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Faults and Difficulties of the Farmer.

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The farmer is liable to all the faults common to humanity; but in reality, with few exceptions perhaps, he is more free from them than any other class on earth. The morality and intelligence of the farmer is the stability of the government, and go far to counteract the demoralizing influence of the social shams, conventionalities and reeking pollution of city life. A great majority of those in all departments of our government who are at all conspicuous are from rural life. Generation after generation this supply is kept up from the farm. and it is only because the farm can endure this continual strain that it is possible for our government to endure.

Life continually shut away from the country appears to be destructive of all true greatness. The second or third generation of such, as a rule, are never heard from. They have more than likely degenerated into a race of simpering dudes. Blood will thus soon run out. There is not a crowned head in Europe to-day conspicuous for anything but a title, and that has to be continually propped up with a

As far as faults in moral and industrial life are concerned, they are well pointed out or inferred instructions should be carefully you know. How fortunate we instructions should be carefully regarded, as nowhere outside of son, have seen the strength there are the strength the s inspiration is the ideal more perfect. Is our fault in the unwarranted indulgence of our appetite? "Be temperate in eating and drinking." Is it in excessive toil? "Be temperate in work." Is it in indolence? "Be temperate in recreation." Is it in being slovenly in work? "whatsoever ganization is the work of to-day. The only question is as to time you do, strive to do well." Is it in excessive or improper language?" "Be temperate." Do we think labor degrading? "Add dignity to labor." Is our fault in careless or willful ignorance? "Search for knowledge and keep the mind bright by deep thinking and active use." Are we "Correct tenderly with the smooth edge of affection." Are we uncharitable? "Correct tenderly with the philanthropist and reformer, and of pages its resolution." smooth edge of affection." Are we uncharitable? "Gather up the memoirs of others' virtues the memoirs of others' virtues the message of the m and pass by their faults in pity. Our Father above hath borne with our many and often flagrant sins through a whole life." Are we avaricious? "Feed the hungry and help the fatherless and the widow." Are we given to dishonesty? "Be honest; be just." Are there any other vices to which we are subject? "Keep yourself unspotted from the

While the Grange is not a religious organization, yet we see it gious organization, yet we see it to labor and, it need to, since it not a godless organization. for them; but now that he knew it, he was not. But these are ship, yet the Grange is a school mistaken conclusions.

his commodity and on that which Nebo. his profits. But now, when self-changed the conditions. nation," "monopoly," "conspirately and "communism." It is remarkable that these same individuals never saw any harm in them before. What a difference it does make whose ox it is that in the same individuals. The same individuals never saw any harm in the before. What a difference it does make whose ox it is that in the same individuals never saw any harm in the before. What a difference it does make whose ox it is that in the same individuals never saw any harm in the before. What a difference it does make whose ox it is that in the same individuals never saw any harm in the promised is to be regulated by the law of Calf. supply and demand. We need not bother ourselves about the price fraternize? By uniting with the keeps things running smoothly. interest and action. an organized power greater than ing that and purpose. It should come soon. It should be in the interest of equality, justice and humanity. The difficulties in the way of such an organization are the long established customs, habits and prejudices of the agricultural class. It requires education and discipline to effect a the masses of the people into financiers, political economists, legislators and statesmen, and to organize them, is not the work of a day. Because it is a slow work, many a reformer has given it up as an utterly hopeless task, turned away in disgust, and concluded, as one expressed it, that the working people liked to be humbugged, robbed and ruled, and liked the men who humbugged, robbed and ruled them. When he did not know it he was willing

and unknown leaders. But is Have every one feel a responsilif depreciated, will not reach the but few who do not already know an Egyptian task master in their an interest in the Grange. a great deal better than they are defense; and the next day he was able to do or would like to do un- upbraided by one of his own; 20der the circumstances. It is as ple for his act of kindness in true now as in the days of Solo- their behalf, and was obliged to mon that "the destruction of the flee for his life and remai an poor is his poverty." He is aleaxile for forty years, while he ways laboring under disadvant- oppression of his people went ages. There would soon be a on. And then it took forty years wonderful change for the better more to bring them to the promin all departments of agriculture ised land. He supposed that his if the farmer was able to make brethren would have known at it. And it is not the part of hon-first his object, appreciate his or to upbraid the cripple because kindness, and see in him a delivhe does not run faster or better. erer; but they were blind to ll. The great fault which stands in and all along through the wild rthe way of his prosperity does ness were a continual source of not lie here. He has done well anxiety and vexation, until is to feed and clothe the world. It patience was utterly exhaus ed is not in his not knowing how to and, breaking down under the produce better, but in his not strain, he committed that rash knowing how to sell well—always act for which he was permitted being a silent spectator while never to enter the promised land, others place the price both upon but died in full signt on lonely

he gets in exchange, and in Human nature is the same of allowing middle-men to play with day, but years and ages have preservation compels him to world moves faster now. The stand up in his own defense and Grange—our Moses—has come; for his own rights, the absorbers and with our Moses is Miriam, of wealth have became alarmed with her timbrel, her inspiration and are unstinted in their invec- and song. And can't we see in tives and denunciations of farm other organizations our Aaron, ers' organizations, It is "combi- Joshua and Caleb-leaders of the is being gored. Every body but land, and while our Moses goes the farmer has the right to fix up to the mountain for the Law, the price on his product, but this let us beware of the Golden

of our products. The Boards of Grange-in its line one of the Trade know all about the supply and what the demand will be, nizing that was ever devised; one

them more perfectly.

The Farmer's Political Duties.

The folly attending our rapid western "development" can now be plainly seen in the serious financial straits attending western farming. In spite of fertile with too little time for it, he lands costing but a trifle, the West has always had a burden of suffering far in excess of the East. The hardships of pioneer life are always severe, and these have been heightened by enormous rates of interest, exorbitant railroad charges on farm products the high price of farm machinery and the scarcity of labor, cyclones and crop failures, the ravages of insects, and the high taxes occasioned by local mis-governmet. There, as here, the farmer found "no time" to study politics—he voted "the old ticket." and took it for granted that his party made no mistake. The present uneasiness at the West and South, and the rise of the Farmers' Alliance, with its chaotic ideas for obtaining relief through the national government by means of loans, unlimited silver coinage, unlimited greenbacks or silver certificates, foricble resistance to mortgage has neglected politics until misgovernment and his own blunders have driven him to frenzy, and coming a candidate at all until now he is too much excited to listen to sense or reason.

The present situation, as the

result of many years of neglect

Combination cheapens production, lessens competition, and makes provision for a union of cheapens production, lessens competition, and cheapens production, lessens competition, and cheapens production, lessens competition, and cheapens production, lessens competition, and cheapens production, lessens competition, and cheapens production, and cheapens production, lessens competition, and cheapens production cheapens production cheapens production cheapens production cheapens competition. righted at once. It is encouraghaste, anger, and the "heroic remedies" they have in mind will they are just because aiming at son, have seen the strength there is in organization, and know lar weight or force; yet in them clear new men to Congress mere. is in organization, and know ular weight or force; yet in them elect new men to Congress meresomething of its abuses. And we there is a remedy for all dissen- ly because they are noisy and see ahead of us the possibility of sions. And I am far from believiglib-tongued as Alliance men, our leaders put they are liable to suffer bitter cruse, they deserve discourageall, and to utilize this is our only those beautiful precepts there disappointment. Even the legisway out—our only alternative. not designing them for practical lation that can aid them must be And to consummate such an oruse. Let us teach and practice carefully studied as to details, or Snyder, in Country Gentleman. it will harm more than aid. Laws How shall we keep up the in- aimed to secure just taxation are terest in the Grange? By con- of this class. An income tax speech or in a public communiforming as nearly as possible in would be just, as would be laws cation made the remark that honour associations to that of a to secure the taxation of millions esty, virtue, and purity in polimodel household. Avoid fault- of personal property held by tics is an irridescent dream. The finding, always be pleasant and corporations and individuals, but people are fast arriving at the hopeful, and strive to have all they must be wisely framed. The same conclusion, and what is your surroundings pleasant and common farmer is no match for worse they are quietly accepting agreeable. Strive to take more the millionaire in the matter of that condition as inevitable. interest in each other's prosperi-secreting property and fighting. In this same connection, we ty and welfare. As much as pos-taxation; hence new laws, to be will quote a remark by Senator feast for the whole household, est good to the greatest tue, honesty, purity, etc., but and see that Mary and John and number. The worst of all when a funeral sermon is to folall their children are there. All schemes, perhaps, is a radical low it takes out all of the unc eating together has a wonder-tinkering with the currency, on tion." This implies that if a pofully harmonizing and pleasing effect. It costs a little of something, but no expenditure brings to the farmer except through carethan distribution of the farmer except through carethan distribution distribution of the farmer except through carethan distribution distributi a surer or better return. Have ful culture of his land, a constant to follow. Which means in plain music-all you can of it; and es- watch against leaks, and eternal words that the declaration for pecially have congregational vigilance in the matter of voting. honest government administrasinging. Get the whole Grange The operators of Wall Street and tion or a high standard of public to sing if you can. No cross and their capitalistic allies all over virtue in the platform of any posour nature can stand before it. the country are the men who, of litical party would result in its A Grange that is full of music all others, are best able to thrive defeat. This is the disgraceful will be a strong Grange. An- when money is abundant. Specu- condition to which American polother thing: See that every mem- lation is their forte, and a redund- ities seems to have arrived. ber of the Grange is at work. ant currency an aid in that work. If they are not official members, An excess of currency in a time has expressed the opinion that, for obstinate cases of syphills and scrofula, Available and obstinate cases of syphills and scrofula, Available and obstinate cases of syphills and scrofula, and obstinate cases of syphills and scrofular obstinate cases of syphills and scropular obstinate cases of syp in which these are to be taught and practiced. Do we lack these virtues? Then let us acquire with distrust on untried measures on them as much as the professional speculator. Money, even if it has to be for a date a month or six weeks ahead.

I have but little to say about the old. old story. Moses aw bility, and as they work they farmer unless he has crops and faults in agriculture. There are his brethren oppressed, and sew will become attached to and feel land will be the last to advance

in price and the first to recede. The first, most impreative and most sensible duty of the farmer is to abjure partisanship and study real politics-that is, measures, not men, nor office seeking. If too old to study, or must find an honest and capable man or men to do it for him. Good measures must be aimed at, and honest men elected to execute them. The legislation safest to undertake at first is either of a negative sort or such as will benefit the masses as well as the farmers. It is the prosperity of the masses, not of the classes, that should be studied, but in this work the farmer will incidentally be benefited. For instance, taxation must be made just and uniform, and nobody allowed to escape his share. Tariff laws must look to the interest of the many, not of the few. Just as far as it will promote the general good should the government be made paternal. Our postal system suits everybody and is constantly improving. and it furnishes the model for conducting our railways and tele-To guard against graphs. abuses in partisanship, the civilservice law should be simplified and extended in its operation, so that no office can be a reward for party service. We have now an excellent law in New York that all candidates shall report their expenses; we shall have later on a law to prohibit a man from behis candidacy is sought by the people under legal forms. Then, we shall begin to realize some thing of an ideal government,

and partisan credulity, cannot be one which will be safely paternal. Here are a few measures for long as farmers cannot see that that traffic is an unmitigated ment and depression, and are likely to have them.—Philip

Pure Politics.

