

# ITEMS FOR PATRONS.

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE GRANGE OF MINNESOTA P. OF H.

Master, George I. Parsons, Winona.  
 Lecturer, John A. Jackson, Lake City.  
 Overseer, George C. Chamberlain, Northfield.  
 Steward, A. J. Murphy, Lake Crystal.  
 Asst. Steward, Wm. E. Lee, Rice Lake, Douglas Co.  
 Chaplain, I. C. Stearns, Zumbrota.  
 Treasurer, Lorenzo Hoyt, Sault Paul.  
 Gate Keeper, J. T. Price, Eyota.  
 Corresponding Secretary, J. C. Chamberlain, Winona.  
 C. P. Chamberlain, Winona.  
 Pomona, R. O. Jackson, Lake City.  
 Lady Steward, Mary E. Lee, Rice Lake.

### DEPUTIES APPOINTED.

The following names of persons have been appointed Deputies to organize Granges under article 12 of the Constitution of the State Grange, adopted February 20th, 1874.

Faribault county, S. F. Wilkbow, Winnebago City.  
 Waseca, Hon. P. Woodruff, Blooming Grove.  
 Nicollet, J. H. Dunham, Nicollet.  
 Olmsted, M. C. Fuller, Rochester.  
 Fillmore, O. E. Rundell, Fairview Gr.  
 Le Sueur, A. B. Swayne, Elysian.  
 Cottonwood, J. W. Benjamin, Windom.  
 Dodge, Wm. E. Lee, Rice Lake.  
 Mower, F. A. Elder, Spring Valley.  
 Martin, John F. Daniels, Fairmount.  
 Dakota, D. F. Akin, Farmington.  
 Steele, E. H. C. Darrt, Owatonna.  
 Lyon, H. R. M. Hart, Lynd.  
 Brown, R. B. Stinson, Golden Gate.  
 Freeborn, A. K. Vanderwerker, Moscow.  
 Kandiyohi, Burroughs Abbott, Kandiyohi.  
 Yellow Medicine, Gorham Powers, Yellow Medicine.  
 Ramsey, S. C. Goodrich, St. Paul.  
 Wabasha, John H. Jackson, Lake City.  
 Rice, George C. Chamberlain, Northfield.  
 Blue Earth, A. J. Murphy, Lake Crystal.  
 Goodhue, I. C. Stearns, Zumbrota.  
 Olmsted, J. T. Price, Eyota.  
 Nobles, J. H. Chamberlain, Hersey.  
 Todd, J. O. Milne, Sault Centre.  
 Rock, — McCallum, Luverne.  
 Wright, William Slaght, Delano.  
 State Purchasing Agent—J. S. Denman, Winona.

## OFFICERS OF THE WISCONSIN STATE GRANGE, 1873.

Master, J. Cochran, Waupun.  
 Lecturer, J. H. Hubbard, Oxford.  
 Overseer, S. W. King, St. Francis, Menomonie.  
 Asst. Steward, A. J. Saxon, Kilbourne City.  
 Chaplain, E. F. Dunham, Clemonsville.  
 Treasurer, J. Cory, Fortville.  
 Secretary, James Bratney, Oshkosh.  
 Gate-keeper, E. Aldrich, St. Paul.  
 Corresponding Secretary, M. A. Brainard, Flora Grange.  
 Lady Steward, L. M. Hungerford.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

J. Cochran, Waupun.  
 J. H. Hubbard, Oshkosh.  
 O. D. Hunkley, Ripon.  
 H. C. Sherwin, Ladoga.  
 A. W. McLaughlin, Plainfield.  
 Purchasing Agent—J. H. Osborn, Oshkosh.

**Ellsworth Grange, No. 162.** P. of H. meets Wednesday evening of each week, in Odd Fellows Hall. J. W. WINN, W. M.

**Maple Grove Grange, No. 164.** P. of H. meets Tuesday evening nearest the full moon. J. H. CROSBY.

**Red Wing Grange, No. 334.** meets at its hall on the second and third Fridays of each month, at 7 3/4 o'clock P. M. Visiting Patrons cordially invited. J. F. SNODREY, Master.

