## ALLIANCE DEPARTMENT.

J. F. NISBET Editor.

We would be glad to have re ports from the sub-Alliances on Alliance topics, farming, in all of its phases, the money question, free silver, the tariff and anything in a non-partisan way.

Some Alliancemen would like to have a few more sacks of guano and if they will report to me at once how much they will need and \$4.70. and make up a car load-100 sacks-I will try to get it.

A great many farmers have thought for a long time that the fertilizers on the market do not contain enough of potash. There is a little book entitled Potash in Agriculture or the Farmer's Guide and three or four other works on agriculture that will be sent free of charge to any farmer who applies for them. Address The German Kali Works,

93 Nassau St., New York City.

We have them and consider them valuable works.

Hopewell Alliance will meet next Sat. the 8th, at 2 o'clock, p. m. Every member is expected to be present as business of importance will be transacted.

W. G. A. PORTER,

Pres.

#### FERTILIZERS FOR COTTON.

Florida Soft Phosphate, Cottonseed Meal, Crushed Cotton Seed, Etc.

In 1896 in addition to experi ments on the farm of the Alaba ma station there were conducted under the direction of the station 27 fertilizer experiments with cotton in as many different localities. Reports were received from 24 sources, and the most conclusive of these constitute the basis for the result presented in a bulletin on the subject of which the following is a summary:

Florida soft phosphate, also known as natural plant food proved inferior to high grade acid phosphate, pound for pound. The nitrogen contained in crushed cotton seed and cottonseed meal was at prices that are simply shame- ings which the people endure equally valuable, pound for pound. ful. If this is not done they divide The people love and admire him On an average one pound of cottonseed meal proved as effective as 2 1-10 pounds of crushed cotton seed. In other words, 922 pounds of cottonseed meal proved cotton. Never a word said about his place. His last trip to Washequal in fertilizing value to 2,000 paying in corn, meat, peas, hay or ington has done him good. His pounds of crushed cotton seed. cattle-it must be paid in cotton. argument in the Supreme Court According to these results, which, however, may be influenced by the unusual season, a farmer cannot afford to sell cotton seed and price of seed is at least 40 per cent, of the ton price of the meal, For example, with cottonseed meal at \$20 per ton, crushed seed is worth on the farm \$9.20 for fertilizing purposes.

In testing the needs of the cotton plant 200 pounds per acre of cottonseed meal was used to furnish nitrogen, 240 pounds acid phosphate to supply phosphoric acid and 200 pounds kainit to afford potash. These fertilizers were not as a rule applied singly, but by twos and threes. The chief need of the soil was apparently phosphoric acid in three instances, potash in three cases and nitrogen in five soils. On 3 hollers every time I hit him on the with the rags of adversity, and of these 14 soils phosphoric acid, potash and nitrogen were all about equally effective. A complete fertilizer, containing all three of the above mentioned fertilizer materials, was more effective on 9 out of 14 soils than was

Averaging the results for the 14 tests, the increase over the yields of unfertilized plots were as follows: With a complete fertilizer, an increase of 454 pounds of seed cotton per acre; with a mixture of cottonseed meal and acid phosphate, an increase of 378 pounds; with a mixture of cottonseed meal and kainit,a gain of 375 pounds; with a mixture 322 pounds. The average profits per acre from fertilizers were respectively \$6.04, \$5.63, \$5.78,

The work of testing the manurial needs of different soils is being continued with cotton in 1897.

#### Advice to Farmers.

The advice given to the farmers by the State Gubernatorial Society, at Augusta, recently, to reduce the cereal crop, sounds farsical in the face of the fact that nine tenths of the farmers have purchased their mules, fertilizers, etc.,

It is a difficult thing to do, this cutting down the cotton acreage. Talk is cheap, but it takes money to buy land. Every farmer is a business man on his own hook, with conditions, obligations and environments around him peculiarly his own. It no doubt would be better to reduce the crop. but thousands of farmers all over the South are forced to plant cotton, and we use the word forced adwants his rent in cotton; the guano man wants a cotton note; the merchant wants a note or mortgage based on cotton, and so on down the list, and the farmer is forced rest. If anybody ever doubted to plant cotton, nolens volens, to that William J. Bryan would be meet these monied obligations.

The landlords who work the negro and white tenants are as He leads the people because his much and more to blame than any convictions lead him to do right. other class of people in forcing the He is a hero, because he is ear planting of cotton. They buy nest, honest, and eloquent. He meat, guano flour and other farm is a reformer because he labors supplies, and sell to their tenants to relieve the intolerable sufferprofits with some town merchant, for the grand work in which he and it means the same to the poor is engaged, and until that work fellow who has to pay it and with is accomplished no man can take

they are bound to cry hard times, only in that court, but among and it is hard times with them, the lawvers of America, as havbuy cottonseed meal until the ton while the landlord gets a big rent ing a legal mind of grasp, force, and sets out some cotton orchards as a lawyer of the very highest with negro tenants.

bernatorial Society says he is tired who heard him ridiculed as the of hearing so much talk of hard "boy orator of Platte." times among the farmers. This reminds us of the boy who continued to bang on his little brother's head with a hammer, when his mother came out and said, "Oh, His appearance in Washington Willie, what is the matter with little Charlie?" "Nothing," the boy replied, "the little fool just is attempting to patch prosperity head with the hammer." That is the way the small farmers are ple by promises never to be per forced to plant cotton and then formed. He came to Washington called fools for making so much to point to the people that they

chance to own a little farm of his own, and be his own boss about what he will and will not plant, and the question of reducing the cotton acreage in the South will settle itself.

