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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT AND ROAD BILLS.
May Term, 1897.

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1897.	
Jan. 1 and 2, to 2 days at Paris adjourned term,	$ 5 00
Feb. 15, 16, 17 and 19, to four days at Paris adjd. term,	10 00
To 50 miles travel on same,	4 00
March 29, 30 and 31, to 3 days at Paris adj. term,	7 50
To 50 miles travel on same,	4 00
April 26, 27, and 28, to 3 days at West Bethel on petition of C. E. Valentine et als,	7 50
To 100 miles travel on same via South Paris,	8 00
May 10, 11, 12, and 13, to 4 days at Paris regular session,	10 00
To 50 miles travel on same,	4 00
	$60 00

South Paris, May 13, 1897. J. F. STEARNS.

COUNTY OF OXFORD To GEO. W. RIDLON, Dr.

Jan. 1, to one day adj. session,	$ 2 50
Feb. 15, 16, and 17, to three days adjourned session at Paris,	7 50
To 64 miles travel from Mexico to Paris and return,	5 12
March 29, 30 and 31, to three days adj. session at Paris,	7 50
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To 50 miles travel from Mexico to West Bethel and return,	4 00
May 10, 11, 12 and 13, to 4 days at Paris reg. session,	10 00
To 64 miles travel from Mexico to Paris and return,	5 12
	$51 86

Paris, May 13, 1897. GEO. W. RIDLON.

OXFORD COUNTY To JOHN M. PHILBROOK, Dr.

Jan. 1 and 2, to 2 days at Paris adjourned term,	$5 00
To 46 miles,	3 68
Feb. 16, to 2 days at Paris adjourned term,	5 00
To 46 miles at 8cts.,	3 68
March 29 and 30, to 2 days at Paris,	5 00
To 46 miles at 8 cts.,	3 68
Apr. 26, to 1 day by order of Garland,	2 50
Apr. 27, to 1 day at West Bethel,	2 50
To 8 miles at 8cts.,	64
To 46 miles at 8cts.,	3 68
May 11, 12 and 13, to 3 days regular session,	7 50
To 46 miles at 8cts.,	3 68
	$46 54

Received payment May 13, 1897.
JOHN M. PHILBROOK.

STATE OF MAINE
OXFORD, ss. Paris, May 13, 1897.
Then personally appeared the above named J. F. Stearns, Geo. W. Ridlon and John M. Philbrook, and severally made oath that the foregoing accounts by them rendered and subscribed to are true. Before me,
CHARLES F. WHITMAN,
Clerk Supreme Judicial Court.

OXFORD, ss. May 13, 1897.
Having first examined and audited the foregoing accounts of the County Commissioners of the County of Oxford, we certify that we allow thereon the following sums respectively:

To J. F. Stearns,	$60 00
To Geo. W. Ridlon,	51 86
To John M. Philbrook,	46 54

JOHN S. HARLOW, County Attorney.
CHARLES F. WHITMAN, Clerk S. J. Court.
A true copy—attest.
CHARLES F. WHITMAN, Clerk.

To the Honorable County Commissioners for the county of Oxford:
We, the undersigned, selectmen of the towns of Rumford and Roxbury in said county, duly authorized by vote of said towns, hereby respectfully represent that public necessity and convenience do not require the construction of a county way located by your honorable board in 1894, known as the Swain Notch road, beginning at the county road, near William M. Blanchard in said town of Rumford, and from thence northwesterly, through Swain Notch, so-called, to Andover Corner. We therefore, would petition your honorable body to discontinue said location from the said county road at the place of beginning on Swift River, all that portion of said location within the town of Rumford, and also in the town of Roxbury to Andover line, and so much of the said location as was made in the town of Andover as in the opinion of your honorable board may be deemed proper and expedient.
Dated at Rumford this 1st day of May, A. D. 1897.

JERRY H. MARTIN, JOHN A. DECKER, GEO. W. STEARNS, } Selectmen of the town of Rumford.
FRANK STANLEY, HERBERT L. MITCHELL, } Selectmen of Roxbury.

STATE OF MAINE.
COUNTY OF OXFORD, ss.
Board of County Commissioners, May Session, 1897.
UPON the foregoing petition, satisfactory evidence having been received that the petitioners are responsible, and that inquiry into the merits of their application is expedient, IT IS ORDERED, that the County Commissioners meet at Hotel Rumford at Rumford Falls in said County, on June 29, 1897, at 9 of the clock A. M., and thence proceed to view the route mentioned in said petition, immediately after which view, a hearing of the parties and their witnesses will be had at some convenient place in the vicinity, and such other measures taken in the premises as the commissioners shall judge proper. And it is further ORDERED, that notice of the time, place and purpose of the commissioners' meeting aforesaid be given to all persons and corporations interested, by causing attested copies of said petition, and of this order thereon, to be served upon the respective Clerks of the towns of Rumford and Roxbury in said County, and also posted up in three public places in each of said towns, and published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed at Paris, in said County of Oxford, the first of said publications, and each of the other notices, to be made, served and posted at least thirty days before said time of meeting, to the end that all persons and corporations may then and there appear and shew cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioners should not be granted.
ATTEST:—CHARLES F. WHITMAN, Clerk.
A true copy of said petition and order of court thereon.
ATTEST:—CHARLES F. WHITMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE.
OXFORD, ss.
To the Honorable board of County Commissioners for the County of Oxford:
We, the undersigned selectmen of the town of Rumford in said County duly authorized by a vote of said town, hereby respectfully represent that public convenience and necessity require the location of a County way beginning at a point on the highway leading from Rumford Falls to Rumford Centre at or near the house belonging to the Rumford Falls Power Company and now tenanted by Mathias M. Morse, thence running in a southeasterly direction to cross the Androscoggin River at a feasible point a short distance above the upper dam of the Rumford Falls Power Company, and to continue in a southeasterly direction to a point of junction with the highway leading from Rumford Falls to South Rumford.
And your petitioners pray that your honorable board shall do and perform all acts, matters and things necessary for such location.

JERRY H. MARTIN, JOHN A. DECKER, GEO. W. STEARNS, } Selectmen of Rumford.

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WHAT I DON'T KNOW OF FARMING.

Horace Greeley wrote an instructive book on "What I Know of Farming," and his knowledge was extensive and accurate. What I don't know of farming, if written out, would fill a volume.

In the first place I don't know how much work can be put upon a field in order to make the crop pay the best. It is the value of the crop over and above the cost of production that gives the farmer the profit. In general, the poorer the land the more tillage and manure it will require to produce a fair crop, and it is possible to apply so much labor and fertilizers to a field that the crop will be raised at a loss.

Professor William H. Brewer of Yale University, says: "Better farming pays up to a certain point, after which the increased cost of labor will overbalance the increased value of the crop." Jethro Tull, an English farmer, was a crank on the subject of tillage—even going so far as to declare that tillage was manure, or that a soil sufficiently tilled did not need any manure. He invented some better "horse hoes," or cultivators, and put a great deal of tillage on his fields and made it pay. It must be remembered, however, that he began farming about the year 1701, when the prices of farm products were higher and the wages of farm-laborers were lower than at the present time. The better farming which paid Tull big dividends will scarcely make a living for English farmers now.

