

"THE FARMER IS OF MORE CONSEQUENCE THAN THE FARM, AND SHOULD BE FIRST IMPROVED."

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ROAD IMPROVEMENT.

D. C. LEACH.

Every public spirited person must rejoice at the wide spread interest manifested in favor of a more efficient and practical system of road improvement. If this interest can be kept alive until the necessary changes can be made in our constitution and laws, we may reasonably hope the day of greatly improved public roads is not far that you can use in GRANGE off.

suggested by the State Commis- to highway improvement. The sion will, I think, commend them-selves to all who take special in-the benefit of all the people as well terest in the subject. It certainly as the farmer and yet the farmer seems to be a great improvement alone is asked to give the land and on our present system.

But in all new movements which, the people and two-thirds of the like the proposed system, authorize the issuing of bonds for public to contribute a single dollar. It improvements, great care should be does seem that the farmers would used to guard against fraud and extravagance. When public senti-ment sets strongly in favor of a particular descent that the farmers would see the great injustice done them and demand a change. With laws that would compel all property to particular measure, there is often bear its share of taxation for road danger of extreme action, followed improvement, the farmer would by disastrous results. Hence, the pay less tax than now, and we proposed constitutional amend- would soon begin to have good ment, and the laws through which roads. Let it be understood that it is to be executed, cannot be too any proposed amendment of the carefully guarded.

In many of the states great wrongs have been done by the all property for road improvement hesty and ill-considered issuing of will not be approved by the peorailroad and other bonds for ,ablie improvements.

from this cause, but when public sentiment sets strongly in favor of equal consideration with the corgeneral road improvements, and to porate bodies of the state and that every county is given power to the burden for road improvement issue bonds for such purposes, the which he has up to this date borne necessary safeguards against haste, extravagance and fraud, should be mell accessed with himwell considered. The laws should self. be carefully framed so that the work of improvement may be safely undertaken and economically car-ried forward. The people of Mich-igan cannot afford, at this late day, Bailey's address:

state, for the improvement of our public roads, should not be cautiously and energetically pushed to valuable results. Walton, Mich.

WHO'S TO BLAME?

- FRIEND EDITOR: Enclosed I send you a paper read by me at the Farmers' Institute at Lowell on 7th inst. You may see a few items VISITOR. I try to show the great The general features of the plan injustice done the farmer in regard make the road while two-thirds of

not provide for equal taxation of

before for the farmer to show his Michigan has suffered but little influence on state legislation and demand that his interests receive

Truly yours, S. S. BAILEY.

We clip the following from Mr.

ment, so general throughout the for doing business would be greatly up stones and do work of a like can't break and go off to Canada, the prosperity of the railroads.

wealth of the state are not required man, woman and shild in the state.

SOME ROAD IDEAS. -

CLIMAX, MICH., Feb. 22, 1893. Editor of Grange Visitor:

In reply to your request for my idea of a road law I would say that I believe in adapting our laws to the condition of things. We have a constitution, and I think so far as the road laws are concerned are constitution of the state that does likely to keep it as it is. I am not convinced that ve cannot greatly improve both c. roads and our road system with making any what I say will have reference to changes that I think can be made for the better under our present constitution and by our present legislature.

1st. I would have the law provide that every road in the state should be marked on the ground by enduring monuments planted at every section corner and quarter post in its line and at every angle in its course, such as any. body could find, so that

(a) The public in making improvements, paving, graveling, or can ese improve

would, no doubt, gladly have a assistants, and keep him under the eight per cent. portion of the taxes they pay same check from the township applied for the improvement of board that the law now provides, the roads, as go d country roads so that he should not get too cranky. contribute in no small degree to I would have most of the work I can't see any other reason for the If now we can ave wise legisla- roads under constant supervision. can't see why, if a man holds a tion for highway improvement and "A stitch in time" you know, etc. third interest in a farm, he same, we would a once enter on a man in town for the place to take state and has a perfect right new era of road improvement and the office and attend to its duties. to give in the mortgage he would all realize as never before 6th. I would provide a way for holds to the assessor of his own the benefits of good roads to farm- him to get the right of way for place if he wishes to pay a double from the road.

> dirt and gravel roads, together son he should not pay a third of with plans and specifications of the tax. culverts and simple short span As to the property he sold, as he wooden bridges. I would have it still holds a half interest in it can printed in the "Township' Officers he give any valid reason why he

of supervisors to raise every year by tax on the county, the \$1,000, provided by the constitutionand assessor came around if he gave in have it used exclusively in the con- the amount as the law requires him struction of graveled or paved to do and paid taxes on it, would roads and bridges on highways he not be better off with the which are of such importance to amount invested in a good mortthe whole county that it is not fair gage at seven or even six per cent nor just that the townships in on which he had to pay the tax? which they are situated should If he would not then I am not able bear the whole expense.

F. HODGMAN.

enlarged and they would enjoy character which the present law taking the farm with him. A first the pleasure of travel equally with requires him to do. I would place class mortgage is better security the farmer on good roads. The the road making entirely in charge at any time than is the best certimanagers of th \$300,000,000 of of the highway commissioner. I ficate of deposit, and yet no one railroad property in the state would let him appoint his own expects the bank to pay six or

C. H. Farnum is evidently blinded by the mortgage he holds on the property sold last summer. done by contract and have the opinions he holds. For my part I laws compelling all property to I would pay the commissioner shouldn't pay one-third of the taxes. bear its proper share of tax for the enough so we could get the best It's true he may live out of the 6th. I would provide a way for holds to the assessor of his own ers, as whatever benefits the farmer drains across private property and tax, but has he the inclination? benefits in a greater or less degree have such drains made wherever Supposing he held a deed to oneboth directly and indirectly every necessary to take the water away third interest in the farm would he be expected to pay a tax on the 7th. I would have the state deed, say in Ohio, and escape a employ the best posted man in the tax on the farm located in Michcountry to prepare a concise set igan? I trow not. If he holds a of instructions in the best and most mortgage on a farm to a third of approved methods of constructing its value, I can't see for what rea-

> Fuide" and furnished to every should not pay one-half of the tax? highway commissioner. Sth. I would provide for at least purchase price he would have to one meeting each year of all the pay tax on it, or beat the assessor highway commissioners in the out of that much. Are not the discussing and being instructed in as rature now "assessed the same road making, and pay them for Mr. Farnum had received the full their time while attending it. 9th. I would *require* the board money, and had placed it in the purchase price of his property in to add one and one to make two.

There are farmers right here in Eaton county whose farms are mortgaged for from fifteen hundred to five thousand dollars and the new law that taxes mortgages makes a saving for them of from eight to ten dollars per one thousand, according to the rate of interest paid. There are of course some people who want the earth; there are Shylocks in all communities, but I've noticed that like their great namesake they seldom get what they want. We can't compel them to loan money, but to use a a homely phrase, they usually know on which side their bread is buttered, and people who live on their income have to loan their money. If the people will not pay eight per cent they can usually get all they need at seven. As for mortgaging land now owned to pay for more, in my opinion the less land a man has, over 40 acres, the better he is off under present circumstances, and this rule will apply especially to those who have to borrow the whole or part of the purchase price. A man who is willing to work hard and is a good manager, with ready money to invest might well put it in land but he must "hold or drive" if he expects to make a large farm pay.

to engage in a wild and speculative movement of any kind.

on the proposed constitutional property paying specific taxes is in line. amendment is, that five county round numbers about \$1,800,000.commissioners are too many; that 000 Of this amount one-third, or adjoining lands will know just a board of three would be more \$600,000,000, belongs to the farmers efficient and less expensive. and the people outside of the cities. and buildings: Would it not be well to leave it The \$600,000,000 is the only prowith the supervisors of a county to perty that has ever been taxed for appoint three or five as they might the improvement of the common prefer three, others five.

road system contemplates the ex- money and labor, as before shown, penditure of millions upon millions of dollars in the near future. owners of the \$1,200,000,000 There is nothing alarming in this for the last fifty years, have been if wise and prudent counsels direct exempt by law from contributing and control the movement. But anything for the improvement of it will be found possible to so the common roads of the country. manipulate the system as to saddle Is it any wonder then that the debts upon a county and leave the country is so poor in first class roads but slightly improved.

But if men are disposed to put good,' to largely increased taxes for road improvements. And if they are wise they will see that the money is judiciously expended.

The money value of good roads, as affecting adjacent real estate, is, I think, much greater than people generally suppose. I have no doubt there are thousands of good farms in Michigan whose selling value would be increased from twenty-five to fifty per cent by the construction of good roads passing them and connecting them with business towns and railroad stations. It is reasonable to expect that when road improvements are judiciously and economically made

The assessed valuation of the bridging

of this \$600,000,000 have given for

The proposed change in our road improvement in land and roads?

In the light of the showing

ers of the \$1,200,000,000 have been concerned. content to be lookers on and criti-

property of the state, including the ments where they belong without A criticism I have heard made value of railroad, mining and other calling out a surveyor to find the

(b) So that people owning where to locate their fences, hedges

having a lawsuit and a surveyor to ment or not.

or removal of such monuments.

wilderness alone-while the own- as finding the line of the road is on the right side, I think.

THE MORTGAGE TAX LAW.

