

The Grange Visitor.

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Lecturer's Department.

C. L. WHITNEY, - - - MUSKEGON.

PICKINGS BY THE WAY, No. 21.

Where were we picking last? Yes; we have it now. Bro. Hancock delivered us at Camden safely into the hands of Bro. Nicholson...

Woodbury, however, is a very pretty town, but lacks a well kept hotel; we speak from personal knowledge. Wenona is the station, one mile from Mantua...

WOODSTOWN, SALEM CO.

Here we found the home of Bro. John W. Dickinson, the Worthy Secretary of the New Jersey State Grange. A worthy home, with a worthy sister at its head...

Too much "killing of hogs" made the Pole Tavern gathering, held in the school house, small, but not without good results, we trust. Back to Bro. D.'s to supper...

The light of December 13th, called us to the duties of another day, chief of which was to reach Lansing, and be ready for the STATE GRANGE.

THE MARCHING ORDERS

of Dec. 9 were to bid adieu to the home and family of Bro. Dickinson, and with the Master and Secretary ride to the station, thence to Daretown, there to be met by Bro. Cole...

It was the largest State Grange meeting held since that body has been a representative one. Only one officer was absent, and that was Bro. J. Webster Childs, chairman of the Executive Committee.

The eighth session of the Michigan State Grange, like all its predecessors, has become a thing of the past, and we have found our home again after a five weeks absence. To

at their home, where we spent the night, and were ready for an early start to Camden, where Bro. Nicholson's son met us...

Dinner passed, and in company with Bro. and Sister Nicholson and two sons, we rode to Haddenfield, a little town in which meets Bro. Nicholson's Grange. This Grange has its hall in what was the New Jersey building at the Centennial.

The afternoon was given to the Corcoran art gallery, and we felt well repaid for all our time spent among these rare paintings and choice collection of sculptured forms.

After breakfast, and a run about town, we took the train ticketed for Lansing. We soon recognized Michigan scenes and familiar places. At Adrian the usual stop was made, and the first familiar face beamed upon us.

Brother and sister officers! Let us characterize this year of our Order by greater official integrity, activity and zeal than has been known in any year past.

Learn your duties. Study how best to discharge them. Labor diligently to please all working with you, and rest only when the work is done.

A grand co-operative effort must be made by each and every brother and sister, young or old, rich or poor, learned and unlearned.

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say we were glad to see home, and the dear ones there glad to see us, would only be natural.

A few days at home, answering many letters long neglected, a little rest from toil, and go to Sec. Cobb's office to see to official duties, and upon our return to spend an hour with the Kalamazoo Pomona Grange...

New Year's Greeting.

THE NEW YEAR comes to greet us with its hopes, its burdens and its joys. The old year, the last of a decade, has gone.

Patrons, of the most ancient of arts, let us not waste time in lamenting the lost opportunities gone, but act in the living present, to gather of golden hopes in the brilliant to be.

The progress made in the past year has not been in proportion to resolves and promises, but in direct ratio to earnest, faithful endeavor, so in the new year just dawning, words will avail little save they are the heralds of acts.

In the history of all our lives, our country, and our Order, we have had chapters, nay, volumes, of prophecies, but give us, O New Year, grand dramas of progress, chapters of thought, books of acts.

The National Grange, in larger numbers and greater unity than ever, has given its wisest counsels to a broad

NATION OF FARMERS.

Our State Grange, in common with those of other States, has gathered of the spirit of the Patron's National Council, and held its largest, and best session recently.

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ADVANCE ALL ALONG THE LINE be the word that passes from lip to lip, that resounds from act to act, and is heard from meeting to meeting all the year through.

Advance in numbers until all who till the land shall join in the general advance in moral, social, and intellectual culture.

Like a mighty host with banners, Peaceful victories we will gain, Moved by Right's resistless purpose, Heid by Love's electric chain.

Grange Literature.

A silent but very potent means of securing the attention of the reading masses is the circulation of printed matter. Wherever man or woman can be found who can read, there may go the silent messengers of thought as gently as falls the snowflakes...

Grange literature should be more abundant. It should not only go freely into the hands of every member, instructing and cheering him in his daily life of progressive effort, but also into the hands of every farmer's family in the broad land...

The "Declaration of Purposes," one of the best of missionaries, can be had for a small sum. Other sheets and addresses can soon be had for their cost.

Brothers and sisters, will you sustain the paper at the present size, with no increase of price? Start out with the firm resolve that every Patron's family shall have a Visitor for 1881.

THE GRANGE VISITOR

you can always have with you. It is fresh every issue; burdened with the fragrance of the field and garden, and glistening with the pearls of social culture and mental progress.

