county Nebraska, on which was raised be a corporation, or operate its railroad this past year three car loads of corn, unless the court should exercise a disand having no stock there to feed the cretion unwarranted by the circumcorn to; and having a farm in this place stances. on which little corn was raised, and stock on it to which I desired to feed grain, I determined to bring one car at the necessary proceedings; but will east of my corn here for my own use. leave the trouble and expense of such And thereupon I directed my son to proceedings to the individual whese shell out and send to me six or seven rights have been invaded. And few inhundred bushels of cors. He got it dividuals have enough at stake to shelled in good shape and it was a good authorize them to measure arms with quality and dry. He then went to Win- one of these corporations. side, and asked the station agent of the The policy of all railroad companies Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Oms. is to fight every thing, believing that ha Railway Co., for a car in which to by so doing they will so intimidate load the corn. The agent then asked many of those having claims against if the corn was in sight. He was told them, that they will make no efforts to that the corn was shelled, and in a bin enforce their claims. They charge all

dent in this matter. I am informed that other farmers or the line of this road have been treated the same way. To require that farmers shall bring up twelve or fourteen loads of grain in front of the station, and there keep them until a car is ordered, and arrives, is nothing more nor less than an absolute refusal to transport grain for farmers. These conditions are a subterfuge too glaring to deceive even a child. Thereupon I was com pelled to buy a load of corn at Wayne of a dealer, pay twenty cents a bushel for it, when the market price on the same day in the me place was eightteen cents. In other words I was compelled to pay the dealers two cents a bushel—one ninth part the value of my corn-for the privilege of transporting sorn over the road.

ing the instructions of the superinten-

you propose to submit to such contemptible meanness on the part of railroad

This railroad company received its franchise to be a corporation-the special and extraordinary privilege of entering upon farmers' land without their permission or consent, survey and lay out its road; to compel them to sell it as much land as it needed for the construction and operation of its road; to run across public highways, subjecting the people who travel the highthem to dangers by fires scattered by its locomotives, and many other inconveniences not necessary to mention; and made, used and operated for the benefit and convenience of the public, the of the people.

This company received from the state under the obligation, legal and moral to construct a safe road, to furnish cars. motive power and men sufficient to transport all passengers, and all freight which the public, and the people desired transported.

The whole community and every individual of the community has a legal right to be arcommodated, and not merely such persons as the company might in its arbitrary caprice choose to accom-

Potter in his work on corporations speaking of railroads, says, "they are open for the public use, without discrimination." In another place speaking of railroad corporations he says' "In their very nature and constitution these corporations become in certain respects public agents, and the consequence is they must in the exercise of their calling, observe to all men a perfect impartiality." This doctrine has time and time again

been announced by courts of last resort. Each and every farmer has the right to transport his grain over the road. And the railroad company is under a legal and moral obligation to furnish each and every farmer with cars, and to transport his grain and other products. It is no excuse for the company to say it has not a sufficient number of cars. For one of the conditions upon which it obtained existence, was that it would furnish cars, and not to do so is a violation of its duty, and when this corporation refuses to furnish farmers cars, and to transport their grain, it is guilty of a misuse of its corporate franchise.

It is a well established legal doctrine that when a corporation misuses its

to be a corporation. "A non-performance of the coeditions of the act of incorporation is deemed per se a misuser, that will forfelt the grant even at common law." So said the supreme court of New York in

Wendell, vol. 23, page 204. On this principle, the Federal courts of the Latter Day Saints. And yet the enactments. misuse by the church of its franchises was not so great, and did not affect the public so much, as the misuse by this

rallroad company of its franchises. If proceeding in the nature of cro surrants, was commenced against this railroad company for its refusal to furthe farmers, there is no reason why the C street.