Senator Ingalls last year in a

Dr. E. T. Miller, of Cross Plains, Wis.,

Surface Culture.

to this subject than merely letting the roots alone to run where the will to find the root food for the plant. If by root pruning at the surface we drive the roots cannot be overfed, and that it deeper into the soil, or cause the makes no difference if they do deep running roots to bring up leave a lot of food at one mealmaterial, is the quality of the they will come back and eat it up

roots, and I wished to improve much is a waste. its condition. It has been under flavor also was not good. I had plied. Feed left over is, to say two or three trees standing in a the least distastesful to a hog, so hard I doubt if the roots could feeding it will ferment and sour possibly get down 12 inches. erally. The fruit was more perfect in texture, splendidly color rive the most benefit from it.their part in building up the

Would it not be wiser to encourage the development of surface roots than to cut them off? It is a well known fact that top dressing encourages the roots to shoot up from below. Go into a grove of maple trees, rake the leaves into piles and let them remain one season, and the roots from below will have come into the base of the pile, completely knitting quite a strata of leaves

to the soil. Perhaps by investigating we will find that the best flavored and the largest crop of strawber ries are on vines where the roots run near the surface. These surface roots may also have something to do with the color.

I submit these considerations to thoughtful farmers, gardeners and fruit growers. The best show of an orchard and of its fruit I observant breeder should know ever saw was on surface cultured the amount that should be given and surface fertilized with poultry.—Z. Breed in Grange Homes.

There's Gold Galore.

least, one of the shrewdest of setts Ploughman. Detroit's business men predict it, and he appears to have excellent

grounds for his belief. "The reason is that money is no investment which will offer once had the fruit damaged by is not the slightest cause. so good a return as real estate. late frosts. It will be two or Consequently land will be in such three days late in ripening, but ing out against oppressive taxa-

and 200,006 Europeans will visit as a rule been much larger than ficers may object to payment. great prosperity in general, will Smith, Wisconsin.

tend to make money very plenti-The subject of surface culture ful for a few years. That money

Overfeeding Hogs.

Many seem to think that a hog crop as good as if the surface when they are hungry, so there roots were left in? Is not the ma- is nothing wasted after all, says terial richer near the surface a writer in the Swineherd. But where the sun warms the soil and it is easily possible to go to the where the effect of the rains is other extreme—to feed too little, so as not to secure a steady gain, I have been led into these que- or to feed too much, and so inries from the quality of my fruit crease the cost and materially the past two years. My orchard lessen the profit. Feeding too had become foul with tough grass little is a loss, while feeding too

A good, as well as an economithe plow for two years. In these cal plan, is too feed regularly at two years there has been an en-stated times, and then feed, when ormous crop of very large apples. fattening, all they will eat up The foliage was abundant, the clean. They will keep healthier leaves being much thicker and and thrive better than is possible broader than before. I think I by keeping feed before them all did not manure heavy enough to the time. It is what the animals produce these results. The fruit digest, not what they eat, that did not color up well, and it was determines the gain in proporsofter and did not keep. The tion to the amount of feed supsoil that never was plowed, and while if slop is soaked before to a greater or less extent. The These trees were top-dressed lib- hog, whether growing or fattening, should relish his food to deed, firm and hard, and kept much And they will hardly do this if better than the others. The flathey eat what they want, go vor also was better. Should not away and leave it, and then are our fruit trees receive surface obliged to come back and finish culture and surface fertilizing. it up. This is not economical that the surface roots may do feeding, and when the margin of profit is small, the waste in feeding this way will greatly if not entirely cut off the possible

profit. It is an important item at all times to feed stock well, and fattening stock should have all they will eat clean, and be supplied a good variety, in order to secure that tools liable to rust are prolong drouth, or both. 6. Yield this campaign. We do not wish as good a growth as possible, but tected from dampness, and the per acre has much to do with the

erally the ration must be deter- money it took to buy this same mined with each lot of hogs on machinery."-Maine Farmer. every farm, and the careful and one else.

market is fast approaching. At without waste.-Cor. Massachu-

A New Bed Each Year.

demand as has never yet been the crop is almost a certainty. After taking off the covering, I some steps looking toward the crowding into cities. Here is another considera- put on a dressing of fine manure, removal of the cause of this vast

Care of Farming Tools.

exposed to the weather. While on the public treasury. Both able to steady work or habits. great an extent. If a manufactice having jurisdiction, and he could enter freely, the cause for are sure. criticism would be still greater. them all winter to the mercy of law compelling until spring opens with its busy costs.—Farmers' Friend. round of duties; while if housed. the dull winter days afford the best opportunity imaginable for tightening nuts and screws, looking out the weak places and putting them in proper repair and clusions: 1. Early planting gave so that when the day comes to go sugar per acre. 2. Very large ume of trade was light. The into the field the greatest amount beets did not sugar well. 3. Subof work may be accomplished. soiling gave the best shaped dull ones, whether in the shop or of sugar in November, needing the furrow. Sound timber will the least trimming. 4. Cut worms ed, whether in a building or the ings, but did not affect the later frame work of a cart or machine. plantings. 5. The per cent. of Rust is the greatest enemy to sugar was affected by second iron and steel, and no man can growth in October, or by absorbbeyond this it is unprofitable to time spent in such care will bring profitableness of the crop; and 7. Larire and rich returns. An ob-Provide good, tight troughs foat terving engineer on one of our from beets averaging 13 ounces feeding slops and soft feed of "dusailroads t the "It just makes me kinds, and generally it will program to provide a tight floor for feed areds of dollars into machinery, sugar per acre came from beets."

The Grange in New York has ing grain, so that it can be kept clean and free from waste. No ration can be made that may by rational ratio any means be considered appli-same farmers are paying from 6 per cent. of sugar and comparacable under all conditions. Gen- to 10 per cent interest on the tively higher purity, and the low-

An Abuse that Should be Corrected.

In every county, every term of court, much valu 20 tons an acre, and the cost of But whether hogs are fed in a able time is consumed in hearing growing and harvesting \$39.42 close pen or in a good pasture, cases of a frivolous character; an acre. The highest sugar in titude of Patrons of Husbandry A great day for the real estate they should be fed liberally, but criminal prosecutions, for which beets per acre was 7,299 pounds. ever brought together. New there are not the slightest foundations, and which are simply the outgrowth of malice. In most of these cases the grand York Christian Advocate, de- for the farmer known to the jury returns "not a true bill," clares that crimes of violence world. Any member of the I find it better and believe it and the defendants retire with have greatly increased in our Grange may, without a single plentiful," he says. "and it is quite as cheap to set a new nothing to complain of but petty country within the last five years, dollar invested, buy in person or rapidly becoming more so. The strawberry bed every spring, as annoyance which the matter has and he says the following are on an order from the most reliaaccumulations in the banks are the weeds and grass will come occasioned them, and the loss of among the causes: increasing so rapidly and so up and annoy you in the old bed. valuable time. But the honest 1. The increase of drunken- cles and supplies for the housemuch out of proportion with the Even if you succeed in keeping taxpayers do not get off so easily; ness—spirituous and malt liquors hold or farm, at actual wholesale legitimate demand for loans, that them down for two or three they are compelled to pay the being adulterated by drugs more bankers will soon be compelled years, the fruit is not quite as fine bills notens votens. Many thou-poisonous than alcohol itself; the counts under contracts made by to lower their rates of interest. nor the yield as large as the first Look at the New York money year. In selecting plants for set-worse than squandered in this dreds of "pick-me-ups," as they also insure his property in our market now. Reports show that ting I make it an invariable rule way. We say worse than squan- are commonly called, all of which co-operative insurance compaloans are being made on prime never to set plants that have commercial paper at $3\frac{1}{4}$ to $4\frac{1}{2}$ per borne fruit. Be sure to have really paid as a premium for unstatute of the plants that have dered. because this money is are adapted to derange the nerveal paper at $3\frac{1}{4}$ to $4\frac{1}{2}$ per borne fruit. Be sure to have really paid as a premium for unstatute of the plants that have one prime of the plants that have dered. because this money is statutes carefully prepared, unstatutes carefully prepared. cent. How can banks continue young and thrifty plants of the justifiable conduct, both upon the to do business on that basis and last season's growth, and do not part of the prosecutors and justy that excuses all kinds of crime. carried by them through our Legpay 4 per cent on deposits? It set any others, even if they are is impossible for them. The regiven to you. Leave the coversake of pocketing the small pit. sult will be a reduction of inter- ing on in the spring until all tance they receive in the way of from school many children whom were re-elected at the annual est on deposits, and then people danger of hard freezing is past fees and costs, are ready and will-ordinary punishment will not rewho have money in bank will withdraw it so that it may earn something for them. There is lowed this plan, I have never suits for which they know there

While the whole country is cry-

flourishing industries and our every farmer in the state.—J. M. can see is for the citizens to be out of the asylums speedily. more careful in their selection of 7. The declining belief in a fu-figures are 47 and 30.

those who are to exercise the ture state of reward and punishthis is not a general practice, it prosecutor and prosecuted are still prevails to altogether too generally known to the local jus-

his racks, carts, plows, harrows. amount of costs as soon as the just as good returns as this. mowing machines and horse rakes bill was ignored, it would save in the fields where last used. All thousands of dollars to the taxthese are a part of his stock in payers every year. And that is trade. The wear and tear of each just what ought to be done in the when in actual use is something. way of protecting people from but not a fraction as compared to the men who originate criminal the loss resulting from exposure. actions from malicious motives ing a shed will provide shelter by a commission as a justice of

Sugar Beet Growing. Experiments conducted last season at the Iowa Experiment Station led to the following con While our highest analysis came

The Increase of Crime.

Editor Buckley, of the New tive trade and business system

4. The turning away of most H. H. Goff, of Spencerport. people from trades, and the impossibility of getting places for

tion: It is estimated that about or, what I like better, wood ashes, expenditure of the people's lic to the infliction of just punish following are fair examples: Of 200,000 people leave this country every year to visit Europe. Each one of them spends \$1,000 abroad, we will find if we strike an average. Now next year we will small fruits. By following these stops to the people's money? Under existing laws, the commissioners, who are the public pardon or permanent exemption from trial; the maudlin spirit the country and 70 have had exempted. age. Now, next year we will have the World's Fair, and instead of our 200,000 going to Euhave at least a paying crop in 25 stead of our 200,000 going to Euhave at least a paying crop in 25 trivial or unjustifiable the cause that they parely all the first that they parely all the first that, the find that the find that, the find that the rope they will remain at home, years. The yields per acre have of action, or how much these of practice of excusing criminals on of the same class in Adrian, Mich., the ground of insanity, as well 50 were of country origin; of 125 us and spend their money here. the amount I have named as The only present remedy for as of getting really insane of the same class in Buffalo, N. This, with our great crops, our within reach of nearly or quite this condition of things that we persons with criminal tendencies Y., 86 were country born; for

Riding through a country town functions of justice of the peace. ment, together with the natural is now up for general discussion, will seek investment, and, again not long since, it was a source of The right kind of men in that egect of so many persons coming mainly in reference to hoed crops. I say it, it will pour into the real surprise to see the number of position can do a great deal to-here whose antecedents, ances-There may be something more estate market."—Detroit Journal. farming tools, machines and carts ward putting a stop to these raids tral and perennial, are not favor-

A Use for Waste Land.