**Advance Grange, No. 60.** Lake City meets at its hall the second and fourth Saturdays of each month, at 7 o'clock, P. M. Visiting Patrons cordially invited. Monthly Council meets the second Friday of every month. JOEL CLARKE, Master.

—Michigan has eighty-three Granges P. of H. and each day adds to the number.

—The Grangers of Iowa are building a Reaper Manufactory at Des Moines.

—The Grangers of Iowa are talking of a separate organization to secure cheap transportation, with the name "cheap freight league," and with subordinate leagues in every city and town.

—Secretary Kelly of the National Grange says that the Granges cannot form for political action outside or inside their order any more than the masons can form a masonic party.

—It is said but not singular that when demagogues fail to effect an entrance into the granges, they fall to denouncing the order and vow that it will be short-lived.

—Granges are being organized throughout the United States at the rate of thirty-six a day.

—The next meeting of the National Grange will take measures to expel all meddling politicians who have crept into the granges.

—There were twenty-five granges organized in Pennsylvania up to the 19th ult. The order has got a good foothold in the Keystone State. The territory has been worked up and the farmers are awaiting organization. Those forwarding the movement there state that the object is non-political.

—State Agent Denman announces that his circular to Patrons will be somewhat delayed owing to the delay of manufacturers in giving their terms. Mr. Denman wishes to publish as complete a list as possible. He is receiving sample machinery from the manufacturers, and is preparing sample rooms.

—Articles of incorporation have been filed with the Secretary of the State by the Patrons Co-operative Association of Alden, Freeborn county. To build a warehouse and store; to store, buy, sell, transport and handle wheat, produce, wood, coal, farming implements and general merchandise. Capital stock \$10,000.

—Mr. H. Bruge, President of the Goodhue County Council, has just appointed the following committees: Auditing committee, J. F. Pingrey, Red Wing; Isaac Gallagher, Goodhue; B. W. Halliday, Roscoe. Committee on County Business Agency: D. H. Towle, Featherstone; A. W. Fountain, Belvidere; I. C. Stearns, Zumbrota.

—The State Grange Patrons of Husbandry is to be held at Faribault, on the 16th day of December. It is very important that there should be a full attendance. Every Grange in the State should be fully represented. To accomplish anything there must be united action by all. The

Secretary, Wm. Paist, says in his circular: "As our Order is yet new, and many improvements may be made, it is sincerely hoped that every Grange in the State will be fully represented." Let the appeal receive a hearty response. The mere organizing of Granges, will not accomplish the work; when the Grange is organized the work is only just begun.

—It is hinted around among politicians that there will soon be a split in the granges, owing to politics. The wish is father to the idea. Don't believe a word of such stuff. Don't let outside politicians breed discontent among yourselves. Partisans should not be known in the granges. —Weekly Granger.

—The first work to be done toward affecting various reforms proposed by the Patrons of Husbandry is organization—organization so thorough and complete as to make the order a unit. It must not be expected that much can be accomplished until this is done. Then it will not do to be discouraged if results expected do not immediately follow organization. Even farmers themselves are still divided to some extent upon the question as to whether the Grangers can do any good. —Indiana Weekly Granger.

### Political Action by Patrons.

In a speech delivered by a Mr. Tom. Brown to Patrons at Winchester, Indiana, on the 9th ult., after showing at some length that it is not railroads which have brought so much wealth into our country, that the Patrons are fighting, but the unjust freights charged, the corrupting of our legislators in order to obtain favorable legislation, the gambling in stocks by the operators and manipulators of these roads; remarking that the question of cheap transportation could be most easily solved by building up home industries, manufacturing our raw materials at home, and bringing the consumer to our door, and touching briefly on the much mooted question of protection,—the speaker pays a little attention to the question of political action by the Granges. While we do not fully concur in all that the speaker says, we consider his thoughts on the subject worthy of most careful consideration. The part of the speech referred to is as follows:

