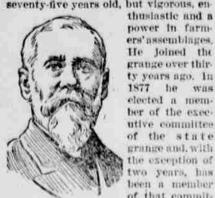
THE GRANGE

Conducted by J. W. DARROW, Chatham, N. Y., Press Correspondent New York State

HON, THOMAS MARS,

One of the Foremost Patrons of Mich-

ignn and Ex-State Senator. A strong pillar in the grange of Michigan, a successful and prominent farm er, the name of Thomas Mars is well nigh a household word in the country homes of the Wolverine State. He is seventy-five years old, but vigorous, en-



ers'assemblages. He Joined the grange over thirty years ago. In 1877 he was elected a member of the executive committee of the state grange and, with the exception of two years, has been a member of that commit-

BON, THOMAS MARS. tee until the present time and is now chairman thereof.

From 1887 to 1892 he was master of the state grange. During this period he devoted nearly all his time in traveling over the state, visiting nearly every grange, and the success of the Order in Michigan is due in no small degree to Brother Mars' able efforts and energy. During these years he was a leader in the fight against the plaster combine and patent sharks.

Thomas Mars has a large and fine farm and a beautiful home near Berrien Center, Mich. He has been state senator, member of the board of control of the state public school, county agent of the state board of corrections and charities and has held many other offices of a minor or local nature

MICHIGAN STATE GRANGE.

Eighty New Granges Organized the Past Year.

One of the live grange states is Michigan. The thirty-second annual session, held at Lansing, Mich., was a most important one. Worthy Master George B. Horton of Fruit Ridge reported good progress during the year. Eighty granges have been added to the list and the total membership is well along toward 50,000. He reported that during the year \$200,000 in sales had been made under grange contracts covering woven wire fencing, binder twine, fertilizer, etc. He stated that the saving will be \$20,000 to the purchasers.

The report of the secretary of the Patrons' Mutual Fire Insurance company showed that it is carrying \$4,200,364 in risks in 2,956 policies. The committee on co-operation recommended that the scope of the information bureau established in Lansing be extended to make it a commission house. Resolutions were adopted on the following topics: Providing for the public ownership of railroads, recommending the election of dairy and food commission. in favor of using the influence of the grange to prevent discriminations in freight rates in favor of large corporations, favoring a law that will provide for the nomination of governor, lieutenant governor and members of the state legislature by direct vote and the use of the same system in countles which ask for it by a majority vote.

Hon. George B. Horton was re-elected state master, as were also the efficlent lecturer, Mrs. F. D. Saunders of Rockford, and Secretary Miss Jennie Buel of Ann Arbor. The place of the next meeting of the state grange is Grand Rapids.

Indiana State Grange.

The thiry-fourth annual session of the Indiana state grange was held at Marion, Ind., Hon, Aaron Jones, worthy master, presiding. He reported twentyone new granges organized during the past year and six reorganized. He commended the fraternal spirit manifested among the members of the Order throughout the state, was pleased to note the development of better methods in the management of farms and said that the Order should be extended into every township in the state. He favors the field meetings in the summer time as a means to this end. The report of the committee on co-operation showed that the membership has been benefited by co-operation in buying binder twine and fertilizer. The amount expended for the latter was \$6,-889, and the committee estimated a saving of \$5 per ton on the purchase of fertilizer through their contracts. making the saving \$2,280 on this trade alone.

Co-operation In New Jersey. Burlington county, N. J., has the banner in the amount of business conducted, between \$30,000 and \$40,000 worth of business being transacted, with a saving of \$10,000 to the Patrons. Cumberland county has built three new halls the past year, at a cost of \$6,500. The secretary of the Grange Mutual Insurance company reports policies aggregating \$8,000,000, with only \$14,-000 in losses, the past year and \$15,000 now in the treasury.

Houlton (Me.) grange runs a co-operative store which did a \$60,000 business the past year. Now it is to erect a blacksmith shop 24 by 60 feet in size and equip it with modern appliances. They do things in Maine.

Ex-United States Consul Judge Cales is an officer in the Evening Star range, No. 27, of Oregon.

Governor C. J. Bell has been re-electmaster of the Vermont state grange.

THE ORDER FLOURISHING.

Brief Reports of the Condition of the Grange In Various States.

