THE FARMERS MEET.

THE FULL PROCEEDINGS OF THEIR RECENT CONVENTION.

The Establishment of an Agricultural College Urged-The Platform and Resolutions Adopted.

The State Farmers' Convention was called to order by Capt. B. R. Tillman in Agricultural Hall, Columbia, S. C., 'clock Tuesday the 9th instant. Capt. Tillman delivered an address pointing out supposed abuses in the administration of the State governadministration of the State government, suggesting remedies for their abatement, urging the necessity for stronger organization among the farmers, and recommending the immediate establishment of an agricultural college. He contended that the college should be put under the control of a Board of Agriculture, elected by Farmers' Conventions, and asserted that such a convention was just as competent to elect this board as the Legislature. He expressed the opinion that the Agricultural College could be supported by the privileged tax on commercial fertilizers and the proceeds of the interest on the land scrip, the two aggregating about \$30,000.

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The convention was not so well attended as the April convention, and lacked much of the enthusiasm displayed at the first meeting. This may be due to the fact that the farmers are settling down to solid business puposes, and the attendance was probably diminished on account of the attractions at the fair grounds.

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At the conclusion of Capt. Tillman's address, Hon. W. J. Talbert, of Edgefield, was nominated and elected Chairman of the convention, with J. T. Dunean, of Newberry, and Dr. W. P. Anderson, of Abbeville, as Secretaries.

A Committee on Credentials was appointed, and the convention adjourned for the sideration the advisiability of increasing the phosphate royalty.

Sixth. We recommend the passage of such legislation as will protect the farmers of the State against the weighing of cotton.

Seventh. We respectfully urge such legislation as will protect us against forest fires negligently started.

Eighth. The equalization of taxes demands

promptly at 759. Several deegates from Spartanburg, not present at the morning session, reported. Gen. E. T. Stackhouse, of Mason, reported a constitution and by-laws for the pernament President, with the organization, which was adopted as a whole without delate. Mr. D. K. Norsig, of Anderson, was unaminously elected permanent President, with the following Vie-Presidents: R. S. Lie of Stackhouse, of Colleton; W. J. Talbert, of Edgefield; Joel Beard, of Coence; Gen. E. T. Stackhouse, of Mason, respondent was informed of a was specially invited to visit the place of the laborar was proposed in our county governments, and to reduce the burden of taxation as deeded permanent President, with the following Vie-President, of Coence; Gen. E. T. Stackhouse, of Maroin, which was unaminously as well as to seeme such changes in our county governments, and to reduce the burden of taxation as whole without delate. Mr. D. K. Norsigh, of Laurens; W. A. Ancrum, of Kershaw; E. T. Stackhouse, of Maroin of Colleton; W. J. Talbert, of Edgefield; Joel Beard, of Coence; Gen. E. T. Stackhouse, of Maroin of the Prefect, Dimitriev. The wrected of flick altrest to the offered to the numploy-dead persons against abuses and product a whole without delate. Mr. D. K. Norsigh, of the probability is the place of the persons with the following view present the probability is the place of the Shake at private the probability is the place of fine laborar. When the cotton field of the laborar was the control of the laborar. When the cotton field of the laborar was deeded where the burden of taxation as the control of the laborar when the dependence of the laborar defined the probability is the place of fine laborar. When the cotton field of the laborar was deeded with the place of the laborar was deeded with the probability is the place of the laborar was a strained the members of the laborar was a strained to the field writing the extreme the probability is that he will lose a form the probability is that he will lose a form the probability is th from Spartanburg, not present at the morning session, reported. Gen. E. T. Stackhouse, of Mason, reported a con-

tions, composed of one from each county was appointed.

A number of resolutions were introduced, the following being the most important, recommending the establishment of an Agricultural College, the re-organization of the Department of Agriculture, the creation of the office of Legislatory of weights and measures. of Inspector of weights and measures; requiring all parties purchasing seed cotton to pay a license of five hundred dollars, the reduction of the number of and auditor, the establishment of a far-mers's bank, the discontinuance of ap-

ous resolutions referred to us, and taking into consideration the power invested in us to make independent re-commendations of our own volition, we submit the following "platform as embracing the substance of such reso-·lutions as were acted upon in the committee, and as indicating the reforms and measures which we deem of great importance to our interests as farmers and citizens :

