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NO. 42.

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All work guaranteed satisfactory.

Portland & Rumford Falls RAILWAY.
Effect Oct. 5, 1896.

DEPARTURES.
10.04 a. m. and 3.00 p. m., for Rumford Falls;
6.55, 10.45 a. m. and 4.05 p. m. for Lewiston, Portland and Boston.

ARRIVALS.
10.45 a. m. and 4.05 p. m., from Rumford Falls;
10.04 a. m., 3.00 and 6.38 p. m. from Lewiston, Portland and Boston.

Through Cars to and from Union Station, Portland.

The Train leaving Mechanic Falls at 3.00 p. m. connects at Rumford Falls with R. F. & R. L. R. R. trains for Byron, Houghton, and Bemis.

For tickets and other information, apply to
H. F. HAYFORD, Agent,
Mechanic Falls.
R. C. BRADFORD, Traffic Mgr.,
Portland, Maine.
E. L. LOVEJOY, Superintendent,
Rumford Falls, Maine.

MILK!

As there has been considerable talk about my selling short quarts of milk, I have decided that after April 30th, 1897, I will furnish milk to those wanting 1 or more qts. in tin cans holding the old fashioned quart, at 4c. per qt. for 5 months commencing May 1st, and 5c. for 7 months. Any who prefer the glass cans can still have them. Cream will be sold as in the past. Skim and sour milk at 5c. per gallon. I shall try and serve my patrons as well as possible and hope to give satisfaction.

John H King



Do not be deceived by alluring advertisements and think you can get the best made, finest finish and **MOST POPULAR SEWING MACHINE** for a mere song. Buy from reliable manufacturers that have gained a reputation by honest and square dealing. There is none in the world that can equal in mechanical construction, durability of working parts, fineness of finish, beauty in appearance, or ease as many improvements as the **NEW HOME**.
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Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists.
CONSUMPTION

CURRENT EVENTS

In This Vicinity.

The Late A. E. True.

For several weeks past, A. E. True, Esq., has been seriously sick and his death has been looked for at almost any moment. This event finally occurred Monday morning about six o'clock.

Mr. True has been a prominent citizen of Mechanic Falls for many years. He was one of the selectmen of Poland in 1885. In the agitation to better the condition of Mechanic Falls he was prominent. He was one of the assessors of the corporation of the Poland side, and was president of the citizen's meeting and member of the committee, which formulated the plan for the present town of Mechanic Falls. He was one of the first directors of the Poland and Minot Water and Electric Light Company—the company which has since been re-organized and now furnishes the town with water. Three years ago he was appointed deputy sheriff for Androscoggin and Oxford counties, which position he held at the time of his death. He was also coroner.

Mr. True belonged to several societies in the village, viz.—Monami Lodge, Orian Encampment and Colfax Rebekah Lodge of Odd Fellows, St. Elmo Lodge, K. of P., and Osceola Tribe, I. O. R. M., which orders attended his funeral yesterday.

He leaves a wife and daughter to mourn his loss, who have the sympathy of the entire community.

Easter Concert at the Methodist Church.

An Easter concert was given at the Methodist church Sunday evening. It was given the Sunday before Easter on account of the annual conference which will be in session next Sunday in Portland, consequently there will be no services at the local churches in the district. The platform was made bright with a tasteful arrangement of potted plants, and the following program was well carried out:—

Singing, choir,
Miss Ethel Saunders, Soprano.
Miss Myrtle McCann, Alto.
Mr. C. A. Cousens, Tenor.
Mr. L. Jefferies, Bass.
Miss Effie Saunders, Organist.

Prayer, Pastor.
Recitation, Ada Sands.
Recitation, Archie Somerset.
Solo, Madge Waterhouse.
Dialogue, Guy Campbell.

Recitation, Mattie Sands.
Recitation, Edith Kelley.
Duet, Misses Saunders and McCann.
Recitation, Addie Keene.
Recitation, Melchora Allen.
Recitation, Six Girls.
Recitation, Madge Waterhouse.

Dialogue, Two Boys.
Recitation, Ethel Crosby.
Motion Song, Six Girls.
Recitation, Grace Campbell.
Recitation, Ellery Johnson.
Recitation, Gladys Rogers.

Easter Song, Male Quartet,
Charles E. Waterman, 1st tenor.
C. A. Cousens, 2d tenor.
D. L. Cousens, 1st bass.
L. Jefferies, 2d bass.

Hood's Pills cure nausea, sick headache, indigestion, biliousness. All druggists. 25c.

That Dreadful Boy!

The Universalist Society will give an entertainment at Murray Hall this evening, consisting of a supper, piano, violin, and auto-harp solos, select readings, comic songs and tableaux, concluding with the laughable farce, "That Dreadful Boy," with the following cast: Mr. T. Ford, Mr. J. W. Fessenden. Mrs. T. Ford, Miss Birdena Stephens. Miss Rose Ford,

Miss Nancy Bucknam.

Mr. Augustine Baker,
Rev. F. E. Wheeler.

Dick Ford (the dreadful boy)
Mr. E. A. Hammond.
Admission to supper and entertainment 20 cents, entertainment 10 cts.

Oxford.
The town of Oxford voted adversely to the proposition to grant the right of way in her streets to the proposed electric railway, also on the question of purchasing stock. We understand that capital will be put in and the road built outside the limits of the highways.

When a cold is contracted, cure it at once. One Minute Cough Cure will set you on the road to recovery in a minute. It will cure pneumonia, bronchitis, croup and all forms of lung and throat troubles. Merrill and Denning.

Cure for Scarlet Fever.
The following recipe has been handed us by a lady resident of this village, who has known of its being used with success as a cure of scarlet fever:—

One grain sulphate of zinc,
One grain foxglove (digitalis)
Half teaspoonful of sugar, mix with two tablespoonful of water and when thoroughly mixed add four ounces of water. Take a spoonful every hour and the disease will disappear in 12 hours. It will also prevent the disease.