Most of the writers for the agricultural press are claiming that the proper way for farmers to emerge from the present agricultural depression is to farm better—to raise more products from fewer acres. They may be right, but I don't know; I am still open to conviction.

"I suppose," said Horace Greeley, at an agricultural fair, "that you have got past the folly of hand-hoeing corn?"

"No, no," was the reply.

"Well, you can't afford it; do what you can with a horse, and let the rest go," was the advice of the Tribune's founder.

About thirty years ago Frederick Hallett of England, by carefully selecting the best kernels from the best heads of grain and sowing them, and again and again selecting and sowing them, and again and again selecting and sowing only the best, obtained greatly improved varieties which he called "pedigree oats," "pedigree wheat" and "pedigree barley."

The selection of the best for seed has been practiced by farmers from the earliest times. Columella, Celsus and Virgil speak of it. I always sow and plant the best seed I can get, but I don't know that it would pay to go to the great labor or expense to obtain "pedigree seed." We might "pay too dear for the whistle."

They tell us that "like produces like" in both the animal and vegetable kingdoms, but how many cases in history do you know where a great man raised a great son? I can think of only a few.

I don't know how much seed to sow on an acre for the best results. They tell us that poor land requires more seed than good land. We would naturally suppose the reverse would be true—that the stronger the land the stronger seeding it would bear; that the poorer the land the less number of plants it is able to nourish. I had a field composed of good soil ready to sow with wheat, and sent my man with a broadcast seeder to sow it at the rate of a bushel and a half an acre. By some mistake, when he had got over the ground, he had half the seed left. I told him to go over it again and put the seed all on. He began doing so, but when night came he had only got over one-half the ground the second time. During the night there was a heavy rain, and it kept so wet we could not get over the remainder, and it was left with half the field having not much over three pecks per acre, and the other half with about twice as much. At harvest the heaviest seeding was much the thickest, but the straw was slenderer, the heads shorter and the kernels smaller. I think there was not much difference in the number of bushels produced on the two parts, but the light seeding produced the coarser straw, the longer heads and the larger kernels. This experiment, made by accident, is not conclusive. It requires numerous experiments to establish a fact. In Great Britain they sow more seed than we do in the United States, and raise about twice as many bushels an acre.

I don't know exactly the right time to sow fall wheat in order to obtain the best yield. One of our neighbors sowed on good land well prepared the last week in August, and the plants got so much growth before winter that he was afraid they would head out. They did not, however, but some of them got smothered to death by snow, and the soil lost much of its fertility in supplying nourishment for larger tops than were needed to protect the roots from freezing. He only got about half a crop. Another neighbor sowed so late that the wheat did not come up until the next spring, and he harvested a good crop. Nobody is likely to follow either one of these extremes. It will do to sow on rich land later than on the average soil, because the rich land hurries up the growth faster. Wheat sown too early is liable to be injured by the Hessian fly; sown too late, it does not stool much and is not likely to get top enough to protect the roots.

I don't know why clubfoot on cabbage should be an evil to be dreaded, and clubfoot on clover should be regarded as a blessing.

Finally, I don't know why seeds should grow any more than leaves, shucks or pebblestones.—J. W. Ingham in New York Tribune.

Test your seed corn. Last autumn was a bad season for drying corn. If your corn was not fire dried there is danger that it is not good. Never plant seed corn without knowing it will germinate.

Of 1651 condemned animals slaughtered by the Massachusetts Cattle Commission up to date this year, 1511 were found diseased, and 140 not diseased. The per cent of failure of the tuberculin test was 8.48.

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ABOUT TRANSPLANTING.

There is often much loss sustained in transplanting crops by the work not being properly done. To obviate this one must have some knowledge of the business, together with careful performance of the work. Carefully observe the state of the crop, or plant, we will say, to be transplanted; its kind and requirements, also the condition of the soil in which it stands and that to which it is to be removed, the manner in which the plant requires to be set and its subsequent treatment. These points are requisite, and must be understood and observed.

Hard-wooded plants, such as shrubs and trees, should never be removed after new growth has made its appearance, for if so, the newly established feeding roots are torn asunder and destroyed, and the plant is so enfeebled that it will require a season or two to recover its former vitality, if it lives at all, which it is not likely to do if the new growth be advanced to any great extent. In most cases perennials and annuals in a thrifty, growing condition, are much injured by being removed when their buds begin to develop. Some shrubs of the more hardy nature, however, may, with care, be removed even after the new growth is considerably advanced.

Plants that have long, or spindle-shaped roots, such as carrots, beets or parsnips, and also some of the flowering plants having similar shaped roots, do not bear transplanting as well as do plants which have branching, fibrous roots. Some advise cutting off about a third of the roots and tops of such plants when re-setting. However, with some, such as the garden plants named, we find this unnecessary if the plants be set when small.

In transplanting plants grown in pots or boxes, they should be allowed to become quite dry before they are removed. Thus, deprived of moisture, which stimulates growth, the feeding roots become, to a great extent, matured, and when the plant is removed it does not suffer such a shock as would follow if it were in a stimulated or thrifty, growing condition.

The soil to which plants are to be removed should be put in good condition, and the plants carefully set as soon as possible after they are taken up. The roots should be placed at about the same depth as before and carefully spread out, then fine, rich soil, unmixed with manure or trash of any kind, pressed firmly about them; if the soil be very dry supply tepid water, then draw up more of the soil over the roots and about the plant. If the transplanting be done in dry weather, a covering of grass, leaves, old rags or anything that will exclude the sun and hot air and preserve the moisture, will greatly accelerate the growth and vigor of the plant. However, for transplanting large field crops advantage must be taken of wet weather in which to do the work.—New York Tribune.

A-FIELD.

A glance over the farm finds no unusually damaging effects from the winter's cold. With the frost now out of the ground and the surface soil plentifully watered, grass is showing an even and promising start, and with no apparent damage from the long exposure without the usual snow covering of the early winter. Farmers fear the effects of an open winter on their grass fields. It is plainly evident, however, that the matter of the mere absence of the snow covering is not fatal to the stand of grass. Of course there are causes for the killing of grass, as some winters sadly show, but experience proves that grass may winter well without the continuous snow covering, as is the case at this time. Clovers on the clay lands have not come out as well, and in some cases are badly thrown out.

Fruit trees and shrubbery generally have come out without injury. Apple trees, notwithstanding the burden of fruit last year, are showing up healthy and strong. Many of the trees are putting forth a fair showing of blossom buds, though a general crop of apples can hardly be expected. Pear trees are a mass of blossom buds, now nearing the time of opening in central Maine. A bountiful crop of pears will come in good play, provided apples are short. Plum trees are uninjured by the winter, but are not generally promising a full bloom.

Small fruits have wintered well, but it is too early to forecast their fruitage. This class of fruits are on the increase among us as well as the apple. There never has, however, been enough of these fruits grown to fully meet the demands of the people, so there is room for a full crop and more.—Maine Farmer.

CREAM-RAISING IN A WELL.

