

MILLVILLE FARMER'S INSTITUTE.

(CONCLUDED FROM LAST WEEK.)
Samuel R. Downing being unable to be present, sent a copy of his essay which was read by Mr. Woodward.

No one offering to discuss the subject, Mr. Woodward read "Legislation needed to improve our present Road Laws," in which he made some very good points, although he digressed considerably.

Mr. Woodward commented upon our present Road Laws, saying that they were simply chaotic.

AFTERNOON SESSION.
The meeting was called to order, and on motion the road question was open for discussion, limiting speakers to five minutes.

Mr. Woodward was called for, who, taking the platform again, read his paper, favoring paying road tax in cash, advocated conservative legislation in regard to the subject of roads, and recommended that the state offer a premium for the construction of the best piece of road of some specified length.

He favored this as a means of State aid, and as State taxes are mainly from corporations, the burden would not fall upon the farming community.

Although not on the program, Miss Tewksbury recited "A Dream," accompanied with music by Mr. Sisson at the organ.

It was excellent and well received. Mrs. J. T. Cole then read a brief essay what "The Farmers' Home" should be like, and was a farmers wife she fully understands the situation.

Mr. Woodward made a few appropriate remarks, expressing his appreciation of such sentiments and moved a vote of thanks be given the essayist. This was seconded by Mr. Sisson who spoke a few words complimenting the paper. Mr. Bowman offered as an amendment that it be referred for publication. Carried unanimously.

Business Reader was then called for. His paper was principally upon the subject of draining. It was a plain common sense statement of facts, and under his observation. It was discussed at some length.

Mr. Northup told the institute about a silo. All that is necessary is to prevent air from coming to the green food, thus preserving it for winter use.

A story in music by A. C. Sisson "Going Home," was loudly applauded.

Mr. C. R. Cox was then introduced and read "How to Train Your Boys," the same as he had at the Farmers' Institute.

Mr. Sisson sang "Mrs. Lofy and I," and the meeting adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.
The hall was densely packed at an early hour, and when called to order, Misses Fannie and Minnie Lee played the organ and violin.

John Emery Eves, assisted by the Benton Glee Club, followed with a beautiful selection, and was recalled.

The Lee girls again played the organ and violin, after which Miss Jennie (doubtless) recited "Pledged with Wine."

Dr. Henry Luffman's lecture, "The Chemistry of our World," was the chief feature of the evening. He was aided by a powerful selection, with which numerous illustrations of the same and the names were shown on canvas.

The Glee Club sang "A Hundred Years Hence," and "The Happy Plow Boy."

FREELY MEETING.
Lig day morning opened with "Welcome to Monday" by the Benton Glee Club, assisted by home talent.

H. W. Northup discussed "The Exhaustion and Restoration of our Soils." It was an exhaustive argument, clearly showing how farmers are likely to "run down" their farms by robbing the soil.

Thos. J. Edge, secretary of the State Board of Agriculture, asked which was preferable—to cut clover or plow it under? The answer was, cut it.

Mr. E. J. Bowman spoke briefly upon the farm and paid for the first year in beans raised upon it.

Mr. Wm. Beechler asked how to raise beets and where to find a market. The answer was, Mr. Woodward replied, "Do better farming on less land. We must lessen the cost of production. The world is our market, and the world wants the best. Raise the very best at the very lowest possible cost. People will buy."

"Farm Drainage" was ably discussed by Mr. A. T. Schoch. He claimed that drainage was beneficial in time of drought as well as in time of flood. Three feet, he says, is the proper average depth for this section, and life is the most profitable.

AFTERNOON SESSION.
Opened with music by the Glee Club and a song by Mr. Sisson.

F. P. Eves' little daughter Bernice recited "The Blackberry Girl" to the delight of all present.

"General Fruit Culture" was then discussed by Mr. A. C. Sisson. He gave many valuable suggestions for the proper care and management of the orchard, interspersed with a number of laughable anecdotes and remarks. He strongly advocated spraying trees to prevent the fruit from becoming worm eaten.

Mr. John A. Woodward, associate editor of the Farm Journal, was then introduced, and he proceeded to tell "how the bars should be let down." This gentleman is a practical farmer. The chief object of his essay was to show farmers the great necessity of caretaking on the farm. He was tendered a vote of thanks.

The little daughters of John Eves, Lulu and Beba, then treated the audience to a song with organ accompaniment.

Miss Julia O. Loos chose to entertain the audience by giving them a chapter on "Character Farming," which she did in a very clear and able manner. Many truths were expressed by the essayist. Although it had no reference to the cultivation of the earth it seemed in perfect harmony with the essay of Mr. Woodward. She was tendered a vote of thanks.

