

MECHANIC FALLS LEDGER.

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NO. 13.

The Pickling Season
Is with us and you may want some of our

Mixed Spices

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Whole { Allspice,
Cloves,
Pepper,
Mustard,
ALSO

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Celery,
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Work called for and delivered if desired.
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Give us a call.

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In Effect June 21, 1897.
DEPARTURES.
10.03 a. m. and 2.19 p. m., for **Rumford Falls and Bemis.**
6.55 a. m. and 4.06 p. m. for **Lewiston, Portland and Boston.**
ARRIVALS.
10.03 a. m. and 4.06 p. m., from **Rumford Falls and Bemis.**
10.03 a. m., 2.19 and 6.40 p. m. from **Lewiston, Portland and Boston.**
*On Saturdays only train arriving from Portland and Boston at 6.40 p. m. runs through to Rumford Falls.
*On Mondays only train leaving Mechanic Falls at 6.55 a. m. comes through from Rumford Falls.
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CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS.
Best Cough Syrup, Tastes Good, Use in Time. Sold by Druggists.



Fifty Years Ago.

This is the cradle in which there grew That thought of a philanthropic brain: A remedy that would make life new For the multitudes that were racked with pain. 'Twas sarsaparilla, as made, you know By Ayer, some 50 years ago.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

was in its infancy half a century ago. To-day it doth "bestride the narrow world like a colossus." What is the secret of its power? Its cures! The number of them! The wonder of them! Imitators have followed it from the beginning of its success. They are still behind it. Wearing the only medal granted to sarsaparilla in the World's Fair of 1893, it points proudly to its record. Others imitate the remedy; they can't imitate the record

50 Years of Cures.

CURRENT EVENTS

In This Vicinity.

Four Score and Ten.

No fairer day could have been found than Wednesday of last week, the day on which "Aunt" Mary Perkins celebrated the 90th anniversary of her birth. Notwithstanding her great age she is as chipper and smart as most people are at 60 or 70 and on that morning she made at least two trips to the village and back, doing some little errands to save the older people, as she facetiously termed her two nieces, Mrs. Ellis and Mrs. Hicks, from getting tired out before the day was over. There is not enough gray in her hair so that you would notice it as you meet her and she is as straight and erect as ever.

After dinner, in response to the invitation in last week's Ledger, her friends both young, middle-aged and elderly commenced dropping in by twos and threes until the house was nearly filled and they kept coming and going till long into the evening. Numbers of them brought little mementoes in the shape of cups and saucers and plates and there were bouquets innumerable, in fact the whole lower part of the house looked and smelled like a florist's. Space forbids mentioning every present and giver so will just mention two that were sent her from away, one of which was a beautiful hand decorated china cup and saucer in colors and gold from Mrs. Martha Green, of Somerville, who is well known in art circles and the other a fine seal shopping bag from Mrs. J. Lewis, Jr., of Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Lizzie Jewett Butler brought a beautiful basket of sweet peas accompanied by a little booklet on the pages of which were written the following lines:

You've counted ninety milestones,
On your journey through this life,
Some were fair and shone like gold
Some years were full of strife.

But through them all, you kept your heart
Young, and sweet and fair,
When sorrow came with bitter smart,
You knew your God was there.

A bunch of P's I bring to you
On this your natal day,
There's Prohibition, Patience and Perseverance too

There's Purity and Peace to abide with you
always.

And over all this bunch of P's,
Shine two more fair by far;
They'll stay by you, your heart to ease,
Their names are Praise and Prayer.

We Praise His name for long life given,
And when our lives shall cease
We Pray that we may meet in Heaven
Where all is perfect Peace.

Retreshments of ice cream, cake and confectionery were served to all and it was a most enjoyable occasion, and if appearances go for anything "Aunt Mary" enjoyed it as much as any of the younger ones.

It is a rare thing to find a lady of her age, who with the assistance of two nieces, can entertain some 70 people in a day and come out well and hearty the next day and the Ledger wishes her many more pleasant anniversaries.

Below we print a letter from an absent friend who was unable to be present but who sent her regrets in a few well chosen words:

Dear Aunt Mary:

Seeing your invitation in the Mechanic Falls Ledger to your friends and acquaintances and being unable to call I extend to you my hearty congratulations through this letter. On the day you celebrate your *ninetieth* birthday I shall celebrate my *nineteenth*. I truly hope that if I am spared to reach the great age already attained by you that my life may be as pure and blameless as yours.

Wishing you many happy returns of the day I remain
Very sincerely yours,
Estella E. Sigourney Perkins.
Wakefield, Mass., Sept. 14, 1897.

In the Corn Belt.

This section of the state is situated in the heart of the sweet corn belt of the state of Maine. There are four factories cannning this toothsome dainty within a distance of four miles of Mechanic Falls at the four cardinal points of the compass, viz:—the Burnham and Morrell factory at Minot Corner, The Fernald, True and Keene Company at West Poland, also the factory at Oxford Depot owned and operated by the same company, and the one at West Minot, the property of the Minot Packing Company.

