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In every new style and shape shown for fall or winter.

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## THE GRANGE

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

### A PERMANENT INSTITUTION.

Past, Present and Future of the  
Grange—It Has Come to Stay.

The Iowa Farmer, in an editorial entitled "The Living Grange," gives an interesting review of the past, present and future of the Order in that state. It says:

Our older readers are all familiar with the history of the grange—its origin in the seventies and mighty protest against some evils under which farmers were suffering, its permanent influence on legislation, as shown by the phrases in common use—granger legislation, granger railroads, etc.—and of the wrecking of the grange in so many western states because its leaders and the people generally paid more attention to the immediate work of correcting present evils than to the permanent work of developing the social and intellectual side of the farmer's life.

It may be noted in passing that not only did the grange establish in the highest court of the land the right of the people to regulate railroads, but out of the grange grew most of the co-operative movements that have been so effective in recent years. In Iowa, for example, the mutual insurance companies grew for the most part out of the grange; to a less extent co-operative creameries, co-operative stores and factories. This we believe to be true in all other states. It naturally would be. When people learn to know each other by meeting monthly or semi-monthly for social enjoyment, for comparison of views on public matters or the study of agricultural questions, partisan animosities are broken down, and they begin to understand each other and are thus able to co-operate for every good work.

In the west comparatively few of the original granges remain, but these are centers of agricultural life wherever we find them. A second generation is now coming up under grange influence, and we do not believe there is one of these living granges anywhere existing which has not had a marked effect for the better in every department of agricultural life. Happy is the community that has a grange hall and regular meetings, where young and old, rich and poor, men and women, boys and girls, meet all together and thus come to know each other and become unified in sentiment and in aim. In this respect the grange meets a long felt want, and it would be a blessed thing for the entire western country if the grange or some other organization covering the same field and conducted on the same plan or similar lines were organized.

Of all the farm organizations that have been organized in the last thirty years the grange is the only one that remains. The farmers' alliance movement sprang up like Jonah's gourd in a night, spread over the country like wildfire, lived a life of intense activity for a few years and then passed away. It had a great deal to do with political parties, and its spirit to some extent remains, but it did not touch the real intellectual and social life of the farmer. So with the Farmers' Mutual Benefit association, and so it will be with all similar associations which are organized in time of some specific object and then pass away as soon as that object has been accomplished or has clearly failed of accomplishment and social life goes down deeper; it takes hold of the social, intellectual and business life of the community, and when once established and held true to its original purpose it is there, like a church, to stay, while organizations that are intended for political effect pass away in a very few years. All honor to the men who organized the grange and have held it true to its original purpose.

### FAITH OF THE FOUNDER.

A Story of the First Missionary Work  
For the Grange.

A characteristic story of Mr. O. H. Kelley, the founder of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry, is given below, taken from the forthcoming "History of the Grange," by the editor of this department. It was immediately following a session of the national grange in Washington, at which time it was decided to send Secretary Kelley out to do the first missionary work for the new Order, to visit the different states and interest the farmers in the work of organization.

The time for missionary work had come. Some one must go out into the harvest field and gather the harvest these enthusiastic founders of the Order believed to be ready for the gathering, so on an afternoon in April, 1868, Secretary Kelley started for Harrisburg. He relates an amusing interview with William Saunders, the treasurer of the national grange. He was seated at his desk, and as he handed him some blank dispensations for him to sign Brother Kelley remarked in a joking way:

"Here I am, ready to start."  
"Start for where?" Mr. Saunders asked.

"I have bought a ticket for Harrisburg and stop there the first place. I propose to work my way to Minnesota, organizing granges."

"Have you got any money?"  
"I have about \$2.50 of grange funds, but intend to pay my way as I go."

"Well, you are a fool to start on such a trip."

"Can't help that. Fool or no fool, you shall hear from me, and I'll make the organization a success or bust."

The faith of this man was remarkable, for there were discouraging times before him, such as he had scarcely dreamed of, but perseverance such as his overcomes all obstacles, so he went out to the work.

### Not Yet.

The country is not yet ready to forget the four years of Cleveland disaster between 1893 and 1897.—Camden (N. J.) Post-Telegram.

