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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE MICHIGAN STATE GRANGE.

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NOTICE.

This CIRCULAR will be issued monthly by direction of the Executive Committee. Each Grange will receive a copy through the Master or Secretary, and it should be read in open Grange for the information of members, at the first meeting after it is received.

Members desiring this CIRCULAR sent them for one year, can have it for 50 cents, and in clubs of ten or more, for 40 cents each.

We shall adhere to Grange principles, and require the money with the order.

The last page will be devoted to advertisements, of interest to Patrons, at the following rates:

One column 1 month,	\$12.00
Half " " "	7.00
Quarter " " "	4.00
One-eighth " " "	2.50

On advertisements ordered for three months, a discount of ten per cent. will be made.

On advertisements ordered for six months, a discount of twenty per cent. will be made.

On advertisements ordered for 12 months, a discount of thirty per cent. will be made.

Send money in registered letter, by postoffice money order, or draft, and direct all communications to J. T. Cobb, Schoolcraft, Mich.

There are nine division granges, and 147 subordinate granges in Canada.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

OF THE MICHIGAN STATE GRANGE OF THE PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY.

We, the undersigned residents of the State of Michigan, and members of the association known as the Michigan State Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, having been appointed by the Executive Committee of said association, for the purpose of effecting the incorporation of said State Grange under and in pursuance of an Act of the Legislature of the State of Michigan, entitled, "An Act to incorporate State and Subordinate Granges," approved April 8th, A. D. 1875, do hereby, in pursuance of the appointment and direction of said Executive Committee, associate ourselves for the purpose of forming such corporation under the provisions of said act, and for that purpose do make and execute these Articles of Association, as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The names of the persons so associating in the first instance and our respective places of residence, are as follows:

[Names. Place of Residence.]

ART. 2. The association hereby organized and incorporated, shall be known in the law by the corporate name of "The Michigan State Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry," and the place within this State, where the office of the Secretary shall be held, shall be deemed to be the place of the business office of the corporation.

ART. 3. The purpose of this corporation and the object for which it is formed, shall be to advance the social, moral, intellectual and material interests of its members.

ART. 4. The period of the existence of the corporation hereby formed, shall be thirty years.

ART. 5. The members of said corporation in addition to those executing these articles of association shall be composed of masters of the Subordinate Granges of the Patrons of Husbandry, in this State, and their wives who are matrons. Past-Masters of such Subordinate Granges and their wives who are matrons may also be members of the corporation. The number of the members and the time and manner of their appointment or election and the rights, privileges and duties of members, shall be prescribed in the By-Laws of the corporation.

ART. 6. The officers of the corporation shall be a master, who shall be the presiding officer, a Secretary and Treasurer; and such other officers,

Agents and Committees may be elected or appointed as shall be provided for in the By-Laws.

The powers and duties of officers and committees, the time and manner of their election or appointment (after the first election), their terms of office, and the manner of filling vacancies, shall be prescribed and regulated in the By-Laws of the association. All officers and committees shall hold their offices and continue to discharge the duties thereof, until their respective successors shall be elected or appointed and enter upon the duties of their offices.

ART. 7. An annual meeting of the corporation shall be held on the second Tuesday of December in each year, or at such other time as the By-Laws shall provide; and special meetings may be held when necessary. The manner of designating the place of holding the annual meetings, and of appointing the time and place of special meetings shall be prescribed in the By-Laws.

Notice of the time and place of any special meeting, and of the annual meetings, shall be given not less than thirty days before the holding thereof, in such manner as the By-Laws shall prescribe. If for any cause any annual meeting shall not be held at the time herein, or in the By-Laws specified, the same may be held at such other time as the presiding officer of the corporation shall appoint and upon the like notice as is herein provided.

ART. 8. The corporation hereby formed shall have power to make and enforce such By-Laws as may be deemed expedient for the management and regulation of the business affairs and interests of the association, and as may be necessary to carry out the purposes for which the association is formed, and for the due execution of the powers and enjoyment of the privileges granted by law; Provided, that such by-laws shall be in accordance with the Constitution and Regulations of the association known as the National Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, and not inconsistent with the laws of this State, and such by-laws may be added to, repealed, or amended, as the corporation shall deem expedient. The corporation may also establish such regulations for the observance and government of Subordinate Granges, as may be necessary for the promotion of the interests of the order of the Patrons of Husbandry in this State.

ART. 9. The first meeting of the cor-

poration hereby formed shall be held on the 14th day of Dec., 1875, at o'clock in the noon, at in the county of , at which meeting, officers of the corporation may be elected, by-laws adopted and such other business transacted as may be deemed necessary, and if said first meeting shall not be held at the time above designated, it may be called and held in such manner and upon such notice, as is otherwise provided by law.

In witness whereof, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals this day of A. D. 1875.

[Signatures of Incorporators and their acknowledgments.]

ORGANIZATION OF DISTRICT OR COUNTY GRANGES.

At its seventh Annual Session, the National Grange submitted a Constitutional amendment, providing for the organization of County or District Granges, which amendment having been duly ratified by more than the requisite number of State Granges has become the declared law of the order. Its provisions are as follows, to wit:

SEC. 2. "There may be District or County Granges in the fifth degree, not to exceed one in each county, composed of Masters and Past-Masters of Subordinate Granges, and their wives, who are Matrons, and such fourth-degree members (not to exceed three) as may be elected thereto by the Subordinate Granges, under such regulations as may be established by State Granges. Such District or County Granges shall have charge of the educational and business interests of the Order in their respective districts; and shall encourage, strengthen, and aid the Subordinate Granges represented therein. Dispensations for such District or County Granges shall issue from the State Grange, and under such regulations as the State Grange may adopt."

