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After it was decided that I should come to Oneida and take charge of the preserving business this season, I was led to study the subject with a view of making some improvements by way of labor-saving machinery &c. By the time I had arrived here, I had blocked out in my mind one or two little machines that I saw would materially facilitate some parts of our work. Not being a regular bred mechanic, I sought aid in carrying out my enterprises, and found it in Mr. Inslee and J. F. Sears. In presenting an outline of a machine that I wanted for the purpose of cutting up string-beans, I asked Mr. Inslee if he thought it practical? After a little study he replied, "Yes, I think it is; but we must consult J. Sears, and devise the best plan for its construction." Accordingly J. was consulted, and on being asked if he could make such a machine, replied, "Yes, I can get up just what you want." Well, the first steps to be taken was to procure a pair of rubber rollers of suitable pliability, that were deemed indispensable, and without which it was useless to proceed. Accordingly, application was made to our Agency in New-York, and the city ransacked in search of the article, but nothing suitable could be found, and no firm would undertake to make a single pair for less than fifty or seventy-five

dollars. This outlay to begin with, was not deemed advisable, as the project was considered as something of an experiment. However, Mr. H. and Mr. E. H. H. continued the search for the desired rollers, and finally came across some rubber tubing, that as far as pliability was concerned, they thought might answer the purpose. Accordingly samples were sent, and it was decided that by placing one piece of tubing within another, of larger size, a fair roller could be constructed that possibly might be made to answer the purpose. Accordingly, the tubing was sent, the rollers formed, and in due time the machine was finished, and has to-day been put in operation, and we are happy to say, performs the work well, far exceeding our expectations. One other machine previously constructed, was one for the purpose of slicing and quartering Pine-apples, which saves the labor of at least three hands, and does the work much better than it could otherwise be done. But what I was most interested in, was in seeing how beautifully Community life is adapted to all our wants. For instance, one, perhaps, invents and another judges as to its practicability, and still another has the genius and qualification to execute and put the thing into operation. Surely "The eye cannot say to the hand, I have no need of thee, nor again, the head to the feet, I have no need of you, &c."

H. T.

YOUNG MEN'S MEETING, July 28.—Theodore had

some thoughts about the noon-meetings which he had expressed to individuals, and he was requested to repeat them. He remarked that his father said a short time ago, that the true kind of improvement is to be doing something all the time that requires courage. There has been a great victory gained by the young women in getting freedom to speak, but that should not be the stopping place. They must look around for something to be done that requires the same courage. Let those who have only made confessions, try to bring out some new idea every time they speak.

Mr. Noyes told him that when he was a young man, he made the following resolution in reference to writing and speaking: If he had God's truth in his heart, he would find *some* way of imparting it to others, if he could only express it in a plain way, very well; if he could communicate what he had to say in an artistic manner so as to make a sensation, so much the better.

J. F.

Mr. Elkanah Ingraham of Jackson, Mich., came here Sunday, and staid over night. He was on his way home from New-York, where he had been to attend a convention of the heirs of Timothy Ingraham, one of England's wealthy men three or four generations ago—of whom he is a lineal descendant. Property to the amount of untold millions is in question. The entire city of Leeds, having a population

of 250,000 is built on leased ground belonging to this estate. A reward of \$20,000, raised at a similar convention a year ago, had brought the last will to light, and there was no doubt in the mind of Mr. Ingraham, but that the heirs would soon come into the possession of this magnificent property, the estimated value of which is \$500,000,000.

Mr. Ingraham had read the CIRCULAR a year and a half, and was considerably interested in us, so much so indeed that he inquired what steps he should take in order to join the O. C. He formerly resided on Quality Hill, and some upwards of thirty years ago he boarded for a while with Mr. Bart. He is a carpenter, millwright and machinist by trade, has a wife and one child at home, and is sixty-six years of age.

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LIGHT WANTED.—Mr. Barron said to me, a day or two since, "What shall be done with our boarding-house?" The O. C. owns the house and the furniture—supplies the table and pays a man and his wife so much for superintending the establishment.—But their time of service soon expires and they do not wish to renew the contract. We would be glad to rent the house to some reliable person who has a gift for the boarding business, so as to be relieved entirely from the responsibility of providing for tables after the fashion of the world, and not after the fashion of Communism. The O. C. want light on the subject in order to act wisely. We appeal to our sister Communes for suggestions if they have any to offer. "In a multitude of counsellors there is safety." c.

Mrs. Hyde leaves for Buffalo to-day, after a stay of nearly eight weeks. She returns improved in body and stronger in spirit than when she came.