The Farners' Alliance of Nebraska Aroused and Determined.

FOR RIGHT8 EQUAL

A Grand Body of Farmers, Working in Perfect Harmony, Confer Together and Elect Officers.

The Platform a Notable One.

The Farmers Alliance of Nebruska met last week in Hastings in annual convention, to elect new officers, discuss matters connected with the good of the order, and take such action as the times and the needs of the people call for. The strong representative men in attendance, men of prominence from every part of the state, and the work they did, showed renewed zeal and prophesied a great revival of interest in Alliance work throughout the state. The Alliance is in purpose and possibilities the grandest of brotherhoods, and will not be allowed to die till its life work, the social education and in dustrial emancipation of the farmers, has been accomplished.

The public meeting at the court house, Jan. 2nd, was opened with President Powers in the chair, and his excellency, the Mayor, welcomed the delegates in s most hearty and earnest address. President Powers responded briefly in behalf of the state organization and the farmers present.

Senator Poynter, of Boone county. arst on the program, made a pointed, pithy, practical fifteen minute speech. He was followed by Hon. Allen Root of Omaha, who warmed up wonderfully and electrified his audience, eliciting frequent laughter and great applause.

Porter of Merrick followed Root, and made a strong speech of considerable longth,

The last to speak was Lawyer Greene of Kearney. Mr. Greene cannot help

themes of the day, and almost every person in the audience stayed till a late hour, interested and intent on hearing the right to work" is a half truth. A hour, interested and intent on hearing all that was to be said.

were exalted; persons were placed below them. All had their faces to the

The officers elected were from among was elected president; Prof. W. A. Jones of Hastings, vice-president; Mr. Mrs. J. T. Keilie of Kearney, secretary; Capt. W. O. Dungan of Kearney, steward; and Hon. John Powers state lecturer.

The resolutions adopted read as fol-

We, the members of the state alliance principles of our order and our best adeavors to the reorganization and upbuilding of the same. Recognizing the deplorable condition

of the agriculturist, the mechanic, the day laborer and the business man of our country, we demand of our representatives in congress some legislation for

And recognizing that the question of money or finance is the all important question which affects the interest of every citizen, we demand the free coinage of both gold and silver, without discrimination, at a ratio of 16 to 1, and in addition the issuing of non-interest bearing treasury notes direct to the people, based upon the credit of the entire nation, without the intervention of banks, and said money shall be put into citizenship. circulation through a system of government banks, thereby affording to holders of money a safe place of deposit, which we believe would result in the immediate restoration of confidence in the business world and make panics an

We deplore the condition of our state finances, and especially do we condemn the state treasurer for his failure to comply with the laws whereby the state

than \$40,000. We condemn the ring control of the district court of Lancaster county, whereby the state fund boodlers were exonerated and turned loose after sufficient evidence had been submitted to convict them, and after the supreme court had admitted the commission of the crimes. With feetings of humilia ted pride, we condemn the action of the federal courts in presuming to exercise jurisdiction over and interfering with the enforcement of a state law, as in the case of the maximum freight law.

We are glad for the success of mutual farm insurance in the state, and bid all the workers in this hi borto much lected field a bearty God spee !.

We believe the solution of the liquor problem flor to the elimination of the element of profit, and therefore demand that the sale of liquor shall be exclusively carried on by the state at cost through salaried efficials in such municipalities as shall apply for such agen sies, and that the national government ball regulate the Importation, manuacture and transportation of all intext cants so as to protect the states in their

Resolved. That we view with alarm the action of the courts in enjoising the master workman of the Knights of both vanish and their places will be taken by these who are well employed because self-employed.

isting between the Northern Pacific railroad and its employes. Free speech has ever been one of the most sacred rights of the American citizen. The interference of the court with this most sacred right we regard as another evidence of the alarming influence which She Says The Alliance Has a Great Work corporate power has over our courts. And we condemn in unmeasured terms the attempt in times of peace to sup-press free speech as an act of highhanded tyranny, which should not for one moment be to erated nor submitted

Resolved, That we feel deeply humil-iated by having the leading industry of the nation so grossly misrepresented in the national department of agriculture by a man whose mind is too narrow to grasp the dignity of his position. And when Secretary Morton attempts to in-sult the great body of producers before and industrial congress, he deserves our profound pity for his ignorance, if it be ignorance, and our unmeasured condemnation if he knew better. In either case the administration, which will insist in retaining him in the high position to which he has been appointed, wilfully insults the industry which pays 80 per cent of the taxes, and creates the balance of trade in our favor with the the avowed purpose of "better influenc-

nations of the world. Morton.