Resolutions.
Whereas: It has pleased an all wise Father to remove from among us our faithful and beloved brother, Edwin P. Grant, be it,

Resolved: That while we humbly bow to the decree of our Father, yet we regret this loss, and shall ever miss his pleasant face from among us at our meetings.

Resolved: That this lodge extend to the family of brother E. P. Grant, their heartfelt sympathy, in this their great sorrow, and commend them to Him who doeth all things well.

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our records and a copy sent to the family of our late brother.

A. S. ELLSWORTH,
F. A. GOLDBERMAN,
S. L. HAWLEY,
Committee.

Monami Lodge No. 40, I. O. O. F.
March. 22nd, 1897.

Again we are confronted with the sad fact of death and another brother has been called to that higher and diviner life. It is fitting therefore at this time that we cherish the many virtues of our dear brother, Zenas Lane and bury his imperfections beneath the clod that rests upon his bosom. Therefore be it,

Resolved: That while it is a great loss to his family this lodge and the entire community, we ought to feel that it is a state to which the whole creations moves and that what is our loss, let us have faith to believe is but the birth into higher and more perfect life.

Resolved: That this lodge has lost a worthy member one who discharged his duties as treasurer with honor and whose integrity was never questioned.

Resolved: That this lodge tender to the family of our diseased brother the tenderest of human sympathies and though clouds are dark and heavy about them, that they should look towards the light for help and strength.

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our late brother, also spread upon the records and published in the Mechanic Falls Ledger.

F. NEWPORT,
JOHN E. SAUNDERS,
F. A. GOLDBERMAN,
Committee.

Monami Lodge, No. 40, I. O. O. F.
Mechanic Falls, April 5, 1897.
Attest: E. K. Holbrook, R. S.

Did You Ever

Try Electric Bitters as a remedy for your troubles? If not, get a bottle now and get relief. This medicine has been found to be peculiarly adapted to the relief and cure of all female complaints, exerting a wonderful direct influence in giving strength and tone to the organs. If you have loss of appetite, constipation, headache, fainting spells, or are nervous, sleepless, excitable melancholy or troubled with dizzy spells, Electric Bitters is the medicine you need. Health and strength are guaranteed by its use. Fifty cents and \$1.00 at Merrill and Denning's Drug Store.

A Former Poland Man.

Hon. Jonathan Lovett Haskell Cobb, who died in Lewiston Monday, was born in Poland, Me., August 5, 1824, and was the son of Zenas and Charlotte Haskell Cobb. His ancestors came from Kent, England, and settled soon after the landing of the Pilgrims in the Plymouth colony. Later they settled in Scituate, Mass.

The deceased began life as a farmer and followed that peaceful pursuit for many years, afterwards taking up the profession of school teacher. He was an ambitious young man and in his early days devoted his spare time to improving his education. In 1845 he was working in a Saco cotton mill where he learned the trade which since made for him a fortune.

In 1852 he came to Lewiston where he entered mill No. 1 as superintendent and in '66 was manufacturing woolen goods on his own hook in North Gray.

Later he connected himself with the Cumberland mills, in Lewiston, and here the bulk of his fortune was made.

Always interested in religious work he watched with interest the progress and development of Bates college and some years ago made a donation of \$25,000 to the college and a lasting memorial to his philanthropy stands today in the Cobb Divinity school, named in his honor.

Miss Ethel Gaubert is visiting friends in New York.

Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption.

This is the best medicine in the world for all forms of coughs and colds and for consumption. Every bottle is guaranteed. It will cure and not disappoint. It has no equal for whooping cough, asthma, hay fever, pneumonia, bronchitis, la grippe, cold in the head and for consumption. It is safe for all ages, pleasant to take, and above all, a sure cure. It is always well to take Dr. King's New Life Pills in connection with Dr. King's New Discovery, as they regulate and tone the stomach and bowels. We guarantee perfect satisfaction or return money. Free trial bottles at Merrill and Denning's drug store.

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It is a disinfectant of the air in front of the face before it is breathed, and a curative of throat and lung complaints. It is the Aunt Rachael Medicated Herb Pad, to be worn on the breast. This Aunt Rachael is one of the oldest living twins known, being 85 years old. Address the Herb Pad Co., Passaic, N. J.

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Time Table in effect Nov. 29th, 1896.

	TRAINS WESTWARD.			
	11 EXP.	3 EXP.	5 EXP.	1 EXP.
Portland, G. T. St.	7:30 a. m.	10:00 a. m.	1:30 p. m.	6:00 p. m.
Portland & Rochester Jet.	7:55	1:35	4:05	6:05
Danville Junction	8:25	2:40	5:10	7:14
Lewiston Junction	8:30	2:45	5:15	7:20
Lewiston	8:40	2:55	5:25	7:30
Mechanic Falls	8:44	3:05	5:35	7:35
Norway	9:25	3:25	5:50	7:50
Gorham	10:47	11:15	5:45	10:00
Berlin	11:00	11:30	5:58	10:16
Island Pond arrive	1:10	5:25	7:45	12:15
Coaticook leave	1:35	5:50	8:10	12:40
Sherbrooke	2:05	6:20	8:35	1:35 a. m.
Richmond	2:40	6:55	9:10	2:10
Levis (opposite Quebec)	3:10	7:25	9:40	2:40
Montreal	3:50	8:05	10:20	3:20
Toronto	4:30	8:45	11:00	4:00
Hamilton	5:10	9:25	11:40	4:40
Woodstock	5:50	10:05	12:20	5:20
London	6:30	10:45	1:00	6:00
Port Huron	7:10	11:25	1:40	6:40
Detroit	7:50	12:05	2:20	7:20
Chicago	8:30	12:45	3:00	8:00

