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6.55, 10.43 a. m. and 4.17 p. m. for Lewiston, Portland and Boston.

ARRIVALS.

10.43 a. m. and 4.17 p. m., from Rumford Falls and Bemis.
10.05 a. m., 2.57 and 6.45 p. m. from Lewiston, Portland and Boston.

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FACT AND FANCY.

About Our People.

The Village Rambler.

For the past few weeks it has been poor weather for rambling, not safe to go out without an umbrella, and yet you occasionally encounter streaks of sunshine when you feel ashamed to be caught out with one.

There are seasons for everything, although these seem to be somewhat misplaced at times. The Rambler has been visiting the farmers in this vicinity. They are great men to quarrel with the weather. They almost equal the members of the Jonah Club. It is quite apt to be either too hot or too cold, too wet or too dry. A few weeks ago it was to dry. Seeds would not sprout if put into the ground. Now it is too wet. Seeds in the ground will rot. So it is a bad season for farmers.

But if it is a bad season for farmers, it is a good season for caterpillars. They are an invading army at the present time and their tents can be seen in every apple tree. Caterpillars like the state of Maine pretty well anyway. There is never a season but what you can see skirmishers, and every once in a while a whole army camps down on us. About 20 years ago we had a wholesale invasion, and people who lived through the siege never will forget it. It is hardly safe, however, if one cares anything for his reputation as a truthful man, to tell stories of this crusade. A man telling the truth about this year would be called a yellow journalist. This army did not live in tents—they were a different kind of worm—never camped in fact, but crawled and wriggled continually, eating every green thing in its path. They would be called now an army of "immunes" but yankees did not know of that word in those days—the Cuban-American war was not being fought then. When they left a forest every leaf was stripped making it look as though a fire had run through it. They were so numerous at times and places as to completely cover the ground so one could not step without killing hundreds of them. They were known to cover houses so completely that the color of the structure could not be told. They covered rails so completely that trains were obliged to stop, their wheels becoming so slippery with the crushed bodies of the caterpillars that they would not stick to the rails but fly round and round without advancing. To stop this invasion farmers dug trenches into which these pests would tumble to be killed with boiling water. These trenches were filled many times to the depth of 12 inches with this wriggling host.

The present invasion is not so serious as was this historic one, but farmers, and villagers as for that matter, are fighting them just the same. This is a political year and the farmers are fighting these pests from methods learned of the politician. The politician disposes of his enemy by the soft soap method when he can,—that is, changes them to friends—and if this cannot be done he uses harsher methods to kill them off. The farmers use both soft soap and fire, both applied with a swab and, alas, both to kill.

Caterpillar years are bad for farmers. Somehow these wriggling things get into the cider. That is the only way we can account for the devilish actions of those who imbibe this juice. The juice of apples is innocent enough, but when it gets frisky in the cask (when the worms begin to work) then it will make him who drinks it frisky. If cider would only remain the sweet, sparkling beverage of its youth, but it must grow old like everything else and therefore take the consequences of age. Might as well wish that children and kittens would not grow old.

Symphony Concert.

W. C. Chapman is making a second tour with the symphony orchestra. A concert was given at Lewiston Monday, Mrs. J. A. Pooler and Miss Alice B. Cobb of this place attended,

GLIMPSES

At the Wide, Wide World.

Many Matters from Many Lands.



GLADSTONE.

Memorials to England's "grand old man" are still in progress.

Thomas W. Keene, the tragedian, died Saturday from a result of an operation for appendicitis.

S. E. Parker, Sharon, Wis., writes: "I have tried DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve the greatest pile cure on the market." Merrill & Denning.

News has been received of the loss of the schooner Jane Gray 90 miles west of Cape Flattery. She had 61 passengers on board for the Klondike region, 34 of whom were drowned.

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THE WAR.

Fact and Rumor,

Gathered from the Press.

The earth is full of anger
The seas are dark with wrath;
The nations in their harness
Go up against our path;
Ere yet we loose the legions—
Ere yet we draw the blade,
Jehovah of the Thunders,
Lord, God of Battles, aid!

—Rudyard Kipling.

The bombardment of Santiago de Cuba which occurred on May 31, according to Commodore Schley's report, was only a reconnaissance to determine the strength of fortifications. No loss on American side, Spanish loss unknown.

A second attack was made on the fortifications at Santiago de Cuba Friday and their guns silenced. The United States collier, Merrimac was torpedoed while trying to force an entrance to the harbor. She was allowed to run by the first line of torpedoes but was blown up when the second line was reached. One officer, one engineer and six sailors were made prisoners by the Spaniards. Later dispatches indicate that the Merrimac was sunk purposely to obstruct the narrow channel, and the seven men taken prisoners by the Spanish were the entire crew.

