

Poultry.

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POULTRY NOTES.

There is a movement on foot to reorganize the North Pacific Poultry and Pet stock association into a stock company.

This month finds the poultry all busy with their little chicks.

We invite our poultry friends to contribute to the columns of this department.

SOME MORE EXPERIENCE.

Perhaps the FARMER friends will think that the poultry editor has stepped down from his high ladder when he asserts that a chicken house is an abominable thing in a poultry yard...

A PROMISE FULFILLED.

We promised our readers last winter to give our experiment as to which would lay the most eggs, the Wyandotte or the Plymouth Rock.

More About Raising Geese.

A correspondent of the Poultry Raiser has this to say about this profitable branch of poultry raising:

to fatten a large flock. They are easily restrained, not subject to disease, seldom die, and if they do the feathers have paid the cost.

When a dozen eggs bring nearly as much in the market as a pound of butter—as they do in the winter—the farmer who keeps hens and manages them well is ahead of the farm dairyman whose cows can hardly return enough to pay for their keeping.

The Greatest Study of Mankind is Man. "Read me for my cause, and be patient that ye may read."—SHAKESPEARE.

Who remembers not how the distressed mother, Her child's entreaties tries to smother, That she insist not the horrid dose be taken, The remembrance e'en now does nausea awaken.

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The last report of the department of agriculture shows that the general and excessive indebtedness of the farming class have been greatly reduced from what it was ten years ago.

Animals require green, succulent food in winter; man requires such during the summer of toil; the garden supplies it. Moral: "build" a garden.

Grange Column.

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GRANGE NOTES.

The farmers of Nebraska have again taken hold of Grange work in earnest. Brother C. L. Whitney, who has been working in the State as Deputy Lecturer of the National Grange with much success, writes: "I have the pleasure of announcing to the world and the fraternity that the Nebraska State Grange represents 26 Subordinate Granges and over 600 members in the State.

National Grange lecture work is being pushed in other directions, and those States that are willing to help themselves, and desire to take part in the genuine and general revival of Grange work now going on, will receive all possible aid and encouragement.

The twenty-sixth session of the Arkansas Legislature is now in session at Little Rock. Speaking of its membership, the Rural and Workman says: "The social, intellectual and political make-up of this body differs from that of former bodies of this character, owing to the fact that the farmer element is more numerous than heretofore, which taking it all in all, is a decided improvement which we trust and believe will result in great good to the interest of that class of our citizens."

There are tens of thousands of good farmers in the Granges of Canada, one of them truthfully expresses the sentiments of all our vast membership on both sides of the lines that divide those who are governed either by President or Queen: "Our order seeks no forcible solution of the 'Labor question.' Strike or boycott edicts come not from national, Dominion, State or provincial Granges. It seeks not to unlawfully hasten the dominion, which is by divine right and ordination, and which shall be fulfilled when 'words shall be beaten in plowshares and spears into pruning hooks.'"

"What a poky world this would be if we should all get into the ruts! Let us be up and doing, organize in Granges or clubs (the Grange is the better because linked with similar organizations throughout the country, State and Nation), and make the year lively and productive of great good. If we do no more than get together for a social time it will pay; but we can just as well do much more. Organization is the watchword of the times. Farmers can not afford to neglect it, and there is no better time than the present for organizing."—N. E. Homestead.

"The Grange has opened up an avenue for awakening thought and arousing the farmers to action upon the great question of the day; those which never could have been reached in any other way. The Grange has made additional proof of the idea that our education is by no means entirely a product of organized schools, or employed teachers and

printed books. While they occupy a very important part, they are not all that act on our powers to develop them. 'Life is one grand school, and its every circumstance a teacher.' The Grange, with its beautiful and practical lessons, has the power to raise men and women from the humblest walks of life to positions of influence and power."—A. J. Rose, Master Texas State Grange.

Plenty of news full of cheer comes to us from our many Grange fields. F. A. Allen, Worthy Secretary of the Maine State Grange, writes: "The unprecedented cold weather of the past winter has not chilled the ardor of the Maine Patrons. Neither has the half hundred storms with the accompanying snow drifts, piled mountain high, clogged the wheels of the Grange car. 'Dirigo' is still written on our banner. Large numbers of 'such as are to be saved' are knocking at our gates. Seven new Granges have been organized this year. One of these starts off with a charter-membership of seventy-three. Many of the sleepy Granges have had an eye-opener dropped down among them in the shape of a live deputy. Frederick Robie, our popular State Master, is still the same warm-hearted Patron, and freed from the official cares of State, is doing more work among the Granges than ever before. In short, the Down East Patrons are all right."

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