	TRAINS EASTWARD.			
	6 PASS.	2 EXP.	4 EXP.	
Chicago	18:15 p. m.	10:00 p. m.	11:25	5:02 p. m.
Detroit	11:50	11:25	12:50	4:21
Port Huron	7:55 a. m.	12:45 a. m.		
Woodstock	11:30	4:02		
Hamilton	8:40 p. m.	4:45		
Toronto	3:20	7:00		
Montreal	4:55	8:35		
Richmond	5:30 a. m.	11:00 p. m.		
Levis (opposite Quebec)	11:30	7:30		
Sherbrooke	12:08 p. m.	3:32		
Coaticook	12:35	4:05		
Island Pond arrive	12:55	5:20		
Berlin	1:20	5:50		
Gorham	2:45	7:30		
Norway	3:20	8:05		
Mechanic Falls	4:00	8:25		
Lewiston	4:30	8:55		
Lewiston Junction	7:16	4:45	10:20	
Danville Junction	7:22	4:50	10:25	
Portland & Rochester Jet	8:20	5:35	11:25	
Portland	8:25	5:40	11:30	

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THURSDAY, APR. 15, 1897.

Village Locals.

Great Sachem Fred E. Wheeler of Portland, visited Osceola Tribe last Tuesday evening.

Now is the time to get a bicycle cheap of A. A. Woodsum. Second hand wheels from \$10.00 up.

The fair and entertainment by the ladies of Androscoggin Lodge, N. E. O. P., has been postponed. It will be held later.

All those who are interested to form a bicycle club are requested to meet at A. A. Woodsum's Bicycle Rooms, Saturday at 8 p. m.

Not only acute lung troubles, which may prove fatal in a few days, but old chronic coughs and throat troubles may receive immediate relief and be permanently cured by One Minute Cough Cure. Merrill and Denning.

Since putting the logs into Waterhouse brook our city water has been worse than ever and it was getting so bad before that nearly everyone who had it in their houses have not dared to drink it. We hope they will complete the new wells before long.

Grand Easter Sale of hand decorated china at Hotel Elms, painted by Mrs. Ruth Gurney. Sale to commence at 10 a. m. and continue until 4 p. m. on Saturday April 17th. All are invited whether they purchase or not. Small pieces a specialty.

It seems as though, with seven well developed cases of scarlet fever on what was formerly Minot side of the river, and all undoubtedly coming from one case which was not properly attended to at the time when the danger was the greatest, there was or is a screw loose some where. Now if there is any one that has authority to keep these existing cases under proper restraint and prevent chance of contagion until the danger is past, we think we voice the sentiment of the community here when we ask that this be done.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Merrill & Denning.

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Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates a diseased condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and over comes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists price fifty cents and one dollar. For a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail, mention the Mechanic Falls Ledger and send your full postoffice address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The publishers of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

OUR NEIGHBORS

And Their Doings.

Megquier Hill, Poland.

Mrs. I. A. McCann has had an attack of La Grippe.

Rev. Mr. Newport preached a very appropriate sermon on Sunday last from the text, "It is good for me that I have been afflicted." Mr. Newport's rendering of a poem is fine.

Personal.—The gentleman who annoyed the congregation last Sunday by continually coughing will find instant relief by using One Minute Cough Cure, a speedy and harmless remedy for throat and lung troubles. Merrill & Denning.

Mr. Almon Waterhouse and daughter, Edna, furnished acceptable music for our church services.

Everybody Says So.

Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, acts gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispels colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

Sabbathday Lake.

The Shakers' saw mill started up Thursday.

Miss Lottie Hackett has gone to Haverhill, Mass., where she has a position in a millener store.

Mrs. Luella Goodrich has moved here from Dover, N. H.

Minot.

Our new Doctor Carroll has arrived and taken up his residence at the home of the late Dr. Cobb and from what we have seen of him is deserving and competent to take proper care of the large number of patients he has started in with and we believe him to be a good one.

It should be made a matter of public knowledge that DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve will speedily cure piles of the longest standing. It is the household favorite for burns, scalds, cuts, bruises and sores of all kinds. Merrill and Denning.

W. H. True has finished sawing lumber at his mill after one of the busiest seasons known for years.

Mrs. R. T. Frank is visiting friends in Portland.

E. R. Cobb is busy silling his out buildings.

Mrs. C. H. True is visiting friends in Sumner after a busy winter as a nurse in the several towns.

On entering R. F. Frank's blacksmith shop may be seen a mixture of iron wheels and lumber and by asking a few questions the writer learned that they were constructing a novelty in the roller line for the enterprising farmer, C. H. Cobb, which consists of two cylinders revolving on one shaft, when completed will roll a strip 10 feet wide. Mr. Frank is doing the iron work and W. H. True the wood work.

R. P. Rounds and children of Woodfords, have been spending a few days at his old home.

Miss Blanche Mixer, who has been very sick the past month is on the gain.

Edes' Falls.

Mr. Horatio Hall, who has been ill all winter is slowly improving.

The Harmon Bros. have contracted to drive Goff and Plummer's logs to the mouth of Songo river.

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We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last fifteen years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.

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Have Another Lot

of those extra quality evaporated apples from Buckfield, the same as I have had in seasons past. If you wish to get the best results from them should advise soaking them out in BOILED city water.

S. T. ROWE,



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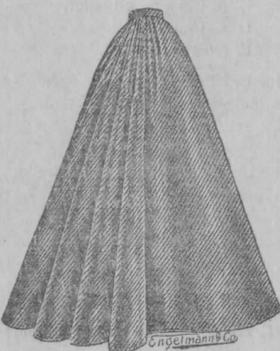


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I hereby give notice, my wife, Nettie M. Marshall, having left my bed and board, that I will pay no debts of her contracting after this date.

