THOUGHTS FOR THE MONTH.

Any one, who expects to farm successfully the present year, must be ready to push work vigorously now. The blacksmith's motto is, strike when the iron is hot-the farmer's should be, plough whenever the ground is dry-and only then. If land has not been broken heretofore, lay off rows and bed up now, with a view to reversing beds before planting time. If this provisional bedding in advance was universally adopted, it would prevent the formation of many a gully. Defects in laying off rows could readily be discovered and remedied whilst rebedding. But if rows are permanently laid never corrected again that year, and, by the end of the season, a permanent wash is established. The proper time for rebedding s determined by the nature of soil-if very ight and sandy, it is best to do the work me time in advance of planting, to allow "settling" and compacting of the soilherwise the surface dries off so rapidly, becomes very difficult to obtain a "stand," rticularly of cotton. If the land is "stiff," is better to delay the operation longer. PUTTING IN MANURE.

This, of course, ought to be done while bedding. By plowing out the water fur-w of the first bed very deep, the manure by be put in very deep also, if desired. he proper depth is to be determined by circumstances. In clay lands, where both the soil and climate are unfavorable to early maturity of cotton, it is best to put manure in rather shallow, say 3 or 4 mehes below the surface. But where there is no difficulty about the crop maturing, if the laud is broken deep, it is well to put the fertilizer is still deeper, as the crop is then less liable to be "burned up" by it. Where it is put in deep, however, a small portion ought to be deposited with the sped when planted, to push the crop forward at once. It is an excellent plan to distribute manure, cover with two furrows, and finish bed just befor planting. This gives a clean bed ever where, unless it be a narrow strip on the to and that is electred in the ass of planting

wetted, and for their more soluble portions to diffuse themselves through the adjacent soil. Commercial fertilities may be put in last, their small wilk requiring little water to wet them thoroughly. There is not

PREPARATION FOR CORN.

Inasmuch as fertilizers adapted to corn are highly ammoniated, it is not a good policy to apply the larger portion of them in advance of the planting. A little put is the drill and bedded on probably answers a good purpose in making the young corn strong and vigorous, but an abundance of food, in the early stages of growth, encourages the formation of too much stalk—a tendency already too strong in our hot climate and long summers. The larger portion of the manure applied at the second working, or when the corn is half leg to knee high, and contains the heaviest earing. At that stage, the corn may be sided very closely without material damage, the spar or brace roots, which form soon after, repairing any injury done, and taking up, as needed, the manure last applied. We should be very glad to have reports of the big crops of corn made last year -- mode of manuring, cultivating, &c.

SPRING OATS.

If fall sown oats have been killed out by cold, sow over again; or, if you did not sow enough then, put in more now. Don't sow spring oats on poor land-unless you are willing to manure them well. A good application of stable manure, or cotton seed meal, or the crushed seed, (500 fbs. per acre) nitrate soda, applied as a top-dressing the latter part of March. If any of the phosphates are used, the most highly ammoniated will be best-but none of them are as highly ammoniated as they ought to be for a grain crop—they are arranged to suit the wants of cotton, not grain. Peruvinn guano and cotton seed are much better adapted to the latter.

CLOVER AND GRASS.

From the 15th February to the 15th March is the proper time to sow clover and winter grasses, whether upon small grain or by themselves. We repeat advice often given, sow a plenty of seed-clover 15 lbs. per acre, Orchard grass, two bushels, Herds and Blue grass, one bushel each. Clover' and orchard grass make a good combination, as they are ready to mow at same time .-Elegant pastures of blue grass can be made | lin, in N. Y. Tribute.

at the South, by thinning out pines in old BEN HILL'S GREAT SPEECH IN FAVOR OF THE SCENE DURING SENATOR CONKLING'S THE ELECTORAL BULL. GREAT SPEECH. fields, where the soil is naturally strong and stiff, burning off, sowing seed and lightly harrowing them in. It may be done either in spring or fall. None of the cultivated grasses grow well on poor land-they require a soil as rich as that required to make good wheat.

BERMUDA GRASS.