A Virginia farmer, who had turer should shut down his mill has the opportunity and the right some pasture land of little value, and go away for weeks or months to institute such inquiries as shall decided to put sheep on it. He at a time, leaving the machinery satisfy him that there is reas-bought 50 common ewes for \$2 without oiling or protection from onable cause of action; but too each and a ram for \$10. He fed rust, he would justly be charged often his greed and avarice blind them 10 bu. of corn meal worth with carelessness and neglect of him to every principle of right \$6 and 20 bu. of wheat bran worth his own interests. If in addition the and justice, and induce him to \$4. He sold 45 lambs for \$4 each, windows and doors should be left proceed for the purpose of mak- 150 lbs. of wool for \$34.50, the open, so that the wind and rain ing his costs, which he knows ram for mutton for \$5, and the ewes for \$2 each, total \$319.50. If our State Legislature could This left him a profit of \$199.50 Supposing he should entirely un- be made to see this matter in its on a capital of \$120, not counting cover these machines and leave proper light and would enact a in the labor or use of the land, whosoever which are both small items.the elements, it would be only brought a criminal action with- There are thousands of acres in what the farmer does who leaves out good cause, to pay the full other states that would make

Officers and members of the Chicago boare of trade are getting scared over the prospect of the passage of the anti-option bill and have commenced to "hedge" in their methods. Last A few dollars expended in build- and the cormorants, who, backed week members were notified that trading in "puts and calls" would for all implements and save many the peace, aid and encourage not be tolerated in the settling dollars yearly. If left out of such conduct in order that they room or corridors of the Board doors, there can be no repairs may pocket a few dollars of of Trade building. When at the close of 'Change the members visited their former haunt they found the doors locked against them and a force of policemen on hand to enforce the new rule. The brokers repaired to the alley and curb. but the crowd was much getting everything in readiness the greatest tonnage and most smaller than usual and the volthe example of the "big" board Sharp tools do better work than beets and the highest per cent. by shutting down on "put and call" trading. This action may be regarded as a direct effect of bear a heavier strain than decay- destroyed most of our early plant- the present agitation against gambling in grain and shows the farmers are at last making themselves felt. The good work should go on. Only dishonest afford to support it. Take care ing moisture from rains after practices are being aimed at in to hurt the business of honest dealers, but they must cast out from among them the gamblers that have brought so much dispe-

> The Grange in New York has 32,030 members; 39 Granges were organized in 1891, with 806 charter members, seven were reorganized; with 206 members and 13 est tonnage per acre. 9. Three bers, making an increase for the odd Granges added 2318 memplats fertilized with lime, nitro-year of 4144. The treasurer regen, phosphoric acid and potash ceived \$12,143.18. The Patrons gave no evident benefit. 10. The had a grand time at Chautauqua average per cent. of sugar was and the Thousand Islands, where their picnics were held. The gathering at Thousand Island York State Grange has the credit of originating the best co-operable houses in the country, artiprices, or at special liberal disstatutes carefully prepared, un-2. The miserable sentimentalider the guidance of Patrons, and meeting at Oswego, Feb. 2-6,-W. C. Gifford, of Jamestown, and

The New York Evangelist says those who would gladly learn it is a generally accepted truth hem.

5. The forsaking of farms and succeeds in the city. To prove its case the Evangelist has col-6. The indifference of the publected statistics, of which the Pontiac, Mich., the equivalent

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I allus argy that a man Who does about the best he can, Is plenty good enough to suit This lower mundane institute; No matter ef his daily walk Is subject fer his neighbor's talk, And critic minds of ev'ry whim Jest all get up and go fer him.

I knowed a feller onc't that had The yaller janders mighty bad, And each and ev'ry friend he'd meet Would stop and give him some receet For curin' of 'em. But he'd say He kind o' thought they'd go away Without no medicine, and boast That'd get well without one doste

He kep' a yallerin' on, and they Perdictin' that he'd die some day Before he knowed it! Tuck his bed The feller did, and lost his head, And wandered in his mind a spell, Then rallied, and at last got well-But ev'ry friend that said he'd die Went back on him eternally.

It's nachural enough, I guees, When some gits more and some gits less For them 'uns on the slimmest side To claim it ain't a fair divide; Amd I've knowed some to lay and wait And get up soon and set up late, To setch some fellow they could hate Fer goin' at a faster gait.

The signs is bad when folks commence A findin' fault with Providence, And balkin' 'cause the world don't shake At ev'ry prancin' step they take. No man is great till he cen see How less than little he would be Ef stripped to self, and stark and bare He hung his sign out anywhere.

My docteren is to lay aside Contentions and be satisfied: Jest do your best, and praise er blame That follers that counts just the same. I've allus noticed great success Is mixed with troubles, more or less, And it's the man who does the best That gits more kicks than all the rest. -James Whitcomb Riley.

In presenting the requests of the Legislative Committee says:

posed upon us by the great National Farmers' Organization, which we have the honor to represent, and it is only for the purpose of impressing upon your minds the intense earnestness of the farmers that we trespass further upon your valuable time.

We do not present the action of the National Grange from any partisan standpoint, but have unit in favor of an increase in the rons of Husbandry was the piothought only of the interests of circulating medium of our coun neer in the work of elevating the the great body of the American try. They do not ask for reck- head of the Department of Agriwhich aids or retards agricul-doubtful or rash experiments; ridiculed, even by the agricultural progress. We believe, how- what they want is money issued tural press; opposed by the head ever, that there is no surer way by the Government and made a of the Department; considered of promoting the interests of any legal tender for all debts, public impossible of attainment by alpolitical party than to keep it and private, and they also desire most everybody; our Order, howin close touch with the great mass legislation which will prevent ever, never faltered or wavered; of patriotic and law-abiding citi- any discrimination, by contract we believed in it; advocated it; zens. That political party which or otherwise, against any lawful pushed it, until success crowned dares to do right because it is money of the United States. right will merit and receive the confidence and support of the the ranks of the mono-metalists; monstrated, but we feel that this

favorable legislation in accordance therewith.

PURE FOOD LEGISLATION.

The outrageous adulteration of food products is a grievous wrong to the producer of pure food, and dangerous to the health of the consumer; and we especially urge effective legislation for the protection of the honest producer

and helpless consumer. GAMBLING IN FARM PRODUCTS.

The farmers are of the opinion that gambling in farm pro-

boards of trade, chambers of his rights, then it is indeed a failure. should not have a feather's weight when it is known that the farmers desire such legislation and do not fear the evil results so freely predicted.

ORIGINAL PACKAGE DECISION.

ated and impure food afforded insist that you give them free the people of the several States cloth. For years ample protecure defeated, and we ask the and labor engaged in manufacamendment of the present law, turing, while the farmer has rerelating to sale of liquors in ceived inadequate protection upon original packages, so as to in- most of his products and has clude all such products.

FREE RURAL MAIL DELIVERY. We believe an intelligent reading people to be the sure foundation of a permanent Republic, and we are of the opinion that the free delivery of mail to the rural population will encourage them to read and think, and thus qualify them to meet the responsible duties of American citizenship. This will be but justice, as such privileges were long since accorded to the people in cities and towns. The extension of like privileges to persons who live more remote from the postoffices is far more important, just and equitable, at this time, than reduced rates of postage. Such advantages will beget a love for rural homes, and add to the contentment of the people.

The future prosperity of our climate, and other favorable con- of arbitrarily controlling the ditions, to the production of silk. prices of their products.

THE CIRCULATING MEDIUM.

The farmers are practically a people. as effected by legislation less legislation, nor do they favor culture. The proposition was

they desire that both gold and Department has not been ade-Any truckling to those who silver shall be fully utilized as quately sustained in the way of have grown suddenly rich by money, and on like conditions, appropriations, and we ask that questionable means, or any cater- and as a sound basis for the issu- hereafter there shall be no just ing to the prejudices or passions ance of the notes of the United cause of complaint on this score. of ignorant or depraved classes, States in volume sufficient for the No Department of Government must in the end result in deserved business requirements of the can render such important serdefeat and dishonor. We there country. We think a sound finan vice to our country, and we hope fore come to you, full of conficial policy can be adopted which that the scope of its usefulness dence in the merits of what we will be just to all the industrial will be enlarged by a proper enhave asked, and very hopeful of interests which, we trust, you couragement on the part on Conmay be able to agree upon and gress. give our people needed relief.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE LEGIS-

LATION. Our organization was and is an tion lines of our country, and we emphatically oppose all legisla- ple and we earnestly commend and paid for it; have also purtion tending to weaken the provisions of existing law. We protest against any and all amendments of the law which will give the action of our organization ury-one number to each family, to any individual or class prividucts is an improper factor in leges in the way of transportacontrolling the prices thereof, and we fully believe that the corded to all. We ask rather that and we fully believe that the strong arm of the National Gov-the law be strengthened and that and an honest, fearless effort on about \$50.00 in the treasury. We ernment should interpose to pro- the Commission be given full your part to represent truly the do not like the idea of sending all tect honest producers and punish power to enforce its decisions real interests of the men who of our initiation fees to the State those who, by nefarious practices and thus afford the protection have placed in your hands the Grange. It looks too much as if and unfair methods, wrest from needed by the weak against the power to uphold the honor of a the big fish were eating up the the toiling husbandman the fair encroachments upon their rights democratic form of government, small ones. It seems as if we reward of industrious, well-by these rich, powerful and some and protect in all their rights should send them one-half and

solicitude for the welfare of the If our Government is not strong

TARIFF LEGISLATION. Upon the subject of tariff revision we insist, as heretofore, that there be no discrimination against the products of the farm. If it is proposed to give the man-Under this decision the protec- ufacturer of woolen goods free tion from the sale of adulter wool, the farmers emphatically by State law has been in a meas- tion has been accorded to capital been refused any protection whatever upon others. In the late reagricultural products which had secured an increase of duty. We asked this, not as a favor to agriculture, but as justice. We asked only that agriculture receive the same treatment accorded to other industries. With the exception of a duty upon hides, the protection asked for agricultural products was given. We thought then, and we think now, that continuing hides upon the free list, while full protection is allowed to leather and its manufactures, was unjust and unfair, and that we suggest that instead of removing or reducing the duty upon wool, potatoes, barley, and other products of agriculture, you give country depends largely upon adequate protection to the cattle diversifying our industries, and, growers of our country, or subas we annually send millions of ject the manufacturers of leather, dollars abroad to pay for the raw | boots and shoes, to free competisilk imported into this country, tion with foreign capital and lathe National Grange to Congress all of which we can and ought to bor. In conclusion upon this subproduce, we, therefore, urge you ject, we repeat, that we ask for to give thoughtful consideration no discrimination in favor of agri-In presenting these subjects to this subject, and enact such culture, and emphatically ask for your consideration, we have discharged in part the duty imtions, to be expended under the industry. Let the "Cleaver of the country of th direction of the Department of the Law" descend upon those who cation to furnish from the Grange Agriculture, as will lead to the have formed "Trusts" and "Comestablishment and development binations" to rob the people. of this industry in such sections of our country as are adapted by form no "Trusts" for the purpose this would never have been

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

The organization of The Patour efforts. The wisdom of the Very few farmers are found in step has already been fully de-

> ELECTION OF UNITED STATES SENATORS.

edly endorsed the proposition to present time. We have sixty-six earnest advocate of interstate so amend the Constitution that members and two applications; control of the great transporta- United States Senators may be have purchased of Mongomery & elected by direct vote of the peo | Ward, of Chicago, a fine organ, this subject to your favorable chased badges, song books, &c.,

consideration. and stated our views frankly, and which helps to strengthen our all we ask is a candid considera- Grange, as there is always good tion of the several subjects to reading in the Visitor; only wish directed effort. The professed times law-defying corporations. and interests the people of our keep one-half to help run the Sub-

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Respectfully submitted, J. H. Brigham,

L. RHONE.

JOHN TRIMBLE, Legislative Com.

