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FARMERS' PLATFORM

The following is the platform of the United States National Farmers' Congress, held at Columbus, Ohio, Oct. 12-16:—

Resolved, That the Farmers' National Congress reaffirms its previous declarations in favor of:

(1) The extension of a Parcels Post system as soon as practical, and in a manner commensurate with the demands and necessities of the people.

(2) Liberal governmental aid in the improvement of our public roads and inland-water-ways.

(3) The Page Educational bill now pending in Congress, giving aid and encouragement to the teaching of agriculture in the public schools of our country, and urge its speedy enactment into law.

(4) A fair and equal measure of protection accorded to all industries of the country needing protection. Any legislative discrimination will be opposed by our influence and resented by our votes. We will never submit to selling in a free trade market and buying in a protected market.

(5) The enactment of a United States pure seed law that will forever prohibit the importation of impure and adulterated seeds of any kind.

(6) The direct election of United States Senators.

(7) The teaching of Agriculture and Domestic Science in the rural schools.

(8) We are opposed to the free distribution of seeds by members of Congress, and ask such national legislation as may be necessary to abolish the same.

Resolved, That we approve the action of the executive committee in going on record officially through our legislative agent against the passage by Congress of the so-called Canadian pact in the form in which it was introduced.

Whereas, The Congressional Immigration Commission's report of 40 volumes has just been published and recommends the very measure which this organization has been advocating in its resolution for years to judiciously restrict undesirable immigration.

Resolved, That we enthusiastically approve the Commission's legislative recommendations that the head-tax be increased, the illiteracy test be enacted, that foreign steamships be fined for bringing undesirable, and that other judicious measures be adopted which are hereby urged upon the Congress of the United States.

Resolved, That we renew our demand that the Congress of the United States pass such laws as will prohibit issuing licenses to traffic in spirituous and malt liquors in territory that is known to be dry, and also forbid those engaged in interstate traffic from hauling or delivering goods of such character in dry territory.

Resolved, That this congress approves of and endorses the action of a conference of governors recently in session in the State of New Jersey, relative to the appointment of a committee to properly safeguard the rights of the several states before the federal Supreme Court in the determination by that body of the so-called Sanborn rate case. We regard their action as both patriotic and proper.

Resolved, That the Farmers' National Congress has implicit confidence in Dr. H. W. Wiley and his honest purpose in enforcing the pure food laws of the United States.

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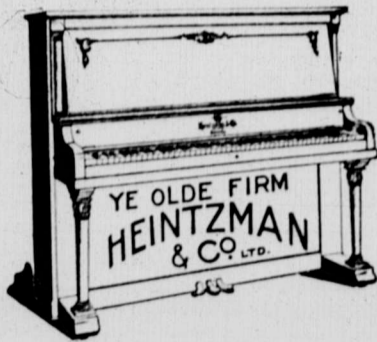
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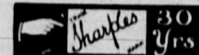
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If the women of the West are to secure the privilege of homesteading, for which many are asking, they must be active. They must get the men interested in their behalf and must also secure the favor of the Dominion government through Hon. Robert Rogers, Minister of the Interior. Homestead petitions should be signed as fully and as quickly as possible and returned.

In addition to this, the educational work should be continued as in the past. The petitions should be circulated and signed as largely as possible and letters should be sent to The Guide for publication. In order to encourage this work The Guide has decided to offer prizes for the best letters written on this subject between now and December 1. Five prizes will be given for the five best letters received either from men or women on the subject, "Why women should be granted homestead privileges."

The prizes will be as follows:—
First Prize—The Home Cook Book. This is the best cook book on the market and one which any woman would treasure. It is used in all the best schools of Household Science.

Second Prize—Hurlbut's "Story of the Bible." This is a very large volume containing 700 pages, beautifully illustrated, and telling the whole story of the Bible in an interesting way. It is equally interesting to young and old.

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None of these letters should be more than 500 words in length and all should be very plainly written on one side of the paper only. These should be addressed "Homesteads for Women," The Grain Growers' Guide, Winnipeg. Any readers of The Guide who are interested in the homestead question sufficiently to circulate a petition should write in to the same address as soon as possible and a petition will be sent to them. Those petitions which are now being circulated should be filled as soon as possible and returned within the next few weeks. Steps will then be taken to see that they are placed before the government at Ottawa.

GREAT LEGAL LIGHT GONE

Dr. James Williams, high sheriff of Flintshire, a contributor of over 100 legal articles in successive editions of the Encyclopedia Britannica and many in law magazines and reviews, died in London on Nov. 3. He was born 1851. He was the author of a number of books on law, including, "The School Master and the Law," "Wills and Succession," "Law of Education," "Dante as a Jurist," and "Law of the Universities." He also wrote "A Lawyer's Lawyer" (verse), "Simple Stories of London," "Briefless Ballads," and "Ventures in Verse."

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