I have wished to have to have a word to say about the mortgage tax law ever since the VISITOR of Dec. 15 came to hand. My first (c)So that in case of encroach-ment it can be removed without opinions expressed therein was what shall be done when doctors deem best? Some counties might roads of the county. The owners find out whether it is an encroach- disagree?" My answer would be wait, "prove all things, hold fast to 2d. I would provide efficient that which is good." There has not means to prevent the destruction been time to test the law yet, and because a few treasurers and super-3d. I would provide a uniform visors find their duties more onerous system of recording road lines and is no reason for repealing the law monuments and have a record of before it has had a fair trial. Give them kept in a county office to pro- even the devil his due and if what vide against loss. The township of appeared to be his satanic majesty Kalamazoo had four books of turns out to be an angel of light records of roads and has lost the your satisfaction will be all the three earliest ones containing the greater, for you can remark with records of nearly all the roads in more emphasis to the doubting the township. I know of a good Thomases "I told you so!" 'Tis money "where it will do the most made let noman have the audacity or the township. I know of a good Thomases "I told you so!" "I's good," they will willingly submit the effrontery to charge the blame many other township road records said "figures don't lie," and now the two said their the effrontery to charge the blame many other township road records said "figures don't lie," and now the two said their the main of the two saids that the main of the two saids the transferred to the two saids that the main of the two saids the transferred to the transferred to the two saids the transferred to the transferred to the transferred to the two saids the transferred to the transf for bad roads wholly on the farmers. that might just about as well be that the majority have paid their Up to this date they have fought lost. They are not worth the taxes, if they will do a little figurthe battle for good roads in the paper they are written on, so far ing they will easily find the balance

The tax law may be a failure in 4th. I would have all road taxes Hillsdale county, but it don't work cise the slow progress made in winning the fight for good roads. We are not here to unceremoni-work can be done under the present give good security, can get the ously censure those who control the system but it seldom is. A money at seven per cent, the same \$1,200,000,000 for not giving aid to majority of the people never have as before the law was made, or else road improvement for there has seen good road work done and he may pay six per cent and pay been no law by which they could don't know what it is. It does not the taxes himself. In either case enter the ranks with us and legally pay to put men in charge of road he is better off than he was before give aid. No doubt a very large work who don't know how to make the law took effect. It's true we share of them, in fact the largest roads and have no inducement to can't force people to loan money, share of them would gladly give the learn how, hence I would, 5th, and there may be a few who prefer necessary aid if we had laws that Abolish our little road districts and to put their surplus in a bank bolic acid put around squashes the increased value of adjacent farms will exceed, many fold, the cost of the improvements. I see no reason why this move- with the farmers as their facilities in the benefits of good roads equally with the farmers as their facilities in the benefits of good roads equally in the benefits of good roads equally in the benefits of good roads equally is the road making, only cut weeds, pick is afest investment. The farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the farmer is the farmer is the benefits of good roads equally is the farmer is the farm

The present mortgage tax law is not perfect. Let it be amended but do not repeal it until it has been tried.

A. L.

Eaton Rapids.

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used a box for putting up the wool;

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The Experience Last Season of a Number of Prominent Wool Growers of the State.

We sent a series of questions to ers and have received the replies below. The questions were:

1. What was your system for putting up and marketing wool last year? 2. Were the results satisfactory? 3. Will you probably pursue the

same methods this season? 4. What would be your advice to farmers regarding the marketing of their wool product?

1. We tag our sheep in February, and shear in April-unwashed. Our fleeces are carefully done up and tied with small, hard twine. leaving out all dirty tags and sweat locks, those are shipped separate. 2. The results were entirely sat-

isfactory. 3. We shall pursue the same course this year.

4. We would ship our wool to commission merchants, have it graded and sold on its merits, if we only grew one hundred pounds annually or, at least, until local buyers learn horse sense and buy wool on its merits. Our wool last season graded 92 per cent delaine, tags included, and the delaine sold in Chicago for 20 and 23 cents per pound, balance 18 cents per pound unwashed ..

L. L. HARSH.

Union City.

1. My system last season of put-Shorthorn Cattle ting up wool was to shear without American Merino washing. I kept the tags and sweat and Shropshire Sheep locks out of the fleeces, selling them separately. The fleeces were tied with small linen twine, just enough to hold the fleece together.

2. The results were satisfactory. 3. Shall put up my wool in same way the coming season.

4. I think it wrong to put any sheep in the water to wash their wool, and if all buyers would buy would soon be done away with, but as long as there are buyers that will pay as much for wool that has been wet on the sheep's back as for well washed wool when in reality it is no better in condition than unwashed wool this annual immersion of sheep will continue.

It is useless to advise that which would bring the wool grower the least revenue. If his buyer will

sion house in Boston. 2. The result was very satisfac- mate your pens so as to produce

tory. 3. I shall.

Saline.

best condition possible, whether success washed or unwashed, so they would not be ashamed to see it but thought I knew better. I made some of our best known wool grow- much; used very light twine and opened, and ship to some reliable my calculations thus: If I had commission house, and I have yet one breed and sell a few sittings of to learn of one that did not get as eggs in the spring and a few birds much or more than they could at in the fall, by having more varieties home.

A. A. WOOD.

1. Last year my sheep were shorn without washing, and wool sold from the farm.

2. Result not satisfactory. There is not so much loss in washing as buyers insist in making the basis of sales in buying.

3. Not unless buyers change the basis for discounts.

4. No farmer should advise, or products. One rule should be invariable. · Sell promptly when prices are good, or when you need the money. Wool, like wheat and cattle, suffers from overproduction. A bad element against wool is the from the sheep) were added, being shoddy mill, making it possible to use the same wool three or four fleece. Early in the season the times. There is no danger of "free fleeces were sacked and shipped wool," revenue forbids. The President-elect got all the free wool Boston, and sold upon their merits. he wanted four years ago. Though Their method of selling is to have a life long Democrat, I feel assured that there will be no material and then sold as before stated on change in the tariff on wool, or any other farm product. L. D. WATKINS.

Manchester.

1 & 2. I sheared early, without washing, and shipped to eastern market; and had it graded and sold before much of the clip of the will require a little more latitude country had reached market. The than just to answer the question price netted could not have been because the time of shearing will duplicated since.

3. My system, this year, will be to shear early, while the sheep are as clean as possible, and too early ing the first part of April, without to wash. Tie with as little string washing of course, and if a satis- as will hold in good shape. Leave factory deal could not be made at out all tags or other unmerchanthome with the buying wool, I able wool. Have the fleece in as mission house in Boston or else- how to fold it. Sack as fast as where for sacks and instructions. sheared and ship by first freight Sack the wool, mark it according that passes going the right way, to directions, and send it to such after the last sheap is sheared. It

commission house and let them dis- will go either to Philadelphia or Boston, and my vendees will be pose of it upon its scoured value. directed to grade and sell it at once. The putting up of the wool should be such that it would comply with I shall carry no wool of my own all honorable conditions; nothing growing of the clip of 1893 long put in but what properly belongs enough to test the markets of the therein, and just enough good twine world which we have the promise to secure it well. Let all wool be of having opened to us.

Rambouillet Sheep, Gulloway Cattle, and Per-heron Horses. All stock pure bred and regis-ored. Two Percheron Stallions for sale at a argain. Spring Rye for Seed.

Couclusion. It would, perhaps,

may be.

Stanton.

delphia, and was well pleased with and ship to some reliable commis- better able to tell when you have a good bird, and will be able to good results, and thereby get the reputation of being a reliable breed-4. Put their wool up in the very er, wherein hangs the secret of

> I had this same advice given me, I could sell more eggs and stock thereby increasing my profit. There is where I made my mistake. I never thought that the more breeds I had the more care and attention they would take; also that I must study their fancy points so as to bring them to as near perfection as possible. But I soon tumbled to the racket and disposed of all but one variety, and now sell more eggs and stock than I did from several. As there are quite a number who make this mistake I give this take advice about selling his staple warning and you can draw your own inferences.-W. B. GERMAN, in American Poultry Advocate.

NEGLIGENCE.

Bulletin, Hatch Station.

There has been such culpable negligence on the part of many of our people with regard to the tent caterpillar, that there can be no doubt that some legislation is needed to compel the negligent to destroy this pest on all the trees on their own land, and thus prevent it from extending to the trees in the surrounding orchards. Provision should be made for the destruction of tent caterpillars on all public lands as well as in the forests, and village improvement societies should urge such action in town meetings as shall make it the duty of the superintendent of roads to destroy all the tent caterpillars on the trees and shrubs along the sides of the roads.

The wild cherry trees are the natural food plant of the tent caterpillar, and while some advocate their destruction because they serve as a breeding place for them, others think they may serve a useful purpose in drawing the moths to them where the caterpillars may be easily destroyed the following year.

The aggregate weight of four Aberdeen Angus bull calves at Clover Blossom farm, is 2,245 pounds, the oldest being ten months old, and weighing 685 pounds. The youngest is seven months old, and weighs 455 pounds. These calves have not been pampered nor QUINCY, MICH QUINCY, MICH COLBY STOCK FARM. Bambouillet Sheen Gellower Cattle and P. Bambouillet Sheen Gellowe

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had the box large enough so that the wool was not pressed very only enough to hold the fleece in

good shape. Immediately after shearing shipped the wool to Boston with orders to sell at once on its merits on the market; was well pleased with the result and shall do the same thing again this coming season. I believe there is no trouble in getting full values for the products of the farm if the

same is put on the market in merchantable shape. L. B. TOWNSEND.

The wool was sheared from the

sheep the last days of March and

the first days of April. All the

wool was taken off from the sheep

that was free from manure, was tied

up into one fleece, and a propor-

tionate part of the tags (in proper

condition, which had at various

times through the year been taken

tied up in the interior part of the

to Fenno Brothers & Childs, of

a sack opened, sorted and scoured,

3. Yes; unless I think best to

divide some of the heavier fleeces,

perhaps getting a superior quality

of twine, though no fault was found

with ordinary twine which I used.

come into the matter.

4. This question, or its answer,

Where farmers have sufficiently

warm barns I would advise shear-

Ionia.

its merits.

2. Yes.

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buyers are as much to blame for this state of things as the grower, if not more so.

I would advise all wool growers not to wash their wool (in a short time it will be bought on its merits) but in either case keep the tags out of fleeces, then the buyer will not have to take your word about their condition; tie with just enough linen twine to keep the fleece together (the same wool box can be used by running a fine set saw down the same notches that held the coarse twine). In fact the best way to put up wool and the most profitable in the long run is to be honest. You can then, if the condition and quality of your wool is first class, ask a first class price. If your buyer will not pay it, sack it up and ship to some reliable eastern firm to be sold on commission and on its scoured basis.

P. VOORHEIS, JR. Pontiac.

1. I skirted all fleeces thoroughlocks were rejected and thrown away, leaving two classes of wool which I sacked and shipped separately, properly labeled.

2. Yes.

3. I expect to ship and sell as last year.

4. I should advise farmers to first be sure that the growing wool is kept clean. At shearing time assort well, putting wool of equal clean and as free from oil as may quality together, keeping worthless

for want of material. that you can put it up, and sell

WM. BALL. Hamburg.

1. My flock was shorn in May, be proper to add that I have a few nd the wool was carefully put up sheep leased out that are washed free from dirt or tags and so as to before being sheared. Of this prodmake the best possible appearance uct I buy that which I do not alon the outside, tying with small, ready own, and I also buy some strong twine, and came from the box in a square, compact form, and other wools, in a small way, but was sold on inspection in the barn never on commission. Whatever before moving in 1892, but this is comes my way this year will go to a departure from my usual practice market as fast as a creditable shipment accumulates. of shipping my wool to Boston.

2. I obtained an extra price for it at home, because the buyers knew I usually shipped and were anxious to procure a choice lot of medium wool to fill a contract, which re-

quired a certain percentage of this takes in everything we may underquality of wool.

