TO THE PROSPERITY OF THE that they would not only confer an im-SOUTHERN FARMER.

The past few years have been noted for the great amount of discontent among all laboring and productive classes. The agriculturist has complained much and with good reason, for he has suffered much. The poor returns had by him have been sufficient grounds for outcry. He has appealed to legislation for relief, but his cry has been unheard. The futility of further appeal is evident to every one. The farmer must be his own best friend. All of the suggested remedies have been tried and have failed. He is as much the victim of combinations and trusts today as before he estab- which can be imposed on agricultural lished the "Grange" or left the old life. While every man in the commupolitical parties to form a third. It is not because capital is so much more castly combined than labor, and especially this form of labor which is so evenly distributed, and can from its very nature have no great centers.

permanent. The farmer need not hope ment, utensil which the farmer uses take the day laborer with a half dozen ever to be able to cope successfully will be in control of the trust. The children, from two to twelve years of with all the varied forms of combined capital, not to find relief from them by law. His only hope for larger profits on the farm lies in his ability to make the farm yield more in proportion for what he spends for his product and the reason that it is completely organize and the cash is always "on tap."

costly labor-saving machines. Also

ing or hoeing of the growing plant; the sale and attractive or unattractive way in which it is prepared for market. Thus at every day of its his-tory the product of the farm is influ-enced by the labor employed, and all er to pay a good price for trained labor than a smaller one for a poorer quality. The Southern farmer's labor supply is the colored population. That this

is little reason to doubt. That this labor at present is very unsatisfactory all farmers testify. To improve the quality of this labor is a task to which ev-

ing where all of the varied operations will be robbed in selling, and he will world that the cigarette destroys five. But for reality, for true value, for complete one great circle where noth- be robbed in buying. ing is lost a school like this is a founschool does not educate away from la-

evident to all who have any knowledge an easy mark the farmer is, and they and pray the Lord to give him strength heart of every lover of his kind. of them. But they are as yet reach- know how quietly and patiently he to break the habit, if he would allow ing such a small proportion of the bears burdens. They will impose them. him. The boy replied that it was of colored population that their influence | There will be no use in crying after the | no use—the habit had such a hold upon is comparatively small. A large increase in the number of these schools would greatly hasten the result of an abundant supply of first-class labor for

sive of any form of training. They scoops out the pulp, runs it through a sure,—millions have been made by porting, since an individual's labor can then boils it for twelve hours over a loving mother, who would give all the nearly always be made to defray his hot fire. Out of 270 melons worth as millions of a Rockefeller. if she owned porting, since an individual's labor can he house roomy enough for a dormitory for the colored boys with some mess.

The boils it for twelve hours over a then boils it for twelve hours for the colored boys with some mess arrangement, together with necessary stock and implements would be a -\_According to an official report of the sufficient equipment for a good training United States consul general at Stockschool. The plant should not be too well equipped. No expensive prepa- and operates 2,284 miles of railway, ren. tion is necessary. The boys are to the rolling stock of which consists of learn to be practical and resourceful.

ing to the laborer. A better quality of labor would most surely make better times for the farming interests. government ownership of the railways will be specially directed toward the feet, thus paving the way to success in have averaged more than one and one-country being opened up by the Sib- life. If a farmer will only encourage Itop the leaks in farming operations, third' million dollars in American erian railway in Russia, where climatic, his children to make an extra effort to

COLORED LABOR IN RELATION of taxes to the State, in such schools, THE FIRST IMPULSE IN HUMAN measurable blessing on the farmers, but would increase the revenues to the much more valuable.

The surest basis of prosperity is in way to secure this is in the use of a keep those who are dependent upon better grade of labor. D. CLAY LILLY,

Secretary Colored Evangelization Presbyterian Church in U.S.

THE FARMER AND THE TRUST. The trust is the enemy of the farmer. He has enough enemies without being subjected to a new one, and that the most insidious and relentless of all These conditions are not temporary but | Every piece of machinery, every imple- for himself and family. For example, the in quality is labor. Some laborers are the best investment at high prices. Others are a loss, however cheaply employed.

