

THE GREAT AMERICAN FARMER.

Congressman Lever's Speech on This National Institution Was Well Received by the House.

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Among the many things that come up for consideration and for speech-making in the house of representatives while it is trying to take as much time as possible passing the few important bills it has been decreed it shall pass is the American farmer. The American farmer, as we all know, is a great institution. The "agricultural bill" is before the house this week and Representative Asbury F. Lever, sometimes known as the Honorable A. Frank Lever of the Seventh congressional district of South Carolina, took opportunity yesterday to deliver himself of a few of his ideas, very good ideas, too, about this great institution, the American farmer. Just before making his speech Mr. Lever was heard to say to some of his colleagues, on the side, that he would not swap his place on the agricultural committee with any of them, not even to be chairman of the ways and means committee, or words of that effect or along that line. He was loaded then for his speech, which he was about to make. He made it. Contrary to the general custom when such speeches are made, he got a good and respectful as well as a semi respectable hearing. About one-third of the members were in their seats, a fair average on an occasion, and they not only listened attentively, but they frequently interrupted the speaker with applause. When he finished speaking something like a dozen of his colleagues left their seats and went up to shake hands and congratulate him. The great American farmer and the agricultural department seemed to be his subject. He said among many other things that the first suggestion of a department of agriculture for the government came from a message sent to congress by the "Father of His Country" in which he recommended a governmental agency, which should be charged with the duty of "stimulating enterprise and experimenting along agricultural lines." The suggestions of Gen. Washington were met with favor by the wisest and best statesmanship of that period. The response of the senate to those suggestions was written by a South Carolinian, Senator Read. "The truth is," asserted Mr. Lever, "that from the earliest days of this republic the South has been vitally interested in every effort to better the condition of the agricultural classes and there is no section of the country which gives heartier support to the present administration of the department of agriculture. The South believes in the integrity and wisdom of Secretary Wilson and it believes that he, at least, will give the South a 'square deal.'"

Mr. Lever charged that the government had been tardy in extending aid to agriculture, "the most potent agency in our industrial development," and declared that this tardiness reflected on the patriotic foresight of the nation. "For," said he, "a policy of liberality to agriculture would bring to the country a two-fold benefit. It would help the farmer individually and would add to the revenue of the government by increasing the farmer's taxable property." He also claimed that such recognition as agriculture finally won from congress the result of Democratic effort. A Democrat of Missouri, Mr. Hatch, lead the fight in the house, and the act was signed by a Democratic president.

He said that agriculture was the largest contributor of the nation's wealth and argued that the appropriation made annually by congress for this industry was not a gift to the farmer, but an investment for the government from which it expected and did actually receive large returns. He said the farmer did not expect the government to give him anything; the farmer still believed in the old-time doctrine that the people should support the government and not the gov-

ernment support the people. He pointed out that the farmer not only contributed more wealth to the government than any other industrial class, but through agriculture this country was securing immunity from debt. "In international trade, during the last 16 years, the products of agriculture have paid a foreign debt of \$543,000,000—an adverse balance of trade against products not agricultural from other countries." Not only had the farmer paid this foreign debt, but he had brought to our shores \$5,092,000,000 to swell our national wealth. He had changed us from a debtor to a creditor nation.

Notwithstanding that the United States is the greatest agricultural country in the world, Mr. Lever showed by carefully prepared figures that we spend less in support of that industry than any other so-called world-power. He said if we gave as freely for agriculture as other nations, the bill under consideration would call for \$100,000,000, while it calls for less than half that amount. The per capita tax of the United States for agriculture is about 7 cents; in most other countries it is double that amount.

Mr. Lever submitted a table which showed that for the last six years agriculture has received among the smallest appropriations given by the government for any purpose. "The navy," he said, "receives 20 times as much as agriculture, and this in a time of profound peace."—State, 27.

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Two Hangings Postponed.

Governor Heyward today granted a three weeks' respite to the two Williamsburg negro murderers, Epp S Snowden and Arthur McFadden, sentenced to hang there next Friday, in order to allow the new pardon board opportunity to pass upon their petitions for commutation. The governor called a special meeting of the pardon board to be held on the 15th of May to pass upon these cases. The pardon board will also consider several other important cases.

Mountain of Gold

could not bring as much happiness to Mrs. Lucia Wilke of Caroline, Wis., as did one 25c. box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, when it completely cured a running sore on her leg, which had tortured her 23 long years. Greatest antiseptic healer of Piles, Wounds, and Sores. 25c. at the Kaufmann Drug Co., drug store.

Pension Board's Work Over.

The State board of pension commissioners was in session on Wednesday evening and for a short time Thursday morning. All the records were gone over and orders given for payment. The checks will probably be sent out May 1st and it is possible that pensioners may receive a little more money than last year.

Stomach Troubles.

Mrs. Sue Martin, an old and highly respected resident of Faisonina, Miss., was sick with stomach trouble for more than six months. Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets cured her. She says: "I can now eat anything I want and am the proudest woman in the world to find such a good medicine." For sale by the Kaufmann Drug Co.

The city council of Columbia voted \$1,000 to the San Francisco relief fund.

