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Their Purpose Is Purely Educational.
Practical Ideas Advanced.
[Special Correspondence.]

In considering the methods which will bring success to any organization we should first consider the purpose of that organization. The purpose of the juvenile grange is purely educational, and the training it gives is different from any that may be obtained elsewhere. No order in the world covers so broad a field as the Order of Patrons of Husbandry, and the juvenile work trains and prepares each member for the work of riper years. The first element of success in the juvenile grange is a good mother. She need not have had experience with children nor as a teacher. She can develop her peculiar needs as the work goes on if she is fitted to her work.

The first thing to be taught is to be a good Patron of Husbandry. The beautiful words of instruction in our ritual should be often used, and in the impressionable mind of the child they will take deeper root than they do with the careless adult. The next thing is the careful training in the rules of the Order. The children should have regular drill work in the proper opening and closing of the grange, each child receiving personal attention and instruction in carrying out his or her part with dignity. Children naturally love anything of a military nature and will fall gracefully into doing their regular work with precision, promptness and dignity. The degree work is a delight to them, and the lessons learned in their order will be carried out in the future when they have become members of the larger Order which they closely resemble.

After all parliamentary rules are thoroughly learned the regular routine business must be managed by themselves. The matron can easily hold them to this by judicious praise and encouragement. Not often will they need this, but her watchful care will prevent careless habits, and this training will be of the greatest benefit to them. Never in after life will they lose the self confidence and business ability thus gained.

After the business is thoroughly learned the most delightful studies can be opened up to them through the study of nature and agriculture. The leaflets of the Cornell Junior Naturalist Series will be sent to them on application, and from them can be developed the most delightful object lessons, the illustrations showing them just how each part of the work must be done. The planting of seeds and bulbs, the distribution of moisture, the habits of plants, birds or animals, the sprouting of seeds, the test for starch in plants, the competition between weeds and plants, the mother instinct in plants and animals, the diseases and enemies of plants and flowers and many, many other valuable lessons may be fastened upon the child's mind by the simple object lessons which they may themselves conduct. The recitations, selections and other work of this nature in the lecturer's hour will give confidence for work of the same nature in the regular grange in the future.

Experience shows me that the juvenile grange is the surest method by which we can build up the Order. In our juvenile grange at North Hannibal the children count the days until they can be admitted to the larger grange. No question ever arises as to whether or not they will join. It is a foregone conclusion—they could not be kept out.

In some granges where I have been sent to talk this subject I find that a fear of unforeseen difficulties or arduous labor is standing in the way of the organizing of juvenile granges. To such I would say: Do not fear for the children. They will put into the work the enthusiasm of childhood, they will imbibe the grange spirit, and before you know it they will have infused new life into the parent organization. Careful study, observation and actual experience teach me that the best thing for the Order of the future is the juvenile grange of today.

ELIZABETH P. FARNHAM.

National Grange Officers.

The following officers were elected by the national grange on Nov. 20:
Master—N. J. Bacheider, Concord, N. H.

Overseer—T. C. Atkeson, Morgan-town, W. Va.

Lecturer—W. F. Gaunt, Mullica Hill, N. J.

Seward—J. A. Newcomb, Golden, Colo.

Assistant steward—C. D. Richardson, West Brookfield, Mass.

Chaplain—O. S. Wood, Ellington, Conn.

Treasurer—Mrs. E. S. McDowell, Rome, N. Y.

Secretary—C. M. Freeman, Tippecanoe City, O.

Catekeeper—A. C. Powers, Beloit, Wis.

Ceres—Mrs. Elizabeth Patterson, College Park, Md.

Flora—Mrs. Ida Judson, Balfour, Ia.

Pomona—Mrs. S. G. Baird, Edina Mills, Minn.

Lady assistant steward—Mrs. Joanna Walker, Marshallton, Del.

Member executive committee—Frank N. Godfrey, Olean, N. Y., master New York state grange, succeeding E. B. Norris, whose term expired at this session of the grange.

