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For Our Readers'

These receiving this issue will observe that the place of publication has been changed from Sackville to Dorchester, and that we have established a printing office of our own at the latter place. Circumstances, which it is unnecessary to mention here, compelled us to make this change, but it would not be amiss to state that the growth of this journal fully authorized us to purchase a plant of our own, and we will hereby be in a position in the future to bring our numbers out without those vexatious delays which hitherto we have been subjected to. Our staff has been increased, the editorial department being under the efficient management of Mr. B. Eaton Paterson, B. S. A. graduate and associate of the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph. A number of experienced and responsible canvassers are now in the field and we hope that they will meet with the reception that is due representatives of a laudable enterprise of this nature, and be the means of greatly increasing our already large circulation.

We may also inform those of our readers residing in different sections of the maritime provinces who are stock breeders, that we are in a position to print catalogues, posters, &c., setting forth the merits of any animal which they wish to be either patronized or sold. Job work of every description can be executed in this office at regular rates.

In conclusion let us add that this journal is published in, belongs to, and is the champion of the maritime provinces of Canada, and we look to the farmers, stock-breeders and horsemen of this country to treat us accordingly.

The Grange.

At the last annual session of the Maritime Provincial Grange held in Halifax a resolution was passed making this journal the official organ of the Order for the Maritime Provinces. We therefore will devote a portion of our space to matters appertaining to the Grange, and would ask the Secretaries of the different District Granges to contribute reports of their meetings and news items that may be of interest to the fraternity.

TANTRAMAR GRANGE, SACKVILLE, N. B., now meets at Powell's Hall. In future the assemblies will be held on Friday evenings once a fortnight. The question "does farming pay?" is now absorbing the attention of the members. It is an interesting subject for discussion and doubtless will be the means of throwing some light upon those methods which do pay in contrast to those which do not.

NAPPAN GRANGE, NAPPAN, N. S., meets regularly on Saturday nights. Its meetings are well attended particularly by the young. It is alive and undoubtedly the banner grange of the division. Westmorland and Cumberland ought to have at least fifty such granges.

Dr. G. M. Twitchell, whom so many of the maritime provincial people know, is lecturer for the State Grange of Maine. He is a live man and employed by a live order. The Grange seems to be making good headway in the neighboring state.

UNION IS STRENGTH.

Mr. Editor.

DEAR SIR:—When shall the time and place of the meeting of the Division Grange be appointed? We ought to know soon so as to have the programme laid before the Granges. The meeting should be an enthusiastic one, and some

measures ought to be taken to revive the dormant Granges in the Division. Where are the Fort Lawrence and Point de Bute Granges? They both flourished once and should be restored to their original vigor. Come brothers and sisters look to your own interests. Just now the papers are full of reports of what the labor organizations throughout the world are doing. They are all taking steps to gain more pay and less work. The manufacturers also are making great combines and trusts in order to secure more profits and rid themselves of all the burdens they can. The farmer, what is he doing?—Why, sir, he stands ready to take upon his shoulders all that which these classes are striving to run away from. This ought not to be so. We must organize, organize and organize until we can obtain sufficient influence to have the tariff made to suit the majority of the farmers, until we can place more farmers than any other class in our legislatures, and until we can control the Markets and keep prices up to a proper figure. If the Grange at present does not afford a suitable medium to that end we should and can make such changes in its mode of working to enable it to meet the requirements of the times. We require a good rousing meeting of the Division Grange in July next.

Yours &c.,
F. A. DIXON.

Sackville, May 29 '90.

A New Firm.

We learn that the Messrs. A. C. Polchampton and Cecil French, of Truro, N. S., have joined hands in business under the name and style of Polchampton & French. They are importers of improved large Yorkshire swine and Black Chinese Langshans. Both members of the firm are Englishmen, and as they are young and energetic we have every reason to believe that success will crown their efforts. Their business card appears in the advertising columns of this issue and those of our readers wishing to communicate with them will address their letters to Ightam Court Farm, Truro, N. S. The swine and poultry of this country can stand improvement and this journal congratulates the new firm for their enterprise in this direction.