These factories are now in full blast and as the scribe passed through them he was forcibly reminded by the difference in the methods now in use and those in vogue 20 years ago, when this business was new. In those days everything was done by hand; now everything is done by machinery. The corn is cut from the cob, cooked and canned within a radius of a few feet, without being touched by the hand.

The farmers are also busy harvesting this crop. When yellow corn was raised, it was very seldom that more than four acres was to be seen in a single field, but now one not unfrequently sees ten. It is easier taken care of than the old crop was. The ears can be picked very rapidly—no more long weary days of husking in cold barns, nor old fashioned husking bees. The fodder is cut with a machine (in many cases) as it is also planted in the spring. This machine cuts and ties it in bundles with a string as fast as a horse can walk, in the same manner that fields of grain are harvested in the west. This fodder is taken into the barn, without being dried and put into silos, either long as taken from the field or cut into small pieces with a machine.

Prof. Allen's Perilous Journey in a Balloon.

Mr. Allen, the Providence, R. I., aeronaut, started Thursday about 3 p. m., from St. Johnsbury, with his daughter. After cruising around a short time, he let her out of the basket near St. Johnsbury, then starting again, he was caught in a thunder-storm, drifting toward the White Mountains.

Mr. Allen was stopped by his anchor catching in a tree and was held there three hours when the fury of the storm broke him away. He drifted about until he passed over Auburn and Lewiston.

Mr. Ward Harrington, of West Minot hearing cries for help, ran out, and catching hold of the anchor rope succeeded, with the help of neighbors, in pulling Mr. Allen to earth once more. Mr. Allen was in excellent spirits and anticipated returning in his balloon to St. Johnsbury as soon as the wind was favorable.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache. Easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

The Shoe Shop Wet Down.

Monday morning when Mr. Lord, the engineer at the shoe shop, went in to start his fires, he found that one of the automatic sprinkler pipes had burst or became opened in some way and was throwing a large volume of water around the bottoming room. He immediately tied a bag around the pipe and shut off the water. However it must have been running some hours when discovered as the front portion of the lower floor as well as the floor of the bottoming room was flooded with water and it was running down through very fast then. Both the front and back office were badly wet down and their contents more or less damaged. It is impossible to give a correct estimate of the loss but it will probably be in the vicinity of \$1000.

Auburn Court.

Court opened at Auburn this week, Judge Emery, presiding.
Following are the grand jurors from this vicinity:—
Mechanic Falls—Gaveston Cole.
Minot—H. W. Baker.
Poland—Lewis S. Wheeler.
Traverse Juries:—
Poland—Harry W. Thurlow and Joseph H. Schellenger.
Minot—A. T. Giddings.
Mechanic Falls—Daniel H. Walker.
There are 368 civil cases and 190 criminal cases on the docket.

The Late Mrs. Paine.

Death has again entered our portals and removed from among us Sophia A. wife of Wm. B. Paine, who died Sept. 12, after a lingering illness from consumption.

Mrs. Paine and her family were devoted members of the Advent Church of Mechanic Falls, but owing to her illness she had not been able to attend church for the past year or two.

The funeral was held at her late residence attended by Mrs. Jordan, pastor of the Advent Church; there were many contributions of flowers.

The remains were interred in Pine Grove Cemetery at Poland. The deceased was 42 years of age; she leaves a husband and four children, two sons and two daughters, to mourn their loss.

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.

One of Two Ways.

The bladder was created for one purpose, namely, a receptacle for the urine, and as such it is not liable to any form of disease except by one of two ways. The first way is from imperfect action of the kidneys. The second way is from careless local treatment of other diseases.

CHIEF CAUSE.

Unhealthy urine from unhealthy kidneys is the chief cause of bladder troubles. So the womb, like the bladder, was created for one purpose, and if not doctored too much is not liable to weakness or disease, except in rare cases. It is situated back of and very close to the bladder, therefore any pain, disease or inconvenience manifested in the kidneys, back, bladder or urinary passage is often, by mistake, attributed to female weakness or womb trouble of some sort. The error is easily avoided. To find out correctly, set your urine aside for twenty four hours; a sediment or settling indicates kidney or bladder trouble. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, and bladder remedy is soon realized. If you need a medicine you should have the best. At druggists fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle free by mail. Mention the Mechanic Falls Ledger and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

BETTER than cure is prevention. By taking Hood's Sarsaparilla you may keep well, with pure blood, strong nerves and a good **APPETITE.**

GLIMPSSES

At the Wide, Wide World

Many Matters from Many Lands.

In future the French government will prohibit the importation of foreign-born pigeons, even when merely destined for pie purposes. Their reason is to prevent a system whereby foreign spies would have the upper hand in the event of war.

A great American scientist is now busily engaged in perfecting an instrument which carries words on the rays of light. He has already succeeded in telephoning by this means for one mile.