Capt. Chas. V. Gridley of Admiral Dewey's flagship, Olympia, is dead. His death was caused by injuries received in the siege of Manila.

Among the appointments of Brigadier Generals last week were Fred D. Grant, son of Gen. Grant, and Chas. King, the novelist.

It is rumored that the battleship Oregon has sunk one of the enemy's torpedo boats.

It is said that American troops were landed near Santiago de Cuba Tuesday morning under protection of the United States fleet.

Late advices say the native insurgents of the Philippines have surrounded Manila and have driven in all the outposts. The Spaniards in that city are reduced to such straits that the capture and occupation of the city by American troops when they arrive are assured.

Discovered by a Woman.

Another great discovery has been made, and that too, by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recover, by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking first dose, that she slept all night; and with two bottles, has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus writes W. C. Hannick & Co., of Shelby, N. C. Trial bottles free at Merrill and Denning's Drug Store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed.

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OUR STATE

And Her People.

Items from Here and There.

The first gubernatorial candidate put in the field by a convention in Bangor last week, held by the populists. Hon. Robert D. Gerry, ex-Mayor of Ellsworth, the man.

Louis Marcille was shot in Alfred, Friday by Joseph Grondony, on account of improper relations existing between the former and the wife of the latter. After the shooting Grondony committed suicide.

The Cuban question and political issues sink into insignificance with the man who suffers from piles. What he most desires, is relief. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cures piles. Merrill and Denning.

Among the deaths in the state of noted men is Ex-Mayor Chas. J. Chapman, the banker of Portland.

Ex-Senator Ingalls' Book.

Ex-Senator John J. Ingalls, of Kansas, whose fame as a brilliant writer, a man of remarkable scholarship and literary attainments, is even greater than that of the distinguished senator, announces a new book on the subject of the American-Spanish-Cuban War. It is entitled "America's War For Humanity in Picture and Story." It is published by the N. D. Thompson Publishing Co., of St. Louis, Mo., and is an exhaustive discussion of the causes of the war, and an equally exhaustive history of its incidents, and a brilliant analysis of the famous characters conducting it. It promises to be the one great and popular work called forth by this wonderfully interesting national episode. Whatever Senator Ingalls touches he adorns; and this book shines and sparkles in the light of his genius. The present work is worthy of his genius, and will be a monument to his fame. The subject now so engrosses the popular mind as to forecast for this book a sale that will be universal. It will be sold by subscription only, and the canvassing samples are now ready for agents. We advertise it in another column.

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From Montreal and Chicago, 7.03 a. m., and 5.41 p. m.

From Quebec, 7.03 a. m. and 5.41 p. m.

From Island Pond and way stations 10.12 a. m.

DEPARTURES.

For Portland and Boston, 7.03 and 10.12 a. m., and 5.41 p. m.

For Montreal and Chicago, 8.50 a. m. and 7.35 p. m.

For Quebec, 7.35 p. m.

For Island Pond and way stations, 3.10 p. m.

Sunday Trains.

ARRIVALS.

From Portland and Boston, 8.44 a. m., and 7.35 p. m.

From Chicago, Montreal and Quebec, 7.03 a. m.

DEPARTURES.

For Portland and Boston 7.03 a. m.

For Chicago, Montreal and Quebec, 7.35 p. m.

For Berlin, 8.44 a. m.

Trains leaving Boston at 8.31 a. m. and 1.01 p. m. will arrive at Mechanic Falls at 8.10 and 7.35 p. m.

Trains leaving Mechanic Falls at 7.03 and 10.12 a. m. and 5.41 p. m. will arrive in Boston at 12.50, 4.15 and 9.25 p. m.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 1898.

Editorial Notes.

We understand that Uncle Sam is about ready to quote prices on Canaries.

They say the Spanish have a new name for knock-out drops. They call them Deweys.

Some of our people say it a matter of satisfaction to them that Columbus was a Spaniard.

Our people are exposed to two varieties of yellow fever,—the Cuban kind and Klondike variety.

Young Leiter has been and is now making lots of money. He is planning on the future as he sings, "Shall we meet in the wheat by and by?"

Those who have been watching Sampson's operations in the Caribbean Sea for the past few weeks have begun to think he had had his hair cut.

At Santiago de Cuba was where the crew of the Virginius was butchered. That was too long ago, however, to have the cry, "Remember the Maine", cut much ice with Schley's crew.

Fighting Bob Evans pays this tribute to Spanish marksmanship at Santiago de Cuba: "The Spaniards didn't hit a d—d thing but the ocean, and would have missed that if it wasn't so big."