## BASE BALL At Forksville Fair.

The Dushore, Bernice and Hillsgrove Teams  
will Contest for the Championship of  
Sullivan County.

Wednesday Oct. 5, 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 6, 1 p.m.  
DUSHORE BERNICE  
VS VS  
HILLSGROVE. WINNER.  
Of Wednesday's Game.

All These Teams are Strong Ones, Each Claiming the  
Championship, and Lovers of Base Ball will Enjoy  
a Rare Treat.

## The Judge Denounces Lie.

Scouten's Dushore Herald contained an attack on Judge Dunham in last week issue, based on an affidavit of M. F. Mathews. While we were of the opinion that no sensible man would believe the charges against Judge Dunham, we submitted the matter to him and his reply appears below in the form of an affidavit. And thus ends lie No. 1.

State of Pennsylvania, ss  
County of Sullivan,

E. M. Dunham being duly sworn says, that he has read the affidavit published in the Sullivan Herald of Sept. 21, 1904, purporting to be made by M. F. Mathews relative to the prosecution against John G. Scouten for obtaining an assignment of a judgement by false pretence, commenced by Jos. S. Molyneux. That he was employed in the case mentioned, having been employed the same as in any case by a client. That he never went to see Jos. S. Molyneux to induce him to bring the prosecution against John G. Scouten for obtaining an assignment of a judgement by false pretence, commenced by Jos. S. Molyneux. That he has never paid any of the costs in the case, nor has he ever been asked to do so. And no one ever hinted to him he was under any obligations to do so. In fact, that he had nothing whatever to do with the case, except to help try it same as other cases. That the costs were equally divided between the prosecutor and John G. Scouten defendant.

E. M. DUNHAM.

Sworn and subscribed before me  
this 27th day of September 1904.

THO. E. KENNEDY, Proth.

### A Truth Well Stated.

We are very much pleased that the press of the country is taking an interest in the advancement of the grange. We recognize that it is one of the most powerful auxiliaries in our land, and we trust that the same pleasant relationship that now exists between it and the Order may be maintained. Organization is the watchword of the hour, and if the grange keeps pace with those engaged in other pursuits there must be a close affinity between it and the press. The grange is the only farmers' organization that has its connecting links from ocean to ocean and from the gulf to the great lakes. It will continue to grow and prosper so long as secularism and partisanship shall be kept outside its gates.—E. B. Norris, Master New York State Grange.

### Field Meetings in Ohio.

Large and enthusiastic meetings of Patrons of Husbandry have been held in Ohio. State Master Derthick, Governor N. J. Bacheelder of New Hampshire, Hon. W. W. Miller, secretary state board of agriculture of Ohio, and Governor Herrick were among the speakers. At the Mantua picnic there were over 5,000 present. Governor Herrick extended the welcome of the state to Governor Bacheelder. After the exercises the two governors and State Master Derthick held a reception, and hundreds greeted the distinguished officers. Two granges from different sections of the state chartered trolley cars and attended the Lancaster meeting in a body.

### FUEL MAY SELL AT \$1.00 PER TON.

Scranton Man Claims Invention by Which  
Cakes of Culm Coal May be Used for  
Fuel.

John R. Reible, of Scranton, who recently invented a switchlock and thrower, now comes forward with another discovery which may revolutionize the culm industry and accomplish that which others have failed to do. He claims to have discovered the chemical process of caking culm for fuel purposes and to substantiate his claim made a practical test of the discovery. He had prepared three grades of culm, the finest dust, the rifted culm and the culm just as it was taken from the dump which he used in making the test.

These were formed into the size of small stove coal and placed in an ordinary range at seven o'clock and allowed to burn at a high pressure until eleven o'clock when the stove was dampened off for the night, and the culm was covered over with the regular anthracite coal used in the stove. In the morning he discovered that the anthracite had burned away and crumbled to fine ashes while the culm blocks remained intact and burned through and only crumbled after being broken with the shaker. They were as hard as stones when put into the stove, and burned as readily as coal, but did not kink like former culm cakes have done when tested.

Mr. Reible claims the culm blocks can be made into any size to be used in any kind of a stove or furnace.

He further claims that his discovery is water proof and non-explosive and is harmless and can be made up cheaply at possibly a dollar a ton or less.