PAPA'S STORY.

His Attempt to Tell it While Trying to Put Robert Asleep.

"Papa?"
"Well?"
"Tell me a story."
"I'll tell you just one if you will promise to go to sleep."
"My pajamas don't feel good."
"Don't think about them. I'll tell you a story, but one will be all."
Mr. Todd sat beside the bed and began:

"Once there was a little boy—
"What's his name?"
"I forget."
"Didn't he have any name?"
"Yes, to be sure he had! Don't interrupt me, Robert."
"Then what was it?"
"Why, his name was—his name was Julius."
"Julius is a girl's name."
"This boy's name was Julius, not Julia. He was named for Julius Caesar."
"I know something about Julius Caesar," Robert exclaimed, sitting up suddenly and quoting:

"Julius Caesar
Was a wise old geezer,
But he froze off his feet
In a ice cream freezer."

"Where did you ever hear such a thing as that?"
"Alfred Potts told it to me."
"Well, don't you ever let me hear you use that word 'geezers' again. Now go to sleep."
"But you didn't tell me the story."
"All right. This isn't about Julius Caesar at all. Julius Caesar was a king, and he died a long time ago."
"When he froze his feet off, papa?"
"He didn't freeze his feet. That is a piece of silliness Alfred Potts told you."
"What is a piece of silliness, papa?"
"Don't ask me such foolish questions. Settle down and go to sleep or I'll go back downstairs and leave you alone."
"Papa, my pajamas don't feel good."
"I told you not to think about them. Now, listen and I'll tell you about this little boy. He went out one day and saw—"
"Was his name Julius?"
"Yes, yes!" Mr. Todd answered. "His name was Julius, and he—"
"Did he die a long time ago?"
"No, Julius Caesar died a long time ago. This boy didn't."
"Where does he live now?"
"I don't know. He still."
"How'd you know what's his name, then?"
"Well, he lives—he lives in a town somewhere. And one day he went out and saw a tree that was simply full of birds."
"What did the birds do?"
"The birds sang, of course."
"What did they sing?"
"They sang songs. Now, if you want me to tell you this story you will have to be quiet. So this boy looked up at the birds and—"
"My pajamas don't feel good."
"They never will feel good if you don't stop thinking about them. So this boy looked up at the birds, and he was a bad boy—and he thought it would be smart to throw a stone at them."
"Did he?"
"Yes, he threw a stone at the poor little birds."
"And what did the stone do?"
"It made the birds fly. And then"—
"Papa."
"Well?"
"What did the fly do?"
"What fly?"
"The fly it made the birds into."
"Robert Gallagher Todd, I am going downstairs, and if you are not asleep in two minutes I shall punish you!"
Mr. Todd strode from the room, and at the stairs he halted at the sight of a woman sitting on the top step with her face in her hands and her shoulders and sides shaking. It was his wife—Wilbur Nesbit in Success Magazine.

Some Famous "Dunces."
Nathaniel Hawthorne was the dunce of his class. Walter Scott was told by his professor that he was a dunce. Both Napoleon and Wellington were dull boys at school, and when Clive won Plassy his father said he did not think the booby had so much sense. Chalmers, the leader of the disruption, was expelled from his school as an incorrigible dunce. Chatterton was sent home as a fool, and Leigh Hunt was considered beyond all hope. Isaac Newton, the great oriental scholar; Sir William Jones and Robert Morrison, who compiled the immortal Chinese Bible and dictionary, were all regarded as extremely dull boys. —Minneapolis Journal.

Two Duels.

