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PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY.

GREY DIVISION GRANGE NO. 2.

REPORT OF SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING HELD AT
ROCKLYN ON MONDAY FEB. 4TH, 1884.

ROCKLYN, Feb. 4, 1884.

Grey Division No. 2 opened in due form; Worthy Master in the chair.

The following officers being absent the W. M. appointed others pro tem: Bro. Goldsmith, Overseer; Bro. Bowes, Chaplain; Bro. Gifford, Steward; Bro. Yelland, Gatekeeper. Grange elected Bro. H. Reid, auditor, as Bro. H. D. Irwin was not present.

The minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Bros. Bowes, Richardson, and White were appointed a committee on credentials.

Bros. Armstrong, Buskin, and Best were appointed a committee to strike standing committees.

Report of committee on Credentials presented by Bro. Bowes. The report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Credentials:

334, Markdale; S. Douglass, G. Richardson.

312, New England; J. Yelland, C. Morward.

458, Artemesia Centre; G. Buskin, G. Stewart.

525, Beehive; D. Robertson, W. McIntosh.

15, St. Vincent; B. White and Sister White, H. Palmer.

855, Derry; L. Goldsmith, Mr. Sutherland.

364, Hawthorne; H. Reid, D. Armstrong.

259, Artemesia; J. Weber, J. I. Graham.

13, Georgian; A. Gifford, J. Long.

548, Harkaway; E. W. Moore and Sister Moore, P. Smith.

421, Owen Sound; R. J. Doyle and Sister Doyle.

14, Sydenham; J. M. Rogers, D. Jack.

Jas. Bowes, Chairman.

Moved by Bro. White, seconded by Bro. Graham, that Bro. Bond be a delegate instead of W. M. of Grange No. 25, who was absent.—Carried.

Bro. A. Gifford presented report of committee on Grading Barley.

To the W. M. and Members of Grey Division Grange:

We, your committee appointed to report on the system of Grading Barley, beg leave to submit the following: We find that there is ample ground for the complaints made by dealers, that there is no uniformity in the present system. Cases occurring where barley carefully purchased with a view to securing a grade No. 1, as compared with samples furnished buyers, have been graded by the Inspector as only "No. 3 extra." Such a discrepancy your committee think impossible with proper inspection. The effect of the present system is to prevent local buyers from purchasing Barley on its merits, as if they do so, the chances are that it will be graded down by the Inspector and result in loss. Your committee can see no means of remedying this difficulty of inspection, so long as the present mode of selling continues. The only effectual prevention or remedy being to store the grain in local warehouses and sell direct to consumers and shippers who would then inspect for themselves.

A. GIFFORD,
GEO. RICHARDSON.

Moved by Bro. A. Gifford, seconded by Bro. G. Richardson, that the report of committee on Grading Barley be received and adopted and engrossed on the minutes.—Carried.

Report of committee on Standing Committee presented their report.

Worthy Master:

We, your committee on Standing Committees, report as follows:

On Implements—Bros. Palmer, Reid, Brodie and Richardson.

Horticulture—Bros. Doyle, Gifford, Robertson and Weber.

Education—Irwin, Gifford, White, Weber.

Municipal Law—Bros. Bowes, Richardson, Reid and Buskin.

Stock—Bowes, Armstrong, Clark, Best.

Jurisdiction—Bros. Moore, McIntosh, Doyle and Iukster.

Seed Grain—Bros. Bond, Denton, Armstrong, Long.

The first named in the above committees to be chairman.

Domestic Industry—Sisters Doyle, Gifford, Bowes and White.

Temperance—Sisters Doyle, Bowes, Best, Graham, Gifford, Robertson, McKnight, Moore.

Moved by Bro. Armstrong, seconded by Bro. Buskin, that the above report be adopted.—Carried.

Moved by Bro. Armstrong, seconded by Bro. Buskin, that Bro. A. Gifford be added to the committee on Municipal Law.—Carried.

Moved by Bro. Richardson, seconded by Bro. Buskin, that Bros. McIntosh and Palmer be added to the committee on Stock.—Carried.

Moved by Bro. A. Gifford, seconded by Bro. G. Richardson, that we adjourn until 2 o'clock.—Carried.

Grange resumed business at two o'clock.

Report of committee on Seed Grain presented by Bro. M. Denton.

