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GREAT GUESSING CONTEST

RUSSIA AND JAPAN

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Address, "War Department", Herkimer Democrat.

Farm and Grange News

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The next meeting of Pomona Grange will be held in Grange Temple on Saturday next and an interesting session is anticipated. Besides the usual order of business, delegates to the State Grange will render reports from that body. This has long been the custom and sometimes it requires two or more sessions to complete the work.

Would not a better plan been to select one of their number before adjournment furnishing their representative with such facts as they deem essential and wish incorporated in the report. It would save valuable time and eliminate much that is regarded as prelude and postlude on account of its remoteness from the central thought.

While it is evident that the Grange is a large factor in legislative suggestion and is influential in cultivating sentiment favorable to the enactment of helpful laws yet like many other associations it is liable to forget that it is sometimes best to adopt the old maxim and "make haste slowly." The question of good roads has been a favorite theme for several years and thanks to grange effort has received several encouraging enactments and is now in the experimental stage. A favorable public sentiment has been created and it seems unwise to tinker that sentiment until it shall defeat all opportunity for development.

The American farmer in common with every commercial interests is directing his attention to the clash of arms in the far East. While he may not be foremost in National Councils or entrusted with the art of diplomacy yet his interests are as vital as those of the manufacturer, the speculator or the jobber who has invested in enterprises now endangered by the occupancy of contending armies.

The American people are producing much more than they consume and any disturbance that interferes with or destroys markets already acquired or prevents the opening of new channels of trade endangers our vitality and lessens our possibilities for growth and achievement.

The underdeveloped markets of the world are a prize worth contending for and we must remember that we are not alone in the race for commercial opportunities. Every prominent nation in Europe is making strenuous efforts to establish the open door

which will stimulate the industries of their people.

The contest between Russia and Japan is therefore watched with considerable interest for the result will either stimulate or embarrass according to which Power shall be victorious.

Should victory perch on the banner of Japan our opportunities in undeveloped Asiatic markets now most attractive would be easily accessible owing to the foothold already established in the Pacific, but in the event of Russian supremacy in the pending conflict the rivalry among nations would be intensified and our limitations greatly reduced.

There is now little difficulty in marketing our surplus crops but when the great west becomes fully developed through modern methods we must have a sure outlet for our wheat and other staples.

Don't get frightened; Pure water is still cheap. We learn that a farmer into the neighborhood of Malone has purchased thirty four pounds of Japan tea fearing a rise in that article in consequence of the war.

Japanning is evidently a favorite art with some people.

EAST SCHUYLER GRANGE.

The regular meeting was held Wednesday evening having been postponed one day on account of the storm.

R. H. Smith spent a part of the week in Syracuse in the interest of State Grange work.

East Schuyler Grange is to have a new piano. It was voted to rent one for the year with the privilege of buying.

There is considerable talk in this vicinity of starting a Grange store in Frankfort.

At the last meeting the lecturer's hour was devoted to the discussion of "Good Roads." It developed the fact that of the 40 path masters in town, only three had returned their warrants. It is claimed that not half of the road tax is worked out in the town.

The Grange is going to appoint a committee to see that the law is enforced the coming year.

On account of the severe cold weather and bad roads very little farm produce has been marketed this winter. This

undoubtedly accounts for the advance in prices recently.

We have finally got our hens to laying. We believe that the meat scraps and ground bone was largely responsible for the hens' action into the matter.

J. H. J. Watkins speaks on the subject of "Good Roads" at Van Hornesville next week. Our last grange meeting suggested that there is a chance to do considerable missionary work at home.

Everyone is pleased that the committee in "Post Offices and Post Roads" in Congress has recommended that Rural Free delivery carriers receive \$10 more per month.

At the last meeting Com. Watkins introduced a resolution asking our assemblyman and senator to work for a \$100,000 appropriation for district school libraries. The same was carried.

The following resolution was also unanimously adopted:

Whereas, Congressman Currier has introduced a bill in Congress to appropriate \$24,000,000 for State aid, making \$8,000,000 available each year to be apportioned to the states in the Union desiring to accept the same and apportioning the money to the states according to their population thus entitling the state of New York to \$2,000,000 on condition that the state of New York raise an equal amount of money for road work and agree to maintain the roads when built, therefore be it Resolved: That East Schuyler Grange do hereby request and urge our representative in congress to use all honorable means in securing the passage of the "Carrier bill."

Herkimer Man's Invention.

A. W. Wilson of this village has perfected an invention to be known as a wall protector and his application for a patent is now pending.

The use of the invention as its name indicates is to protect walls when cleaning them. It is constructed of fiber and rubber and those having seen it demonstrated consider it a success.

