

Letter from a Granger.

As I am an out-and-out Patron, and have promised you a little Grango news occasionally, I will say that our enemies are raising all sorts of objections to us. The most prominent one is that we are a secret organization, and so on; how could we ever succeed without a little secrecy? Have not the politicians their secrets—the merchants and all other organizations their secrets—and has not every faulty some little secret that other persons should not know, and are they not necessary? Suppose the children of Israel had told their oppressors all about their intended flight, could they have succeeded? I think not; upon their success depended their success, and they kept it well. So with the Patrons of Husbandry; they do not propose to have every one know all their business; it would do no good, and work against the good of the Order.

Another objection because we admit our women to membership. In the dark ages uneducated women were treated as beasts of burden, and were compelled to perform the work of slaves, but in our day educated women are in many things man's equal, if not superior, especially in modesty, intelligence, usefulness and love. Whoever saw any gathering that was not benefited and refined by the presence of our wives, sisters and daughters? What noble examples of affection and sympathy have we witnessed in some of the blessed women of our land in leaving their pleasant and comfortable homes (in our late unbrotherly strife), and amid the scenes of carnage and blood ministering to the wants of our mangled and dying brothers! Who is the person who dares say they are not competent to help advise with us for our individual, family and national welfare? Whoever had a better adviser than his mother, his wife or his sister? How many of us owe all our success to the early training and advice of our good mothers! Even the Father of our country always acknowledged with gratitude the kind and early instruction he had received from his mother, and openly confessed that the lessons taught him by her in his youth had carried him safely through all the vicissitudes of life.

Another objection is advanced, and that is that we are opposed to the interests of the mechanic, manufacturer and laboring man. This is unfounded; we well know that one class can not exist without the other, and instead of being their enemies, we are their truest friends. Our object is to deal as directly as possible with each other, thus dispensing with so many middlemen, when much more can be saved for both us and them. As far as the farm laborer is concerned, the best evidence we can give of our friendship is that he is as admissible to membership as the farmers themselves, when he has a full voice in all deliberations, and can avail himself of all the advantages of the Order in any and every sense of the term.

The Grange is a moral organization; the virtues of honesty, integrity and frugality are taught and kept constantly before the minds of the members, and no one is entitled to membership who is dishonest, intemperate, vulgar or profane. It is also a social organization, for the reason that those brothers and sisters meet in happy union, rejoicing together in that fraternal feeling which has a tendency to improve society and make us willing to listen to the wants and relieve the distresses of poor and unfortunate brothers and sisters. It is also an intellectual organization, for in the Grange brother strikes hands with brother, and sister with sister, and each one strives to educate, enlighten and invigorate each other. It also helps to educate them in their house, home and field duties, as we well know that a good housewife will, in the exemplification of her duty, stimulate her sisters to go and do likewise. Also, a pleasant, attractive and well ordered home cannot fail to inspire an enthusiasm which cannot be resisted, and which must make an impression that cannot be easily erased. So also with the farm; the brother who raises two bushels of corn or other crops, when the other raises but one, and exemplifies it, must and will awaken a desire in all the others to obtain similar results.

The Farmer's Talents.

Because the farmer's employment is the digging of the earth there is no good reason why he should bury all his talents there, or all but one, that of saving. The economy of the Grange is not mean savings or parsimony, but is a systematic and judicious arrangement of all its internal concerns so that the institution shall be of the greatest value to its members; that each individual may receive ample remuneration for all outlays. While economy, properly exercised, is a commendable virtue, parsimony or that frugality that involves a meanness of spirit is a detestable vice.

Whatever will increase the efficiency of the Grange should be done; whatever the Grange decides is necessary to make the meetings more attractive, interesting and useful to the members should at once be undertaken and contributions levied upon its members for the accomplishment of the same. The all-saving principle that was prominent in the early days of the Grange is rapidly giving away to a more enlightened policy; and many of those who once grudgingly and reluctantly met the little obligations that called for scrip of small denominations, do not now see it as money thrown away, but as a necessary provision to insure the better working of the Grange, by which they are to be more than compensated in common with others, by having an institution, in a well-appointed and well-regulated Grange, through which the purposes of saving can be effected and by which its members will receive a training and an education so that they will not be under the necessity of giving their whole mind and might to the study and practice of material saving more than other classes.