Tabor affects the farm itself. Any farm can be improved or injured by farm can be improved or injured by up by the Steel Trust. Some of the poor labor or good. The quality of former plants have been closed. Thousformer plants have been closed. Thousthe labor affects the expense of the farming implements. Improper use of these results in breaking or damaging them useless. Improper use of the these results in breaking or damaging them useless. In the second of the farm, where he supplies nothing but his labor. Counting his wife, between the cost of production a year who can hoe and pick cotton—in a them useless. In the second of the farm, where he supplies nothing but his labor. Counting his wife, who can hoe and pick cotton—in a the present selling price. If the second of the farm, where he supplies nothing but his labor. Counting his wife, who can hoe and pick cotton—in a the present selling price. If

there was five dollars profit on the production of steel when it was selling at prolong their period of service, while \$17 per ton, there is now a profit of \$22. has not increased. On the contrary, in corn and cotton. If they are willing to do so, such a cropper can also
heart of man is on eternal righteousterm very decidedly. or coal, or any other material which But the most important thing to the farmer is the product or the farm. Labor affects this first in the proper or improper preparation of the ground for the seed; in the careful or negligent planting of the seed or setting of slips; in the skilful or unskilful plow-increase after the same and other is used to make it. Fewer sales only the seed; in the careful or negligent planting of the seed or setting of slips; in the skilful or unskilful plow-increase after threshers are paid—amply enough twelve months ago. It is the most to size the furnishing land, seed, mules and implements, for two-thirds as rent, receiving only half with the corn and cotton as rent. If the ten acres produce only ten bushels to the acre—the labor-er gets at least 30 bushels to his share, after threshers are paid—amply enough twelve months ago. It is the most twelve months ago. It is the most in the frugal or wasteful harvesting of on industry.

year, perhaps much sooner, he will have 10 bushels to the acre if properly culto pay to the Steel Trust from thirty to tivated, and much more when extra in the highest degree. There is no These are the essentials of a living, and relief for the farmer with the repub- not a dollar of expense, except the lican party in power. It must be de- clothes and the food perhaps in the feated before justice will come. The first year. Twenty-five acres in cotton farmer should remember also that for should make at least 12 bales on fair every bridge which is built, the struc- acreage land. Allowing one bale for tural iron used therein will cost one his share of guano bills, there are five hundred per cent. more than formerly. bales that may be his own property, The Steel Trust is a monster which with proper industry, at the end of the will devour the substance of the farmer. The promotors of the trust are now at work to form a Hard Wood Trust.

fix the price on every stick of timber As for that great army of laborers which the farmer offers for sale. That in our Southern fields already, hardly trust will be the only purchaser. Then the future supply of laborers, the nish Trust and to the Paint Trust. Four and plane must go on from January to greatness in our own sight and in the of the buggy. The other buggy at that greatness in our own sight and in the of the other pations of the time contained Dr. Edwards, who was question is more easily answered, viz: hundred millions of dollars will be put December-cold or hot, rain or shinegive the young colored people a training in agricultural and industrial schools, and thus equip them fully to do this better class of work. It is a mer on his wheat. The farmer will not good sign that at this time so much have a general market. He will be attention is being paid to this kind of compelled to sell to the trust at its figeducation for colored people. Could the circle of their colored population in two or three years begin to imures. They will form a Wool Trust. the cigarette has well nigh ceased, self-indulgence and indolence becomes in two or three years begin to im- pleasure at a tremendous profit. Cloth- that it is not so much of a curse after tional greed is not a thing over which prove. A school in which a young ing, bread, and everything else which all, as we had been led to believe. But to rejoice. The seeming good is but man is taught how to farm skilfully; is necessary for the sustenance and the physicians still insist that it is the outward shell of the real good. If shooting sail Mr. Luther M. Haselden how to produce the most at the small- comfort, will be put into a trust. The ruinous to the health of boys, and the broken, it yields no reality of greatdess got out of Dr. Edwards' buggy as they