It is established that no system without the use of separation or ice has yet been discovered by which a perfect recovery of the cream contents of milk can be secured, but where the herd is too small to justify the expense of a separator, or ice is not available, a good method is to fit up a well creamery. A well four feet in diameter will care for the milk of ten cows; but if it were six feet it would be better.

Fit out a sufficient number of common shot-gun cans to hold the milk of three milkings, with loose-fitting deep-rim covers, and stout bails so arranged as to hold the covers firmly in place when suspended. Provide a pulley and one-half inch rope of sufficient length to let each can when filled with milk into the water, until it floats.

It should remain undisturbed, except by the addition of the next milking, for the next twenty-four hours, when it can be raised and skimmed.

By this method an effective creaming is secured; the milk is safe from all contamination of flies, dust and odors. Further, the well affords a perfect place for the ripening and care of cream for the churn, as well as for the proper storage of butter until marketed.

If this well creamery system be studied and faithfully carried out, it will not only save a vast amount of labor, but greatly improve the quality and increase the quantity of the butter made. Its work is constant and uniform, whatever the weather may chance to be, nor does it require a daily scrubbing and scalding.—New York Tribune.

FARM VS CITY WAGES.

When the farmer hears that the skilled worker or the professional man in the city gets $4 per day, it sounds very large. If he will figure up what such a city worker must pay for house rent, milk, cream, butter, eggs, poultry, fruit, garden vegetables and street car fares (instead of horses and carriages on the farm)—all such things as these which the farmer seldom thinks of crediting to his farm—he will find the $4 per day will dwindle to less than nothing in the city by the time these and similar expenses are paid even for a small family. The advantages are surely not all on the side of the city worker, even among the skilled and educated classes, and not the uneducated, unskilled city workers.—Exchange.

ANOTHER OPINION ON AROOSTOOK POTATOES.

Farmers will depend more on home-made fertilizers, and I think the acreage will be less than last year. Last year the small acreage of wheat yielded well, and more will be sowed. Whether right or wrong, farmers here sow wheat after potatoes, although the grain has been neglected until last year; following this with clover in rotation. This course necessitates heavy manuring of potatoes with barn dressing in order to help the clover.—Milo W. Cone, Aroostook County, Maine, in New York Tribune.

In the export trade lies the future prosperity of the butter trade. Production is increasing faster than our consumptive capacity, and without an outlet beyond our borders there are likely to be years of so low prices as to discourage production.

FROM PARIS, MAINE, TO PARIS, FRANCE.

No. 27.

CHURCHES AND PRISONS OF PARIS.

(From our Special Foreign Correspondent.)

PARIS, FRANCE, March 29, 1897.

"It is not on the battle-field
That all great deeds are done;
Not there alone is valor shown,
Not there all victories won."

All that is left of that notorious prison, the Bastile, is the outline of stones laid in the streets and square where it formerly stood. In the centre, now, rises the July monument, erected to commemorate the destroying of it, that famous July day, when the cry, "Down with the Bastile," rang out, and the prisoners were triumphantly borne out on the shoulders of the crowd. History gives this as one of the most inhuman places of torture the world ever knew. Dickens' "Tale of Two Cities" gives a good idea of it, as it gives both sides of the political question—both cruel and sickening in their horror. Our sympathies must always be with those that suffer, and it is hard to see any justice in cruelty.

The prison called the Conciergerie, is the only one now left to tell its tale of woe. It was with indescribable emotions that we lingered in the narrow cell where Marie Antoinette spent that period of such agony as perhaps no mortal ever knew. Her husband had been torn from her and beheaded, and the little son whom she idolized was snatched from her arms and tortured till he died, and the little daughter also separated from her.

The character of this unhappy queen has been greatly censured, but we have been told by authorities on the subject that her reputation began to rise from the time when the fortunes of France began to cloud over. She was no longer the frivolous creature she had formerly been, and when overwhelming troubles came upon her, she showed what queens were made of, and in all the concluding trials of her tragic life, even when led to the guillotine, she showed heroic courage and greatness of mind. Her crucifix is still here, and who can tell the agonized prayers that have been poured out to that symbol of suffering? As we stoop to go through the door, where she struck her queenly head as she entered it, more than a century ago, we can almost hear the tragic words she uttered when the guard asked if she was hurt—"Nothing can hurt me now." We never see a market woman, or hear their harsh, coarse voices in the street, but we think of that infuriated, drunken mob that drove her to her doom.

In another cell was Charlotte Corday confined, and also the young man who had been so inspired to love by her heroism and marvelous beauty, that he begged to die in her stead. He was executed soon after, for nothing but being loyal to her, and bravely gave himself into the hands of the executioner with the words, "Thus I die for thee, my beloved." The French people now, go and weep over the golden curls that were cut from the little Dauphin's head, and the other relics of those whom they killed, but now make heroes of. Thus it is, that in order to appreciated, one must die.

Among the most interesting and beautiful things in Paris, are the ancient churches. Notre Dame is the most famous, and most elaborate in external architecture. It was erected in 1100, and its history is interwoven with the greatest events of the nation since Julius Cæsar. Victor Hugo in his Notre Dame de Paris has given an admirable description of it. During the Revolution the ancient pile was doomed to destruction, and used for anything but religious purposes but Napoleon restored it to its former dignity as a church.

Nearly all the churches in Paris are Catholic, as that has been the city next to Rome, where that religion has excluded all others, from time immemorial. Several centuries ago one of the kings undertook to allow the Protestants to flourish, but the law was soon revoked. The churches are kept open all the time, and at any hour of the day or evening, as you enter may be seen many worshippers at their devotions, kneeling before the statue of the Virgin, or the figure of some other saint whom they believe to have more power to mitigate or relieve any particular sorrow or grievance, or grant any certain desire. At the entrance, a man sits with a brush which he dips in the font of holy water at his side, and holds out, which is touched by all, who make the sign of the cross before entering.

In spite of whether you believe in their religion or not, you can't help having respect, and hardly feel like daring to breathe, and it really seems sacrilege for the crowds of sightseers to be walking about, almost stumbling over the kneeling figures of the devout.

The ceiling of Notre Dame is studded with golden stars, and noble statues and paintings of great value adorn the interior. A star in the marble floor marks the spot where Napoleon and Josephine stood at their coronation. The walls of Notre Dame then resounded with such a song of triumph as never before, and Paris beheld a spectacle of such matchless splendor as the world never equalled. For ten centuries no monarch had been crowned by the Pope of Rome—even Charlemagne had to go to Rome to receive the crown, but for Napoleon, whose will was as resistless as inevitable His Holiness had to come to Paris.

But the oldest building in France is the church of St. Genevieve. It has been repaired and added to at different times, but there is a part still left which was built in the time of Clovis, about 485. The decorations of the interior are the most beautiful in Paris. The church of St. Germaine l'Auxerrios is the next oldest, founded in the 12th century. The interior of this also is very brilliant with stained glass, yellow predominating, making it look like a receptacle of eternal sunshine. It was from the tower of this church that the signal for the massacre of St. Bartholomew rang out, Aug. 24, 1575. In an instant light sprang into life from every house in sight. Every one that was out was a murderer. As before stated, Queen Catherine was the instigator of this order, that every Protestant should be murdered in cold blood. When the morning of the second day dawned, it revealed the streets paved with human faces turned up to the sky, and when the hideous, inhuman human butchery was over, scarcely a Huguenot was left to tell the tale.