As many are seeking information conperning this grass, we devote a paragraph to it. The plant bears flowers in this country, but does not perfect seed-hence must be propagated by portions of its underground stems. All that is necessary, is to drop pieces of these at short intervals in furrows three feet apart and list on them. By the second year it will be to take posession of the land. We would remind the inexperienced that it is very difficult to eradicate, and should only be put on land intended for permanent pastures. In its place it is very good, out of it, it is very bad. By far the best summer grass we have, and an indispensable adjunct to theep raising.

BWEET POTATOES. Prepare a good large patch for potatoes.
Land rather dry is best. Lay off rows 4

United States was at that very moment
to 5 feet apart, and put in a liberal supply
of woods earth and calles. In the absence of sahes, use 100 ths. of kainit and 100 ths. of acid phometate with the woods earth. Make low beds now--complete them , he after. Arrange to have a hot bed or its body was convinced, even the most partisan equivalent to enable you to have "slips" ready by the last of April. Glass in desirable, but not indispensable—a supply of planks to cover at night and in only weather and to keep out rain is all that is necessary. In a few burning words his adhesion to Dig out in a sheltered place, a trench 5 the measure. His sentences describing feet wide, (length to be determined by the condition of the South, speaking quantity of seed positions) and 2 feet deep, as he uid of himself as the product of and about the middle of March all it to Southern institutions, created an "effusion," depth of one dot with a history of stable to use a French word, among the listeners manure and leaves noisten these lightly of a full house and crowded galleries, which and tramp these mederately. Place upon broke out in applause so sincere and so well this a layer of rich, triable earth 6 inches

UPLAND RICE.
This is a valuable crop, and worthy of more extended cultivation than it has received. With proper management, rice also to highly ammoniated manures, for the manure are excellent fertilizers for it.—
ammonia is constantly disposed to charge Must be ploughed and heed sufficiently to into nitrates.

PREPARATION FOR CORN.

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Southern Cultivator:

Sit down, but a little telegraph boy handed him a dispatch. He broke, the soil and read what had that moment, then received, for it bore the private mark of "1.30" show-

> sprace, both land and ware; sprace but the sprice of a possible we should have but the spreading and the liberal wegut would have the langth of 8 full rose 41,300 billions of mires. The speci of springs 102,000 miles and, and is spring late 743,600 years. per second, and the world late 743,600 years to seach the collected between the furthest wagon; if hearts have better control over the wagons on total seas, stationed himself in the cause of the line. Again, a robbery gould be cause. himself in the califie of the line. Again, a robbery could be committed on the hindermost wagon, which would not be discoved
> till the 24,178th generation of the collectors.
> If, on the contary, instead of ming the
> interest of the capital, the built of which,
> by the by, would be equal in gold to fortyfour globes,) this capital were distributed
> among the people of the earth, each one of
> its 1,000,000,000 of inhabitants would receive about 1,200 trillions of dellars to live
> on, and could every second use \$2,000,000 on, and could every second use \$2,000,000 for 38,096,000 years, without reaching the bottom of his purse.

A GOOD CEMENT .- A good cement for mending almost anything may be made by mixing together litharge and glycerine to the consistency of thick cream or fresh put-ty. This cement is useful for mending stone jars or any other coarse earthenware, stepping leaks in seams of tin pans or wash bollors, crucks and boles in bellors, cracks and holes in iron kettles, &c., I have filled holes an inch in diameter in kettles and used the same for years in boiling water and feed. It may be used to fasten on lamp tops, to tighten loose belts whose nuts are lost, tighten loose joints of wood or iron, loose boxes in wagon-hubs, and in a great many others. In all cases the article mended should not be used till the cement has hardened, which will require from one day to a week, according to the quantity used. This cement will resist the action of water hot or cold, acids, and almedicine. They may be used alternately, most any degree of heat.—J. H. P. Frank-however, without interference, in sufficiently

WASHINGTON, January 26 .- The fea ture, to-day, in the House was the ten-minute speeches of members on the Edmunds bill, and there could have been given no better evidence of the truth of Mr. Conkling's paradox when he apologized the other day, in the Senate, for the length of his speech "because he had not had time to shorten it." Nearly every speech was model in its way of taking Judge Black's celebrated plan of "coming at once to the middle of things," of terseness and directness to the point desired, and in several instances open applicane from both sides the House greeted the member as the Speaker's hammer fell. .