3. I prefer to ship to Boston except under such circumstances. I

ly and very heavy tags or sweat wool and puts it into market in the mistake has cost the loss of a best condition is not obliged there great many dollars and also of to compete with the shiftless neigh- valuable time, and as time is money, bor, who with a poor quality of the loss of time adds greatly to the wool puts it into market in poor expenses. The secrets of this are

shape to sell. GEO. E. BRECK.

Paw Paw.

1. Have my sheep shorn the fore room for one. This applies to

part of April, when the wool is chicks as well as breeders. 2. By too close crowding you crebe, divide each fleece, and put in ate and increase the liability to tags out. Find a good buyer at all that is shorn off except the disease, both in old and young, a home or elsewhere and sell the wool heaviest sweat locks, or wet wool thing to be avoided if success is out mamma?" Little Pet-

acknowledgments and pay. I consigned to Edward A. Greene & Co., No. 24 S. Front St., Phila-As soon as through shearing pack As soon as th

Port Austin Post. best and most attractive manner.

Fruit in its season-that means either locally or ship as the case the year round, taking the excellent winter apples and pears now so extensively grown-is an economical article of food aside from its health giving virtues.-Lewiston Journal.

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The farmer of today can produce at least twice as much by his labor and buy most articles at less than one-half the price of 50 years ago. This condition has been largely brought about by the middleman. He has made an endless chain, carrying produce from the farmer to the manufacturer and back again to the farmer.-M. D. York.

"The farmers know that their investments in farms are shrinking year by year and that with all the hard toil of themselves and families, each year finds them further behind, with no prospect of accumulation, no hope of comfort, no hope of education for the children that are to come after them.'

A cold snap-breaking an icicle. A bent pin placed in a chair is the surest indication of an early spring.

It is claimed that monkeys can talk, but whether this is true or not it is certain that they can a tail unfold.-Rochester Democrat.

Mamma-"And how did my little pet get to sleep last night with-

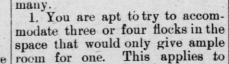
Little Pet-" Papa tried to sing

We are all liable to make mistake, and the poultry business is not exempt from it.

MISTAKES.

H. H. HINDS.

The first and great mistake probship to a reliable commission house and each fleece is sold on its merits. breeders, is the desire to keep too 4. The man who has the best many varieties of breeds, and this



MARCH 1, 1893.

THE GRANGE VISITOR.

PATRONS' PAINT WORKS have sold Ingersoll Paint to the Order P. of H. since its organization. House Paints and Cheap Paints for Barns and Outbuildings, 10,000 Farmers testify to their merits. Grange Halls, Churches, School Houses, Dwellings, all over the land, some of them painted 15 years ago, still ooking well, prove them the most durable.

Postal Jottings.

CAMBRIA GRANGE, NO. 74.

Although small in numbers (43), we have our hall, 20x36, two stories high, paid for, and our upper story is lathed and plastered, papered and painted, with a good in-grain carpet on the floor. We have sixty chairs, 24 soup plates, 24 tea cups and sauchairs, 24 soup plates, 24 tea cups and sau-cers, 24 tablespoons, 24 teaspoons, 48 knives and forks, all paid for. We own a good organ, that too, being paid for. We also have badges and working tools of the Order. On the evening of January 25, we installed our officers, Bro. Chas. G. Perrin of Pi t-ford Grange officiating, as he was a delegate to the State Grange from this district. We had an ovster supper and a district. We had an ovster supper and a general good time. We are in hopes to increase in membership this winter as our installation was open to a goodly number of invited guests and they seemed to enjoy themselves.

GILEAD GRANGE, NO. 400,

is neither dead, dormant, nor dying, but is much alive, active, and advancing in num-bers and interest. Thirteen new members is neither deau, and advances much alive, active, and advances bers and interest. Thirteen new members will receive the fourth degree at our next meeting, and more are in prospect. We are not in the habit of boasting, but we own as fine a hall, with basement, kitchen, horse shed, etc., as you are apt to find. horse shed to fin the least of our attractions, one-sixth of our the many advantages of the Grange dues going toward its maintenance. We to the farmer and should we use are Grangers, and proud of the name.

ORION GRANGE, NO. 259,

is in the midst of a rushing boom. A contest plan was originated early in January consisting of attendance at roll call, quotations, recitations, essays, select readings, dialogs, songs, new members, reinstate-ment of former members, subscribers to the GRANGE VISITOR outside the Grange. Each to score a certain number of points, and to close with a maple sugar festival on the 5th of April when the winning side is to sit at the first table and be properly waited upon by party of second part. Sides were chosen and the war is on. The result so far has been thirteen applications for membership, three reinstatements and five subscribers to GRANGE VISITOR and more coming.

HOME GRANGE, NO. 188,

work well to the front, hoping to make our meetings so interesting that the members will be sure to attend; which is the first step toward a revival.

PENNFIELD GRANGE, NO. 85,

has officers as follows: Master, A. W. Lee; Lecturer, Jennie Brigstock; Secretary, Lor-etta Poorman. Committee on Woman's Work, Loretta Poorman, J. B. Hicks, Jen-nie Briesterk nie Brigstock.

MEDINA GRANGE, NO. 272,

urer, G. D. Moore; Secretary, W. W. Foster.

Part of Report of the Master.

In submitting my report for the year just closed, allow me to offer about 200. congratulations on the present healthful condition of this body

WESTERN POMONA.

It is desirous that these meet-ings should be beneficial to We wish to say last meeting requiring the place of patrons and friends. meetings for the year to be fixed

our best influence to build up the Order, we believe a year hence no such report can be made.

The Master and other officers of the State Grange are putting forth extra efforts to advance the cause in this State during the coming

began the year 1892 with 16 members; it begins the present year with 36 members. We had a social at our hall Friday even-ing, February 24. Our present Lecturer, Bro. I-K Shiner, is pushing the literary up an organization for the small State of the Patrons of Berrien the county deputy unless he is a man of leisure cannot afford to spend the time necessary to work up an organization for the small State of the Patrons of Berrien county. The matter is in the hands of the exclusive committee and the ground a secured. Yours traternally, up an organization for the small fee received, and we would recommend that the Grange take some action to provide means for assistance in this work, believing good would result.

So much has been said for the GRANGE VISITOR that it hardly seems necessary at this time to say anything about it. It is the official Grange organ of the State, is edited by an able young man is in fairly good shape, having about 60 and is classed with the best of

No. 270, in Ionia county. This being a large and prosperous Grange with a membership of about 100. and the meeting being public, we were greeted with an audience of

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Here they have a large and commodious hall two stories high. After the ceremonies the Master invited all below, where we feasted Five meetings have been held on the many good things that the sisters of Keene Grange know so

We wish to say in conclusion all alike, and to do this they that we feel quite encouraged in should be divided as equal as may. Grange work and that we received be throughout the district that all the kindest of treatment where. may have an equal chance to ever we went, for which we desire attend. The action taken at our to sincerely thank our many kind

We also spoke a good word for at the annual session we believe the VISITOR wherever we went will accomplish this and is but one and received many encouraging of the good results that may be words and promises in regard to the paper.

G. H. GODFREY. Alton, Feb. 10, '93.

GOING TO THE FAIR.

Benton Harbor. Feb. 17, 1893. I went to Home Grange to install officers, the second time, owing to the stormy weather, the first time the officers elect were not all out. We had a public installation. We shall make quite an increase in our county this winter; our Grange, Benton Harbor, conferred the third year and desire the hearty co-oper-ation of all. While the discus-sions and literary work of this Grange are profitable and much the inclement of the work of the same degrees to nine. Owing to the inclement of the work of the same degrees to nine. and fourth degrees on five the first enjoyed cannot we do some out- the inclemency of the weather the side work to advance the cause in attendance at our annual meeting our jurisdiction and thus more of Pomona was small, but we had effectually fulfill the mission of a a very interesting meeting. We as Pomona Grange? a county Grange expect to erect There are no doubt several barracks on leased ground near the places where good Granges could World's Fair grounds for headquarbe maintained were they organized, ters for the Patrons of Berrien

C. H. FARNUM.

CLINTON COUNTY POMONA.

We met with Essex Grange, Feb. 1. Were called to order at 10 o'clock with Past Master Ennest in the chair. The attendance from other Granges was good. The forenoon was taken up by the various business pertaining to the Order. After enjoying dinner and paying members. Following are the names of officers: Master, W. H. Knox; Lect-Patrons will aid in its support. taining to the interests of farmers which were very interesting and were kept up until supper. After another good visit Pomona Grange was called, Bro. Bank of Lansing presiding, and the fifth degree conferred on a class of nine. The doors were then opened and the hall soon crowded by visitors and we attended the late session of the Patrons. The program which fol-State Grange, perhaps a report lowed was much enjoyed. The recitation by Sister Ettie Annis, declamation by Bro. Geo. Heck, we attended to the installation of instrumental music by Miss Annis and Bro. Leslie Jones were espec-Alton, No. 634. This is a small ially fine. Then followed a good, ith us in the evening. Our program for Saturday after-and continue to hold meetings Bank. The hour for parting came too soon, but the new friendships Jan. 14 we attended Courtland formed, and the old ones renewed, will always leave kind remembranence with the Silo-"How do I like officers there. This is quite a ces of that pleasant gathering. It it?" Charles Palmer; Charade, thriving Grange, of about sixty would be hard to find a Grange in members, and they have been mak- a more prosperous condition than Mrs. Ida Keeber; "Is it Right for members, and they have been mak-Teachers to Resort to Corporal ing quite a number of additions ours. We own our hall, are out of debt, have money ahead and quite an income from other orders who When to Wash Dishes," Mrs. Em-ma Baldwin; Song by Grange; Se-been pretty well run down. A few of quently had as good, but never betlectReading, Mrs. Myra Clark; the old members have stood by and ter corps of officers than we now "Caring for Children," Mrs. Anna kept the organization together and have. Worthy Master Ladd pre-Smith; Song, Hattie Cole and when we were there they were feel- sides with dignity and wisdom, and Mitchell: "Much Ado ing quite encouraged, as they had is ably assisted by all the rest. A Nothing," Mrs. Maria four applications already balloted philosopher has said, "There is Smith; "Single Tax," J. Q. Jacklin, for and received four more that more personal beauty, more per-Bert Clark; Song, Florence and day, so that on the evening of sonal worth, and more happiness Mary Cole; "Farm Fences," Wm. Feb. 10 they conferred the fourth in the middle class than in all the rest." As it is from the middle paths of life that our Grange is largely made up, I often think how true this is of our Grange as I glance around the hall and see the aces of our young beaming with

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BERLIN GRANGE, NO. 468.