The Lewiston Journal is finding fault because a man out west has named his boy George Dewey Dunn, on account of its being bad grammar. We suppose the Journal would compel the man to change his name to Did to correct the grammar of his offspring.

We have received a special supplement to the Scientific American devoted entirely to the navy. This edition contains 90 illustrations of the battleships, cruisers, monitors, gunboats, torpedo boats, etc., and the details of each—the guns, gun-turrets, etc. The subject is treated in a way easy to understand, making it valuable for reference. It also has a reliable map of the West Indies.

The capture of the Philippines and the expected capture of the Spanish West Indies has brought the question of government as well as the question of the war expense prominently before our people. The prominent opinion seems to be to hold them as colonies for the revenues collected and use the same to pay the expense of the war. There is no doubt but what this is a business proposition, but it was because Great Britain so used us that we revolted, and it is for this very reason that the island of Cuba is now in insurrection, and will these colonies be better satisfied with the same condition of things simply because the stars and stripes waves above them instead of the flag of their own race?

Now that the war is fairly on it assumes different proportions than when we first began to think about it. Our sympathies were stirred up over the Cuban insurgents. These do not seem to be numerous and may not figure very largely in the final settlement. If there were ever any reconcentrados they have been lost sight of. In short the humanity side of the war has disappeared and conquest seems to be the end in view. This will give us a chance to expand, to become a power equal to those of Europe, but it is a departure from our established principle that all men ought to be and are free and should have the right to govern themselves. These possessions will oblige us to keep a standing army and navy, with the added expense and taxation, and obligation of all young men to serve.

And now they are naming girl babies Manila Deweys.

Bryan's new regiment is supposed to be able to slay the enemy at the rate of 16 to 1.

An exchange says that the acquisition of Cuba and Hawaii would enable us to produce a quality of sugar that can't be beet.

Considering the talk that only half of Cervera's squadron is in the harbor of Santiago de Cuba we must consider Schley has "split" in his bottle.

Now that another election is nearing newspapers are getting in their deadly work among the candidates. Ink is made of lampblack and gall, and editors ink, at this particular time, is mostly gall.

Somebody is lying about our Maine troops, who are down south. Some of the correspondents are telling what highly moral and temperate men they are, while others are telling that the worst trouble which the officers experience is to prevent the men stealing through the lines after liquors; also that everything but hard liquors are sold on the grounds.

Considerable trouble is being made by the presence of the negro in our army. Our boys spent four years to free the negro,—to make him a citizen and a brother,—and now it seems that someone will have to educate the white man up to his own standard. How shall we fraternize with those whom we have been pleased to call Cuban patriots, three-fourths of whom are of negro blood.

Col. Thomas Wentworth Higginson, it will be remembered was commander of the colored regiment in the rebellion, and apropos to the present trouble with colored volunteers he has given an address upon the negro soldier. As our readers will remember, he was a minister before he was a soldier, and when he received his command the following skit went the rounds of the papers:

There was a young parson in Worcester,
Who could have a command if he'd choose ter,
He swore each recruit
Should be blacker than soot
Or he'd go back and preach where he used ter.

The generals now have the floor. Every man with a political pull covets the stars just the same as a baby covets the moon. It is simply an older form of the same disease. President McKinley has, up to the present time, appointed 15 major generals and 57 brigadiers. The same disease was manifest in the civil war. It used to be said that you could not fire a gun in the south without killing 13 brigadiers. At one time there were no less than 74 major general and 276 brigadiers—a number so large that no one pretends we had use for them all. One of these generals was once captured by the enemy together with a number of men and horses. Someone tried to condole with President on the loss the country had sustained in the capture of this general. "Pooh!" replied the President, "it's the horses I'm thinking about. I can make another brigadier-general in two minutes, but horses are scarce and cost \$200 apiece."

"Remember the Maine."

As the Ledger man was making his rounds the other day, he came upon two little urchins fighting. They were rolling on the grass, pulling each others hair and cratching each others faces, while a third danced about them snouting the patriotic war cry of "Remember the Maine", to cheer them on.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address,

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Poland.—John H. Stanton to Eva M. Reed, I
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Court Assignments.

Judges have been assigned in Androscoggin and Oxford counties as follows:

Androscoggin. — September term, Haskell; January, Savage, April, Whitehouse.

Oxford.—October, Savage; February, Fogler; May, Strout.

Left Running.

The present spell of weather has caused one of our exchanges to remark that "the weather bureau seems to have shut up shop and left all the taps running."

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Mr. Prentice Fry, of Meadville testifies to the value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in cases of debility.

"My wife and daughter were failing in health for some time," he said. "Their cheeks were pale and their forms were wasting away.