DEN HILL'S BRILLIANT SPEECH.

Especially was this so in the case of Ben" Hill, of Georgia-he who has always been known as representing the fireeating element of the South. When he started off the noisy House calmed down to listen as they thought to a repetition of last year's intemperate madness-to call it by a mild name but no, the man whose aspirain few of the most thrillingly beautiful periods that probably ever were spoken in that chamber. Before he sat down everydemagogues, toward whom he was looking on the other side of the house, that he was bidding for no votes, though the snarling pessimist might say so, but simply giving the measure. His sentences describing curb it with his generally industrious gavel-PEACE! PEACE! PEACE!

luding to the results of civil was her cry is Peace ! Peace ! Peace ! with one voice-civil war redresses no wrong, preserves no right-if you doubt It look here and be convinced !" and then he came to his peroration, the whole House by this time much danger of leaching, except in case of very light sandy lands, and where manner applied is a nitrate—this phould never be applied long in advance of the prop white is to be fed on it. The same remark applies

Fouth!" cried he in a splendie

ing the minute it had been received ; ATLANTA, GA -Hon. B. H. Hill: You Ilitt.

KENNON.

So that literally while Ac was uttering his patriotic words, the ballots were falling which would give him as a reward the object of his bighest ambition—a sees in the United States Senate.

Probably every man in the House in the next hour; Republicans and Democrats alike. shook his hand in congratulation, beth for his speech and for his speecess over Norwood, the present Senator. Prye, of Maine, one of the most Radical members, expressed the general feeling when he said to "I give you my most sincere congratulation." Hill was a new toy; smiles flooded his somewhat rugged face, which, say what you please, is not the ideal face or head of an able man, but rather suggest a narrow soul and a soured life. But his words do not thus slander his heart, if from the heart the mouth speakoth. He remarked to a questioner, alluding to his election, "I thought it was possible this morning but not probable."

A CURE FOR DIPHTHERIA .-- Dr. Chenery, of Boston, has lately discovered that hyposulphue of soda is the specific remedy against diphtheria—that so much dreaded ailment, which of late years has carried off many valuable lives. He reports a very large number of cases (158 within his own practice) saved by the use of this remedy. The dose of the hyposulphite is from 5 to 15 grains or more in syrup, every two of To grains or more in syrap, every two or four hours, according to age and circumstances. It can do no horm, but if too much is given it will purge; as much as the tient can bear without purging is a good rule in the severer cases. The solution or mixture can be used in dotes of five drops to half a draghm in milk. The amount for thorough stimulation is greater than can be taken in water. The doctor usually gives it in such doctor. in milk using milk, besides as food for small children. One fact, however, needs to be borne in mind, namely, the hyposulphite prevert the digestion of milk, audit should not be given in less than an hour after taking the frequent doses.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24 .- Scuator Conk. ing finished his speech on the Compromise Electoral bill to-day. It has been the greatest oratorical eff. rt of his life. History will rank it with the best efforts of Webster, Calhoun and Clay. Yesterday it was Fer ry-the embodiment of the infamous pro position that to the President of the Squate belonged the right of counting the electoral sote-who fell before Conkling's critical analysis of the Constitution and precedents .-To-night Morton and Sherman as propaga tors of that fallacy, promoters of factions partisan opposition, and instigators of the direful pecessity which would forge one man to assume super constitutional power, and place a usager in the White House, he pros-trate under Coukling's complete refutation of their assertions and his scathing denunciation of their methods. The cobwebs of doubt they spun he has swept away with his resistless logic. He has fortified the findings of the committee by the opinions of the greatest jurors and lawmakers this country has produced. He has smitten the conspirators hip and thigh with their own re-