We heartily indorse the stand taker by our representatives in congress, who actment of our principles into law. We extend our heartfelt thanks to the citizens of Hastings for the courte-ous treatment received at their hands

OVERCOAT FOUND.

during our stay among them.

[Some one left an overcoat in the hall at Hastings. I have it and would like to turn it over to the owner. J. Y. M. Swigart, Lincoln, Neb.]

Henry D. Lloyd's Eloquent Addres Before the Federation of Labor.

Before the recent Federation of Labo Hon. Henry D. Lloyd, the silver tongued orator and gifted polisher of rugged truths delivered one of his best efforts of which 20,650 copies were ordered to be printed. From the address we extract briefly as follows:

To the man who is free and would re-

great student of men says that it is half truths which led them. But even so, Perfect harmony characterized the there is another half truth beyond this meetings of the Alliance. Principles which has also its power of leading. Beside the right to work stands as of man in the produce of the work.

The declaration of independence

yesterday meant self-government, today the most earnest, and in the qualifications necessary in leaders they are also of the best. Hon. W. F. Dale of Atlanta duct of human toil is the creation of the co-operation of all the people. But in this co operation it is the share of the majority to have no voice, to do the Cameron of Nuckolls county, treasurer; hardest work and feed on the crambs of life. Not as an exception, but universally, labor is doing what it does not want to do and not getting what it wents or what it needs. The laborers want to work eight hours a day: they must work there is a shorter one given by a noted ten, fourteen, eighteen. Crying to their guide hundreds of years ago. But they employers, to congress, to legislatures to be rescued, they to down under the murderous couplers and wheels of the of Nebraska, in convention assembled, railroads faster than if they were in do hereby pledge ourselves anew to the active service in war, marching out of one battle into another. They want to send their children to school; they must send them to the factory. They want their wives to keep house for them, but they, too, must throw the shuttle or guide the wheel. They must work when they are sick, they must stop work at another's will, they must work life out to keep life in.

The people have to ask for work and then do not get it. They have to take less than a fair share of the product, they have to risk life, limb, or healththeir own, their wives', their children's, to others' selfishness or whim. They continue, for fear, to lead lives that force them to do to others the cheapening and wrongs of which they comp'ain when done to them. All this is inconsistent with manhood and with

This is an impossible situation. No human society ever held together on such terms. This is contrary to the mest sacred principles of American society. This is government without consent, and it is the corner-stone and roof-tree of American life that we will have none of it. The men who think it can continue are our idlest dreamers and most impracticable theorists.

Open the churches for dormitories for the roofless; feed the hungry in soup kitchens; rake every kind hearted gar-ret for old shoes and old clothes; fird work in kindling-wood yards for unemployed It is work of morey and ne-cessity; a Red Cross service for the succor of the sick and wounded on the battle fields of business. But the war goes on. Its cannon batls can fly faster than your ambulances. One new machine can turn out of employment more men than all the churches are feeding. One syndicate shutting down or dis mantileg to limit the output and keep up prices, or to intimidate congress on the tariff or currency, can drown out your charities. Against this flood charity is a more bloom; It cannot sweep away this stream of the unemployed, for that is the rising tide of an Atla tie occan of dispessessed humanity. municipalize the street our lines nationalign the coal mires, the forests, the ron mines, stop the competition chi dren and the starving in the labor market, set free every gift of pature and every hand of man to soak up labor, instead of corking it up, and the tide wins to run the other way.
Wheels of labor now chained by pri-

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THE SOCIAL QUESTIONS DISCUSSED.

The Land Question Wisely Handled, A so the Transportation and Money Questions-A Woman's Good Reasons and Grasp of Truth.

Stand up for Nebraska.