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Churches and Allied Societies.
Methodist Episcopal Church.—Rev. Thos. P. Baker, pastor. Sunday services, preaching, 10.30 a. m., Sabbath School, 12 m., Junior League, 3 p. m., prayer meeting, 6.30 p. m.; Class Meeting, Friday evening at 7.30.

Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal Church.—President, Thos. P. Baker, Miss Ethel Saunders, Sec'y. Meets Tuesday evening at 7.30; social and business meeting on 2d Monday evening of each month; cabinet meeting Wednesday preceding.

W. C. T. U. meet every alternate Tuesday at their rooms corner of Elm and Judson streets at 2.30 p. m. Everybody welcome. Mrs. S. I. Jewett, Pres., Mary E. Perkins, Secy.

First Universalist Church.—Rev. F. E. Wheeler, pastor. Sunday services, preaching, 10.30 a. m., Sunday school, 12 m., Y. P. C. U., 6.30 p. m.—Officers of the Union, Rev. F. E. Wheeler, Pres., Mrs. F. E. Mason Cor. Sec'y. Business meeting of Y. P. C. U., 2d Tuesday of each month.

Pleasant St., Baptist Church—"Strangers Sabbath Home." Seats Free. All welcome. Rev. Geo. S. Chase, pastor, J. S. Merrill, clerk. Sunday service, 10.30 a. m., 7 p. m. Tuesday and Friday evenings in vestry 7.30 p. m.

Pleasant St., Baptist Sabbath School—Every Sunday at 12 o'clock, m., Mr. W. A. Gould, Supt. Mr. Archie Cook, Librarian, Miss Blanch Gould Sec'y.

Congregational Church, Elm St., Rev. Frederick Newport, pastor; Dea. C. A. Foster clerk. Sunday services: preaching, 10.30 a. m. Sunday School, P. T. Murray, Supt., session at 12 m.

Y.P.S.C.E., Frdk. Newport, Pres., Mrs. S. L. Hawley, Secy., meets Sunday evenings at 6.30.

Christian Science.—Sunday School every Sunday at 12.15 p. m. Study of "Science and Health" every Wednesday at 7.00 p. m. at residence of Mr. & Mrs. S. H. Hutchinson, C.S., West Park Street All interested are cordially invited.

Secret Societies.

Tyrann Lodge, No. 73, A. F. and A. M.—Fred E. Dwinall, W. M., L. Jefferies Secy. Meetings, Thursday on or before each full moon.

St. Andrews Chapter, No. 51, R. A. M.—Frank E. Tufts, H. P., L. Jefferies, Secy. Meeting Thursday following each full moon.

Androscoggin Lodge, N. E. O. P., No. 205, meets 1st and 3d Thursdays of each month, Charles Waterman, Warden, Lillian M. King, Secy.

St. Elmo Lodge, No. 55, K. of P., meets every Friday evening in their Castle Hall, Perkins' Block, Main St., F. L. Marston, C. C., W. P. Perkins, K. of R. and S.

Osceola Tribe, No. 24, I. O. E. M., meets every Tuesday evening in K. of P. hall, D. L. Cousens, S., O. C. Bridge, C. of R.

Court Mechanic Falls, No. 1728, I. O. F., meets last Friday in each month, D. L. Cousens C.E., C. A. Cousens, R. S.

Colfax Rebekah Lodge, No. 27, I. O. O. F., meetings 1st and 3d Wednesday, Flora R. Thurston, N. G., Kate L. Denison, Sec'y.

Dwinal Chapter, Eastern Star, meetings 2d and 4th Wednesdays, Flora E. Mason, M., Ella J. Bailey, Sec'y.

A. A. Dwinal Post, No. 3, G. A. R., Charles Tenney, Com., I. P. Davis, Adgt. Meets every Tuesday evening at G. A. R. Hall.

W. C. Bridge Camp, No. 29, S. of V. Meets 2d and 4th Wednesdays in G. A. R. Hall. George Benson, Capt., Ernest Smith, Lt. Sergeant.

Ladies Aid Society, No. 5, of W. C. Bridge Camp, No. 29, Minnie D. Harnden, Pres., Inez Jackson, Secy. Meets 1st and 3d Wednesdays in G. A. R. Hall.

Agassiz Com., No. 245, U. O. G. C., Meetings 1st and 3d Wednesdays at Congregational Vestry, W. N. Hodgdon, N. C., May Walker, K. of R.

Monami Lodge, No. 40, I. O. O. F., J. W. Wayne, N. G., E. K. Holbrook, R. S. Meets Monday evening at Odd Fellows Hall, Elm St., at 7.30.

Orion Encampment, No. 27, I. O. O. F.—A. A. Bumpus, C. P., P. T. Murray, Scribe. Meetings 2d and 4th Wednesday of each month.

Miscellaneous.

Board of Trade meets 1st Monday evening of each month at selectmen's office, J. W. Penn Pres., Charles E. Waterman Secy.

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Items of Interest Picked up by Our Reporters.

Hay for sale.—Inquire of D. S. Perkins.

Rev. W. W. Hooper of Deering, was in town Friday.

Miss Hattie Archibald has gone to Rumford Falls.

Mrs. Fannie S. Baker is visiting her mother at Boothbay Harbor.

Mr. William Bass of Lancaster, N. H., has been visiting in town.

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Saunders North and South Comedy Company at Perkins' Hall, Wednesday and Thursday evenings of this week.

Mrs. Nellie Morton spent the Sabbath here, on her way from Gorham, N. H., to Haverhill, Mass. She will make her home in the latter city.