St. Sulpice is chiefly interesting from the fact that Fenelon, that famous French preacher, and the author of that beautiful classic "Telemachus," presided here about 1700.

St. Chapelle is the jewel of Paris—a small church built entirely of stained glass. As you stand in the interior and look all about you, you seem to be surrounded by pictures made of jewels of all colors and shades, with the sun shining through. Paris surpasses the world in its beautiful stained glass.

But the most impressive building of any description in Paris, is the church of the Madeleine, or church of St. Mary Magdalen, built in the style of a Greek temple. It stands on a basement 23 feet high, surrounded by an imposing colonnade of massive columns 60 feet high and 6 inches in diameter. It has no windows. Steps go up all around the platform. Notre Dame with its elaborate decorations cannot compare with this majestic structure, plain to dignity. The interior contains the finest altar piece in the world, representing Mary Magdalen borne into Paradise by two angels.

The most costly church is the Dome des Invalides, so called from its connection with the Hotel des Invalides, or soldiers' home, built for Napoleon's disabled soldiers. Underneath the gold dome of this church is the tomb of the great warrior.

But the most beautiful piece of architecture in all Paris, according to our poor judgment, is the Tower of St. Jacques, a square tower 200 feet high, which once belonged to a church which was demolished, but the tower left standing. With its protruding gargoyles (fantastic and sometimes hideous figures which are put on every church to keep away the evil spirits) and its picturesque formation, standing alone against the sky, it makes a picture of the most striking beauty.

On the top of Montmartre (a high hill in the centre of Paris, noted for its quarries of gypsum, from which when calcined, plaster of Paris is obtained, and also, from its having witnessed the final struggle of the Communist rebellion, a period of horrors almost without parallel in the chequered annals of Paris) a church is in process of construction, and nearly finished, which will surpass anything of the kind in the world. The Parisians are bound not to be outdone in the way of magnificence, and all of us poor victims who come over here, have to help pay for it, for the enormous prices charged foreigners for everything, are indirectly the causes by which the coffers of the government are enriched—but the old saying is that "those that dance," etc. So if we sit on their seats under the trees, we must pay for it. Each seat is taxed two cents, and a woman comes around to collect the pay, before you have a chance to get out of the way.

Before having been here long enough to become initiated into quite all the mysteries of Paris, while out for an airing one day, it occurred to us to sit down on one of the chairs that line every park and boulevard. Presently a woman came along and accosted us. All our persistent reiteration that we did not *comprehende Francais* did not satisfy her, so we got up to walk away, when she undertook to prevent. Of course we knew she wanted *money*, but unfortunately that commodity had been left at home, so, seeing her request not likely to be complied with, she called the nearest gendarme, who proceeded to walk us off to the police station. On the way, as luck would have it, we met a friend, who, perfectly aghast, asked:

"What have you been doing?"

"Just drawing plain, every-day breath—that is all," was the answer.

"Why, why, what is this officer going to do with you?" she then asked.

"Ask him," we say, which she did, in the language he could understand, so he told her the story, and she beamingly gave him the two cents, thus rescuing us from the jaws of justice. But we don't begrudge the tax, for it is worth it to sit here now, under the trees, and watch the living, moving panorama of walking, driving, laughing humanity, who *live* out doors, and don't seem to have a thing to do but have a good time and enjoy life in their beautiful city. Seeing everything with the glow of sunshine and warmth upon it, makes it look far differently, and you lose sight of all that shocked you at first, for custom will *accustom* the whole world. Were we not loyal to our own incomparable town of Paris, we should feel like saying there is nothing so charming in the world, and that Paris is a paradise, the Arc de Triomphe a dream, the Champs Elysees a Champs Elysium, and the whole *ensemble* such an intoxication and delirium that you don't want to do a thing but to sit here and just *live*. We can no longer sympathize with the friend who came over here in the winter and who said while stopping in London that he thought it the most gloomy and homesick place he was ever in, but after coming to Paris, all he wanted was to get back to London! We can assure you now, strange as it may seem, that all you will want will be to *stay in Paris!*

There are flowers, flowers everywhere, in the flower markets, on the streets and in the baskets and carts of the flower girls, and though they are not the old-fashioned roses, the marigolds, the sweet marjoram, the bleeding heart and love-lies-bleeding of the "old home down on the farm" to which the heart turns more and more longingly from these scenes of gaiety and revelry, yet they are *flowers*, and their perfume whispers of innocence, and purity, even if the whisper is inaudible to the great mass who frequent these garish scenes.

To a looker-on, the Champs Elysees might remind one of a down-east cattle show—without the cattle—but there are little booths where cakes are sold, and candy and drinks, alas! not so harmless as the traditional pink lemonade—and the venders of the toy balloons carrying great bunches of them suspended in air, and hawkers calling their wares, and bands of music playing here and there, and everything wearing an aspect of indescribable gaiety. Men and women everywhere sitting at little tables under the trees drinking—wine, brandy and *absinthe*, that deadly green monster which destroys the brain, the morality, and even the *soul* of its victim quicker than anything else.

Although we are willing to give Paris its due, and acknowledge that every one may see a halo around almost everything else, but if they come from Paris, in the state of Maine! they never, *never*, NEVER can see a halo around the wine-cup! And we cannot leave it, without one more protest against this monstrous, this wicked, this heinous traffic, that parades its wares in the streets, and entices the young into its dens of iniquity, by music and light, and life, and glitter and song, and makes it the *custom* for young girls, and young men, the flower of our own American manhood and womanhood, to frequent these places, and sit and sip their wine, and beer, and brandy cordial and absinthe, and listen to the entrancing music, which is all free, if you but buy a drink! Young men have told us they could not get by these places. People may say what they will about not seeing so much drunkenness on the streets here as in some other places, but physicians and scientists say that it is this vice that is filling their insane asylums with increasing rapidity, and the river Seine with its dead bodies. Were we able to speak "with the tongues of men and of angels," the protest would be but too feeble.

Au revoir, Paris, France, the gay, the fascinating and the wicked.

Welcome, Paris, Maine, the good, the true, and the beautiful!

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COMING EVENTS.

May 25.—West Oxford Sunday School Association, Centre Lovell.
June 4.—Norway high school graduation.
June 8.—State Assessors' Convention, Fryeburg.
June 9.—State Assessors' Convention, South Paris.
June 8, 9.—Oxford Congregational Conference, Norway Centre.
June 11.—State Assessors' Convention, Rumford Falls.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

County Commissioners' Bills.
Petition to Discontinue Road Location in Rumford and Roxbury.
Petition for New County Road in Rumford.
Close Time on Fish in Ellis River, &c.
Close Time on Fish in Cold Brook and Great Brook.
Just Received.
Weak Eyes.
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2 Appointments of Assignee.
Men Who Dress Well.
County Seat Insurance Agency.

HON. HORATIO KING.

DEATH OF THIS HONORED SON OF PARIS IN WASHINGTON THURSDAY.

