

THE GRANGE

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HOW THE FARMERS WON.

Past Master Aaron Jones' Great Personal Victory in Washington. It may not be known to all readers of this paper that last January in Washington there was held a great commercial convention which was ostensibly called for the advancement of foreign commerce in the United States.

But the schemers had reckoned without the grange delegates. Hardly had the tumultuous cheers which greeted the conclusion of Secretary Root's speech died away when the quiet, persistent work of the farmers' representatives began to show, and opposition to committing the convention to the indorsement of ship subsidy legislation gathered strength.

On the floor the next morning, the last of the convention, the battle raged again more fiercely than ever. Bitterly smarting under defeat, the advocates of ship subsidies denounced the resolutions submitted by the resolutions committee and fought hard to get the original ship subsidy resolution adopted instead.

The Question Box. Why do some granges refuse admission to village people, while others receive them? If village people have no interest antagonistic to the grange and desire membership most granges admit them.

The Touch that Heals. Is the touch of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the happiest combination of Arnica flowers and healing balsams ever compounded.

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RITUALISTIC WORK.

Time Devoted to its Proper Rendering is Time Well Spent. To one who has studied the ritual of our Order it almost seems a sacrilege to have the beautiful lessons of life and farm work murdered as they are at times, says a writer in the Michigan Farmer.

Officers should not only commit their parts to memory, but should study the expression so they may render them in a manner that will bring out in an impressive way the lessons they are designed to teach.

And another thing, the chief lesson we all have to learn in life is that of discipline. Slight the work or the laws which govern our Order and this lesson is thrown away.

THE REPORT SYSTEM.

Enables State Lecturer to Locate Weak Spots and Render Aid.

New Hampshire, Massachusetts and this year New York are conducting a system of quarterly reports from subordinate grange lecturers to the state lecturer relative to the work of the lecture hour.

Selections of vocal music, 4,292; selections of instrumental music, 3,154; readings and recitations, 7,263; essays, 1,035; addresses, 810; dramas, 74; farces, 254; tableaux, 435; discussions, 1,780; number of speakers on discussions, 10,837; attendance during programs, 134,784.

Co-operation in New Jersey. We shall have to look to New Jersey to find grange co-operation in purchasing farm supplies most generally practiced. Here are a few figures showing the value of such purchases for twelve months in several granges.

Co-operative Insurance. W. H. Vary of Watertown, N. Y., president of the Central Organization of Co-operative Fire Insurance in that state and which is largely composed of grange fire insurance associations, reports for the year 1906 123 companies carrying 251,217 policies and risks of \$367,274,418.

A Hint to Grange Speakers. Robert J. Burdette, now pastor of a Baptist church in Los Angeles, Cal., and always a humorist, is opposed to the length of the form of service for the presentation of children and says that, as a rule, he thinks that the service should not be longer than the baby.

The Question Box. What is the specific advantage to a grange in becoming an incorporated organization?

Lost and Found. Lost, between 9:30 P. M., yesterday and noon today, a billiard attack, with nausea and sick headache.

Mr. James, who recently came here from Wisconsin, and bought the Calif. place, has sold that property and has purchased a house and lot on Thirtieth and Washington streets from Mrs. James Healy.

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POPULAR STATE LECTURER.

He Keeps Thirty-two Cows on Fifty Acres of Land Successfully. Lewis J. Taber was chosen lecturer of the Ohio state grange at its last session. He was born in 1878 of sturdy Quaker parentage and is still a firm adherent of that faith.



LEWIS J. TABER.

attractive and promising that we have seen. The topics are all live and timely, and the notice on the front page, "Members who cannot take the parts assigned them must furnish a substitute and notify the lecturer," indicates that Brother Taber lucubrates promptly and conscientiously into grange as well as farm matters.

WHAT MICHIGAN GRANGES DID

To Promote Their Own and Neighborhood Interests.

Miss Jennie Buel, the former secretary of the Michigan state grange, in a recent issue of the Michigan Farmer remarks that there is wide scope for every grange in the way of fostering a spirit of neighborhood pride and unity by every means that tends to neighborhood betterments.

There were numerous good road bills before the legislature, but none of them took account of the inequalities that appeared in the working of the old law. The grange bill proposes to give towns with a valuation of less than \$5,000 per mile a 100 per cent addition to that which they raise themselves; those between \$5,000 and \$7,000, 90 per cent; between \$7,000 and \$9,000, 80 per cent; between \$9,000 and \$11,000, 70 per cent; and between \$11,000 and \$18,000, 50 per cent.

New Granges Organized. Secretary C. M. Freeman of the national grange reports that 128 granges were organized and 17 reorganized during the first three months of this year.

Photo Wanted. If there is a farmer in the United States that can give an intelligent reason for not uniting with the grange now after knowing of its efforts to take care of his interests, we would like to have his photo to place upon the wall in the hall of ingratitude.

Suppose we all secure one new member each this year. It would double the membership. Had you thought of that? Instead of a round million we should have a round 2,000,000 members in the United States.

The Chautauqua quarterly for 1907 announces Saturday, Aug. 17, as grange day.

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BETTER GRANGE SPEAKERS.

A New Idea Being Worked Out by Michigan State Grange.

Many grange states have their lecturers' conferences and county deputies' meetings, but it remains for Michigan state grange to institute a conference for grange speakers. Such a meeting was held a few weeks ago, which was presided over by the state master and was really a school of instruction in the fundamentals of grange doctrines and their presentation.

Michigan has herein set an example worthy to be followed by every other grange state. There is too much aimless speaking at Pomona granges and grange picnics. A few good stories, followed by more good practical talk, seems to be the ideal which a good many grange speakers have before them, but there is too much real, solid work to be done, too many real, helpful topics to be discussed, to warrant any state grange in sending out men who are inclined to make an interesting talk simply pleasing for the hour.

GRANGE FOR GOOD ROADS.

A Purely Grange Road Bill Now Before the New York State Legislature.

The New York state grange legislative committee has had a new bill prepared amending the Fuller-Plank law, so that poorer towns will receive a larger share of state aid and grading the towns according to the average assessed valuation per mile of road rather than the valuation per town.

Notice of Final Settlement. In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Clackamas County. In the matter of the estate of Martha A. Barlow, deceased.

Boy Drowned in River.

Arthur Suter, aged 13 years, was drowned Wednesday afternoon while bathing in the Willamette River below Risley's Station on the line of the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company, five miles north of Oregon City.

Newspapers Help Grange Work. Editors of country newspapers are well disposed toward the grange. They will use write-ups of meetings of local granges if they are furnished them; they will announce the programme in advance; they will lend valuable aid to the grange movement.

Organized For Business.

The Penobscot (Me.) Pomona Grange company was recently organized and has a capital of \$200,000 for the purpose of dealing in groceries, grains and feeds and all kinds of farm supplies.

The legislative committee of the New York state grange could find no good roads bill at Albany that met grange requirements, so they made one of their own.

Talk grange among your farmer neighbors! All farmers should stand shoulder to shoulder these days for the principles the grange is seeking to uphold.

The national grange executive committee held a joint meeting with the special committee on grange life insurance at Albany, N. Y., on April 25.

State Master Hill of Pennsylvania has sounded his slogan for 1907—"a Pennsylvania membership of 100,000."

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