John Green, a colored brakeman, was run over and killed by a Southern engine in Columbia on Saturday.

The dispensary was voted out of Laurens the 9th of January, but it is still running by the grace and technicalities of the courts.

Stanley Gertz, a wealthy resident of Passaic, N. J., on Sunday shot his daughter, Mrs. Walter Potts, shot at her husband and then killed himself. The trouble arose over family differences.

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Laurens.....	40,877
Union.....	18,711
Greenwood.....	28,917
Saluda.....	21,450
Newberry.....	86,868
Chester.....	25,116
Fairfield.....	27,111
Lexington.....	18,112
Richland.....	16,156
Kershaw.....	19,542
Orangeburg.....	81,896
Sumter.....	40,468
Lee.....	36,560
Darlington.....	31,428
Clarendon.....	35,971
Florence.....	28,928
Williamsburg.....	26,134
Oconee.....	15,163
Pickens.....	15,062
Greenville.....	36,168
Spartanburg.....	55,535
Cherokee.....	13,764
York.....	36,930
Lancaster.....	20,675
Chesterfield.....	14,992
Marlboro.....	39,582
Marion.....	42,893
Horry.....	9,622
Georgetown.....	7,319
Berkeley.....	17,481
Dorchester.....	9,657
Charleston.....	7,677
Colleton.....	14,180
Beaufort.....	6,518
Hampton.....	19,227
Barnwell.....	48,256
Bamberg.....	24,167
Aiken.....	35,274
Edgefield.....	26,023
Abbeville.....	34,840
Anderson.....	64,189

Postmaster Robbed.

G. W. Fouts, Postmaster at Riverton, Ia., nearly lost his life and was robbed of all comfort, according to his letter, which says: "For 20 years I had chronic liver complaint, which led to such a severe case of jaundice that even my finger nails turned yellow; when my doctor prescribed Electric Bitters; which cured me and have kept me well for eleven years." Sure cure for Biliousness, Neuralgia, Weakness and all stomach, Liver, Kidney and Bladder derangements. A wonderful Tonic. At the Kaufmann Drug Co., drug store. 50 cents.

349,440 PERSONS BEING FED DAILY.

Work of Caring for Homeless Well Under Way—Some Suffering From Exposure.

San Francisco, April 25.—An idea of the task which confronts the food committee may be gained from the fact that throughout the city rations for 349,440 persons were distributed yesterday. This is an average estimate based on reports from a few of the food depots. At one point yesterday provisions were given out to 662 persons an hour for ten hours. This station is neither one of the largest nor one of the smallest and so its reports were used as a basis to strike an average.

All flour that was received in sacks is exchanged at bakeries pound for pound for bread. Almost all the bakeries in the burned region have opened and are selling bread at 5 cents a loaf. There is no danger of a meat famine. Representatives of the Western company in south San Francisco reported to the relief committee this morning that there are

now in the yards 1,500 cattle, 300 sheep and 500 hogs.

More than 200 cattle are killed and dressed daily and sheep and hogs are put under the knife as fast as they arrive. The full quota of employees is at work.

The Southern Pacific ordered all cattle cars to be rushed to San Francisco with precedence over passenger trains.

Wholesale grabbing of supplies by some while others are in want has caused the military authorities to order a new system in the distribution of food. Beginning tomorrow kitchens and mess rooms will be established where meats will be supplied to all who apply, but no food will be given out to be carried away.

In the distribution of clothing precaution against fraud will be taken by squads detailed to visit each tent or each shelter, list the occupants and tabulate their wants. Orders will be given out entitling the holders to the needed clothing, bedding or other stores.

Pitiful stories of suffering from exposure, ignorance and helplessness are flooding the relief committee from all sides. Of the great refugee camps that in the Presidio, which is under government control, seems most thoroughly systematized, and that in Golden Gate park most disorganized, though it is rapidly assuming a habitable basis.

Many tons of fresh fruit were distributed free yesterday and today. Bunches of bananas and boxes of oranges were given unsparingly to the people, who flocked from the tents along the beach and about Fort Mason.

War Against Consumption.

All nations are endeavoring to check the ravages of consumption, the "white plague" that claims so many victims each year. Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs and colds perfectly, and you are in no danger of consumption. Do not risk your health by taking some unknown preparation when Foley's Honey and Tar is safe and certain in results. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar and insist upon having it. Kaufmann Drug Co.

If you want to ruin your boy, an exchange truly says, just take his side on every question and dispute he has with his teacher or his neighbor's children. Just let him know you are with him, right or wrong, in all of his disputes. This will give him a good start in the downward path.

Don't teach your children that it is a shame to wear worn, and patched clothes if you are not able to afford better, but that it is no honor in wearing new ones that are not paid for. A poet said, "Remember that rage may cover a boy who will some day be the world's great joy."

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Too many people expect others to do more for them than they are willing to do for themselves.

The women of this country should erect a monument to the memory of the man who invented mirrors.

A young lady recently wrote to the query editor of a New York magazine and asked for a receipt for removing hair from the upper lips. The reply was: "That's easy; just push young man away!"

After a man has passed the critical stage of his illness he begins to worry about his doctor's bill.

Not all who think they think have thoughts.

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