Hon. Horatio King died in Washington Thursday morning, May 20th. He was in his eighty-sixth year and died from the effects of an attack of grippe. His sons, General Horatio C. King of New York and Henry King of Boston, were at his bedside when he passed away.

Horatio King was the son of Samuel and Sarah (Hall) King, and was born in Paris, Maine, (it was then Massachusetts), June 21, 1811. His grandfather, George King, and three brothers served in the war for independence. Like most of the country-reared young men of the period, the subject of this notice was brought up on the farm and had a personal knowledge of what life upon the farm is, or rather what it was at that time, for it is somewhat different now. He received such an education as the common schools afforded, and, in the spring of 1829, entered the office of the Jeffersonian, a paper then printed in Paris, to learn the printers' art. One year afterwards he became part owner, and six months thereafter sole owner, and, in 1832, editor of the paper, and in May, 1833, moved it to Portland. On the first of January, 1838, he sold out to the Standard, and that paper was finally merged with the Eastern Argus.

In March, 1839, he was appointed by Postmaster General Amos Kendall, to a position in the Post Office Department at Washington, D. C., where he has ever since resided. He received promotions from time to time until 1850, when he became connected with the foreign mail service, in which capacity he originated and perfected certain postal arrangements of great importance to the service.

In March, 1854, he was appointed by President Pierce, First Assistant Postmaster General, an office of great responsibility, but for which his long experience well fitted him. He held this position until the first of January, 1861, when he became Acting Postmaster General, and on the 12th of February he was nominated by President Buchanan and confirmed by the Senate, as Postmaster General, serving in that capacity until the inauguration of President Lincoln and the appointment of his successor, March 7, 1861. He filled all these important places with fidelity and distinguished ability.

He was Postmaster General during the latter part of Mr. Buchanan's administration, when treason stalked with a bold front through the streets of the National Capital. Though a life-long Democrat, Mr. King was loyal to the core, and remained so during the entire struggle. Though exempted by law from the performance of military duty, he furnished a representative recruit who was duly mustered in and served in the Union army. This exhibition of patriotism and public spirit received official acknowledgment from the government.

After retiring from the Post Office Department, he was appointed one of a board of commissioners to carry out the emancipation proclamation in the District of Columbia. This position was tendered him by President Lincoln, unsolicited, and doubtless on account of his valuable services near the close of the previous administration. The service of this commission was limited to nine months, and on finally leaving office, Mr. King went into a quiet business as an attorney before the executive departments and international commissions, which he followed for some years, finally retiring as far as practicable from active business.

Mr. King has twice made the tour of Europe, first in 1867 and again in 1875-6. The last one was somewhat more extended than the first, and on his return he published a book entitled "Sketches of Travel, or Twelve Months in Europe." He has written much and upon a great variety of topics, and has also lectured on various occasions. He also originated a series of Saturday evening literary entertainments at his private residence, which became very popular. He was for many years a contributor to newspapers and magazines, on historical and literary subjects, sometimes translating articles from the French.

Mr. King married May 25, 1835, Ann Collins of Portland, by whom he had seven children, only three of whom—one daughter and two sons—survive. The others died young. His first wife died September 22, 1869, and he married February 8, 1875, Isabella G. Osborne of Auburn, N. Y.

Mr. King's somewhat eventful life has been one of usefulness. In all the positions he has filled, he has inaugurated important improvements, including that of the official "Penalty Envelope"—a convenient, economical device; and by his literary efforts he has contributed much to elevate the tone of society at the National Capital.

He was tall and of slender proportions, with a strong and rugged profile and white hair. A remarkable figure, straight and erect, for his eighty-five years. Since the expiration of Buchanan's term, or since he went out of office rather, for he served three days under Lincoln, Mr. King has been content to straighten out historical matters when he knows the rights of them, to do literary work and to enjoy the society of his old friends.

SHEEP.

Any one that would like to see a good flock of sheep and lambs, can do so, by calling on A. E. Stevens of Milton Plantation. Also his registered Oxford Down Buck, Guelph Duke 19th, Numbered 10705; bred by Henry Arkell, Arkell, Ont. Lambed March 1895; sired by The Nob, No. 7783; dam, Puslinch Maid, No. 1837. Guelph Duke sheared 19 1-4 lbs. of wool. Sheared and weighed by Henry Russ of Woodstock.

Bangor police made a raid on the sidewalk bicycle riders Saturday night and Sunday, and $35 in fines and costs was paid in court Monday.

THE OXFORD BEARS.

THE DOINGS OF THE WEEK IN ALL SECTIONS OF THE COUNTY.

PARIS HILL.

First Baptist Church, Rev. H. A. Roberts, Pastor. Preaching every Sunday at 11 A. M. Sunday School at 12 M. Sabbath Evening Service at 7:00 P. M. Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening at 7:00 P. M.

Universalist Church: Rev. E. W. Pierce, Pastor. Preaching every Sunday at 11 A. M. Sunday School at 12 M. Meeting of Young People's Christian Union, Sunday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

Col. and Mrs. Albert S. Austin arrived Tuesday from Boston, where they have been for several months.

Mr. Lewis M. Brown and family arrived at Old Brick for the summer Tuesday.

All those interested in the spring house cleaning at the Universalist church are requested to meet at the church to attend to that duty, Thursday morning at 8 o'clock.

Our boys played ball with the Norway boys on the circus grounds Saturday afternoon. That is, they called it a ball game to start with, but they got so ashamed of it that they agreed to stop at the end of the eighth inning. Norway got 13 scores, and Paris Hill got somewhere from 45 to 52, according to the care with which the scorers attended to their duty. The Hill boys don't feel very badly over it.

Some changes as well as repairs are being made on the sidewalks. A walk has been built where there was none before, in front of Miss Cushman's on Main Street, and the walk in front of the Atwood and Perham places on Lincoln Street, is being moved from its old place near the houses and fence to a line nearer the road, so as to make it pretty nearly straight for the length of the street.

Wm. K. Kimball Post, G. A. R., and Relief Corps will attend service at the Universalist church here next Sunday at 2:30 P. M., and this service will take the place of the regular forenoon service. The Sunday School will be at 12 o'clock as usual. The band will play two or three selections at the afternoon service.

Arthur W. Hammond and wife of Berlin, N. H., visited Mrs. Hammond's mother, Mrs. C. H. Ripley, last week.

T. Stowe Crocker, Esq., with his wife and child, are expected here this week. Mr. Crocker has been in quite poor health the past winter and hopes to recuperate by the change of climate from Georgetown, Mass., to Paris Hill.

The Little Androscoggin Valley Sunday School Association will meet here June 3d. Full programme will be given next week.

The band put in a few hours of practice on street work Friday afternoon, greatly to the delight of the small boys, as well as to the profit of the band.

EAST WATERFORD.

Chauncey Ames is at the Maine General Hospital undergoing treatment for his eyes. There were two cataracts on each eye. We hear a successful operation has been performed on the worst eye. The boy is 15 years old.

Miss Grace Pride is in Yagger, Norway, for a fortnight's sewing.