Farmers Rights and the Railroads. court should not decree its franchise OFFICERS STATE ALLIANCE. Being the owner of a farm in Wayne forfeited, and its ouster of the right to

But under present legislation the state will not commence and prosecute

at the farm ready to ship as soon as a costs arising out of the needless litigacar was furnished. The agent said that tion to expenses. And when laws are would not do, that it must be at the proposed, regulating their compensarailroad track ready to load before he tion for carrying passengers and freight they insist that their expenses shall be could order a car. And absolutely retaken into account in determining the fused to furnish a car, and exhibited a amount they shall be permitted to letter from the superintendent of the road, showing that the agent was follow- charge, thereby subjecting the public to the payment of costs on both sides of all litigation.

Private individuals are therefore not competent to cope in litigation with these corporations, and should not be required to in matters relating to the misuse of corporate franchises.

These corporations are the creatures of the sovereign power of the state. They are children of the states beget ting; and when its contemptible, knavish brats need chastisement the state should administer it, and not throw the burden on individuals.

If a thiet steals a horse, or breaks into a house and steals goods, or a swindler under false pretenses defrauds a person of a few dollars, the state does not ask the owner to prosecute the criminal.

The state prosecutes at its own expense, and by its own officers on the Farmers of Nebraska, how long do ground that bringing criminals to runishment is a matter which concerns the

The refusal to perform legal obligations, which are conditions upon which a corporation received its franchise and privileges, is a matter which concerns the public, and the state should see that these obligations are performed, or that the corporation shall cease to enjoy the franchise and privileges.

The superintendent of the road must be ignorant of the fact that by refusing to furnish cars and transporting the ways to dangers and delay; subjecting grain of farmers he is putting at defiance the laws of the state, is violating one of the conditions upon which his corporation came into existence; and is these privileges were granted it, for trampling upon the rights of a portion the reason that the road was to be of the public. For otherwise the only conduct is that it arises from innate whole public and not any chosen part cussedness, or a combination with the elevator owners along the line of the road for gain, coupled with the Calthese privileges upon the condition and vinistic doctrine of total depravity, which I am not willing to suppose.

Farmers of Nebraska, you need a statute which shall in substance provide that every railroad company owning a railroad in the state, shall, at all stations build a siding sufficient to stand upon it at least three cars, with such grading and filling as will enable wagons to drive to the cars, and conveniently unload into the cars; and that when any person shall notify the agent at a station that a car or cars are wanted to load with grain or other freight, it shall be the duty of the company, within thirty-six hours after such notice to furnish a car or cars suitable for the freight to be transported, and place the same on the siding, and when loaded that the company shall without delay transport said freight to its p'ace of destination, if such place is on the line of its road; and if beyond to the next carrier toward the place of destination. And that for so transferring no man shall be charged more than is legal. And further provide that in case any rail road shall refuse or neglect to perform these duties such refusal or neglect shall be absolutely a forfeiture of its franchise, and that when the Attorney General shall be notified of such refusal or neglect, it shall be his duty at once to commence proceedings in quo warranto to enforce the forfeiture.

Hang the beheading sword over the unscrupulous, soulless knaves by a single thread. When the corporations are made to understand that their life depends upon their faithfully performing their duties to the public, that they cannot disregard the conditions upon which they obtained existence, and live, their superintendents will no lenfranchise it is a forfeiture of all rights ger trample upon the rights of the pub-

Farmers, it is high time for you to throw party to the dogs; and to stand united as one man, until you secure those rights that are now withheld from you. The power is in your hands. See that men are sent to the legislature and congress, who can device measures and recently confiscated thousands of dol- put them in the form of bills, and who breof property belonging to the church can champion those bills through to

The legislator who can only vote right will be of no use to you unless salutary measures are submitted for him to vote upon. H. H. MOSES. Rock Creek, Ohio, Jan. 1894.