Small precautions often prevent great mischiefs. DeWitt's Little Early Risers are very small pills in size, but are most effective in preventing the most serious forms of liver and stomach troubles. They cure constipation and headache and regulate the bowels. Merrill and Denning.

The Swedes of Philadelphia are to present a magnificent silver vase to the king of Sweden and Norway on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of his reign next month. The vase is thirty-two inches high and stands on an onyx plinth about eight inches in height. The style is a modification of the Gothic. The body of the vase is oval, with two graceful handles bound or applied with the Linna borealis, the Swedish national flower. The gift is beautifully decorated.

Something to Know.

It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired out nervous system to a healthy vigor is Electric Bitters. This medicine is purely vegetable, acts by giving tone to the nerve centres in the stomach, gently stimulates the liver and kidneys, and aids these organs in throwing off impurities in the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion, and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the very best blood purifier and nerve tonic. Try it. Sold for 50c or \$1.00 per bottle at Merrill and Denning's drug store.

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GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM.

Time Table in effect June 17th, 1897.

TRAINS WESTWARD.				
	13 EXP.	3 EXP.	5 EXP.	1 EXP.
Portland, G. T. St.	8:30 a. m.	1:40 a.	1:30 p.	8:30 p. m.
Portland & Rochester Jct.	8:35	1:45	1:35	8:35
Danville Junction	9:33	2:41	2:41	9:30
Lewiston Junction	9:39	2:40	2:50	9:35
Lewiston	9:25	2:35	2:55	9:15
Mechanic Falls	9:53	2:10	2:47	9:47
Norway	10:03	3:30*	3:01	10:01
Gorham	11:40	3:45	11:50	11:50
Berlin	1:15	5:58*	12:05 a. m.	12:05 a. m.
Island Pond { arrive		2:00	2:10	
Coaticook { leave		2:45	2:59	
Sherbrooke		3:24	3:40	
Richmond		4:15	4:45	
Levis (opposite Quebec)		10:40	7:50	
Montreal		10:50	7:50	
* 7:30 a. m.		10:50 a. m.	10:30 p. m.	
Toronto		9:05	12:45 a. m.	
Woodstock		1:02	2:16	
London		1:12	3:10	
Port Huron		12:06	4:30	
Detroit		9:0 p. m.		2:00 p. m.
Chicago				

TRAINS EASTWARD.				
	6 PASS.	2 EXP.	4 EXP.	1 EXP.
Chicago		8:15 p. m.	4:02 p. m.	8:55
Detroit		7:05 a. m.	12:45 a. m.	
Port Huron		10:05	3:35	
London		10:50	4:15	
Woodstock		12:10 p. m.	7:00	
Hamilton		1:00	8:35	
Toronto		7:50 a. m.	8:45 p. m.	
Montreal		10:45	11:30	
Levis (opposite Quebec)		7:10	8:30	
Sherbrooke		11:26	12:15 a. m.	
Coaticook		12:08 p. m.	12:55	
Island Pond { arrive		12:02	1:40	
leave	7:50 a. m.	1:18	2:05	
Berlin		6:42	3:42	
Gorham		7:00	4:00	
Norway		8:30	4:06	
Mechanic Falls		8:57	4:52	
Lewiston		7:00	4:05	
Lewiston Junction		9:11	4:50	
Danville Junction		9:16	4:53	
Portland & Rochester Jct		10:10	5:40	
Portland		10:15	5:45	6:40

* Sundays only. † Daily except Sundays. *Daily including Sundays.
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Postal Savings Banks.

For many years there has been more or less agitation for postal savings banks. Several of the Postmaster Generals have advocated the scheme but Congress has never seen fit to pass a bill for its establishment, for the very reason that this body has been composed of men who wanted the money in private institutions to further their schemes of private enterprise. This would be all right, provided that these small savings of men, women and children, who have to sacrifice from their daily wants to put this sum by for a rainy day, could be made secure; but every one knows that savings banks and similar institutions fail because they invest in questionable stocks and bonds, (many times the private speculations of its officers). A Postal Savings Bank, with the large national, state and municipal public debts, which promises to be largely permanent, would be perfectly safe—in fact, its insolvency could only be caused by the destruction of the government, a thing almost inconceivable to us.

The reason why we have not had a postal savings bank before, is the same that no other law for the benefit of the masses has been passed, because of the indifference of the public themselves. If the retainance of office was dependant upon the passing of certain laws, these laws would be passed. The people do not know their power, if they did they could have what they wanted. At present the wire pullers constitute the power and the public the cat with which to paw the chestnuts from the fire.

A postal savings bank would be a benefit to Mechanic Falls, or any town like it, and there is a movement now on foot to secure it, which the people of this village and vicinity can assist if they choose. The Chicago Record has prepared a bill which it will present to Congress, and anyone desiring to assist can send to that paper for a petition, circulate it and thereby show that the community wants something of the kind.