"The Keeley Institute of the East" for the cure of the Liquor and Morphine habits is located at North Conway, N. H. We have no branch Institute.

Hoyt's "Temperance Town" shows up both sides of the temperance question, the sublime and the ridiculous, and it never played to poor a house for a night.

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It is understood that the P. & R. F. railroad are to put in an iron arched bridge across Bog brook near the Potte crossing to replace the wooden one now there and which is not considered to be safe for the heavier locomotives that the company have recently purchased.

Thirty years is a long time to fight so painful a trouble as piles, but Jacob Mitchell, of Unionville, Pa., struggled that long before he tried DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which quickly and permanently cured him. It is equally effective in eczema and all skin affections. Merrill and Denning.

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Five carloads of oranges from Southern California were received in Portland Wednesday over the Grand Trunk. Each of the carloads is valued at \$800 and they are consigned to local dealers. The Florida oranges have been a failure and that is the reason why the California oranges are being shipped. One of the peculiarities of the trans-continental freight business is seen in the fact that while the freight from San Francisco to Chicago is 75 cents per 100 pounds, and to Cincinnati 80 cents to Portland, Me., it is only 60 cents per 100 pounds.

The Lisbon Enterprise has the following about a former resident of this town:—Osborn Estey was in town Thursday of this week. While here he made a pleasant visit to the Enterprise office. He showed us a jack-knife that was over one hundred years old and was a unique affair. It was owned by his great grandfather and been handed down from father to son. He owns an old bible that has been in the Estey family for 107 years. Mr. Estey has recently moved his family from Mechanic Falls to Fayette, where he is running a saw mill.

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Next Thursday is Fast Day.

Mr. Harry Mason was in town over Sunday.

Mrs. William Durgin died at her late residence Monday.

Mrs. Edwin Dwinall is visiting at Washington, D. C.

Venus is getting more notoriety. She is beating any actress on the boards.

Mrs. Charles Wyman of Lynn, Mass. has been visiting at Mrs. A. R. Penney's.

The primary school has been closed on account of the epidemic of scarlet fever.

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Mr. W. A. Gould is making an attractive addition to his house on West Park street.

Next Sunday is Easter—as the boy said, the only time when chickens lay colored eggs.

Mr. W. S. Strout reports the first grass-hopper. He appeared on the scene the last day of March.

Mr. Jacob Martin shot a wild goose up Bog Brook Saturday morning. It was a beauty and a "bouncer". It weighed 13 pounds.

The millinery opening at M. H. T. Merrill's will be on Friday, the 16th. Every purchaser will receive a bunch of violets. No cards.

Master Wendell Lane brought us in on April 8, a remarkably smart blade of grass. It had grown to the length of ten inches at that date.

Unconditional surrender, is the only terms those famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers will make with constipation, sick headache and stomach trouble. Merrill and Denning.

Dr. H. W. Boynton, who for several months past has been located in this village, has moved to Yarmouth. He will take the practice of the late Dr. J. C. Gannett. The doctor has been among us but a short time, yet has made many friends, who will be sorry to have him leave us.

The late Mrs. Lucy McAllister left the following bequest to the Baptist church in this village, and to the state bodies of that denomination:—for the church one hundred dollars, to be held in trust by the State Convention and fifty dollars each for the Missionary Union and the Home Mission Society.

If you do not wish to hire a costume or make one for the Mask Ball you can easily get up a good disguise out of a sheet and pillow case. Price for costumes range from 75 cts. to \$3 according to style and quality. Ladies in costume will be admitted to the floor free but no one else will be admitted to the floor without either floor or spectator's ticket.

What a healthy infant our seven months old Electric Light Co., proves to be? The first light turned on only last September, and an income already of \$3,865 per year and steadily increasing. By the way, we inadvertently mentioned last week that Mr. H. C. Rowell had resigned as treasurer and director. He has resigned as treasurer but is yet a director, and actively interested in the company.

The Glass Blowers, who have been with us a weeks, left Monday for Oxford. They had many pleasing novelties in their entertainment. Among others they offered a prize to the person making the largest list of words from the word "Bohemian". It was won by Master Wendell Lane, who made 554 words out of the combination of letters. The baby of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rich received the largest number of votes for handsomest baby.

The Festival chorus met with Miss Maud Cobb this week.

Get your bicycle repaired. Old wheels made new. A. A. Woodsum.

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Capt. H. T. Bucknam, who has been visiting in Waltham and Haverhill, Mass. has returned.

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Mask Ball next Wednesday evening at Perkins' Hall. Don't miss it, the music will be well worth the price of admission.

Mr. Almon Waterhouse, leader of Waterhouse's Orchestra, informs us that he has a fine lot of new music for the Masquerade Ball.

Our new road commissioner is making great improvements in the sidewalks on both sides of the river. Let the good work go on.

Mr. James A. Fuller obtained an absolute divorce from his former wife at Fargo, North Dakota, April 5th, on the ground of desertion.

At a meeting of the Board of Trade, Monday evening, J. H. DeCoster, Esq., was elected treasurer of that body in the place of the late Zenas Lane.

Mr. James Teague informs us that he saw 17 wild geese in one flock within gunshot of his house one day last week, near Bog Brook and not a gun to be had in the neighborhood.

The Grand Lodge of the New England Order of Protection was held in Augusta last week. Mr. J. F. Thomas of this place attended the meeting of that body and was elected Grand Guardian.

When the spring time comes, "gentle Annie," like all other sensible persons, will cleanse the liver and renovate the system with DeWitt's Little Early Risers, famous little pills for the liver and stomach all the year round. Merrill and Denning.

We have heard of treeing a great many kinds of birds and animals but treeing wild geese is the latest. Two young men went up Bog brook a few days since came in with the report that they drove four into a pine tree and we have no reason to suppose they had been drinking anything more potent than city water either.