This gives a needed link in the Order between the Subordinate Granges and the State Grange, furnishes a medium of interchange, of collecting statistics and knowledge of crops and business, and may become a valuable means of diffusing information and cementing the interests of the Order.

Heretofore the degree of Pomona could be conferred by and at the State Grange only, where it was inaccessible to a large number of those intitled to it, but by the Pomona Grange this degree is not only brought within the reach of those just named, but worthy 4th degree members are to be selected from each Subordinate Grange, as candidates to receive this higher instruction, and to participate in the advanced work of the Order.

Already many inquiries have been made as to the mode of forming Pomona Granges by counties desiring such organizations. That such may duly organize, the State Executive Committee would respectfully submit the following

plan, being substantially the same as that adopted by the National Grange, and in harmony with it.

PREAMBLE.

It will be seen that the organization of Pomona Granges is intended and designed to "strengthen and aid" the Subordinate or Fourth Degree Granges. While the beautiful and instructive lessons of this degree cannot fail to broaden the understanding and cultivate the moral and intellectual nature of all who receive it; at the same time, the knowledge and culture there gained should be used by any member of the Degree of Pomona to strengthen and advance the interests of the Subordinate Granges.

They are also required to take especial charge of the business interests of the Order in these several districts. These interests are of vast importance, and daily growing in magnitude, requiring the best wisdom of those to whom they are intrusted.

CHARTERS.

SEC. 1. Charters for Pomona Granges shall issue from the State Grange.

SEC. 2. Applications for Charters shall be made to the Secretary of the State Grange, and be signed by the persons applying for the same, and be accompanied by a fee of \$15.00. The number shall not be less than nine men and four women, who shall be Masters or Past Masters, and their wives who are Matrons, or Fourth Degree Members, elected by Subordinate Granges in the district or County where the Grange is to be organized, in the manner fixed by the Constitution of the National Grange.

SEC. 3. On such application's being received, setting forth, (1) that the good of the Order requires the organization of a Pomona Grange in a county or district; (2) that a suitable room will be provided, with the necessary paraphernalia for the convenience and work in such degree, it shall be the duty of the Master of the State Grange, to provide for the organization and instruction of such Grange, in accordance with the ritual of the Fifth Degree, adopted by the National Grange.

SEC. 4. On the reception of the certificate of the officer or Deputy perfecting the organization, that such Grange is organized, a charter shall issue in due form, containing the name of the charter members and bearing the date of the organization. The Deputy or other officer before completing the organization shall see that the room provided, is in proper order and suitably arranged; that the officers are duly elected and installed, and that the membership fee is paid to the Treasurer of the new organization. It shall be his duty to reject every person not strictly qualified, and to carefully instruct all officers in their several duties in the work of the degree, and he shall be entitled to receive

a reasonable compensation for such service.

OFFICERS.

The officers of the Pomona Grange shall be the same as in the Subordinate Grange, and their rank and duties shall be such as are provided for in the ritual of the Fifth Degree. They shall be chosen at the regular meeting in January of each year, and installed as soon as practicable thereafter.

All elections shall be by Ballot. An Executive Committee of three members in addition to the Master and Secretary may be chosen to attend to the general business of the Grange when it is not in session.

MEMBERSHIP.

SEC. 1. Masters and Past-Masters and their wives who are Matrons, members of good standing in Subordinate Granges in the county or district, on filing a petition in due form, accompanied by the membership fee, shall be entitled to receive the degree and membership in the Pomona Grange. Fourth degree members, not to exceed three for any quarter from each Subordinate Grange, one of which three at least shall be a Matron, on filing a petition setting forth their election by their Subordinate Grange, accompanied by the fee of membership, and having been duly examined as to their knowledge of the work in the four subordinate degrees, and who are in good moral standing, and duly elected, shall be entitled to receive the degree of Pomona, and its benefits. It shall require three negative votes to reject.

SEC. 2. No persons shall be eligible to this degree, unless personally engaged in agricultural pursuits, or who has other interests in conflict with the purposes of the Order.

MEETINGS.

Pomona Granges shall meet once in three months and may hold intermediate meetings as may be deemed necessary for the good of the order. All meetings are confined to the Fifth Degree.

FEES FOR MEMBERSHIP.

The minimum fee for membership in the Pomona Grange shall be \$2.00 for men and \$1.00 for women, which shall accompany the application—and no Patron shall be allowed to become a member of the County Grange without the payment of the regular fee.

DUES.

SEC. 1. The minimum of dues shall be 25 cents per quarter for each member, payable at the regular meeting.

SEC. 2. All moneys for fees and dues not needed for the Treasuries shall be paid into the Treasury of the County Grange to be used under the direction of such Grange as a fund for business purposes.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of the Pomona Grange shall report quarterly to the Secretary of the State

Grange in the same form and manner as from the Subordinate Grange, but no dues shall be required from Pomona Grange to State or National Grange.

APPLICATIONS.

Persons applying for membership in the Pomona Grange shall do so in the form prescribed by the State Grange, (blank applications for which will be supplied on application by the Secretary of the State Grange,) and if they shall desire to join a Grange outside their district, they shall first obtain the written consent of the Grange, having jurisdiction.

DIMITS.

Any brother or sister who is in good standing in the Pomona Grange, and clear of the books, shall be entitled to a dimit card, on the payment of the sum of 25 cents, which shall be valid for six months. Persons having such cards may be admitted to membership in another Pomona Grange, but shall be subject to the same form of petition, examination, and ballot, as those first applying for membership, except that a majority vote shall elect.