To Fiorida January 16th, where the sish care, and transport the grain of wide world. Callon Phil. Daniels, 1201

President, W. L. Dale, Atlanta Vice-Pres., Prot. W. A. Jones, Hastings Secaetary, Mrs. J. T. Keille, Hartwell Treasurer. James Cameron, Beaver City. W. F. Wright, State Organizer Alliance Aid. Bethany, Neb.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Chairman, I. N. Leonard, Lincoln. E. Soderman, Bertrand. L W Young, Wilsonville. C. M. Lemar, Mead. J. M. Dimmiek, Macon

Letter From the Alliance Secretary. HARTWELL, Neb. Jan. 22, '94. Editor ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT:-

The first of Hog. John H. Power's meetings was held at Minden yesterday and was a great success both in numbers and enthusiasm. If the same interest is manifested all along the line it will be only a short time until the Alliance follows: will be restored to its old time vigor and usefulness.

President Dale met with us, and his remarks, although few, were earnest and full of timely advice. I believe Bro. Powers never did better, and that is saying a great deal, but it is impossible that anyone could have heard and not been benefited thereby. Everyone that hears him is impressed with his respond with one or more earnest Alearnest and honest purpose to make the liance workers in each county named lot of the toiler better and happier, and to make the title American citizen more to be desired than a monarch's crown.

The speeches of these visiting brothers took up so much time of the county Alliance that there was no time for the Brother Wasmund's Plan is a Good election of officers, and a recess was taken for one week, when the county officers will be elected, and a good turn out is expected. The following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That we heartily congratulate our senator. Hon. Wm. V Allen and his co-workers in their efforts before the supreme court of our nation to stop the issue of government bonds by the secretary of the treasurer.

I believe the Alliance must soon

There never was a time when "eter- good order. nal vigilance" seemed as necessary to me as it does now.

The worst enemies of the Alliance are its proffered friends who would have us think our work was accomplished, whereas it is only begun. We must educate and agitate until every demand for right and justice is enacted into law. Yours for industrial freedom. MRS. J. T. KELLIE.

Meeting of the National Farmers Alliance.

TOPEKA, Kas., Jan. 19, 1893. DEAR SIR:-The National Farmers its annual session in Topeka, February fall. 6th. The rate of one and one-third fare But we must be in earnest and the refrom all points in Nebraska, Colorado, Indian Territory, Oklahoma and Kan-

Among the prominent people who will be present are H L. Loucks, South Dakota: I. E. Dean, New York: H. C. Deeming, of Pennsylvania; Mann Page, of Virginia; L. Leonard, of Missouri, and Ben Terrell of Texas. We also expect Gen. J. B. Weaver, H. E. Taubeneck, Cyclone Davis of Texas and other distinguished reformers.

Yours very Resp. J. B. FRENCH. Secretary, N. F. A. & I. U.

The Good Work Going Grandly On. LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 22, '94.

Editor ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT:-With the assistance of Bro. Geo. A. Felton, have established two "Aid degrees" in Nuckols county. One at and Bro. Haman, guardian; also at Beach Alllance, 717. Bro. Beach as guardian, and Miss Carrie C. Beach, scribe. Bro. Felton will continue the work and Nuckols county will soon be organized for various lines of work. Co-operative stores and shipping companies are being formed at Nelson and Oak. The Alliance members are getting on the war path and something will "drap" before they yield an inch-of ground already won.

W. F. WRIGHT, State Organizer.

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 gress, and senators, salaries. Right these meetings but will try and have there and then monopoly was inaugurthem well attended.

Thayer " 31 to Feb. 3. Jefferson, Feb. 5 to 8. Saline, Fillmore, 9 to 13 14 to 17. 19 to 22. 23 to 24. Hamilton Adams, Very Truly Yours. W. F DALE, Pres.

The selection of Senator Dale as presdeat of the Farmers Alliance is an exceptionally good one. The Herald believes be is the right man in the right place and predicts that he will make an energetic, efficient and able officer. No better choice could have been made .-Perkins Co. Herald.

Take THE ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT O street.

DATES OF ALLIANCE LECTURES.