It is becoming more and more apparent to the agricultural class that knowledge is power;

that they cannot afford to starve and starve themselves intellectually, and rely upon the unbecome hope of saving without knowing how to invest so there will be something to save. It is a matter of congratulation that the Grange is fast becoming the very school that the agricultural portion of the community so much need. No observing person can fail to see that the institution was never so highly appreciated or so cheerfully and liberally supported as now.

Will Gain Nothing by Opposition.

The Pacific Rural Pices in a recent issue says: Anybody or any person that expects to secure any permanent advantage by making war upon the Grangers, in a body, will come out minus their expectations in the long run. Any trader who countenances such conduct on the part of any individual or paper, thinking to gain thereby, will miss his mark. Anybody who expects to make his bread and butter out of the failure of the Grange movement will soon find himself going hungry. Grangers are not as exclusive in their purchases as some people imagine. They do not discriminate as much as is generally thought; but when they or their friends, who are legions, go into a dry goods store, or grocery, or other place of business and find papers laying about upon the counters which are making constant attacks upon themselves and their order, it is not in poor fallible human nature to expect them to buy or come again. Even the Saviour turned in disgust from His betrayer and bid him go away.

Crowded Out.

A number of communications will have to lay over until next issue. We hope our correspondents will condense matter as much as possible. Long letters are not recommendable unless of unusual interest.

Business Directory.

Dominion Grange.

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- 417. Lavender—Peter McFaffie, M., Lavender P. O., W. D. Anderson, S., Lavender P. O. 418. Wheatland—George Elliott, M., Woodbridge, George F. Wallace, S., Woodbridge. 419. Erasmus Centre—Alex. McQueen, M., Rockwood, D. McCaig, S., Everton. 420. Quante—J. A. Spencer, M., Rednersville, W. G. Stafford, S., Rednersville. 421. Owen Sound—Wm. Meelands, M., Owen Sound, Alex. Bell, S., Owen Sound. 422. Kilsyth—Wm. Brien, M., Kilsyth; R. A. Stark, S., Kilsyth. 423. Honeywood—Wm. Tupling, M., Honeywood, D. C. Lamont, S., Honeywood. 424. Star—Edward Dawson, M., Downanville; T. Smale, S., Bowmanville. 425. Niagara—Alex. Servos, M., Niagara; Wm. Shearer, S., Niagara. 426. Shetland—Thos. Willson M., Shetland; Thos. Bell, S., Shetland. 427. McMillivray—John Robinson, M., Ailsa Craig, Wm. Wright, S., McMillivray. 428. Farmers' Home—D. McFarlane, S., Kinlough; Jacob Nichols, S., Kinlough. 429. Huron—John Smith, M., Pine River; Wm. Montgomery, S., Pine River. 430. Pine River—George Blair, M., Lurgan; John Willson, S., Pine River. 431. Itach—John Tapp, M., Port Perry; Albert Orchard, S., Port Perry. 432. Altona—Hiram Keater, M., Glasgow; A. D. Spears, S., Altona. 433. Earlton—John Buckingham, M., Faversham; J. Douglas, S., Faversham. 434. Stayner—J. McCollman, M., Stayner P. O.; John Brown, S., Stayner P. O. 435. Irvine—John Hunter, Master, Alma; Robt. Cromar, S., Salem. 436. Teoronto—John Hoey, M., Arlington; David Nichol, S., Aliston. 437. King—James Bomar, M., Coventry; W. J. Beaton, S., Loydstown. 438. Cedar Grove—John Durand, M., Dorchester Station; G. Patterson, S., Thamesford. 439. Clear Creek—Elias Foster, M., Port Royal; Ansel Becker, S., Clear Creek. 440. Port Rowan—R. Richardson, M., Port Rowan, Wm. Franklin, S., Port Rowan. 441. Vanatter—James Dowling, M., Orangeville; Joseph Simpson, S., Vanatter. 442. Waldemar—Robt. Philip, M., Waldemar; Joseph Somas, S., Waldemar. 443. Horning's Mills—Robt. McChoe, M., Horning's Mills; John Polley, S., Horning's Mills. 444. True Blue—Thos. Gallagher, M., Perin; Thos. Kirkpatrick, S., Perin. 445. Cornwall Centre—G. J. Dixon, M., Millervehes; R. R. Milroy, S., Millervehes. 446. Milverton—Henry Doering, M., Milverton; Samuel Whaley, S., Milverton. 447. Columbus—Samuel Beall, M., Columbus; James P., S., Columbus. 448. Union—F. Hathaway, M., Union; J. Davidson, S., Union. 449. Prince William—E. D. Estabrocks, M., Lower Prince William, N. B.; G. Ingraham, S., Lower Prince William, N. B. 450. Ashworth—Wm. Thompson, M., Uxbridge; J. D. Eganaw, S., Uxbridge. 451. Zephyr—Lafayette Weller, M., Zephyr P. O.; Calvin Weller, S., Zephyr P. O. 452. Wilfrid—George Hart, M., Wilfrid; S. R. May, S., Wilfrid. 453. South Eldershe—J. McIntyre, M., Paisley; Samuel Baillachey, S., Paisley. 454. Chiselhurst—Thos. Gilgan, M., Chiselhurst; James Connor, S., Chiselhurst. 455. Carleton—T. W. Longstaff, M., Woodstock, N. B.; H. B. Smith, S., Woodstock, N. B. 456. Oakleigh—George Oliver, M., Galt; A. J. Goodall, S., Galt. 457. Rob Roy—Wm. Briston, M., Rob Roy; George Briston, S., Rob Roy. 458. Artemesia Centre—George Briakin, M., Fiesherston; Wm. Wilcock, S., Fiesherston.