REQUIREMENTS.

Sec. 1. Reports in regard to business, stock, crops, implements, &c., called for by the State Grange, must be made promptly and with as much exactness as possible, and certified to by the Master and Secretary.

Sec. 2. All circulars, information, or intelligence sent to the Pomona Grange shall be communicated to the members without unnecessary delay, and through them to the Subordinate Granges in their district.

Sec. 3. All members of Pomona Granges shall be on the alert to aid the Subordinate Granges in their district, and shall be prompt in communicating to them all matters affecting the interests of the Order. To this end they shall make it a rule to attend all the meetings of their Subordinate Grange with punctuality, and by their example and influence encourage the members, in accordance with the design and purpose of the organization.

RESTRICTIONS.

Religious and political questions will not be tolerated as subjects of discussion in the Pomona Grange, and no political or religious tests for membership shall be applied.

DISCIPLINE.

The same rules of discipline as obtain in Subordinate Granges shall apply to Pomona Granges, except that their jurisdiction shall only apply to Fifth Degree members against whom charges shall have been duly preferred in accordance with the usages of the Order.

Trials for the violation of the obligation of the Fifth Degree shall only expel from that degree, but expulsion from the degree of Pomona shall be final, and debar the individual from a seat in the

State Grange, or attendance on its Fifth Degree sessions. A member, however, who is found guilty of violation of obligation of First Degree, shall lose his membership in all higher degrees. All expulsions shall be reported to the Secretary of the State Grange, and by him to each Pomona Grange in the State.

Pomona Granges shall be named and numbered as follows:—
Pomona Grange, No.—State of Michigan.

AMENDMENTS AND BY-LAWS.

These articles may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members at any regular meeting of the State Grange.

Each County Grange may make such By-Laws for its own government (not to conflict with this Constitution, or the Constitution of the State or National Grange) as it may deem best.

Master's Department.

J. J. WOODMAN, - - - PAW PAW.

PATRONS OF MICHIGAN.

On entering upon the duties of the office of Master of Michigan State Grange, I was early impressed with the idea, that the State Grange had neglected to provide, what seemed to be an absolute necessity, a medium of direct communication, between the State and Subordinate Granges. On investigating this subject, I found that the Master of the State Grange in his annual address, called the attention of the State Grange to this subject, and recommended that a State Organ be provided for that purpose. The State Grange considered the matter with much care, and decided against making any newspaper of the State an organ of the order, leaving the order in the State as before, with no means of communication, except, by promiscuous circulars, issued by the Officers and Executive Committee of the State Grange at irregular periods; and correspondence, through the offices of the Master and Secretary, and the Chairman of the Executive Committee.

I also ascertained that several other States had adopted, with success, the plan of issuing monthly Circulars, to supply this want. Sincerely believing that the good of the order demanded it, and that the best interests of both the State and Subordinate Granges would be promoted thereby, I placed the subject before the Executive Committee of the State Grange, and they decided to issue a Monthly Circular, *in lieu of the promiscuous circulars heretofore issued*; and that it should be the medium through which, the Officers and Executive Committee of the State Grange, should communicate all business matters to the Subordinate Granges, except such matters as might be considered private. It was also ordered that the columns of the CIRCULAR should be open to every member of the order, when space would permit, to make such brief suggestions, relating to the business, or

good of the order, as they might desire. The CIRCULAR is not intended to supply the place of a newspaper, or to injure the circulation or usefulness of any paper published in the interests of the order, or of the agriculturists of the State; but rather to build up and encourage such publications, and thereby advance the educational, moral, social and material interests of the order. Its usefulness will depend much upon the interest taken in it, by the Subordinate Granges, and members of the order generally.

DEPUTIES.

Deputies are commissioned, to assist the Master of the State Grange, in the general work of organization and instruction. They stand in the Master's place, and should make themselves familiar with all the laws, rules and usages of the order, both written and unwritten; and should be prepared to instruct the Masters of Granges; and for that purpose should visit the Granges in their jurisdiction, and correct all irregularities, or report the same to the Master of the State Grange. In organizing new Granges, they should in all cases be governed by the strict letter of the law, and take no persons as charter members who are not actually "engaged in agricultural pursuits," or "have interests in conflict, with our purposes." They should also see that the *rights of jurisdiction are respected*, that no Grange may have cause for complaint.—They should be prepared to lecture to the Granges, and deliver public addresses, as circumstances may require. The position requires men of broad views, generous hearts, untiring zeal, and self-sacrificing spirits, for the pay is not adequate to the labor required.

JURISDICTION.

Complaints continue to come to me of violation of the laws of jurisdiction by Subordinate Granges. I had hoped and flattered myself, that nearly all difficulties growing out of this question, had been arranged, amicably, and with great credit to the Granges interested. A few cases are yet unsettled, and some new ones, have of late been reported, but I trust that all Subordinate Granges in the State will hereafter, knowing the law, give their whole influence in sustaining it. Granges must be protected in the right of jurisdiction, and if each Grange will do right, and take no members from the jurisdiction of another Grange, without the consent of such Grange, no difficulty can arise. For laws on jurisdiction, see By-Laws of State Grange, and April CIRCULAR.

INITIATORY FEES.

I am in receipt of many letters asking if there is no way, by which the initiatory fees of membership may be reduced. Article 6 of the Constitution reads as follows:

"The minimum fee for membership in a Subordinate Grange shall be, for men five dollars, for women two dollars, for the four degrees."