There are those who think the work of the Nebraska Farmers' Alliance is ended; that while the bankers of the state keep up their organization with ing legislation" in their behalf, while Resolved. That the secretary of this meeting be and is hereby instructed to forward a copy of these resolutions to President Cleveland and Secretary fession, find it to their interest to keep up organizations to aid each other and look after their political welfare, the agriculturalists of the state and nation have no interest in common sufficient for the existence of an organization, but should leave their financial and political business for office seeking politicians to look after. It grieves us to think how little has been accomplished by the Alliance compared with all that is necessary to be done before the farmers of the state obtain anything like justice. At times we grow weary and discouraged when we realize that the work of the Alliance is hardly begun. and that after the weary years of toil of the best men and women of the state we have hardly taken a step on the road to industrial freedom. We know that although we may not arrive there our children will enter into the promised land, and we can make their trials fewer and lighter, even if we live not to see the full light of freedom for manmain free fate is a policeman uttering the perpetual command, "Move on."

It was the work of our forefathers to establish the truth that so one shall the Alliance blessed. Meanwhile to us of Kearney. Mr. Greene cannot help being eloquent. Words flow from his lips as liquidly and brightly and untiringly as the stream of an inexhaustible fountain.

All these speakers handled the great the day and almost every lips as a phrase of fire which flew out of the mouth of a senator of the land beyond, and it seems se flew out of the mouth of a senator of the land beyond, that we can not have long to wait to enter and possess the land.

> There's a land where the toller is free. Where no robber of labor can come, Where wealth gives not power to oppress Nor another man's labor to own.

In that sweet by and by Which has been for long ages foretold, Moral worth will rank higher than gold.

We can dwell in that land of the free If we will, in the near by and by; We can soon wrest the scepter from gold We can make labor free if we try.

Vote no interest whatever to gold. Vote for naught which will favor a class Make an injury offered to one The most vital concern of the mass

It does not seem as if that would be hard to do, nor that the road to the promised land of freedom need be long; yet say, he was visionary, and his way impracticable. It was simply "Do unto others as ye would they should do unto you." The Christian way closely followed at the ballot box would soon right every regalized injustice, and yet the majority of the voters pretend to be his followers. Had they been so in deed and in truth how different would be the condition of our country. We have annually seen the greater part of the wealth produced in the state legislated out of the hands of the rightful owners and into the pockets of those who are allowed to eat, although they will not work.

The condition of the farmers of the state has changed greatly in the last three years.

Then the abolishment of high rates of interest on money and reduction of freight rates was all the average Alliance member desired. Thousands of farmers who would have preserved their homes if they could have obtained that relief at that time have now had the mortgage cleared off their farms by the sheriff and are today without a home, and they now demand that occupancy and use shall be the sole title of land. So with the transportation question. While a slight reduction would have sweet peas and wild roses perfumed all the satisfied three years ago, the people now know that they have the constitutional right to take the rallroads, under right of eminent domain and run them at cost in the interest of all the people; and never again will any party arouse any enthusiasm among them who advo-

Of course the renter does not care greatly for anything which does not free him from the servitude of giving one third or one half his labor for the chance to work on the earth. The farmers comprising this organization are the wealthior class of the farmers of the state, and doubtless the most of them own hand and a home; but if we do unto others as we would they should do unto us we must look out for the interout of our neighbors, who are mostly renters. This is now a state of renters, and the politicians will find they have a new factor to deal with, and that the rapidly increasing number of renters is proportioned very like that of the star at home vote. And it is reasonable that i

going to the polls. A renter does is care greatly for transportation charge He who owns the land owns the man who works it, and as soon as freight rates go down and prices rise the rentis raised in proportion. So also he regards the money question. If the value of his products is increased by increased money volume the rent is raised in proportion so as barely to allow him to exist to produce more. He has no hope of education for his children, or of giving them a better chance in life than he has until he is permitted to go upon the unoccupied land of the state and make for himself a home while adding yearly to the state's productive capacity and wealth. It will soon be necessary for any organization political or social that wishes the renters' allegiance, to advocate occupancy and use as the sole title to land. And if they desire the allegiance of those who, owing to an insufficient money volume, have become debtors, they must advocate a sufficient medium of exchange so that no usury interest will be exacted for its use. The Alliance must not ask if an idea is popular, but rather is it right? If right advocate it, agitate it, write it, speak it, vote it. We can make it popular. If we wish the farmers to join and keep up this society we must convince them each and every one that it will benefit him individually. We should take a decided step forward in co-operative work. We can compel the building of a co-operative road to the Gulf. We can get an agent to contract the crops of the state at foreign markets for better prices. We can by ordering machinery, flour, coal, etc, in large quantitles get greatly reduced prices, and we ought to place ourselves on a level with the Grange and F. M. B. A. in these respects, then each, member can soon receive a benefit and a new impetus be given.