tain of blessing to both the farmer and will sweat and his bones will ache, but for a youth to drink whiskey, but quite souls, for the home-coming of deluded the laborer of this land. This kind of the profits which arise from the con- the thing for him to smoke a cigarette. purposes and wandering thoughts, for sumption of what he produces will go Recently we heard an old man implorevery gain to man, woman or child in bor, as so much of the education given to the trusts. It is just as easy to form ing a young fellow to stop smoking be-education, in temperance, and in honto the colored man has dene, but edu- a trust on wheat and on wool as it is to cause the deadly effect of the habit was esty or truth, for every step of true cates for labor, for any man loves to form a Steel Trust. The cormorants plainly written in the boy's face. The progress, in the nation's life, for every do what he can do well, and what he will not stop until the last drop of blood old gentleman told the youth that he good word said or good work done in can command good wages in doing. is sucked from the agriculturists. They would gladly get down on his knees in the year that is past, thanksgivings too The good results of these schools is know their business. They know what the street where they were standing deep to be uttered should thrill the milk is spilt.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

melons. He cuts the melons in halves, There is big money in cigarettes, to be

502 locomotives, 428 baggage cars, 892 It is a good investment of money to put in such work as this. It is a blessprofits during the forty-three years of ness in the countries named. Attention energy that soon set them on their

LIFE.

When persons begin their life work State by making the farming lands or are thrown upon own resources and exertions for a support, the first motive is the making of a living. There must good returns from the farm. The best be enough income from their labor to the labors and to provide a decent supvain, or at a loss. It is obliged to be a go by, making the years, that slip by hard struggle for day laborers who have no reserved capital to carry them over tight places, to pay unexpected doctors bills or funeral charges for those who must be buried. If sickness overtakes the only wage earner in the family, then everything stops at once, ex-

cept rents and provision bills and debts. In considering the opportunities for making a living, it is astonishing that more seriously affected than any other. who works all day to make the living

market be can find. If, other words, larger returns from the same expenditures will help the firmer and this same will.

The farmer's perpense account is principally made up of interest on take place. There is no seller intended and shod, as they deserve to be most fixed in price 100 come off with another \$100 come o

Take this man, with six children on in corn and cotton. If they are willto give his family flour bread the year round. Along with corn and vegetables, etc., he is well supplied. Twenty-The farmer will find that within a five acres in corn should make at least of our need of a purified acres life in

Of course a farmer must give the When that is accomplished they will to make a parallel comparison. He must put in the same hours and do his work as faithfully; and while the summer heat is trying, he can sit by the

boys where whiskey kills one. One gain in rightness of living and think-He will be the slave of the trust. He reason for this is that it is unpopular ing, for the home-coming of vagrant him he could not quit it. That was a sad picture. We shall not soon torget An enterprising Georgia farmer has the look of pity on the old man's face become the pioneer in a new industry nor that of hopelessness on the face of -namely, making syrup out of water the boy as they departed in silence.

THANKSGIVING DAY.

Once more the liberal year laughs out, O'er richer stores than gems or gold; Once more with harvest song and shout Is Nature's bloodless triumph told.
Our kindly Mother, rests and sings
Like Ruth, among her garnered sheaves;
Her lap is full of goodly things,
Her brow is bright with autumn leaves."