However, this jimcrow talk at these State Gubernatorial Society meetings will not amount to any thing. Small farmers who own of acid phosphate and kainit, their own farms generally make their own corn, meat, etc., and other things to sell, besides cotton, while the big plantations raise nothing scarcely but cotton, and they are the men who need advice.—Georgia Planter.

#### No Dodging the Issue.

The Jefferson dinner at the Metropolitan hotel in this city on the 13th of April cleared the their cotton acreage and increase atmosphere. Bryan set the keynote when he asserted that the paramount issue of the Chicago platform of 1896 would be the and are about ready to put the issue in 1898, 1900, and until seed in the ground. After waiting finally settled and settled right. so late we can't see why the advi- The purring round of little men sory committee did not hit upon had created some alarm for fear the 4th day of July as the proper the Democratic party would be diverted from its great mission and condescend to fight side issues with the Republican party while the gold party gained another victory. But all such nonsense was exploded and brushed aside, not only by the great speech of Mr. Bryan, but the speeches of such men as Jones, of Arkansas, Sibley, and others who were equally patriotic in their expressions in favor of first liberating the people from the visedly. If a tenant, the landlord chains of slavery which the gold standard has fastened upon the limbs of industry before considering other questions.

Another matter was set at our leader in 1900, as he was in 1896, such doubts were dispelled. The system keeps them poor, and established his reputation, not grade before he had spoken one Mr. President of the State Gu | half hour. This was new to those

The people have come to learn that Mr. Bryan can fill any place to which he may aspire and that he never falls below the occasion. was opportune. He came at a time when the Republican party to further impose upon the peomust obtain relief for the ills they Break up the landlord system in suffer through their sovereign any combination of only two fer- this country, give every man a power at the ballot box .- S. K. W.

-The Cedar Creek Pension Board will meet at Carmel Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Jos. M. CASKEY, Chairman.

-Waxhaw Pension Board will meet at Van Wyck Friday, May 7th. All applicants please take notice.

> J. M. YODER, Chairman.

-The Flat Creek Township Pension Board will meet at White Bluff on Saturday the 8th at 10

J. N. Estridge. Chairman.

-The Pleasant Hill Township Pension Board will meet at Heath Spring on Saturday the 8th, at 10

> W. B. BRUCE, Chairman.

No Secrecy This Time.

At the recent examination of applicants for teachers' certificates, 8 whites and 19 colored presented themselves before the board. Papers of only the following have been examined:

Annie C. Young, 1st grade. Crockett McMurray, 2nd grade. Nettie Price, 2nd grade. Isabel Davis, 2nd grade. Sudie Doster, 2nd grade. Mattie B. Key, 2nd grade. May Beil, 2nd grade.

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#### Gone to the Wall.

The Rock Hill Printing, Co. Mr. J. H. Evans, publisher of the Daily Sun and the Catawba In dex, made an assignment on Wednesday of last week in favor of J. W. Hammond. The plant in turn was assigned by Hammond to one of the Rock Hill banks, for a debt of \$30, borrowed money, and was sold at auction on Main street, Rock Hill, Tuesday morning. Mr. J. J. Hull was the purchaser.

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On the evening of May 14th and all the balance the tenant has, and honesty of purpose. He was Miss Margaret Humphreys of buys more land, builds more huts, recognized as a power at the bar Lancaster will give her graduating musicical recital at the Presbyterian College for Women, and on the evening of May 21 the junior class of the college will hold a Wordsworth somposium.—Register, May 1.

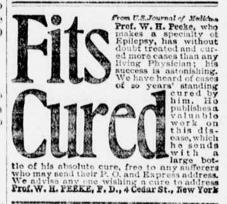
For the Round Trip.

The Seaboard Air Line will sell round trip tickets from here to Wilmington, N. C. on account of the Southern Baptist Convention which meets in that city the first week in May, for \$6.60.

They have also made a round trip rate of \$11.00 from this point to Nashville, Tenn., to attend the Reunion of the Veterans in June. For further information apply to

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-Louis Massey died last Thursday from the effects of injuries received a few hours before in a. runaway. He was driving Mr. R. L. Sowell's team when they became frightened and ran off, dragging him some distance and afterward running over him and so injuring him that he died in a short time.



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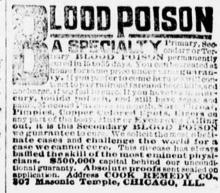
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