Work on the highways began the 17th. Many of the roads are in bad condition. The rain of the 12th and 13th washed Baker Hill so it was impassable. The holes are filled with small trees until the road can be thoroughly repaired. We notice cases every year where a man, hoe and a few minutes' time at the right time would save the town considerable expense by turning the water into the ditch instead of allowing it to follow its own course in the road.

Mrs. E. C. Hilton and two youngest children are visiting in Lewiston.

GREENWOOD.

The forests, fields and pastures are rapidly growing green since the copious rains last week, yet the nights are so cool that newly sheared sheep and young lambs need protection.

Two years ago we used sheep dip on the sheep and lambs after shearing, and last spring found so few ticks as to deem it unnecessary to use it again. Yesterday the sheep were sheared again, and not the ghost of a tick could be found on sheep or lamb. The man who invented that remedy deserves more honor than any wholesale murderer, otherwise called a hero, that ever lived. Just think of the torture a sheep must endure when infested with a thousand ticks, and then say if it isn't so.

The evening sport just now seems to be hanging Maybaskets, or going suckering.

Mattie Estes returned to her home in Lynn, Mass., last Monday, after stopping with her folks four weeks.

A short time ago Mrs. R. L. Cole passed a singular crisis, or whatever it might be called; an unusual desire for sleep came upon her, and for five days and nights she slept almost continually, only awakening at long intervals sufficiently to take a little nourishment, and then falling asleep again. During that period of time she was totally blind, being unable to see even a glimmer of the strongest sunlight. Before passing into that state she had something of a cough, which entirely left her at the time, and she has hardly heard from it since. On awakening at last she found her health about as usual, and her eyesight also about the same as before. There's a nut for a physician to crack.

Dandelion greens on the table two weeks ago, and now a plenty of rhubarb for pies and sauce; and they didn't come from Florida either.

Was glad to see Nellie Titus out to meeting again Sunday. Her daughter Nora came up from Hebron Friday on a short visit, and returned the first of the week. She is enjoying the school very much.

Joseph Cummings has a flock of seven sheep, from which he took 69 3-4 pounds of wool. Four of them were yearlings, including a buck from which he sheared 14 lbs.

EAST BROWNFIELD.

Mr. Charles Spring and Miss Mary Stickney were married Wednesday evening by Rev. Newton Clough. Mr. Spring has recently purchased the farm formerly owned by Mr. Hill, and although we have not been able to call upon them, suppose they are nicely settled in their new home by this time.

Hon. W. H. Stickney and his son Whitman returned from Andover this week. Mr. Stickney brought a housekeeper and has opened his house. His family will be at home the last of June.

Mrs. C. D. Fessenden had a very ill turn last Monday, but is now able to be about the house.

Mrs. Cyrilla, wife of Smith Grey, died at her home in this village Saturday evening, the 14th, of consumption. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Newton Clough officiating. Many friends were present to witness the last sad rites, and to show by their presence their love and respect for the deceased, and their sympathy for the bereaved family. Mrs. Grey was only 30 years of age, and her death is a great sorrow to her family. She leaves a husband and two little girls to mourn the loss of a gentle, devoted wife and mother. Mrs. Grey left her little girls in the care of their grandmother, Mrs. George Soule.

We were surprised Saturday to learn that Mr. Sawyer, road master on the Maine Central Railroad, had discharged the foreman of this section, Mr. Jacob Colby, and two of his men, Daniel Ward and Howard Colby. A Mr. Wadsworth of Hiram is now foreman of the section. Clinton Warren and Charles Adams were hired in place of the other men. Many in this place are sorry for Mr. Colby as he has had charge of this section twenty-seven years.

HIRAM.

Irving Mabry, a student at Thornton Academy, is dangerously ill at his home in East Hiram with typhoid fever.

Albert Howard is confined to his bed with hernia.

Ezra W. Bosworth is building a stable near the red mill.

Henry W. Merrill attended the Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias this week at Portland.

Mrs. George W. Clifford attended a convention of W. C. T. U. at Bethel this week.

Mrs. George R. Bean is preparing to make an addition to her residence at East Hiram.

The Congregational Circle held a very pleasant and enjoyable circle at Pythian Hall on Thursday evening.

Mt. Cutler Grange, No. 152, is again in working order, and means business.

Ephraim Wentworth has recovered from his illness.

BETHEL.

The Cranford Ladies and their friends were introduced to a much pleased audience last Monday evening. Miss Ruby Clark in a most entertaining manner told the story which was frequently illustrated by tableaux. These young people dressed in the costumes of, we should say, their very distant ancestors, made the audience feel it had really been carried back to past days, and all seemed a reality. Miss Lillian True played the famous "Shadow Dance," and Miss Frances Carter gave "Chacone." After the entertainment, ice cream and cake was served. Much credit was due the young people for their effort, especially Miss Purington, who was the first to suggest the entertainment, and had charge of the tableaux, and Miss Marion Chandler, who had charge of the costumes. They made no mistake in choosing Miss Clark to fill the unique position of introducing the different characters, for she did this to perfection. A pleasant evening socially, and neat little sum for the treasury well repaid the effort of all.

Dr. Bucknam, formerly of Bryant Pond, has opened an office in the Bethel House. He comes most highly recommended, having had rare advantages in his preparation for his profession, and we hope he will be pleased with Bethel and its people and remain.

Bert Haynes is soon to open a laundry on Main Street. The degree of success in the past warrants even greater in a more commodious building.

Dr. J. A. Morton has been more comfortable for the past week.

Memorial services were held at the Congregational church Sunday, Rev. F. E. Barton preaching a very fine discourse. Music of unusual excellence furnished by a double quartette.

The baccalaureate sermon will be preached Sunday, May 30, by Rev. Israel Jordan.

WEST PERU.

At West Peru station last Monday Herbert Andrews' four-horse team got frightened at the passenger train and ran, throwing Mr. Andrews, and the wagon passed over him, hurting him quite badly. At last reports he was improving.

School commenced last Monday under the instruction of Mrs. M. Hall of Peru.

Whooping cough is prevailing in our village.

Ward Howard's 7-year-old daughter broke her arm while playing.

Married, in Franklin Plantation, May 16, by Rev. A. Abbott, Josiah Hall, Jr., and Miss Alice Atkins, both of Peru.

NORTH BUCKFIELD.

Fred Harlow, who has been at work for John Childs of Floral Park, N. Y., is at home for a while.

J. H. Carey, wife and son, of Salem, Mass., are in our place for a short vacation.

Gideon Fletcher has sold a colt to South Paris parties.

Olin Pingree's wife of Bethel is with her sister, Mrs. Ed Damon, for a while.

Norman Bessey has traded horses with Bert Millett of South Paris.

O. D. Warren is at home for a while. There seems to be quite a call for beef cattle in this vicinity just now.

WEST SUMNER.

Vilarus White of Livermore has been in the place a few days on business connected with the Harden estate.

Mrs. Louise Gurney and her friend, Mrs. H. D. Kimball, have come to spend the summer.

Ralph Morrill, who so severely injured his eye, has almost completely recovered the use of it.