Thanksgiving Day, but a whole year has passed and now the same pleasant duty is before us. A retrospect of the intervening year will show us much for which we should feel profoundly thankful in this section of the State board of control, had a 38-calibre country. No great calamities of fire, flood and storm have devastated our though a letter supposed to have been borders nor has any special epidemic written by Mr. Ben Sellers to a newsof disease entered our homes to beleave. It is true the summer was hot and dry and we were without many comforts that usually we enjoy in the way of fruits and vegetables; yet this was useful for it learned us on how little variety we could live well. For our staple products the prices are better; so for this blessing and for the experiences that made us wiser and more thrifty, then too for protection from danger, we should especially remember

gratitude is the fact that 1899 has been and Aubrey Evans. gratitude is the fact that 1899 has been a wonderful year of home-coming—a time in which not only individuals, but time in which not only individuals. are furnished gratis. They can run two purposes, truer views and higher lines plows, and cultivate 50 acres of land of thought on all vital moral questions. lord furnishing land, seed, mules and ness and truth. The home of the race is the heart of God, and it is only when rerverted and wandering and tracks. turned aside from its Father's house that it can revel in opinions or deeds that are not for the good of humanity. In this turning of men's hearts to-

> religious duty, we see abundant reason for unlimited thanksgiving and We do not forget the old story. We know how the Thanksgiving proclamation reads, and how it has read ever arated, one going a short distance up since in childhood we saw the old pastor unfold the important-looking sheet in the pulpit, and wondered if it could be quite right for him to have such a workily looking "hand-bill" in the

sacred place. We are to be thankful now as then for the sun and the rain and the harvests; for the peace, prosperity and plenty of the land; for a Constitution and a Government that have their foundations in justice; for institutions that ought to hold us back from every threatening ruin and wreck; for our

But we must not forget that except as they lead to the individual or national development of character, all these fail of the blessing they were For some reason the warfare against meant to be. Prosperity that fosters

EXPERIENCE.—It is the duty of every to school somewhere before they start man to start out in life in a rut augurs A European syndicate composed of cases where young men have taken French, German and Russian capitalists this winter course in agriculture and has been formed, with a capital of come home very enthusiastic in their \$20,000,000, to develop the hog busi- calling, going to work with renewed

HASELDEN SHOT NEAR HIS HOME

The Dispensary Row in Columbia
Causes Bloody Battle at Sellers—
Four Men Wounded in the Affray.
On Tuesday afternoon Nov. 14, a short while before dark, the streets of Sellers a small town in Marion

Just after my son informed me of the trouble, they drove up in buggies, Messrs. J. Dudley and Luther M. Hasshand Dr. Edwards in another buggy, Mr. J. D. Haselden, the father of Messrs. J. Dudley and Luther M. Ben Sellers was standing on platform, and his father, J. C. Sellers, was inside, writing. Without a word, Aubrey Evans fired from the buggy. hitting

pistol ball in his leg.

The affair seems to be the culminapaper some weeks since, accusing Mr. Haselden of dispensing liquors from

for Marion. Nothing more was seen of Mr. Haselden and the gentlemen accompanying him until a short while before dark. when they drove in from toward Marion, both buggies stopping side by side on the south end of the directly over the railroad

who had up to that time been in the postoffice, walked out on the platform, and as soon as he appeared he was fired at from the buggy containing Mr. of our need of a purified social life, in next shot fired struck Mr. Sellers in the changed sentiment as to moral and the left hand, entering between the

> Immediately after the second shot, Mr. Sellers pulled his pistol and opened fire upon the occupants of that buggy. the railroad track and the rear one to the left, a short distance below. The second buggy contained Messrs. Haselden and Evans. When the buggy came to a standstill Mr. Haselden got out and walked towards a dwelling from which point he fired several shots. Owing to the fact that Mr. John C. Sellers came upon the scene at this moment, it is not known upon whom

> When Mr. Sellers rushed out upon the platform to the aid of his son, he drew his pistol and opened fire upon Evans, who was then the only occupant horse back across the railroad and the rifle fell out on the track and was not picked up until Mr. Haselden's hands came back for it, about 20 minutes

> with a 44-calibre—apparently a rifle The negro who witnessed the whole

prominence of all concerned makes the affair very deplorable.

