

MECHANIC FALLS

And Her Neighbors.

Items of Interest Picked up by Our Reporters.

Mr. F. A. Millett was in Boston last week.

Mrs. S. I. Jewett visited in Auburn last week.

Mr. John F. Stanley of Lewiston was in town Friday.

Mrs. J. Tenney of Auburn has been visiting in town.

Mr. John H. Cuskley of Minot, was in town Saturday.

Mrs. F. A. Tufts of Paris was in town one day last week.

Dr. Jason Walker of Minot was in this village Saturday.

Mr. S. A. Pollister of Auburn was in town one day last week.

Mrs. R. G. Pratt of Boston is spending the holidays in town.

Mr. John Cummings of South Paris, was in town New Year's Day.

Mrs. Grace Kellogg of Boston is spending the holidays in this vicinity.

Mr. R. B. Tyler and wife of Buckfield were in town one day last week.

A. E. Stearns, Esq., of Rumford Falls, was in town one day last week.

Our school teachers took in the teachers convention at Auburn last week.

Mr. A. E. True has been re-appointed deputy sheriff of Androscoggin County and was sworn in Friday.

The ice house of Mr. Dudley S. Perkins is being filled this week and we are thus insured of a little coolness for next summer.

The watch service at the Methodist church Thursday evening was largely attended and all pronounced it a pleasant and profitable meeting.

Chase, Merritt & Co. made a very heavy shipment of shoes on Thursday of last week. Mr. C. F. Jackson, the truckman, hauled 169 cases to the depot on that day.

Orian Encampment, No. 27. I. O. O. F. will install their officers on Wednesday evening, Jan. 13, after which the Patriarch with their wives will enjoy a supper at Hotel Elms.

We hear that someone threw a stone through one of the large show windows of Goldermann's Shoe store Friday night. We do not know whether it was a case of accident or "cussedness."

If the secret society or lodge that you belong to needs any officers' cards, give us a call and we can get you up some at short notice either plain white or fancy designs. We want your job printing.

It seems that that past master in crime, George Poland, was incarcerated in the village cooler, on Wednesday of last week, but on Thursday morning, it was discovered that he had been up to his old tricks, and had flown. He had not been placed in the cell but allowed to occupy the open room that he might look after the fire. Instead of this, he looked after the windows, pried off the bars, broke open the window and outside gate and—"skipped".

We were recently shown by Mr. George Twitchell, a copy of the Savannah (Georgia) Republican of the date of April 13, 1865. As might be expected it was filled largely with war news, and orders of Major General C. Grover, who at that time had charge of the district about Savannah. There was a long account of the fall of Richmond, and a plea from Henry Ward Beecher, for the pardon of the rebels and Jeff. Davis. It was printed on brown paper and is in a good state of preservation.

Fast time seems to be the order of the day on the Grand Trunk under the new management. The company is beating all past records and as a result is receiving congratulations all along the line. The handling of the steamer Vancouver's cargo is particularly deserving of mention. She arrived here on December 19th, and at 2.25 p. m. the same day the first train of freight cars was dispatched followed almost hourly by five others. Some of these trains reached Toronto, a distance of 620 miles, in 28 hours, while others made the run in 26 hours and 26 minutes.

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Mr. Elias Webber is visiting at Lisbon Falls.

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Dry hard wood can be had of the Poland Packing and Manufacturing Company for \$4.00 per cord delivered.

Call at Hammond's barber shop and see the line of \$5 Winter Russetts and Enamel Green shoes that we are selling for \$2.50 and \$3.—E. E. Millett & Co.

Mr. Fred Moore has at last found a kind of medicine that has helped him so much that he can walk across the floor without crutches, a thing he has not been able to do for six years.

The storm of Tuesday morning was very severe in town and threatened a flood. The water got penned under J. W. Penney & Sons' factory and took the foundation out under one corner.