. Words would fail to paint, to portray the dramatic power which the New York Senator displayed to-day. Morton, brazen faced, sat through it all in his place, almost within reach of Conkling's sweeping ges-tures; but the angry look in his eyes, the affected sneer about his mouth, and the angry tone of his cecasional interjections, which would not be altogether suppressed, showed plainly how terribly the chief of the bloody shirt brigade was suffering under the biting sarcase which fell from Conkling's aps. Every phrase was sugar-coated in language most perfectly parliamentary; but the sugarcoating only made more bitter the gall and wormwood underneath. Sherman, livid with anger and baffled hate, sat next to Morton, his eyes cast down, his fingers toying nervously with pencil and paper .-Above these two Conkling's tall form towered. Toward them he faced almost constantly, and through voice and gesture there seemed to run a threat of triumph and defiance as though the favorite son of New York was conscious at last of having routed the carpet-baggers who have sought to make him a Prodigal Son in his own party. The scene in the Senate Chamber while Mr Conkling was speaking was a more interesting event than yesterday.—
The galleries were again packed full at 10 o'clock, and a more brilliant assemblage, if possible, blackened the floor of the chambers of of the ch Sharman, romartably like his

Amself behind his brother, and sat through the long session. From the Diplomatic ton, the British Minister, Tooked down an observant and interested spectator. Grand-pa Taft's obese form and Pecksniffian face occupied a conspicuous place in the front row on the Republican side. The cynical Edmunds, with chin on chest, sat hugging himself with delight, and smiled with a sort of sardonic satisfaction at every telling sontence, Timid Hamlin left his seat at Conkling's right, and his attenuated form paced benches Nearly every Senator sat with bowed head and in an attitude of profound attention. The galleries had listened to a wearisome hurangue of three hours from Sargent before Conkling began ; but he held them in rapt attention from 2 o'clock until nearly 6.

A CHARLE -There is a disposition shown on the part of some of the Republican leaders to advocate the abolition of negro suffrage when it becomes apparent that the colored vote can no longer be controlled by

In a recent number of the New Orleans Republican the proposition was distinctly stated, that if the Republican party should from any cruse, be brought to believe "that the representation of the colored people can a directed by them in the man no longer ir bearts and consciences would ner that th dictate" meaning if they should refuse to vote en masse according to the orders of their selfenstituted leaders-then the very object of Junting that representation would be best romoted by suppressing a power be best comoted by suppressing a power captured hid turned against its defenders. To this the Picayane replies that, though the Demotratic party opposed universal suffrage ten lears ago, becaus the emanded against that party has never countenanced the disfranchisement of citizens already possessing the sufment of citizens already possessing the suffrage, and is not likely to countenance it now. Thus we see a leading Republican newspaper in Louisiana suggesting that it may be necessary to deprive the colored cit-izens of his right to vote, and a still more prominent Conservative journal declaring that the Democrats will not accede to such a change. Northern Ex.

THE METHODISTS ON MOODY .- NEW YORK, Jenuary 29.—At a meeting of the Methodist ministers to day, the question of the Methodist ministers to day, the question of the Methodist ministers to day, the question of the term of the cause of the discussed at great length. Many powerful addresses were made, and the room was crowded with anxious listeners. Dr. Nittel agreed that there was no necssist for either revivals or evengelists, and that they did agree harm than good. The idea of suggestions are the repartled as about the control of the control ication he regarded as absurd. De Scadder held similar views. Dr. Crooks thought Evangelism has done much for Corresidenty, and its principles are good Dr. Correside evangelists and missionaries Dr. Out and evangelists and missionaries are almost similar. The great work has been done by them for the church, but a paster should be an evangelist. Many evangelists do god abroad who could work no good at home, owing to their character. Weeping, singing and mesmerio evangelists he deplored. They pass over districts like fire over prairies, leaving nothing but rain

GOV. NICHOLLS, OF LOUISIANA.