"Doctors' treatment had not benefited them, but after taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for a short time the ruddy glow of health came back to their cheeks, and they are enjoying unusually vigorous health.

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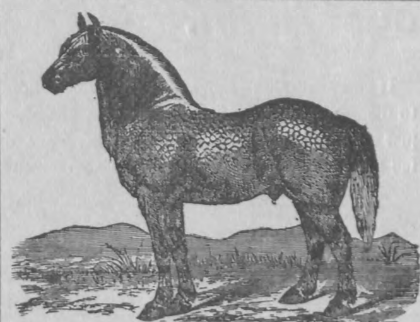
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Monant Lodge, No. 40, I. O. O. F., W. H. Spear, N. G., E. K. Holbrook, R. S. Meets Monday evening at Odd Fellows Hall, Elm St., at 7.30.

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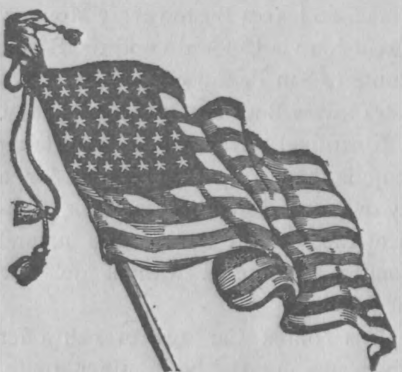
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MECHANIC FALLS

And Her Neighbors.

Items of Interest Picked up by Our Reporters.

Miss Stella M. Durell is visiting at Bethel.

Mr. E. F. Smith spent the Sabbath in Auburn.

Mrs. C. D. Raymond died on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. Percy Hayford had a flag raising Saturday evening.

Mr. C. S. Gurney of Portsmouth, N. H., was in town last week.

Mr. John B. Robinson of Oxford, was in town one day last week.

Al. Martz Specialty Co. will be at Perkins Hall Saturday evening.

Mr. E. W. Brown brought us in the first bouquet of nasturtiums of the season.

Master Herbert Benson showed us the first ripe field strawberries on June 1.

Next Sabbath will be observed at the Universalist church as Children's Sunday.

The Utopian Whist Club held their last meeting for the season, May 30th, with Mr. H. S. Pushard and wife.

Mrs. H. C. Carr of Washington, D. C., arrived at Mr. O. W. Hawkes last week and will spend the summer in Maine.

Mr. E. A. Faunce is building a house on the lot where the Bragdon house was burned, some years since, near Page's Mills.

One of Chapman's horses took a little run on his own account Thursday morning last week, damaging one thill and one wheel somewhat.

The greater includes the less. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures hip disease and scrofula sores and it may be depended upon to cure boils and pimples and humors of all kinds.

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Of course all our people are interested in the mails. They always are, but especially so now in war time. They read every word of Cuban news, "not so much for the news", as a citizen said, "but to see how big lies they can tell".

Through the efforts of Mr. P. D. Herrick the village now owns a fine flag which was flung to the breeze from the staff on the Soldier's Park Wednesday evening, with appropriate exercises. The Mechanic Falls Brass Band discoursed patriotic music, and Revs. Messrs. Chase and Hamilton made remarks suitable to the occasion. As the flag was run up the staff a number of miniature flags hidden in the folds of the larger banner were shaken out by the wind and fluttered down in the crowd to the great delight of "young America." Mr. P. R. Cobb was master of ceremonies.

The First Maine Regiment, with Messrs. Bucknam Hersey and Keene of this village, arrived at Chickamauga in first-class condition, notwithstanding the fact that they started on that unlucky day Friday, and traveled in three sections of 13 cars each. They met with a continual ovation on the journey, which occupied 72 hours. At Washington they were met by the Maine delegation in Congress, and on their arrival at Chickamauga were complimented upon being the best drilled and equipped regiment of volunteers which had arrived. They were assigned to the 3d brigade, 3d division and 3d army corps. The brigade is composed of the Maine regiment, one from Mississippi, one from Iowa, and Col. Kendall of the Maine regiment is in command.

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Miss Kate Denison is visiting in Massachusetts.

Mr. R. G. Jackson is away this week taking a vacation.

The town was invaded the first of the present week by a tribe of gypsies.

Mr. Packard and wife of Newton, Mass., have been visiting at Mr. O. W. Hawkes.

The annual convocation of St. Andrews, R. A. C., will be held at Masonic Hall this evening.

Mr. A. Parks and wife of Medway, Mass., were the guests of Supt. Clark and wife over the Sabbath.

Quite a number of members of Tyrian Lodge, A. F. and A. M., went to Auburn last week to visit Tranquil Lodge. They reported a very enjoyable time.

