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THE GRANGE

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Review

GRANGE MEMBERSHIP.

New York Leads With Nearly 95,000.
Names of State Masters.

From recent reports of state secretaries and state masters we are able to glean some figures relative to membership in the Order. In Maine there are 440 granges with about 58,000 members. One county has fifty granges and over 6,000 members. The receipts of the secretary's office were \$12,490. Vermont has 202 subordinate granges with about 20,000 members. There are also twenty-four county granges with a membership of 7,000. The largest grange has 394 members. Pennsylvania has 53,000 members and gained about 7,400 last year. The secretary's receipts were about \$19,000. The total funds in the treasury amount to \$24,200. Ohio gained nearly 4,800 new members last year and forty-three new granges. The state grange has over \$26,000 as its resources. New Hampshire has 269 granges with a membership of 29,000. Massachusetts had a membership of 28,750 at the last annual report and gained about 2,000 last year. The cash receipts of the secretary's office were \$12,373. New York has over 750 granges with nearly 95,000 members. One county has over 7,000 members. The receipts of the secretary's office last year were \$24,000. Rhode Island has 3,000 members in thirty-three granges. New Jersey has 18,000 grangers. Connecticut reports 15,000 members. The western states have from 2,000 to 10,000 each, the growth in the state of Washington being most notable of all. The total membership in twenty-eight states is not far from 500,000.

State Grange Masters.

California—E. T. Pettit, Cupertino.
Colorado—John Horn, Golden.
Connecticut—L. H. Healey, North Woodstock.
Delaware—S. H. Messick, Bridgeville.
Idaho—D. C. Mullen, Nampa.
Illinois—Robert Eaton, Elwood.
Indiana—Aaron Jones, South Bend.
Iowa—A. B. Judson, Balfour.
Kansas—George Black, Olathe.
Kentucky—F. P. Wolcott, Covington.
Maine—C. S. Stetson, Greene.
Maryland—H. J. Patterson, College Park.
Massachusetts—C. M. Gardner, Westfield.
Michigan—N. P. Hull, Dimondale.
Minnesota—Mrs. S. G. Baird, Minneapolis, R. D. 2.
Missouri—C. O. Raine, Canon.
New Hampshire—Richard Fattée, Plymouth.
New Jersey—G. W. F. Gaunt, Mullica Hill.
New York—F. N. Godfrey, Olean.
Ohio—T. C. Lavin, Norwalk.
Oregon—C. E. Spence, Canby.
Pennsylvania—W. T. Creasy, Catawissa.
Rhode Island—M. E. Marchant, West Kingston.
South Dakota—G. R. Malone, Draper.
Vermont—C. F. Smith, Norrisville.
Washington—C. B. Kegley, Falouse.
West Virginia—T. C. Atkeson, Morgantown.
Wisconsin—G. R. Schafer, Appleton, R. D. 2.

Ghiberti's Famous Doors.

The world renowned doors of the baptistry at Florence represent nearly the entire lifework of Ghiberti. He began the first pair when he was twenty-three years old, and when he finished the second pair he was seventy-three. Excepting the three statues outside Or San Michele and one or two minor works, these two pairs of bronze doors represent his labors for half a century. These doors, declared by Michaelangelo "fit to be the gates of paradise," represent the book of Genesis in all the depth of its meaning, and the skill of the artist has never been overpraised. It is impossible to exaggerate the glory of the work, and if one has the time and money the sight of those wonderful doors is well worth the trip to Florence.—New York American.

SPECIAL PREMIUMS.

American Jersey Cattle Club to Duplicate Premiums Offered Last Year.

The American Jersey Cattle Club has notified the Michigan State Fair Association that they will this year duplicate the special premiums in the Jersey cattle class which they gave last year. These special premiums are as follows:

Class 1—Grand Champion Bull, if exhibited by his breeder and owner. Gold medal (value \$20), suitably inscribed.

Class 2—Grand Champion Female, if exhibited by her breeder and owner. Gold medal (value \$20), suitably inscribed.