The object of this bank is to stimulate the saving of small sums. No person can deposit more than \$300 in one year, nor have a deposit in this bank more than \$1000 at any time. It will take at one time \$1.00 or any multiple additional. It will pay 2 per cent. interest and guarantee safety, which, taking into account the premium, is about all that government bonds now pay. In addition, to stimulate saving with children, saving bank stamps will be issued of the denominations of 5, 10, 15 and 25 cents, which will be taken and placed on interest when they amount to \$1.00. These savings can not be attached for debt, as the postmaster will not be allowed to divulge the name of the depositors nor the amount of his deposit. A man can deposit sums to the credit of his wife or children as a safeguard against disaster, and be assured that it is the safest thing he can do.

This will not injure private institutions for the person who has large sums of money or desires large interests must still seek them.

The objections urged against it are (1) it is paternalistic, (2) the government cannot use this money.

As to the first it is nothing but a name. The entire post office department is paternalistic. If you don't believe in this thing you should send your letters by express. Every fraternal society or insurance company is paternalistic and you show that you need these things—that you fear the future, by joining and patronizing them, and is it any more pauperizing to pay your taxes and have government do these things, where it is perfectly safe, than a

private concern which is not safe? The people who cry paternalistic want your money for private speculation.

As for the second there are interest-bearing government bonds to the amount of \$847,000,000 outstanding, and bankers have given it as their opinion that \$250,000,000 of these might be secured for the postal savings bank; and experts say that this amount of bonds would take up all the savings of the postal bank for ten years and that is long enough to plan in the future, for by that date the character of securities may entirely change.

Another thing in its favor is that the masses will have more faith in government because it will be doing more for them. At the present time they are losing their patriotism, for government is simply a tyrant to curb not help. What this government is doing for the masses is no more than any other is doing, and not so much as some. We are very well aware that we may earn the title of demagogue for saying this, but we add that of all the demagogues on earth that one who tells you that you are well enough off and not to try to better things is the worst. It is safe to say that such a one is thinking of his own interests.

In proof that what we say is true, we remind you that when we make an improvement, instead of inventing it, we borrow it of other countries as we did the Australian ballot system, even this postal savings bank scheme is borrowed. Canada, which we pretend to look down upon, has it, Hawaii, which opponents to annexation say is but half civilized, has it, and yet glorious America has not. Is it not a matter to be ashamed of rather than anything else? Great Britain established this institution in 1861, Belgium in 1870, Italy in 1875, France and the Netherlands in 1881, Austria and Sweden in 1883, Hungary in 1886, and recently Russia.

In 1895 we had 1017 savings banks, Great Britain 10,000. In United States one person in every 14 is a depositor, in Great Britain one in seven. Does this look as if our people were the best off of any on the face of the earth? Patriotism does not consist of boasting we are the most glorious people on earth but in trying to make ourselves such.

Village Locals.

Mrs. Frank Ellis, who has been visiting here for several weeks returned to her home in Boston, Tuesday.

The "Bicyclist's Best Friend" is a familiar name for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, always ready for emergencies. While a specific for piles, it also instantly relieves and cures cuts, bruises, salt rheum, eczema and all affections of the skin. It never fails. Merrill and Denning.

The Ladies Universalist Circle will meet with Mrs. D. D. Skinner, Pine street, Friday afternoon. A large attendance is desired as there is work to be done.

Megquier Hill.

Mr. Ed. Foster, who had his leg amputated a short time since, died Monday.

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by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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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, 7.00 p. m.; Class Meeting, Thursday 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., Mrs. O. W. Hawkes, Secy.

First Universalist Church.—Rev. M. M. Selman, pastor. Sunday services, preaching, 10.30 a. m., Sunday school, 12 m., Y. P. C. U., 6.30 p. m.—Officers of the Union, F. A. Goldermann, Pres., Mrs. F. E. Mason Cor. Sec'y. Business meeting of Y. P. C. U., 2d Friday 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.—Services every Sunday at 12.15 p. m. Study of Science and Health with Key to the Scripture every Wednesday evening at 7.30 p. m., at W. C. T. U. Rooms.

Secret Societies.
Tyrian 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.

Androsoggin 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. J. Marston, G. G., W. P. Perkins, K. of R. and S.

Oseola Tribe, No. 24, I. O. R. 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 G. R., 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. 20, S. of V. Meets 2d and 4th Wednesdays in G. A. R. Hall. George E. Benson, Capt., Ernest Smith, Lt. Sergeant.

Ladies Aid Society, No. 5, of W. C. Bridge Camp, No. 20, 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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MECHANIC FALLS

And Her Neighbors.

Items of Interest Picked up by Our Reporters.

Mr. O. B. Merrill of Gilbertville, was in town Monday.

Business at the paper mill seems to be picking up a little.

Mr. Otis Bailey is treating his buildings to a coat of paint.

Four week's old pigs for sale at E. H. Downs', Pottle Hill.

Mr. Sam. Knights hands us a dandelion that he picked Sept. 15.

Harvest Dinner at Congregational vestry next Wednesday. Price 20c.