A New Vigorous Start in Alliance Work.

HARTWELL, Neb., Jan. 3, 1893. Editor ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT:-

At the meeting of the executive committee in Hastings today the following appointments were made for John H.

STATE LECTURE. Franklin county, Riverton, Jan. 30. Harlan county, Alma, Feb. 3 Fursas 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. Four days will be spent by him in

each county and the other appointments will be made later. These are the dates of his entrance into each county. President W. F. Dale will also spend four days in each of the following counties, beginning on dates as

Thayer county, Jan. 26. Jefferson county, Jan. 31. Saline county, Feb. 5. Fillmore county, Feb. 9. Clay county, Feb. 14. Hamilton county, Feb. 19. Adams county, two days, Feb. 23 and

The places for his meetings have not been decided on, but will be sent you

The state secretary desires to corwho will do all in their power to make these meetings profitable. Alliance papers in each of the named countles please copy. Mrs. J. T. Kellie, Sec'y State Alliance.

One.

RUSHVILLE, Neb., Dec. 24, 1893. Editor ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT:-What I think should be done to carry the state for our party next year.

Organize at once all along the line first by organizing People's Party clubs in every town, and where we have county officers of our party at the county seats. Let them take hold and get up evening discussions at least once a week arouse to more decided action, or our at stated times and places free to all. children will not be free even in name. under such rules as will best promote

We must carry this discussion on in our towns, as they are where we always get our defeat, and the reason is, our principles are not understood near as well in towns as in the country on account of the towns getting their information from the daily press, a monopoly tool. The country gets most of the reform papers, and therefore its readers are better informed on the issue of the times.

Let the Omaha platform be our basis for discussion. If our people will take hold and work faithfully through the winter for our cause and meet all oppo-Alliance and Industrial Union will held tition so, we shall sweep this state next

on the certificate plan has been granted form press must be united as one man (and not fight our own men). Respectfully Yours.

> N. F. WASMUND. Central Committeemen, Sheridan Co.

The Usurers of Norway. Editor ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT, -

In your issue of July 6th, 1893, you have an article on the financial coudition of Norway. The constitution of that country was adopted in 1814 or 15, it prohibited the Jews from entering that country, but in 1848 the prohibition was repealed.

No doubt the authorities were taught to understand how the people could be set to work and bring debt upon themselves by labor. One of their national songs begins:

"Sons of Norse that very old country." Then it proclaims; "Liberty to think, Highland Alliance, Bro. Rouse scribe, liberty to talk, liberty to work for the good of the country"-making bonds for the Jews.

After they had here inflated the currency to their satisfaction they changed the coin from dollar to crown-no doub, "strengthened the public credit," by making the people pay two dollars instead of one. Then they demonetized the crown, except in payment for labor -showing that "it shall be the policy of King Voorhees to use both gold and silver as money. Yours Resp. H. O. OLSEN.

One of the Beginnings of Evil. EDITOR ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT:

Bear brother in the new movement which is needed very much. President Grant refused to give '61 soldiers two hundred dollars bounty to be paid by the government and turned right about and signed a bill to raise the president of the United States salary

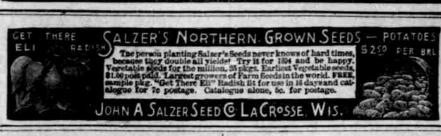
from \$25,000 to \$50,000 per year, and also signed bills to raise members of con ated, right in the halls of congress, and the Queen of England said it was a shame that the president and congressmen and senators ought to have more salary.

Yes, brothers and sisters of the Independent party, my sympathy is with you. I have been an Independent over since the monopoly above mentioned was perpetrated. I lost confidence in the so-called Republicans, and not the Abraham Lincoln Republican platform. JULIA A. JACOBY.

Bloomington, Iil., Dec 1893.