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- 27. Huron—John Whitfield, M., Grey, Ont.; Alex. Stewart, S., Grey, Ont. 28. Norfolk—Isaac Austin, M., Port Dover; E. C. Carpenter, S., Simcoe.

Sale and Purchase Column.

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J. McMechan, London, several choice tricos of white Leghorn fowls.

Geo. Jarvis, Byron, all the leading and latest varieties of potatoes. Benjamin Roster, Drocon Station, 500 bushels of choice Minnesota Brook's spring wheat. Special rates to patrons. W. L. Brown, Hyde Park, eggs for hatching from choice brown Leghorns, imported this spring from the leading yards in America. W. L. Brown, Hyde Park, 200 bushels of Late It-se Potatoes, for seed, well selected. S. G. Jarvis, London, all the leading varieties of fowls. Eggs for hatching securely packed. T. Thompson, Box 88, London, Ontario, a few Lincoln sheep, both sexes in prime condition. Joseph Lamb, London, imported Berkshire pigs, different ages, for sale.

Commercial.

CHEESE MARKET.

Detroit, April 12.—The demand is light, but prices are fairly steady at 12½c to 14c.

BUFFALO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Buffalo, April 11.—Cattle—Receipts, 584 head, making the total supply for the week, 6,902 head. The market was slow and the offerings generally poor, hardly sufficient good steers to supply the demand. Some of the best sold at 12½c advance over last week. Sales 75 cars.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, to-day, 600 head, making the total supply for the week 9,400 head. The market was active and all offerings sold readily at 12½c to 37½c advance. Sales, 6,400 head.

Hogs—Receipts to-day 200 head, making the total supply for the week 31,000 head. The market was only moderately active and supply light. Stock hogs and Yorkers, more than the demand. Yorkers went at \$8 to \$9.15; heavy hogs at \$9.50; extra selects at \$8.65.

CHICAGO MARKET.

Chicago, April 12.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat unsettled and generally lower; No. 2 Chicago spring, \$1 bid, \$1.00½ asked spot; \$1.03½ to \$1.04½ May; closed at \$1.00½ May; \$1.05½ June; No. 3 spring, 88c to 89c; rejected, 78c to 79c.

Corn dull and a shade lower; No. 2 spot, 45c; May, 47½c to 48c; June, 47½c to 48½c.

Oats unsettled and generally lower, No. 2, strictly fresh, 32c for spot 30½c April; 32½c bid May.

Rye steady and unchanged, at 65c to 65c. Barley fairly active and a shade higher, 50c for spot; 60c, May.