A number of Knights Templar from this place attended the funeral of the late Dr. John F. DeCoster, of Rumford Falls, Sunday. The party went by special train from Lewiston.

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Next Sunday, June 12, will be observed by the Baptist church as Children's Day. The sermon in the morning will be to the children, on The Beautiful Things of the World. A Sunday School concert will be given in the evening at 7 o'clock.

One of our rising young men, aged about three years, whose name is Reuben, went into Cole's barber shop, the other day, with his father. While sitting there a man entered and said, "Hello bub!" This was the first time he was ever addressed in this way and he turned to his father and said: "He must think my name is 'Rhubub'!"

The popular and old reliable Al. Martz New Specialty Co. is well billed here by their agent, Mr. W. C. Archer, who, by the way, always represents the best attractions. The press of the surrounding country speak in the highest praise of this company for the present season. See small bills. Seats on sale at Bridge's three days in advance.

Quarterly conference at the Methodist church Saturday evening and love feast Sunday morning at 9.30 both attended by Presiding Elder J. A. Corey, of Lewiston. Next Sabbath will be observed as Children's Day and at the usual morning service Rev. Mr. Corey will preach a sermon particularly adapted to the little folk. In the evening there will be a concert by the children.

A telegram received by Col. Wm. J. Mayberry, of Saco, from Wm. H. Jeffrey, manager of the Alaska-Yukon-Klondike Gold Syndicate party, of which Mr. Fred. H. Waterhouse is a member, announces the expedition has sailed down the Yukon. He also announces that seven of the party have stampeded to the Big Salmon river, where big strikes have recently been made.

The Congregational church and society have called Rev. C. W. Fisher, of Rockport, to become their pastor and he will begin his duties the 26th of the present month. Mr. Fisher was here for a week or so in May and was much liked by our people as was his estimable wife. He is a young man of much promise and comes here highly recommended. The church will be closed for the next two Sabbaths.

OUR NEIGHBORS

And Their Doings.

Wichville.

Mrs. W. A. Holmes has gone to the Central Maine Hospital in Lewiston for treatment.

Miss Emma Washburn and Miss Pauline Jordan have returned from Massachusetts where they have been spending the winter.

Mrs. Poland, Mrs. Small, Mrs. Randall and Mrs. Canwell have all been on the sick list.

W. F. Blake has moved to Bridgton.

Mrs. Joseph Frye is making repairs and improvements on her buildings.

Mr. A. D. Bemis has made extensive improvements to his residence, adding greatly to its attractiveness. It is now one of the finest residences in the village.

A few weeks ago two of Mr. Horace Holmes' young cattle slid down over the precipice back of his house, on the Mechanic Falls road, a perpendicular rock 50 feet or more in height, and, strange to say both came out alive, although one was badly injured.

A Mr. Lovejoy has rented the Stuart farm on the Mechanic Falls road. Mr. Hacy, the former occupant has moved onto the Campbell place in Minot.

Poland Springs.

The Poland Spring House opened, according to program, June 1. This hotel has a regular clientele and they are always ready to put in an appearance when the hotel is opened. This opening is no different from its predecessors, and there are already quite a number of guests at this house. A large collection of paintings have already arrived for the fourth annual exhibit. A special feature of this exhibition will be pictures of land and naval battles of civil war, a whole alcove being devoted to this. A collection of Indian relics found in this vicinity have been classified and placed in cases in the Maine Building. The library now contains 1984 volumes, a catalog of which is about ready for the printer.

Pigeon Hill.

Mr. J. C. McIntire's family have arrived at their cottage for the summer.

Charles Rich and family have moved onto their farm. We are much pleased to have them for neighbors and the house repaired.

Miss Davee of Minot is teaching her fourth term at the Oxford schoolhouse.

F. D. True has several men painting and repairing his farm buildings. Frank and family expect to come up there soon.

Mr. Morey is having his barns repaired. He has had some water from a spring near the house analyzed and it was pronounced to be equal to any mineral water.

Mr. Martin and wife from Rumford are spending a few days with their daughter, Mrs. Augustus Thayer.

West Minot.

Mrs. F. M. Young and Son were up from Lewiston and spent the Sabbath with friends.

H. W. Bearce and W. E. Thomas were in the Twin Cities Saturday.

Mr. Nathan York and wife of Raymond, are visiting at L. P. York's.

Ed. Cloutier of Oxford is at work for H. R. Dimock on his slaughter house.

Mrs. Elvira Andrews of Washington, who has been visiting friends and relatives here, has returned.