Our Grange has been in a dormant state but we have started up again with the intention of making a live Grange of it We would like some sample copies of the VISITOR. We neglected to subscribe for it last year. Don't think the Grange can be successful without a paper to represent it.

PALMYRA GRANGE NO. 212

is active and happy.

We met Saturday afternoon this winter to accommodate some of our members who cannot well be with us in the evening.

noon Feb. 18, was, Song by quite regularly. Harry Driggs and Reuben Hill; Paper. Mrs. Bowerman, "Experi- Grange No. 563, and installed the Punishment to Maintain Good this winter. Order?" Smith Everett; "How and When to Wash Dishes," Mrs. Em-Grange No 39. This Grange has Fannie About Graves; Instrumental Music, Bes- degree on a class of nine new memsie Bowerman; Acting Rebus, Mrs. Nell Jacklin; "Odds and Ends," eral old members are coming back. Mrs. Frank Hutchinson; Instru- So that the future prospects mental Solo, Seymour Warren and for Cannon Grange are quite Alvah Warren.

M. T. COLE, Lecturer.

Palmyra, Mich., Feb. 13, 1893.

Thanking you for your forbearance and with best wishes for the future of the Order the above is respectfully submitted. MELVIN S. SMITH,

Master.

FROM A DELEGATE.

EDITOR GRANGE VISITOR-As from us might be of interest to some of your readers. On Jan. 7 the officers in our own Grange,

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SOME ROAD IDEAS.

Under this caption we have an interesting article this issue from Mr. Frank Hodgman, secretary of the Michigan engineering society. Read page two if you are a wool Mr. Hodgman is a practical man and in this article gives plainly What do you think of "Road and forcibly his views as to what \$10,000 per year. New York gave can be done under the present constitution. Inasmuch as Mr. Hodgman is being consulted by the House committee on roads and bridges, it is with special pleasure that we publish his ideas, differing as they do from those of the State road commission. Let us have your idea in our next issue for our 'Postal Jottings.'

OUR LEGISLATIVE COLUMN.

We have endeavored in another column, under the title of "How are These?" to explain in brief form the intent of some of the leading bills that have been introduced in our present legislature. We have would most interest our readers. If there are any questions that our readers would like to ask concerning any measure mentioned we will try to answer them. Or if there are any other bills of which

that sympathy with farmers that a letters. Three or four thousand powerful for the people. We think it would be helpful if man should have to hold that posi-letters sent to members, calling thing that will tend to give the we could enlarge our postal jottings tion. He speaks to the farmers, not upon them to vote for a certain people more of the control they during the next few months. To for them. He is not one of them. measure, would have a mighty should exercise, the better. We your reason for "the faith that is in could a man who was more in sym- write a strong letter to his member ments. thee." We are sure that this will pathy with their lives and their urging the passage of one or more

PURE FOOD.

Read the articles on page seven Hon. H. W. Newkirk, Lansing, We are much gratified with the demanding the passage of the pure

MORE INSTITUTES.

The farmers need more institutes That they desire them is proof that they realize the need. The bill now introduced calls for \$3,000 a year for institute purposes. That is a good start, but we would not object at all if the sum were made \$15,000 last year; Wisconsin has sixty-five or seventy institutes each year; Ohio has something like \$10,000 for institutes. Michigan should not be behind. We certainly think this bill should be amended to \$5,000; that would allow for the employment of a competent director of institutes, and without such a person the system cannot have the very best success. Write your member in the legislature your opinion.

THE MILLENIUM.

Judge Jackson was a good Democrat. His appointment by President Harrison to the Supreme bench stirred the hearts of politicians mightily. It was not the first time that such a thing had been done there were precedents, but it was exceptional.

Judge Gresham had been a staunch Republican. Four years ago his name was mentioned as a

issue? Remember to write on a and then write a letter to your member what you want and if he member of the legislature, or to doesn't vote the way you wish him to, give him "fits."

> A WORD TO OUR FRIENDS. We do not like to keep making appeals to Patrons for aid, especially when so many have re- best efforts; its make up, its prosponded so well to former requests to procure new names for the VIS-ITOR. We have had a splendid addition to our subscription list since January 1, and we are grateful to all who have helped thus to to find things I need on the farm swell it. But we do need more and thereby save me the expense subscribers in order to make the The paper self sustaining. Grange can't afford to be without will pay all round. Variety is the a paper, neither can it afford to spice of life, we are told. So evisupport a paper that does not pay. dently you think, for you spread a So far this year we have done well financially. Our advertising patronage has increased rapidly and is three times what it was a year ago. But we need a larger and growing list in order to keep up the record throughout this year.

There are quite a number of have not yet renewed, but many of whom would do so if urged by an not respond again to our call?

THE PREMIUMS.

All premium offers hold good until April 15. We hope that all Patrons will avail themselves of the chance to secure good pay for help-ing their paper. That sounds a will doubtless receive just judgchance to secure good pay for helplittle strange, but that's what it is ment. -pay for helping your paper. We have received a good many new subscribers since January 1, but we need still more, and then don't has bravely said some things about forget the renewals, especially of those not Patrons.

OUR ORGAN.

Read this from Mrs. Mary Sherwood Hinds, who recently secured our organ as a premium for new names:

that end we wish that our readers He may make a success of his four influence. So we call upon each of think that if a compulsory pass law would send in on postal cards their years' labor-we earnestly hope he our readers who are interested at could stand the test of a Supreme opinions as to any one of the bills will, but we fear that he can not all in the progress of the farmer to court decision it might pave the now before the legislature. Give command the respect of farmers as sit down within a week or two and way for turther restrictive enact-

3. A prohibitive pass law is diffiof these measures. Don't wait cult to enforce, and as the present till the bill is defeated and then plan is unsatisfactory, there is but croak because "farmers don't ever the one resource of compulsory

What do you think about it?

WORDS OF PRAISE.

EDITOR OF GRANGE VISITOR:-The VISITOR of the 15th inst., in farm parlance, is a daisy; par excellence, it is the flower of your gressive spirit, its touch with the spirit of the times as shown in the realm of newspapers, are all commendable. You make a wide departure in advertising. Why shouldn't the VISITOR tell me where of taking several newspapers in order to keep posted? Multum in parvo is a good motto for you. It table of contents full of good things. You are rapidly becoming a chef in editorial cooking. Your dishes are dainty, or nutritious, or palatable, as the case may be. Those who sit at your table cannot go away hungry, or unrefreshed. Excuse me! It's what I think with no idea of flattery.

Let us look through the VISITOR "short term" subscribers, secured once more. The first article is by last spring on our "May offer," who that veteran and accomplished editorial writer, S. B. McCracken. His learned articles are very interesting and instructive; it contains agent from the Grange. Will you much food for thought as we sit by our quiet firesides in the coun-

"Editorial Obliquities" is a scathing paper from the trenchant pen of Brother Hewitt. Pharisaism is well exposed. Jay Gould and Philip D. Armour, like all men

"Do We Sleep," is a dainty but trenchant shaving from that adept mechanic in letters, Miss O. J. Carpenter. Bless the lady! she Patrons that I have wanted to say, dare not say, and could not have said so gracefully had I dared. While exposing our faults she spares our feelings. Like a man I would have hit without gloves. I believe in a person doing his duty because it is a duty. I hope, prothers and sisters, that

retary informs us. In several will endeavor to ascertain the facts. cases Lecturers are using the books Put your queries on a card and dias a basis for the literary work rect to our office. of their Grange. Try it.

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ELECTION CONTESTS.

The recent contests in our Legis- farmer and statesman. lature would seem to add force to in such cases.

cle books keep coming, so the Sec- you would like to know more we

THE SECRETARY OF AGRICUL-TURE.

Mr. Rusk entered upon his basis. We welcome such things. duties as Secretary of Agriculture They indicate a broadening tone, under difficult circumstances. The "pumpkin department" had timent. Let them keep right on been the sneer alike of the politi- coming until men shall come to see cian and the average dweller in beyond party lines, begin to see cities. Mr. Rusk demonstrated that principles and men are more that the department had a place, and that an important one, among the useful governmental agencies. He pleased both the farmers and the statesmen, for he was himself

J. Sterling Morton is Mr. Clevethe feeling existing among some land's appointee to this office. He present legislature covering nearly legislature is not a fit judge of the from Nebraska. He owns a large are not speaking of the justice of in the pleasures of country life. securing the passage of these bills. the recent decisions. But the very He is a forestry "crank" and a We have outlined some of them as san judgment ruled. It is hardly work. He is said to be an able their constituents desire. The that they are. There could be no so closely divide a body on party tive talent; no doubt he will add write personal letters to their law. lines. If the Democrats were strength to Mr. Cleveland's cabinet. member in the legislature. Per-

candidate for presidency on the Republican ticket. March 4 he will be Cleveland's Secretary of State and chief adviser on questions of statecraft.

Politics? May be, but on a new we think, in political life and senthan organizations and platforms.

LEGISLATION FOR FARMERS.

The State Grange at its last meeting passed certain resolutions asking for legislation that seemed desirable. Bills are before the thoughtful people that the average was a Michigan man originally, now all the points mentioned. The would compel railroads to furnish next thing to do is turn the influrights to seats of its members. We farm, it is said, and takes delight ence of the Grange directly to merit in either plan, but we incline right place." fact that both in the House and strong opponent of the anti-option best we could. Some of them will charge of bribery. Probably very Senate contests the vote was almost bill. Moreover, he is a railroad be antagonized strongly. There few of our legislators are thus strictly partisan shows that parti- attorney and has made law his life will be members who will vote as bribed, but the people seem to fear

possible that points of law could man, is probably a man of execu- thing for Patrons to do is to suspicion of bribery under this

2. It would be a step forward in right, the Republican course was But so far as we can tell from even sonal letters are better than peti- the State regulation of railroads. unjust, and vice versa. But this the most favorable reports, he tions. Petitions are easily obtained Not that we advocate a general is only one instance among hun- lacks what we think is an essential for almost any purpose. It is well system of free passes, or that we is only one instance among hun-dreds. It does look as if the judi-qualification. He lacks the farmer to send the resolutions of your believe in injustice to corporations, healthy babies. Country homes preferred. ciary would have to be called upon spirit. He is not a farmer by profes- Grange, but don't send petitions but as a matter of fact railroads Apply at the office of the Children's Aid sion. Not only that, but he has not as a rule. But pour in the personal are hard to manage; they are too Chicago, Ill.