The Grange an Educator.

So far as it reaches, the Grange to-day is furnishing a better means of education to its 10,000 members in this State, in the direction of our needs, than are our higher schools and colleges. As proof of our efforts in this direction let me say that we have again been invited by the Secretary of our State Board of Edua lecturer for the so-called summer school for teachers. Surely, MEDINA OF thought possible of the farmers of the State. Education, then, with co-operation should be the very groundwork of our Order, and every effort should be made by our Grange educators to imand perpetuity of our Order depends upon the intelligence of its membership. - [G. A. Hopson, Lect. Connecticut State Grange.

The Detroit Journal has been purchased by Ex-Senator T. W. Palmer and William Livingstone, Jr., and it is announced that no effort or expense will be spared to make it the most complete afternoon newspaper in the west. Mr. Livingstone, who assumes the active management of The Journal, is a representative republican whose experience in newspaper work and management covers quite a period of years.

Dowling, Feb. 11-Ed. Visitor: Baltimore Grange No. 472, was reported in the Visitor one year ago with 28 members, and that the brothers and sisters who read the Visitor (which they all ought to) may see that we have not been laying idle the past year Our organization has repeat- I will report our standing at the and we pay for the Grange Vis-Gentlemen, we have submitted itor every year out of the treas-

ordinate Granges. It would be more equalized and satisfactory. When we get 100 members I will write again.

Fraternally yours, J. E. T.





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Down in Dixie.

NO. 3.

Our route from New Orleans to Florida lay along the Gulf coast, and we passed again over the same railroad as far as Mobile, branching off at the latter point towards Pensacola, our next prominent point on the schedule. Here it was a go-as-you-please day, for it was Sunday, Jan. 24. No committees met us at the Escambia Hotel. In our walks about the town we took the shady side of the street, for the sun was shining warm, like an early June day. The live oaks, magnolias and orange trees had a like sound, and some of us expetional cemetery.

nomen of "Yankee Paradise," so gathering shells where the salt party, without the imputation atelevation upon which Thomas- near the military post just as the ing his forces and looking after have to offer, and who would Alliance and the two per cent. ville stands.

that has made it famous.

office address is changed, notify ville that night, and awoke at make St. Augustine the Mecca us at once and we will gladly send this entrance way to Florida for for Northern people. It has no all tourists. It is a town of 33,- commerce nor any trade with the 000 inhabitants—the largest city interior. Its streets are narrow will be sent to all who desire in the state—and the point from and many of them are only lanes. made up to go North. Here are shops, where glittering baubles located some of the famous hotels and shells and bric-a-brac are ern people, who can afford the Tampa, on the gulf coast, is com-James is a typical, although not for nortnern travelers. Tampa one of the largest hotels of this Bay Hotel outranks the Ponce class. Our party was taken there DeLeon in the glitter of its Moorplants and trees. A walk along buildings. Nearly all the intethe border of this square in win- rior towns, too, have a winter reter was a marvelous experience sort hotel, and the inhabitants train. We took breakfast at the for Michigan people, leaving zero have a happy faculty of presentweather, as they did, only ten ing some attraction to which atdays before.

It is not our intention to des cribe in detail the cities and villages of Florida that we visited. but the importance of St. Augussummery look and cast an agree- tine, our next point of interest able shade over the walks. The will warrant some attempt at a morning church bells had a home- description of this, the oldest town in the United States, which rienced our first homesick feel- was settled in 1565. The old ings. A few of the party went Spanish fort, built of coquina-

THE GRANGE VISITOR. some of the large trees, we saw grounds of the wonderful Ponce the right direction. oranges still hanging umong the DeLeon hotel just as the electric ble for the place at the assembling dark green leaves, the whole lights were turned on. No des- of the State Legislatures is unparty were ready to cheer at the cription can give an adequate becoming such an occasion. It sight. Before reaching Jackson- idea of this palace and its might be endured if the element ville we were run out on a side grounds. Guests arriving by car- of purchase and sale could be enrailroad to visit Suwanee sulphur riage alight within the building. tirely eliminated; but this has springs, on the bank of the "far, Colored servants swing open the become impossible, and good and far away" Suwanee River. The doors and anticipate every want. pure men shun this appearance be expended by the Highway spring comes out of the bank of The furniture was all mede in of evil, and will not enter into the river in a rushing creek, and Grand Rapids, Mich., and so cer-such a conflict. stands at a constant temperature tainly is the finest that could be of 80°, winter and summer. obtained anywhere. The arches ploy this method, but it will Three gentlemen of our party and pillars and carving and pic-doubtless be antagonized by poliprocured bathing suits and tures of the interior, surround- ticians who delight in a compaign for one. The bank will take the plunged in for a swim, and they ing the rotunda, are all marvel- where money bags set the pace pronounced it very agreeable for ous works of art. There are two and pay the stake. The leading the date-January 25. The river other hotels under the same man-state conventions are called, and is a deep, narrow stream of dark agement,—all having been built the places for the meetings arcolored water, running between and the grounds and streets ranged, and we shall soon see high, wooded banks, and roman-spread over, where salt marshes whether the opinions of the poltic enough to inspire the song extended, within the last ten years. Over three millions of We made the run to Jackson- dollars have been expended to which car-loads of oranges are bordered on either side by curio -the winter palaces where north- sold as souvenirs to tourists. luxury, spend a part of every peting with St. Augustine for the winter at the South. The St. | honor of being the seaside resort for breakfast. In front is a park ish architecture and in its quaint surrounded by orange trees, with and grand designs. No palace the fruit still hanging, and with hotel in Europe, it is said, can in the enclosure are tropical compare with these princely tention is directed as the real and only feature of Florida which it

> is desirable to live by. In our port, we shall have something to say bout soil and productions, which those having southern longings will be interested in.

Nominating Senators at State

Conventions. There is an opinion, which is to church; others walked along a cement formed from minute fast becoming dominant in all the docks, viewing the immense sea shells, with some glutinous parties, that the choosing of Senships and looking out upon the substance added—is still stand- ators should come in a manner bay and off toward Ft. Pickens ing, occupying four acres includ- more directly from the people in the dim distance. There is ing earth-works outside. About themselves, than to be left as now much about Pensacola to interest the walls is a deep ditch, which to the State Legislatures. Howthe traveller, but our time was is crossed, within the gates, by a ever satisfactory the present limited to the day, and we left in bridge. Lying about are several method might have been in its the evening without seeing the old, antiquated, rusty canon, early practice, it has come to be forts, the navy yard, or the Na- which did service two or three a system of bargain and sale, or centuries ago to defend the fort. aspirants to senatorial honors From Pensacola we went north- Inside the fortress are doorways have been maligned and vilified, east into Georgia, to Thomas- protected by heavy iron gratings and members of legislatures ville. We arrived there early and for gates, through which we wrongfully accused. The methtook breakfast, furnished to the could see ring-bolts in the walls ods now employed furnish at least party by the citizens, at the Piney to which prisoners were doubt- a tempting opportunity to un-Woods Hotel. After breakfast we less frequently chained in that scrupulous men, who have the were driven about the town and old regime of Spanish cruelty money to spend, to use undue innear-by farms. The soil is varia- years and years ago. From the fluence to secure the nomination ble, being fairly fertile in streaks inside, wide steps formed from of legislators favorable to their and patches, but checkered with the same seashell concrete, wind election. Instead of waiting for baren areas. On these no at- up to the top of the fortress, an endorsement from their contempts are made to improve Here the out-look over the bay stituents, Senators frequently bethem. Large orchards are set and out toward the ocean is gin to make unseemly advances to the LeConte pear — a variety grand. On this particular day toward a re-election, much as ed emigration, for fear of the the order. entirely suited to southern cli- we (our "better half" only is in- they would purchase the majority mate wherever the soil is suffi- cluded in this pronoun) had de- of stock in a concern to control arrayed against their re-election. tice of "Grand Sale of Jerseys," ciently strong to furnish vigor | cided not to ride, but to saunter its management. The spirit of But the controversy is upon us to be held at this place April 5th. ous growth. We never saw more about on foot and enjoy at our our government is entirely opthrifty trees anywhere than on leisure the things that interested posed to such methods and they favor a tax of \$100 per head upon cure some of this popular blood these fertile farms. Thomas us most. When looking out to- ought to be rebuked. The voters every foreigner who comes to the in its purity need not hesitate to ville seemed to us the most desir- ward the Atlantic from the fort, in either party have opinions reable place in Georgia which we we decided to go to the beach if garding the selection of Senavisited. It has a great reputation possible, and on inquiry found tors which ought to be voiced and our institutions worth something them and cheerfully commend them for integrity and foir deal as a healthful resort for invalids that by ferrying across the bay regarded. An expression coming to foreigners, and they should be ing. afflicted with pulmonary disease, and taking a short ride by rail early in the campaign would and the pine woods park in front we could stand by the surf of old stimulate the candidate to earnof the hotel has received the cog- ocean. In half an hour we were est efforts for the success of his here. many invalids flock there to in- waves were dashing over the tatching to his efforts that he is the worthless, indigent paupers ison of issues presented. The hale the odor of the pines and to sands, and enjoying the sea posing for its effect later on, or and send us only such as could monkey that tried to drop the enjoy the pure air afforded by the breeze. Returning, we stopped what is worse, that he is arrang-comprehend the advantages we ball of hot wax illustrates the

first orange groves. When, on was fired. We came to the and this is a promising effort in honored citizens of our republic. lingham's Dye for the Whiskers.

We hope all parties will emiticians or the people will prevail.

Restricted Emigration. Very little comparatively is being said in the public press upon this important question; but individuals in every community are of affairs, are talking and thinking over the problem of emigration; and all, as though by a mutual understanding, are denouncing the great influx of emigrants of a class that tend to demoralize and destroy our free institutions. Every where these new-comers are insinuating their presence and crowding out native born citizens and setting up the low standard of life and of living common to the old world. Crews of fairly paid laborers in manufacturing establishments are constantly menaced by the offers of work for less than the established wages, and there is the everpresent temptation for managers to hire this cheap labor, although they well know that it means a lower level of living, and consequent squalor and wretchedness.