and the Current M

The unhappy political and commercial condition of Louisiana renders interesting everything concerning the brave men who are endeavoring to steer her through athe hideous surf-breakers in which she is floundering. In such connection the Upper Marlboro Prince Georgian furnishes some particulars of Francis T. Nicholls, who has been inaugurated as the Democratic Governor of Louisiana, and is bravely endeavoring to fill his high office in spite of Packard and Federal bayonets. Gov. Nicholls' father, Thomas Nicholls, was born and raised n Upper Marlboro, Prince George's County, Md., and was a nephew of Col. David Craufurd and Mrs. Sarah Forrest, prominent and wealthy citizens of that county some thirtyfive years ago. Thomas Nicholls migrated to Louisiana, taking with him three children. Patsey, David and Thomas. Patsey Nicholls became Mrs. Morse, and her son, the late Isaac E. Morse, represented New Orleans district in Congress several terms, and was subsequently sent by President Buchanan as United States Minister to Venczuela. David Nicholls was a midshipman, and was aid to Commodore Perry at the battle of Lake Eric .. He was with the Commodore when transferred from the flagship in a small boat to the Niagara under fire of the British line-of-battle ships; and Thomas Nicholls is father of the present Gov. nor of Louisiana. The Sold Maryland line" preserves its true and pure blood, even in the perilous and turbid political atmosphere of down-trodden Louisiana, and Gov. Nicholls shows himself a worthy son of Maryland ancestry. During the late civil war Gov. Nicholls commanded a regiment in Gen. Dick Taylor's brigade, and lost an arm in battle. So soon as able to report for duty he was promoted to the rank of Brigadier General, and lost a leg. When convalescent he tendered his service in the field, but the authorities declined to subject him to further exposure, and assigned him to duty in command of the military post at Lynchburg, Va., then one of the most important the immense commissary resources that were there centred for the use of the Confederate rmy.

Hog CHOLERA .- For the prevention of hog cholera, and other diseases, nothing is more necessary than the giving to hogs, about twice or three times a week, an ounce I would recommend the following as sufficicut for sixteen hogs :

Hppo-sulphate of soda, 1 pound.

Copperas (sulphate of iron) 1 pound. Dissolve in about three gallons of water and add bran or meal to make slop. This should be given twice a week in the abease should manifest itself, give to the sick hogs the following : Hypo Sulphate of soda...1 lb..(Anti-septic)

Hog CHOLERA.-I get my hogs into close peus, make a mop or swab, and with that anoint them thoroughly. The anointment consists of two-thirds good soft tar, one-third hog's lard, with four ounces sul phur and one-half ounce carbolic acid, adled to every gallon of tar and lard, all well stirred up together. After anointing once, you will have no more trouble with cholera while the smell of the tar and sulphur remains on them, which will be several months. After the disease is developed, I use as a cure the above ointment, carefully applied to the skin, and a drench consisting of a table spoonful of Sulphur in buttermilk, (they will mingle readily) repeating the dose every twenty four hours, two drenches will be sufficient if the case is not very severe. Every raiser of swine ought to notice them frequently, and not allow parasites to accumulate on them, for even if they do not become so numerous and voracious as to produce cholera, they do great

damage if allowed to become very numerons .- C. H. Mc Call in Buena Vista Ar-

The miner's sweetheart had jilted him. He loaded his six-shooter and wrote to his landlady this little missive: "I am tired of life, and will blow out my brains in the cemetery to night. My rent is paid up to the 8th. I do this because life has become a burden to me." He then set out for the cemetry, which he had fixed upon as the scene of his blood. On his way he took a short cut acros a chicken ranch and was attacked by a savage bull-dog. Thinking that he had enough in his six barrels for self and dog, he opened fire on the animal, but in a twinkling of an eye the owner of the ranch covered him with a shot-gun. He fell on his knees, begged for his life, and made the most abject apologies for his presence there. His life was spared. Instead of hastening to the cemetery and blowing out his brains, he returned to the city, and after lunching on beer and sandwiches, told his landlady that he had changed his mind, and then took another girl to a Virginia City thea-

"Young man, do you ever drink?" asked a mild-looking man, accosting Jones .-Well, yes, thank you, as it's a cold morning I don't mind," replied Jones, removing his quid of tobacco. " Don't do it any more," rejoined the mild man, "or you will it will prove wise and work justice. - New eventually be cursed. Good morning !"

A NIGHT ON THE BORDER.