Some think the People's party has taken the place of the Alliance. It has to some extent, but cannot entirely. Leaving out business co-eperation which a political organization will not touch, the Alliance has an educational work to perform which ne political party can do. Politicians are notoriously cowardly, and not over truthful, especially the law-interpreting class which make speeches for them, and the people will not put faith in them or be taught by them.

ers much better the principles of political economy and what he needs to better his condition than the most silverytongued office-seeking lawyer that ever lived in any party. There is a large no faith in political organizations of any class, as regards benefiting the toilers. They think as soon as the party attains power politicians will crowd to the front who care only for the 'spoils of office," and the wishes of the voters will be ignored. The Alliance must make it its future work to educate this class to demand the Referendum and direct legislation. It is an excellent time to show the folly of placing one-

If this is to become a government by the people, they must have the right to initiate new laws and not have important questions tabled by a committee appointed by some scoundrel in the shape of a speaker. No power higher than the vote or veto of the people can exist in a free country. The Nebraska farmers' and toilers whose productive labor has made the state all it is, whose labor will make it all it ever will become, should stand up for Nebraska by showing what wealth has been produced from her fertile soil and the vast amount paid by her each year to foreigners for the privilege of using the highways of our own state, and as interest on money borrowed to replace that legislated from the pockets of our

Had the farmers' of Nebraska obtained justice ten years ago not a dollar of foreign capital would now be drawing interest in the state. That is the sole reason why the loan agents oppose every effort to increase the price of Nebraska's products.

Stand up for Nebraska! from the hand of he She came forth, bright and pure as her own

Her maker prozounced ner both fertile and

then! Stand up for Nebracks and cleanse her again Stand up for Nebraska: and shame upon those

Who say that she cannot grow wealth or flut must coax rorsign capital into the state such insults each friend of the state desply

stana up for Neuraska and bantsh her thieve

Next year we're compelled to divide up again

Tis no fault of here that her granaries are DATE: the wealth that her farmers each year

create Is more than at present is owned in the state. Stop the thirring and quickly her wealth will

any man should stay at home unless sees some hope of benefiting himself Stand up for Nebraska. In the center she lies

stand up for Nebraska, the home of the free.

A farmer can teach his brother farmclass (yearly becoming larger) who put sixth of the legislative power in the hands of a corrupt governor and presi-

Not a boodler or pauper disgraced the

Who fear the extent of their steals to dis-

grievas:

stand up for Nebraska, and o'pe her jaits wide to receive all who force us our crops to de the For when we've divided our hard worked for grain.

With other whose inhor no woulth deeth create stand up for Nobraska; drive them from the

mand up for Nahraaka, so furtile and tate,

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Stand up for Ne brasks and give her a chance. Stand up for Newraska. Clear up the disgrace Of giving the ville, lowest thieves highest place. en may honor the good and the That our child:

We must set an example, and honor them too. None but men whigh honor in power we must stand up for Africaska. clear up her disgrace. Stand up for 3 ebraska, and, like Governor

Let her say hat shall pay off the debts of the Let the vile baseborn traitors who enslaved her beware; one is unfolded we know why as

where They made our crops worthless, to be England' ain. tand up for Nebraska, raise the price of he rain.

The most valuable jewel 'neath the fairest of So favored by nature, her vile man-made laws We find of her poverty are the sole cause.

Let her ewn her ewn highways and a road the South: Stand up for Nebraska by your votes, not your Stand up for Nebraska! Let no foot of her Be held by the idders to tax rent from toil.

Bid the hard-working tenants of other state And build on each wild quarter section a home And soon the world over the watchword will

A Letter From Prof. Ely. UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN. Madison, Wis., Dec. 23, 1893. Editor ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT, Lincoln, Nebrasica.

-MRS. J. T. KELLIE.

My Dear Sigl As you are perhaps ware, I hav or some years been collabor movement, which I trust will be Powers: more nearly exhaustive than anything which has yet appeared. I had hoped that I might have the work ready by this time; but the undertaking is a vast and expensive one, and it is likely to be two or three years yet before it appear. It would not have been possible for me to do as much as I have without the assistance of many engaged in the ports, pamphlets, newspapers, etc.