This language is clear and cannot be misconstrued. There is no method by which a Grange can reduce the fees without violating this provision of the constitution. And I am satisfied that if Granges had the authority to do so, it would be unwise, to lessen

the initiatory fees. Experience has demonstrated, that the Granges having strong treasuries, are the most successful. Some worthy members seem to hold to the idea, that initiated members should pay no more than charter members; while others are just as sincere in their views, that charter members pay for all the advantage they receive in fees, in organizing the Grange, and getting it into working order. So, while members differ, and thereby effect no change in the Constitution, *it must be obeyed*; and I trust that no Grange will hereafter, entertain a proposition, to avoid this reasonable requirement, of the fundamental law of our order.

In answer to correspondence, I have made the following rules in addition to those given in the April number of the CIRCULAR.

JURISDICTION.

1st. When a Grange receives an application for membership, from a candidate residing within the jurisdiction of another Grange, it should be laid upon the table, and no further action taken upon it, until the consent of such Grange, certified to by the Secretary, under the seal of the Grange, is obtained.

2d. A Grange giving its consent, to allow another Grange to receive a candidate from its jurisdiction, have the right to demand as a consideration, all the initiatory fees, except what belongs to the State Grange.

VOTING AND ELECTIONS.

1st. No member of a Grange has a right to vote on any question, who was not within the inner gate, when the question was stated, and ballot ordered.

2d. Officers of the Grange on duty, or members necessarily absent, by order of the Grange, should be allowed to vote on re-entering the hall, and before the result has been announced, but not until the question has been re-stated by the Master.

3d. All ballots should be secret, and no one has a right to know how another member has voted, or question the motive for casting a negative ballot.

4th. A ballot, electing or rejecting a candidate, cannot be reconsidered.

MISCELLANEOUS.

1st. The use of profane or disrespectful language, in the Grange, is an offense against the Grange, and should not be tolerated.

2d. A dimit or withdrawal card takes effect, at the time the vote granting it, is taken; and the date, whether made out and delivered at that time or not, must correspond with the record upon the Secretary's books.

3d. A member of a Grange, living within its jurisdiction, cannot take a dimit, and join another Grange, in the jurisdiction of which he does not reside, without the consent of the Grange granting the dimit.

4th. A member holding a dimit is amenable to the Grange granting it, during the lifetime of the dimit.

5th. A member of the order cannot hold an office in a Subordinate Grange, to which he does not belong.

Secretaries of Subordinate Granges often write, asking that the Annual Word be communicated to the Grange

through them. This cannot be done. The order should come from the Master of the Grange, certified to by the Secretary, and stamped with the seal of the Grange.

No Grange is entitled to the Annual Word, if its dues to the State Grange are not paid up to Dec. 31st, 1874.

A supply of Rituals for the use of Pomona Granges, as they may be organized, have just been received from the Secretary of the National Grange.

As some Granges have been organized with a smaller membership than is desirable, and as it in no way impairs the efficiency of a Grange to withhold its charter until it proves its vitality, we have instructed the Secretary of the State Grange to forward no charters to Granges having less than thirty members until such Grange has reported, and paid dues to the State Grange for two full quarters.

We copy from *The Monthly Talk*, the medium through which the Executive Committee of the Missouri State Grange reach the Patrons of that State, what expresses better perhaps than we could the motives and objects of the Executive Committee of the Michigan State Grange, when it determined to issue this CIRCULAR.

The Monthly Talk was first issued as a "Circular" of the Executive Committee, but as the name was construed to subject it to postage as third class matter, it received a new christening, an example which it is quite likely we shall follow in our next issue.

"TO MASTERS AND SECRETARIES.—The principal object of this paper is to keep every Patron posted in regard to Grange news, ideas, decisions, reports and authentic information, emanating from the State Officials. It is hoped that every thinking Patron will subscribe for it. In that event, the ideas and information therein contained would be digested at home in time for intelligent discussion in the Grange hall; whereas, heretofore they have been hurried over, if considered at all, during one meeting, at which time members are frequently neither prepared nor disposed to consider maturely the points advanced. As a result, the communicated thoughts of State officers are scarcely perused by some, and wholly uncommunicated to those who may have been absent at the meeting of the Grange.

Every zealous Patron should, therefore, urge his brothers to order *The Monthly Talk*, and study it. The advantages to be derived will surely compensate for the time and expense incurred. Every officer of a Subordinate Grange is aware that his Grange is dependent upon the intelligence of its members for permanent success. This medium of communication is the cheapest, safest, and the best the Executive Committee could devise. It will, at least, be kept pure and free from all improper influences; will contain such information as the officials can communicate, and will be the means through which the principles of the Order will be enunciated and discussed. Every Patron should, therefore, take it and read it."

Secretary's Department.

J. T. COBB, - - - - SCHOOLCRAFT.

RELIEF FUND.

It will be remembered by Patrons of the State, that a circular from Wm. B. Porter, Master of the State Grange of Nebraska, appealing for aid for the destitute of that State, and having the endorsement, by circular, of Past Master S. F. Brown, was sent to all the Subordinate Granges of Michigan early last winter. Bro. Brown included in his appeal the needy of Kansas as well as Nebraska, and invited those members who preferred to do so, to send their money contributions directly to your Secretary.

From letters received, we are satisfied that a large amount of supplies, as well as money has been forwarded from the several Granges of our State in answer to these appeals directly to the Masters, State Agents and Relief Committees of those States. The return of spring has brought this matter to a close, and it is due to the donors at least, that we should render an account of all moneys received by us on relief account.