Stanton, Mich., Feb. 22, 1893. "inwardly digest" the words of our mium on club subscriptions to GRANGE VISITOR is received and seems to be same dimensions as advertised, but some lighter in weight, which is not against it. It is a four octave instrument of good tone and with plenty of volume. I think it will answer the purpose nicely for which it is intended, viz .: for the G. A. R. and W. R. C. hall. I would advise Granges and others desiring an organ to avail themselves of your very liberal premium offer in this line.

Very respectfully, MARY SHERWOOD HINDS.

FREE PASSES.

There are two pass bills before the legislature. One prohibits State officers from accepting free passes from railroads; the other passes to such officers. There is to the latter for several reasons: 1. It would do away with any

EDITOR GRANGE VISITOR, DEAR bright but gentle Carpenter. I SIR-The Carpenter organ for pre- trust that in her dealing with us careless Patrons, she will always hew close to the line. I admit that we are often provokingly remiss and careless in our work.

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"Hints to Pomona Lecturers," is a well considered article from the pen of Brother J. H. F. Mullett, He, too, with remarkable selfrestraint hints at short-comings on the part of the ministers and subjects of Pomona. I am a devoted subject of Pomona and do not hesitate to declare that she is often shamefully treated. Let us dethrone her or give higher allegiance, more devoted service.

The inside pages of the VISITOR contain many articles of unusual interest also, but my limited space will not permit of cataloging them here.

I notice that the Worthy Master of the State Grange has his assigned column and makes good use of "He is the right man in the We have always been fortunate in our Master in State jurisdiction. I trust that Worthy Master Horton may have a glorious reign. Under him let us Patrons close up our ranks, advance our columns, and march to victory.

> Yours fraternally, J. H. F. Williamston, Mich., Feb. 23, '93.

FOR CHARITABLE PEOPLE.

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The Lecture Field.

Lecturers of Pomona and Subordinate Granges will confer a favor, by sending their P. O. ad-dresses to me, that I may be able to send to them direct when desired. Tpsilanti, Mich. A. J. CROSBY, JR.

Cascade Grange No. 63.

EDITOR VISITOR-At the request of our Worthy State Secretary, I send you an account of a meeting of our Grange, held on the evening of Feb. 23. The program consisted of sketches of Washington and Lincoln, recitations and readings,

vocal. Some of the songs were "The Sword of Bunker Hill," "Song of Washington," and "Battle Hymn of the Republic." The meeting was public and there was a large attendance. At the close of the exercises an informal social trol affairs until congress shall complete a was held, with apples and popcorn permanent form. for refreshments, furnished by the members of the Grange. All present seemed to enjoy the evening very much.

LEAVE WELL ENOUGH ALONE.

LECTURER.

EDITOR GRANGE VISITOR-I have lived in Berrien county for over 56 years. In new times we did not have much tax to pay and indeed we had little money to pay taxes with, but for the last forty years I am fairly posted in regard to our tax laws, and I do know that the present mortgage tax law, just as it now stands, is most favorable to the money borrowers to keep the interest down and to get it never was below ten per cent in Berrien county until eastern capitalists sent large lots of money into our state and had it put on interest here, then the interest came down to seven per cent. Now if we undertake to make those eastern men pay taxes on the money they have on interest in our state then they will surely draw it all out as fast as it becomes due and that in our state. Back of forty years ago we got along with what we had of our own and we should have always done it. Under our cir-cumstances now I can't see how we can better our present mortgage tax law in favor of the borrower say nothing about the lender. The men that have money can do with it as they please. We can make no law to compel him to lend him to lend always taken two men to make a bargain and I think it always will. We know that the supreme court We know that the supreme court will without doubt tend to increase the of Massachusetts gave a decision number of students. nearly a dozen years ago that no money should be taxed at home that was put on interest in the western country as the tax was paid on the property in the western country where the money was loaned and they decided that it this bill. was not right to tax any property twice anywhere. I have known interest at 20 and 30 per cent after our civil war times. It has now come to seven and sometimes lower. Is this not a great reduction? There are somany of us that will not let well enough alone, we know that it is hard on the borrower to tax him on what he owes, but if he gets his money enough cheaper he can then pay the taxes much better than he can when both the borrower and loaner pay the taxes on the same property and the borrower still pays a higher interest.

Another letter received from southern Ohio read: "I have only \$100 in the savings bank. I send you \$50, but if the balance will as-sist you I will send it all."

Such devotion is worth more than being governor.

A NEW ERA.

Lincoln, recitations and readings, among which were, "When Wash-ington was a Little Boy," Whit-tier's "Yorktown," "Washington's Maxims," etc. The program was interspersed with music, both instrumental and swith music, so the stars are vival of American commercial Sector 2014 (1995) (199 portends a revival of American commercial shipping interests.

THE HAWAIIAN TREATY.

The President has sent to the Senate the proposed treaty with Hawaii. It provides for the immediate annexation of the islands, the present provisional government to con-The treaty is meeting with some oppo-sition and may not receive the sanction of ted, will come from the House committee, the Senate.

THE READING COMBINE.

Reading stock took a tumble in the market and went down in a very panicky way. A receiver has been appointed for the road, but the combine is broken.

THE NEW CABINET.

Secretary of State.....Walter Q. Gresham Secretary of the Treasury John G. Carlisle Secretary of War......Daniel S. Lamont Secretary of the Navy Hilary A, Herbert Secretary of the Interior Hoke Smith Postmaster General Wilson S. Bissell Attorney General_____Richard Olney Secretary of Agriculture J. Sterling Morton

THE KANSAS WAR.

The Supreme Court of Kansas has rendered a decision that the Republican house still lower of any tax law we have is the legally elected house of the legislaever had in 40 years. Interest ture. Thus ends a shameful chapter in political history.

HOW ARE THESE?

Abstracts and Comments on Some of the Bills Now Before the Legislature Which are of Especial Interest to Farmers.

THE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

The College itself is quite modest in its requests this year, its bill being for \$36,000 will cause the hardest panic that we have ever had in our state. We never should have had any eastern men put money on interest in our state. Back of forty years the tage in the Legislature who want to see still better treatment. Rep. Linderman has two bills that are of interest. One contemplates a law providing for a specific tax of one-twentieth mill in support of the college. With this added income he would favor the establishment of a Ladies' department. The idea is to provide a dormitory and facilities for the education of farmers' girls in domestic economy and industrial arts; having instruction in commercial floriculture, wood engraving, pen sketching, etc. It would give opportunity for girls to learn not only better methods

they determine prices at which all the school books of the State shall be sold, de-"Deen among the number: "Dear Gov. McKinley: I am only a laboring man, and have nothing but my daily wages to live upon, but I enclose you a dollar. I am sure there are 50,000 other laboring men in my state who will be will-ing to do as much." Another latter reserved from enter into contracts with publishers to furnish the books for five years at certain prices. In Ohio it is claimed that there is termining on a basis of at least 25 per cent furnish the books for five years at certain prices. In Ohio it is claimed that there is a saving of something like 40 per cent from former retail rates.

FREE PASSES AND \$600. The State Grange voted in favor of \$500

per term as pay for legislators and con-demned free passes. The bill now under discussion makes the sum \$600. Probably

THE ROAD QUESTION.

Probably no question is more unsettled and probably none will be discussed from a greater variety of standpoints than this.

highway tax payable in money, some to create an elaborate system of road working. It is generally thought that the bill that will

An extended conference of the House com-

mittees on Roads and Bridges and Ju-

diciary, the State Road Commission, and other gentlemen interested, is in prog-ress and perhaps in our next issue we can

give an itelligent idea of the plan to be

advocated If you have any ideas or plans on this question submit them to Rep. Hil-

ton, chairman of the House committee on Roads and Bridges.

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FOR PURE FOOD.

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WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

TAX ON INHERITANCES.

exempt unless it is personal property worth over \$5,000, when it is taxed I per cent Bequests to bishops and religious corpora-

tions are also exempt. The tax stands until

paid as a lien upon the property and against

the person receiving the property and against is a deduction of 5 per cent of the tax, if paid within 6 months.

GENERAL TAX BILLS.

Mr. Gordon in the House introduced

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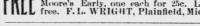
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tioned above. It is a very strict bill, mod-eled after the Ohio law, and provides severe penalties for violations. Under this bill anyone can begin prosecutions, but it is in-tended that the dairy commissioner bill sbould go with this one, as a commissioner would be a great aid, almost an indispensable one, in enforcing the law. Rep. Moody has a skeleton bill provid-

sample came.

ing against the adulteration of seeds, and Rep. Redfern a skelet in all in regard to the manufacture of cheele. These we will try to mention later. There are several bills looking toward the granting of municipal suffrage to women, but the most sweeping bill and the one of most interest, is that of Rep. Ewing which provides for a constitutional amend-ment allowing women to vote at all elec-tions, but imposing the educational qualification upon all voters of being able to read and write the English language. This is a revolutionary bill, but it brings the question

of woman suffrage to a vital issue. The his money at just such terms as lows county commissioners of schools to Grange favors woman suffrage heartily and the borrower chooses. It has examine students for entrance to the Col-borrower chooses. It has the commissioners of schools to the col-borrower chooses.

THE GRANGE VISITOR.

BERRIEN COUNTY.

NEWS NOTES.

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ANTI-OPTION BILL.

Rep. Hatch has so far failed to bring the bill to a vote in the House. Its opponents have used all possible methods to prevent it, and it probably cannot be voted on in this Congress. Probably it would pass if it could be got before the House for a vote.

GOV. MC KINLEY'S MISFORTUNE.

The startling announcement that Gov. McKinley had indorsed paper to the amount of \$115,000 for Robert Walker, an intimate friend, and that the latter had failed, produced a sensation. The Governor is worth about \$20,000 and his wife has property of

about \$20,000 and his whe has property of Patrons want the bill passed they should urge the vertex of the said, is all to be turned over to the creditors. It is stated that there is a \$100,000 life insurance policy held by Mr. Kinley as security from Mr. Walker is of merit. It is modeled after the Ohio Paints.—ED.)

FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

Senator Barnard has a bill providing \$3,000 per year beginning with 1894, for farmers' institutes. The State Grange voted for \$10,000 a year. Other States give large sums, why should we be behind the times. Write to your Senator favoring * *

PEACH YELLOWS.

Rep. Linderman has a bill amending the present yellows law by making it nec essary to destroy the fruit as well as the tree, in infected cases; also including cities and villages in the provisions of the law. * * *

AID FOR STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

There is a bill providing for a tax of t 1-100th mill to make a fund for paying premiums in future of State Agricultural a bill whose general features are:
I. Repeal of present Mortgage tax law;
2. Return to State system of collecting Society. There is opposition to the bill, but it is worthy. The Society has done much for Michigan farmers and should 2. Return to State system of concerning taxes; 3. Enlarging the powers of the township treasurer by giving him authority to make a levy in an adjoining county; 4, To reduce expense of sale of delinquent tax lands by providing that instead of subpœnas being served on owners of each description have this aid.