Pork steady and firm, at \$22.15 to \$22.20 spot; lard firm, at \$13.4c.

Bulk meats steady and unchanged, shoulders, 8½c; clear rib sides 11½c; clear sides, 12½c. Whiskey steady, at \$1.07.

Receipts—Flour, 9,000 bbls; wheat, 24,000 bush.; corn, 48,000 bush.; oats, 21,000 bush.; barley, 8,500 bush.; rye, 810 bush. Shipments—Flour, 8,000 bbls; wheat, 32,000 bush.; corn, 12,000 bush.; oats, 14,000 bush.; barley, 4,500 bush.

NEW YORK MARKET.

New York, April 12.—Cotton quiet and steady; 13c for middling uplands. Flour less active, prices without change; receipts, 16,000 barrels; sales, 10,000 barrels. Rye flour very firm, at \$4.30 to \$5.25.

Wheat quiet, not so firm; receipts, 8,000 bush.; sales, 36,000 bush.; \$1.12 to \$1.14 for No. 3 Chicago; \$1.13 to \$1.16 for No. 3 Milwaukee; \$1.23 to \$1.27 for No. 2 Chicago; \$1.27 to \$1.29 for No. 2 Milwaukee; \$1.33 to \$1.38 for No. 1 spring; \$1.20 to \$1.33 for winter red western; \$1.23 to \$1.45 for amber do.; \$1.37 to \$1.50 for white western.

Rye scarce and very firm; receipts, none; sales, 8,000; western to arrive at 84c. Corn firm; receipts, 7,000 bushels; sales, 18,000 bushels, at 71c to 73c for new western mixed; 70c to 72c for old do.

Barley dull and in buyer's favor. Oats are steady to-day; receipts, 8,000 bushels; sales, 34,000 bushels, at 43c to 49c for mixed western and state; 47c to 53c for white do.

Pork heavy, at \$22.90 for new mess. Lard heavy, at \$13.80.

Butter 20c to 35c for old State and Pa.; 27c to 40c for new.

Cheese 6c to 12c common to prime. Petroleum—Crude, 8½c; refined, 14c to 14½c.

LONDON MARKET.

London, Wednesday, April 12, 1876.

GRAIN.

Deith wheat, \$1.65 to \$1.75; Treadwell, \$1.55 to \$1.65; red winter, \$1.50 to \$1.60; spring, \$1.50 to \$1.62. Barley, per 100, \$1.00 to \$1.30. Peas, \$1.15 to \$1.20. Oats, 88c to 92c. Corn, \$1.10 to \$1.15. Beans, 90c to \$1.20. Rye, 40c. Buckwheat, 80c to \$1.00.

PRODUCE.

Eggs, per dozen, 12c to 18c; retail, 21c to 22c. Keg butter, 20c to 22c; roll butter, wholesale, 24c to 25c; roll butter, retail, 30c to 35c; roll butter, crocks, 22c to 25c.

TORONTO MARKET.

Wheat, fall, per bush., \$1.05 to \$1.10; wheat, spring, per bush., \$1.00 to \$1.01; barley, 60c to 81c; oats, 30c to 37c; peas, 73c; dressed hogs, per 100 lbs., \$8.25 to \$8.50; beef, hind quarters, \$6.00 to \$7.00; beef, fore quarters, \$3.50 to \$5.00; mutton, by carcass, \$3.00 to \$3.00; chickens, per pair, 50c to 60c; ducks, per brace, 50c to 75c; geese, each, 60c to 90c; turkeys, 70c to \$1.50; butter, lb. rolls, 33c to 35c; butter, large rolls, 28c to 30c; butter, tub dairy, 25c to 30c; eggs, fresh, per doz., 16c to 18c; eggs, packed, 13c; apples, per bbl., \$1.50 to \$2.25; potatoes, per bush., 45c to 50c; onions, per bush., 35c to \$1.00; turnips, per bush., 22c to 25c; cabbage, per doz., 40c to 50c; hay, \$16.00 to \$19.50; straw, \$10.00 to \$12.00.

EUROPEAN MARKETS.

Liverpool, April 12, 5.30 p. m.—Breadstuffs quiet and firm.