Mr. Wilson says he has refused a large offer for a half interest in his invention.

O. E. Naugle Injured.

O. E. Naugle one of the local letter carriers was confined to his home the past week with severe injuries. Mr. Naugle keeps fowls and had made a bone cutter to provide them with fresh bone. On the machine he had placed a heavy balance wheel and when operating the cutter his coat was caught dragging his face down on the moving machine. He sustained a laceration under the left eye requiring six stitches and his coat was torn from his back.

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Teachers Visit.

Taking advantage of the three days vacation caused by Washington's birthday the following Misses, members of the school faculty visited as given below: Ellen Norton, Oxford; Belle Williams, Middleville; Alice Poste, Eva Porter, Syracuse; Mary Walbran, Oriskany; Eva Roberts, Remsen; Alice Dennison, Canajoharie; Ida Hall, May Mason, Glencerville; Emily Stout, West Winfield.

Runaway Accident.

While driving down Main street Saturday afternoon "Governor" Hill's rig was dashed into by a runaway team.

Philip Cramer coachman for J. Howard Mark left his team standing in East Albany street by the Marks Mill.

The team took fright and dashed toward Main street where they crashed into the rig as above stated.

The "Governor's" cutter was wrecked, which was the only damage done, no one was injured.

Can't be perfect health without pure blood. Burdock Blood Bitters makes pure blood. Tonic and invigorates the whole system.

Masonic Donations.

The committees having in charge the soliciting, contests and other arrangements of the coming Masonic fair continue to perfect the same and following each committee meeting favorable reports of progress are made.

In the various contests a large number have already entered and there will be many more. The contests will be the most exciting of any ever held by a fair here.

In the contest which was opened to the most popular teacher in the county a change has been made upon the solicitation of many and the contest has been made open to the most popular wage earner in the county. The prize for this contest is well worth working for. It is a free trip to the St. Louis Exposition. The trip includes a weeks board and admission to the grounds.

The donations continue to pour in and are most liberal. Following is a list of those since the last published.

Williams Bros., New York, dozen neckties; Whittemore Bros., Cambridge case shoe dressing; J. Zintmaster, surrey whip; Harrison Bros. New York, gold locket; J. O. Heber, Utica, table spread; D. Jones & Sons, half dozen stiff bosom colored shirts; L. A. Lawton, No. 5 self pointing target, \$5; M. Lawton, Rome, 50 cigars; Michelson & Fischler, Rochester, mahogany chiftonier, \$35; Margaret J. Slater, sofa pillow; Matthew & Bocher, Rochester, carriage robe; through B. A. Owens, one dozen Chester suspenders; H. D. Pixley & Son, Utica, ready made suit, \$15; Mrs. A. Raymonda, rug; Smith & Patterson, Boston, gent's gold watch fob; Simson & Geo. H. Rogers Co., Hartford, silver souvenir spoons; Snell, Canajoharie, box cigars; J. H. Sheehan & Co., Utica, case claret; J. Thompson & Son, Troy, case perfumes and soaps; Union Collar Co., two boxes (1 doz. in each) collars; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Nellis and Mather Fox, silver and fancy glass fruit dish; N. H. White, ladies' chateleine watch, \$15; A. Aarous & Co. check, \$3; Aird, Don & Co. Troy, 39x24 bath room mirror; Albany News Co., album; Berliner, Strauss & Meyers, half dozen neckties; Barro & Dotter, New York, china vase; D. Bing, New York, box cigars; F. Burning & Co., Cincinnati, 100 cigars; M. Cohen & Son, \$3; J. G. Davis & Co., Rochester, half barrel flour, \$3; J. Danaher & Co., New York, case optimus eye, \$10.50; DeVoe & Co. New York, case assorted paint and varnish; C. H. Dashy, Troy, five gallons mixed paint; Eichold & Miller, New York, \$3; Elboef Knitting Co., Utica, man's sweater; Ferrenborgh, O. H. Dresden and wife, ten sacks buckwheat flour, \$3; Flanders, barrel flour; Geneva Optical Co., opera glasses, \$9; T. E. Greecan, New York, pair ladies' patent leather Smart Set Shoes; Herk. Mfg. Co., roll top desk, \$40; Harris Suspendor Co., dozen suspenders; Holmes & Edwards Silver Co., Bridgeport, Conn., silver, gold lined oyster ladle.

END OF BITTER FIGHT.

"Two physicians had a long and stubborn fight with an abscess on my right lung," writes J. F. Hughes of DuPont, Ga. "and gave me up. Everybody thought my time had come. As a last resort I tried Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption. The benefit I received was striking and I was on my feet in a few days. Now I've entirely regained my health." It conquers all Cough, Colds and Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed by L. E. Hollon, Herkimer, and J. D. Fitch, Mohawk, Druggists. Price 50 cents and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

Increased to \$25,000.