To Members of Grey Division Grange:

Your committee beg leave to report as follows: In regard to Spring wheat your committee are of the opinion that the Russian and White Fife are the best kinds to grow. But we would recommend the White Fife as the better of the two, for both marketing and milling. Regarding oats, white, we are of the opinion that the Egyptian variety, as far as your committee are aware, is the best for general purpose, as they seem to stand up well and ripen early. As to black oats, we are still of the opinion that the Tartarian is the best kind. Barley: We would recommend the six rowed barley for general purposes, and for feeding purposes we are of the opinion that the two rowed is the best, on account of its growing a heavier crop, stands up well and therefore easier harvested. With regard to peas we would still recommend the Golden Vine as a general crop. We would recommend that Patrons growing new varieties would report result to this meeting, and how much, if any for sale. All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed) MATTHEW DENTON,
Chairman of Committee.

Moved by Bro. Denton, seconded by Bro. Armstrong, that report be received and engrossed on the minutes.—Carried.

There was considerable discussion on this report, the majority seemed to favor the Fleming wheat. The following parties have it for sale: James Bowes, Strathnairn P. O., grown on clay loam; Jas. Doubledee, Meaford, sandy soil; J. Martin, Oxmead, sandy soil; J. D. Montgomery, Meaford, clay soil; R. & J. Laturney, Meaford, hard clay.

Report of committee on Horticulture presented by Bro. A. Gifford.

To the Master and Member of Grey Division No. 2:

We, your committee on Horticulture beg to submit the following: We find the time at our disposal altogether too limited to do justice to a subject of so much importance in the running of a well equipped farm. Your committee feel assured that all will agree that no farm is complete where an orchard is lacking. Undoubtedly many deterred from investing money in fruit trees from their experience of the impositions practised upon buyers by unscrupulous agents, who in many cases have palmed off on their patrons stock at high prices which is utterly valueless. Your committee would suggest that every member of this Grange at once give their attention to the establishment of an orchard, as we are convinced that fruit can be profitably grown in every part of this county, to say nothing of the health and pleasure afforded by its liberal use. In commencing an orchard the first point is the selection of a site, which if not naturally dry, should be thoroughly drained; a northern aspect is no detriment. Having selected a suitable site see that it is well fenced and cultivated for the reception of the trees. Then with the catalogue of some reliable nurseryman in hand make your selections of apple, plum, pear, and cherry trees. And right here we would suggest that while a large number of trees may be required, that every order be

for as few varieties as possible. The climate and exposure in this county varies a good deal, so that some varieties which will prove good in the neighborhood of the bay, would not be suitable for the southern parts. For apples your committee believe that for the southern parts of the county and away from the river the following varieties will prove satisfactory and be all that any farmer would require, viz: Duchess of Oldenburg, Red Astrachan, Wealthy, Ben Davis, Peewaukie, Rambo and Golden Russets. For the vicinity of the bay and river farmers can safely add the Northern Spy, Rhode Island Greening, and Baldwin.

For plums we believe that the Lombard can everywhere be depended upon. For pears we think the following will prove satisfactory: Dearborn Seedling, Bartlett, F. Beauty, Dutchess DeAngouleme, Vic of Wakefield. For cherries the Early Richmond can be depended upon. With reference to plums and cherries we would strongly deprecate the planting of suckers or stock that has been grafted upon suckers, as it appears to increase the tendency to black knot, which is becoming alarmingly common, and should be carefully guarded against. After the trees are planted give your orchard the same care you would any other crop from which a liberal return was desired. In addition to trees no orchard should be considered complete without a supply of small fruits, such as strawberries, raspberries, currants, and gooseberries.

Your committee would gladly have devoted some consideration to the special cultivation of the various classes of fruit to secure the best results, but find the time will not permit. Would say that under no circumstances should fruit of any kind be planted unless the intention is to give it plenty of fertilizers and cultivation. All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. GIFFORD, Chairman.

Moved by Bro. A. Gifford, seconded by Bro. J. Weber, that the report of committee on Horticulture be received and engrossed on the minutes.—Carried.

Moved by Bro. Armstrong, seconded by Bro. Richardson, that Patrons having new grains be requested to bring a sample of such to division meetings for inspection, fall grain in the summer and spring grain in the winter meetings.—Carried.