Do you know that we have a fine line of custom made samples and misfit shoes that we are giving some excellent bargains on? If you will call at Hammond's barbor shop, Elm St., we will convince you that such is the fact. All styles, kinds and prices.—E. E. Millett & Co.—G. A. Churchell, salesman.

Rev. S. S. Cummings will preach and explain the work of the New England Home for little Wanderers at the Methodist church next Sunday morning, Jan. 10th, at 10.30 o'clock. A choir of children from the Home will be present and sing choice selections. All are invited. A collection will be taken for the benefit of the Home.

The marriage of Miss Amy Newport, daughter of Rev. Frederick Newport, to Mr. Jessie L. Keene formerly of Poland, now of Haverhill, Mass., quietly took place on New Year's morning at the home of the bride's parents, High street, and the happy couple took the eleven o'clock a. m. train for their new home in Haverhill. Mr. and Mrs. Keene carry with them the best wishes of their numerous friends in our village and vicinity.

Mr. Harry Edgcomb has invented and recently had patented an article for dentists use that is thought will prove to be an indispensable appliance in their line. It is an electric hammer to be used in filling teeth with gold and will wholly obviate the severe shock given to delicate nerves by the hard thumps of the hammer now in use. It will do the work in a very thorough manner, and so rapidly and easily that the patient will not know what is being done.

Next Thursday evening the Henderson-Thurston Merry makers will give an entertainment in Grange Hall, West Minot, consisting of the comediettas "A Happy Pair" and "Lady Venus". Mr. and Mrs. Thurston and Miss Jessie Henderson are too well known here to need any comments but to those outside of the village who have never seen them we would say if you want to spend a most enjoyable evening go and here them by all means. After the entertainment there will be a social dance. Admission 15, 25, and 35 cts. Dance 25 cts. Supper will be served in the hall below.

The watch night services at the Methodist church were well attended. The meeting opened with a half-hour of song and prayer, following which Rev. Mr. Baker preached on "The Reasonableness of Christianity." After a brief intermission Rev. Mr. Chase spoke upon "Our Records of the Past Year". Then came a retrospective social service which was followed by another intermission during which refreshments of coffee and cake were freely served to all. Rev. Mr. Rich of Buckfield then spoke upon the way to keep good resolutions. After that a social meeting, the thought of which was New Year's intentions, was conducted by Rev. Mr. Chase, and 1897 was greeted by the audience with a silent consecration prayer. The evening was an enjoyable success.

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Good molasses 20 cents per gallon at A. G. Tinkham's.

Mr. Albert Wight was down town Monday for the first time in 10 weeks.

Mr. James McCormack, the crack third baseman, who is stopping here at present, has signed with the Quincy, Ill. team for the coming season.

Mr. John W. Penney was elected a member of the Maine Society, Sons of the American Revolution, at a meeting of the board of Managers in Portland, Saturday.

The Senior Class of the M. F. H. S. will hold a social dance at Perkins' Hall, Friday evening, Jan. 15, 1897. Single admission 20 cents, lady and gentleman 35 cents.

The Universalist Sunday School have purchased a lot of new books, have had the old ones overhauled, and the whole re-catalogued and the book is now in the hands of the printer.

L. A. Moulton & Co. have given some fine premiums in the past as many of our citizens know and they promise to do better in the future. Read their ad, and you will see how you can get a watch easily.

Several of our citizens congregated on Main street Wednesday morning watching a brutal driver beat one of a pair of horses with a trace chain because they could not pull a monstrous load of wood. There was load enough for four horses in the place where they were trying to pull it.

At the regular meeting of Agassiz Commandery, No. 245, U. O. G. C., the officers were installed by Deputy Grand Commander Clara V. Smith of Springvale. Several applications were received and the degree will be conferred at the next meeting. Refreshments were served and the occasion was a very enjoyable one to all present.

West Poland.
B. M. Fernald our Resrepresentative goes to Augusta Tuesday.

E. C. Megquier has gone to Boston. Mrs. C. L. Keene has returned from Portland, where she has been for the past four months.