The following are signed statements from Mr. J. Dudley Haselden and Mr. Mr. J. Dudley Haselden said: "Yesterday morning Mr. Ben Sellers and I told him I did not hold him responsithat he wrote them; I told him I heard three men in the office. I then jumped ration, but he could regulate the length that he had been making reference to from the platform and turned in time by the speed of his machine. Suppose armed with affidavite from a number of them and to my home, and that I could not and would not allow. I then asked out in life, if it isn't anything more did not deny it. I told him he would under the depot. I did not have an sun rising in the west, where it had than a term at the agricultural college, either have to affirm or deny; it re-other cartridge, and so made my way set a short time before. taking in what is usually known as the sulted in my striking him, afterwards winter course. A great many valuable we apoligized to each other, shook got up and walked quietly, so as not to runs it through a sure,—initious have been made by things can be picked up by the wideout the juice and their sale—but we know one woman, a awake boy or girl in the three months one was shall meet as friends or how.

| As he was leaving, I said I suprailroad, after which I went as fast as Mississippi to the Paris exposition in pose we shall meet as friends or how. and smoke cigarettes at the same time. all it costs. But we are apt to become passing the depot in my buggy he one of two things you must surrender wrapt up in our own conceit when we rushed out pistol in hand and opened Usited States consul general at Stock—your manhood or your cigarette. do not get out and see how the rest of fire on me, hitting me in the leg as I holm, the government of Sweden owns Which shall it be?—Charity and Child-the world moves along, and for a young jumped to the ground. I returned the jumped to the ground. I returned the fire promptly and general firing began. ill success. We know of a good many Mr. Ben Sellers returned to the waiting room, and Mr. John C. Sellers ran out and then guns were fired from the

was well armed as he fired at least ten opening fire upon the Haselden party, is highest style of Moorish art. erty. I do not doubt that if legislatures would invest some of the farmers' money, which he pays in the way cased employes.

Upon being interviewed, Mr. John bushwhackers at all, as they had passed the prophety of Rhodes by saying that so far as his one of the farmers' money, which he pays in the way cased employes.

Upon being interviewed, Mr. John bushwhackers at all, as they had passed in the morning, going to Marion, from worship, but also as the central worship. C. Sellers said: The first intimation in the morning, going to Marion, from which missionaries will be sent to other, and they'll always be glad they worship, but also as the central worship. The American hog is today go to Columbia, where Haselden had into nearly every country on earth.

The American hog is today of Rhodes by saying that so far as his towering, going to Marion, from write them through a writer term at college. C. Sellers said: The first intimation in the morning, going to Marion, from wrothe was after my son rediversity of Rhodes by saying that so far as his one way or other, and they'll always be glad they worship, but also as the central of the prophety of Rhodes by saying that so far as his other, and they line of the prophety of Rhodes by saying that so far as his other, and they line of the prophety of Rhodes by saying that so far as his other, and they line of the prophety of Rhodes by saying that so far as his other, and they line of the prophety of Rhodes by saying that so far as his other than the prophety of Rhodes by saying that so far as his other than the prophet times."

having been invited there on a matter turn to Sellers was an entire surprise of business by Mr. J. Dudley Haselden. The Haselden party while at Marion Just after my son informed me of the procured breastplates and returned by

"Swifter than a weaver's shuttle" of Sellers, a small town in Marion the busy days and weeks and months go by, making the years, that slip by so rapidly we scarcely can realize their passing. It seems only a little while since we were making ready for last There were the scene of the town, since we were making ready for last There were the scene of the town, since we were making ready for last the serious was seriously wounded and taken to side of the denot as if looking for some the scene of a serious and shifted his pistol from one pocket to another. Dudley put his in the foot of the buggy. Luther went to the north since we were making ready for last the serious was seriously wounded and taken to side of the denot as if looking for some the side of the denot as if looking for some the side of the denot as if looking for some the side of the denot as if looking for some the side of the denot as if looking for some the side of the denot as if looking for some the side of the denot as if looking for some the side of the denot as if looking for some the side, writing. Without a word, Aubrey Evans fired from the buggy, hitting Ben Sellers in left hand, and J. D. Has elden, in a buggy behind the others.

