGY.

VOLUME OF CURRENCY.

BY OLD FOGY.

The circulating medium of any country as to its volume should be based on its population and civilization.

Political economists ordinarily lose sight of the fact that a pro rata circulation that would have been ample a century ago would not be sufficient now.

I can best make these propositions plain by example.

1: RATIO OF POPULATION AND CIRCULATION. If a country with 1,000,000 inhabitants has a pro rata of wealth of \$100 per capita and its circulating medium is \$10 per capita, and this proportion is found ample for their needs, it does not follow that this proportion would be sufficient for a country whose civilization was higher.

2: RATIO OF POPULATION AND CIVILIZATION. If the country we have used as an example uses hand labor in mining, manufacturing and agriculture and another country of equal area and population used the labor of civilization, that is, the labor of other generations crystallized into improved methods and improved machinery, the circulating medium ought to be proportioned to the amount of crystallized labor used, as well as pro rata with population. Each laborer in the first instance only represents himself, in the latter case each laborer is representing the labor of tens and hundreds of other laborers whose brain and brawn developed and perfected the machines or methods used.

This leads us to the conclusion that circulation ought to be commensurate with civilization as well as population.

Today governments are willing to issue certificates—a currency bill of exchange—on the products of gold and silver mines but upon no other products. And why? Simply because the hucksters of the world can control and store in their own bank vaults by legislative enactments and control the amount to be used.

Iron has a much greater practical value than gold or silver but it is so plentiful that it could not be controlled.

Is it not just as practicable to issue bills of exchange on wheat or cotton deposited as it is on gold or silver? "We shall see what we will see."

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LAWYERS AND LITIGATION.

In a recent address delivered at Chicago, Judge Walter Q. Gresham, declared that the standard in his profession was not so high as it was twenty-five years ago, and that the law drew less and less upon the ablest and best men of the nation. David Dudley Field, a lawyer of equal eminence, asserted not long ago, in an address before the American Bar Association, that one of the chief reasons for this change was the undue multiplication of lawyers. He cited the fact that there were 70,000 lawyers in the United States, against 7,000 in Germany and 8,000 in France, the number in proportion to the population being more than seven times as great as in Germany and five times as large as in France, as evidence that the courts were clogged, cases strung out indefinitely and the whole machinery of justice hampered and degraded by the scrambles for business of three or four times as many lawyers as are needed. There is much force in these statements by two of the most eminent lawyers of the day. It is apparent to all observers that there is a vast amount of litigation fomented by hungry lawyers and that all necessary legal business could be done as well and much more rapidly with one-half of the bar growing crops or making cloth and tending. It is equally clear that the tendency of this scramble for a livelihood is to make the law less attractive to men of the highest abilities and to lower the standard of the profession. For the interests of the public and of good lawyers as well, there should be a persistent effort on the part of law making bodies to simplify the methods of the courts and increase their efficiency. If cases could be finally disposed of in half the time now required the saving to the public would be enormous, hundreds of petty-foggers would be driven out of business, and the legal profession would gain greatly in the respect and confidence of the public.—Cleveland Leader and Herald.

OFFICIAL

Announcement from the Chairman of the Committee on Legislation of the National Farmers' Alliance and Industrial Union.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3, 1890.

In pursuance of the action taken at St. Louis by the Supreme Council, the undersigned called upon Hon. Robert A. Porter, Superintendent of the United States Census Bureau, on the 26th ultimo and presented him a copy of the resolutions passed by the Supreme Council requesting that the next census be made to contain evidence as to the number of renters and land owners, also the amount of mortgage indebtedness. He assured the undersigned, in the presence of United States Senators Coke and Reagan, that the census enumeration, as he now contemplates taking it, will contain evidence as to the number of persons who own land, city and country separate and the number who rent or lease; the number of mortgages upon real estate as shown by the records in each of the counties, the amount of such mortgages, the number of acres so mortgaged and the rate of interest named in each mortgage, all of which will be so separated and classified that the encumbrance upon country and city realty may be estimated separately.

While this does not cover all the points asked by the Supreme Council at St. Louis it does seem to practically furnish the data necessary, and the undersigned thinks the Superintendent of Census deserves credit for the effort he is making to accommodate the public demand in this direction.

C. W. MAUNE, Chairman Executive Board and

Com. on Legislation, N. F. A. and I. U. The above has been submitted to Hon. Robert H. Porter for correction and was returned with the statement that, "as to the number of persons who own land, city and country separate, and the number who rent or lease," could not be obtained from the records. It is therefore understood that this class of information will come from the house to house canvass. This is the only correction offered to the above statement, consequently it has been ratified as legal.

NATIONAL FARMERS' ALLIANCE AND INDUSTRIAL UNION,

Washington, D. C., January 3, 1890. At an early day the Ritual, containing form for burial service, will be published and issued from this office. Also the Constitution and Statutory Laws of the Order, with simple and practical rules of parliamentary usage.

These books will be printed in neat and durable style and will each bear the imprint of the seal of the National Order. Rituals and National Constitutions without such imprint will not be recognized as official.

This office can supply State secretaries only. Members of the order must apply to their State secretary.

By order of the President, J. H. TURNER, Secretary N. F. A. and I. U.