Sister Doyle presented report of Committee on Temperance.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

To the Worthy Master, Officers and Members of Grey Division Grange.

Your Committee beg to report that a petition has been laid before them by the Women's Christian Temperance Union, asking the aid of the Grange in assisting them to secure the introduction of Temperance Literature into the public schools.

Your Committee beg to report that they would recommend this Grange to authorize the Master and Secretary to sign the petition to that effect on behalf of this Grange.

Your Committee are of opinion that no ratepayer who is conscientiously opposed to the manufacture, use, or sale of spirituous liquors should be called upon to pay for the administration of justice, caused directly or indirectly by the use of spirituous or malt liquors; and your Committee would recommend that this Grange instruct its delegates to this Division to bring this subject before the Provincial Grange of Ontario and advocate the principles as set forth in a draft of a proposed equitable liquor law and published several years ago, and adopted by the North-Western Temperance Alliance, all of which is respectfully submitted.

Sister Doyle, Bro. E. W. Moore, Bro. John Best, Sister W. E. Bowes, " G. Richardson " M. J. White, " J. S. Graham.

Moved by Bro. Palmer, Seconded by Bro. Ellis, that the report of Temperance Committee be received, adopted and engrossed on the minutes.—Carried.

Moved by Bro. Armstrong, seconded by Bro. Bowes, that this Grange pay to the caretaker of this hall, \$1.50. Carried.

Moved by Bro. Jas. Bowes, seconded by Bro. D. Armstrong, that in the opinion of this Grange the Government should not grant the petition of millers asking a reduction of the duty on wheat, and the petition of the ex. Committee of the Ontario Provincial Grange is hereby endorsed.—Carried.

Moved by H. Reid, seconded by D. Armstrong, that the Grey Division Grange No. 2, having considered the offer of Mr. Donald S. McKinnon, of Hamilton, to furnish the Co-operative Sewing Machines to Granges at greatly reduced prices and to manufacture sewing machines for the Grange, to be sold directly by the manufacturer, are of opinion that Mr. McKinnon should receive the united support of the Grange in carrying out so worthy an object, and that the Secretary be instructed to forward a copy of this resolution to Mr. Donald S. McKinnon.—Carried.

(Signed) R. J. DOYLE,
Master Grey Div. Grange No. 2.

JOHN WEBER,
Sec. Grey Div. Grange No. 2.

Moved by A. Gifford, seconded by H. Reid, that whereas since the last meeting of this Grange petitions have been sent to the sub. Granges asking for the adoption of Torrens Land Transfer System have been largely signed and placed in the hands of representatives for presentation to the Legislature, and whereas this Grange approves of the principle embodied in the said petition. Therefore be it resolved that the Secretary be hereby instructed to prepare a memorial to the Government to be signed by himself and the Worthy Master, and the seal of the Grange attached thereto and forwarded to the Hon. the Attorney General of Ontario.—Carried.

Auditors report presented by Bro. Palmer.

Secretaries Financial Report.

RECEIPTS.

Bal. on hand from last year \$ 20.91

Dues from sub Granges... 248.01

Total.....\$268.92.

EXPENDITURES.

Provincial Grange dues.....\$135.41

To Treasurer..... 74.00

Printing..... 10.80

Blank Reports, postage and Registration..... 11.98

Cash on hand..... 81.78

Total.....\$268.92.

We have examined the above accounts with vouchers for same and found them correct.

H. REID, }
H. PALMER, } Auditors.

Moved by Bro. Palmer, second by Bro. H. Reid, that Auditors Report be received, adopted and engrossed on the minutes.—Carried.

Report of Committee on stock presented by Bro. Palmer.

To the Worthy Master and Patrons of Grey Division Grange No. 2.

Your Committee on Stock beg to report as follows: We, your Committee on Stock although not advising a specialty in stock raising under all circumstances believe it absolutely necessary to continued successful farming to keep a considerable amount of stock. And believe in order to make stock raising profitable attention must be given to breeding no matter what kind of stock be adopted, and also to insure the best results, liberal feeding from the beginning is indispensable as we have the united testimony of all practical men, especially as regards cattle for beef. If a beast be matured at two years of age there is much more profit than by keeping till a greater age. We also consider it advisable for neighborhoods to co-operate as much as possible by going generally into one kind of stock. In the matter of dairying it is absolutely necessary and neighborhoods that have large quantities of beef or mutton to dispose of at once find their advantage in being able to secure the attentions of a better class of dealers who can afford to give more per head in proportion to the quantity they can secure in a given length of time. All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. PALMER, Chairman.