Mr. Freeland Andrews of Auburn, was in town last Thursday and Friday.

Mr. F. O. Gray of Melrose, Mass., was in town last Thursday and Friday.

Just try a roc. box of Cascarets, the finest liver and bowel regulator ever made.

Mr. Herbert Aldrich of Boston, was in town a few days last week visiting friends.

Mrs. Dora Elwell nee Andrews of Westbrook has been visiting at Mr. H. L. Elwell's.

Mrs. Amos Tilton has been on the sick list for the past few days but is able to be about now.

Mr. C. V. Penney recently extracted some 150 to 200 pounds of as fine honey as you ever tasted.

Mrs. H. W. DeCoster and son left for Portsmouth, Saturday where they will stop a day or two, going from there to Kansas.

We understand Mr. H. M. Crosby is soon to move back from his farm near Campbell's bridge and will occupy one of the rents in his stand on Dwinal St.

Mr. Arthur Bumpus is laid up with a broken and badly jammed great toe on the right foot. It was done while moving some heavy machinery last Thursday.

Moments are useless if trifled away; and they are dangerously wasted if consumed by delay in cases where One Minute Cough Cure would bring immediate relief. Merrill and Denning.

The Mechanic Falls Band will occupy the upper floor of the building that is being built on Maple St. by Mr. D. S. Perkins and the lower floor will be occupied by Boyd and Company as a laundry.

Capt. H. T. Bucknam has so far recovered from his shaking up as to be able to attend the auction at the Denison farm last week. He is not entirely well yet but says he is coming along slowly but surely.

Most of the sick ones here are improving, notably Dr. E. F. Bradford, Loden Faunce and Sammy Penney. Mr. F. F. McCann is still obliged to use a cane and Mrs. E. A. Gammon remains about the same.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Cobb are away on a two weeks vacation. They will stop a part of the time in New York city, going from there up through New York state to Toronto and will be at Niagara Falls during the grand carnival at the opening of the new Grand Trunk bridge across the Niagara river.

The Grand Trunk System now run a pay car through alone instead of on a regular train. It went up the line Tuesday about noon and carried some eight men all told beside the engine crew. They pay with checks so there would be no advantage in holding the train up as the checks would be worthless to any one except the person whose name appears on them.

It has been intimated that the water takers here in town are contemplating calling a meeting in the near future to see if there cannot be some arrangement made whereby better water shall be supplied and in case there cannot, a general shutting off of water is to be the result. It certainly seems that it would be for the interest of the Water Company to see that something was done and done speedily too as almost everyone concedes that the water is unfit to drink or use other than for washing purposes.

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Mrs. H. T. Sands is quite sick.

Mr. Harry Mason of Bath was in town over Sunday.

Mr. C. H. Morton of Hallowell, was in town over Sunday.

A little son of Mrs. Frank Merrill is ill with typhoid fever.

Hon. George D. Bisbee of Rumford Falls, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. J. C. DeCoster of Boston, spent Sunday with his parents here.

Miss Susie A. Hall of Gray, visited at Mr. O. W. Hawkes last Sunday.

Mrs. Horace Rawson is visiting her son at Buckfield, Mr. J. A. Rawson.

Mr. Charles S. March, wife and child of Auburn, were in town, Sunday.

When bilious or costive, eat a Casca-ret, candy cathartic, cure guaranteed 10c, 25c.

Miss Hattie Merrill of Cumberland, has been visiting her brother, Mr. F. L. Merrill for the past week or so.

Mr. W. W. Small of the Rumford Falls Times was in town a few moments Thursday on his way to the Paris Fair.

A crank piano, the first one we ever saw in this place, furnished some excellent music for us last Friday evening.

20,000 spots killed last year with The Tailor Compound. Find one on your coat and try it. For sale by Merrill and Denning.

A tramp who came through this village one day last week complained of being robbed by two men between Poland Springs and Poland Corner.

Have you noticed the Montgomery Music Co.'s new "ad" in another column if not, why not? Keep your eyes on their "ad." every week as they have something new.

No man or woman can enjoy life or accomplish much in this world while suffering from a torpid liver. DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the pills that cleanse that organ, quickly. Merrill and Denning.

The Grand Trunk are to put in two long sidings, to run from Elm street crossing to the mill siding on the left hand side of the main line. It is expected that they will begin work at once.

We can and will do your job printing of all kinds on standard grades of stock as low as any one. If you desire cheaper grades we have job lots that we can put in for less money than the regular goods. We earn our money and spend it here and kindly ask you, when in want of anything in our line to give us a call before sending out of town.

