

THE GRANGE

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Grange

GRANGE NEWS AND NOTES.

Items of Interest to All Members of the Order.

Build up the juvenile granges. Oregon has about 100 granges, with 5,000 members.

The grange believes in arbitration rather than litigation.

President Roosevelt will visit the New York state fair on Sept. 7.

Let the grange lead in the matter of beautifying rural school grounds.

Tioga county, Pa., is said to have about 4,000 members of the order.

National Master Aaron Jones is also master of the Indiana state grange.

Don't adjourn the sessions of your grange during hot weather. Keep going!

The New York state grange will hold its next annual session in Cortland, N. Y.

The resources of the national grange amount to \$64,928.56—quite a respectable sum.

Union grange of Jamestown, N. Y., buys the coal supply for its members and divides the savings.

Governor N. J. Bachelder, lecturer national grange, will address Kansas field meetings July 20 to 25, inclusive.

Mount Cutler grange of Hiram, Me., received at one meeting fifty-one applications and had fourteen more ready.

The grange is the farmer's school from which no diploma is given. It is one continuous term.—National Stockman.

The great summer meeting of New York Patrons of Husbandry will occur Aug. 18 at the beautiful Thousand Islands.

More granges have been organized in the United States this year than last, and five months left yet to swell the number.

Smock grange, Pennsylvania, has purchased \$7,000 worth of goods through grange trade arrangements last year.

As the result of a four weeks' contest Sebasticook grange, Newport, Me., received sixty-three applications for membership.

Grange education is many sided—four square. It may and should be along the lines of especial interest to our calling and the home.

National Master Aaron Jones is booked for addresses in Greenbrier, Monroe, Cabell and Putnam counties, W. Va., July 29 to Aug. 1, inclusive.

More new members have been received by granges in Herkimer county, N. Y., since Jan. 1 than ever before for the same length of time.

State Master Hill has engaged Professor A. E. Morse of Maine to devote the month of August to addressing grange picnics in Pennsylvania.

New York has twenty-two Patrons' mutual fire insurance companies, carrying risks aggregating \$58,738,632. Last year the cost averaged \$2.20 per \$1,000.

A new grange was recently organized with eighty charter members in Kinderhook, N. Y., the native township of President Martin Van Buren. It is called Lindenwald grange.

Pennsylvania patrons won a decided victory in securing the passage of the new road law. The law secures a state appropriation to be distributed to the counties in proportion to the number of miles of road.

Every member of the West Virginia state board of agriculture, together with its secretary and superintendent of institutes, is a member of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry, says the National Stockman.

It is plainly evident that the permanency of the order rests in the subordinate granges, and the permanency of these rests in a great measure upon the degree of interest attached to them, says S. E. Strode.

Pennsylvania has eight grange mutual insurance companies, carrying risks aggregating \$15,000,000. Some of these have been in operation twenty-five years. The cost has been but little over a half that of stock companies.

National Master Aaron Jones has arranged to address meetings in Massachusetts on Aug. 4, 5, 6 and 7; in New Hampshire on Aug. 13, 14 and 15; in New York on Aug. 17, 18, 19 and 20; in Indiana on Aug. 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 31, and in Ohio on Sept. 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Newton Ridge (O.) grange is the proud possessor of a new hall situated on a knoll at the bend of the Muskingum river, the Rhine of America. It is 400 feet above the water's edge and has a view for miles both up and down of one of the most beautiful valleys in the United States.

The grange allows the largest latitude to its members in regard to religious and political matters. It makes no effort to rival or supplant either church or political party. It has work enough of its own without encroaching on that of other organizations or associations, says the Grange Bulletin.

Ostenburg grange, Bedford county, Pa., recently bought a seventy acre farm to be used in connection with a picnic grove, upon which has already been spent \$1,200 for permanent improvements. The dates this year for the annual outing are Aug. 11 to 14. Thousands annually attend this picnic.

The leaders in the grange must work to secure discipline—the training and the development of the intellectual powers of their members. We need more self mastery, more of the power of the individual over himself. It is won by doing things under difficulties. Any one can do the easy things, remarks the Utica Press.

BY AID OF THE DICTIONARY

By ELIZABETH KEMPSTER

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The note of a horn, the snap of a whip, and the great coach swayed out upon the winding road, gay atop with bright steamer robes and trunks bedecked with multicolored labels; inside, the blue interest of middle age and the bright alertness of the young girl, reaching out eagerly for new experiences—strange scenes.

