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ed deep sorrow throughout the st Episc pel Church and the na-He was a great man, eloquent in brood and far reaching in his great student and deep thinker, rofound theologian. He was a ist of the original stamp in docnd discipline. Heartily identified with the abolitionists, and was a on in the anti-slavery cause. He trong advocate for the oppressed vn trodden, and the colored people rout the South harled him as their

Every great moral enterprise of received his hearty support. He t a deep impression on the nation, was deeply interested in all that ned to the nation's welfare and life. d in Malden, Mass., where he was t the age of fifty-eight. His last were most troumphant-his last were shouts of victory.

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the blanks furnished, giving a full account of the time of plowing, planting, kind of seed corn, and full particulars as to manure, cultivation, etc. (These blanks will be bound in book form by Mr. Allen, and kept in the archives of the County Agricultural Society for reference and use.) We have before us the report of Mr. John Hall, President of the Society, giving a full account of the results obtained by 138 of the boys, some 75 of whom were present with their parents and many others, at the time of making the reports. We regret not to have been among the number to have seen the displays of the specimens of corn, and especially to have seen the specimens of corn, and especially to have seen the bright-eyed, enterprising boys. We have space for but an epitome of some of the results. The ears were reckoned at 70 lbs. for a shelled bushel of 56 lbs.

The average yield of the whole 138 trials was just about 100 bushels of shelled corn per acre. The first prize was awarded to Moses Miliken, of Biddeford, for 160 bushets per acre. 2nd to David J. Morrell, of Cornish, 153 bushels. The next five prizes went to A. O. Bennett, of Waterboro, 145 bushels; Cyrus H. Smith, of Dayton, 144 bushels; Willie B. Moore, ef Limerick, 142 bushels; Charlie G. Austin, of Lebanon, 141 bushels; and Arthur M. Deering, of Waterboro, 140 bushels. Six boys raised 131 to 137 bushels per acre. 12 raised 120 to 127 bushels; 23 produced 110 to 119 bushels; 24 produced 100 to 109 bushels-making 72 boys who grew 100 bushels and upward. 22 others produced 90 to 99 bushels per acre. 29 obtained 75 to 89 bushels, and ouly I5 fell below 75 bushels of shelled corn per acre. Doubtless, owing to poor soil, lack of fertilizers, etc., many of the boys getting the lesser crops were entitled to high praise for their efforts. Indeed we commend every boy who had the intelligence and spirit to enter the

This shows what can be done in producing corn in a county in Maine, lying between 43° and 44° of north latitude. Not having the reports before us, we can not judge as to the profit of such crops, the cost of manure, cultivatlon, etc., nor are we concerned as to this in the present case. The important result is the effect upon the boys themselves, and upon many other boys in the county and elsewhere. These boys were led to think, reason, observe. They will each examine into how and why this and that one succeeded better or poorer than themselves. They will be better thinkers and workers hereafter. Mr. Allen's thoughtful offer will be worth to his native county, in the far reaching future results, more than tens of thousands of dollars expended in some ways that might have been selected. We heartily wish there might be a Stillman Allen for every county in the country; and where there is not, we suggest that a like sum-if necessary one of the \$200 prize often given to some fast "nag"be appropriated by the Society to the benefit of some hundreds of youth. The boys of "17 and under" of to-day, are to be the actors upon the stage a very

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