St. Joseph, Mo., January 25:-Philip Ames intended to clope from his home near Albany, in this State, a few days ago, deserting his wife and going away with her sister. Neighbors learned of what he was about to do, and at night surrounded his house for the purpose of taking him out and coating him with tar and feathers .-Their rough usage had not progressed far, however, before Mrs. Ames besought them to stop, and, in consequence of her entreaties, they spared him; but, before releasing him they warned him that any further misbehavior on his part would bring on him certain and severe punishment. Ames was infuriated by this experience,

rather than subdued. Soon after the departure of the mob. he went to a room where his wife was praying, knocked her down, dragged her out of doors, and beat her to death. Then the sister, who had hidden herself in a barn during the presence of the neighbors, returned to the house. How she was affected by the murder is not known; but it is certain that it did not turn her against. Ames. They did not abandon the idea of elopement. Two horses were saddled, and as much of their portable property as could be packed in traveling bags was got together. The body of the dead wife was laid across one horse's back, and the sister mounted the other, the first horse being led by Ames. Thus they went about a mile to a river, which was frozen over. Ames cut a nole through the ice, and threw the body into the water. Doubtless he supposed that, when in the morning the disappearance of the family was observed, the belief would be that all had quit the neighborhood together. That result was prevented by the fact that a young man saw what was done at the river, and immediately aroused the men who had formed the first mob.

Ames and his sister-in-law mounted the norses and rode away, not knowing that they had been watched. It was then nearly daylight; but they had spent time enough in hiding the body to give the mob a chance strategic positions in that region, because of to form anew. They were overtaken and captured. Ames was promptly hanged to a tree. The woman was delivered to the sheriff of the county. A remarkable story of accumulating dis-

aster is told in the New York papers, which record the death, at the asylum for the insane at Poughkoepsie, of James H. Elmore, at one time a wealthy merchant and a wellknown and successful operator in oil. He was engaged in business in New York, but at the outbreak of the oil excitement became interested in the celebrated Noble well, which brought him an easy fortune. and he retired about ten years ago, with a quarter of a million dollars, and established himself in a luxurious country seat on Long Island. Disastrous speculations, including the building of a horse railroad on Long Island, led to a long series of law suits, in which Elmore's property was gradually eaten up. He himself was stricken with paralysis; his daughter died, and on the announcement of an adverse decision in an important suit, his wife dropped dead upon the floor before him. The property had belonged to her, and as she left no will. Elmore's life interest in the estate was sold, with all personal chattels, to satisfy judgments, and he and his two sons were cast out upon the world homeless and penniless. He traveled from place to place, a cripple, subsisting on the benevolence of sympathetic friends, until, on Chistmas night a year ago, his eldest son was killed upon the Pennsylvania Railroad. The tottering intellect of the infirm old man gave way under this blow, and he was taken to the asylum where he died. His death affects a suit now pending, and saves to his remaining child, a minor son, a portion of the property on Long Island; but this is all hat now remains of the handsome fortune with which James Elmore retired ten years ago. What a text for the preacher in this pitiable tale!

FIFTEEN CONDENSED OPINIONS OF THE BILL.-R. Burchard Hayes says: I do not care on my own account, but my heart does bleed for the poor African.

William Almon Wheeler says: It is of the nature of a compromise, and entitled to no respect whatever

Ulysses Simpson Grant says: It is better to be tight than to be President.

Oliver P. Morton says: A shameful pecimen of political trickery. John Sherman says: A direct and deliberate insult to the Louisiana returning

Wells, Anderson, Casanave and Kenner say : It is unpatriotic, unstatesmanlike, dis-

onest and revolutionary. William Pitt Kellogg says: That's what somes of parting your hair in the middle. Jay Gould says: It knocks h-ll out of

my investment; [and therefore]
Whittle Law Reid says: It is plainly anconstitutional.

Don Cameron says: No high-principled tatesman can approve such political truck and barter as this measure involves.

Simon Cameron says: You heard Don? John A. Logan says : But what becomes of Me?

James G. Blaine says : It is the logical outcome of Andersonville. Zach Chaudler says : -

The common sense of the country says: A patriotic measure of intentions; we hope York Sun.