As Dudley and Luther reached the railroad track, Luther jumped down and shifted his pistol from one pocket to another. Dudley put his in the foot of the buggy. Luther went to the north being disabled before a sold and taken to sold the sold was seriously wounded and taken to side of the depot as if looking for some being disabled before, could not do

"I expected trouble that evening and we prepared ourselves for it. The mob returned about dark, coming by

Mr. Sellers to settle with him for a left hand and immediately Dudley fired like a wild buck left the scene of acceptance of the scene Mr. Sellers to settle with him for a number of bales of cotton which he had ginned for him some weeks since, and to remove his cotton seed which was in the way.

It had and him for a number of bales of cotton which he had ginned for him some weeks since, and to remove his cotton seed which was in the way.

It had and him for a number of bales of cotton which he had ginned for him some weeks since, and to remove his cotton seed which was in the crowd. I then ran out and the sellers is wounded by a 44-calistic for the sellers is wounded by a 44-calistic for him some weeks since, and to remove his cotton seed which was in the crowd. I then ran out and the sellers is wounded by a 44-calistic for him some weeks since, and to remove his cotton seed which was in the crowd. I then ran out and the sellers is wounded by a 44-calistic for him some weeks since, and to remove his cotton seed which was in the crowd. I then ran out and the sellers is wounded by a 44-calistic for him some weeks since, and to remove his cotton seed which was in the crowd. I then ran out and the sellers is wounded by a 44-calistic for him some weeks since, and the sellers is wounded by a 44-calistic for him some weeks since, and the sellers is wounded by a 44-calistic for him some weeks since, and the sellers is wounded by a 44-calistic for him some weeks since, and the sellers is wounded by a 44-calistic for him some weeks since, and the sellers is wounded by a 44-calistic for him some weeks and the sellers is wounded by a 44-calistic for him sellers is wounded by a 44-

wait until the end shall be. From an bxchange we give to our readers a beautiful selection, "The Home Coming Time:"

Among the things that should make this Thanksgiving season one of special control of the foot that 1900 her hom.

The wait until the end shall be. From an bxchange we give to our readers a beautiful selection, "The Home Coming Time:"

At this scene were present, besides Mr. J. Dudley Haselden, his father, Mr. J. Dudley Haselden, his father, Mr. J. G. Haselden; his brother, Mr. Haselden went under the platform on all-fours and left the depot running all-fours and left the depot running like a buck. It is currently reported like a buck. It is currently reported like a buck. It is currently reported like a buck. Their scheme is best represented by that the crowd had coats of mail manufactured and had them on.

(Signed) JOHN C. SELLERS."

THE HASELDEN STORY.

Men Were Concealed in Depot Building and That Sellers Opened Hostilities

In response to request of newspaper

reporters, and as answer to misrepre-

the left hand, entering between the as Mr. Ben Sellers promised to give second and third fingers, breaking the second and the second notice, in case he wished to carry the man they wanted, and we matter further. About half hour after thought if we could get him by there this, and upon our starting for Marion, advised that we had better be on the in case of a shotgun attack. As we approached the depot I got from the Were Dr. Edwards and Capt. L. M. didate, Judge Rolcomb, carried five buggy, so as best to meet attack. Not-withstanding the fact that Mr. Sellers and cast Mr. Sellers and cast Mr. Sellers on the denot and his son Ben were there and saw and saw Mr. Ben Sellers on the depot us, there was no fighting, because no platform, with a pistol in his hand, attack was made upon us, and we went and Mr. John Sellers rushing out of

on our way to Marion. the usual route (not by the rome of as Dudley was getting out of buggy. Mr. Benjamin Sellers,) and just before We were then about 25 feet across the we got to the depot, we met a friend railroad track. I halted my horse and who informed us that the depot was filled with armed men awaiting to attack us as we went our way by the my direction from behind a mail crane.