Class 3—Cow having an accepted record in authenticated test for one year, made according to the rules of the Club, which is awarded the highest number of counts, on the basis of 100 for perfect, by the official judge at such show, by adding to the counts allowed for confirmation one count for each 20 pounds of butter-fat produced by the cow in one year over and above the minimum required at her age, no cow scored on confirmation under 80 per cent to receive an award. First, \$30; second, \$20; third, \$10.

Class 4—Four females over one year, the get of one sire, two of which must be in milk, and exhibited by the breeder. First, \$40; second, \$30; third, \$20.

Animals eligible to compete for these prizes must be recorded in the Herd Register of the American Jersey Cattle Club, and exhibited by the person only in whose name they so stand therein, and certificates of such registration must be exhibited to the proper officers at the fair before such animals are entered.

AEROPLANE WILL RACE FAST AUTO

WEST MICHIGAN STATE FAIR MANAGEMENT HAS SECURED A THRILLER FOR THIS FALL'S EXPOSITION.

WILL CARRY A PASSENGER

Big Wright Plane Such as the Army Uses Will Be the Center of Interest at Grand Rapids.

An aeroplane racing against one of the fastest automobiles and carrying a passenger, each day, is the big thrill the management of the West Michigan State Fair has prepared for the thousands who will attend it this year, September 11 to 15.

The aeroplane is the first invention of man to successfully navigate the atmosphere regardless of the direction of the wind and without the aid of gas or hot air. Every day the newspapers are filled with the thrilling acts of the "man birds" some of whom have risen thousands of feet into the air, even crossing the Alps and Pyrennes, and others of whom have flown hundreds of miles at a rate of 100 miles an hour.

The wonderful power of these great birds, with their great whirring motors and broad white wings, is fascinating everybody and the feats performed are causing the world to gasp each day.

At the forefront in America of aeroplane builders are the Wright brothers, the inventors of the aeroplane, who were making successful flights around their own home and unknown to anybody while others were experimenting with the dirigible gas balloons. So successful have these silent brothers been in their work that the government is using dozens of their machines in the education of army officers and in experimenting with the machines to find out their true value in time of war. It is one of the Wright machines that the people of Western Michigan will see at the big Grand Rapids exposition this fall. Other machines might have been secured at a less cost but it has not been the policy of the management of the West Michigan State Fair to give their patrons cheap things, so when they decided upon an aeroplane it was the very best in the business that was secured.

The great man-carrying bird will be housed in the enclosure within the race track. Here everybody will have an opportunity to inspect it at rest. From here it will ascend, fly out over the river, around the track, up into the air until it becomes a mere speck, speed past the grandstand with its great propellers whirring and perform all those wonderful evolutions which since long before the days of the lamented Darius Green have foiled the genius of man—those evolutions which have caused multitudes to gasp in awe and brought death to dozens of daring aviators.

But this is not the best of what has been prepared. The contract which Secretary E. D. Conger has signed with the Wright Brothers provides that each day a passenger, to be selected by the management of the fair, shall be taken up in the aeroplane. Who this shall be will be announced daily and some half dozen persons who attend the fair are to receive thrills such as they never felt before. It is to be something new in Michigan and the lucky persons chosen for the passengers will have something to tell about for the rest of their days.

On one day the plane is to race with an automobile. For this purpose an especially fast car will be chosen and above it the great man-carrying bird will whiz around the track, each bellowing in its struggle to outdo the other. Thus will the two fastest and most marvelous inventions of man be seen in a mad race for supremacy.

This will be the greatest feature Michigan will boast this year and it can only be seen at Grand Rapids during the week of September 11 to 15 at the West Michigan State Fair grounds.

IMPLEMENT FIELD ENLARGED

Big Show is Promised at West Michigan State Fair.

Implement field at the West Michigan State Fair at Grand Rapids, September 11 to 15, is one of the most instructive spots on the big fair grounds for the farmer. Here he has an opportunity to see all the most modern machinery the great manufacturers produce. Many of the implements are in operation, giving a better idea of just what can be accomplished with them.

The implement field is in a new location this year, now occupying the space formerly occupied by the speed stables. This gives a vast amount more room than in former years and consequently greater opportunities for exhibition and operation. Most of the space has already been taken and the farmers are sure of seeing more modern equipment this year than ever before.

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