

THE MARITIME PATRON, AND ORGAN OF THE Maritime Provincial Grange—Patrons of Husbandry.

"In Essentials Unity—In Non-essentials Liberty—In All Things Charity."

INTRODUCTORY.

At the Annual Session of the Maritime Provincial Grange, held in Halifax, on the 17th February, 1885, the worthy lecturer, Dr. C. H. Monroe, M. P. P., advocated the advisability of some established means of regular and constant intercommunication among Patrons in the Maritime Provinces, of expressing Grange opinion and sentiment, and for advocating the principles and objects of the Order, and the policy and measures adopted by the Maritime Provincial Grange.

The proposal was regarded with favor, and a committee, of which the worthy lecturer was chairman, was appointed to ascertain whether arrangements, and if so, what arrangements could be made with a non-Sectarian and non-Partisan Journal, to publish Grange literature, and to devote a portion of space as an official organ of the Order in the Maritime jurisdiction, as outlined in the preceding paragraph, and report at the next session of the Grange.

During the interval between sessions, correspondence was had with, and offers were received from several county papers, but on mature reflection, it was concluded, that although county journals were on the fence with reference to religious and political sectarianism, they were necessarily too exclusively devoted to the interests and gossip of their several counties to be acceptable in general circulation.

Attention was then turned to the Halifax Critic, as being a journal quite suited for the object the Grange and its committee had in view, and correspondence, and finally a personal interview, was had with the editor of that paper, the result of which was reported to the Provincial Grange, and the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted at the session held on Wednesday, the 10th inst:—

Resolved, That the offer of the editor of THE CRITIC to devote a portion of the columns of that journal for the use of the Order in this jurisdiction be accepted, and that THE CRITIC, or the Grange columns of that paper be declared to be the Official Organ of the Maritime Provincial Grange.

Upon motion of Dr. Monroe, seconded by R. W. Starr, Esq., it was unanimously

Resolved, That Edwin S. Creed be appointed editor of the Grange department of THE CRITIC.

Having, subject to conditions to be hereafter mentioned, consented to attempt the additional work and responsibility imposed upon me, it becomes my duty to offer a few words by way of

SALUTATORY.—I presume not to take even a humble place, commensurate with my territory, among the crowned kings of the Fifth Estate, whose sceptre is the pen, whose columns, though "only on paper," are more powerful and victorious than those which compose the armies of the greatest of earth's monarchs. Nor do I under-rate or under-value the position I have been called upon to assume in relation to an Order so truly noble in its principles and purposes, the determined and only champion and organized representative of Agriculture and of Agriculturists. I magnify mine office, and for myself and for all who in this, our organ, truly and fairly represent, defend or advocate the Order of the Patrons of Husbandry and its principles, objects and interests, I claim fair hearing, fair play, and a fair field.

We make our bow to politicians, and say, we do not purpose playing at the universal game of "follow my leader." We purpose discussing political questions from the Farmers' standpoint, and with reference to the interests of Agriculture. Party political feeling, or political partizanship, blinds all minds over which it dominates to real issues, places the interests of party above that of country and men before measures.

We aim to be SOLID for our interests and approved measures.

PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY.—We have in these columns a field, probably adequate to our present wants, and that may be enlarged as needed for general interchange of ideas, plans, sentiments, and wishes, and for official expression. I have consented to attempt the editorial management of the space allotted to us in THE CRITIC. The conditions of my acceptance of this position—the reverse of a sincere—are that you will give me the remuneration of success. Subscribe for this paper because our official organ is planted in it, and send your best thoughts and the results of careful observation and experience to your MARITIME PATRON. My knowledge of your ability with the pen assures me that I shall have reason to be proud of the contributions you will send.

Brother farmers and sister farmers too—Patrons of Husbandry have no other aims or interests than those that are yours also. If you do not unite with us, we claim, what we have already earned, your moral support. Let us know that you are in sympathy with me and appreciate our efforts in behalf of our profession.

We shall be no less pleased to receive your contributions than those of Patrons.

In the present number of THE CRITIC we publish Bro. C. R. H. Starrs instructive paper on "Silos and Ensilage." In our next issue, Past Worthy Master, W. F. George's address will be given, and in subsequent issues valuable essays from Patrons pens will be published.

I am respectfully and fraternally yours,

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Life Department.

No. of Policies written to date, 44,800
New Life Insurance written in 1885, \$5,645,950
Gain during year in amount in force, \$2,477,317
Paid Life Policy - Holders to date, \$3,290,147.02
Paid Life Policy-Holders in 1885, \$379,420.79

Accident Department.

No. Policies written to date, 1,186,313
No. written in 1885, 108,248
No. Claims paid to date, 137,331
No. paid in 1885, 17,583
Total Claims paid, \$8,145,128.41
Amount paid in 1885, \$885,012.34

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