The Electric Light Co. would consider it a favor if any person knowing a light to be out in their vicinity at any time would report the fact to Mr. H. T. Sands, as it frequently happens that through attention to other duties he is unable to make the rounds of the circuit for two or three nights at a time and of course has no other way of knowing the fact than the above.

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Mrs. Charlotte Foster is visiting in Brunswick.

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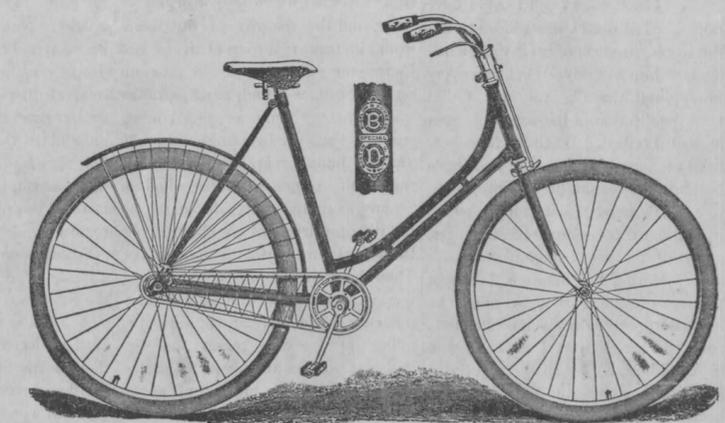
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THE SPINNING WHEEL

Of Local Romancers.

The Interrupted Song.

In the year 1880 I found myself the owner of a parchment signifying that the degree of M. D. had been conferred upon me by a prominent New England medical school; and being desirous of perfecting my medical knowledge and also to travel abroad. I attached myself to the medical staff of a hospital in Liverpool. In attending to my duties there, a man lounging about the buildings and grounds attracted my attention. His manner was listless, apathetic; and his face and head, which a sculptor might have chosen for a model of intellectuality, showed no gleam of the powerful mind that might have been expected to dwell within. I approached him one day with a question, and he gave in reply only a vacant stare, showing that his mental faculties were by some means impaired. My fellow-physicians knew nothing concerning him except that he had been about the hospital ever since their connection with it. In talking with the superintendent I gained something more of his history:—

Some 10 years before a sailor was brought to the hospital in an insensible condition. A heavy block from the rigging had fallen, striking him on the head and fracturing his skull. The man recovered from his wound, but he had ever since been an idiot. By the neglect of the secretary his nationality, ship, residence, etc., had not been registered upon the hospital books. No one had ever inquired for him and no light of any kind had ever been thrown upon his identity. Strangely enough, also, the neglect that had failed to register him, had failed to send him to an almshouse. Thus he had lived for 10 years.

I was much interested, and upon examining him I thought I could help him by trepanning his skull. There was no opposition raised to my attempting the operation and I performed it. The result was all I could have hoped. His reason was restored; but the whole 10 years of his existence had been to him as a day. On his recovery he inquired where he was and had a faint recollection of the stunning blow he had received. When he fully realized the length of time he had been bereft of his reason, he was thrown into a highly nervous state, from which he did not recover for several weeks, a part of the time being partially insane. During his delirium I caught portions of what I thought might be his history which deeply interested me; and upon his recovery I tried to gain his confidence. I partially succeeded in this and gathered a somewhat connected story of his life; although on what might apply be called the instalment plan. I will give the story in my own words.

In the little New England village of Kingville there are two houses side by side, with but a garden between; one a spacious mansion and the other a small unpainted cottage. Old Major Jere Wedgewood, having accumulated a limited amount of property in the city, and a limited amount of rank and influence by four years of army life during the great rebellion, moved into this rural village that he might more effectually play the lord over his neighbors. Kingville was situated on a plain with a small river meandering through it; and the only eligible site to build a mansion for the would-be magnate was on an eminence—the only one in the village—on the western bank of the river. On the western side of the lot purchased by the major stood the cottage mentioned above, occupied not only by humble but poverty-stricken people. A defective title rendered it impossible for Major Wedgewood to purchase this cottage, and thus it stood, an eyesore beside his mansion, and thus it stands to-day.

Major Wedgewood was a politician the kind we call at present a "machine man;" and most of his time was spent in looking after public affairs, which he turned as far as possible into private affairs. His family consisted of a wife, several sons and one daughter, Minnie, who at the opening of this story (at the close of the late war) was about 10 years old. The family spent most of the time in pleasure. All day carriages rolled in and out of the grounds, and

boats floated on the sluggish current of the river, which was the outlet of a pond just above.

The Linds, who occupied the cottage, were the reverse in almost every particular. They had the usual number of poor men's blessings, there being a family of several girls and one boy. The girls were healthy, buxom creatures who worked in a neighboring mill; but the boy, Leroy, was a small, sickly youth of 12 years. On account of his frailness the boy very rarely went from home; and one of his greatest pleasures was to steal over to the land of the rich man, and from the shade of the shrubbery watch the carriages and the boats. In this place he was found by the little daughter, and the usual duet of childish glances and shy expressions took place; but it resulted in a firm friendship. The boy had enjoyed but few educational advantages, but in the course of their childish friendship the girl brought her books and they read and studied together; and then they strayed into the house and the girl played to him on the piano. The music awakened in the boy a slumbering passion.

This kind of life went on for a number of years, with only one incident which the reader will care to peruse. The cottage was the gift, or rather the loan, of a relative, and had at one time been occupied by him, and many of his effects were stored in the attic. Leroy, lounging in this attic one day, noticed a violin case under the low eaves, covered with a thick coating of dust. Pulling out the case to the light and opening it, he found it contained an old violin. The boy had found a godsend. From that time forth it was his constant companion; and at length the voice of the violin added itself to that of the piano.