We, the farmers of South Carolina in Convention assembled, after mature deliberation and after all the light and experience gained since our last Convention from the fuliest discussion among ourselves as the general objects to be attained, hereby express our continued unshaken confidence in our former association as now organized to accomplish great good for the State, if properly conducted and kept within legitimate bounds, and we hereby reiterate our determination that there shall be henceforth in South Carolina, an organization for the protection and advancement of our agricultural inter-In furtherance of this purpose, and as embodying the present views of the powers of the State, we respectfully urge upon our General Assembly the necessity and advisability of the

following measures:
First. The establishment of a real Agricultural College, separate and distinct from the South Carolina College, and modeled after those of Michigan and Mississippi. We believe that the necessary fand to build and equip this tuska, a Pole, has been the object of a institution can be secured by lopping great deal of curiosity here. He first off needless expenditures, abolishing or made his appearance on last Saturday, consolidating useless offices without in- when he visited the Seventeenth street ereasing taxation. We further recom- market and devoured, in the presence of

Second. That an experimental station should be established at or in connection with said Agricultural and Mechanical College, the same to be under the charge of its faculty, and that we memorialize Congress to pass the bill to talk about himself further than to introduced by Mr. Hatch, and now pending, which appropriates \$15,000 annually to each State for this purpose, and that we ask our Senators and Congressmen to use all legitimate means to secure its passage.

Third. That in order that our agri-altural administrators may be dicultural administrators may be di-vorced, as far as possible, from politics and politicians, in order that the men best qualified to perform these impor-tant duties be selected by those most competent to judge, in order that we may secure a Board of Agriculture at once, efficient, zealous and representa-tives who know our needs and try to supply them, we urge that instead of

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being chosen by the Legislature they be selected by this Farmers' Association. This Board of Agriculture should consist of ten-five elected annually. They should have the power to elect their own secretary, whose duties would correspond with those of the present Commissioner. Their duties would be

Alken, Barnwell, Beaufort, George-town, Hampton, Horry, Lancaster, and York were not represented. The bal-bonds of taxation they take into con-

until 7:30 p. m.

The Farmers' Convention met hands earnest consideration at the hands of the Legislature, and we urge promptly at 7:30. Several delegates such action as can best secure it. Ninth. We urge such alterations of the Fee bill as will guard the estate of dead persons against abuses and pro-

A resolution was adopted that the Committee on Resolutions be empowered to select the first named to be proposed as members of the Board of Agriculture is the event the Legislature reorganizes the department of agricul-ture on the plan proposed by the con-vention. A contribution of \$1 each was then levied on the delegates for the county offices by combining treasurer purpose of raising a fund to defray the expenses of the convention, and \$73

was collected.

The Convention met at 7:30 with the expectation of holding a joint meeting with the State-Agricultural Society, but as the members of that organization were not promptly on hand the convention adjourned sine die.

Died for a Woman.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, November 13.—The suicide of a prominent young society man of New Orleans occurred here to-day. Mr. J. F. Morrow, head clerk in the auditor's office of the Atlantic division of the Southern Pacific Road, came to this city several days ago, stensibly on business, but it now trangires that he followed a variety actress from New Orleans, and it was on her account he took his life. He stopped at the Southern Hotel, going to his room quite late last night. He did not appear for breakfast, and about 3 o'clock his afternoon hotel employees entered his room through the transom over the door, and found Morrow lying on the bed cold in death. He had evidently been dead several hours. By his side was an empty chloroform bottle. On the table were a number of letters address-ed to his mother, his brother, and one for the variety actress. It has been as certained that Morrow accompanied the woman home from the threatre last night and told her on parting that he had a notion to kill hiniself.

mend, as a means to assist in building a crowd, four pounds of raw meat. Since this institution, that the different counties of the State be empowered to aid for it by offering bonds or land. feeds like a ravenous wolfe, and his un-

SERVED HIM RIGHT.

Dreadful Work and Just Fate of a Drunken Husband and Father.