We believe we have uniformly sent a receipt to the party sending money immediately after receiving it, and have also acknowledged the receipt of all relief funds, from time to time, in the columns of the *Era and Granger*.

Having faith that Patrons would respond to these appeals for aid, the Worthy Master and Chairman of the Executive Committee thought it safe to make an advance from the funds of the State Treasury, and under their direction \$300 was sent to Wm. B. Porter. This amount was subsequently refunded to the Treasury of the State Grange. At a meeting of the Executive Committee the last of February, your Secretary was directed to forward the balance of money then on hand to John G. Otis, State Agent of the P. of H. of that State, with instructions to use all the funds sent him in the purchase of seed for destitute Patrons of Kansas. We complied with that direction as appears by the statement appended hereto. Some bags of grain, flour and boxes of relief goods were consigned to me, on which were freight charges, which we paid out of Relief Funds, and forwarded the goods over the L. S. & M. S. R. R. free.

Total amount of Relief Fund received to
May 15th, 1875,\$1152 23

For which we hold vouchers, viz:
1874.
Dec. 24, Rec't of Wm. B. Porter, \$300 00
Mch 31, 75, " " " " " "
for Money Order, 7 50
Apr. 1 Rec't of John G. Otis, ... 750 00
" " R.R. freight Bills 4 58
" " Thos. Fox, Doug-
las Co. Agent, 23 30
May 9, Rec't of John G. Otis, ... 58 85 1144 23

Balance,\$ 8 00

This balance has been forwarded to Jno. G. Otis, but no receipt has been received at this date. The amount paid to Thos. Fox, a Special Relief Agent for Douglas Co., Kansas, was so paid by advice of the W. Master, J. J. Woodman, and was for the purchase of a R. R. ticket to Kansas for Bro. Fox.

We also received special contributions for Douglas Co., Kansas, from

Granges and individuals, the sum of \$26.58 for which we hold the receipts of Geo. W. Goss, Relief Agent of Douglas County.

Articles of Association for Subordinate Granges have been crowded out of this number, but will appear in our next issue. Granges desiring to become incorporated should send to this office for a blank, as we have had prepared, by order of the Executive Committee, such blanks and have now on hand a supply got up in good shape.

We have sent Charters by express as follows since the middle of April.

No. 443	B. S. Fosket,	Holly.
" 454	A. Granger,	Port Huron.
" 467	E. Vincent,	" "
" 511	L. E. Wright,	Newago.
" 514		
" 521	Care J. W. Guthrie,	Ithica.
" 553		
" 515	F. E. Cummings,	Lexington.
" 520	W. S. Haywood,	Allegan.
" 522	Thos. Dirstin,	Metamora.
" 523	Wm. Boulton,	Otter Lake
" 524	Wm. Turner,	Vassar.
" 526	L. A. Dehrt,	Cass City.
" 527	Wm. P. Guthrie,	Clio.
" 528	Ephraim Green,	Port Huron.
" 530	E. J. Caskey,	Ionis.
" 544	A. Flynn,	Land Lake.
" 545	Wm. W. Carter,	Newago.
" 549	Robert Keys,	Inlay City.
" 552	Charles Goheen,	" "
" 554	C. L. Whitney,	Muskegon.
" 555	J. A. Watson,	Shepardsville.
" 557	C. H. Stroud,	Manistee.

We have the following Charters as numbered, ready to forward, but do not send on account of deficiency or delinquency in payment of dues, failure to make report, or other cause under the ruling of the Master of the State Grange.

No. 216, 294, 367, 451, 504, 513, 516, 517, 518, 525, 529, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 546, 547, 548, 550, 551, 556, and 558. Above the last number no Charters are ready for delivery.

We have received a copy of A. B. Smedley's "Mannal of Jurisprudence and Co-operation of the Patrons of Husbandry." This work of 200 pages is brought out none too soon, and will prove of value in the development of the order. Bro. Smedly has obtained a national reputation with Patrons as a clearheaded, earnest worker, and we think the order has to-day no more useful member. We commend his new Book to those brothers and sisters who are determined to keep close up with the vanguard of our army.

We have been notified by Secretary Kelley that a sufficient number of copies of the Proceedings of the eighth session of the National Grange, have been printed to supply each Subordinate Grange with a copy, and that the quota for Michigan will be forwarded soon.

As we occasionally receive complaints that reports are not made for want of blanks, we renew our statement made in the April number of the CIRCULAR that a years supply of blanks for Secretaries' and Treasurers' reports were sent to every Grange in the State about the middle of March. We uniformly send another supply when notified that none have been received.

COUNTY or district councils wishing to perfect their organization as *Pomona Granges* as provided by the amended Constitution of the National Grange can obtain a blank form of application free, by sending to the Sec'y of the State Grange. For blank "Articles of Association" see price list on last page of CIRCULAR.

THE quarterly report of the Secretary of Grange No. 492 for the quarter ending June 30th, just received—made six weeks before the close of the quarter, is returned. The Constitution of the National Grange requires *monthly* meetings of Subordinate Granges, and changes by addition, removal, death or other cause may make a report made at this time wholly incorrect June 30th.

ARTICLE 10 By-Laws of National Grange reads: "The financial reports of Subordinate Granges shall be made on the first day of January, the first day of April, the first day of July, and the first day of October."

GRANGES not yet supplied with seals we think cannot do better than to order of T. J. Crowe & Co., Toledo, O. In our correspondence and reports we receive seals in great variety. The best impressions we get are from the presses of this company. The poorest from James Murdock, Jr., Cincinnati, Ohio. We advise Granges to send for *sample impressions* of T. J. Crowe & Co.'s work before ordering seals of any one.