The M. W. Brooks Manufacturing Company, makers of knit goods held a special meeting at the law offices of Steele and Prescott Friday evening. The meeting was called to take action on the question of increasing the capital stock and by unanimous vote, action was taken to increase the stock from \$16,000 to \$25,000.

The company has large orders ahead, has been in operation only one year and recently declared a dividend of five per cent.

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THE BROWN CASE

Continues to Occupy the Attention of Judge Devendorf—Testimony About the Same

The second trial of Bert C. Brown charged with causing an employe to commit arson continues to occupy the attention of Judge Devendorf in the county court. The second trial has now been in progress for a week, and the defense is now on, commencing Tuesday afternoon.

While the case is being more closely contested this trial, the evidence is of the same nature with but few exceptions, as in the first trial. The people beside the book keeper mentioned in Saturday's issue have called two other new witnesses, Thomas Burns another fireman and Walter Becker an insurance agent.

Officer Long against whom Mr. Mills seems to turn loose all his sarcasm was charged with adding to his evidence of the previous trial as was Harry Becker an insurance agent.

John Crowley, the witness with the abnormally developed sense of smell testified Tuesday, and on his cross examination claimed to have smelled the odor of burning oil while running as fast as possible in Second street, 100 feet from John street.

He fixed the position on a map and said he was 75 feet from the fire. The distance between the two points given by witness would be the hypotenuse of a right angle 90 feet on one side, about 900 feet on the other.

Fire Chief Cooney one of the people's witnesses had been in the store since the last trial. He saw the stove in the workshop when Moran had a fire in it.

He said on cross examination that the sheet iron part contained holes and the rigs of the base were warped.

District Attorney Ward's strenuous objections that witness could not characterize the stove were overruled. Witness said smoke puffed from the stove into the room.

Mr. Mills commenced his opening at 4:20 Tuesday, occupying the rest of the day. The taking of evidence in the defense was commenced this morning.

What Shall We Have for Dessert?

This question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it today. Try Jell-O, a delicious and beautiful dessert. Prepared in two minutes. No boiling! no baking, simply add boiling water and set to cool. Flavors:—Lemon, Orange, Raspberry and Strawberry. Get a package at your grocers to-day. 10 cents.

Real Estate Transfers.

Reported for the Democrat.

Clinton H. Metzger to Nicholas Rock house and lot William street, Herkimer. Consideration \$1,450.

Em. H. Jones to Henry W. Patrie lot Dolgeville.

Nathaniel A. Stimpson to Clarence B. Root property Dewey avenue.

Edith B. De Bois to Edmond E. Walker lot Remington avenue, Ilion. Consideration \$300.

William S. Bacot to the Consolidated Water Co. of Utica, land in Trenton situated both in Oneida and Herkimer counties. Consideration \$5,740.66.

Wide Tires.

Bitter complaint is coming in from many parts of the state that thoughtless men finding that the improved road will permit them to carry from two to six tons on a wagon, will place this weight upon a narrow-tired wagon and then proceed to go over the state, county and town roads and mutilate the road by cutting ruts; which could be avoided if the load were placed on broad-tired wagons. The sense of ownership in the roads on the part of the residents of the county and town who paid for roads is incensed at the destruction of county and town property by thoughtless men of this character. Your Committee, therefore, recommend the introduction of the wide-tire bill, which was introduced a year ago, and which passed the Senate, but which failed of passage in the Assembly, and further recommend a resolution directing a change in the Penal Code defining nuisances as applied to public highways so as to include the destruction of a highway by a narrow tire when they are used to carry an excessive load that injures the road, in order to punish a careless offender. Your Committee realize that much of the harm done to the roads by the use of narrow tires is due to inexperience on the part of road users and not to natural causes, and the recommendations on the part of your Committee are for the purpose of calling attention of all road users to the fact that the changed conditions of our highways need changed conditions of wagon tires.

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VAN HORNESVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Menzo Fort entertained company both Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. George Van Evera and family are visiting out of town for a week. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wilson spent Sunday with their daughter, it being the tenth anniversary of their daughter's marriage.

Will Austin and family are under the doctor's care, suffering from very bad colds.

John Miller has recovered from an attack of the mumps.

Will Farr has been staying with J. Miller the last week.

Our school closed Friday for a two weeks' vacation. The teacher is visiting her parents at Hartwick. Nick is looking very melancholy.

The dance at Monroe Christman's was well attended Wednesday night notwithstanding the storm. All spent an enjoyable time. The next of the series will be a masque ball at Gray Van Hornes Hotel to which everybody is invited.

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