Having, Patrons, thus expressed myself in sympathy with you in some of the important reforms you are so earnestly laboring to inaugurate, may I hope that you will pursue them in the spirit of kindness and moderation. Let your efforts be sincere and unselfish. Your way is beset with difficulties more formidable, perhaps than you now suppose, and you should meet them courageously, but patiently. Reforms are of slow growth, and yours may be the common lot, to labor and to wait. If you would succeed, demand nothing extravagant, illiberal or impossible. As you expect legislation on some of these subjects that so deeply concern you, your movement must become, to some extent political. In my judgment it should not be partisan. A political party made exclusively of farmers, of one interest or one class, would be calculated to antagonize all the varied occupations and professions of the country with you, and jeopardize the success of your cause. You can appeal to all classes and parties for assistance, with an assurance that if you ask but for what is right, it will sooner or later be accorded. Indeed I believe your objects can be much more certainly and speedily attained through the instrumentality of present party organizations than by the creation of a new political party. The politician, some malicious fellow has said, is a whistle upon which every man may blow his own tune; and it is unfortunately but too true. Of this, at least, you need entertain no doubt, that when the popular breeze begins to blow, parties will set their sails to catch it.

But I am informed that you have no desire or purpose to run your order into politics, unless politicians and parties compel you to do so in self-defense. To secret societies, as such, I make no objection, but those that are both secret and political are dangerous to a free government. Such has been my conviction for years, and after a sincere examination of the subject. In despotisms where the press is muzzled and open and public discussion denied, reforms can only be reached through revolutions and revolutions only put in motion by concealing their beginnings from that despotic power that would crush and destroy them. Here, with us, the tongue is free and the press unfettered, and our boast is that ours is a nation of free speech, free ballots and free men. Write, speak, and agitate fully and freely, but do it in the broad sunlight. If by fair and untrammelled discussion, after you have appealed to an enlightened public conscience, after you have toiled and sacrificed as true reformers must always toil and sacrifice, your cause fails to secure the approbation of the people, you may be certain that it deserved its fate.

### Kandiyohi Council, P. of H.

The County Councils of P. of H. will meet and pass resolutions notwithstanding the panic and collapse in the watered stocks of the railroad companies. The councils of the Granges of Kandiyohi County resolved at their meeting on Oct. 24th, as follows:

WHEREAS, The objects of this council are to secure uniformity of action among the farmers of this county, and to advance the best interests of the Patrons of Husbandry, and

WHEREAS, We must of necessity make some radical change in the manner of marketing our produce, that the producer and consumer may deal more direct, both as regards the products of the farm and workshop, and

WHEREAS, The tyranny of rings, monopolies and middlemen, over the producing classes of this Union is both unreasonable and unjust.

Resolved, That we fully approve the steps taken by the State Grange Committee in the appointment of a state agency for the purpose of doing the buying and selling for the order, as an action that must be productive of much good.

Resolved, That we petition the State Grange for an intermediate County Grange to take its name from the counties where organized, as an organization much needed by the order.

Resolved, That this council take steps for the appointment of some business like member of the order whose duty it shall be, to attend to the purchasing of machinery, merchandise, etc., and to take charge of the shipping of our produce, said member to be required to give such bonds, and receive such a salary or commission, as shall be determined by a committee of finance, consisting of one member appointed by each of the subordinate granges of this county. Said agent to be appointed for the term of good behavior, and required to make such reports as the committee may deem necessary.

Resolved, That it is our bounden duty to ourselves to use the right of franchise for the purpose of protecting our interests and in such manner as will benefit ourselves the most, without regard to party prejudices, that we should be represented in our legislature by honest, competent, thinking men, who are willing to co-operate with us in the downfall of monopolies, that we should look upon all office seekers with suspicion who are not willing to pledge themselves to use their utmost influence to establish laws for the regulation of Railroad Companies.

Resolved, That we solicit the State Grange to petition Congress, to the effect that no more extensions be allowed on patented articles, that have become necessities, such as Sewing Machines, Farm Machinery, etc., etc., so that competition in the manufacture of such articles, may lessen the present exorbitant prices.