J. A. Roberts and wife of Norway, were at her sister's, Mrs. Lizzie Work's, Saturday and Sunday.

Saturday evening will be Children's Night in the grange.

Rose Pike is at Hebron Station helping to care for Fred Packard's baby that is seriously ill.

Minot.

Mr. Fred Fisher has returned from Boston.

Mrs. Frances True has been visiting in Lewiston.

Mrs. Frank Sawyer and daughter, Maud, of Norway, have been visiting Mrs. P. M. Sawyer.

John E. Quimby has moved to his farm.

Mrs. Perley Cole, who has been ill, is improving.

Oxford Depot.

Fernald, Keene & True Co. are rebuilding their husking shed that collapsed under the snow last winter. By reason of the Otisfield shop not running this company will have 200 acres planted for their Oxford shop.

Mrs. David Morse is very low.

Mrs. E. H. Boynton and children are visiting in Casco.

Mrs. Geo. Cathcart of Oldtown is in town.

E. H. Boynton of Berlin was in town over Sunday.

Charlie Warren of Chicago, is at home.

C. H. Bryant is building a paint shop.

White Oak Hill.

Mrs. Work being sick and unable to finish her school, the supervisor was so fortunate as to secure the services of Miss Annie B. Crooker of South Paris, to complete the term.

Mr. Knight has had the Stanton house raised up and a story put underneath. He is to move into the house as soon as completed. His head farmer is to move into the Judkins house very soon.

East Oxford.

The Methodist circle met Wm. Caldwell's last week.

Oxford.

Mrs. Orrington Hanscom has returned Boston.

Mrs. I. M. Keith is in Boston.

Village Locals.

Mr. Walter Hayford of Canton is in town.

Mrs. J. C. Walker is visiting Waterville.

Mrs. E. A. Lothrop has returned from Hampton, N. H.

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OF INTEREST

To Our People.

Funny Isn't It!

A lamp burns because it is wicked.
A small pill seems often like a big undertaking.
Among kitchen utensils the sieve is the hole thing.
Even stingy storekeepers give lots of things a weigh.
When the bed slats break, spring and fall come together.
A tin can tied to a dog's tail is a thing that's bound to a cur.
A young man's first mustache is in the nature of a come down.
Cold weather is the time to buy thermometers, while they're down.
Flowers always go to waist when worn in a girl's belt.
A man's pride would be vanity if possessed by his neighbor.
Half a loaf is sometimes better than no chance to loaf at all.
Root-beer ought to be a popular beverage among baseball cranks.
A theatrical stage is not an airship because it has wings and flies.
Woman was made before mirrors—and she has kept before them ever since.
In yellow journalism what they hit is history and what they miss is mystery.
Man may want but little here below, but he wants it as quick as he can get it.
According to the cyclometer the common run of humanity is only ten or twelve miles.
A woman's actions have to speak louder than words in order to make themselves heard.
Many a man is the victim of circumstances simply because he is too lazy to avoid being victimized.
Every time a man discovers that some woman has deceived him his vanity gets a severe paralytic stroke.
There's no place like home to the man whose wife has an idea that tobacco smoke sticks to her lace curtains—and he's glad of it.

The first mention of the pipe organ in history is in connection with Solomon's temple, where there was an organ with ten pipes.

As early as the year 47 B. C. the great Alexandrian library contained over 40,000 valuable books.

Capture of a Seagoat.

A certain Sunday school head teacher was much worried by the noise of the scholars in the room next to him.
At last, unable to bear it any longer, he mounted a chair and looked over the partition dividing the two rooms to see who the offenders were.
Seeing one boy a little taller than the others talking a great deal, he leaned over, seized the boy by the collar, lifted him over the partition and banged him into a chair in his room, saying:
"Now be quiet."
He then resumed his lesson, until about a quarter of an hour later, when a small head appeared at his door, and a meek little voice said:
"Please, sir, you've got our teacher!"—Pearson's Weekly.

Her Ladyship's Dandy Jest.

The count and the countess were in the midst of one of their periodic quarrels.
"Well, all I can say is," retorted the countess, after her liege lord had frankly expressed his conviction that he must have been either extremely intoxicated or violently insane when he married her, "I wish to goodness I'd been a native of Mars instead of this planet."
"In order, I suppose, that you might have been 'seven million miles away from me?' queried the count.
"Yes, that is one reason. Another is that I could have had a title without the humiliating necessity of becoming the wife of a superannuated chimpanzee to obtain it."
"What do you mean?"
"Why, stupid one, does it not follow, according to all the rules of grammar, that if the men are called Martians the women must be called Martianses?"
With a long, shuddering moan the count fell to the floor and expired, thus rendering unnecessary a suit for divorce.—New York Journal.