In the city of Lansing, one foreign ticket agency sold last year 153 steerage tickets to foreign enough to send for a brother, or some member of the family, to compete still further in the labor market of its manufacturers.

Every such indigent laborer displaces a native born citizen, who has helped to make the place worth living in, and consequently attractive for men in other countries who can make no compensation to a city for the adbeggars every where.

adverse vote which might be required now to pay for the extended privilege of citizenship

This requirement would sift out garrison were out on parade, lis- his lieutenants, and footing up strive to conform to our methods On the way from Thomasville to the band and departed just as the sunset gun to Jacksonville, Fla., we saw our parted just as t

Benton Harbor, Mich., March 2, 1892.

Ed. Visitor: I believe an answer to the following question would have interest for many readers of the Visitor:

When, in accordance with the vote of a township, the Highway Labor Tax is paid in money in-Commissioner in such parts of the township as he may elect, or is it to be expended in the several districts where collected?

> Fraternally yours. ROBERT C. THAYER.

The law provides that when a township votes to pay its highway taxes in money the township shall be divided into not less than four districts, and that an overseer shall be appointed in each in the manner now prescribed for such appointments. The duties of such overseers are to report to the Commissioner of Highways as to the needs of the roads and bridges in their respective districts, and the Comfound who are aflame with the missioner expends the money importance of the subject. All according to his judgment, unclasses-working men, from the der the advice and counsel of the common laborer up through all overseer. The change in method the grades to artisans, and men practically breaks up all highway districts as established under the old system of labor tax, and in their stead the township may be divided into four districts. Should the taxpayers feel themselves, or their localities, slighted in the expenditure of the highway fund they may appeal to the Township Board, who may order the Commissioner to lay out the money in a different manner or in another place.

The several overseers may be directed by the Commissioner to supervise the work in his districts, but all contracts for re-'Polacks" and "Bohemians" to pair of highways and the building of bridges are let by the Commissioner.

In practice it would probably follow that the Highway Commissioner would divide the township into four districts, and lay out the money in labor where, in his judgment, it was most needed, without much reference to the selfish demands of the taxpayers workmen, who had saved up Board would approve of his judgment in the case.

> We should like expressions of opinion from our readers upon this change of the system, although it may now be too late to affect public sentiment to influence a change either way at the coming election.

The Fraternity Fine Art Co., who advertise in the Visitor, vantages received. Labor can have a "Grange Token"--a cerbecome too cheap for the public tificate of membership, printed weal, and living too mean for the on heavy white paper in oil colgood of humanity. There must ors that illustrates each degree. soon come a halt in this indis- It is designed for a frame, and criminate influx of people from when well filled out by a good the old world, or we shall have penman, with name and number labor in rags, and tramps, and of Grange, will make a valuable certificate of membership in our Politicians are afraid to touch order. They want an agent to so uncanny a measure as restrict- offer the Token to members of

Attention is called to the noand must be considered. We Our readers who desire to pro-United States to make a home. deal with these gentlemen, as we We have made the living under are personally acquainted with them for integrity and fair deal-

> The reason why the present standing of the Grange is so much higher than that of other land loan scheme.

MY PARTY.

From One who Has Had Experience in It.

department of the Government; perimented with. primary meetings and put in ble, we ought not to complain fire with fire, or fight the Devil men would rather suffer wrong than do wrong.

The primary meetings are nearly always held in cities or villages, where there are always many loungers about the groceries and saloons who can, as well as not attend the caucuses, and will do so, and vote the way the or cigars want to have them.

his profession and has nothing to do but prepare for primary meetings, and he can take a year Duffey's Pure Malt Whiskey. if necessary to visit every township or see the prominent men living there, and drill his lieuwhat motions to make, and what over our swill pail and rob our election! schemes the bosses desire to have hens' nests without being mocarried through, and they have a lested. list of names furnished that they wish elected as delegates to the county convention to put in nom- our stomach is out of order, as an right, but the dollar fails to mate to the rosy sunset that precedes ination the county officers, and excuse for drinking rot-gut whisterialize, and this is marvellous. the fall of night's somber curanother list they wish sent to the key, disguised under the name state or district conventions.

Look at another fact: Good men always have some legitimate calling. Their hands are too full of work to spend much time with whether it be tendered by the Alaffairs. Why should we, through energetic man, anxious to acpolitics. There are fair, honest, capable men in their various call-

But the people have been and similar occasions. aroused because office holders have been unfaithful. It is hinted that a Representative has where card-playing or dancing large surplus. Consumers know will have time to "go swimming," been selling the post-offices in are allowed—if not invited. his district, or that one has regularly left his duties as legislator on Friday night to spend his Sundays gambling in some of the days gambling in some of the the voters in his party say a betthey leave the caucus feeling thorns, and be as cheerful as that they have been defeated, alcircumstances will permit. though they had at the beginning a majority of the votes on their as a medium to circulate scandal. luded farmers are like the wound-over from one day to another side; but insinuations and lying, and will not allow over a foot of ed, dying eagle, which, as he fell only crowds out of its place some Kent county. The following which good men will not resort our nose to be mixed up in other to the earth, could only lament duty that the day brings and committee was appointed to exto to succeed, has changed the people's affairs, and will (as near-that he had furnished the feather makes of life a "tangled skein." views of the unorganized crowd, and they vote with the bosses.

To show how majorities are minding our own business. sometimes overcome I will give two facts that come under my observation. There was a Repre- among our friends, or try to years ago that we thought had made. outlived his usefulness, and we and on the first ballot at the caujority. A question on the meth- around the well. od of voting was raised and while opposition sent out and brought weather, our business, our con- it was an easy matter to do so. I and groceries on the plea that allow. outsiders were scooping the town.

Many of these persons had no right to vote, but they had a majority and we only got one delegate in favor of our man.

convention, where the regular "Never mind that, send on your delegates from a township were copy, for we shall want it soon." thrown out to give place to an- I am just recovering from a six other set who were in favor of a weeks' hard tussle with the grip, corrupt politician. These two and, as a convalescent, yet defacts are only a sample to show prived of out-door exercise, have the difficulty in the way of put- plenty of time in which to annoy ting in nomination good men in my friends, repent of my sins, or grasp a chance. Some time ago didates on different tickets for For place of corrupt men, and why strive for usefulness in a modest The Ladies' Home Journal organthe same office, consequently we address Joseph S. Hall, Michigan such men are kept in place year way, and it occurred to me that ized a free education system for have no trouble in securing the Passenger Agent, Jackson, Mich. (tf) after year, to sell post-offices and it would be a good plan to put girls, and the magazine is now best talent of all political parties do other disgraceful things as civil service reformers. If such Visitor again.

Miss Bessie H. Bedloe, of Burlington, which Vassar and Wellesley Colleges, Our course has been confined to caused her hair to be former very harsh and discounted by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be former very harsh and discounted by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be former very harsh and discounted by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be former very harsh and the course has been confined to caused her hair to be former very harsh and the course has been confined to caused her hair to be former very harsh and the course has been confined to caused her hair to be former very harsh and the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confined to caused her hair to be considered by the course has been confi

Resolutions.

the daily papers.

Resolved, That we will not delude ourselves into the belief that of Stomach Bitters.

ly, but firmly, refuse the nomination for Congress, no matter liance or Prohibition parties.

ings who would accept an office if they did not have to crawl in solution they did not have to crawl in solution and the six of clock ben, and breast laid bare for kites to peck at? By those admirable(?) but to so quickly. except during house-cleaning reau reports, crop sorrespond-

tively refuse to attend any party

turn a broken tool that we have lessly, to supply their wants. that the sun is far down in the

ter man must be put in his place. of the wicked avail not" (and we crop correspondent for years, year of their life, and lie down at mira Bosworth, a member of Sun-So they select their man, rally are not egotistical enough to be and am sorry. I have withdrawn, the the end in their last long field Grange, Eaton county. Res their forces and attend the priliviel ourselves righteous) we will No more statistics for me! I sleep leaving a tangle of incommary meetings to meet a well or most some formula and presented to members of the many pleted work. Others bright and and presented to members of the ganized squad of regulars, and well, and sow flowers instead of other ways, farm statistics oper sunny, do each day the duties family of the deceased. Com-

> Resolved, That we will not act ly as possible) devote twenty-four that guided the arrow to his hours each day to sleeping and breast. Fraternally yours,

Resolved, That we will not try to make any matrimonial alliances

GEORGE GRUBBER GRANGER.

SPRINGBROOK FARM,

Williamston, March, 1892. ED. VISITOR:—I see in the last number of the Visitor that your The other case was at county space is crowded; but you say,

of what you say in the main. I ED. VISITOR: The following wish I could agree with you in Ed. Visitor:—"Time is resolutions were resolved, at a the opinion that "the day of the vestibule of eternity," but that I believe it is for the best in- great loss of brain tissue, after success of machine politics is doesn't make any more of it. terests of the people that my party should be in power in every party shou day. Of course we do not want candle, it vanishes, and leavesbut I am not blind to the fact that we elect corrupt men to fect touch with everything that but they always "get there." We candle. It darkness.

Time candle. It darkness.

Time candle. It darkness. office even in my party. This has a tendency to advance the poor, confiding Patrons often as- those who attempt to do a weeks' fact being acknowledged, as a good of the order, and realizing sist them to mount into those who attempt to do a weeks remedy, good men are urged by that there are many questions of places. We boast that it was soon convinced that though time our party press to attend the vital importance that are never through the efforts of the Grange may be the vestibule, it is not brought out in any of their dis- that the Department of Agricul- eternity. nomination better men in their cussious, we drafted the follow- ture was established in Washingplaces. Now, if this is practical ing resolutions and tried them ton. But we were cheated at the that they do not have time enough, for 30 days. By giving our whole finish. The Secretary of Agrithat sometimes we are compelled attention to the text we were ento vote for bad men in order to abled to keep all but 98 per cent. not some distinguished Patron keep the party in power. But I of them which so encouraged us a real farmer—chosen for the hours in a day, and each hour have missed none of our regular arise to remark that the question that we determined to send you place? Though opposed in pol- has the same number of minutes meetings on account of them. looks well as a theory, but it a copy that others might profit itics, how I should have rejoiced and seconds. Time is impartial The universal sentiment seems to Whereas, The farmers waste brother, J. J. Woodman, called to thousand cares and duties has with his own weapons. Good much valuable time in looking at that post. Many others of the not one second more than the ever, we have been benefited family portraits as depicted in brotherhood might be mentioned. beggar who asks at his door for financially and the lectures have whose services in that high posi a crust of bread. Resolved. That we will not altion would have been useful and The man of business who low our eyes to dwell for an in- satisfactory. But they are not hurries from one duty to another, stant on the expansive brow of the "machines" the party or par- and wishes time did not fly so Douglass (the \$3 shoe man), or ties want. No difference in the fast; the "gentleman of leisure" Jones (he pays the freight). great parties. The Democratic who does nothing, and wishes Neither will we devote any time administration at Lansing have, time was not so slow, each has to studying the nose glasses of at last, crowded out Bro. Robert but twenty-four hours in a day, fellows who pay for their drinks Francis Willard, or the motherly L. Hewitt, the founder of Michand yet one thinks the day too countenance of Lydia E. Pink- igan's bureau of agriculture, farm short, while to the other it seems Look at another fact: The ham. Furthermore, we will not and crop statistician, from a post as though it would never end. corrupt man has made politics peruse (to any great extent) those he has filled with eminent ability beautiful parables relating to for twenty years. We Patrons or short, so far as each is con-Warner's Safe Kidney Cure, or of Husbandry regret this narrow, cerned. Employ each moment Resolved, If our neighbor's rechnical one—in no way political eave—us contented at the close dog is satisfied with killing a half ical,—the only one the farmers of day. Try to make one modozen sheep in a year, we will be claimed a special interest in. But ment as long as two should be tenants so that they will know kind to him and allow him to tip who cares for farmers?—after and we find they slip away at

There is a starving world just tains. across the Atlantic, but wheat rego henceforth for secrecy in our in work. Resolved, That as "the prayers line, as ethers do. I have been a Some men toil wearily all the Died, on Jan. 8, 1892, Sister Alspace left.