The program being exhausted the discussion of the fruit question was taken up by Mr. Northup. He advocated the spraying process. At the conclusion of his remarks several questions were asked and Mr. Sisson answered them briefly. Adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.
Glee Club rendered a beautiful selection. Miss Maggie Eves gave a recitation which was followed by Edith H. Cutler, reading part of Whittier's "Maggie Megaw."

Another selection of music and B. O. Gabe, the lecturer of the evening was introduced, who chose for his subject "Popular's Altruism." He expounded the idea that it was necessary for a person to become old before attempting to gain distinction, and that "honesty was the best policy." Honesty is not a policy but a principle. Many other old sayings were shown in their true light.

The Glee Club sang the Duck song after which Sisson was called for, who responded by singing "The Farmer Boy." Adjourned.



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How Is It?

Has our great country, the land of boasted liberty, flowing with "milk and honey," merged into a great gambling pool? Has it become a mere machine for speculation, plunder and legal robbery? What are the signs of the times? We hear of uncertain sounds that meanings of which it is hard to interpret.

The chains of oppression are binding tighter and tighter the toiling masses. Taxation is burthening more and more the people who are struggling with poverty to win a living.

The New York Commercial Advertiser says, "What interviews with many leading business men as to the prospects for 1899 reveal an almost unanimous belief that the coming year will be one of unusual prosperity."

A study of the above paragraph suggests the following questions—What is business and industry? What is the business of the laborer? What is the business of the farmer? What is the business of the stock market and pool rooms in Wall Street, or do they figure in corporations, monopolies and syndicates? Assuredly property from that source means greater adversity to the toiling millions of our own race.

source of all wealth, but it has been robbed of its fruits. Production is the fruit of labor and the produce piled up to pyramids of millions by stock gamblers, corporations and monopolies are the results of which they never produce a dollar.

A dollar, says the editor of the New York State Society, the editor of the Farmer judged the exhibit of vegetables under the charge of James Vick, Seedman, of Rochester, N. Y. This firm offered \$450 in prizes for the best and second best of certain varieties of the following six vegetables grown from seed purchased of them: Potatoes, Tomatoes, Celery, Cauliflower, Cabbage and Musk Melon.

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The verdict was recorded by Judge Archibald, but when Judge Connelly, who tried the case, heard of the verdict he went upon the bench and had the jurors summoned before him. The judge told them they were a disgrace to the intelligence of Lackawanna County; that their action made a farce of a court of justice, and that the utter contempt in which the court held such a verdict, he would now publicly disgrace them, by discharging them from further service on this panel of jurors; also that their names be preserved, and that the jury commissioners, and whoever judges would be called to the jury wheel, might take notice that one of the twelve should hereafter be drawn as jurors in this county.

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One hundred years ago this venerable woman was interested in private grounds near Fredericksburg, Virginia. In 1833, the cornerstone of an imposing "monument" was laid by President Andrew Jackson. A patriotic citizen of New York assumed the project, single-handed, but meeting with financial disaster, was compelled to abandon it.

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The publishers of the HOME-MARKET, of which Marion Harland is the editor, offer, as their contribution to the good cause, a special issue of the next annual subscription on the 1st of the Magazine sent in during the next six months. Every such subscription must be accompanied by the words, "For Mary Washington Monument."

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On the question of home patronage the Wilkes-Barre Record comments as follows: "Patrons of the Record will be ready to acknowledge that a paper has ever been ready to advocate the interests of our home merchants and business men as contrasted with those of firms which do business here through agents, and with peddlers, fakirs, managers of bankrupt estates, etc. The plea has time and again been made in these columns that the interests of our citizens lay in patronizing their fellow townsmen, even though there was an apparent advantage of a few cents in the bargain offered by the outsiders. The cause of our business men has been generally advocated without money and without price, and those seeking the benefit have read with nods and smiles of approval. Now let a word be added in behalf of another class of business men who have been championed of their causes and have been too modest to say much for themselves. The point may be made by quoting the following from the Westville Record: "The article was written for Potsville merchants, but appeals with far greater force to the business men of Wilkes-Barre. 'Our town merchants have succeeded in inducing competition in every department of trade, but how have they read with nods and smiles of approval. Now let a word be added in behalf of another class of business men who have been championed of their causes and have been too modest to say much for themselves. The point may be made by quoting the following from the Westville Record: "The article was written for Potsville merchants, but appeals with far greater force to the business men of Wilkes-Barre. 'Our town merchants have succeeded in inducing competition in every department of trade, but how have they read with nods and smiles of approval. Now let a word be added in behalf of another class of business men who have been championed of their causes and have been too modest to say much for themselves. The point may be made by quoting the following from the Westville Record: "The article was written for Potsville merchants, but appeals with far greater force to the business men of Wilkes-Barre. 'Our town merchants have succeeded in inducing competition in every department of trade, but how have they read with nods and smiles of approval. Now let a word be added in