* * LENGTH OF SCHOOL YEAR.

Rep. Ewing's bill provides for a consti-tutional amendment making at least five months of school each year necessary in

order to draw school money, instead of three months. The State Grange voted nine months. If you want it should be nine, write your member to that effect. This bill is satisfactory to the office of Public In-struction. Mr. Ewing also has a bill allow-

ing schools of less than 100 pupils (the law now says over 100) to have benefits of the library money. ***

SCHOOL BOOKS.

The State Grange voted for " uniform text books, to be furnished by the State.' There is a bill for that purpose, but we should judge from conversation with mem-bers that it does not meet with much favor, more especially the latter provision. If Patrons want the bill passed they should write to their member of the House, and them.

being the county system of collecting, the other the state system. All these bills provide for the repeal of the Mortgage tax law. It will surely be re-pealed if farmers do not waken and demand its retention. PROVED ALL RIGHT.

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Fraternally yours, J. W. BURKHOLDER. (See Adv. Ingersoll's Liquid Rubber

FOR SALE.

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THE BEST.

THE DIAMOND CRYSTAL SALT CO., St. Clair, Mich., Feb. 17, 1893.

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show cause why sale should not be made.	
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THE PITCHER OF TEARS.

[For the picture by Paul Thumann.] The woman had closed her eyes, Aweary with weeping, She leaned on the empty cradle, And sobbed in her sleeping. And sobbed in her sleeping. Her breast like a wave of the sea Was rising and falling: Her heart through the mistof sleep On her baby was calling.

Then her soul was taking. Then her soul was lift up and away to the Garden of Heaven, Where flowers shine like stars in the grass, So smooth and so even, And she saw where 'mid roses and May An angel did wander, When so calculater, who looked in his face To dream and to wonder.

Alone, and apart from the rest,
A little child tarried.
And in his small arms, soft and round,
A pitcher he carried,
His sweet eyes looke t wistfully toward
Has mates in the meadow.
Heaven's glory was bright, but his face
Bore the touch of earth's shadow.

The woman knelt down where she stood. "My own and my dearie, Now why do you wander alone, With little feet weary? If you cannot come back, come back To the arms of your mother, 'Tis your sweet hand the angel should hold, And never another."

And never another.
"Oh! mother, the pitcher of tears, Your tears I must carry, So heavy it weighs, that behind I linger and tarry.
Oh! mother, if you would smile, And cease from your weeping, My place by the angel's side Yd gladly be keeping."

I'd gladly be keeping."
The woman waked by the cradle, And smiled in the waking.
" My baby, the pitcher of tears To my heart I an taking.
Go, frolic a d sing with your mates! My smiles shall be given To m the a new light roand your head In the Garden of Heaven."
-LAURA E. RICHARDS, in *Youth's Companion*.

THE FARMERS' QUOTA.

· Read at Newaygo Pomona.

and clothing, then advancement, For the requirements of civilizacivilization, education, art, and tion, for the upholding of our national honor, for the peace, hapscience. You must see, you do see, that the products of the farms is the piness and prosperity of the American people, and in the great struggle of right against wrong, great source of our national wealth the "Farmers' Quota" is rated and the basis upon which every other industry rears a structure. high. They are required to furnish the bread and butter, peaches It builds the towns, cities, railand cream, milk and honey, and ways, colleges, and churches. with their muscle turn the wheels feeds our sixty millions of people of industry and feed the world. It in the United States and sends out is further expected that they will of the abundance ships laden with contribute to the moral fund those grain for the starving people of sterling virtues which go to make Europe. up a noble manhood with which to dilute-so to speak-the vices of quota. Their farms lie out under the towns and cities, and render heaven's sunlight, it is impossible them less damaging in state and to hide them, while hundreds and nation. They don't resist this thousands of dollars in the cities draft upon the labor of their escape taxation-and I do not now hands, they don't refuse to refer to government bonds. If a peer of any in the land. like the favors and benefits re-turned. Should they fail to some torget to the farmer, it means more raise their full quota, but they farmer builds a house, plants an turned. Should they fail to sow taxes. His quota is increasing fact that the mind need not lay and reap and gather in the har- from year to year, and with the vests, should they refuse to feed present depression in prices the the world, should they lower their farmer is sometimes tempted to present moral standing and sink say, "Blessed be nothing." From the present state of things down to grovel in the vices of this age, what would be the result? in this country go back with me to Idleness, intemperance, vice, crime the time when the Pilgrims landed power. Formerly her ideas rose and debauchery would largely in- on this continent, and remember crease in this nation, famine stalk how it was then. grimly over our land, and the sun of civilization sink behind clouds forests before; fleeing from perseof darkness and desolation. With- cution they encountered the savage, draw, absolutely, the moral and but with hearts brave enough to intelligent opinion upon. All this conservative element from this meet any fate, they planted their through the agency of the Grange.

Ladies' Department. United States? Butter is a neces- literally a land growing peaches sity and a luxury, seen on the and cream and flowing with milk tables of the rich and poor alike. and honey. In peace and in war Now imagine if you can a world Michigan has furnished her full without butter, without cheese, quota.

without milk and cream. Why, even the dainty dudes would be in your wildest dream, or vision dim?

willing to churn, milk and drive And are you carching westward for a better hor and country

Far away beyond her blue lake's rim? Oh come back across her border, where peace, and law, and order, Shall forever reign and rule within.

MRS. M. W. SCOTT.

WOMAN'S WORK.

Read at a meeting of Capitol Grange Jan. 28. WORTHY LECTURER AND FELLOW PATRONS-After reading the artiwe substitute for the luxuries to cle of Sister Jennie Buell in the last VISITOR, and listening to the letter from Sister Mayo that has when his best girl wanted ice cream? been read to you this evening, there seems but little left for any-Thanksgiving would be a thankless one to say.

It appears to me that each individual must shape her work for herself; different talents and circumstances must be taken into consideration, yet if there be an earnest purpose work will present itself.

"Woman's Work" begins when she first fills the place of daughter, sister, wife, and mother, and all along the work of friend.

The home must be the center of her work; society and the Grange this end the products of the soil, grain, meat, fruit, wool, and cotton but one of the radiating circles in that work. The more truly home fill most of the quota. First, food like our hall and meetings can be made, the better. Each member must be made to feel that he or she is a part of the whole, missed when absent and warmly welcomed when present.

Here the query arises in my mind, have we not been sadly lacking in sociability? Have we been as cordial in our greeting to strangers and new members as we ought? If each one of us could only feel that the duty of hospitality lay with each one, certainly this would be remedied.

Through the Grange a great change has come to the farmer himself, lifting him above the mere mechanical routine that made him only a machine, awakening his intellect until now he is the

But vastly greater has been the clothed and fed. With each new privilege come new duties and new responsibilities, which she is ever ready to accept with a willing endeavor to do the best in her but little above the aspirations to be a famous cook or a fine needle woman. Now there are but few questions, if any, which she does not understand enough to give an

Another thought: Do we fu there be righteous Lots enough left established themselves upon this realize how far reaching the influshore. From Massachusetts, from ence of our daily life is? What a Again, when the farmers refuse New York, from Maryland, Vir- power for good there may be in a kind word. "I am glad to see you,' said with a cordial grasp of the hand may change the current of a will be but a mockery and his feast resemble the feast of the Barme-cities, and advancing westward hearty welcome when an interestplowed the prairie sod and camped by the Father of Waters. Leav-with instruction may gather in the straying and help to keep those Above all let each feel that something belongs to each one to do. that part, and we cannot fail in having a "live" Grange. The work in our Grange is in the hands of a competent commitmain idle upon the track, ships be Great Lakes! As if by magic, fair tee. Let us see to it that we starving millions look vainly for has arisen for the world to admire. succor across the Atlantic. Then And labor has done it all. The fully. In so doing we ourselves fully. In so doing we ourselves will be benefitted and find avenues Before closing it may be well to opening beyond for more work. Sisters, may we ever remember and grain crops are above the aver- ence on others, by them in turn age, her mines rich in iron and transmitted to still others, will they reckon as their native element. copper, her fruit belt good as any, only end when the cycling ages of

SHALL I DO IT?

ing Course? Hold up hands and are a little green just now as we let us see! It may have taken have a new set of officers all some courage and sacrifice to un-through with one exception, and

is up; he already knows it; your it ought to be in every home. plaus and interests reveal it; he The following were among catches glimpses of it in passing officers installed Jan. 14, 1893: comments on the street, in social Master, Charity L. Pearce; Lect-

tutes. You may not be able to light Ettie Webb. his candle, but you cannot keep Mrs. Estella Dills installed the the beams of yours from falling on him.

narrow without an open window side the gates were present. through which to look to a field of thought beyond. The window has Bank, from Capitol Grange, paid look out?

our editor says, "Yes, there's the Grange. word, Mastery!" This is done by marking choice thoughts, by rewriting from memory, and by telling them to others.

How many times the gossip or fault finding at the tea table may be supplanted by fresh facts, new ideas, and helpful quotations.