There was quite a smashup between C. V. Penney's and M. C. B. Prince's houses on the Page's Mills road last Wednesday evening, about 8 o'clock Mr. John H. King accompanied by his hired man was driving toward his home and Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Brown of Auburn, were coming this way. Through the fault of one or the other or both of the drivers they did not turn out enough and the consequence was a collision. The occupants of both carriages were thrown out and dragged in the dirt but none of them were seriously injured although Mr. Brown had some bad cuts and scratches on his face and they were all more or less bruised. With the help of C. V. Penney and Maurice Prince they were soon extricated from the tangle and as both carriages were broken so badly as to be unfit for travel, Mr. Penney loaned one to each of them and they started for home. Mr. King's carriage was not damaged very much compared with the other, which was almost a total wreck. Neither party blamed the other and there were no hard words spoken at all during the trouble.

Excursion to Bemis Saturday.

Double barreled gun for sale. Inquire at this office.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bucknam and Ruben are visiting in Boston.

Mrs. Lettis Ellingwood and son of Groveton, visited her folks here over Sunday.

Cascarets stimulate liver, kidneys and bowels. Never sicken, weaken or gripe. 10c.

Mr. J. W. Gookin is on the sick list having been unable to work for two or three weeks.

Miss Bullock arrived here Monday and will be found at M. H. T. Merrill's as usual.

Strawberries seem to be plenty this fall. Mrs. George Twitchell brought us a bunch Tuesday.

You can get a good dinner at Capt. Barker's log camps at Bemis for only 50 cts. next Saturday.

A number of our people went to Bethel Tuesday to attend the Oxford Universalist Association.

Let all attend the opening of fall and winter goods at Bucknam's Department Store on Saturday next.

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

Miss C. Blanche Walker returned to Colby University Monday; also Mr. Wellman, who has been visiting at Mrs. Walker's.

Excursionists will have 4 hours at the lake next Saturday. Ample time to go rowing, fishing or have a steamer ride around the lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Edgecomb, while visiting at Rowley, Mass., had the misfortune to lose their four months old son from cholera infantum.

Social dance in Perkins' Hall Saturday evening, Sept. 25th. Good music. Tickets 50 cts. spectators 10 cts. Dancing from 8 to 11.30. All invited. Ladies free.

If you don't want to be cured of rum drinking and drug taking keep away from the Keeley Institute in Portland, Maine. These diseases are cured there.

Master Windsor Goldermann found quite a handful of ripe field strawberries last Friday. Mrs. Goldermann also has a second crop of roses blooming out of doors.

We have received a basket of apples, of last year's crop, that were raised by Mr. John Saunders. They look and taste better than any of this year's crop that we have seen or tasted.

A day just like that of last Wednesday has been ordered of the weather clerk for the excursion to Bemis next Saturday. Train leaves Maple street station at 10 a. m. Fare \$2. Everyone invited.

Running sores, indolent ulcers and similar troubles, even though of many year's standing, may be cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It soothes, strengthens and heals. It is the great pile cure. Merrill and Denning.

The Grand Lodge of Good Templars have circulated papers among the several churches in town petitioning Gov. Powers to enforce the liquor laws of the State. A move in the right direction, which we hope will bear fruit.

The Electric Light Co. wish to notify their customers that in order to make some changes necessary for installation of the dynamo recently purchased it will be necessary to shut the lights off at midnight Saturday. It is expected that service will be resumed at the usual hour Sunday night.

The annual meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held at their headquarters, corner Elm and Judson streets, on Tuesday afternoon of last week. Mrs. S. I. Jewett, who has served as president for nine years, the Union being formed in 1888, resigned, and the following board was chosen for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. G. C. Chase; vice presidents, Mrs. Pulsifer, Congregationalist, Mrs. Cole, Baptist, Mrs. Jordan Advent, Mrs. Thurston, Universalist, Mrs. Prince, Methodist; secretary, Mrs. Hawkes, treasurer, Mrs. O. B. Dwinal; superintendents, press, Rev. Marcia Selman; Sabbath observance, Mrs. Bates; narcotics, Mrs. Jewett; evangelistic, Mrs. Jessie Jordan; literature, Mrs. Prince and Mrs. Cole. Mrs. Mrs. S. I. Jewett and Mrs. Flora Thurston were chosen delegates to the State convention at Bath.

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This is shipping week at Merrill and Denning's. Thus far they have shipped 5 gallons of Tailors Compound to Boston. One dozen pints to Portland, 1 dozen quarts to Rumford, 1-2 dozen quarts up Grand Trunk Railway, 1-2 dozen Dermaline to Portland.

Manager Chase of the Maine Music Festival, sends word that all of the Mechanic Falls Chorus, who expect to attend the Portland Festival must rehearse—the balance of the time—with the Lewiston and Auburn chorus, which we understand meets every Monday and Thursday evenings. Some additional selections are being studied.

First money was given to Mr. Fred Pierce in the three-minute race at the Paris Fair last week, Frank Rolfe winning in three straight heats. The Oxford Democrat commented on this race by saying of Frank Rolfe that he was "one of the most honest going race horses ever seen on the track. He evidently had more speed than he needed in this race." There were nine horses started in the 2.34 race among them Allie Prout, owned by P. A. Jordan, who took fourth place.