The buildings of Charles Berry, consisting of house, ell, shed and barn, were entirely consumed by fire last Tuesday. It is supposed to have caught about the chimney. But little was saved as the buildings were somewhat isolated and hidden from view. No neighbor saw it until they were about consumed. No insurance.

Geo. Packard, Wallace Chandler, Chas. Hemingway and Dr. E. H. Andrews went to Four Ponds fishing last Friday, to be gone four or five days.

A Mr. Spear from Norway has moved into the Mrs. Hiram Howe rent.

BYRON.

Miss Rosette Shaw has been quite sick for a few days past.

Mr. James Irish of Hartford was in town Monday and Tuesday.

Richard Taylor went to guide Mr. Cary, a surveyor of Bangor, at Four Ponds, last week.

Garland Pond is becoming quite a fishing resort. One sportsman from Rumford Falls recently caught three trout at a single cast. He had three flies on his leader and hooked a trout on each. The trout weighed respectively one, two and three pounds, or six pounds in all.

Quite a number of farmers are sowing Hungarian seed this year instead of oats.

H. H. Richards made a trip to the lakes last week.

School at West End was delayed two weeks on account of the whooping cough.

Miss Anna Knapp of East Dixfield is teaching at Gum Corner.

Gervais Hodsdon recently bought the house occupied by Section Master Merrill at Gum Corner.

WILSON'S MILLS.

E. S. Bennett was at home from Errol for a short time Sunday.

Geo. Mitchell of Portland made Mrs. S. S. Bennett a brief call Wednesday. He thinks our roads very bad, (as in fact they are) but in six weeks from now our roads will be improved and repaired and are then as good as any roads in the backwoods of Maine.

F. A. Flint and R. A. Storey went to Colebrook Wednesday on business pertaining to the bridge.

A driver had his knee badly hurt on Aziscoos Falls Thursday morning.

The rear of the Berlin Mills Company's drive went by here Saturday morning, which is much earlier than usual.

MASON.

Died, in Mason, May 7th, of consumption, Ida M., wife of F. I. Bean, and adopted daughter of Addison S. Bean, aged 40 years, 9 months, 7 days.

Leander Grover of Bethel was in town last Friday.

Bert Perry returned to Boston last Friday, where he has a position as conductor on a Pullman car.

F. I. Bean, little Marion and Elmer Stiles are stopping at Addison Bean's.

Archie Hutchinson goes to Boston this Monday to find a job on the electrics. His wife goes to Bethel as a domestic in the family of Rev. Israel Jordan.

James Ulhman is chopping wood for Arthur Tyler.

Several Grangers of this place were at West Bethel the past week shingling their hall.

The roads are badly washed from the heavy rains of the past week.

NEWRY.

Mrs. J. F. Cooledge of this town attended her mother's funeral at Bethel Sunday.

Mrs. Horatio Wight and Mrs. W. B. Wight and daughters, also from this town, were in attendance.

J. R. Wight, a life-long resident of this town, died Monday of this week. His wife is lying very ill at the present writing. They are aged people.

Myra Libby has been very poorly for a month past, the result of something she took into her mouth when having some teeth extracted.

J. F. Cooledge is very much out of health this spring.

WELCHVILLE.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jordan of Mechanic Falls visited their daughter, Mrs. Nellie Kendall, last Sunday.

Mr. Arthur Staples is moving Miss Emma Washburne's goods into her tenement opposite S. E. King's store. Mrs. Seth Ames is assisting her.

Mr. Ezekiel Pinkham had a paralytic shock last week.

SUMNER.

J. D. Haynes and wife of South Paris were at her father's, Levi Newell's, last Sunday.

Mrs. W. F. Bonney is gaining from a severe attack of rheumatism.

Lovell Irish of Boston is visiting his sister, Mrs. Rebecca Russell.

E. H. Thompson of Rumford Centre repaired the fences on his farm in this place last week.

C. B. Tuttle is having a pump put into his kitchen.

CANTON.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Howe, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Merrill, Mr. and Mrs. George Wadlin, and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Gilbert made a fishing trip to Weld Pond last week, going Friday and returning Monday.

Miss Nell Thompson, of the Turf, Farm & Home, Waterville, spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thompson, in this town.

Dr. J. A. Henderson and wife, nee Lola Hersey, have been visiting at Geo. Moore's, and calling on other relatives and friends in town.

Nahum Moore, wife and daughter, of Rumford Falls, spent Sunday with Mrs. Fuller.

CANTON POINT.

Farmers are rushing their spring work.

C. M. Packard exchanged horses one day last week with Mexico parties.

Our trader is seen daily on his wheel.

Our blacksmith is slowly improving.

Mrs. Peter Russell was taken to the hospital at Lewiston for treatment.

The Maybasket business is booming. The young folks are having a fine time.

A social dance at Union Hall Friday evening, May 21. Music by Richardson's team, five pieces.

C. M. Packard was at Rumford Falls, May 15, on business matters.

E. H. Johnson has been at at work for B. B. Dailey farming.

Dennis Russell is at work for A. K. Foster.

Al Bartlett is in want of a white hat.

HARTFORD.

Mrs. Frank Allen broke her leg last week.

Mrs. Amos Purkis is very low.

The mud is not quite as deep as it was a week ago.

Adelbert Alley has moved on to the farm that was occupied by the late Moses Alley.

Albert Sampson has sold his farm in South Hartford.

Wm. Hayford has bought Herbert Irish's farm.

KEZAR FALLS.

Albert Stacy, who was hurt Friday on the N. Y. & N. E. R. R., was brought home Monday and buried, aged 25 years.

Horace Stanley, who has been sick for some time, was buried Tuesday, aged 54 years.

Fred Taylor, who has been stopping in Boston lately, came home Tuesday.

O. L. Mason is at work on a lot of sleighs for Murphy & Co. of Newfield.

Mrs. Lizzie Wentworth died the 19th of May.

More worms drowned the last week in this section than ever known of before, and the fewest fish caught. One of our experts said, "he was gone just six hours and he took a drink of whiskey every time he caught a trout and did not come home hot."

E. E. Chapman is buying all the wool he can.

Geo. W. Fox claims he has the best ox team in town or in this section.

Moses Stanley of Newfield is calling on a few friends in this section.

EAST SUMNER.

Bradeen & Russell have got a large boiler and engine for additional power in their dowel mill. It required several pairs of oxen to get the boiler over from the station.

The saw mill has finished up its work for the season.

Quite a crew are working on the Portland and Rumford Falls line in this place, graveling and laying new heavy rails. They board and lodge in cars fitted up for the purpose.

The cream carts now come in the morning with their cans. Three different lines terminate here, and it is becoming quite a business.

Farmers are putting in the seed for a crop of sweet corn for the Minot Packing Co. Planting is somewhat later than usual, owing to cold and wet weather.

OXFORD.

It was voted at the meeting of the corporation to put 44 electric lights in the streets, and that $400 should be raised for this purpose.

Rev. Mr. Varley occupied his pulpit on Sunday after an absence of three weeks.

Rev. Mr. Stanley has organized a junior Epworth League Society.