him safely by, the attack might be of the depot office. After firing my svoided. Consequently, I advised that last cartridge, I dropped down in the Dr. Edwards and I should go shead buggy and, looking around saw some and slow up our horse just at the depot, whereupon Dudley and Evans were to tack. As we approached the depot I walked across to house of Mr. Brown, left. Just at this time Mr. Benjamin Haselden. The buggy in which I was Sellers rushed from the depot with his now bears the marks of six bullet pistol upraised, and I stepped from my holes. about the place; how to attain as rearry as possible to that ideal of farm
buy at the price fixed by the trust. He doctors. We have no doubt in the large of the place of th direction and we both fired. Almost any of the gentlemen involved. and was found on the floor of the inner simultaneously Mr. J. C. Sellers rushed office, after having gone through the from the depot, and from within a shotgun was fired. Mr. J. C. Sellers fired at me, the bullet glancing my right side. I returned his fire with two shots, one of which was while he ing at any rate up to 1,000 miles an

was squatting behind the mail crane bour, a traveler in it, starting westshooting some one at right angles. ward from London at a speed of 600 gun was fired by some one concealed Should he find his unending day moin the office full into his face; where notonous, he could reverse his direcupon I rushed up the steps and fired tion and get a quick succession of short to exchange fire with some one who he traveled from London one night at responsible citizens and one from the had come around the corner of the 10 o'clock, westward, at a speed of office. I snapped my only remaining 1,000 miles per hour. He would soon ball at him, and it failing fire I went experience the sensation of seeing the under the depot to its northern end; hands and then transacted our busi- attract attention, until I crossed the

concealed in a room, tell their own 500,000 selected full grown cotton bolls, ernment vessels to Manila, and tearful

LUTHER M. HASELDEN. Sallers, Nov. 16, '99.

SELLER'S SIDE OF THE FIGHT. Father and Son Protest That They Were on the Defensive-The Statements Are Very Conflicting. To the Editor of The State:

several shots. I think Mr. Sellers the office at the railroad station and halls and courts, all decorated in the an infamous and infernal lie. We were not expecting J. D. Haselden and his

FURIOUS FIGHT IN MARION. | treated by the mob at Haselden's, after | that he had six men to kill. Their re-

When too hot, Haselden ran into and through private dwelling of Mrs. way of Ben Sellers' which was about half a mile away from the traveled route from Marion, and when they reached the depot they stopped both buggies father Handler immediately contable. In the Handler immediately contable to the stopped both buggies father Handler immediately contable. his home, near Sellers.

Monday morning Mr. Ben Sellers received a message from Mr. Haselden asking him to come over to his gin, which is leasted about a least of the office door on the west side of the depot, and I was in the front of the office door on the west side of the depot, and I was in the front of the office door on the west side of the depot, and I was in the office door on the west side of the depot they stopped both buggies. Luther Haselden jumped out quickly. L. M. Haselden in the mean-time had slipped to window and fired through it at Ben Sellers, but seeing the office door on the west side of the depot, and I was in the office door on the west side. which is located about a mile from Sellers, near the Haselden homestead, the message saying that he wanted

Their scheme is best represented by their cowardly treatment of Best Sel-lers at the house of J. D. Haselden that morning, after being sent for by Has-Respectfully, J. C. SELLERS,

BEN B. SELLERS Sellers, S. C., Nov. 15 71899. DENIES STARTING THE BATTLE.

Mr. J. Aubrey Evansion the Sellers and Haselden Figure His Story Con-firms the Haseldens

Sentations made. I regretfully make this statement as to the recent unfortunate affair at Sellers.

At the outset, let me say that I intend to give the facts as they exist.

My friends over the State, and the subject of the state in the subject of the state. Tublic generally may depend upon it.

On the morning of 14th inst. Mr.

