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An Alliance Exchange and Its Surplus Fund.

The following story of the rise and fall of the State Alliance Exchange, and the benefits the farmers derived from the exchange, is given in the last issue of The Cotton Plant:

It has been announced that the Farmers' Alliance Exchange has formally gone out of business, but the officials in charge of the funds belonging to the exchange have not publicly declared this intention, and The Cotton Plant did not desire to anticipate an announcement from the board of directors, who are charged with the duty of distributing the assets of the exchange, which consists of \$17,000 in round numbers that has been loaned for several years to banks in Columbia, which were paying interest for the use of the money.

It would be interesting to trace the history of this fund, and to demonstrate as might be done the practical purposes to which it was applied when the exchange was in working order and aided the farmers to a large extent in buying fertilizers and plantation supplies of all kinds, not to mention household necessities and even luxuries, at much lower figures than prevailed in regular mercantile circles, where retail prices were charged to the largest cash buyers.

The exchange subserved a valuable purpose in leading many farmers how to buy goods of all kinds, and many thousands of dollars were saved to farmers who never understood the exchange by the information contained in the price list, which for a long time appeared every week in The Cotton Plant. The price list has returned the money invested by the farmers, and has saved them or saved, but in each case was benefited in a comparatively small degree every time he made a purchase, the exchange never did get credit in the minds of the farmers generally for the actual good it was doing. The permanent members of the alliance, who knew what the exchange was worth, did appreciate it, during the period it was flourishing and helping the farmers to save money.

The plan for conducting the business operations of the exchange was rather complicated, and especially the machinery that involved its control and management. The fund was raised by the sub-alliance and originally proximated \$20,000, which protected the credit of the exchange and enabled its business managers to pay cash when necessary, but the expenses of the exchange were met by a small percentage

charged upon purchase made for customers. Each county had a representative in the management of the exchange in an organization styled the "county trustee stockholders," and so long as the sub-alliances and the county alliances remained in existence, this organization was kept alive and in actual touch with the exchange. The time came when the sub-alliances gradually disappeared and the county alliances could not be kept up because they had no constituency, and in the last few years the organization has been not much more than a shadow, although the principles and purposes of the alliance were undiminished as to their importance.

At the recent meeting in Columbia, when it was determined to abandon the exchange and distribute the money in hand, there were only a very few counties which were represented by actual members of the organization then in session. In a large majority of the counties there are very few sub-alliances in working order, and in many of them none at all. County alliances do not number a half score, and in fact, they can be counted upon the fingers of one hand, where there is any vitality in the organization. This situation renders the distribution of the \$17,000 almost impossible, as the contributors are largely unknown, and only those who helped to raise the fund can honestly take a dollar of it. However, the board of directors charged with the distribution will return the money to the counties, and it will be left to those who are willing to take trouble to hunt out the original contributors or resurrect the sub-alliances for the purpose of making some disposition of the money. It is a difficult undertaking, but with this distribution is the passing of a most worthy institution.

The Value of Expert Treatment

Everyone who is afflicted with a chronic disease experiences great difficulty in having their case intelligently treated by the average physician. These diseases can only be cured by a specialist who understands them thoroughly. Dr. J. Newton Hathaway, of Atlanta, Ga., is acknowledged the most skillful and successful specialist in the United States. Write him for his expert opinion of your case, for which he makes no charge.

Back Support at Buford.

The young ladies of Buford will give a Back Support at the school house, Nov. 15, with the public are cordially invited to attend.

We will do all we can to give every body a great time. Girls bring your baskets. They certainly will attend and we feel assured that every basket will find a ready purchaser. The proceeds will be applied to the church. Wish everybody a nice time.

- Miss Lula Walters,
- " Ona Funderburk,
- " Maggie Ragedale,
- " Janie Hicklen,
- " Etta Lingle,
- Mr. S. J. Funderburk,
- Mr. W. A. Lingle.

—To those who have paid up for the Enterprise this fall, we extend our hearty thanks. But there are a good many who have not yet paid. Please do not disappoint us in our expectation that you will attend to it soon.

Pile-Its Cures Piles!
Money returned if it ever fails.

The Visitors.

Mr. A. B. Ferguson visited Rock Hill recently.

Mr. Leroy Davidson visited Rock Hill Monday.

Capt. John M. Belk of Taxahaw was in town Monday.

Miss Eunice Beaty spent several days at home last week.

Miss Jennive Anderson of Rock Hill is visiting Mrs. C. J. Henry.

Mr. T. M. Hughes spent Thanksgiving with his mother at Fort Mill.

Senator Hough will attend a committee meeting in Columbia the latter part of this week.

Rev. J. M. Steadman left Monday for Newberry to attend conference.

Mrs. J. T. Funderburk of Dudley visited relatives here last week.

Mrs. E. E. Poag and children of Rock Hill spent Thanksgiving day with Mrs. J. L. Poag.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Patterson spent Thanksgiving with relatives at Fort Mill.