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Do missionary work with it; put it into the hands of those you wish to interest in the Grange, and get those outside the gate to take and read it, and you will not have long to wait for results.

The Lecturer.

The Lecturer of the State Grange of Michigan greets all with

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Yes, a new year, and with it new duties to you and to us all. We each have new duties, new fields for labor and thought, new aims and objects in life with each new year.

The old Lecturer thanks all Patrons, who in the years past, have labored so assiduously to aid him in the work he has tried to accomplish.

Learn to labor and to wait, and you will reap in the good time.

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WORTHY MASTER: Rise to a point of order, and will state the point. Is it not the duty of every officer of a Subordinate Grange to subscribe for the Visitor...

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ANY voting member of the State Grange who does not take the GRANGE VISITOR proven himself an unworthy member of that body.

A MAN was lately trying to take orders for the Rodger's hybrid grape vines in our presence. He had some fine imported samples of fruit, but not better than we have often seen grown in Michigan.

GO UP HIGHER in the possibilities of the Grange. We must all labor together—

1. To make our Order as universal as the calling it represents; that wherever a man or woman lives by and upon the farm, that one may have the teaching, the protection, and the encouragement of the Grange.

2. That thorough system shall characterize all our efforts, so that with the least labor and loss of time and means, the greatest

good may be done for the greatest number.

3. That the first and greatest of callings, honored by the Creator in the beginning, shall be made honorable by man to the end of time; to the end that the farmer shall be accredited the peer of any man, socially, mentally, morally and politically.

We have spoken of the objects to be attained. A word about the means to be used. To make our Order universal, we must make it known by lectures, by the circulation of literature, and by the living examples found in the lives of the consistent members.

In the earlier times, all instruction of all kinds was given by the living teacher, the lecturer, and in no age of the world has progress been achieved in any cause without the aid of public lecturers.

To further the objects of the Grange, the most worthy of any modern organization, the Lecturer must be used. The State Lecturer, the Pomona Lecturer, the Special Lecturer, and the local or Subordinate Grange Lecturer have each a work to do, and each do whatever his hand finds to do, with all his might.

State Lecturer Whitney's Appointments.

- While we can give most of these positively, yet one or two are conditional. Jan. 4. Union Grange, Reading, Hillsdale County. Jan. 5. Pomona Grange, Jonesville, Hillsdale County. Jan. 6. Weston Grange, Dedication of Hall, Lenawee County. Jan. 7. (in afternoon) Bronson Grange, Branch County. Jan. 7. (evening) Gilead Grange, Branch County. Jan. 8. Litchfield Grange, Hillsdale Co. Jan. 10. Shelbyville Allegan County. Jan. 11. Otsego Grange, Allegan County. Jan. 12. Trowbridge Grange, Hall Dedication, Allegan County. Jan. 13. (evening) Allegan Grange, Allegan County. Jan. 15. Hartford Grange, Van Buren County. Jan. 18-19. Grand Rapids Agr'l Meeting. Jan. 25. Otisoo Grange, Ionia County. Jan. 26. Pomona Grange, Greenville, Montcalm County. Jan. 27-28. Pomona Grange, Berlin, Ottawa County. Jan. 29 to Feb. 10. Lapeer and Tuscola Counties.

In making appointments, write a long time beforehand, giving us time to arrange our routes, to save expense to you, and time and strength to ourselves. Always be explicit. State the object of the meeting, place, and if most convenient, in afternoon or evening. When possible, let neighboring Granges arrange for a series of meetings near each other; often two may be held in one day, as on the 7th of January.

Weak and dormant Granges should state the condition of the Grange, when the last meeting was held, etc. We should like to open correspondence at once with Patrons in the Counties of Monroe, Jackson, Gratiot, Isabella, Sanilac, Macomb, Genesee, and others, with a view to meetings in the near future. Fields yet unoccupied need attention, and will at once receive it if we can be apprised of the proper parties to correspond with.

We invite correspondence from every part of the field, giving information of the work needed, and of the condition of the Order. Don't hesitate to let your wants be known, nor expect to have every want met at once. Learn to labor and to wait, and you will reap in the good time.

Items.

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Communications.

Petitions to Congress.

NATIONAL GRANGE, PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY, & MASTER'S OFFICE, Dec. 27th, 1880.

I desire to call the attention of Patrons everywhere to the reports of the Committees of the National Grange...

The questions discussed in these reports are among those of the most vital importance to the farmers of this country...

The question of establishing, by State and National laws, the maximum rates which railroad companies shall be allowed to charge...