FOLLOWING the lead of the "Bulletin" of the Ex-Committee of the State Grange of Wisconsin, we gave the amended National Constitution the credit of having *changed the fees* of charter members.

A *certified copy* of the Constitution as amended, proves that was a mistake. No alteration of *fees* for Charter Members was adopted, but the number of *Charter Members* may now be *twenty men and twenty women*.

THE CIRCULAR seems to have a good effect on some of our brothers, as we see a marked improvement the last month in our correspondence in the matter of giving the post-office of the writer.

BLANK BOOKS specially prepared for the use of County Agents are kept at this office. Price, \$2.00 per set. We think by their use agents will be assisted in bringing their business into systematic shape.

PRIVATE instructions to Deputies, Masters, and assistant Stewards will be sent on application of either of these officers under the seal of the Grange to which he belongs.

THE subordinate granges in the state of New York are being incorporated under a general law of the state.

THE solid corner stone of our order must be mutual trust, mutual sympathy and mutual helpfulness. We must know each other better and trust each other more.

Lecturer's Department.

C. L. WHITNEY, - - - MUSKOGON.

PATRONS OF HUSBANDY.

THE AIMS OF THIS ORDER, COMPOSED OF FARMERS AND THEIR WIVES, ARE:

To increase knowledge by stimulating mental activity and aiding inquiry.

To add dignity to labor and elevate the social position of the Husbandman.

To mutually relieve sickness and suffering among the Fraternity.

To prevent cruelty to animals, and to lessen litigation and its consequent ills.

To collect accurate statistics of products and gain a fuller knowledge of markets.

To give a better understanding of the principles of business and the laws of trade.

To overthrow the credit system and encourage the practice of true economy.

To bring the manufacturer nearer the producer and foster a varied home industry.

To place the producer and the consumer in more intimate relations with each other.

To teach better culture of the soil, and to surround our homes with beauty and comfort.

To avoid imposition and dispense with middlemen as far as practicable.

To inculcate morality and temperance, foster education and cultivate brotherly love.

GRANGE HISTORY.

NUMBER II, EUREKA GRANGE OF WATERLOO, JACKSON CO.,

Uninformed of even an effort to form a Grange elsewhere in the State, the farmers of Waterloo began to work the result of which was Eureka No. 2. Six months after the Grange at Buruside was put in working order, Bro. B. W. Sweet, of Waterloo, a reader of the *Prairie Farmer*, in which was published many articles upon the Grange and its operations in the west, saw the address of O. H. Kelly, Secretary of the National Grange, and wrote him and received the necessary papers to organize, and power of Special Deputy to form a Grange. Some effort was made about the last of June to form a Grange, but not being able to get names enough, the subject rested until October, when the question was again agitated.—The first of November Russel Johnson, a member of the order from Indiana, came and made a visit to his cousin, Bro. Sweet; while there another effort was made, and a meeting held on the first Friday of November at the school house near Bro. Sweet's residence. At this meeting Bro. Johnson explained the objects of the order, and nine persons put down their names for membership. One week later another meeting was held, and enough names added to the list to make fifteen in number. Another meeting was held on the 19th inst., and twenty-seven names appeared upon the list, and an organization was effected with the following officers: B. W. Sweet,

Master; H. A. McIntyre, O; A. McCloy, L; J. A. Collins, S; H. P. Sweet, A. S; J. E. Gibbins, Ch; H. M. McCloy, Treas; J. D. McIntyre, Sec; E. G. Taylor, G. K; Mrs. B. W. Sweet, Ceres; Mrs. S. A. Boyce, Pomona; Miss Nettie McIntyre, Flora; Mrs. J. Collins, L. A. S.

The first name suggested for the Grange was *Twilight*, a very good one, but it did not suit all the members. On the suggestion of *Eureka* by Bro. J. A. Collins, it was at once adopted as the name of the Grange. In two weeks the Grange met again and had their necessary papers, but how to get the unwritten work was a question not easy to answer. In a short time, however, this question was solved by a letter from Bro. J. C. Abbott, of Clarkville, Iowa, who was a National Deputy, and at that time in Kalamazoo Co. Bro. Abbott had been notified by the Secretary, O. H. Kelley, of the existence of *Eureka* Grange in the center of the farm lands of Michigan, and directed him to go and give the necessary instruction. Arrangements were made and a meeting held the 15th of December, at which time full instructions were given by the National Deputy to this Grange, which had all the time supposed they were the first in the State, as they were the first and almost only one organized without outside aid, and which now began the full and legitimate work of a Grange.

A question came up as soon as organized,—where to hold the meetings of the Grange. Fortunately, Sister S. A. Boyce had an unfinished room in her house, which was offered by her and accepted as a place of meeting by the Grange, and used as such until November, 1874, when a hall was rented in the Village of Waterloo, where the Grange may now be regularly found.

Last year, 1874, Bro. John A. Collins held the office of Master, and Bro. John K. Yocum was Secretary, which office he still holds, and Bro. B. W. Sweet is again the Worthy Master of the Grange he organized.

This Grange is in good, thorough working order, with 70 live, active members, who believe in doing everything *well* and working up fully to the manual of instruction. This Grange reports that they did not only receive good returns in dollars and cents from co-operation, but in a knowledge of their work and duties, of general business, and of social advancement and a higher sphere of life, the harvest they reap is in value beyond computation.