Resolved, That, as according to the census but little less than one-half the population of this Union are farmers, we ask the co-operation of all such classes as will be benefited by the downfall of rings, monopolies and middlemen. Such a union of the best interests of the country would ultimately be crowned with success.

Resolved, That we recommend a strictly cash trade in all our dealings.

Resolution No. 3 so amended, that the Finance Committee be authorized to appoint the agent.

Resolved, That this council recommend to the several granges that Article 9 of the Constitution of the National Grange be strictly enforced.

Moved and carried that the Finance Committee meet at the house of A. H. Speny, in Harrison, at 1 o'clock, Nov. 7, 1873.

Moved and carried that a committee of three be appointed to investigate the practicability of renting, buying, or building a mill, for the purpose of milling our grain.

### Red Wing and Vicinity.

—A regular army lieutenant has been secured to train the cadets at the Red Wing Institute.

—Our weather has been somewhat mixed of late, and the mud and slush does honor to itself. The Granges are to blame (?)

—Neither the bad weather nor the panic have stopped improvements in this city. Excavations are in progress for a new block of stores on the lots adjoining Joe Batlo's and for a new grocery store on the corner of Plumb and Fifth Streets.

—The election returns of Goodhue County shows the election of Leland Jones to the Legislature by about thirty majority, and J. C. Bennet to Commissioner of the Fifth District. In all other cases the regular Republican ticket has been elected.

—Mr. Parsons of Faribault has contracted to build and place in the new floating mills by the 26th of December, four of the LaCroix middlings purifiers for the sum of twenty-two hundred dollars, to be paid when the mills are complete and in operation.

—The lecture of Rev. G. Cole, at the Baptist Church, in this city, on "Gossiping," is very highly praised. Being absent from the city on business, we were unable to attend. Of course as Mr. Cole is a home man he had a small audience. If he had been some clownish fool, advertising himself as coming straight from Baghdad, he might have had a full house. That is the way western folks patronize home institutions.

—Two boys made a mistake and got into the wrong henroost one night last week. They took sixty chickens that did not belong to their indulgent papas, which said papas have doubtless done their whole duties toward the young hopefuls, bringing them up and letting them go. The boys were put into jail for ten days with an accused horse thief and a desperate man who has since committed suicide in order to reform them. If they do not come out good little boys doomed to an early death, who will be to blame?

—The Hay Creek Grange P. of H. are to have a Thanksgiving festival at Burkard's Hotel, on Hay Creek, on Thanksgiving day, the 27th inst. Patrons and their friends, to be introduced by Patrons, are invited. There is to be a Thanksgiving oration by Mr. Herbert, of this paper, at one o'clock p. m. The Thanksgiving dinner will be served at three, and supper at 11 p. m. Music will be furnished by Martin's Zumbrota band, and a good social time is expected.

—Owing to our going to press one day earlier correspondence from Winona, River Falls and Wabasha received too late for insertion. All correspondence must hereafter be sent so as to reach us by Monday night.

—They are to have a dramatic entertainment at the Congregational Church, in Zumbrota, on Friday evening, Nov. 28th, 1873, the proceeds of which are to be devoted to procuring an organ for the public school of that place. The programme consists of a salutatory essay by Lillie Barbeau: "The French Flea Powder," by Geo. Thacher; dialogues, tableaux and music by the young misses and masters of Zumbrota, closing with the "drama, Last Leaf, a song in character, "We'll have to Mortgage the Farm," and the "May Queen," represented by twenty-six young ladies. From this programme, as well as from the parties having the entertainment in charge, we predict a lively and good time for all that attend.

