

May 31, 1876.

Patrons of Husbandry.

The Patrons' Hand Book, which is mailed to any post office in the United States and Canada for 25 cts., is acknowledged to contain more practical grange information than any book yet published.

The use in subordinate granges of the sett of receipt and order books issued at this office will prevent confusion and mixing of accounts; they are invaluable in keeping the money matters of a grange straight.

CONSOLIDATE WEAK GRANGES. The membership of fully one-third of the Granges in Kansas is too small for efficient work. Small Granges seldom meet, and even then, there is so little interest manifested that the members go home feeling that the Grange is doing them very little good.

IN MEMORIAM. At a regular meeting of Pleasant Valley Grange, 535, P. of H. held in their hall in Labette County, Kansas, May 13th, 1876, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted. WHEREAS, in the dispensation of His providence it has pleased our great Master above, to remove from the toils of this world, to a rest in heaven above, our well beloved brother, MARSHALL J. LEE.

A SUGGESTION. The articles of association for grange co-operative stores adopted by the National Grange were well enough so far as they went, but lacked the important feature of a connecting link. Thus we see such stores as have been organized upon that plan, like islands in the sea, and not even a boat plying from one to the other.

RULE OR RUIN. Letters received from various localities set forth some queer ways of manifesting opposition to the Grange. One of the latest is from Meshoppen, Wyoming Co., Pa., where some of the storekeepers try to intimidate the farmers by threatening to collect debts off all who join the Grange.

SUCCESS AND GROWTH OF THE ORDER. The Master of the National Grange estimates the total sum saved to Patrons through the various business agencies at \$35,000,000, and the Secretary shows on his side that there were more Granges organized during the two past months than ever before.

A FIRM UNITED FRONT. Keep it before the Granges that our obligations demand us to work together in harmony, that we must sacrifice our individual preferences or prejudices for a certain reaper or plow, wagon or sewing machine, and stand by those who are willing to make terms with us.

ITALIAN BEEFSTEAK.—Score a steak transversely with a sharp knife, cutting it through; lay it in a stew pan with a small piece of butter; season it with pepper and salt and an onion chopped fine. Let it cook three quarters of an hour in its own gravy and serve hot.

TREASURY OF THE NATIONAL GRANGE.

The report of the treasurer of the National Grange, for the quarter ending 30th April last, shows a total deposit of \$11,321, arising from deposits made by the secretary of the National Grange, and the payment of dues by State Granges.

While it is a notorious fact, that as an organization of Granges, we eschew politics, it is nevertheless true, that each individual member possesses and is entitled to exercise all the political rights as to any other citizen.

WHY THE GRANGE IS WANTED. The Master of the State Grange of New York says that, "according to the census of 1870, the investments of the farmers of this State (New York) in agricultural implements and machinery, amounted to within \$3,000,000 of \$46,000,000.

PRACTICE WHAT YOU PREACH. We wish Patrons could be more generally made to see and feel the difference between a resolution in favor of a thing, and the thing itself. We wish they could be made to see that, practically, the Grange, at present, has no educational feature, and to feel the necessity of creating one.

WHAT WE MOST NEED. The Journal of Commerce very lucidly expresses the growing conviction of all political economists who are governed by common sense. It says: As an agricultural, mining, manufacturing, mechanical and commercial people we should first of all, cultivate the centralization of all relative trades.

WOMEN IN THE GRANGE. Every farmer should bring his wife into the Grange. Don't commit the folly of leaving your wife at home on the erroneous supposition that she has no interest in the great question of raising farm products, and selling them.

ADVERTISEMENTS. In answering an Advertisement found in these columns, you will confer a favor by stating you saw it in the KANSAS FARMER.

HARD TIMES.

Jones and Brown Discuss Matters. Jones.—Good evening, Mr. Brown. Brown.—Good evening, Mr. Jones, how are you? J.—Real well, thank ye. Mighty sight o' rain we've been havin' lately. Don't know what on earth we poor folks in Kansas is goin' to do. Seems like a fellow may work hard all the time and get nothin' for it.

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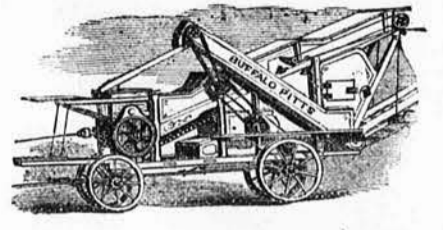
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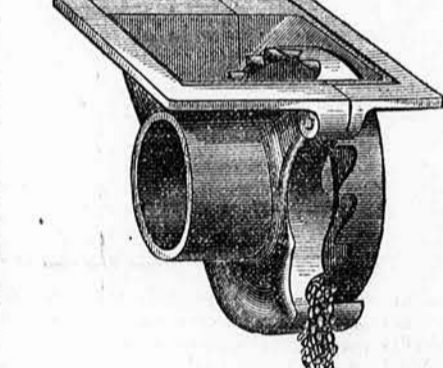
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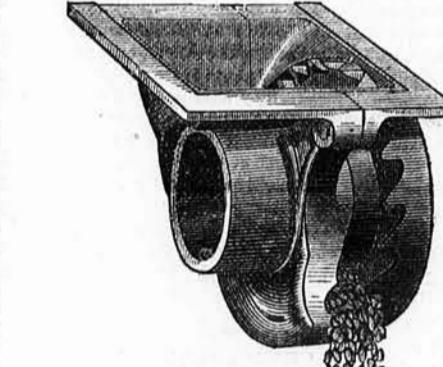
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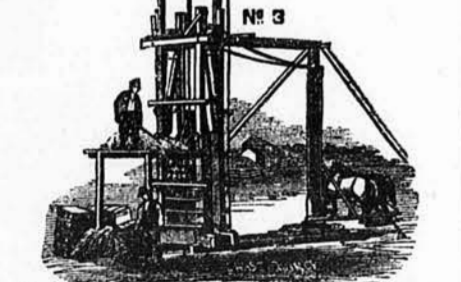
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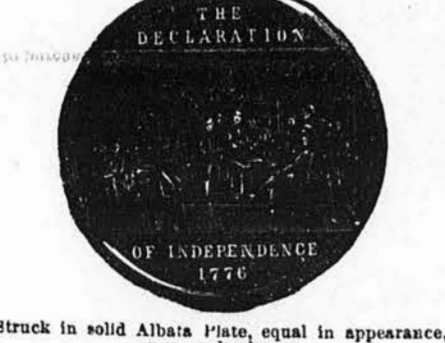


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