New Hampshire reports 266 subordinate and 19 Pomona granges, and 100 members of the Order were elected to the last legislature. Pennsylvania reports nearly 7,000 new members the past year. Maine now has 374 subordinate granges and 24 Pomona granges. The total state membership is 45,772, Thirteen new grange halls were erected the past year in that state, costing on an average \$3,700, the most expensive one costing \$14,500. One subordinate grange in that state has a membership of about 800. New York has organized 32 new granges the past year and has dedicated 7 grange halls. The gain in membership is between 5,000 and 6,000 for the year. Kansas has added 6,000 to the membership during the past year. One fire insurance company in that state carries risks to the value of more than \$3,200,-000. Rhode Island reports fair prosperity for the grange. Mutual fire insurance companies report a saying of 50 per cent on the cost of insurance. Maryland reports progress, Michigan

has added eighty-one granges the past year, making 719 granges in the state, with 44,013 members. There are about twenty county and district fire insurance companies in the state, the average cost of Insurance on each \$1,000 being about \$1.25 per annum. They have \$20,000 in the state treasury. Four hundred grange halls are owned by subordinate granges. There are twenty-four in one county. West Virginia is rapidly coming to the front. There are about 100 granges in good standing. New Jersey has increased Its membership about 2,000 the past

Topics For Discussion in the Grange. Will the exclusive use of commercial fertilizers tend to impoverish land when used continuously?

Is the food value of a ton of corn either increased or diminished by putting it into a silo?

Should a farmer join the grange merely to make or save money by so doing?

Is the abolition of corporal punishment in our common schools proving a blessing or an injury to the youth of our country?

Is it possible for manufacturers of farm implements to sell direct to farmers and dispense entirely with agents? Does improved machinery increase or decrease the cost of production of a crop, everything being taken into con-

deration? Is it equitable and fair for one locallty that has already built good roads to be taxed for the improvement of roads in other localities where roads are unimproved?

The Subordinate Grange.

The subordinate grange is the basic stone of our Order, and without it we could not succeed, says State Master Gaunt of New Jersey. It is the strong link in the chain that binds this great farmers' organization together from ocean to ocean. The influence and usefulness of the Pomona state and national granges depend upon good work done by our subordinates. It behooves us as Patrons to look well to the great superstructure upon which the order rests. Let each be a farmers' school where the mind and can be cultured, the vision be broaden ed and life made worth living.

An Enterprising Maine Grange. Wesaweskeag grange, up in Maine,

is noted for something besides its name. This grange, we learn from the Maine Farmer, is to acquire title to a small farm property at South Thomaston, whereon it will erect or remodel one of the present buildings into a commodious grange hall. The hall will be on the second floor, with banquet hall, kitchen, pantry and other facilities on the first floor. This will involve an expense of about \$500, and the money for the entire deal is in sight. The property cost \$1,300.

The Grange In Illinois. We have added eight granges to our rolls during the year and increased our membership about 20 per cent. The profits to the membership, so far as reported for the three quarters past, by co-operation in buying supplies and disposing of products, were about 14 per cent as compared with the local prices. Our dealings reach from the disposing of products in the east to the buying of fruit in Washington and California.-Oliver Wilson, State Master of Illinois.

\$6.15 to Washington D. O. and Return via Readin Railway.

For the Inauguration of President Roosevelt at Washington, D. C., Saturday, March 4, 1905 the Reading Railway will sell special excursion tickets from stations named below to Washington, D. C., via Philadelphia and B. & O. R. R., at low rates noted: Danville 6.15

6.15 Bloomsburg 6.15 Catawissa These tickets will be good going March 2, 3 and 4; returning, leav-

inclusive. Stop-over allowed at Philadelphia on deposit of ticket with agent but passenger must reach Washington not tater than March 4, and returning must leave Philadelphia not later than March 8, 1905. Extension of return limit for ten days may be secured on payment of one dollar at Washington.

ing Washington to March 8, 1905,

For full particulars consult ticket Sugarloaf Township 16 3t

Annual Statement OF THE-**BLOOM POOR DISTRICT**

For the year ending Jan. 1st, 1905. ALMSHOUSE AND EXPENSES. Labor
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Chas A Armstrong,
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Mrs Thos Brown
Wm A Stewart.
Clark and Mary Chrisman.
Jacob Martz.
Ann Muffley
Geo Giliaspy
John Ward
Mrs John McCormick
Geo b'inderliter
Thos Erndt
Frank Jones
Lacy Wertman
Geo Schuler.
Wilda Shoemaker.
Edward Shoemaker.
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J Martin.
Alfred Evans.
Fred Rubenstein.
Wille Busy. Willie Busy... Wm Kressler Geo Ivey and wife. Daniel Garmar...... A Y Hess..... Ingold and wife. Mrs Seweis...... Joe Witts...... Lydia Hayman. W R McGaw.....