Fiorida via the Missouri Pacific route Jan. 16th. Call on Phil. Daniels, 1261

J. G. PEPPARD, 1400-1402 UNION AV. Red, White, Alfaifa and Aleike Clovers, Timothy, Blue Grass, Orchard Grass, Red KANSAS CITY, MO. Top, Onion Sets. Tree Seeds, Cane Seed.



[Under this head, short articles of general [Under this head, short articles of general interest on the subject of mutual insurance will be published free of charge, and in the name of the writer, whose hame must always accompany the letter, and who will alone be responsible for the views expressed. Any communication in the nature of an advertise ment, or calculated to benefit any particular company will be charged for at our regular rate for reading notices.]

CYCLONE.

The second annual meeting of the Cyclone Co. occurred January 17 and 18. at the Windsor Hotel in this city.

The Secretary-Treasurer's report showed that the Company had increased \$120,000 during the year and that they had nearly \$350,000 insured. 124 applicants had been received in '93 for which agents had been paid \$124 or \$1" each. The Secretaries fees for the year was \$62 or 50c per application, and other expenses were in proportion. If the Company had overpaid agents in the field we could now boast of having a PANIO PRICES FOR PANIO TIMES. large amount of insurance, but we prefer to grow slow and give our members just what they think they are paying

We had one loss of \$300 during the year, and paid it in thirty days from date of sdjustment.

The following officers were elected: Samuel Lichty, Falls City, President; I. N. Leonard, Lincoln, Vice President: J. Y. M. Swigart, Lincoln, Secretary Treasurer

Directors to serve one year-Samuel Lichty, J. G. Neff of Raymond, and Wm. Young of Palmyra.

Directors to serve two years-W. Eyestone of Rising City; Z. A. Smith of Cedar Rapids; M. Daly of Elgin.

Directors to serve three years-G. A. Felton of Angus; C. D. Shrader of Logan, and J. H. Anthes of Clay Center. FIRE

The Cyclone Company opened its doors for a Fire department. Hence the name will in in the future be the Nebraska Fire, Lightning and Cyclone Insurance Company.

We want agents for Cyclone department in every community in the state, and agents for both departments where there are no local fire companies. The hre department is added only because there are so many localities in which there is no chance to place their insurance in a mutual company which is running according to their liking.

Annual Moeting Lancaster County Agriculturisti.

The annual meeting of the Lancaster County Agricultural Association will be held at the court house in this city on Saturday, January 27, at 1 o'clock p. m.

Asks for Reversal.

Lincoln, Jan. 23 .- The Missouri Pacific Railway company filed a petition in the supreme court yesterday as plaintiff in error asking for a reversal of judgment for \$2,500 obtained by John F. Tietken, who sued for \$10,000 damages. Tietken started from Scio to Chicago in charge of some stock. He got off the train to take advantage of twenty minutes for dinner as announced by the conductor. Before the twenty minutes expired "the conductor suddenly and excitedly called out to the plaintiff that he must immediately get on board said train, or he would be left and could not accompany his stock." He attempted to obey, but the train moved off, his feet slipped, his right foot was crushed by the wheels and had to be amputated. His big toe on the other foot was also crushed and had to be amputated. The railway company says the plaintiff was injured by his own negligence and asks for a reversal.

Miss Sharpensteen, the young colored girl who left Lincoln recently, has returned home. It will be remembered that she went away with Constable Mallory, the colored man who was so pleased with his re-election to office that he eloped, leaving a wife and large unpaid debts behind. The girls states that a pretended marriage ceremony was performed before they left Lincoln but when she obtained news at Detroit of the truth concerning the statement that Mallory was already a lawful husband, she confronted him. He wanted to go with her to Toronto and there go through the marriage racket She declined and Mallory said he would go to Jacksonville, Ill., and straighten up the matter of his first marriage. He started on the way, first They claimed that the House of Lords taking Miss Sharpensteen's watch, her own money and cash he had given her, together with a railroad ticket her friends had forwarded to her. She is now in her Lincoln home, possessed of experience, but no watch, while Mallory is still at large. Judge Strode is preparing to appear

before Governor Crounse to oppose any application which may be unde for commutation in the life sentence of Charles F. Hammond, convicted of assaulting his own daughter. The judge is familiar with the case and will tell what he knows about the evidence. Several members of the W. C. T. U. also desire a hearing. The convict's divorced wife is quoted an saying that Hammond left Iflinois on secount of charges of almost a similar nature.