St. Louis, November 10.-Near Marine, Hodgeman county, Kansas, lived until last Friday Sam Purple, a brutal, drunken fellow. His family consisted of himself, wife, wife's sister and four little children, the youngest of whom was only three weeks old. On Friday was only three weeks old. On Friday morning his wife arose and prepared breakfast. She then awakened her husband, which enraged him. He sprang from bed and seizing his revolver, shot his wife through the body, killing her instantly. He then shot and killed his new-born bube and another of his children. His sister-in-law, Miss Lowder, was then fired at, the ball passing through her arm and lodging in her shoulder. As this emutied his revolver shoulder. As this emptied his revolver he proceeded to load his shotgun in orhe proceeded to load his shotgun in order to complete the work. A slight mistade in this was the only thing that stopped his deadly proceedings. The powder was poured into one barrel and the shot into the other. With this he endeavored to blow off the head of another child, but as there was nothing meant and the shild. except powder in the barrel the child's face was only severely burned. A heavy blanket was wound around the child and this securely wrapped with, heavy wire, in the hope that he might accomplish its death by suffocation. The child will recover, although fearfully distigured. The murderer then mounted his horse and started across the field towards Marine, with the avowed purpose of murdering his wife's father and mother. Meantime the young lady had made her way to the village and notified the inhabitants and they had congregated for resistance. Seeing that his plan was frustrated, Purple hastened to Jetmore and surren-dered to the authorities, and was placed in jail. Last night a mob of about one hundred men went to the jail and demanded the prisoner, who was delivered

SEVENTY-FIVE SHOCKS.

Some Curious Frenks of the Shake at a

which time at least a dozen shakes oc-curred, six of which were stronger than any he has ever felt, except the first one, August 31. The Rev. Jno. D. Pitts, the portions. Even the negroes are beginning to open shops. A negro will commence at the house when your corresumence with a capital of \$10, with which were at the house when your correspondent went in. They all, as well as many others who came and went, expressed themselves as being satisfied that the shakss were genuine earth-quakes. Mr. Pitts, who had spent about two hours in the house, said that

TEXAS RANGERS AT WORK.

Wire Cutters in the Lone Star State Fight to the Death.

CHIGAGO, Nov. 11 .- A Times special from Brownwood, Texas, says: Capt. Scott of the State Rangers, received information Tuesday that a party of wire cutters would cut the wire fences on Morgan Eboughe's place that night, twelve miles from here. He at once gathered his Rangers and with a few citizens repaired to Eboughe's place and waited in ambush for the cutters. At 11 o'clock the cutters were heard coming up the line of the fence. They were permitted to pass a few of those in ambush, but, on arriving opposite him, Captain Scott demanded their surrender, stating that they were rangers. His only answer was a pistol shot. Then the firing became rapid on both The moon was bright and clear, and they could distinguish one another When the firing ceased one wire cutter was found killed and one mortally wounded, while two made their escape on foot, their horses being captured. The horses were identified belonging to C. Johnson and C. Matthews, and it is supposed that they are the ones who made their escape. Jim Lovell, the man killed, was disguised with a false moustache. He was an old offender. Amos Roberts, the man captured died. Lovell held the position as Constable in an adjoining precinct. The parties cut one and a quarter miles of fencing before coming up to the rangers. Before morning the rangers also captured Bob Peacock, a noted horse thief.

Deceived Into a Marriage.

Macon, Ga., November 12.—Miss B. Callahan, who has been one of the belies of Macon, was married on Monday last to James Larned. They went to Salt Springs on a honeymoon trip, and while there the publication of the marriage notice set the husband into a violent

SEED COTTON THIEVES.

AN EVIL WHICH THE LAW SEEMS UNABLE TO CURE.

A Question for the Legislature—The Seed Cotton Thief no Worse than the Man who Buys the Stolen Cotton-Prompt and Vigorous Measures Needed.

A correspondent writing to the News and Courier, from St. Matthews, S. C., under date of November 9th, 1886, writes as follows concerning the traffic in seed cotton:

Ever since "Farmer Tillman" declarated himself to be the "Agricultural

ed himself to be the "Agricultural Moses" and assumed the task of lead-ing the over-burdened tillers of the soil out of the land of Pharaoh and his burdensome task-masters, the agricultural question has been especially prominent before the public. Reduction in taxation, the establishment of an agricultural college, the prices of fertilizers, the oppressive system of the cotton features business for his part from factorage business, &c., have been, from time to time, very forcibly brought to the attention of the public all going to the attention of the public all going to prove that the farmers of our State are beginning to awake to their interests and are willing to embark in any enterprise which promises to better their impoverished condition.

In view of the fact, I beg to bring to the attention, not only of the farmer, but of every citizen interested in the inaterial welfare and prosperity of this

state, a matter beside which all others, previously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. I refer to the growing evilously discussed, pale into insignificance. The commission and broke it into pieces. The com negroes on the surrounding plantations to steal all the cotton that they can. with little ceremony. He was then taken to the scene of his crime and hanged to a tree. Only one member of the family escaped serious injury, a little boy, who hid under the bed when he heard his father coming.

