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STATE GRANGE MEETINGS. Prepare Now to Make Them Interest-

The state grange sessions will be held soon. It subordinate or Pomona granges have any resolutions to pregranges bave any resolutions to present to the state grange prepare them carefully and instruct your delegates as to your wishes thereon. There are only a few days of the state grange, and business is pressing. There is no tisne them to get a lot of undigested matter in shape. Upon questions of importance let there be careful attention given by delegates that they may be able to vote intelligently and to take part in the discussions of measures, if wise or necessary. The questions of sufficient importance to engage the time of the state grange are or should be. However in every grange and a careful study of the matter made that the delegate may be wisely instructed.

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Occasionally a delegate goes to the state grange thoroughly unprepared to vote intelligently. He looks about help-lessly to see how others are voting. Perchance some one has stoken forcefully to another question and thereby won the admiration of our uninformed friend. No matter whether he is right our this question or not or whether or not hoss thoroughly informed, the ignoant yoter votes as he does. Fortunate-y such cases are rare. The resolutions of the state grange

reflect the senting of the best class of farmers, and public men and econo-mists look to them as the key to public opinion. They compare the resolutions year-by-year and are quick to detect any charge. Let all the resolutions be carefully worded and worthy of a great and powerful body of men and women who wheak for the millions of farmer whether organized or unorganized. Farm and Fireside.

WHAT THE SOUTH WANTS.

The Policy of Protection a Blessing te Her People.

The south is growing in all of the departments of industries, and the pol-

of pretection is a blessing to be ple. Under the Dingley tariff bit people. Under the Dingley tariff bill one of the leading industries is protected, the sugar industry. The people of Louisiania have invested millions of dollars to make it a possibility, and it would be an outrage to strike at its very foundation. The interest of the laborer is involved, and could it be destroyed without bringing disaster to the home and fireside of thousands of families, who depend upon the existence of that industry for a living? We would appreciate the climination of all arguments intended to reduce the tariff on the Cuban sugar. Will the congress of the United States take action gress of the United States take action detrimental to the interests of the south? Or will it stand by the princi-ples that have the embodiment of all the elements essential to promote the interest of the republic, since the mag nitide of the policy of protection is in evidence in every avenue of our commercial life? Every schoolboy in the land and every student of society is mindful of the prosperous condition of our country under the system of protection to home industry. Our timber, our rice, our sugar, our manufactories, are demanding protection at the hands of the American congress, and it would be in keeping, with the sentiment and of the American congress, and it would be in keeping, with the sentiment and the attitude of statesmen that have given their best days to advance this policy, such men as Webster, Hamilton and others too numerous to mention. We are copposed to any concession to Cuba or any other nation that would have a tendency to destroy a home industry. — New Orleans Advogate 1.

THE FARMER.

As Others See Him and as Seen by Himself.

J. T. Ailman, secretary of the Pennvania state grange, remarks that ently at a grange picnic a gentlenan, not a farmer, extolled the farmer of the skies. As he saw it, the farmer of the most independent man in the hand. He can scarcely know a want that he cannot himself supply. His wife enjoys a paradise, and his children are the healthlest, happlest and most contented to be found anywhere. There is nothing of which he can justly

complain. : : Soon after a farmer who owns two good farms and a house in town was

The farmer is not respected by any body. He gets no public recognition.
When he goes among other people he is succeed at as only a farmer. He is discriminated against by legislators and business men. He pays the bulk of the taxes, and others fix his prices for him. A \$200 check will be required to pay my taxes this year. I am tired of it. My properties are in the market."

There is some truth in what the first man said, too much truth in the statement of the second. The mission of the grange is to realize for the farm as far as possible the dreams of the first and correct the evils complained of by

A Real Gangers' Fair.

The Pomona gradge of Center county. Pa., owns the beautiful fair grounds in that county, with all the buildings and other fixtures, including several hun dred tents which are occupied by Patrons and their families during the week's outing. The large and beautiful

brick hall of /Progress grance stands

as arrangements. Its cost was several thousands of dollars. It has 147 members, and at their fair and encampment this sear their was a large exhibit in all denterments. The large auditorium was filled in the afternoon to listen to addresses and music and in the evening addresses and music and in the evening to enjoy a varied programme of enter-tainments, music, singing, drills, recitations, plays, etc., furnished by the members of the granges near by and their families.

An Up to Date New Jersey Grange. Moorestown (N. J.) grange has a membership of about 275. The mem-bers have purchased fertilizer material to the sum of \$23,322.69, potatoes for to the sum of \$23,322.69, potatoes for seed \$5,069.94, grass seed \$916, truck and machinery \$573 and selling in merchandise \$3.508.10. The grange owns a commodious three story brick building on the main street, centrally located. The basement is fitted up with range and every convenience and comfort. A dumb waiter passes from the kitchen to the grange room on the upper floor. to the grange room on the upper floor. A speaking tube takes the "word" from the anteroom upward to the inner gate.

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