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BY JOHN TAYLOR. 'Tis forty years, my old friend John, Since you and I were young, Bird-nesting through each forest glen,

There's gladness in remembrance, John; Our friendship has been true— In all the weal and woe of life.

But there are trances, John, That roll between us two; Yet we may list the humming bee, In fancy see the "old" snow,

The mavis trills his glowing throat, The thrush his matin song; But flower, and nest, and humming bee For us will charm no more;

Meeting of Pomona Grange. We, the Committee appointed on Education, beg leave to make our report in the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The present school laws and the present Administrators of the school funds are a failure, and work a great injustice to those who are intended to be benefitted thereby, (the youth of our State); and,

Whereas, We, the members of Richland Pomona Grange No. 12, representing the interest of the Patrons of Husbandry of the Parish of Richland, are determined, sooner or later, to be heard, and to do all that is in our power for the education of the youth of the land; therefore,

Resolved, That we, the members of Richland Pomona Grange No. 12, do call upon the several Pomona Granges of the State of Louisiana to cooperate with us in memorializing the Legislature of the State of Louisiana to modify or change the school laws of the State, that the funds belonging to each Parish may be put into the hands of a School Board, and President of which to be elected by the Parish at large, and a Director to be elected from each Ward, by the voters of each Ward.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Grange be ordered to forward a copy of these resolutions to each Pomona Grange of the State for their cooperation.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolutions be forwarded to the Hon. R. P. Edwards, our member in the Legislature, to be laid before that body at the present session.

W. A. RICHARDSON, Chyman. JOHN C. STANSEL, Secretary.

Report of the Committee on Diversifying the Crop. To the Officers and Members of Richland Pomona Grange: Your Committee, to whom was referred the subject of diversifying the crops, beg leave to submit the following:

After having carefully investigated this very important subject, we are thoroughly convinced that our future independence and prosperity as tillers of the soil, greatly depends upon the proportion and diversifying the crop. Experience and observation prove conclusively that under the present system of planting and cultivating, each year brings the farmer more and more dependent upon the capitalist and speculator than the year previous.

Cotton is claimed by many to be "King" this we admit, and still go further with the assumption, we claim that cotton is both King and Tyrant, and the producer the slave. This view, we take from the fact, that under the present system of agriculture in the Cotton States, cotton has been the great staple upon which both capital and labor has centered, until the supply of the raw material greatly exceeds the demand, and places this great staple without any real intrinsic value. Take the present price of cotton as a standard, the cost of producing and preparing for market is more than the actual net proceeds of sale realized, with some exceptions.

Resolved, That the Worthy Lecturer of each Subordinate Grange lay the report of the Committee on Diversifying the Crop before their respective Granges and urge the practical carrying out of the same. The above adopted.

To the Officers and Members of Pomona Grange No. 5, P. of H. Your Committee, appointed on Diversity of Crops, beg leave to make the following report: That there can be no system of farming practiced with profit which does not provide a proper diversity of crops. Therefore, for example, we take a farm of 100 acres and put it under the following system of rotation, and make a just estimate of what it will do for one year. We will have for our products:

Table with 4 columns: Crop, Acres, Quantity, and Value. Includes Corn, Oats, Barley, Rye, Hay, Pasture, Peas, and Fodder.

The above report is for the consideration of a poor man owning a 100 acres, a mule cart and a few stock, all the work claimed to be done by said mule and two extra hands.

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To the Officers and Members of Pomona Grange No. 12, Delbi, La. Respectfully represents to the great Brotherhood of the Order throughout the country:

1. That the people of Richland Parish, always liberal, hospitable and generous, warmly welcome to their midst, bona fide immigrants from all parts of the world, without regard to their religious or political opinions.

2. That the climate of our Parish is genial and healthy; that its soil is exceedingly productive; that its lands are cheap; that its water and railroad facilities are sufficient; that its markets are convenient; that churches and schools abound within its limits; that good highways extend to every neighborhood; that it offers to immigrants every advantage elsewhere combined in the oldest and newest settled sections; that life and property are as secure as in any part of the United States.

3. That considering its climate, the productions of its soil, its cheap lands, its church and educational facilities, its railroad and navigable rivers, the peace and security every where prevailing, and the cordial reception its people extend to those who come among them to live, no other place in the Union or in the world presents so many attractions to honest and industrious men elsewhere with or without capital, who prefer to better their condition by immigration. Correspondence invited.

Resolved, That a copy of the above be sent to the RICHLAND BEACON for publication.

Resolved, That we, the members of Richland Pomona Grange No. 12, do urge upon the Subordinate Granges of Richland Parish, of which we are representatives, the necessity of forming libraries in each Grange, and a general support of the Agricultural and Grange press.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to each Grange for their action and consideration. Presented and adopted.

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to subscribe for the RICHLAND BEACON, and be required to keep on file all that portion pertaining to Grange matters and business.

Resolved, That the Worthy Master be authorized to appoint the different standing committees in chambers and furnish the Worthy Secretary with the names, and that be published as a part of the proceedings of this meeting of the Grange.

Approved and adopted. The next meeting of Richland Pomona Grange shall be held at Girard.

The receipts of the day amounted \$13.00. Jno. C. Stansel, Secretary pro tem. The Worthy Master being authorized to appoint all standing committee required by the Constitution, called off to meet at Rayville on Tuesday, the 11th January.

Met at Rayville pursuant to call, and W. M., pro tem, proceeded to appoint the following committees, who are required to make their report at the next meeting, to be held at Girard, on the 18th of January.

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