## Business Men Are Satisfied.

The business men are opposed to any change in the Government at this time, Senator Aldrich says, and he is in a good position to know their feeling. Business is improving, and when every element of doubt has been removed in November it will quickly show a more rapid advance.

The cotton crop is expected to exceed that of any previous crop in the history of the country. Wheat is short but selling at a high price, and in every way the farmers are prospering. They want no change of government. It could do them only harm. And no one else could be benefited, unless it be such Democratic politicians as expect to get offices and such corporations as fear the enforcement of the law.

Should Parker by any chance be elected in November all would be uncertainty. His party denounces the tariff as robbery, wants the Philippine Islands discarded, and the back track taken generally. What could be the result excepting doubt, a change from certainty to uncertainty and the distress that would follow, just as it did under the last Cleveland administration.

### Sullivan County Court.

In re: estates of J. B. Magargel decd. and W. C. Rogers decd. rule granted to sell real estate.

Eliza M. Gardner vs Frank Gardner. Divorce decreed.

Comth. vs Mrs. Lewis Gratta. Verdict not guilty.

Comth. vs Chas. Bryan—threats. Bail forfeited.

James McFarlane vs Michael Collins. Settled.

Cases in divorce disposed with as follows:

Daniel Suber vs Emma Suber—alias subpoena awarded.

William Wallizer vs Katie Wallizer—advertisement directed made.

Samuel Epler vs Gertrude Epler: Emma L. Tubach vs Emil Tubach—J. H. Bohn appointed commissioner.

Robert F. Bradley vs Isabel Bradley: Cora Williams vs David E. Williams: Lena Decker vs William Decker—A. B. Kilmer is appointed commissioner to take testimony.

Amy L. Meyers vs Fletcher Meyers—sheriff directed to make publication.

Austin Brown vs Cora Brown—divorce decreed.

Comth. vs Charles Bryan—malicious mischief. Verdict, not guilty and prosecutor to pay cost.

Chas. W. Kelley vs Henry Battin; judgment entered.

Patrick Hannon vs Henry J. Cook; judgment entered.

Robt. Stormont (use) vs Virginia Brewster; Proth. directed to amend the record.

Naturalization of James Spence Jr. William Brown and Tony Columbus. Petition to view road in Davidson twp. Viewers—James Bennett, N. Person and J. C. Pennington.

Comth. vs Arthur Currie—arson; True bill. Deft. to appear at next term or forfeit bail.

In re: Petition for guardian of Joseph Gansel; date of hearing, Oct. 22, at court house.

### SONESTOWN.

Mrs. Rebecca Arins, who for a long time has been endeavoring to get a widow's pension, has at last won her claim and lately received \$582.73.

J. Thomas Laird of Berks county, spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Laird. He is well pleased with his work of telegraph operating.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Harkie Dewald, September 22, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Freas were called to Benton Saturday to see his sister who was very ill. They returned Sunday with the good news that she was better.

Mr. B. G. Welsh preached a grand sermon last Sunday evening, that caused one to stop and consider on his way of living. If we could hear more of that kind of sermon the world would be the better for it.

Harry Phillips of Jersey Shore, is visiting his parents here.

Miss Ida Morrison of Pittston, returned to her home Saturday after a four weeks visit here.

Mrs. Niles Weed of Williamsport, spent Sunday with her parents, D. W. Darling and wife.

The box social last Saturday evening was a success in spite of the rain, over \$15 being cleared.

Miss Ada Hall visited Mame Ryan at Mapleton last week.

Miss Mable Hazen spent last week with relatives in Hughesville.

R. W. Simmons and wife, and Loyd Freas and wife are spending this week at Beaver Lake, fishing.

Miss A. Edgar went to Williamsport and spent the day with her daughter, Miss Myrtle, who is a student of the Lockhaven Normal School.

B. G. Welch was a business man at Williamsport last Saturday.

It seems that already some of the Democrats are mixing the money question and claiming that while Judge Parker's telegram was an unequivocal statement in favor of gold, yet that the message does not necessarily bind the party. There was promise for a time of apparent Democratic harmony on the money question, but it seems to be quite a way yet from a "closed incident" and gives evidence of a tendency to break out into trouble at any moment.