and plants of varieties that will bear fruit in Nebraska, as evidenced by 1,300 bushels of apples and 800 bushels of cherries grown in one season in orchards of

Crete Nurseries!

Large stock of FRUIT TREES and PLANTS, SHADE and FOREST TREES suited to Nebraska. The experience and advice of the proprietor, who is President of the State Horticultural Society will be found safe and useful to all. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Correspond at once before extreme rush opens. Address,

E. F. STEPHENS, Propr., Crete, Neb.

IMMENSE STOCK OF

Locust and Ash Trees. Fruit Trees, Grape Vines and Small Fruit Plants.

Send for free price list to JANSEN NURSERY. Jansen, Jefferson Co., Neb. Or GEO. B. GALBRAITH,

Western IT IS A FACT that for Prairie Planting, Trees grown on Prairies are the best. You can get them at

The Geneva Nurseries All sorts of them and in any quantity, from one to a car load, at Very Low PRICES. Our stock is very complete in all departments.

Osage Plants and Forest Trees, Also a full line of Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Stock, Grape Vines, Roses and Evergreeus. Catalogue free. Write for Prices.

Address, Youngers & Co, Geneva, Neb.

> ALLIANCE 505 & 507 Broad Street. Lock Box 26.

GOVE CITY, : KANSAS. The chespest reliable Seed House in the U. S. Pats 2 to 3 cts each; ether seeds cheap in proportion Warranted to be pure and fresh. Send for Catalogue of Garden. Flower Field & Free seeds. Planet, in Tools, etc. end stamp for free sample pitt Try our seeds and you will use no other.

Five New Varieties of Seed Corn. Send for descriptive price list to

J. L. PERKINS & CO., Little Sloux, lowa.

Kansas Seed House.

EVERYTHING IN THE SEED LINE.

Our Specialities: Onion Seed and Sets: Alfalfn.

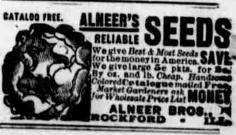
Kaffir and Jerusalem Corn; Tree Seeds for nurseries
and timber chains. Have also a limited supply of

and timber claims. Have also a limited supply of

Laythyrus Silvestris (Fiat Pea)the new Forage plant. New Catalogue mailed free on application. F. W. BARTELDES & CO., Lawrence, Kan.

Alfalfa Seed Cane, Millet Seeds, Kaffir, Rice and

Jerusalem Corn Yellow and White Milo Maize, all grown in 1893. For Prices, Address, McBETH & KINNISON. Garden City, Kas



Call on Geo. Natterman & Co. for carriages, wagons, binders, and all farm implements. We'll use you right. 213 South Ninth St. Lincoln.

Use Northwestern line to Chica Low rates. Fast trains. Office 1133

Use Northwestern line to Chicago Low rates. Fast trains. Office 1133

For Southern California take the Missouri Pac fic route, the Southern

route. City ticket office 1201 O street. Tourists rates to all points in New Mexico via the Missouri Pacific route,

office 1201 O street. The Missouri Pacific routs have got those Winter Tourists tickets to the couth on sale, good to return June 1st,

good until June 1st. 1894. City Ticket

The Missouri Pacific route are salllog round trip tickets to San Francisco, for \$65,50. Tickets good until April 304b, 1894.

Remember the Museurt Pacific Route will sell cheap tickets to the south January löin. Call on Phil. Daniels.