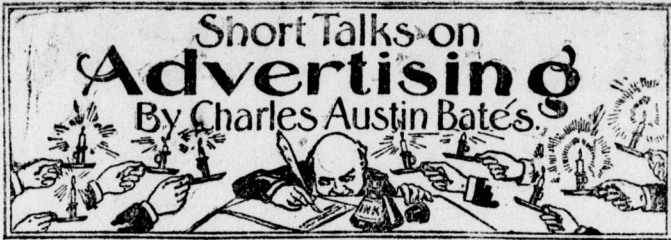
Sainte-Beuve got an excellent advertisement out of a duel fought on a wet day by insisting upon holding his umbrella up with one hand while he fired his pistol with the other. He was willing, he courageously said, to take the risk of being shot, but he must be excused from taking the greater risk of catching cold.

The duel which Benjamin Constant, who suffered from gout, fought sitting in a Bath chair may have been of somewhat similar character. Honor in that case was declared to be satisfied when the Bath chair was hit.—Straud Magazine.

Dangerous.

Father—What are you doing, Emma?
Daughter—Oh, Arthur is coming to-night, and I'm cooking something for him. Father—Emma, Emma, you'd better be careful. You'll keep on cooking for him till he breaks the engagement.—Heitere Welt.

It takes a lot of courage on the part of a young man to tell a girl how pretty some other girl is.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.



People generally read advertisements more than they did a few years ago. The reason is to be found in the advertisements themselves.

Advertisers are more careful than they used to be. They make the advertisements more readable. Some of them even become, in a way, a department of the paper, and people look for them every day with as much zest and pleasure as they turn to any other feature.

This is true of many department stores all over the country. In many cities there is just one man who appreciates the value of such interest.

He breaks away from the old set style. He tells something interesting in his space every day.

There are lots of interesting things in business. Look over the miscellany page of any paper—look at its local news columns, and its telegraph news, for that matter, and you'll see that the majority of the items are more or less closely related to some business fact.

Dress these facts up in a becoming garb of words, and they will find readers, even though they be in a "mere advertisement."

Let the merchant come down off his pedestal and talk in his ads.

He needn't be flippant—far from it, but let him not write as if he were addressing somebody afar off, and telling him about something at even a greater distance.

The newspaper goes right into its reader's house—goes in and sits down with him.

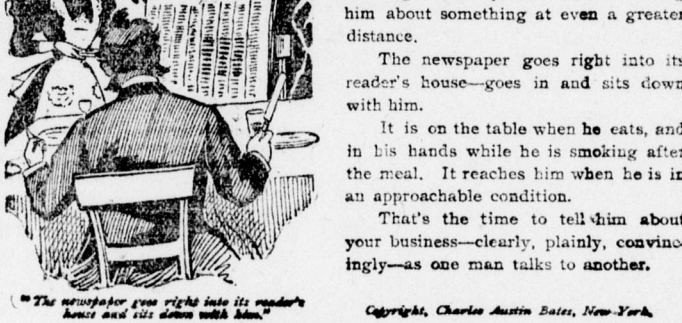
It is on the table when he eats, and in his hands while he is smoking after the meal. It reaches him when he is in an approachable condition.

That's the time to tell him about your business—clearly, plainly, convincingly—as one man talks to another.

"Let the merchant come down off his pedestal."

"The newspaper goes right into its reader's house and sits down with him."

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J. M. WIGHTON, MUNCY VALLEY, PA.

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Boys' Knee
Pants heavy weight
Assorted style
Special.

Never Before Have We Received so many praises and heard so many flattering remarks as we have had this Season.

Were you one of the vast throngs that crowded our store during the past week? Did you get your share of the articles advertised? If not you should

COME HERE NOW

We are making new friends fast: selling more goods than ever before

But we still want more friends, want to sell our stock faster, yet we are spurred on to deeper price cutting. People wonder how we can do it. To this we can answer, that no other store in the section has the wholesale buying facilities enjoyed by this establishment. We can buy lower, we can sell lower.