Jas Laycock..... Lioyd Giger.... Mrs Jas Kinsley Mrs Jas Kinsiey
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Mrs Wm Stanfield
Mat Doyle
Mrs Geo Wertman
Stephen Hill
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H Swisher
John Schrey
Mrs Daniel Ingold
Wm Mitched
Jerry Gensil
Wm Hopper
Wm Javons
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O T Wilson,
Clem R Welss, Secretary
M B Hock and wife, steward
and matron.
Auditors 1993.
Appraisers and Clerk, Inv.
Jan. 2, 1904
Wm C Johnston, Solicitor
Dr F W Redeker
Dr J C Rutter
Dr J R Wolf.
Dr Dr M Hess
Jr E Everett
Dr M H Smithgall 700 00 15 00 25 00 76 00 80 00 10 00 15 00 15 00 \$1444 20 ORDERS FOR DISCOUNT. \$500 00 1500 02 700 00 500 06 1000 00 300 06 1507 00 800 01 700 00 850 00 1000 00 2100 00 2100 00 \$14550.00 RECAPITULATION. Almshouse and expenses \$1289 52
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Sundry expenses 87-98
Out door relief add for 1908 247 63
Out door relief paid for 1804 2983 39
Quarantine cases for Bloom 25-82
Quarantine cases for Sugarloaf township 174 99 174 59 1444 20 14850 00

Order No. 208 overdrawn and Bloom Poor District in account with WM. H. HIDLAY, Treas. WM. H. HIDLAY, Treas.
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to Elisworth Shaffer.
Expenses paid by Elisworth Shaffer. 75 00 20 00 1975 00 1204 67 orders discounted
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cash returned by Secretary
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45c, too much \$ 5247 38 \$4383 63 863 75

COMPARISON OF ACCOUNTS OF SECRE-TARY AND TREASURERS. Secretary's Account. Orders drawn for year 1904......\$25707 48 Less orders unpaid of 1904..... 2067 93 Treasurers' Accounts. Wm H Hidlay, Treas.

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MILLVILLE BORO.

D C Shoemaker, Collector, 1904.

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\$5463 00 Resources over liabilities \$6395-16 We, the undersigned auditors of the Bloom Poor District, so needby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Secreta y and Treasurers of said District and find them cor-rect as set forth in the above statement.

J. M. LARISH,
P. H. FREEZE,
W. H. GROH,
BOYD TRESCOFF,
Auditors,

VALUE OF REAL ESTATE AND PER-S NAL PROPERTY.

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Taxes due f.om Collectors:
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Provisions.
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" Infrimary.
" Men's Almshouse
" Women's "
Coal cellar, shovels, &c...... 818459 85 \$26059 19 Number of paupers at last report... Number admitted during the year. Number of births. Discharged.

No, from Bloom:
Thos Fowler
Geo Lenhart
Mrs Searis (Mowery)
No, from Green wood Township:
Mary Sands
Ann Parker
No. from Seott Township:
Mike O'Neal
Ed Thomas
Whit Gowling
No, from Sugarloaf Township:
Jerusha Hess
No, cared for Berwick:
John Rice
No, cared for Mt. Pleasant:
Thos b Davis
Signed:

Signed: W. B. ALLEN, CHANDLEE EVES, O. T. WILSON, Directors, Attest: CLEM R. WEI'S, Sec'y.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of sundry writs of Fl. Fa. issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pennsylvania and to me directed there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsbury, county and state afore said on

SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 1905, at two o'clock p. m., the following described real estate, to wit: All that certain lot, piece and parcel of land s'tuate in the township of Locust, county and state aforesaid, bounded and described as tollows: On the north and east by a public road, on the south and west by lands of Wm. B. Snyder, containing

FOUR ACRES OF LAND.

be the same more or less. Being the sam premises which Harriet Yeager conveyed to L. H. Berninger by deed dated March 81st, 1902. Whereon are erected a

TWO-STORY DWELLING HOUSE, BANK BARN

and other out-buildings. Setzed, taken in execution at the suits of Je remiah anyder, now to use of C. C. Mensch, vs L. H. Berninger, and Wilson Rhoades, and to be sold as the property of L. H. Berninger. KREISHER and MENECH, W. W. BLACK, Attorneys.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. 8 2315 21 Estate of Reuben Boston, late of Pishingcreek township, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Reuben Boston, late of Fishingcreek twp., deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrators to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to W. A. BOSTON.) Advinistrators E. M. BOSTON.) of Reuben Boston A. N. Yost, Attorney.

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