A specified time is not necessary for even great results. Pin a sheet of manilla paper on the wall by your dish pan. When you find a sentence requiring thought, write it on this paper, and there it is before you three times a day. Prop our book open before your ironng board, or hold it in one hand as you churn. By this is not meant to dilly-dally with the work, but to catch an occasional glance which will lend thought to the mind, joy to the heart, and elasticity to the step. Try it, and you will never igain call house work "drudgery." The VISITOR of Feb. 1 rings with education. Why shouldn't it? It is the key note of the Grange. Sister Hinds calls attention to visiting our common schools as a

work for the Woman's Committee. So it is, and a good one too, but it s also the duty of every patron of the school. Teachers are criticised for not preparing boys and girls to understand facts of nature and how to deal with them. At the recent State Horticultural

meeting President Angell of Michian University said, "our teachers did not know how to teach them." Fathers and mothers, when you make the demand for such knowledge loud and strong, teachers will not be slow to become proficient. Find out first if it is taught by spending a day in the school room and thoroughly investigating the work done there. No true teacher aroused to the possibilities of his profession and the responsibilities due his pupils but will gladly re-ceive any interested patron. Take

corpse. We have meetings every two weeks and have a good and How many are taking the Read- instructive session each time. We

dertake it, but you will work earn- all are lady officers excepting four. estly, realizing the rich harvest it At our next meeting we are going will yield. Your neighbor will to see how many subscribers we not need to look to see if your hand | can get for the VISITOR. I think

The following were among the visits and in the clubs and insti- urer, Estella Dills; Secretary,

officers and did it very nicely. She has the installation committed How much that outline of read- to memory and it was a treat to ing means to our sisters in the hear her. After the business was homes; there where the demands over refreshments were served to are many and opportunities few, all. Several members of other the mind and soul may become Granges as well as several out-

been opened, will you step up and a visit to Dewitt Grange. A very pleasant evening was spent by all Send for the circular which gives and hopes are entertained that a list of books thoughtfully select- much good may result from his ed by competent judges. There coming among us. Bro. Bank are but few books even of those out. gave an interesting talk upon the side the number chosen especially merits of the Grange, the good it for the home, that a broad, enter- had done, etc. Then those present prising woman will feel she can that were not members were ford not to read, in order to oc- invited to the lower hall, which upy her place. Blend the study had been well warmed, and the with the duties of every day. Read Grange held a meeting with closed a little and think about it as you doors. The genial faces of Brother work. It is not your own until and Sister Bank will ever meet you have used it in some way. As with a hearty welcome from Dewitt

> Yours fraternally, MRS. C. L. PEARCE, Master of Dewitt Grange.

GLAD REUNION.

Friday, February 10, Fruit Ridge Grange celebrated its nineteenth anniversary at our fine hall. To say that we had a magnificent time is putting it mildly.

The forenoon was taken up with social intercourse and greeting. I will say right here that every member and everybody that had been members of Fruit Ridge Grange, so far as we were able to do so received an invitation. There are persons in some 10 different states that have at some time during the 19 years been members of our Grange, and one in far away England. Altogether 370' names appear on our roll book. About 170 responded to the invitation. At 12 o'clock a sumptuous dinner was disposed of. After repairing to the upper hall we listened to the following program:

Called to order by the Worthy Master G. B. Horton with a few well chosen words. Song by the Grange entitled, "Here We All Meet Again;" Prayer, by Worthy Chaplain John C. Porter; Fraternal Greeting, by Sister Clara Briggs; "Incidents of Our Early Life as a Grange;" Brother

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up the cows, to have these products restored to them. Then see to it that this industry is fostered. Eggs and chickens are small items but great luxuries and in the aggre-

grate their products amount to millions of dollars. I am sorry to say that though the farmers furnish a large amount of eggs, they don't fill the bill, and we must place this item upon the list of imports. Without eggs what could which they contribute, and what, I

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ask you, would the young man do

Without chickens and turkeys

day and their loss materially lessen

the good cheer of the winter holi-

It is a law of our being, first, to

feed and clothe the body, and it is

impossible to make much improve-

ment in starving and shivering

The editor can't write, the

teacher instruct, nor the minister

hold out a cheering hope of a bet-

ter life unless fed and clothed. To

In taxes the farmers pay a large

days.

mortals.

to save this modern Sodom?

to labor and the earth to give its ginia, and the Carolinas, who led increase the plate, china and cut- the advance? The pioneers hewed glass upon the rich man's table themselves homes out of the forcide.

Should the wheat states fail to furnish their quota and frost blight ing cities and towns, farms and setthe crop in the corn lands, then tlements, but carrying civilization, now with us. beef and pork, of which grass and they crossed mountains and valleys grain are the basis, would become till now ocean is joined to ocean by scarce and all other interests would commerce, business, and pleasure. and be willing and anxious to do suffer thereby. Failing of all but Look east and look west, look north enough for home consumption and without exports from the farms, Atlantic, cities upon the Pacific, then long lines of cars would re- cities upon the Gulf, and by the moored to the wharves, and the as the palace of Alladin, this nation endeavor to do whatever they may would the army of railroad menconductors, engineers, brakemen, trackmen and yardmen be out of sailors would remain idle in port, longing for the blue sea which

Without grain, the great flouring mill and the little grist mill would greater than that of all gold and the Swiss mountaineers and the silver mined annually in the old Scotch Highlanders. It is

nation which farmers hold, would feet upon Plymouth Rock and

The ocean was behind them, the

and look south, cities upon the farmer feeds them all.

ask, does Michigan furnish her employment and in many cases share of the wealth of the nation? that here is but the beginning of without means of subsistence. The We think she does. Her grass our work; that work by its influ-

and her schools and teachers the eternity shall end. best in the world. Her apples are al.ke be idle, and the millers on the table of the queen of Engtramping from city to city seeking land, her peaches supply the mar-employment. Without beef and ket of Chicago and many other pork for forign markets as well as cities, and her lumber builds the home consumption, the packers farm houses of the prairie and the and shippers would be idle and the city mansion. Michigan is an great meat combines be unable to Eden embraced by the lakes, whose absorb and gobble more millions. breezes fan the brows of an indus-What then shall I say of the dairy trious people and inspire them interests, whose moneyed value is with that love of freedom seen in

The bravest battle that ever was fought, Shall I tell you where and when? On the maps of the world you'll find it not, 'Twas fought by the mothers of men.

Nav. not with cannon, or battle shot, With sword or nobler pen; Nay, not with eloquent word or thought From the mouths of wonderful men.

But deep in a walled-up woman's heart-Of woman that would not yield, But bravely, silently bore her part-Lo! there is the battle field.

No marshaling troops, no bivouac song, No banner to gleam and wave! But oh! these battles, they last so long-From babyhood to the grave." MRS. CARRIE SHAFFER. with you a spirit of commendation for the good you may find and kind suggestions for deficiencies and dditions. Put yourself in the

place of the teacher and consider the school as a whole, not as a studying him. I will do it."

Again, when our farmers maniin that of choice stock, we will have better schools.

F. C. B.

FROM A LADY MASTER.

GRANGE EDITOR VISITOR-Thinking perhaps the readers of your excellent paper will think pery weather is a better man than Dewitt Grange is dead, I will write the fellow who talks temperance a word to let you all know to the every day in the year.-Atchison contrary. If it is dead it is a lively Globe.

J. C. Porter; Songs by Brother B. P. Thomas; Paper by Sister Harriet Morris, "The Grange of Today, and Its Possibilities for the Future;" Song by the Grange, "Sailing Down Life's River;" Short speeches by several charter members relating to the early history of Fruit Ridge Grange, with closing song by the Grange, after which all returned to their homes feeling the day had been well spent and wishing many happy returns of the day. C. E. F.

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THE HEN THAT LAYS WATER. MELONS.

Our Flossie, a little city girl, was spending a month in the country, special machine, run only for the and the second evening after her benefit of your John or Mary. By a social chat after the session, you will learn of his aims, plans and a glass of warm milk was handed methods, while you may leave him puzzling to himself, "it is just what that boy will find most useful Hens and eggs were objects of to him, that I am to teach him. not interest to her also, but she did not a given number of pages. How see a turkey until she had made may I know what he needs? By the rounds of the hennery, and then she frightened up a great old

gobbler in the melon patch. He fest as much interest in the made a rush for the fence, and she selection of a teacher as they do fell over a watermelon. "What's that, Flossie?" inquired her moth-er. "I don't know," she said, as she brushed her dress, "but I guess

it's the kind of hen that lays water-melons."—Detroit Free Press.

The man who puts ashes on his sidewalk during one spell of slip-

MARCH 1, 1893.

ADULTERATION OF FOOD.

DR. R. C. KEDZIE.

[This interesting article is taken from the notes of Dr Kedzie in his argument before the legis-lative committee.]

When a person talks of adulteration of our food we are apt to resent it as an imputation cast upon our personal habits like a hint that we lead dirty lives. The virtuous and self-respecting citizen says that it is possible, and even probable, that poor folks in the country or small village who patronize the cheap grocery, may buy and use adulterated goods. But we in Lansing buy only the best goods and patronize the best grocers, and the imputation that we buy and use such miserable stuffperish the thought !

Well, from time to time I have visited these best grocers and examined their goods-good honest men as are to be found in any community, who would see rn to sell an a lulterated article knowingly and who pride themselves on keeping the best, and what have I found? Adulterated sugar, apple jelly that never saw on apple, currant jelly that a currant worm would not know, honey that the bee would not father, only for the comb stirred into the glucose syrup, coffee made largely of roasted peas, cream tartar containing 77 per cent of gypsum, and another cream tartar that had not a particle of tartaric acid but consisted wholly of powdered alum-and all these in pure and proud Lansing! "If they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry?"

Now do not jump to the conclusion that all the groceries sold in Lansing are adulterated, far from it. Probably no better class of goods can be found in any city in the State, but if any goods of this examine all that is offered for sale kind are found in the city, how will it be with the poor grocery in the obscure village? How about the quality of the purchases of the poor man who lives from hand to poor man who lives from hand to mouth, and the toiling widow who wins a living by her needle or her wits? The poor who buy their "There's a chiel amang ye takin wits? The poor who buy their supplies by the dollar or the dime should have the honest worth of their money in honest goods. The rich man can stand to be cheated, but to the poor it means suffering and want. The state should say with emphasis that the poor man shall not be defrauded in his purchases of the means of living. Protect the poor even if he buys at a cheap grocery.

1. Adulteration of food always causes a reduction of real value I do not know of an instance where adulterated food was made more valuable thereby. The price is often reduced and this is given as good reason for the adulterationit is so much cheaper for the con sumer"-but the reduction of real value is greater than the reduction in price, so that the adulterated food is not only poorer in quality, but more costly. The diminished price does not offset the reduction in value. 2. There is a profit in adulteration, else it would not continue. Who reaps the profit? Not the consumer, for he gets less value for his money, the retail grocer gets only a small profit, but the lion's massed through the Custom House depend upon the Bordener. This share goes to the adulterator. passed through the Custom House depend upon the Bordeaux. This Does he deserve it? 3. "The amount of adulteration is so small and the reduction in value so trifling that no one can tell the difference." This is the plea of the class. Take the case of sugar, which is in about as general use on our the seeds I found tables as bread. I used to tell my friends that granulated sugar, which did not lump and cake by 16 .. standing, was free from glucose, 45 but the statement was too broad, 3 for here is a specimen I bought the o her day that has nearly one per cent glucose. The late Geo. Ged-des, of New York, told me that a member of the great sugar refining company of New York City told him that in their works they "could put into refined sugar from one to one and a half per cent of glucose which one pound of this mixture and nobody could tell the difference. Yet it makes a profit to us of \$1,500 a day, and why should we not do it?" Well, why not? It was once supposed that crystals of glucose could not be made without so large a cost as to use up the profit, but they now make crystallized sugar from starch, and we have reached a new departure in sugar adulteration. Not long ago I visited a large be drawn from this, namely, that phia Ledger.

sugar works that had a capacity of this mixture which contains only beauty for confectioners' use, glu- This calls for legislation, if need cose syrup for the table, and white

crystallized glucose sugar-almost is a sugar bought in Lansing this examine all seeds before purchasweek that contains only 93.05 per ing. cent of cane sugar and 5.74 per cent of glucose-almost 6 per cent, art of testing seeds scientifically or legal interest paid in advance. These are the beginnings of sor-

row! food commissioners and expose crushing quartz and shaping the these cheats which flock to safe small pieces which when properly quarters in Michigan. This state colored deceived many. One " repwas once a dumping ground for utable firm" in London was import inferior fertilizers and the happy rod peddler, but wise laws and en- adulterating clover seed. lightened public opinion drove them out.

base for adultered goods?