—Some of our readers in this locality will probably remember a gentleman, who was reported to have gone home, turned his wife upside down, and his house out of doors, no his wife out of doors and his house upside down, smashed up his furniture and dishes and played smash generally, and then ran away. Well that gentleman returned, was ordered to give bonds to keep the peace toward his family and in default of bail he was thrown into the County jail. There he found no wife to pound nor children to flog, nor dishes to break. He naturally became very disconsolate and gloomy, and thinking that he would have a little sport all to himself by way of variety, and not wishing to be interrupted, he locked his fellow prisoners in their cells, placed a chair under one of the windows and stepped into it, took a leathern girdle from about his loins, fastened one end of the same to the iron grate of the window, adjusted the other end in a noose around his neck, and stepped from the chair into eternity. His body has been delivered over to his much afflicted family for burial.

A GRANGE of the Patrons of Husbandry was organized at Wacouta, Nov. 7th, by Deputy I. C. Stearns, assisted by B. B. Herbert, of the GRANGE ADVANCE. The Grange is named the Wacouta Grange, and starts out with twenty-two charter members. The following are the officers elected:

Master—James Sutherland.  
 Overseer—John W. Church.  
 Lecturer—Eli W. Lewis.  
 Chaplain—Homer Caldwell.  
 Secretary—Richard Smith.  
 Treasurer—J. W. Church.  
 Steward—M. Drum.  
 Asst. Steward—James Manson.  
 Lady Asst. Steward—Mrs. Caroline Drum.  
 Corresponding Secretary—Miss Clara Eames.  
 Pomona—Miss Josie Sutherland.  
 Flora—Miss Carrie Bullard.  
 Gate Keeper—B. F. Swezey.

### Humorous Incidents of a trip to Manitoba. No. 3. By Paul Newton.

"HATCH'S BATTALION."

We were in camp at Fort Garry, in sight of the stone tower where the Minneapolis Kidnappers were confined—in sight of the white tents of the English soldiers—near the banks of the Assiniboie and the far famed Red River of the North—on the outskirts of the city where dwells the "notorious" Lori Gordon, and the "Adventurer" Clarke—within the limits of a city memorable for the past, and ambitious for the future.

Generally the tent of the travelers in a new country is regarded as sacred—as much so as a house would be, but sometimes, a wanderer far from home, in hopes of meeting a friend, or at least some one from his own country will "intrude."

We always managed to meet the curiosity of such "intruders" by overwhelming them with questions as to themselves before satisfying them as our to business, and so on.

On the present occasion the intruder was a Frenchman, a little "seedy" in appearance, but exhibiting signs of art and good humor. We discovered that he had been a soldier in Hatch's Battalion. Following up this discovery by the remark "then you must have been acquainted with the Bevans boys," (whom all know to have been steady lads.) What was our astonishment to hear the Frenchman exclaim with his hand on our shoulder and a smile on his face, "Mon Dieu! all ze hard cases in ze country, vas in Hatch's battalion!"

PRESERVE THE FORESTS.—The Irrigation Convention recently held at Denver, Colorado, passed resolutions advocating the introduction of a general and complete system of irrigation, and also the introduction of a general, permanent, and rational plan of forest culture; that the Homestead laws be amended so as to allow any person over the age of twenty-one years to acquire a perfect title to 160 acres of land in the course of two years, provided he proves by responsible neighbors that he has created a dwelling house, fenced in and broken at least five acres of land, and raised a crop; that one-fourth of the public domain be set apart for permanent forest culture, and that no timber on mountain tops, ridges, or slopes shall be cut for the present.

Look at the price list of A. H. Strouse.

See advertisement of Branch office Weed Sewing Machine Company, 30 West Third street, St. Paul. This machine took the premium at the Vienna Exposition.

The bottom has certainly dropped out of the Dry Goods market: if you don't believe it, just go to A. H. Strouse, No. 164 Third St., Saint Paul.

The Monitor Plow factory of Minneapolis advertise in THE GRANGE ADVANCE, and other home manufacturers will find it for their interest to follow the example.

Dress Goods in endless variety and at Panic prices at A. H. Strouse's, 194 3d St., Saint Paul.

Mrs. Charles has returned from Chicago and New York with a large and elegant stock of Fall and Winter Millinery, and invites the ladies to call at her store in Red Wing and examine.

Blankets, Blankets—500 pr. Blankets, in all qualities, at New York cost, at A. H. Strouse, No. 164 Third St., St. Paul.