Sweater Coats

Men's or Boys' Sweater Coats	.38
Mens' sweater coats	.75
Mens' sweater coats	1.25
Mens' sweater coats	1.50
Mens' sweater coats	2.00
Mens' V-neck sweaters 25 and 46c	
Mens' cardigan jackets	1.25

Underwear

Boys' Shirts or Drawers	20 and 26c
ribbed or fleeced	20 and 26c
Men's ribbed underwear	39c
all colors	
Men's fleeced lined underwear	39c
all colors	

Boys Corduroy Pants.

Boys' corduroy, knee pants, lined throughout, fine ribbed quality worth regular 75c Special	39c
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Men's Suits

Men's Suits	4.65
Men's Suits	6.75
Mens Suits	8.50
Mens Suits	9.65
Mens Suits	10.50
Mens Suits	11.75
Mens Suits	14.50
Mens Suits	15.50
Mens Suits	16.25

Specials Men's Corduroy Pants

From 1.19 to 2.50

CHILDRENS' SUITS

From 99c to 3.50 and 5.50

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From 69c to \$4.75.

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From 39c to 75c

MEN'S ODD COATS

All Prices

Duch and Corduroy 85c to 2.25

SHOES

Also big line of Shoes at saving prices \$1.65 for 2.50 Dress Shoe. Ladies' 1.65 shoes for 1.09 Men's Working Shoes 1.65 W. L. Douglas Shoes at reduced prices.

Big Line of Men's and Children's Overcoats at reduced prices.

So Come to J. M. Wighton's to satisfy your wants. Remember sale only lasts this month. Railroad fare from Laporte and Nordmont for purchase of \$10.00 or over.

THE TRI-WEEKLY GAZETTE and BULLETIN

Tells all the general news of the world, particularly that of our State, all the time and tells it impartially. Comes to subscribers every other day. It is in fact almost a daily newspaper, and you cannot afford to be without it. We offer this unequalled paper and the NEWS ITEM together one year for

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The REPUBLICAN NEWS ITEM and Tri-Weekly GAZETTE AND BULLETIN.

In every city there is one best paper, and in Williamsport it is the Gazette and Bulletin. It is the most important, progressive and widely circulated paper in that city. The first to hold the fort journalistically. Order of the News Item.

If you want to keep in touch with the Republican party organization and be informed on all real estate transfers or legal matters in general that transpires at the county seat you must necessarily take the NEWS ITEM.

WINCHESTER

"NEW RIVAL"

FACTORY LOADED SHOTGUN SHELLS

No black powder shells on the market compare with the "NEW RIVAL" in uniformity and strong shooting qualities. 2 are fire and waterproof. Get the genuine.

WINCHESTER REPEATING ARMS CO. New Haven, Conn.

"The Jewel Shop."

Where your repair work receives special attention and you are sure to be pleased.

Where you can get glasses correctly fitted, that make your eyes see like young eyes.

Where you can get high grade Watches, Clocks and all kinds of jewelry at the bargain prices you have long looked for.

L.J. Voorhees, SONESTOWN.

Administrators' Notice.

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration upon the estate of Francis W. Gallagher, late of Laporte Borough, Sullivan County, Penna., deceased, have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will make them known without delay to

MRS. THERESA GALLAGHER, Administratrix. Laporte, Penna., January 4, 1909.

COURT PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, HON. CHAS. E. TERRY, President Judge, Honorables Henry Richlin and R. C. R. Kiskadee, Assoc. Judges of the Courts of Over and Term and general Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Court and Common Pleas for the county of Sullivan, have issued their process, bearing date the 14 day of Mar. 1909, to me directed, for holding the several courts in the Borough of Laporte, on Monday the 17 day of May 1909, at 2 o'clock p. m. Therefore, notice is hereby given to the Coroner, Justices of the Peace and Constables within the county, that they be then and there in their proper offices aforesaid to be done. And to those who are bound by their recognizance to prosecute against prisoners who are or shall be in the jail of the said county of Sullivan, are hereby notified to be then and there to prosecute against them as will be just.

JUDSON BROWN Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Laporte Pa., 9 Jun 1908.

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