Jane and the Elderly Ones made a comfortable party of three, and had settled themselves for the journey. But a few miles on in the valley, as they stopped at the little town of Andermatt, the empty seat was filled—a man had stepped in upon them with a courteous word of apology for his invasion. He spoke in German, was young and good looking and carried the mark of universities about him. The great shoulders drooping over a little in their long cape coat, spoke of the student, and his cavernous pockets bulged with fat volumes to be read en route.

But the calm eyes of the German met Jane's shadowy orbs at the second mile, and forthwith the wicked little blind god began his mischievous work. It was frank and open love from the first with meinherr. Jane parried at first as best she might. But after awhile her round American chin went up, and she snared her bird with liberation, while the chaperons looked on with amazement. That the young student knew no word of English and Jane not a word of German lent a certain piquancy to the situation, but proved in no way an obstacle. The Elderly Ones at least understood and spoke in the foreign tongue, and to them the young man addressed himself, while to Jane the dark, expressive eyes had a language all their own.

Never was such a gallant and courteous traveling companion. He told anecdotes of the country through which they were traveling, smothered the ladies with edelweiss and the alpine rose, which the peasants sold at the road side, and at the various stops ordered impossible dishes for their delectation.

As the panting horses drew their load slowly upward over the tortuous road the coach seemed a speck on the bare, brown face of the mountain. The valley lay like a toy below, the rocky lifted gaunt peaks into the unannular air and huge feathery tufts of cloud hung sluggishly in the shadows.

The young man drank in long breaths of exhilaration and drew the robes more cozily about Jane's shoulders as the atmosphere grew colder. And suddenly a great wave of sympathy, of unspoken tenderness, swept subtly between the two. They seemed alone together in this uncanny upland air. The world was beginning, and this ragged, rugged bit of earth about them was pregnant with strange things—utterably sweet. Just once to have drawn near to her, to have wrapped her close and felt those perilous tawny waves of her hair against his lips—that would have been worth a life.

Once the Paris veil came loose and for a moment his long, strong fingers fought with its little jeweled pin and



AT THE LITTLE TOWN OF ANDERMATT THE EMPTY SEAT WAS FILLED.

fastened it into place again. Jane laughed and called him clumsy, in English, but she felt the thrill of proximity.

The inhospitable little hostelry in Furka's pinnacle did its prettiest for the travelers in the way of rest and refreshment. The Elderly Ones accepted gratefully the half hour's break in the long sitting journey. Jane and her German walked about in smiling and understanding silence, his eyes following her little movements hungrily and with open admiration.

When the fresh horses were harnessed and the shabby old coach stood waiting once more seats were resumed. Presently it was found that the student had by some unknown means possessed himself of an English and German dictionary, and it was through this humble instrument that the charmed silence was broken.

For the rest of the way Jane and her cavalier sustained a spirited conversation. That this method of communication was somewhat slow and laborious (for each word of a sentence must be looked out separately) in no way marred their interest. And as the day waxed names, addresses and bits of their respective histories were exchanged to mutual satisfaction. Fingers touched inadvertently and linger-

ed ever so little in the shadow of the dictionary, and knowledge of each other grew apace.

That the girl was under their careful espionage was enough for the Elderly Ones, and when the young German presented his credentials the name was found to be a very old and illustrious one, so they were content.

The descent on the farther side of the pass, the stupendous panorama of the Rhone valley, with its weird, glittering mystery of virgin ice, were clearly lost upon two of the passengers, for the little straggling village of Gletsch lay a spot just below—Gletsch and a parting of ways.

The sepulchral looking hall of the Glacier hotel made rather a gloomy setting for the end of the little drama. The young German must take his own way, while Jane must go hers with the Elderly Ones. The two clasped hands for several long minutes while they said goodby wistfully and without the dictionary, and when the blue eyes looked away from the brown ones they were suspiciously bright. But the great broad shoulders stooped suddenly over Jane, and their owner whispered tenderly a magic word into her waiting ear. It was "Auf wiedersehen."

That Jane should be snapped up unceremoniously in her first season by a bold and unknown foreign count was a matter of much comment and no little regret among her friends at home. It was in vain they tried by various means to learn the romantic details of her short engagement. But the broad, distinguished figure of the foreigner certainly made a handsome and striking background for Jane's glistening wedding gown. And they were married with the aid of the dictionary too!

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