This, plainly, is an enormous drain on the industry of the country. Five per cent. of the gross cotton production of any planter will pay his taxes for at least two years, or buy a ton of acid phosphate for every plough he runs. any planter will pay his taxes for at least two years, or buy a ton of acid phosphate for every plough he runs. But this is not the only loss incurred. This seed cotton traffic increases the

a town or village. Dating from 1876, however, it had steadily increased, until he will purchase a meagre supply of groceries, which he takes to the planta-tion on which he lives, and while the planter sleeps and sweetly dreams of brighter days that he will never see,

than the honest, hard-working farmer? The people of this community say emphatically no! And unless some stringent law is enacted at the next session of the Legislature to put down this iniquitous traffic, our representatives will not carry into effect the wishes of

their constituents. On the Sth of last September the citizens of this place and the surrounding country held a meeting for the purpose evil. They formed an organization, and went earnestly to work. The association now numbers nearly two hunplace stands pledged not to buy a

We feel highly gratified at the result attained, but are not fully satisfied. We do not think it just that we should be called upon to spend our time and money to protect ourselves from rob-

Preferred Burning to Hanging.

St. Louis, November 12.—A special from Sedalia, Mo., says: Charles Hudson, colored, who plead guilty of incest at the Criminal Court on Wednesday, was instantly wrapped in flames, but no cry escaped him. The jailer was attracted by the smell of smoke, but before the flames could be extinguished the man was fatally burned. He gave as a reason for the act that he was afraid he would be hanged.

Separated by the Earthquake.

Rochester, N. Y., November 8.

Mrs. Albert Weber, of Charleston, S. C., arrived here to night in search of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Middleton, whom she has not seen since speak English imperfectly, but refuses to talk about himself further than to give his name and nationality.

Earthquake Work.

It will take \$240,000 to rebuild the chimneys alone destroyed in Charless ton by the earthquake.

Tokens of Victory.

Middleton, whom she has not seen since the husband into a violent fit of anger. Last night they boarded the right of the great earthquake. The Middletons resided with Mrs. Weber in placed the ticket in her hands, bade her good-bye, and jumped off the car. The cause of Larned's conduct was that he chimneys alone destroyed in Charless on the cause of Larned's conduct was that he has a wife and four children in Louiston by the earthquake.

Nov. 12. The rebels in the night of the great earthquake. Afghanistan have been attacked by the lirium of drink. Dr. Powell was given and badly defeated. The general sent to Cabul ten cart-loads of the heads of the h

ASSASSINATION IN BULGARIA. Blood Curdling Details of Murders at Dob nitza on Election Day.

A correspondent of the Vienna Freie Presse gives the following graphic ac-count of the assassinations which took place at Dobnitza on the occasion of the elections: On the day appointed for the elections the Prefect of Dobnitza summoned the citizens to an electoral caucus. Some of the electors began to shout "We do not want any elections! We will not do anything to oppose Russia!" Deputy Grechorov then addressed the assembled crowd, saying that it was desirable to elect such men Sonora and Durango, is no myth. Two low themselves to be disturbed, and for two hours the election proceeded with-out any further disorders.

Suddenly, however, a turbulent crowd of five hundred peasants appeared upon the scene. "Down with the Deputies," they shouted; "it was they who hurled us into conflict with Servia. They have located in El Paso, two are traveling and was they show a large statement of the leaders of the affair.

The Executive Committee consists of twelve persons, three of whom are us into conflict with Servia. They have but these were met by a volley of stones and forced to retreat.

would not give themselves up they sufficient for the inauguration of their would set first to the houses. The poor purpose, though they could, if neceswretches accordingly surrendered, First came Papukchieff. The poor fell-thousand men across the Rio Grand. low, who had never taken a part in politics and who had merely been present to protect his friend Grechorov, mers's bank, the discontinuance of appropriation for the support of the milling and auriging an increase in the phosphate royalty. At 10 o'clock Wednesday, the foll instant. At he convention and urging an increase in o'clock Wednesday, the foll instant. At he convention and the Farmers' Convention and the Farmers' Convention and the Farmers' Convention and the Farmers' Convention.

