way for any one of my rivals whom the General Assembly may select. When I joined the Kuights of Labor I left the transaction. I believe the aims and objects of our Order come first; I believe in combining all scattered battalions of Labors mighty host in one grand whole. Labor saving inventions, steam and electricity have forever broken the power of one trade or division of labor to stand and legislate for itself alone, and with the class that selfishly legislates for itself alone I have no sympathy.

Well may we say of the men who are fighting us: "Forgive them Father for they know not what they do.' Break the power of the Knights of Labor and you hand labor, bound hand and foot, over to its enemies-Years ago I extended an invitation to men of all trades to become a part and parcel of the Knights of Labor. To-day I stand ready to make every honorable concession, to do everything in honor to bring about a better feeling between trades-unions and the Knights of Labor. At the special session of General Assembly the entire trouble can and must be settled. If mistakes have been made, they must be rectified; if wrongs have been inflicted, they must be righted. But there is one thing that will not be done while I stand at the head of this organization-it will not be used to further the schemes of individuals, or parties, and it will be subordinate to no other organization on earth.

> T. V. POWDERCY, General Master Workman.

APPLE TREES IN LOVE.

Henry Ward Beesher

It makes no difference that you have seen forty or fifty springs; each one is as new, every process as fresh. and the charms as fascinating, gas if you had never witnessed a single one Nature works the same things without seeming repetition. There for insince our beyhood it has been doing apple tree! the same thing; standing low to the ground, with a round and homely head, without an element of grandeur or poetry, except once a year. In the month of May apple trees go a court ing. Love is evermore father of poetry, and the month of May finds the orchard no longer a plain, sober, business affair, but the gayest and most radiant frolicker of the year. We have seen human creaturas whose ordinary life was dutiful and prosaic; but when some extraordinary excitement of grief or more likely, of deep love, had thoroughly mastered them, they breke forth into a richness of feeling, an inspiration of sentiment, that mounted up into the very kingdom of beauty, and for the transient hour they glowed with the elements of poetry. And so to us seems an apple tree. From June to May, it is a homely, duty-performing, sober, matter-of-fact tree. But May seems to stir up a love heat in its veins.

The old round-topped, crooked trunked, and ungainly-boughed fellow drops all world-ways, and takes to itself a new idea of life. Those little stubbed spurs, that, all the year, had seemed like rheumatic fingers, or thumbs and fingers stiflened naked are light about 158 candles and stubbed by work, now are trans- only 89 candles being ordinarily avail formed. Forth put they a little head able on account of the shading of of buds, which a few rains and days arc:lights. The gas from one pound of encouraging warmth solicit to a of bituminous coal yieldsfrom 14 to cluster of blossoms. At first rosy 17 candles. The greater economy of and pink, then opening purely white. fuel in electric lighting is offset by the And, now, where is your old, homely increased expense for machinery and tree? All its crookadness is hidden attention. by the sheets of blossoms. The whole top is changed to a royal dome. The liberal, fruit:bearing tree is trans: servant near Glasgow, some time ago figured, and glows with raiment sent Mr. Gladstone a pair of woolen whiter and purer than any white linen. socks knitted by herself. Mr. Glad-It is a marvel and a glory! What if stone had written saying he has reyou have seen it before, ten thousand ceived the socks and thanking her for times aver? An apple tree in full fulfilling the kind promise she made blossom is like a a message, sent fresh from heaven to earth, of purity and cross. Mr. Gladstone adds that he beauty! We walk around it re: verently and admiringly. We are never tired of looking at its profusion. Homely as it ordinarily is, yet it speaks of the munificence of God bet: ter than any other tree.

The oak proclaims strength and rugged simplicity. The hickory uage of gentility. The pine is a solitary, stately fellow. Even in forests each tree stands alone, and has a sad. Castillian pride. The elm is a prince Grace and glory are upon its head CRAT.

In our Northern fields it has no peer. But none of these speak such thoughts of abundance, such prodigal and munificient richness, such lavish, unspar: ing generosity, as this same plain and homely apple tree. The very Glory of God seems resting upon it! It is a little inverted hemisphere, like that above it, and it daily mimics witl: bud and bloom the stars that nightly blossom out into the darkness above it. Though its hour of glory is short into it is concentrated a magnificence which puts all the more stately trees

into the back ground. If men will

not admire, insects and birds will! There, on the very topmost twig, that rises and falls with willowy mo tion, sits that ridiculous but sweet singing bobolink, singing as a Roman candle fizzes showers of spark ling notes. It you stand at noon under the tree you are in a very bee hive. The tree is musical. The blossoms seem for a wonder, to have a voice! The odor is not a rank atmosphere of sweets. Like the cups from which it is poured, it is delicate and modest. is poured, it is delicate and modest. You feel as if there were a timidity in it, that asked your sympathy and yielded to solicitation. You do not rather than find it. Is not this gentle reserve, that yields to real admiration, but hovers aloof from coarse of cold indifference, a beautiful trait in woman or apple tree?

But was there ever such a spring Did orchards ever before praise God with such choral colors? The whole landscape is aglow with orchard radiance. The hillsides, the valleys, the fields, are full of blossoming trees-

The pear and cherry have shed their blossome. The ground is white as snow with their flakes. But it is high noon just now, on this eighteeth day of May, with the apple tree! Let other trees beast their superiority in other months. But in the month of fully, May, the very flower month of the stance, is the apple tree. Every year | year, the crown and glory of all is the | Ohio FORM.

> Therefore, in my calendar, hereafter, I do ordain that the name of this month be changed. Instead of May, let it henceforth be called in my King' dom," The month of the Apple Blossom.'

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