Then the boy and girl would stroll through the woods to the shores of the neighboring pond and listen to the lapping of the waters, forming a sweet and gentle accompaniment to the frequent obligatos of the song birds. Occasionally a loon would halloo hoarsely, but its last prolonged note would melt into harmony with the waves. Sometimes the wind would blow with greater force, and the murmur of the waves would increase to a roar, as if to obliterate the sighs of the lonely pine upon the shore, as it told, perhaps, of the misery in the wake of the coming storm. Then the lightning would flash and the thunder roar, accompanied by the dashing of rain, drowning all minor sounds, as if God were displeased at the ill appreciation of his children for the beautiful melody of the summer day. Then the wind and rain would cease; the sun bursting out with all his magnificence would convert the dripping foliage into sparkling rubies and diamonds; and then the old melody of the waves would return, broken only by the happy hum of the bumblebee as he emerged from his prison in the bell of a flower and sought his home and his fellows in the neighboring field.

All this music of nature filled the boy's soul with a sense of harmony, as he and his companion looked upon the scene from the shelter of a summer house, and an ardent longing came to him to reproduce the same in the solitude of his room. Then his desire grew into a resolve that some day he would do so.

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But a time of parting came to the two. As time rolled on the usages of society took its accustomed hold upon them. The boy was a fit playmate for the rich man's daughter; but the man was a social inferior; so old Major Wedgewood forbade the intercourse between them.

This roused a dormant element in the young man's nature—pride. He would be acknowledged an equal when the great poem in his soul should be expressed in symbols by which the baser world would receive and judge, then would he return and claim the reward which he tacitly thought would be his.

Thus the young man went forth into the world to conquer it. He worked first at one thing and then another, and finally went to sea. The music of the winds and waves had an attraction for him, and it seemed a help to work out the great subject that throbbed in his bosom for expression. This was how it happened that Leroy Lind was a sailor in the harbor of Liverpool, and the sad victim of the plot of the falling block.

Now ten years were past, and his great object was not accomplished. Ten years of nonentity,—entirely forgotten by the world! No one about him even knowing his name! Was it any wonder he was discouraged?

His nervous trouble settled into an apathy that was more painful to behold than his vacant stare had been. I was highly apprehensive of the result and took every way to relieve his melancholy. I took him to the theatre with me; but it had little effect upon him. Occasionally the music would rouse him, and his eyes would sparkle as I fancied they might have done when a boy; but the light would soon die out.

Among other things for his amusement, I purchased a violin. At first he played listlessly, but even then his playing showed a masterly touch. One night there came a great storm. The rain fell in torrents on roof and pave; the wind howled about the trees on the lawn; and even the dashing of the water on the walled banks of the Mersey could be heard. Lind was sitting in my room clothed in his accustomed apathy. Now and then he would raise his head and listen, and then it would drop. As the evening wore on the intervals between his listening grew shorter; and at length he wheeled his chair about facing the window and sat bolt upright. His eyes shone with an intense light, such as I had never seen in them before, and I trembled for his reason.

About midnight the fury of the storm abated. The rain ceased, the sound of the waves was silent, and the wind only sighed among the branches of the trees. Lind sat listening a few moments and then picking up the violin which lay on the floor he played, and with a feeling that was wonderful. For an hour he played and the impassioned flow of the violin had sunk into a low sweet melody. When he ceased the tears were rolling down his cheeks. The old interrupted song of his youth had returned! He came over to where I sat and put his hand on my shoulder; but he trembled so violently that had I not taken hold of him by main strength, he would have fallen to the floor.

Lind's nervous system had received a shock; therefore I put him to bed and gave him an opiate from the effects of which he slept many hours. I trembled for the effect the night might have upon him; but when he awoke he was an entirely different man. On dressing he called for pencil and paper and for weeks he worked to transfer the music to paper.

At length the symphony was completed, published and so far successful as to be the beginning of his career as a musical composer. The success aroused his energy, and he sought employment that he might as far as possible make up for the lost past. He obtained a place in the orchestra of a theatre, and in his spare moments wandered about the sea-shore that he might recatch, as it were, the distant echoes he still seemed to hear in the inmost recesses of his soul of almost forgotten melodies. One day, after some two years had passed, Lind came to me and wished to make me a present of a sum of money as a token of gratitude for the operation I had performed. He magnified the work; I had restored what was more valuable than life—reason; and he urged me to accept. Perhaps in most cases avarice might have

led me to accept; I had performed the operation in the interest of medical science; but my curiosity during these long months of intimacy had changed to friendship; and I would accept only his gratitude as a proof of a friendship which I hoped I possessed. When Lind found me firm in my determination he said with what I could not help feeling was a sigh of relief:—

"You have my heart-felt thanks; and your generosity has given me the means of carrying out a wish to return to America, and review scenes that are fresh in my mind, although so many years have passed since I left them."

In a month or so, Lind, having completed his engagements, sailed for America, and I lost track of him. A few months later having finished the space of time I had contemplated devoting to the hospital and taken a tour on the continent, I also returned, and began the practice of medicine in Boston.

One night while taking a little recreation at a theatre, I thought I saw Lind in the orchestra, but was not sure, as the man was so thin and careworn. In a few days, however, my doubts were removed by meeting him face to face in the street. He seemed glad to see me, but his manner and conversation were indifferent and after a few remarks I said:—

"Come to my office, and let me prescribe for you. You look sick, and you know my prescription once did you good."

He smiled, thanked me and accepted the invitation. When we were seated I asked him to give me the history of the interval that had elapsed since our separation. He needed some urging to comply, but at last he did so. His words as near as I can remember, were as follows:—

"About the time of my departure from England I had been seized with longing to return to my old home, I wanted to hear again the music of the waters, trees and birds I had heard in my youth:—yes, and the voice of the playmate of my boyhood. Perhaps it was foolish,—a poor fiddler,—yet I indulged the hope."