The excursion to Bemis will go on the regular forenoon train leaving here at 10.03. This is made necessary by the fact that since arrangements were made for this trip the P. & R. F. Ry. have unfortunately been deprived of two of their best engines through the accident at Canton and they have none that they can use to run a special without taking off a regular train which would of course be impossible. However they will leave Bemis later than was intended and thus give four hours there, the same length of time that was given last year. Train will leave Bemis at 5 p. m.

A representative of the Lewiston Sun went through this town Sunday evening behind a spanking pair of horses to visit the scenes of the Italian war at Norway. Things have been lively in that town for the past few days. The Italians have been working on the Oxford Central Railroad for the past 8 weeks without receiving their pay and they wanted it. As a means of getting it they seized the engineer, the time keeper and the yankee boss as hostages until the money came. The money was not forth coming and the people of Norway feared for the lives of these men, and they were rescued after several ineffectual attempts, and several broken heads and limbs on both sides. The end is not yet and a reign of fear exists in Norway and Waterford. Much comment has been made in the papers but two things are apparent. In the first place if bandits are hired you can expect them to act as bandits. In the second place it is but just that the men should receive their pay for work done.

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"Hark! from the foremost of the band Suddenly bursts the Indian yell!"

Steals Harmon down from the sands of York, With hand of iron and foot of cork?"

—Mogg Megone.

Williamson says, Within a period of eighty-five years, between the war of Philip, A. D. 1675 and the capture of Quebec, the inhabitants of Maine have been extreme sufferers in six Indian wars; some of which were long and all of them bloody. The 1st, lasted three years; the 2nd, nine and a half; the 3rd, ten; the 4th, three and a half; the 5th, four; and the 6th, five years. Thirty-five years of declared Indian war and fifty years of peace, alternating in the space of eighty-five years. There were more treaties than wars; made only to be broken without warning; and doubtless during the treaties the terrible apprehension of danger that continually hung over the home of the settler was equally as appalling as actual war, for

"The dread of evil is the worst of ill." No pen, however graphic, can adequately portray the terrible sufferings of these years, or the uncounted price paid for the redemption from the hand of the red man, of the grand and beautiful State of Maine. Upon this altar of patriotism and home, was offered father and mother, son and daughter, and beautiful childhood in its innocence. The light of many a hearthstone was quenched forever. It was the fittest, versus, the unfittest, and the fittest survived.

During the cold and snow of winter the settled hamlets felt a security that they did not during the summer, yet some of the most destructive Indian raids were made in mid-winter. York was thus surprised when the inhabitants in fancied security slept without a watch. Suddenly without a moments warning on the fifth of February 1692, the savage yell sent a thrill of unutterable terror to every heart. The attack was made in the early dawn of morning while the peaceful hamlet all unconscious of its impending doom lay locked in the embrace of slumber. Like a fierce whirlwind the destroyers did their awful work, and were gone as suddenly as they came.

The Indians numbered two or three hundred led by Canadian Frenchmen, all of them having made their march on snow shoes. A scene of most horrid carnage and capture instantly ensued; and in one brief half hour, more than a hundred and sixty of the inhabitants were expiring victims or trembling supplicants at the feet of their enraged enemies. Quaint Cotton Mather, always picturesque, has given such a unique description of this destruction of York that I can do no better than quote him, it being a literary curiosity as well as, "an irreproachable and incontestable veracity," as he declares. His date is not exact with other histories. He says:

"But the winter must not pass over without a storm of blood! The Popish Indians, after a long silence and repose in their inaccessible kennels, which made our frontier towns a little remit in their tired vigilance, did, Jan. 25, 1691, set upon the town of York, where the inhabitants were in their unguarded houses here and there scattered, quiet and secure.

"Upon the firing of a gun by the Indians, which was their signal, the inhabitants looked out but to their amazement, found their houses to be invested with the horrid salvages who immediately killed many of those unprovided inhabitants, and more they took prisoners. This body of Indians consisting of divers hundreds, then sent in their summons to some of the garrison'd houses; and those garrisons, whereof some had no more than two or three men in them, yet being so well manned, as to reply, that they would spend their blood unto the last drop ere they would surrender; these cowardly miscreants had not mettle enough to meddle with 'em.

The Indian massacre at Deerfield, Mass., in the winter of 1704, is usually considered the most atrocious in the annals of Indian warfare in point of numbers killed and carried into captivity; the killed being fifty and the captives one hundred, who were carried to Canada. Mather, as above noted, says York's killed was about fifty and the "captivated" near one hundred, which first were, it is supposed carried to Norridgewock and from there to Canada.

Both events occurred in the month of February. York had no representative chronicler. Deerfield's minister instead of being slain as was Dummer, was carried away a captive and lived to be ransomed and wrote "The Redeemed Captive Returning to Zion." A book that never from its title would be suspected of containing a circumstantial history of that bloody event even to the giving of the names of all the persons killed or carried into captivity. The early years of the eighteenth century embracing the ten years war were the gloomiest in the annals of Maine's history, says Williamson, "Maine lost more than a fourth, perhaps a third part of her inhabitants—Kittery, Berwick, York, Wells, Casco and Winter Harbor, being all the surviving towns and garrisons in Maine." In 1703 York was again attacked and a family consisting of the mother and her five children slain, and carried off captive a widow woman and her daughter, who it is said they had determined to roast for a repast, but a dog falling in their way, supplied the child's place.