I commend the following extracts from the recently published letters of that able statesman and jurist, Hon. Jeremiah S. Black...

"If railroad corporations have the unlimited power which they claim, then all business is at their mercy; agriculture, commerce, manufactures must suffer what they choose to inflict."

It is the habit of the railroad companies to change their rates of transportation often and suddenly...

The farmers must submit to this highway robbery, or else keep the products of their land to rot on their hands."

"Congress has power to regulate commerce between the States." Is it not strictly within the scope of that authority when it makes a law forbidding carriers through the State to injure, impede or destroy the general trade of the country...

The letter of Judge Black, from which the above has been taken, is one of the most valuable documents ever submitted to the American people...

I discover that the petition on Patent Right Law Reform asks for protection to "innocent purchasers against fraudulent vendors."

article, or implement, from the imperious demands, unjust extortions, and ruinous prosecutions of the patentee, his agent, or assignee. The following case, which has come under my notice, will illustrate the operations of the present laws...

The Agricultural College, and Admission of Girls.

Jerome T. Cobb, Editor Grange Visitor.—The writer who addresses you is not a member of the Michigan State Grange, and yet, I may be permitted to assert, that I have read with much pleasure, and I trust, with profit, the able and well digested address of Master J. J. Woodman...

"In matters relating to education, it has been my aim to impress upon our members the importance of a higher education for farmers' sons and daughters..."

ANY RIGHT OR INTEREST, OF THE PUBLIC.

They boldly express their determination to charge as much as the traffic will bear; that is to say, they will take from the profits of every man's business as much as can be taken without compelling him to quit it...

"The College is indeed having a healthy and steady growth, and is well worthy the support we give it." But I cannot close this reference to the College, without calling your attention to the fact, that while ample provisions are made by the State for the accommodation of ladies at our State University...

This appeal for legislation, which will give for daughters, as well as sons, the proper accommodation for acquiring this practical education, which we intelligently appreciate...

timate for legislative action, the following items, to prepare for the admission of female pupils:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes 'For a building suited for the accommodation of female pupils', 'Furnishing', 'Teachers for 1882', and 'Matron for 1882'.

The building contemplated would furnish accommodation for forty pupils, the matron, and one teacher. Of course it is intended that instruction shall be given, mainly by the present professors, to classes composed of both boys and girls.

Much has been said and written upon the subject of the co-education of the sexes; arguments that would fill volumes, have been presented by learned men, in Great Britain and America, that seemingly demonstrated that co-education was an absurdity, and that attempts to work it out in practice would be marked with injury to society.

But why educate a woman at the Agricultural College? Why attempt to give her a knowledge of practical agriculture? You do not expect to constitute her a laborer for all kinds of farm work!

Freights advanced 5 per cent. recently by order of the railroad rings. An advance of 5 per cent. upon the products of the Great West, the agricultural district of the United States puts \$75,000,000 into the coffers of the railroad magnates...

DURING the winter at hand every Grange should discuss the questions of where to buy fruit trees of every kind and learn what the prices are, then form clubs to buy at advantage. The same may be said of seed fertilizers; in short, of everything a farmer and his family need.

Congratulations from Worthy Master D. H. Thing, of Maine.

Bro. J. T. Cobb.—Your excellent paper comes to our sitting room like a ray of sunshine, its bright cheery face beaming with smiles, its eye single to the good of the Order, and its whole body full of light.

It gives no uncertain sound, but calls things by their right names. I see you have now and then one whose toes are sore, or whose hide is a little thin, but no matter; if such read the VISITOR they must think, and when you make a man think, he is more than half converted.

The thoughtful communications upon "A Farmer for Governor," though not resulting in placing a farmer in the Executive chair of the State, have yet borne fruit, inasmuch as they have provoked thought.

Then, dear VISITOR, go on! Your mission is a high and noble one. Should you never see the realization of all your hopes, do not despair. The good men do, lives after the clouds of the valley shall have covered them.

West Mt. Vernon, Me. Good Times at Elk Lake Grange. Saturday, Dec. 18, 1880.

Our Grange is having enjoyable times since its reorganization. Additional members every meeting. Well remembered is a remark which our Worthy State Lecturer made to us.

All things have I but a wife! And at the age of 26, tired I am of a single life! Evidently there had been thoughts, words, and actions, on the subject of matrimony...

Therefore our Worthy Overseer and his wife, (our lady officer) have the congratulation of the Grange in all their undertakings, hoping to see them in the future enjoying More of comfort, less of care; More to eat, and more to wear.

