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erless to stop it. The Grange has opened up the way by obtaining a capital fund by a small loan from each member, to be used as a purchasing fund for the commodities the farmer wants.

It is especially important that Patrons knowing the many benefits and advantages arising from our Order should keep before the minds of their co-laborers on the farm who do not belong to the Order all the facts necessary to inform them of its principles, purposes and intentions; for we hold that no farmer who once becomes thoroughly conversant with its fundamental principles and purposes can hesitate for a moment about joining the Order.

GREEN FOOD AND GRASS.—Fowls cannot get along well on grain food alone, and must, in both winter and summer—the latter especially—be supplied with some green succulent food, or they will, ere long, become diseased or sickly.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, and also a copy be spread on our minutes.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the FARMER, with a request for publication.

How Shall We Buy and Sell?

"Buy for cash and in quantity," is a fundamental maxim of the Grange, and practically worth a whole volume of finance.

CROSSING THE PLAINS. [From a MS. journal kept by J. FIELD, JR.] [CONCLUDED.] Thurs., 18.—Travelled about 11 miles in a northwesterly direction, striking a smart-sized creek running in the same direction and camping upon it.

NOTE.—This ends the journal, and we publish below a letter from Mr. Field in regard to the latter part of the journey.—ED. FARMER.

PORT CHESTER, N. Y., June 3, 1879.

FRIEND CLARKE: Through the kindness of my old friend, R. Weeks, of Portland, I am in receipt of three numbers of your paper, containing installments of my diary kept while crossing the plains in '45, with a request that I may complete it for me to do, as it was cut short by my illness with camp fever, which destroyed all memory of what transpired during the remainder of the journey.

I know of no reason why it should not be,—please hand it to the Society of Pioneers, of Oregon. With my compliments I herewith present it to them.

MARES IN FOAL.—Although I have not conveniences for breeding horses I hear much about them, and know how many are, even in this neighborhood, the losses at foaling time. It is observed that successful horse breeders take care not to put their mares between shafts, either of carts, wagons, or drills, for at least five months before parturition, but can safely up to a late period, whippletrees preventing pressure on the body.

Sat., 20.—Went about eight miles, camping upon the same stream mentioned yesterday, down which we followed all day, frequently crossing it, and at one narrow pass we were obliged to follow the bed of the river for nearly a fourth of a mile.

Mon., 22.—Went about seven miles, keeping still down along the river, which has to be crossed every mile or two, and sometimes two or three times in a mile.

Tues., 23.—Went about 12 miles, striking away from the river and camping upon a small branch of it.

Wed., 24.—Went about 15 miles, camping at a spring in the midst of the plains, without a single landmark to tell its situation.

THURSDAY, 25.—Went about 18 miles, camping upon a small branch of a stream, and in the afternoon crossing it several times.

FRIDAY, 26.—Went about 20 miles, camping upon a small branch of a stream, and in the afternoon crossing it several times.

SATURDAY, 27.—Went about 22 miles, camping upon a small branch of a stream, and in the afternoon crossing it several times.

SUNDAY, 28.—Went about 24 miles, camping upon a small branch of a stream, and in the afternoon crossing it several times.

MONDAY, 29.—Went about 26 miles, camping upon a small branch of a stream, and in the afternoon crossing it several times.

TUESDAY, 30.—Went about 28 miles, camping upon a small branch of a stream, and in the afternoon crossing it several times.

WEDNESDAY, 31.—Went about 30 miles, camping upon a small branch of a stream, and in the afternoon crossing it several times.

THURSDAY, 1.—Went about 32 miles, camping upon a small branch of a stream, and in the afternoon crossing it several times.

FRIDAY, 2.—Went about 34 miles, camping upon a small branch of a stream, and in the afternoon crossing it several times.

SATURDAY, 3.—Went about 36 miles, camping upon a small branch of a stream, and in the afternoon crossing it several times.

SUNDAY, 4.—Went about 38 miles, camping upon a small branch of a stream, and in the afternoon crossing it several times.

MONDAY, 5.—Went about 40 miles, camping upon a small branch of a stream, and in the afternoon crossing it several times.

TUESDAY, 6.—Went about 42 miles, camping upon a small branch of a stream, and in the afternoon crossing it several times.

WEDNESDAY, 7.—Went about 44 miles, camping upon a small branch of a stream, and in the afternoon crossing it several times.

THURSDAY, 8.—Went about 46 miles, camping upon a small branch of a stream, and in the afternoon crossing it several times.

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