JOHN H. FORSTER.

Harrows.

CHALMERS, Ind., March 1, '92. sentative in our district some break them up after they are Mr. Editor-Pear Sir: As testifying to the merits of the Whip-Resolved, That we will work ple Harrow seems to be in order. arranged to put a better man in out our road tax (if forced to) I would like to give my experihis place. We rallied our forces with as little waste of physical ence. I had 50 acres of corn-as force as possible, and draw the fine as there was in White councus we had a good working ma- last load of gravel home to put ty, that was cultivated with the no cause to complain, and always Whipple Invigorator and the Resolved, That we will keep common corn plow in alternate the discussion was going on, the as many of the above as the lands. As my corn was drilled in the loungers from the saloons science, or any other man will used the Invigorator and my man the plow, and he is a first class plowman. I find that the corn tended with the Invigorator yields at least 8 bushels more to the acre, besides there is not onehalf the weeds and grass as there is on the ground tended by the plow. I also used it this fall to cultivate in some rye sown broadeast, and find it a perfect success. I shall use nothing as a corn tool hereafter but the Whipple Harrow—the Invigorator. Respectfully yours, Leonard Camp.

Time cannot be stretched, and

in seeing our worthy and peerless to all. The millionaire with his

Time is what we make it, long the speed of light. Treat them By the way, what has become with indifference and they drag of that dollar wheat we all ex- wearily from the golden glow pected to have in our granaries of early morning, through the this winter? The wheat is all long slow hours of noon, and on

Resolved, That we will quiet- mains dull. Why? I believe one in his work looks longingly for reinstated with over 40 members. The weary toiler, with no heart reason is this: The world knows the close of day, and thinks time A list of 29 names for the Visitor too much about us farmers—our travels O! so slowly. The was recently sent in as the result. agricultural bureau reports, have complish much, starts at the Resolved, That we will abstain our business exposed and our sound of the six o'clock bell, and

The boy set to weed corn on a ents et al., everybody, far and hot July day looks longingly for the Visitor. If any one should Resolved, That we will posinear, knows just how much grain the sun's decline, and concludes desire to act as agent on that we have in reserve. There is a that as it travels so slowly he day, with good pay, send for inthis, and they do not rush into and finish his "stint" afterwards, Resolved, That we will not rethe market, therefore, breathfinds when he returns to his task

> whatever remains undone. Every Beekman, C. S. Jackson. In this respect we poor, deday has its duties; what we carry

> > brings, and when the moments Stafford, Mrs. N. Reaves. are past the duties will be done. Man cannot work in the future. The duty that the moment brings tasks completed.

Make the most of each moment "The Niagara Falls Route keep in mind that you have all the time there is—twenty-four is more sonary constructed and vignantity operated, so that its time schedules hours in every day. A. L.

Eaton Rapids.

Batavia Grange.

meetings once in two weeks with an occasional special meeting. point. We have a lively interest in We have a lively interest in No other road from the East runs Grange work and a fair attend-directly by and in full view of the colosance. Certain of our members sal buildings of the World's Columbian Exposition, and enters Chicago along conceived the idea of having a

have adhered strictly to a nonpartisan, non-political position, to all points upon its own line and to and it is a common occurrence points beyond—New York, Boston, The American girl is not slow to for Grangers to be opposing can-

to us of a trip through France and Italy.

Hon. C. D. Randall came next, and he gave us an account of his observations of Russia while there as a delegate to the National Prison Congress.

The Hon. John G. Parkhurst was third on the program, and as he is one of the first settlers of Branch county, he gave us many interesting reminiscences of the early days of the county and particularly of Batavia.

Ex-Gov. Luce came fourth and last. He confined his remarks to our own state of Michigan.

I think the lectures have helped be that we did not charge enough called people's attention to the Grange. O. A. VANDERBILT,

Notice.

Michigan State Grange Secretary's office, Marcellus, Feb. 12th. The Capitol Grange Opening Song cards, used by Capitol Grange and heartily indorsed by the State Grange at its last session are ready for distribution among Granges wishing to add this pleasing feature to their programs.

Price 2 ets., each; 75 ets., for 50 copies, \$1.35 for 100 copies. JENNIE BUELL,

Sec'y.

Five candidates have just passed to the 4th degree in Paw Paw Grange, and the event was celebrated by a banquet and a large membership in attendance.

Hamilton, Van Buren county, Grange, long dormant, has been

We shall be glad at any time to send bundles of papers for distribution. Township meeting is a favorable opportunity for effort to extend the circulation of struction and extra copies.

Died, at her home in Garfield, Feb. 18, 1892, Mrs. Adelia Edmonds, wife of Benj. Edmonds. She was a worthy member of Fremont Grange No 494.

Died. Bro. Card, a member and press the sentiment of the Grange; Do the duty that the moment Mrs. H. Y. Austin, Mrs. S. R.

IF YOU WANT TO GO

to any point in Michigan, or from anywhere in Michigan to any point in the is the supreme duty. That ac- East, South, or West, you will almost complished he can lie down at invariably find the direct route to be night with the consciousness of the Michigan Central, whose numerous branch lines traverse the State in every direction, and whose great main line is and when it is gone you will have Chicago and Detroit, and New York, Boston, and the East.

No railroad runs finer or faster trains, is more solidly constructed and vigilantcan de depended upon, and a remarkable immunity from serious accident is secured

No other road runs directly by and in full view of Niagara Falls, when (at Falls View) its day trains stop five Batavia Grange holds regular minutes to give passengers the most comprehensive view of the Falls and River that is afforded from any single

the beautiful lake front to its depot, course of lectures in our Grange hall during the past winter.

The Granges of Branch county

the beautiful lake front to its depot, within a few minutes' walk or ride of the principal hotels, and business houses of the World's Fair City.

No other road has a finer or more complete through car system, running Cincinnati, St. Louis, Duluth, San Fran-

things continue I must give up my party and vote the other way.

A PARTY MAN.

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Sadies' Department.

If Mother Would Listen.

If mother would listen to me, dears, She would freshen that faded gown, She would sometimes take an hour's rest, And sometimes a trip to town. And it shouldn't be all for the children, The fun, and the cheer, and the play; With the patient droop on the tired mouth, And the "Mother has had her day!"

True, mother has had her day, dears, When you were her babies three, And she stepped about the farm and the hous As busy as ever a bee.

When she rocked you all to sleep, dears, And sent you all to school And wore herself out, and did without And lived by the Golden Rule. And so, your turn has come, dears,

Her hair is growing white; And her eyes are gaining the far-away look That peers beyond the night, One of these days in the morning, Mother will not be here, She will fade away into silence: The mother so true and dear.

Then what will you do in the daylight. And what in the gloaming dim; And father, tired and lonesome then, Pray, what will you do for him? If you want to keep your mother, You must make her rest to-day; Must give her a share in the frolic, And draw her into the play.

And, if mother would listen to me, dears, She'd buy a gown of silk, With buttons of royal velvet, And ruffles as white as milk, And she'd let you do the trotting, While she sat still in her chair; That mother should have it hard all through

It strikes me isn't fair. -Margaret E. Sangster.

Formative Influences.

Read before the Farmer's Institute at Gobleville Feb. 17th, by Mrs. A. M. Bangs.

The child from its cradle to its

these, the better it shall be for correct thinking, of accuracy of dasher or turning the crank, but But where shall we find the the growing character. Life is work and of expression. on long school with no vacation, and various and varied are the has the right to be well taught, Many are good and some vicious. more, to be well trained. Not all Their effect upon character is Abraham Lincoln. Of the theories

in our own country. The cultured homes and hearts of the family As it is, the average farmer's bright creature of our many business which promised him as

spirations. Happy the one, who this: "What you make yourself be extra seats for the younger now either all got married, or finds his home inspirations sup- that shall you be; what you are children and with a little imagiplemented by his school influ- fit for that shall you do. ence, then there is no undoing of early education, but it gathers strength and force by its continnity.

Work is the one safe guard, the one healthy influence, whose to farm life is the hard, heavy, still, dear unknown and gallant to discriminate by the amount of claims are in danger of being un- unremitting housework. While inventor, bring on a contrivance wages offered, between the rawderated. If the homes are filled the use of improved implements which shall consist of a perfect est incompetence and comparafull of work, both mental and agricultural machinery has system of machinery extending tive skill. manual, so there is no room for revolutionzed out-door work on to all parts of the dwelling, by of evil influences is destroyed.

of many of our young people. Idleness has ruined many, and tories. The strictly household all the work of the household,will ruin many more, active minds, work such as washing, ironing, in short, "Do the rest. and restless hands must be cooking, baking, sweeping, clean-

the sentiment, that in any undertaking, success is but the more convenient and plentiful recognized by all who would de- to attract intelligent workers. It crown of intelligent endeavor, a utensils, cooking-stoves and vise means to lighten the labors cannot be denied that prejudice great lesson has been learned. ranges instead of fire-places and of overworked farmers' wives. is often blind and unreasoning,

"Fortitude and self reliance are acquired by doing disagreeable things.'

that he was born at a time when strength and vitality? he could be under the tuition of Aristotle

tures upon common things are carpet-sweepers, the ones that I remember, and it clothes-wringers,

So few teachers and patrons child ten years old?" recognize the dignity of the provement has done weil. The without them; but the woman teacher who would enjoy his who purchases them with very in superabundance, and the lady acknowledge that is full better work must possess not only the sanguine anticipations, soon clerk, and the book-keeper and than is possible for most girls. ability to teach, but the tact to reaches about this conclusion:—"If the stenographer;—there is the grave, is worked upon, moulded enthuse—to fill the minds of his I were running a large dairy milliner and the dress-maker and to do. The \$60 which we estimate pupils with a thirst for learning with seventy-five or a hundred the sewing-girl;—there is no lack she will spend, must include her side of its own being,—influences and for development of character cows, then such and So's patent of the woolen-mill-girl or the that will make or mar its useful- as well. The study of the higher churn which admits of a dog dryer girl, or the factory girl of railroad fare, if she take any ered as a useless acquisition, but power attachment, would be a a very limited number of kitchen we are formed by our surround- by it the power to distinguish the great help; as it is now with my girls, but most of them are at may make, contributions for rebooks, and the better the type of is developed, as well as habits of ing butter is not in working the satisfactory assistants.