It has occurred to me to be helpful to have as nearly a complete set of specimen copies of labor papers of a given date as possible, and I beg you to assist me in carrying out this plan, by giving this early publication and otherwise, as may be in your power. I would like one copy of one issue of every labor paper, every farmer's alliance or grange paper, and every paper devoted to social reform, appearing in the United States in January, 1894, and I want that issue appearing on January 1, or the first one appearing after that date.

Will all papers of the kind mentioned above copy this and help me in the please copy. manner indicated? The papers will be collected, bound and deposited in the library of the Wisconsin Historical Society in the State Capitol at Madison. It will be something unique and valuable to all interested in the labor movement. I hope those editors who already send me their papers will let me have one extra copy for this collection. Please address the copies to me at

Madison, Wis., marking them "Specimens for the Collection." Yours very truly,

RICHARD T. ELY.

Hard Times and Planos.

"Should I buy a place in these bard times," Certainly you should! Times are hard, prices are low and pianos never before so good as now. We Americans excel ourselves year after year in making pianos and organs, and you can get one now at almost your own price and terms. Everybody is getting them and if you haven't one you can't get one too soon. Send to The Marchal & Smith Piano Co. and get one of their fine instruments. They stations in Texas, with final limit to reare one of the oldest of the plane and organ makers and the most reliable of them all. Your money is well invested New York.

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A copy of Miss Parlea's "Choice Recolpts" will be sont free to any house keeper, on application by mail or otherwise, to Walter Baker & Co., Dorches-

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A Letter From President Dale. Editor ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT:

The State Executive Committee of the Farmers' Alliance outlined the following work for the president, covering a period of five weeks, points to be arranged by the State secretary in correspondence with each county secretary and other parties interested in said counties. I hops every friend of our order will not only help in advertising these meetings but will try and have

them well attended. Nuckolls county, Jan. 22 to 25. Thayer 27 " 30. " 31 to Feb. 3. Jefferson, Saline, Feb. 5 to 8. Fillmore, 9 to 13. Clay, Hamilton 14 to 17. 19 to 22. Adams, 23 to 24. Very Truly Yours, W. F DALE, Pres.

DATES OF ALLIANCE LECTURES.

A New Vigorons Start in Alliance Work.

HARTWELL, Neb., Jan. 3, 1893, Editor ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT:-At the meeting of the executive conmittee in Hastings today the following lecting material for a history of the appointments were made for John H.

STATE LECTURE. Kearney county, Minden, Jan. 20. Webster county, Bladen, Jan. 25. Franklin county, Riverton, Jan. Harlan county, Alma, Feb. 3. Furnas county, Beaver City, Feb. 8. Red Willow county, Bartley, Feb. 13. Dundy county, Benkleman, Feb. 19. Chase county, Imperial, Feb. 23, Hayes county, Galena, Feb. 28.

assistance of many engaged in the labor movement, who have sent me much valuable material, as constituted in the tions of labor organizations, annual retions of labor organizations annual retions of labor organizations. also spend four days in each of the folfollows: Nuckolls county, Jan. 22.

> J Berson county, Jan. 31. Satine county, Feb. 5. Fillmore county, Feb. 9. Clay county, Feb. 14. Hamilton county, Feb. 19. Adams county, two days, Feb. 23 and

Taayer county, Jan. 26.

The places for his meetings have not been decided on, but will be sent you The state secretary desires to correspond with one or more earnest Al liance workers in each county name

who will do all in their power to may these meetings profitable. Alliance papers in each of the named counti MRS. J. T. KELLIE, Sec'y State Alliance.

Bone Creek Alliance, No. 1867. This Alliance installed officers on

evening of the 6th inst. The follow are the officers for the ensuing year. President, James Muir; vice pre dent, C. L. Manz; secretary, H. Sawy treasurer. W. Dawson; chaplan, W. Kirkwood; lecturer, A Sheffield; stewart, B. F. Ryan; doorkeeper, Duncan Kerr. After election the officers were installed. Then came refreshments and a good social time and all went home highly pleased. This Alliance is in a very flourishing condition.

A. SHEFFIELD, H. SAWYER, D. KERR,

Committee. HARVEST EXCURSIONS.

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