"In 1704 they killed Matthew Austin near the garrison, without being able to do any more mischief on their visit."

In 1705 a party of eighteen Indians, rushed from the woods siezed Mr. Stover's four children while at play in the innocence of childhood in the very purlieus of the block house at York. The youngest being unable to walk they knocked—and one of the others it is supposed they tortured to death, in revenge for one of their number who fell from a well directed bullet.

Garrison houses whose walls were bullet proof were the only places of safety. Capt. John Harmon, he of "the foot of cork," had one of these useful structures in York. He was a scout of whom the Indians had good reason to entertain a wholesome fear. He and his band discovering a party of twenty of them asleep around their camp-fire, crept up and with one well directed volley forever put an end to the bloody work of the whole number. Hence his sobriquet "foot of cork."

Of the many garrison houses once standing in the ancient town of York but two now remain; the Junkins and McIntire. They are located near each other, just above the third, or swing-bridge, on the north easterly side, and near the bank of Agamenticus (York) river. The McIntire house is in a good state of preservation and has been occupied until recently. The McIntires were early emigrants from Scotland settling here in 1640-5. The Junkins' house is sadly dilapidated, and fast going to decay. These are now the only remaining structures of their class in the state, and their battered and time worn walls are grim reminders of the time that tried men's souls.

"So they retired into their howling thickets, having first murdered about fifty, and captivated near a hundred of that unhappy people. In their calamity great was the share that fell to the family of Mr. Shubael Dummer, the pastor of the little flock thus pray'd upon; these blood hounds being set on by some Romish missionaries, had long been wishing that they might enbrue their hands in the blood of some New-English minister; and in this action they had their diabolical satisfaction. Our Dummer, the minister of York was one of whom for his exemplary industry and fidelity the world was not worthy. He was a gentleman well-decended, well-tempered, well-educated; and now short of sixty years of age.

"He might have taken for his coat of arms the same that the holy martyr Hooper prophetically did, a lamb in a flaming bush, with rays from heaven shining on it. He had been solicited with many temptations to leave his place, when the clouds grew thick and black in the Indian hostilities, and were like to break upon it; but he chose rather with a paternal affection to stay amongst those who had been so, many of them converted and edified by his ministry, and he spent very much of his own patrimony to subsist among them, when their distresses made them unable to support him as they otherwise would have done. In a word, he was one that might by way of eminency be called, a good man.

"This good man was just going to take horse at his own door, upon a journey in the service of God, when the gyres that were making their depredations upon the sheep of York seiz'd upon their shepherd; and they shot him so, that they left him dead among the tribe of Abel on the ground.

"Thus was he as ambrose in his elegant oration, de obitu fratris, expresses it, non nobis ereptus, sed perieulus. "His wife they carried into captivity where through sorrows and hardships among the dangers of the desert, she also quickly died, and his church, as many of as were in that captivity, endured this, among other anguishes, that on the next Lord's day, one of these tawnies chose to exhibit himself unto them, (a devil as an angel of light!) in the cloaths whereof they had stript the dead body of this their father. Many were the tears that dropt throughout New England on this occasion; and these among the rest; for tho' we do not as tradition tells us, the Antediluvian did use to do the blood of Abel, yet we cannot but mournfully sing of the blood of such an Abel."

EPIGRAPH. "Dummer the shepard sacrificed By wolves, because the sheep he priz'd. The orphan's father, churches' light, The love of heav'n, of hell the spight. The countries gapman, and the face That shone, but knew it not, with grave, Hunted by devils, but reliev'd By Angels, and on high receiv'd. The martyr'd Pelican, who bled Rather than leave his charge unfed. A proper bird of paradise, Shot, and flown thither in a thrice. Lord, hear the cry of righteous Dummer's wounds, Ascending still against the salvage hounds, That worry thy dear flock, and let the cry Add force to theirs that at thine altar lie."

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Poland.

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Almon Waterhouse is making improvements on his grounds. His new hall is nearly completed.

The Briggs family have returned from Bailey's Island.

Fred Rowe is at home from Perham, with his bride.

Dr. and Mrs. Cross of Jamaica Plains, Mass., have been boarding with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Waterhouse.

WISE WOMEN.

Those Who Heed the First Symptoms of Nervous Derangement.

A dull, aching pain at the lower part of the back, and a sensation of little rills of heat, or chills running down the spine, are symptoms of general womb derangement.

If these symptoms are not accompanied by leucorrhoea, they are precursors of that weakness.

It is worse than folly to neglect these symptoms. As a friend, a woman friend, let me advise the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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Organized Sept. 30, 1890. LIABILITIES.

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