This Grange participated in the organization of the State Grange, and its Master, Bro. Sweet, was elected as Steward, which position he held until his successor was duly installed at the late meeting at Grand Rapids.

OSHTEMO No. 3.—A Farmers' Club had been in operation in the vicinity where this Grange was formed for two or three years before a Grange was talked of, but like most other clubs, met with no success, and when the plan of a Grange was placed before the farmers of this vicinity by Gen. Dep. Bro. J. C. Abbott, they saw the difference and at once formed a Grange.

The first meeting was held at the Slack Schoolhouse, and addressed by Bro. Abbott, on Nov. 26th, 1872, a fine list of names was obtained—17 in

all—and an organization was effected with the following officers, to wit:—Thomas Buckhout, Master; Alonzo Overacker, O; Almy Winslow, L; Jas. Buckhout, Steward; Nathan M. Sheldon, A. S.; C. L. King, Ch.; C. Roberts, Treas; Chas. L. King, Sec; B. Slack, G. K.; Adda King, Ceres; Marion Biteley, Pomona; Mrs. A. Overacker, Flora; Lizzie Overacker, L. A. S.

Another meeting was held on the 3d of Dec. at the Buckhout Schoolhouse, and Bro. J. C. Abbott, gave instruction in the work of the order.

Great difficulty was experienced in holding meetings throughout the winter owing to the amount of snow and the drifts making the roads impassable. In the spring a hall was fitted up in a private house, which was occupied until the spring of 1874, when the property changed hands, and the Grange, 60 in number, met and do now meet at Bro. Overacker's, in a hall fitted up there for the purpose.

March 22d 1873, a partial change of officers was made, and Chas. L. King was chosen Master and Thos. Buckhout Sec'y. Soon after Bro. King resigned, having been appointed General Deputy of the order for Western Michigan, and Bro. Orrin Snow was chosen Master in his stead and was, with the Secretary, re-elected at the last election.

This Grange has had as high as 98 members, and is now agitating the subject of building a suitable Hall, of which they in common with many other Granges, are much in need. Persevere, and success will surely crown their efforts.

In the organization of the State Grange this Grange had as Representatives Bros. Buckhout and King and their wives. Bro. King was chosen Chaplain, and his wife Pomona of the State Grange, which position they held two years.

A Grange hotel will, it is reported, be built and opened at Philadelphia, before the Centennial Exposition begins.

Some twenty Granges, in Shelby Co., Illinois, propose raising a sufficient fund to establish a joint stock purchasing company.

One of the great obstacles in the way of our trying to better our marketing facilities is, not poverty, but a one idea, penuriousness.

If the little streams go dry, the great rivers can float no boats. So, if by the indifference and neglect of their members the Subordinate Granges languish, the State Granges and the National Grange will be shorn of their power for good. Brethren and sisters, keep the fires burning brightly within the gates.

A state grange was organized at Danbury, Connecticut, by Levi Hubbell, of Iowa, on the 22d of April. There were fifteen granges represented. For Master, Henry Goddard, of East Granby, was elected; for Secretary, Edwin Seely, of Roxbury; for Treasurer, Bro. Mason, of Washington. A banquet was served and many other pleasant things done on the occasion. All the granges are reported strong and healthy. This is the last state brought into the patrons' fold.

State Agent's Department.

N. CHILSON, - - - BATTLE CREEK.

THE business of the State Purchasing Agent is gradually increasing as the members of the order more fully realize the importance of sustaining this important branch of the organization. Hundreds of dollars thus far have been saved to Patrons on goods bought through this agency, and the amount is being rapidly increased each month. But every Patron remember to send his order to the County or State Purchasing Agent.

WHEN sending orders for goods, be very careful to write your name and Postoffice *plain*, and give explicit directions how you want your goods shipped.

THE WHITNEY SEWING MACHINE.—There is no machine being sold that gives better satisfaction to the purchaser than does the Whitney. It is the machine for Patrons to buy and use, and we advise Purchasing Agents and Granges to handle no other. The company manufacturing the machine are appointing no agents, and depend upon members of the order to sustain them in this method of doing business. In their circular to Patrons they say:

"Heretofore it has been necessary to introduce our machines through the medium of intermediate agencies. The GRANGE movement seems to be the first important practical step that has been successfully taken to bring the manufacturer and consumer more directly together, and we trust that the organization may *grow in numbers and efficiency* until every PATRON can obtain his purchases direct from the manufacturer, and thus save himself the *profits* that have heretofore gone to support the MIDDLE MAN. Such a system will be found as advantageous to the manufacturer as to the consumer."

The discount allowed Patrons is fifty per cent. below the retail price, with freight added, making it the cheapest machine, considering the quality in the market. Patrons will consult their own interests by purchasing no other.

ORDER anything you need, from a Reaper and Mower to a hand rake, through this agency, and you may rest assured every effort will be made to fill your order promptly and at the lowest attainable price.

OWING to sickness and death in the family of the State Purchasing agent, orders, and correspondence were somewhat neglected during the latter part of April. We feel sure this is the only apology we need make to secure the forgiveness of those who may have become impatient at not hearing from us.

We have received orders for Song Books and other *Grange supplies* kept only by the Secretary of the State Grange, which we have forwarded to Bro. Cobb. See his list on last page of this CIRCULAR.

I AM prepared to fill orders for the celebrated Hollow-tooth Harrow, an implement that is highly recommended by those who have used it. Send order to State agent for Harrow or for descriptive price list. The discount to Patrons is liberal.