O. J. Everson of this city has opened a New Millinery and Fancy Goods Store. In order to build up a lively trade he proposes to sell goods as low as can possibly be afforded. Call and examine before purchasing elsewhere.

The greatest inducements ever offered, by any Western Home, can be seen at the popular Dry Goods Store of A. H. Strouse, No. 164 Third St., St. Paul.

Ladies' and Children's Furs—A. H. Strouse, 194 Third St., Saint Paul, has just received from the New York auction, 500 sets of Ladies' Fur sets, which he offers from 20 to 50 per cent. less than any other house can sell them for, and will give you a discount of 10 per cent. on the dollar, in addition.

It is with pleasure that we call the attention of our readers to the advertisement in our columns of Ellsworth & Knapp of Lake City, Minnesota, dealers in dry goods and groceries. This is a reliable firm, who have been on the side of Patrons in their efforts for reform from the first.

Waterproofs in all shade, for the million—A. H. Strouse 164 Third St., Saint Paul, has just received from the Panic auctions at New York, one hundred pieces of Waterproof, which he offers at a great sacrifice, and gives an additional discount of 10 per cent. on the dollar.

In our advertising columns will be found the card of E. N. West, Patent Solicitor and model maker, of Winona, Minn. Mr. West is not what is generally known to the people as a patent agent who has Patent Rights for sale; his business is making models of new inventions for inventors and securing their claims in Washington. He is Secretary of the Winona Co. Council P. of H., and Secretary also of the Patrons Co-operative Co. of Winona, which speaks well for his standing and qualifications.

We call attention to the important Dry Goods advertisement of A. H. Strouse, No. 164 Third St., St. Paul, who is selling goods cheaper than any house in the West, and besides gives a discount of 10 per cent. on the dollar, on all purchases of \$5 and upwards. Money saved in these hard times is so much made. We advise our friends to take advantage of the inducements offered. Lose no time. Go at once and satisfy yourselves.

It is a matter of interest to our readers to know the best place to purchase their goods, and there is no place where they can buy their Dry Goods, either at retail by the Patrons or at wholesale by the Granges, than the large wholesale and retail Dry Goods House of H. Choate, Winona, Minn. It is one of the largest stocks in the State, and has become justly popular by keeping the best quantity and largest assortment of goods and always selling at the lowest prices. Granges are sold as low as they can buy in any Eastern Market.

Messrs. Raymond & Wright of this city have just received a patent for an invention for coupling Poles or Thills to a Buggy or Cutter. This coupling is self adjusting, and does away with the necessity of using a wrench, bolts or burrs, and can be changed from Pole to Thills and vice versa in one minute without greasing fingers or causing persons to think profane language. It also saves room as the Pole or Thills can easily be detached and set aside when not in use. All interested are invited to call at their Livery Office and examine it.

A. H. Rose, for the last ten years, engaged in the wholesale and retail Drug business, in St. Paul, we notice, has turned his exclusive attention to the introduction of Dr. C. C. Berkman's celebrated Horse Remedies, and Rose's Cough Balsam, and the Mandrake, Dandelion and Wild Cherry Bitters. From our knowledge of the position previously occupied by Mr. Rose, and his standing as a Chemist, we do not hesitate to recommend his preparations as worthy of confidence. Our patrons will find them for sale in all the Drug and General Stores in the country.

On looking through the various stocks of goods kept in Red Wing we find an endless variety, and safely say, that the stocks and stores of Red Wing, are not second to any in this or any other State. In visiting the various institutions we are greatly surprised to find such an endless variety in any one store as we find at A. J. CLARK'S new store corner of Bush and Third streets. It would seem almost impossible to call for anything in the Drug, Grocery, or Fancy Goods line and be disappointed in not getting it. We also found Dr. G. W. Bothwell in charge of the Medical department, with everything on hand to attend to the wants of such as are in need of medicines. We can safely say there is no more complete store in the State than this. It will pay you to go and examine; goods are sold very reasonable.