As we pass along in life perteachers employed in that school. books necessarily determine us

ially the educators of the moth-Soil and climate possess a de- ers, and they have carried intelli- inery could be applied as profi- should "go and get married." gree of influence noticable even gence and education into the tably as in any other industry.

Wanted-A Hired Girl.

The following paper by Ella M. Roders was rea before Cass County Institute, and although of cor

efore Cass County Institute, and alth derable length we publish it in full. dom quoted "Satan finds some mischief still for idle hands to do." the knitting of foot wear, and the making of men's clothes have responding parts of your inventage a business. Occupation is the crying need practically been taken out of the tion shall perform the laundry and civilization have increased,

mode, no form of oath or abuse, plied faster than the means of turned to the owners with far less in his employ, finds that the work

Many, if not all of us, could without name or number, by and strength and unprofitable some clerk or other who has give the name of the teacher that means of which, most if not all from a financial point of view. In held the position. If skillful made the greatest impression the operations of the household reality, it would be no further work in that department is upon our youthful minds; lessons can be performed quickly, easily, behind the spirit of the times for necessary to the success of the were taught, not written in the and satisfactorily? Are there a farmer to have a little indivibusiness he will simply demand text books, and those that have not washing machines which will dual threshing machine run by competent service, and make the been found the most helpful were do a large washing in an hour hand or by horses, than it is for not down in the college curriculand ten minutes,—churns which his wife to have an individual pensate for any undesirability. lum, but came from personal con- will bring the butter in 9 minutes. churn or washing machine. tact with our superiors in intelli37 seconds by the watch,—dish
Much, doubtless, can be, and by what can be laid up, the In looking back I see that Mrs. dishes at a large hotel in 8 along this line, but yet the cry in it. Let us see what there is Stone's Wednesday afternoon lec- minutes,—to say nothing of comes from many a weary housewas these familiar talks with the ers, sewing machines, and the ary to the comfort of a household, girls that did so much to form thousand and one things that it who has experienced bitterly the the character of her pupils, and has entered the mind of man or endlessness and never let up of heavy; probably \$2 a week the interpreted life and existence to woman to invent, most of which the housekeeping tread-mill;-

nation we can see our new overrights and performing her duties | tions: One of the greatest objections with ease and celerity. Or better 1. There is little if any attempt

forming of character, keep it ed and in order; that as wealth can, without doubt, be gathered liberal scale of recompense.

they have great respect for chil-gratifying them; tastes have be expeniture of labor in the total of some particular department is

washers which will dispose of the eventually will be accomplished amount of clear money there is egg-beaters, keeper who knows well the innumate he present rate of wages. I butter-work- erable, untellable things necesscan be operated perfectly by a All these things would lighten girl of ordinary strength can do. the burden, but there is still so Let us estimate that a girl works In deed and in truth there are much, which from its very nature fifty weeks of the year, and takes teacher's work. That teacher all these things, and not a few of must be done at home. "Tell me two weeks vacation. This will

rather in all the preparatory progood hired girl. We want a girl thing, even in the simplest life. cesses which the milk must un- intelligent, moderately strong, sonal influence becomes less and dergo from the time it is strained neat, tidy, respectful and amiable There is no set of rules by which more than men. "May blessings properly prepared churn and in mind, in the words of a recent have in a term of fifteen years, a till the cream is placed in the kind to the children; a girl whose cent. compound interest, she will be upon the head of Cadmus, the the handling of butter and churns advertiser "will be on the work, total accumulation of \$840.59. A me and of this girl an artist, Phoenicians, or whoever it was after churning, all of which reinstead of on the go." We want moments thought will convince but there are fundamental princi- that invented books." "Of mak- quire care and fore-thought as a girl of good morals, of course, you that it would be a very exwell as labor, and compared to and one who understands housethe sum of which the mechanical work as a lumberman understands well as this, under the most operation of keeping the cream his business, "from the stump favorable circumstances.

fully guard your reading.

Libraries and clubs are real machinery to the multifarious girl not unattractive in mind and of economy and self restraint, and of heredity and environment, but and great institutions, not inferiduties of the ordinary household. person, it is highly undesirable display a perseverance and little can be declared without fear or in some respects to schools If there was any great amount of that she should be matrimonially financial ability that in any fairly work of a single kind which could inclined. If we once get a girl remunerative business be done continuously, then mach- who suits us, we don't want she place one well on the road to in-

people of the east, are shocked as no other institutions have wife wears out her life in rushing dreams, for whom we have looked a net reward for fifteen years from one kind of work to another, eagerly and waited long? It hard toil and rigid economy, six. ready ways of the west, and the Anything that quickens mental her mind distracted with the would not be surprising if some or seven, or eight man from the north, cool and activity is desirable. Again I thoughts of duties undone, which worthy householder who has dollars? Do you wonder that incalculating goes south, and while say the meaning and aim of edu-are accumulating in spite of her. driven numberless weary miles, telligent girls do not rush en-What is wanted is a sort of defying wintry winds and summer thusiastically into the business ity of his friend wonders at his The strength of state and gov-sulky broom, mop, bed-maker, suns, in search of help, should ernment is in the moral strength dish-washer and steam-cooker declare that the competent girl, like fighting for board, clothes Prose and poetry tell us of the of its people. Growth is the law combined, with attachments for like wisdom, of old, is not to be and glory, with the glory left out beauty and power of home influ- of life. It is a great thing to washing, ironing, and churning, found in the land of the living; ences, cultivated and educated live in these last days of this 19th which could ordinarily be thrown that if there ever were any really parents give the child his first in- century. Somewhere I have read out of gear. On this there should desirable hired girls, they have gone to their reward.

The causes of most of this burdened housekeeper gliding difficulty about household help about in her domain from cellar on the farm, may, in my opinion, to garret, putting all things to briefly be stated in two proposi-

dangerous thoughts, the power the farm, with the exception that means of which my lady may not sufficient to be much induce-2. The best wages offered are certain occupations such as the simply sit in her office in a cen- ment for a girl with brains to There is a homely old saying sel- manufacture of yarn and cloth, tral part of the house and press train herself for a practical kouse-

I am well aware that it will be household and relegated to fac- work, cooking, dish-washing and argued that with many girls, the great barrier to working out is the real or imaginary lowering in But to return to the real and social position, connected with it. worthly employed or disaster ing, mending, etc., is done in a will be the sure result.

ing, mending, etc., is done in a manner not strikingly different with housework is the great raise household service in social If once the mind is filled with from that employed fifty years variety of tasks which must be estimation more effectually than ago. True, we have better houses, performed, and this fact must be a standard of wages high enough No matter if the work be not al- many comforts and luxuries not If a suggestion may be ventured and that women and girls may dreamed of in those days; but to upon, it would be that certain sometimes do harder work of off-set these advantages are the kinds of work, whose nature will other kinds for the same, or even facts that the larger and more permit it, should be taken out of less money than is paid for housecommodious homes require labor the household entirely. The work; but all ordinary prejudice Language is a factor in the to keep them swept and garnish- washing for a hundred families, can be overcome by a sufficiently

Japanese have no imperative more elaborate; wants have multi- other laundry apparatus, and re- a number of clerks and assistants with castor oil?

dren and old people there are come more fastidious; so that al- than is required for a hundred avoided by all; to the proprietor's among the bravest and most hightogether it would be hard to prove individual women to bend over a mind there may be nothing spirited, and their central quality that the good house-mother of hundred separate tubs and do it specially disagreeable about the the present time is not as sorely by hand. It is not at all imprac- work, he himself would as soon The words we use are an expressed at her task as her mother ticable that baking and dairy do it as any work in the store. ponent of ourselves. The teachand grandmother were at theirs. work can be disposed of in the
If he is a thorough business man ers influence is almost unbounded. Indeed does she not often have same manner. The fact that all he will not argue with his help King Philip was glad not only to meet a greater number of decreameries under all manage in a value effort to convince them that a son was born to him, but mands with a smaller amount of ments have not proved financial that that work is as good as any. successes, does not alter the other He will spend no time with other "But" some one will ask "are fact that the ordinary method of merchants complaining of the inthere not labor saving devices making butter is wasteful of time competence and ingratitude of

believe \$2 a week is the usual rate in the country, occasionally \$2.50, that instills into the minds a zeal them of so much merit that a where I can find a good hired give her a total earning of \$100 annually. Let us say that she power or horse power or steam every description;—there is even journeys; all books and papers she may buy, any presents she few cows, the great task of mak- best, very incompetent and un- ligious and charitable purposes. and all the little, unnumbered ex-Estimating her to save \$40 each ean have the advantages of uninot only bad, but they destroy a versity discipline; but be no ldismayed; in spite of this, we have an and enervate the mind. Care-is true, in a general way in respect to the stump and the stump a dependence. Would you expect entirely.

In closing let us call to mind a little anecdote: The engine used to run the machinery of a certain establishment, got out of order and would not work. The engineer was unable to find the difficulty, and thought best not to tinker ignorantly with the costly engine. Accordingly the proprietor sent for a man famous for his skill in such extremeties. This man arrived, looked the case over, called for a hammer, struck one blow, and told them to fire up. This was done when it was found the engine performed her duties as before. The proprietor having requested the bill for the services of the skillful machinist. was somewhat surprised at the amount demanded, \$25.50. This seeming both unusual and exorbitant, he asked for an explanation which was rendered by itemizing the bill as follows:

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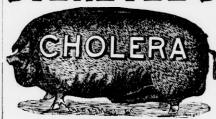
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But making this world better by having lived in it. Now, Joe and John were brothers, both sons of Farmer Joyce;

And Joe and John were handsome and strong and sturdy boys;

And both were educated and started out in life. And Joe and John each bought a farm, and each one took a wife.

Now, neither used tobacco-that spoils the heart and head: And neither looked upon the wine when it was

And each young man was honest and worked from

sun to sun; And each wife was a helpmate, and each had well

But John and Joe were different as sun from starlight dim,

For each one had his character which he had builded him. Young John was kind, obliging, with pleasant

While Joe was sour and cranky and growling all the while

word and smile;

Now, each one bought machinery which helped their labor much; Bought plows and rakes and harrows and harvest

ers and such. But when cold winter sifted down the rain and snow so free.

John's tools were safely housed from storm-Joe'

While John was planning just ahead for what wa coming fast, loe's thoughts were always taken up with frettin

o'er the past. While John sought out and practiced new modes and models trim.

Joe thought the old, well-worn rut was good enough

ohn's life was grand.successful—loe failed—'twas nothing strange; They both joined good societies, but John joined

the Grange He lived a Christian gentleman, a helper on life's

Now, who is John and who is Joe among us here to-day?

-Belle Sutfin Moore.

Old Times in Country Life.

How well I remember in the days of my youth waltzing merrily fast!" Obtaining a gun, Hank practical joke. to the tune of "Stay at home, started after his "possum," but, Tommy, don't go." This morning, while doing up the work and foliage, he could not identify the humming the old familiar air, the spot where he was sure he had dence is becoming so great that pathetic side of it touched me for left the animal. So, casting the every physician of experience the first time, and it seemed as if gun to one side, he took off his feels forced to share the belief of I could never dance to that tune coat and proposed to climb the the communicability of consumpagain; and yet I am not so old tree, a vigorous young pine of tion. There are also few physibut I can enjoy a good kitchen some 75 feet in hight, standing cians who have not had one or dance, such as we indulge in occasionally here in the country. But the pathos of the old man's pleading—

'Don't you go, Tommy, don't go, Stay at home, Tommy, don't go; For it's no one but idlers that lounge about so-I beg of you, Tommy, don't go.