Replaced School State, and the depot armed men awaiting to the large to the tion and honor, in the growing recognition of new and nobler standards of business integrity, in the recognition ficulty. The cause was thought to has been stated, drive by the home of Benjamin Sellers. We decided before cies. Senators Thurston and Hay-

I was riding with J. D. Haselden.

depot door. I told Dudley to look out. At this moment pistol shots were fired l positively did not shoot at Mr. Ben Sellers, and several shots were fired before I fired at all. I saw shotguns attack, I thought that if we could get fired both from the door and window closed door of the depot office, asking.
"Where is Aubrey?" After party

> While I regret the unfortunate affair, it was unavoidable on our part. As for my part, I had nothing against

-The London Daily Mail says if an

who is commissioner from the State of promises to be a great novelty in the way of an exhibit from that State. He have been thrown into deep distress The backs of our buggies, shot all to has made arrangements with a party by the War Department's order refuswhich will be sold at the Paris exposi- remonstrances are being received daily which will be sold at the Paris exposition by original cotton field darkies as souvenirs of the American exhibit. These will be the first cotton bolls ever shipped abroad, and they will be eagerly sought after by people who have used quantities of American cotton, but who have never seen it in its natural form.

tural form. -The most curious palace in the world is the Alhambra, in Spain. It waiting room, only John C. Sellers and his son Ben showed themselves at all. Mr. John C. Sellers taking refuge written by the Haseldens, so far as it 40,000 men. It was begun in 1248 and behind the mail crane we exchanged relates to our concealing ourselves in finished in 1314. It contains numerous

BRYAN ANALYZES THE VOTE

The Result of the Recent Elections is a Rebuke to McKinley-Democratic Gains in Massachusetts and Pennsylvania and Republican Losses in New York and New

Mr. William J. Bryan has given to the press an extended statement, in which he sums up the results of the election in the different States.

In Massachusetts and Pennsylvania, where the Democrats reaffirmed the Chicago platform, he finds that they have made gains, while in New York and New Jersey the Republican vote shows a falling off. Maryland, he deencouragement to the Republicans The latest returns show that the co test between Mr. Goebel and M Taylor is very close. The Democraticism the election of Goebel and the entire State ticket by small pluralities. The Legislature is safely Democratic in both branches and the election of Blackburn to succeed Lindsay is ascontest will doubt that with the Democrats united on national issues, Kentucky can be relied upon for a majority

of 20,000 or 30,000." Onio is summed up as follows: What consolation can Republicans draw from the Ohio election? Mr. Hanna secured the nomination of his candidate for Governor upon a platform endorsing the Republican administration, and while the returns indicate that Nash has a plurality of about 50,-000 over McLean, McLean and Jones together have a majority of something like 50,000 over the Republican can

"McLean ran upon a platform em-phasically endorsing the Chicago plat-form and coademning the trusts, milita-rism and imperialism, and he made a gallant fight against great odds. Ohio is the home of Mr. Hanna, chairman of the Republican national committee Postmasters all over the Union were urged to contribute money to save Ohio. Mr. Hanna took the stump Ohio. Mr. Hanns took the stump himself and called upon Republicant to support the ticket and endorse the policies of the Administration. And yet, in spite of all that could be done Mr. Hanna's own county was carried by Mr. Jones and the Republican party which had a majority of nearly 50,000 in 1896, is now overwhelmen 50,000 majority approximation 50,000 miles. and the Republican party has turned it batteries against Mr. Jon

District Judges and a

Republicans at the polls had been people are not satisfied with the Re-publican policies it may not have been Republican party toward plusocracy and toward the European ideas of govgovernment relying for safety upon a large standing army rather than upon a citizen soldierv.

Mr. Altom might have been sick and were without foundation, and he immediately reinstated Mr. Altom as a member of the constabulary force.

-Hundreds of army officers' wives owing to the reduced number of ships plying between this country and the Chinese and East Indian waters.

-Cecil Rhodes, the South African diamond king, has made the prediction that the United States will ultimately halls and courts, all decorated in the highest style of Moorish art.

—The Mormon church proposes to erect a large temple in Louisville, Ky.