Easy Distinction.

"With all the men in evening dress, how are you going to tell the guests from the servants?"
"Well, the guests are polite to the hostess."—Detroit Journal.

NOTES

From Various Sources.

Here and Elsewhere.

New Jersey was the first state permitting the right of suffrage to women.
Marigolds and camomiles in north Africa reach a height of four or five feet.
Four steamers are especially engaged in the exportation of onions from Egypt to England.
Sculptors say that the perfectly proportioned mouth is three quarters of the length of the nose.
The London Times spends about \$2,000,000 a year. Its receipts for advertising average \$5,000 a day.
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According to The Publishers' Weekly, the number of books printed in 1897 was 4,928 as against 5,703 in 1896.

Late to bed and early to rise, prepares a man for his home in the skies. Early to bed and a Little Early Riser, the pill that makes life longer and better and wiser Merrill and Denning.

Japan was originally civilized by way of China. Today Japan sends scholars and men of science to instruct the Chinese.

Java is said to be the region of the globe where it thunders oftenest, having thunderstorms, on an average, 97 days of the year.

A good horse can travel 400 yards in 4 1-2 minutes at a walk, 400 yards in 2 minutes in a trot and 400 yards in 1 minute at a gallop.

Cigars are given to soldiers in the Italian army as part of their daily rations.

Chocolate is still used in the interior of South America for a currency, as are coconuts and eggs.

At the peace jubilee in Boston, 1869, Mme. Parepa Rosa's voice was distinguishable above 12,000 singers, an orchestra of over 1,000 instruments, and in a hall where the audience consisted of 40,000 people.

Capital punishment in Denmark is executed publicly with the ax. If several are to be decapitated on the same date one is not present while another is executed.

"Titus Andronicus." Every play by Shakespeare has been acted in modern times, including even "Troilus and Cressida," "Timon of Athens" and "Titus Andronicus," which certainly cannot be called familiar plays. The last named revolting drama is declared by some recent commentators to be the work of a lesser poet, not even touched in revision by Shakespeare, but that is mere speculation. "Titus Andronicus" was acted in England as recently as 1851, having been adapted for the late Ira Aldridge, the colored tragedian, by "an eminent literary gentleman." The "African Rascals" himself undertook the part of Aaron the Moor. Dryden, Colley Cibber, Garrick and others made adaptations of this gloomy tragedy.—New York Times.

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THE WORD CHATELAINE.

Something About the Derivation and Meanings of the Word.

Tudor Jenks writes about "Reference Books" in St. Nicholas. Mr. Jenks says: Suppose a little boy is reading a story and he comes to the word chataleine. It may seem to him an interesting bit of language. He thinks he would like to know what it means. Consequently he shuts his book, keeping his finger in the place, and runs down stairs to where his father is busy in the study preparing a speech upon the coming school election. "Father," he says, "what is a chataleine?"

We will suppose that his father is a man who has sufficient information to give a general answer to the question.

"A chataleine," he may say, "is the lady who is the presiding mistress of a castle."

The boy opens his book and reads again the sentence in which he found the word. Then he giggles. "That can't be right," he says, "for here it speaks of a lady who 'hung a chataleine to her belt.' Besides, it says that the chataleine was made of hammered silver, so it can't be a lady who is mistress of a castle."

"Oh," his father replies, "that is different. There the word means a little contrivance ladies wear at their belts to hold chains from which they suspend keys and tablets, pin boxes and such things."

"Then how did you come to make such a mistake?" the boy asks.

"It was not a mistake," his father replies. "The word means what I said too."

"It is queer that it should mean two such different things. How does it happen?" the boy asks.

Then the father—if he happens to be the right kind of a father—puts aside his work and says, "Bring me the dictionary."

The dictionary is brought and opened to the word, and father and son devote a few moments to the inquiry how a single word can have two meanings apparently so different. They find that chataleine comes from the French, and was at first spelled chataleine, but that the s has disappeared, leaving only a little footprint in the shape of an accent over the a. Then it is discovered that chataleine is really a form of the word castellum, a short form of the Latin word castellanus, meaning a man who is the keeper or owner of a castellum, or castle.