Now, in the light of maturer years; it seems to touch me more a negative reply, he again began own American Indians, the inhabthan the undoubted waltz rhyme the ascent. of the music. And when the old man tells Tommy-

Besides, there are corn and potatoes to plant. You're young and can stand it; you know that I

Leave whisky alone, for it grieves mother so,

I beg of you, Tommy, don't go,"-

I can see in my mind the white haired father pleading with the at the same instant the stalwart is not hereditary, and there is son who has not yet got in a form of Hank was seen careen. much positive evidence in favor large enough crop of wild oats, ing through space, with one hand of this view. With such evidence and who does not realize that firmly grasping the "'possum's" shall he reap.'

I remember the dances where all went-father, mother and the curred on the lake side of the when they are not found in the young people; the pretty, bright, tree, and more fortunately still. healthy girls. the strong, good- the shore at this point was very hearted young men, who had bold—full 30 feet deep, so that done their day's work in the field when Hank struck the water, as present in the mucus which is or woods, and yet would put in he nappened to by the merest raised after coughing. In its full time to-morrow. The band—combination of circumstances on first and second violin, bass viol his feet, though in rather spreadand cornet, the sly flirtation, the eagle style, he stood in no danger open and honest admiration of of being injured from the bottom about, and it is in this form that some young fellow for "his girl," of the lake. the attempts of some mothers to manage affairs for their children when Hank disappeared beneath

ious for the future of their daugh- it fairly boiled! It was the work ters as are city matrons—when of a moment for willing hands to all these things come back to me, shove off a boat that was moored locks and keys. All over this if I were a girl again I would not near by, and when Hank appearexchange my comfortable home ed, strong arms lifted him in, California, and from St. Paul to in a well-to-do farming commu- more dead than alive; and as he New Orleans, every mail lock is nity for a place among the "Four was raised from the water, what the exact counterpart of every Hundred.

and the music, so old-fashioned cause of the mischief, still tight- these, the key in any post-office now, but which we thought were ly grasped as to his caudal apin the country, whether it be the "Barney McCoy" that we all preferred when we were going to vate Jepson. dance; "Speed the Plow" and "Listen to the Mocking-bird"not your new-fashioned waltz or march, but a quadrille change, and M. Johnston, on "Middle which I last used was number and "The Girl I left behind me." Georgia Rural Life," in The Cen-We did not despise a clog, even, tury for March, we quote the fol- kept by the government, and its or a "Highland fling," and "O! lowing: don't we wear out the soles of our shoes!"

going down the lower side.

the most harm in the world, war son for a year: or intemperance?" "Which has love or hatred?" But the ques- gentleman. tion or the verdict given by some good district father, as to which gwine up and tell you jes how side offered the best arguments, 'tis. I wuk fer dah man all las' was not the chief attraction to the year, and I wuk hard, 'n I make

Catching an Opossum.

was sent down to our regiment, en a pa'r o' shoes, and one little with a lot of other recruits. He thing en nother. Well, now den, was a wide-awake, good-natured, C'ris'mus come, en he say, "Jim, venturesome chap, a Dutchman, I gwine to make out yo' count. but of the dare devil order, ready | En den he tuck a piece o' paper, for anything, night or day, and en he pen, en he ink vial, en he he soon became one of the most 'gin a settin' down, en when he popular fellows in the regiment. thoo wid dat job, he 'gin a-addin' At the time he joined us our com- up, en a put'n down, en a-kyar'n; mand was encamped in the edge en he kyar'd, en kep' on a-kyar'n of a fine old pine forest, in close til, bless your soul and body, proximity to a very pretty sheet Marse Jack, when he done got

the Dutchman, came running into done makes up my min', I does, the company street with the to leff dar, en pewoose myself words, "Poys, poys, I vants a back to yo', whar I knows dey gun quicker as nodings, mit a not gwine be no sich kyar'n as load in it. On der top side of dem.' Then he joined heartily in tree by der vasser sit a possum, the laugh raised by what had just unt I vants him for mine preak- occurred to him as being a good squint as he would through the on the very brink of the lake. more cases that for years they After a vigorous display of had thought had been contracted "shinning" up an unbroken sur in this way. How else than by face of full 50 feet, Hank reached communication are we to account the first branch of the tree. Pausing a moment to get his breath, he shouted to his watch- where this disease was unknown ing comrades below. "Poys, you before civilized people began to see nodings of him?" Receiving visit them? This is true of our

one of the upper branches, and marrying, or any other condition "I've found him!" floated down which might make hereditary the wind. All at once an ominous transmission a possible cause, crackling sound was heard aloft; certainly could not account for a wild commotion among the upper branches of the tree was visible to the commotion among the upper branches of the tree was visible to the commotion among the upper branches of the best observers and investigations are upper branches. ible to the comrades beneath, and igators believe that consumption "whatsoever a man soweth, that tail, but with a velocity that bacilli, the question would naturthreatened annihilation.

To say that the water flew for country mothers are as anx-lits surface, didn't half express it; should appear also but the verit- other one of the many hundreds Well do I remember the dances able "'possum," the innocent of thousands; and every one of "just splendid" then. There was pendage by the half-drowned and smallest cross-roads settlement wholly unconscious Hank.—Pri- or the immense New York city

The Negro's Humor.

When the ice was good, the considering was much of a humor locks and keys are changed. river was covered with skaters. very interesting. Their speech, New ones of an entirely differwhose young, cheery voices and by constant contact with the ent pattern are sent out, and the merry songs form one of memo- white man's, which it sought to old ones are called in and dery's brightest pictures. This was imitate, had a curtness and vivac- stroyed. — Max Bennett in St. Procedure book of agent's sample cards. Just out before the days of toboggan ity never heard on large sea- Nicholas for February.

slides, but nature furnished us a board and river plantations. In slide much better than any I ever the lightness of the negro's saw built of lumber, and the heart, with an imagination that fences caught the snow and piled never sought to be curbed, his it up in a beautiful "dump." And words and his deportment often when a sled or jumper came down had a fun as racy as any lover of hill with sufficient impetus to that article reasonably could ask carry it over one of these dumps, for. Even his complainings, ofit was good for a long way fur-tener than otherwise, were put ther, for it got another start in forth with a resentment so peculiar as to provoke as well laugh-Then we used to have a debat- ter as sympathy. Witness the ing society once a week, at the following anecdote of the return red school house on the hillside, to his old master, not very long where such weighty questions ago, of one of his former slaves were settled as "Which has done after having served another per-

"Why, Jim, how happens it the most influence on mankind, that you quit Perkins?" asked the

"Well, now, Marse Jack, Ise young folks.—Florence Holmes. him a good crop. Well. now, de troof is, I did git f'om him a few, but min' you, jes only a few, mer-In 1863 a curious sort of chap lasses and tobarker, en one hat, thoo, he done kyar's off all what One day in the early fall Hank, was a comin' to me! En so I

Consumption Not Hereditary.

The accumulation of such evifor the rapid spread of consumption amongst savage nations, itants of Central Africa, and At length a shout came from many other countries. Interof the possibility of inhaling the ally be asked, "How do the ba-Fortunately, the accident oc-cilli get into the atmosphere. breath of the sufferers by this disease?" We know positively that in these cases bacilli are moist condition it is impossible for it to be inhaled, but when it dries and becomes dust it is blown it becomes dangerous.-[From 'Consumption at Health Resorts, by Dr. W. H. Chappell, in North American Review for March.

Mail-bag Keys.

And just here a word about whole country, from Maine to office, will lock and unlock. Every key is numbered, and though the numbers run high From an article by Col. Rich- into the thousands, - the key whereabouts can be told at any "Among the old-time negroes time. Once in six or seven years, in the region that we have been as a measure of safety, all the

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B. Deen, Sec'y.

meet with Palmyra Grange April 7th. A good program is being prepared and we hope to see a full attendance. The County Grange will meet for the remainder of the year in the fol-October meeting at Riga: December at Workingmen's Hall, Ad-MARY C. ALLIS, Sec'y.

Roads," by Isaac B. Potter, editor organization. of "Good Roads" and a practical engineer.

enormous loss to this country pears on the face of the facts through the present general con-Several other trusts have gone which falls not only upon the cess only to resolve themselves farmer, but upon city people as into more powerful corporations. unnecessary prices for having together the Standard Oil corpoports that the road system of it not that the trust officials deits broad tire, is a road-maker.

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trust agreement. At this meeting, it is expected, the legal and technical existence of the trust The next meeting of Manistee will be brought to a close, but District Pomona Grange No. 21 will its actual existence be then will be held at Pleasanton Grange terminated? Trust officials declare that it will. They say that the business of the trust can be conducted by each of the sepa-The next regular meeting of rate corporations of which it is Lenawee County Grange will composed without difficulty, and that no attempt will be made to reorganize as a huge corporation. Practically, however, the separate corporations will constitute a pretty close corporation in themselves without any reorganlowing order: June meeting at ization. The bulk of the stock is Rome; August meeting at Rollin; owned by comparatively few men, and this fact will secure effective harmony in management. But, after all, the trust may reappear in some other form If there has been any advantage The Century will take up the in the trust agreement it seems campaign for good roads. The probable that the holders of the April number is to contain a sug- trust certificates will endeavor to gestive article on "Our Common perpetuate that advantage by re-The long approaching dissolu-

tion of the Standard Oil Trust The author points out the does not mean as much as apdition of American roads, a loss through the same dissolving pro- Elgin, Hampden or Waltham Movement well, who are compelled to pay The trust agreement, which held DUEBER GOLD CASE. produce brought to them. An ration s, will not hold water in American consul in France re- any court in the country. Were that country (the most perfect clare to the contrary, we should system in the world) "has been suspect that a reorganization is of greater value to the country in prospect. It will do no harm to wait and see. Moreover, the of lands than have the railways." Standard Oil Trust has never op-In France every market-cart, with pressed the people by increasing the price of its product. It has Mr. Potter's article is full of made money by stifling competipractical suggestions for the bet- tion and reducing cost of proterment of American roads, and duction. And it is but one trust among a hundred. While it is dissolving three or four more are An ingenious writer, in process of organization. We quite famous in his are yet far from seeing the last line, says of the quota of the trusts. It will require TRUTH. tion, "Truth crushed much more active prosecution than is now pending, and a much it is very good for Truth, stronger public sentiment against but when Truth has them than now exists to get rid goods to sell, the market of them entirely.—Detroit Trib-

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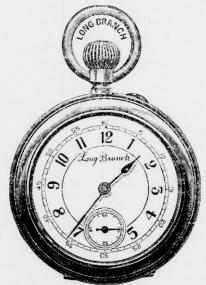


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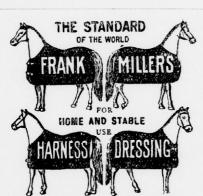
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