Moved by Bro. H. Palmer, seconded by Bro. D. Robertson, that report be

received adopted and engrossed on the Minutes.—Carried.

Bro. Palmer presented report on Implements.

To the Worthy Master and Patrons of Grey Division Grange No. 2.

Your Committee on Implements beg to make the following report: We your Committee believe on account of the high price of labor it is absolutely necessary for farmers to avail themselves of all labor saving machines practicable. Binders are now brought out by a number of firms all having their peculiar excellencies, but most of them being serviceable. Although your Committee don't believe it would pay for every small farmer to buy one, it would still be possible for small farmers to avail themselves of their advantages by a number co-operating in procuring one as one would be able to do the work on several farms by a little forethought of their owners. In the matter of draining, stumping and stoning machines your Committee believe some or all of them are necessary in many localities, and as it would pay few or any to buy one or all of these machines, still co-operation would be available for all to take advantage of them. All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. PALMER, Chairman.

Moved by Bro. H. Palmer, seconded by Bro. D. Robertson, that the report be received, adopted and engrossed on the Minutes.—Carried.

Moved by Bro. A. Gifford, seconded by Bro. Palmer, that we now proceed to elect officers for 1884.—Carried.

The following were elected officers for 1884:

Bro. R. J. Doyle, Master.

" J. Yelland, Overseer.

" John Weber, Vandeleur P.O., Sec.

" James Brodie, Treasurer.

" H. Reid, Lecturer.

" H. Palmer, Chaplain.

" D. R. Ellis, Steward.

" A. Bond, Assistant Steward.

" G. Richardson, Gate Keeper.

Sister Doyle, Ceres.

" Moore, Pomona.

" White, Flora.

" Bowes, L. A. Steward.

Auditors, Bros. Reid and Bowes.

Ex. Com., Reid, Rogers and Palmer.

Moved by Bro. James Brodie, seconded by Bro. D. Armstrong, that this Grange adjourn for tea.—Carried.

Grange resumed business at 8 o'clock p.m.

Moved by Bro. J. M. Rogers, seconded by Bro. Jas. Brodie, that the delegates be paid their expenses to this meeting, and that the W. M. appoint a committee to pass the accounts.—Carried.

Moved by Bro. D. Armstrong, seconded by Bro. G. Richardson, that the Treasurer be paid \$10 for his services, and that the Secretary be paid his expenses to attend Executive Committee at Owen Sound.—Carried.

W. M. gave valuable information regarding salt enterprise.

Moved by Bro. Jas. Bowes, seconded by Bro. A. Gifford, that the Secretary be paid the sum of \$40 for his valuable service for 1883.—Carried.

Moved by Bro. Jas. Bowes, seconded by Bro. M. Denton, that our next meeting be held at St. Vincent Grange.—Lost.

Moved by W. M., seconded by Bro. Gifford, that the next meeting be held at Jundsonville.—Carried.

Moved by Bro. Reid, seconded by Bro. G. Richardson, that our next meeting be held at Chatsworth.—Lost.

Moved by Bro. A. Gifford, seconded by Bro. Bond, that the Ex. Com. fix the time for holding our next meeting, and that the rule be suspended for that purpose.—Carried.

Moved by Bro. Jas. Bowes, seconded by Bro. M. Denton, that our next meeting be held on the 4th Tuesday in June.—Lost.

Moved by Bro. A. Gifford, seconded by Bro. Bond, that the Ex. Com. fix the time for holding our next meeting, and that the rule be suspended for that purpose.—Carried.

Moved by Bro. Jas. Bowes, seconded by Bro. M. Denton, that our next meeting be held on the 4th Tuesday in June.—Lost.

Moved by Bro. A. Gifford, seconded by Bro. D. Armstrong, that we elect a delegate to represent us in Provincial Grange.—Carried.

The following nominations:—John Weber, George Stewart, H. Palmer, D. R. Ellis, A. Bond, J. M. Rogers. After balloting for the same, Bro. John Weber was elected.

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