And then the dictionary says "v. castle," so they turn back to castle. They find that castle comes from castell or castel, which is the same word in a different form that n-7 appears as chateau, and that it comes from the Latin castrum, meaning a camp, while castrum comes from casa, the Latin for hut, a word still in the same form in Italian. (A curious instance of this word is seen in the name of the boy who stood upon the burning deck, Casabianca, which is simply "White-house"). Casa is the same word as case or cover—that is, a covering from the weather—and that comes from the Sanskrit root chhad, which means a cover. Also from the same root come cascade, chasuble and casino, which, it may surprise you to learn, are relatives of the chataleine with which we started. Now when we come to the meaning of chataleine we see that it meant, at first, the mistress of a castle—that is, a keeper of the keys to its supplies and stores—the housekeeper or housewife, and that her name was applied to the little bunch of keys carried at her belt, just as in English we speak of a housewife, meaning a little case or box that contains needles, thread, scissors, thimble, and so on. So now we can see exactly how the same word can mean a lady who is mistress of a castle and a little contrivance for carrying at the belt keys and other useful things.

After the boy has learned all these things he turns to his father a little scornfully and says: "Humph! If I had known you were going to look in the dictionary, I could have done that myself." Then if his father doesn't say, "Why didn't you?" we ourselves may add that little moral to the fable.

Innocence.

Going smilingly up to his mother one day, Tommy said:
"Ma, haven't I been a good boy since I began going to Sunday school?"
"Yes, my lamb," answered the mother fondly.
"And you trust me now, don't you, ma?"
"Yes, darling."
Then spoke up the little one innocently:
"What makes you keep the mince pies locked up in the pantry the same as ever?"—London Tit-Bits.

Two to Avoid.

Beware of the man who smiles when he's angry; he's dangerous. And beware also of the man who looks glum when he's glad; he's probably a humorist.—Chicago News.

PIGEONS AS MESSENGERS.

Advantages of Their Use For the Rapid Concentration of Naval Forces.

The twenty-third volume of proceedings of the United States Naval Institute has among its contents several ably written papers on subjects interesting to the navy. Lieutenant E. W. Eberle contributes a paper on "Homing Pigeons as Messengers of the Fleet," in which he refers to the advantages and practical workings of a messenger pigeon service and points out conditions under which it may be used with advantage to the fleet. In his paper Lieutenant Eberle says:

"From its geographical surroundings Key West will become our most important pigeon station on the Atlantic, and Port Townsend, which controls the strait of Fuca and entrance to Puget sound, will be the most important on the Pacific. Port Townsend station can control the entire entrance to the western possessions of Great Britain, and this would prove of great value in the event of hostilities with that country."

"The rapid concentration of naval forces at the point of attack or the movement of forces to intercept the enemy is only made possible when we have a system by which we can communicate rapidly with the shore station from long distances at sea, and the messenger pigeon service is the only system by which we can obtain such communication. This service might be called, very appropriately, a 'sea telegraph' system, and although its messages cannot be dispatched with the speed and absolute certainty of the telegraph yet the system has the advantage of forwarding its messages from any position within definite limits, and therefore it is not necessary to seek the telegraph station in order to send a message."

"In the event of hostilities many more messages than those given in the above illustrations would be sent in order to insure the receipt of important information, and if only one of the many little messengers should arrive in time to enable our fleet to maneuver so as to engage the enemy before he could inflict appalling destruction of life and property upon some one of our seaports, then this service would prove itself most valuable to the government and well worth the small annual sum required to maintain its efficiency."

"It requires but one practical illustration to strike home and to open our eyes to the merits of this service. Let a single human life be saved from shipwreck in a time of peace or let one maneuver of the enemy's fleet be frustrated in the midst of war by the timely arrival of one of these swift winged, trusty little carriers with its urgent message, and all the country will applaud the result and will realize the value of a messenger pigeon service upon the seas."—Baltimore Sun.

Four Footed.

A family that had not been boarding for so very long in a certain Madison avenue house left rather suddenly the other day. It was all on account of a bull pup that just previous to the departure was purchased by the son and heir, but without consulting the elders of the family. He bore it home in triumph. Whom should he meet upon the threshold but the landlady. "Is that your pup?" she asked menacingly. The son and heir said that it was. "You expect to keep it here?" The son and heir said that he did. The landlady planted herself before the door. "No four footed beast enters this house," said she. "Madam, you're a four footed beast yourself," cried the son and heir. The departure took place that same evening.—New York Sun.

"Bummer."

When people are trying to be very polite in their language, they avoid the use of the word "bummer," yet it is a most respectable word and is not slang by any means. It is not even an "Americanism," but has come to us from our English relatives and is found in the English market bylaws of two centuries ago. In the form "bummaree" it appears in advertisements in The Public Intelligence of 1660. Originally it meant a fish peddler. You are likely to get your head broken, however, if you mention it to an honest American citizen of that occupation now.

The United States did not acquire the word until the early fifties, when it appeared in California.—New York World.

Unjust.

"I am very much afraid," said the offhand commentator, "that the gentleman who was in here does not make the most of his abilities. Unquestionably he has talent, but he lacks application."

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