5. "Adulterated articles are just as good or even better than genuine," so they say, as, Oleomargarine: Keeps better.

and as nutritive as cane sugar, etc.

articles they imitate, why not sell anist of the Royal Agricultura them on their own merits, not palm Society. them off as something else? Com-

own name. "Tell the truth and shame the

devil." We want a food and dairy commissioner to compel truth tell- plaint." ing in trade.

It may be objected that one food and dairy commissioner could not and hence could do little to stop adulteration. But the fact that there is such an official at work would do much to infuse a healthy town of honesty among manufacnotes, an faith, he'll prent it," will prove a healthy tonic for public morals. A fraud may make light of any threat of exposure, but it fears nothing so much as the light. It requires strong pressure to gain its consent to be exposed in the public press.

SOME ADULTERATIONS IN SEEDS.

C. A. WHEELER, CONSULTING BOTAN IST, MICHIGAN EXPERIMENT STATION.

clovers and other forage plants is can always be easily controlled. increasing to an alarming extent In treating these the past summer be aroused to take measures to pro- treatments, as both enemies occur tect themselves from this great evil. at the same time. This simplifies To prove the above statements still more their treatment. let me give you the results of an examination of a quantity of red fully used bisulphide of potassium clover seed which was sent to the and the weak Bordeaux prepara-Botanical Department of the Agricultural College a short time ago ounce dissolved in one gallon of by Hon. I. H. Butterfield of Port water, but it is such an offensive Huron. This sample of clover seed at Port Huron, being consigned to latter is made from two pounds a large seed firm in St. Louis, Mo., and imported from Canada. The results of this examination are given below. Weighing 100 milligrams (about of this Station. ne and one-half grains) of this To treat the insect we use one one and one-half grains) of this vile mixture and carefully counting 5 good seeds of Alsike clover, " timothy, shrunkenseeds of red clover, seed of crab or finger grass, seeds " Lamb's Quarters, " " Eng ish Plantain or Rib grass

working up 20,000 bushels of corn 10% of pure clover seed must have a day, making large quantities of been imported for the purpose of starch, glucose syrup of wonderful adulterating western clover seed. be, to stop this nefarious business. The above case is not alone, as as white and brilliant as cane sugar some clover seed purchased by Dr. of best quality. Here is a sample. Beal at Durand contained a little How long before this glucose over 50 per cent of buckhorn seeds sugar will find its way into our and specimens were sent abroad granulated and loaf sugar? Here over the state warning farmers to

> was begun in 1869. At that timadulteration of seeds was practiced.

to a great extent. In Germany 4. Other neighboring states have there were, at this time, mills for ing these quartz grains, a ton and hunting ground of the lightning a half at a time, for the purpose of

The result of establishing these seed control stations abroad has Shall we not compel a change of been to drive out of business all ot the dishonest dealers so that if you purchase seeds in those countries the following guarantee is now given:

1. "Our seeds are sold guaranteed Glucose, etc.: Cane sugar pure, clean and of the percentage changed to glucose in digestion of vitality named in our catalogue 2. "This guarantee is subject to If as good or better than the the analysis of the consulting bot-

3. "If the result of the analysis pel these food stuffs to stand on does not confirm the above guartheir own merits and under their antee the association will take back the seeds and pay the cost of car-riage both ways, but seeds must

not be sown before making com-The Botanical Department of the

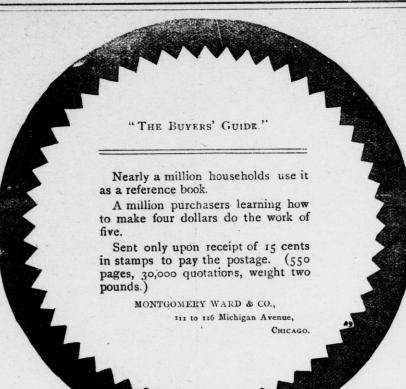
Experiment Station at the Agricultural College is willing to ex-amine seeds of all sorts as to impurities, adulterations and germinating quality, for all persons who may wish to send suspected seeds fo that purpose.

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GOOSEBERRY ENEMIES.

Bulletin Virginia Station.

The two serious enemies t gooseberry culture are the mildew caused by a parasitic fungu (Sphærotheca mors-uvæ), and th arvæ of the currant saw-fl (Nematus ventricosus). Thes are both serious pests, and eithe of them is sufficient to entirely de stroy the crop if not promptl dealt with. Fortunately, with th three more resistant sorts men-tioned above, the mildew can be quite easily controlled by remedial Adulterations in seeds of grasses, measures, and the insect mentioned Capital, \$150,000.00



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Lamb's Quarters	13.999
Crab grass	4,000

in this country. The people must we successfully combined the two

For the mildew we have successtion. The first is used one-half smelling preparation, and spoils so quickly if left standing, that we copper sulphate, two and one-half pounds fresh lime, and twenty-five gallons of water. For discussion of its preparation see Bulletin 15

ounce powdered white hellebore to one gallon of water. If this be added to the above preparation in the same proportion it will answer as well as if applied in a separate treatment. The mildew and the saw-fly larvæ occur soon after the leaves appear, consequently treatment should be made at once, and should be repeated two or three times, as may be necessary, in periods of ten to fifteen days. The application, to be effective, From this examination I estimate should be made in a fine spray with

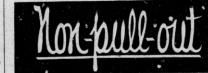
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Notices of Meetings

ALLEGAN COUNTY COUNCIL

will hold its next session with Watson Grange, at their hall, March 7, 1893. The program will be as follows: Call to order at 10 o'clock by President Houser.

Opening song by the Leggett family. Reading the minutes of last meeting. Business, if any. Address of Welcome, by Addie Shepard

of Watson Grange. Response by some member of Hopkins

Grange. Instrumental music conducted by Henry

Bartholomew. Resolved, That there is no innate Wrong, only the wrong use of Good, by N. W. Houser.

Dinner,

Music.

"The little Ifs that shape our lives," by Minnie Edgerton. Recitation, by Millie Jewett.

Music.

"Tragedies," by Mary L. Vahue. A paper by E. N. Bates of Moline.

Suggestions for the good of the Coun-

cil," by volunteers. Prof. Baird of Otsego has been invited to be present and assist in the entertainment and will be an attractive feature in

the music. Patrons and friends please do your hurry ing in the morning so that we may begin on time, that you may be able to get home on time, and yet not have to miss any of the program. Do not forget day or date, but be on hand and be sure that a good time awaits you. NANCIE A. DIBBLE, Lecti

Lecturer.

CALHOUN COUNTY POMONA.

Calhoun County Grange will meet the second Thursday in March with Bellevue Grange in Eaton county. The program is in charge of the ladies. We hope there will be a good attendance to see what the women can do, and get acquainted with our neighbor Grange.

THE INHERITANCE TAX

is described in the February Review of Reviews. All members of the Grange will be especially interested in this paper at this Get a copy through the newsdealer time. of your town.

THE LINCOLN PEAR.

Extract from ad-interim report by A C. Hammond, Secretary of Illinois State Hor-

ticultural Society. At Lincoln, Ill., the Lincoln Pear was inspected under the leadership of W. E. Jones, the propagator and discoverer of its meritary. The original tree is still standing, grown from seed planted in 1835; it is as fine a specimen of pear tree as the writer ever saw; about 40 feet high and though nearly 60 years old, is vigorous and healthy, and this season made a fine growth; has never failed of a crop, though the present season's was the lightest ever known. Another tree 15 or 20 years old, but closely crowded with other fruit trees that it only made a moderate growth, was carrying 7 or 8 bushels of fine looking fruit, while other trees of popular varieties bore only a few specimens; this tree is stock grafted about 4 feet from the ground. A tree on Mr. Jones' farm that he planted (a sucker from the original tree) 38 years ago, shows the same cylindrical form and vigorous habit as the parent, and probably bore 18 to 20 bushels this year. The fruit is a little larger than the Bartlett, a trifle coarser in texture, season about the same, and equal, ; the folia if not better, in q from blight, and fruit from scab. This pear is issued under the most favorable auspices of any pear ever brought before the public. ANNOUNCEMENT-All interest, trademarks, copyrights, stock, etc., previously controlled under contract, by F.S. Phoenix, of Bloomington, Ill., are now controlled exclusively by W. E. Jones & Son.



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THE MAGAZINES.

The Cosmopolitan for March is the first of the illustrated magazines to present the importance of that phase of the Columbian Exposition which concerns the congresses of religions in an article from the pen of Mrs. Henrotin, the brilliant vice president of the Women's Branch of the World's Congress Auxiliary, in which our attention is turned from the more obvious objective features of the Exposition to some of the most interesting subjects of social reform.

The Secretary of Agriculture has pre-pared an article for the March number of the North American Review on "American Farming a Hundred years Hence," a subject on which he is peculiarly well fitted to write.

The third part of Mrs. Catherwood's serial, "Old Kaskaskia," which opens the March number of the *Atlantic Monthly*, is full of interest, and leaves the reader at a point which will make him wish that the next number of the magazine followed at a shorter interval than a month. The auth or's story is not only of historical interest, but its vivacity and vivid way of drawing character and discribing events makes this story rank as the best work she has done.

The complete novel in the March number of *Lippincott's*, "Waring's Peril," is by Captain Charles King, the laureate of our little army. No living author is more sure of an eager audience, or more certain to hold and delight his readers. No one knows more thoroughly the matters of which he writes, and no one else can describe them with such graceful and natural art. His stories always have a plot; his characters are living men and women; he makes the barracks, the march, the battle field, as near to us as if we had been there; and he clothes them in something of "the light that never was on sea or land,"—for he is a poet, whose poetry insinuates itself through practical and most readable prose.