S. A. Megquier who has been on the sick list for the past six weeks, is getting out again.

We came near having a serious accident here last week. Seven of our boys broke through the ice while skating on Thompson Pond.

Poland.

Tuesday morning of last week, as Mr. Folsom was driving over Cobble Hill, on his way to Poland Corner, the bolt which holds the pole to the axle broke, causing the horses to run away. Mr. Folsom and a man passenger jumped from the carriage and were not injured excepting a bruise on Mr. Folsom's hip. The horses dashed through the village, and after rounding the turn by Will Tripp's threw themselves down and were stopped in their flight, while both axles to the carriage were broken. Three teams were immediately sent to Mr. Folsom's rescue, while telephones were busy giving the particulars, showing the interest people took in Mr. Folsom's welfare.

Christmas exercises at Poland Corner in the town hall on Thursday evening under the auspices of the Good Templars were thinly attended, presumably on account of the scarlet fever prevalent in some parts of the town. The two trees were, however, well laden; the music was fine and recitations interesting. Mr. Newport and Miss Amy gave some fine music and were each remembered by gifts of money from friends in this vicinity. Miss Amy and her sweet voice will be much missed from our church circle.

Megquier Hill.

Christmas and New Years passed off very quietly in our vicinity. Mrs. Alice Foster is on the sick list. Winfield Chase was at home from Lewiston over Sunday.

Rheumatism is a foe which gives no quarter. It torments its victims day and night. Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood and cures the aches and pains of rheumatism.

Welchville.
William E. Cushman of South Paris, formerly of Oxford, donated \$500 about eight months ago, to the Methodist Sunday school in Welchville, the income of which sum was to be divided among the scholars between the ages of 5 and 15 years. The income for eight months was divided on Christmas day giving from 50 cents to \$1.25 to each scholar, according to the number of Sundays present.

Oxford.
Mrs. A. L. Hersey is improving.

A. S. Fuller and Fred Jordan returned from Mason, Saturday.

Samuel Bumpus has finished work for Dr. Hersey and gone to Waterford. Mr. Benson Crafts takes his place.

The Methodist and Advents have united in observing the week of prayer.

There is some talk of removing the Freeland Holmes Library from Jones' Drug Store to the New Congregational Library. As that move is somewhat against the approval of the general public, it will probably remain where it is.

One of the principal features of the Congregational concert was the rendering of a song by Miss Lina Carr, the five year old daughter of Mrs. Thos. Carr. It called forth the applause of the whole audience, as is usual, at her appearance on the platform.

Center Minot.

C. N. Wells, one of Minot's enterprising young farmer's, is taking the dairy course at the Maine State College this winter. We expect he will start in the dairy business upon bed-rock principles when he returns in the spring, as the herd of which he had charge was entirely cleared out by tuberculosis quite recently.

Mrs. Lakin is to make her home with her son-in-law Emerson Martin, for the present.

A. B. Downing is sawing his yearly supply of ice. It is taken from a pond built the past season. The quality is excellent. Others with ponds situated near the buildings are securing their yearly supply.

The great need just now is more snow. Enough has fallen to partially protect the grass fields, still not enough for teaming.

Noyes school was closed last week owing to the prevalence of scarlet fever. No cases appearing school will reopen Dec. 28th.

West Minot.

On Christmas night West Minot Grange held at their hall an extended entertainment, consisting of declamations and recitations with music intersperced. A chicken supper followed the entertainment. After the wants of the inner man were satisfied all returned to the hall while two large trees dispoiled of the many presents that had been placed among their branches. It was near the midnight hour when the two hundred patrons and their friends left for their homes.

John Wellingford, Master of West Minot Grange, and Past Master S. R. Bradford and wife, represented West Minot Grange at Augusta during the session of the State Grange.

Lyman Irish has finished work for F. E. Rowe.

D. F. Pike is planing to build a poultry building.

A. F. Cloutier of Buckfield spent New Year's Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cloutier.

Local actors are planing to give a drama. The books have just come and the drama will be ready by "haying time".

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