

Hall.

Hall, April 13.—The first and second degrees were conferred upon a class of sixteen by Hall's Grange on Saturday morning, the degree team being made up as follows: Master, W. B. Onderdonk; overseer, John Crosier; steward, F. N. Dixon; assistant steward, Daniel Phillips; lady assistant steward, Anna Leg-erwood; chaplain, Mrs. C H Crosier; lecturer, Mrs. Ida Hershey; Ceres, Mrs. Frank Rippel; Pomona, Helen Daunahe; Flora, Mrs. Guy McPherson. Dinner was served at noon to 130 patrons and friends after which a business session was held. One application for membership was received and five demit cards were granted. A committee of three was appointed by the master to draw up resolutions on the recent death of a member. District Deputy Allen, who gave some important instructions at the morning session, spoke briefly at this time. He brought greetings from the Honeoye Falls Grange, and spoke encouragingly of the work at the same time offering a few suggestions for the betterment of the order. He said that granges should be reminded of the grand work accomplished many years ago by those noble men who were the means of organizing the grange, mentioning as its foundation the four corner-stones, faith, hope, charity and fidelity. As a closing thought, he suggested that each member respond with promptness and loyalty to the call of duty. The lecturer's hour opened with a piano duet by Mrs. E. B. Dixon and Mrs. E. L. Bristol followed by an address on "Spraying," with particular reference to apple diseases by Professor Barrus, of Cornell University. He spoke of the necessity of thoroughness in each of the four applications of spray and advocated the delaying of the first dormant spray until the buds were beginning to show green, and gave as his argument in favor of this method that more pests could be controlled with an application of lime sulphur at this time than could be at an earlier date. By this method the San Jose scale, oyster shell bark louse and blistermite can be held in check, the lime sulphur testing 32 Baume used, one part to eight. The next spray should be applied just before the buds open and is a remedy for apple scab. It consists of lime sulphur, 1-40 with three pounds of lead. This solution with the addition of tobacco will also destroy lice. The third spray is used immediately after the blossoms drop, with the same solution as in the second and is a preventive of apple scab and injury done by the codling moth; the last application is made in August for codling moth. Professor Barrus also spoke of treatment of oats to prevent smut, giving the following formula: One pint formaldehyde to fifty gallons of water, this amount treating sixty bushels. Berlyn and Glenn Werley gave a clarinet and violin duet. Miss Peck, of Seneca Castle, was introduced by the lecturer and spoke on woman suffrage. She closed her remarks with an appeal to the men to support this cause. A piano solo by Lucile Crosier closed the day's program. The next meeting will be held April 24th at 7:30 o'clock at which time the third and fourth degrees will be conferred. Maple syrup will be served.

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