We furnish a good three Spring Wagon, nice enough to please the most fastidious with one cushioned seat, has a carrying capacity of 800 pounds, and is fully warranted. Price delivered on cars at Battle Creek, \$100; also The "Gorham" riding Cultivator for \$45.00, and the "Ceres" riding Cultivator for \$40.00. The Ceres is made at Rockford, Ill., and it is claimed one of the very best in use.

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Nos. four and six at same prices. Good Cedar Pencils, at \$1.40 per Gross. Rubber tipped, \$3.40 per Gross.

Other articles usually kept in a stationery store at proportionate rates.

For the accommodation of Granges and members who wish their paper and envelopes printed, we have made arrangements to furnish the same, at the following low rates:

Commercial Note, Printed, per 1000 half sheets,	\$3.25
Commercial Note, Printed, per 500 half sheets,	2.00
Letter Paper, Printed, per 1000 half sheets, 500	5.00
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per 1000, " " " " " "	4.50
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These prices we have been assured are very low. The quality of the stock in the paper and envelopes is excellent, and we confidently anticipate large orders for this line of goods.

IF, after writing to us, you do not receive an answer within a reasonable time, the chances are your letter never reached its destination, and you should write again, being careful to direct your letter plainly. Also be very particular in writing your own name and postoffice in a legible manner.

WHEN sending your orders to this agency for goods, remember that the business is being carried on without capital, and remit the amount you think necessary to pay for what you want. All purchases made by the State agent are for

cash, and goods sent to members of the order must be paid for by this agency before they are shipped. It is therefore but an act of justice on the part of those sending in orders that they send the money at the same time.

We have in our office two of the Dayton Sulkey Rakes. The "Clipper" is self-dumping, and works like a charm. The other works with a lever and is first class. We have no hesitation in recommending them to the members of the order as just the rake they want. Remember, Patrons, this is the only rake that is sold through the Grange. Other manufacturers have been compelled to come down with their prices, but we hope and trust that members of the order will have principle enough to *stick by their friends* and buy none but the Dayton Rake. Send your orders direct to this agency.

PATRONS are too apt, if a certain plow or wagon, or other article pleases them, whether the manufacturer belongs to a ring that is opposed to the Grange movement or not, to disregard the principles they advocate and buy their favorite, thus strengthening an opposition that seeks to overthrow and trample our noble order in the dust. This is all wrong. Unless we give our aid and encouragement to the men who seek to do business by the methods we have adopted, we may as well admit that our professions mean nothing, and surrender at once to the greedy cormorants who have for years lived upon our industry, and who are more anxious than ever to fleece the hardy sons of toil out of their hard earned dollars. Again we urge every Patron in the State to *stand by their colors*. Bury your prejudices and buy only of men who are willing to deal through the Grange.

IONIA, May 12th, 1875.

To the Executive Committee of the Michigan State Grange:

The undersigned, with Bro. N. Chilson was named a Committee to examine the books of the Secretary, Bro. J. T. Cobb, to ascertain and determine their accuracy, a Committee being requested for that purpose by the Secretary.

I have to report that on the 8th and 10th days of May instant, I compared carefully the books of said Secretary with his vouchers, and checked the items on the books as they were found to agree, that I footed all columns of figures on his books with the following result:

Commencing with his official term and coming down to the 1st day of January, 1875, we found errors in footing \$15.36, and an item in supply account overlooked in posting of \$2.50. In all short, \$17.66. Of money refunded to Granges that had overpaid fees and dues, and which was footed in account and not charged back as

was proper we found, \$31.50
And and error of footing, 1.10

\$32.60

Thus leaving a balance to the credit of Secretary Cobb, on correcting his Books of \$14.94. An examination of the supply account showed a large amount of business done with a net gain to the State Treasury for the year 1874 of \$188.00.

Perhaps it is proper to say that when the service was commenced by Secretary Cobb, he had no ideas of the magnitude of the work before him and his system of keeping books and accounts was soon found inadequate, but he has been constantly improving and systematizing the business, and it is a matter of surprise, as it is also of commendation that notwithstanding, the vast and varied amount of work he has had to do, every entry is made so full and so plain that his Books give all the information that can be desired.

In furnishing supplies he was seduced into the credit system somewhat, by placing too much confidence in the promises of some brother Grangers. He is out about \$40.00, but cured of a delusion that can have on other result but to bring the supply business to his present *Grange standard Cash with the Order*.

Very Respectfully,

ALONZO SESSIONS.

The patrons of Cumberland county, Pa., are now buying a plow for \$7.00 that one year ago they had to pay \$16 or \$17 for.

TEN thousand dollars worth of articles week before last were purchased for, and sold to the patrons of Indiana by their state agent.

EVERY member of the order should keep a memorandum book and enter in it his profit and loss in consequence of his connection with it. If loss, it is generally chargeable to the member: if profit it should be credited to the order.

BRO. T. R. ALLEN, master of the Missouri state Grange, scarcely gives himself any rest from labor for the interest of the order and the individual comfort of the members. He is out again lecturing and gathering supplies for the starving brethren of that state

The National Grange at its session, in Charleston, passed a resolution urging upon the members of the order in each state, to interest themselves in securing specimens of the products of the country, to be placed on exhibition during the next meeting in November.

THE Grange store at Otterville, Cooper County, which was opened a month ago with a stock of goods valued at \$1,400 reports a business of from \$50 to \$150 a day.

Worthy Master Adams, says, in an opinion published in the *Farmers' Union*: "I very much doubt the lawfulness or wisdom of taxing a grange per head for the building of a hall or mill or for a project of a like character. The only lawful charge per capita known to me is the payment of monthly dues."

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