THE regular meeting of Oceana Pomona Grange No. 23, will be held at Shelby village, on Wednesday, Jan. 26, commencing at 10 A. M. THE Barry County Pomona Grange, No. 26, will hold its next meeting at the hall of Baltimore Grange...

The Grange in Kansas. HUMBOLDT, Kas., Dec. 27, 1880.

Crescent Valley Grange elected their officers on time this year, and will have the installation at the next regular meeting, Jan. 13. We have received six additions to membership by dimit during the year.

Kansas State Grange held its annual session at Olathe, Johnson Co., last week, remaining three days and a considerable part of the night in session.

Edgerton Grange was re-organized, and its officers installed by your humble servant, on his way home from the State Grange, with 16 members and many others waiting to file their applications.

Johnston County is the banner County in this State, and possesses every element to make our Order a grand success. Permit us in closing this brief article to send our congratulations for the satisfactory condition of our glorious Order in your State.

Editor Grange Visitor: As but little has been said as yet as to the Institute to be held at Schoolecraft, the 2d and 3d of February next...

I heartily endorse the resolutions of the joint committee on the Good of the Order, at the recent session of the National Grange. They should be printed in large numbers and copies sent to every member of Congress, and to the members of each State Legislature...

NOTICES OF MEETING. BERLIN, Mich., Jan. 3, 1881. Editor Grange Visitor:—Dear Sir.—Western Pomona Grange, No. 19, will hold its annual meeting at the hall of Ottawa Grange No. 30, Berlin, Mich., on Thursday and Friday, Jan. 27th and 28th.

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Correspondence.

Michigan Lake Shore Grange.

SOUTH HAVEN, Mich., Dec. 29, 1880. Mr. Editor: Michigan Lake Shore Grange is still alive...

We have met obstacles and discouragements, yet we have moved steadily onward and our Grange seems to have full confidence in the noble principles of our Order...

Fraternally yours, W. A. WEBSTER.

From Elmwood, Tuscola County.

December 30, 1880.

Bro. Cobb: Dear Sir:—Enclosed find \$3 for subscriptions to VISITOR.

The officers for 1881 of Tuscola Co. Pomona Grange No. 30, are as follows: Master, A. N. Hatch, Ellington; Lecturer, J. Q. A. Burrington, Tuscola; Secretary, John Mason, Elmwood.

Our Pomona we intend to make a great success.

Officers of Ellington Grange, No. 558; Master, John Mason, Elmwood; Secretary, Mrs. A. N. Hatch, Ellington.

Our Subordinate Grange is looking up; we have initiated eleven members during the past year, and have more applications on hand.

JOHN MASON,

Sec. Tuscola Co. Pomona Grange.

Endorsement of the "Visitor" by Prof. Beal.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Lansing, December 27, 1880.

Brother J. T. Cobb:—Enclosed find fifty cents for the VISITOR. I read more or less some fifty periodicals.

Fraternally Yours,

W. J. BEAL.

Mason Grange No. 265.

MASON, Mich., Dec. 31st, 1880.

Worthy Sec. Cobb:—We have reorganized our Grange, and this day elected W. A. Rowe, Master, and E. P. Rowe, Secretary...

and send you for each old member, back dues for two quarters. The number of members paid up is 18, at 12c each, \$2.16, which I remit.

Yours Fraternally,

E. P. ROWE, Secretary.

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(Kalamazoo Division Time Table.)

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Table with columns for Station (e.g., Le. Grand Rapids, Ar. Allegan), Time (e.g., 8 00 AM, 9 17), and Express/Day/Week/Fr. (e.g., Ex, M, Way, Fr).

GOING NORTH.

Table with columns for Station (e.g., Le. Buffalo, Ar. Cleveland), Time (e.g., 12 30 PM, 7 35), and Express/Day/Week/Fr. (e.g., Ex, M, Way, Fr).

All trains connect at White Pigeon with trains on Main Line.

A. G. AMESDEN, Superintendent Kal. Div., Kalamazoo

Michigan Central Railroad.

DEPARTURE OF TRAINS FROM KALAMAZOO.

Time Table—May 9, 1880.

Main Line.

WESTWARD.

Table with columns for Accommodation, Local Passenger, Evening Express, Pacific Express, Mail, Day Express, Freight train carrying passengers, Time, A.M., P.M.

EASTWARD.

Table with columns for Night Express, Accommodation leaves, Mail, Day Express, New York Express, Atlantic Express, Freight train carrying passengers, Time, A.M., P.M.

New York, Atlantic and Pacific Express daily.

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South Haven Division.

Table with columns for Leaves Kalamazoo, Arrives at Kalamazoo, Time, A.M., P.M.

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