All communications for L. L. Polk, President National Farmers' Alliance and Industrial Union, or for J. H. Turner, national secretary, should be addressed in care of—The National Economist, Washington, D. C.

All mail for the secretary of the National Farmers' Alliance and Industrial Union should be addressed to "J. H. Turner, secretary, N. F. A. and I. U., care National Economist, Washington, D. C."

IN MEMORIAM.

RIDGEWAY ALLIANCE, No. 132, Granville Co., N. C.

MR. EDITOR:—It is our duty to inform you that the pale messenger death has again visited us and taken from our midst our beloved Bro. L. A. Veazey, on the 29th of November last, in his 28th year. He was our Business Agent and a consistent and active member of our order. We feel that we have lost one whose place will be hard to fill. Yet we believe our loss is his eternal gain, as he left satisfactory evidences to his surviving friends by a godly walk and conversation and an active and consistent member of the Baptist Church, a good citizen and a prosperous farmer, and passed away in full assurance of a blessed immortality.

W. L. TAYLOR, Supt., Dabney, N. C.

The National Economist Almanac is the cheapest and most valuable publication for farmers and Alliance men that has ever been presented to the public. It is a perfect hand-book and gives valuable facts nowhere else to be found. For two cash subscribers to THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER, we will mail a copy of the almanac postpaid. You can't afford to do without it. It is worth ten times the price.

Capt. W. A. Darden will address the Alliances at the following times and places:

Dark Branch School House, Duplin Co., Wednesday, January 8th. Sarecta, Duplin Co., Thursday, January 9th. Catharine Lake, Onslow Co., Friday, January 10th. Peanut, " " Saturday, " 11th. " " " " Monday, " 13th. " " " " Tuesday, " 14th. " " " " Wednesday, " 15th. " " " " Thursday, " 16th. " " " " Friday, " 17th. " " " " Saturday, " 18th. " " " " Sunday, " 19th.

When the above appointments have been filled, Captain Darden will canvass the Sixth Congressional District, the appointments for which will be made in due time.

The blanks above are left so the people of the counties named who will select places for speaking.

Bro. S. Otho Wilson, representing this office, will be at the following places on dates named, and I earnestly request that every Sub. and County Business Agent shall meet him promptly, as he has important information for the Business Agents and Alliances:

Warrenton, Tuesday, Jan. 7. Tarboro, Wednesday, " 8. Nashville, Thursday, " 9. Louisville, Friday, " 10. Clinton, Monday, " 13. Burgaw, Tuesday, " 14. Lumberton, Wednesday, " 15. Fayetteville, Thursday, " 16. Carthage, Friday, " 17. Pittsboro, Saturday, " 18. Rockingham, Tuesday, " 21. Wadesboro, Wednesday, " 22. Monroe, Thursday, " 23. Charlotte, Friday, " 24. Gastonia, Saturday, " 25.

Bro. S. Otho Wilson will take orders for seals, \$2.25 delivered.

It is important that every Alliance be represented, as matters of the greatest importance to all will be considered.

W. H. WORTH, S. B. A.

ALLIANCE NOTICE.

There will be two days session of the Granville County Alliance January 4th and 5th, 1890.

Delegates will come prepared to remain through the session. W. T. ADAMS, Pres't Granville Co. Alliance.

NOTICE.

In obedience to instructions from the State Executive Committee, I have just visited several of the Northern cities to make arrangements for trade with leading houses and manufacturers and am now prepared to have orders filled on very favorable terms. All orders should be sent through the County Business Agent and properly sealed. All orders for cotton bagging can now be promptly filled.

W. H. WORTH, S. B. A.

TO THE ALLIANCE BUSINESS AGENTS.

This office has information for your Alliances which cannot be sent to all for want of the address of the Business Agents.

Please send number and name of Alliance and address of Business Agents at once. Fraternally, W. H. WORTH, State Business Agent.

October 5th, 1889.

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The Wake County Alliance Business Agency is now established at 307 South Wilmington street, Raleigh, and the Agent is now ready to attend to the wants of the Alliances of the county. If you want to sell your farm products, stock, or the handiwork of your wives or daughters, or if you wish to purchase anything in this market, your Agent may be of material benefit to you. If you have stock of any kind to sell, give me a careful description and price of same that I may record it in this office, or if you wish to buy stock, call at this office and examine my registry. Consult this office on the market prices of all your products, and bagging for covering your cotton. Cotton stored and money advanced on same at the lowest rates for charges. Let your wants be known to this office and they shall be attended to.

R. JAS. POWELL, Bus. Agent.

A CARD.

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W. H. WORTH, S. B. A.

IMPORTANT ALLIANCE NOTICE.

On Thursday, the 9th day of January, 1890, there will be an Alliance Convention held in the town of Oxford, Granville county, N. C., mainly in the interest of the tobacco growing counties. Subjects of vast importance will be discussed and decided steps taken for protection. All tobacco counties are requested to send at least three delegates. Don't fail to attend to this at your January meeting. All Alliance men are invited to attend and participate in the deliberations.

The committee on arrangements will meet the brethren at the depot Wednesday evening and Thursday morning and consign them to their respective places of abode.

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NOTICE.

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