Miss Gertie Foster who is teaching at Richburg, spent Thanksgiving with her mother here.

Mrs. R. E. Tompkins and little son of Rock Hill visited her sister last week, Mrs. C. T. Conners.

Mrs. J. H. Boldridge accompanied Dr. Boldridge to Greenville to attend the convention.

Miss Julia Tittman of Lowrys ville spent Thanksgiving with Misses Alice McNeill and Joyce Clark.

Miss Lillian Cook, of Rock Hill, who has been visiting her grandmother, Mrs. K. B. Young, returned home Monday.

Miss Luzetta McManus returned Monday from a visit to the family of her uncle, Mr. J. C. Elliott, of Yorkville.

Miss Julia Thernwell of Kershaw and Mrs. J. C. Witherspoon of Rock Hill visited Miss Annie Witherspoon last week.

Rev. J. H. Boldridge and Messrs. D. A. Williams and W. C. Hough are attending the Baptist State Convention at Greenville.

Miss Emma Funderburk is accompanied by her college mates, Miss Mary Allen Hopkins, up town and spent the Thanksgiving week at home.

Rev. S. N. Warren is expected to return to Greenville to attend the convention, and one of his oldest sons, Charles Newman.

Mistrial in Mitchell Case.

Yorkville, Nov. 27.—In the Mitchell case the jury was out twenty-five and a half hours and then a mistrial was ordered. It is rumored that the jury stood night for several hours, then the plaintiff, Mitchell; and one waivering.

John L. Sullivan Bankrupt

New York, Nov. 28.—John L. Sullivan, former champion heavy weight prize fighter of the world, filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States District Court today. He said his liabilities were \$2,653 and his assets \$60 worth of wearing apparel.

WANTED—Agents, male and female, to sell our remedies. Good pay. Nature's Remedy Co. 1102-1112, Washington, D. C.

THE NEGRO QUESTION REVIVED IN CONGRESS.

The Elimination of the Illiterate Vote in the Southern States to be Investigated.

Special to The State.

Washington, Dec. 1.—Sectionalism caused the sensation of the first day of the short session of congress. The anti-southern element in the house started their campaign by having Representative Taylor of Ohio introduce a bill providing for the investigation of the election of Representative Carter Glass of the Sixth Virginia district, the first congressman to be elected under the new Virginia constitution, in the framing of which he took a prominent part. The resolution, which was offered immediately after the swearing in of new members, caused a sensation on the Democratic side. Representative Richardson, the minority leader, challenged action upon it, but as immediate consideration was not demanded it was referred to elections committee No. 1. It provides for a thorough investigation of the laws under which Mr. Glass was elected with a view to determining whether any citizens entitled to vote for members of congress were debarred for any reasons, for the appointment of a committee "Which shall be empowered to hold its session at once and at such times and places in or out of the State of Virginia as it may seem best, and summon before it and examine any and all persons and papers which it may deem necessary clerks, the expenses of the investigation to be paid out of the contingent fund of the house.

Rheumacide cures rheumatism by neutralizing the acids in the blood and driving them out through the natural channels. Sold by J. F. Mackey & Co. mar29-6m

Tribute of Respect.

Tribute of respect from the Lancaster Council Family Protective Union, No. 159, to the memory of our worthy president,

W. S. L. PORTER.

In his death our council has lost one who from its organization has been our faithful president one we found to be loyal to the order and true to each member.

In his last illness he never complained and he died a peaceful and happy man. He had won for himself an enviable reputation and he has left behind him a family which will be proud and yet, delighted with the sad news there is joy also that he has won his crown and will be forever with the Lord.

Since we desire as a council to record our thanksgiving to God for the life and work of Bro. Porter and to express our sorrow at his death.

Resolved, First, That we bow in humble submission to the will of our Heavenly Father who gave and who hath taken away and who doeth all things well.

Second, That we see in the death of our brother a call to ourselves to be more zealous and faithful in the work of our master, for the time is short and night is soon coming when our work on earth will be ended.

Third, That we express to the

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family of Brother Porter our sincere sympathy for them in this their great affliction.

Fourth, That a page in our minute book be inscribed to the memory of Brother Porter, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased brother and a copy furnished the county papers with the request to publish.

W. B. Knight,
E. M. Crexton,
John A. Cook,
Committee.

CASTORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
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Clerk's Sale.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
Lancaster County.

In Common Pleas.

Springs Banking & Mercantile Co., Assignee, Plaintiff,
versus
Amanda Catoe et al., Defendants.

PURSUANT TO AN ORDER OF the Court made in the above entitled cause by his Honor James A. Welch, bearing date November 20th, 1902, I will sell to the highest bidder at public outcry before the Court House door, at Lancaster, South Carolina, on the

FIRST MONDAY IN JANUARY, 1903, during the legal hours of sale, the following described land, to-wit: All that piece, parcel or tract of land, more particularly described in the order and true to each member.

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