Here he stopped and I inquired if he did see her.

"Yes. I reviewed the scenes of my childhood and I saw my lost playmate. Yes, she was lost, for a dozen years covers deep the memory of old forms with new ones. I found Minnie married, and of course she did not recognize me, whom she had long thought dead. I ought not to have disclosed myself; but it was my weakness. What had I to expect of the purse-proud Wedgewoods, who make marriages for mercenary and social purposes? Yet I fancied that my visit left a shadow upon her brow. It might have been, after all, a conceit of my own. The sound of her voice brought back the songs of my youth, and I dared not stay, lest I should enjoy that which would be a sin. So you see my return to America has rendered me sad; and my only diversion is to philosophize upon the mission of human existence."

"Do you not compose anything now?" I asked.

"My lyre is mournful now, and I had better be silent."

I tried to arouse him from this melancholy state,—tried to interest him in the work of composition; and I had the satisfaction before he left of hearing him say he would try. He kept his word, and during the following year published several pieces of merit.

In about a year from the time we had this conversation he came to my office with an expression on his face I had not seen since his departure for America.

"I have a question to ask you," he said. "Why is a human being so much below a beast? for it seems at times as if he was."

"I do not understand you?" I said. "I will tell you. I have recently learned of the death of Minnie Wedgewood's husband, and some way, the fact that should, at least, have caused pity, gives me, notwithstanding my endeavors to the contrary, a secret feeling of pleasure. Wealth and fame come slowly, but my faith increases. Already I can hear in the inmost recesses of my heart the sweet strains of a new song, and its name is Hope."

Mr. C. R. Denning and wife of Berlin, N. H., spent the Sabbath in town. THE WHOLE system feels the effect of Hood's Sarsaparilla—stomach, liver, kidneys, heart, nerves are strengthened and SUSTAINED.

LOCAL YARNS

From Various Sources.

How They Do It.

Just now is a season of inaction with our fisherman, perhaps it could not be called with propriety, between hay and grass, but they are evidently waiting for the ice to go out of ponds and brooks, and incidentally for the grass to start.

The first of the season they were wild over toge fishing, but later the forked-tailed variety of trout did not please and nothing but a red-spot had any allurements for them. These fish, however, were too well educated, and although our Ike Waltons visited preserves which the law had shut-up for several years for the sole purpose of catching them it was no use. These fish had been protected so long by law that they knew how to protect themselves. Our Republican friends say, that is the way protection always acts; but fishermen don't like it, and they say that is the reason why elections went the "other way" out west this spring. The fishing season was coming on and people did not believe in protection.

There was a big pickerel caught in this preserve—an eight-pounder! It was the only one there, but the boys here thought he had a mate and they were bound to have him. They spent some little time and finally got his son—a three-pounder. He was an expensive fish, however. As near as the Ledger man can find out there were at least 25 men first and last engaged in the pursuit of this fish, and they averaged to put in at least one day each. Ten horses were engaged in the capture. Now, to put it mildly that fish cost at least \$60.00! Some of these fishermen did not claim to earn much more than a dollar a day, but several want \$5.00 per day for their services when not engaged in fishing. These 25 men would probably average at least \$2.00 each. 25 men at \$2.00 equals \$50.00. 10 horses at \$1.00 each equals \$10.00. \$50.00 plus \$10.00 equals \$60.00, to say nothing of wear and tear on fishing tackle.

The boys now are laying their plans for a descent on Sebago for salmon, or a little later for a trip to Bemis, and even the mildest of them are studying the geography of the trout brooks in this vicinity. When not laying plans for the future, they are tellings yarns of what they have done. This is what one of them told us the other day.

The Wild River region used to be one of the best regions for red-spot in this section of the country. This stream was full of trout. In the spring the water rushes over the rocks and spread over the valley, and later dries away to a little thread, leaving deep pools here and there, full of water and of trout. These fish have the peculiar and delicious flavor of mountain trout, not found in muddier streams. They taste good after a hard days jaunt among the rocks. Build a fire on a flat rock and heat it hot, clean the fish, put salt on the inside and, after the ashes have been cleared away put the fish on the hot surface of the rock. When one side is cooked turn and when done they will be delicious.

A Good Shot.

There is an old saying that mankind likes to get back to nature. That is the reason why they take so to hunting and fishing. When the country was new, it was a war of extermination of beast, bird and finny inhabitant of the water. They are mostly gone and to supply the demand artificial propagation has been resorted to. There are yet regions to the north of us which are happy hunting grounds to wild fowl, and every spring as the warm rains set in we listen for the "honk," "honk" of the wild goose and strain our eyes for the V shaped flocks in the sky. Several of these have been reported to us as having passed our village over head—one or two even before April had set in.

Mr. E. A. Griffin of Pigeon Hill, who has the nimrod instinct and ever keeps a sharp lookout on beast and bird, heard and saw one of the first of these flocks. In looking down on "Tripp Pond from his residence he saw black specks moving about the ice. He got his spy-glass and found them to be wild geese, evidently looking for open water. This challenge was too much

for him and he took his gun and started for the pond.

Another hunter, however, had got the start of him. It was a four-footed hunter—a fox. Mr. Griffin does not think the fox succeeded in capturing a goose, but he did succeed in frightening the flock away.

Mr. Griffin had his dog with him, and, true to houndish instinct he gave the fox a run. They came up the pond and were passing the hunter about 50 yards away. It was a long shot—one where the chances of missing were more numerous than those of winning. Mr. G. took the chance, however, and Mr. Fox gave one yell and keeled over on its side—dead.

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