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Rifles arrived here Tuesday night and opened a roll for recruits to join Cutof considering some plan to abate this ting's dibbustering expedition into evil. They formed an organization, Mexico. It is understood that 213 and went earnestly to work. The as-names have been placed on the list in dred men. Every merchant in the expected that the expedition will be pound of seed cotton, and there are at least two hundred square miles of territory surrounding, on which there is not a seed-cotton shop.

We feel highly gratified at the result closely watering the movement, and will use every endeavor to prevent the invasion of a friendly neighboring republic. The men being enlisted for the expedition are well known characbery when we pay taxes to support a ters, desperate in the extreme, and Government for that purpose. al trouble.

the evening of October 20 Eli Lalond of Muirkirk was dragged from bed by a masked mob and tarred and feathered. and the bed upon which he was lying wife for some time previous, and had be words were few. The ghost direction his cell, with coal oil, and then applied a lighted match. His entire body days before the outrage. On the few she found the money and then discretely was instantly wrapped in the coal of the co treatment, but has steadily grown worse, so that has evening his antemortem statement was taken, as his death was expected hourly. Officers have arrested Mrs. Lalond, the wife of the victim; his son and Mark Mann, who were taken before the dying man and blantified by his particular of high social and the limit of the victim; his son and Mark Mann, who were taken before the dying man and blantified by him as being man and blantified by him as being man. and identified by him as being among the party who assaulted him. They were committed. Other arrests will be made.

Tokens of Victory.

TO INVADE MEXICO.

PARTICULARS OF THE CUTTING FILI-BUSTERING ENTERPRISE.

The Movement Assuming Tangible Shape -Recruits Being Enrolled-War as a Speculation-Plans of the Invaders-Officials Watching the Movement.

as would cast their vote in favor of the Prince determined upon by Russia, but who, at the same time, would stand up for the independence and liberty of Bulgaria. The congregated peasants to a correspondent some points as the same time, would stand up give any information that might be used against him, one of them has given to a correspondent some points as the to a correspondent some points as the true inwardness of the daring scheme. would not be quieted, and continued to shout, "We want no elections!" But the delegates from the city did not alment was on foot before the Cutting ment was on foot before the Cutting case was heard of, but that in matters of such delicacy it is necessary to move slowly and with great caution. He did

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in the country about the 1st of September and offer inducements to the kept them at bay. Another Deputy make. They have faith in its success, negroes on the surrounding plantations was fortunate enough to escape. The authorties sought to restore order and illoor of the projected new government, immediately dispatched eight soldiers making a handsome profit on its bonds on horseback to quell the disturbance, but these were met by a volley of stones leges. The conspiracy has progressed and forced to retreat.

Encouraged by their success the peasants proceeded in a body to the house of the Prefect, Dimitriev. The wretched official was dragged from his residence, deprived of his clothes and money

The taste of blood had fired the bestial instincts of the mob. There approached a spy who had discovered the hiding places of Grechorov, Zograv and Papukchieff, and thither the crowd betook itself, intimating that if the three took itself, intimating that if the three of the movement say this number is world not give the say the say the say the say the interpretation of their

THE GHOST OF A BARKEEPER.

How a Louisville Woman Found Her Dead

scooped out and divided his brains, scooped out and divided his brains, shouting, "See, how the fellow has fattened on our sweat; he is fatter than our swine!" Grechorov shared his miserable fate.

Enrolling Recruits.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., November ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., November below the substitution of El Paso below the substitution of the passion of behind the bar when a woman heavily veiled rushed in and asked to be allowed to go into the back yard. Her request being granted, she went to the left hand corner of the yard and scraped aside a lot of rubbish, then took a small flower spade she had concealed in the folds of her dress and dug away the earth until she found a eigar box. This she removed from the earth and fainted away. The men rushed to the woman's side and found her to be Mrs. Dewberry. The box by her side contained a salt bag full of gold. This they counted, and found twelve twenty-dollar gold pieces and a number of smaller coins, making a total of \$250. When Mrs. Dewherry revived she declared that while sleeping in her room last night she was awakened by the touch of an icy cold hand on her forehead. As she Victim of far and Feathers.
Sr. Thomas, Ont., November II.—On midnight. Tarning in the dim light, she saw the pullid face of her deceased husband. The glocity visitor stood by the hed. He were his barial robes, and his words were few. The ghost direct-

RALEIGH, N. C., November 13.—Dr. T. C. Pewell, a physician of high social and professional standing shot and killed William Sharp, a young white man, a son of State Representative elect John J. Sharp of Nash County, in a bar-room in Rocky Mount last even-