On Memorial Day the graves of the soldiers will be decorated in the afternoon. The Sons of Veterans and school children are expected to take part. The Norway band will be in attendance. Gen. Burbank of Biddeford will deliver the memorial address Monday evening. There will also be music, recitations, etc.

Miss Small, assistant teacher in the high school, has been sick. Her place has been filled by her sister, Miss Bertha Small.

ROXBURY.

The tent caterpillars are plenty and also the other kind are numerous; the same kind that destroyed about all the leaves in the country many years ago, so that the woods in June looked like November.

Mr. and Mrs. Higgins live in Mrs. Huston's house. They formerly lived in the Provinces. When there Mrs. Higgins went out for plums with her baby in her arms, and saw a bear asleep under a tree. She did not throw her baby nor scream, but walked on and Mr. Bear kept asleep, and she was more than willing that he should continue his dreams.

Another case in the Provinces: a Miss Fraser went out into the woods with her six-year-old brother; they came to a big log and she boosted the boy over the log on to the back of a sleeping bear. He sprang up, the girl snatched off the boy and both girl and boy did the screaming act for all it was worth.

BROWNFIELD.

Brownfield is getting to be quite a resort for trout fishing, many coming from a long distance, for the sport of catching the little speckled trout, being also sure of good entertainment at the Pequawket House, where teams are always ready to carry sportsmen to the best fishing grounds.

The ladies of the village have started a new enterprise, a public library, and are meeting with the success that is usual, when the women take hold of any village improvement. It is a sure thing from the word go. Quite a large fund for the purchase of books has already been secured.

HEBRON.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Glover spent Sunday in Portland.

The Ladies' Circle held their usual meeting in the vestry Tuesday afternoon.

The students' mid-term sociable was held Wednesday evening. The base ball boys staid over from Orono to attend.

Dr. Donham is at home just now and making great improvements in his garden. The doctor's grounds show careful attention.

Rev. S. D. Richardson is now watching the growth of his vegetable garden, which is coming up finely. He has a large bed of beautiful pansies and some of the colors are quite new to us, although we have raised pansies for the past twelve years with very good success.

Mr. Randall is back from Massachusetts.

Memorial Day will be fittingly observed on Sunday, May 30th.

PERU.

Mrs. Sabra Robinson has returned home from Sumner where she has been at work.

Miss Maggie Castle has gone to Mexico to work for Mrs. Kidder.

Miss Ada Gerrish is teaching school in District No. 2.

H. W. Babb has got done planting.

EAST PERU.

Mrs. Marcia Hall is teaching school at West Peru.

Miss Verda Ludden of Dixfield is teaching school in this place.

Miss Grace Johnson has gone to Auburn to work.

RUMFORD CENTRE.

The Grand Army hold services here May 31st, with bean dinner, Ellis River band, etc. A. K. Mayberry will deliver the address.

F. W. Graham is rebuilding his barn.

G. T. Thurston has built an ell to his house.

Isaac Small has bought a stand here of F. H. Bartlett.

C. H. Graham has the post office about completed.

BUCKFIELD.

Mrs. Waldo Pettengill and daughter of Rumford Falls were in town Saturday, the 15th.

Geo. S. Pike of Rumford Falls visited friends Friday and Saturday of last week.

Ellsworth Smith of Auburn was in town Saturday, the 15th.

Mrs. A. Louise Bisbee of Rumford Falls was in town Tuesday, the 18th.

Hon. O. H. Hersey left for Washington, D. C., Monday, the 17th.

Bank Examiner Hatch visited Bangor this week.

Several visited the cereal and industrial fair at Portland this week. While not so extensive as some previous fairs, it was good, what there was.

Mrs. I. C. Ingraham and daughter, Miss Pauline, arrived in town Thursday, preparatory to removing their effects to their new summer residence on Paris Hill.

The ladies of the Baptist circle gave a supper at G. A. R. Hall Friday evening.

Planting is backward, but grass has got a good start.

Several of the chorus singers of this place met Professor Chapman at the rehearsal Monday evening, the 17th, at Lewiston.

WEST PARIS.

The fruit trees in this vicinity look as though there might be an abundance of fruit this year.

J. R. Tucker, of Rumford Falls, was in town Monday.

C. W. Dunham and wife of Brattleboro, Vt., are visiting Mr. Dunham's parents here, and are soon to start on their annual fishing trip to the lakes.

Mr. H. P. Dennison of South Paris has bought of the E. E. Judkins heirs the stand formerly occupied by them, on the corner of Main and Church Streets, and is soon to occupy it as a residence. We are very glad to have such men as Mr. Dennison buy and occupy property in this village.

Mrs. Susan B. Claflin has returned from her winter's stay in Massachusetts and is living on the second floor of her house.

Mrs. Henry Davis, of Ashland, Mass., is visiting at Mrs. Claflin's.

H. H. Hunt met with a severe accident by splitting open with an axe, the thumb on his left hand.

Fifteen tramps lodged in a box car on Friday night. They are getting more and more bold as the days go by, and unless something takes place in our favor soon, it will take more than cold victuals to feed them.

Albert Ryder and wife of Gorham, N. H., are visiting relatives here.

D. P. Curtis lost quite a valuable horse the other morning, having found him in the stall with a leg broken.

A. A. Richmond, of West Bethel, is moving into the A. R. Tuell house on the Trap Corner road.

ANDOVER.

At a special town meeting it was voted to maintain a school in the Pratt and Falls Districts.

The lodge will meet next Friday, the 28th, in the hall. Let all in good standing be present.

Grass looks finely. The continued rain has given new life to vegetation.

But little planted. The ground is cold yet.

Lots of company expected this summer.

Hon. H. V. Poor has a crew at work in his new building, which will be a unique affair when completed.

Mr. Suter came Monday for a few days.

Mr. Damon deserves credit for fixing the roadway as neatly as he has on Elm Street.

Hon. H. V. Poor and family are in town.

L. D. Hanson, who has been spending the winter with his daughters at the Falls, has returned home.

EAST BETHEL.

Apple trees are in bloom.

Frank Harmon of Lovell, traveling agent for the Oxford County Advertiser, was through this place last week.

Wm. F. Brown has rented his house at Bryant Pond and gone to Berlin, N. H. Mr. Brown is in this place for a few weeks now working for C. C. Kimball.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Howe spent last Saturday and Sunday with friends at Birch Lodge, Howard's Pond.

H. E. Bartlett has gone to Andover to work.

Miss Hattie Thomas is working for Mrs. Eugene Bean.

RUMFORD.

Mrs. Olive Haines from Bethel is in town.

Mr. Isaac Small has sold his place at the Corner to Florus Bartlett and moved to the Centre.

Mrs. Blodgett has moved to the Corner.

Mrs. J. W. Stuart is in Portland this week.

Mr. Farnum commenced gathering cream nights the 19th inst.

Those who have potatoes to sell were given the chance to haul them to Locke's Mills for 25 cents per bushel.

FRYEBURG.

A poverty ball came off at Wiley's Hall on Friday evening under the auspices of the Sons of Veterans.

On Saturday afternoon a ball game between the Cornish High School and the Fryeburg Academy boys resulted in favor of the latter, 29 to 13.

Rev. Mr. Abbott returned on Saturday and occupied his pulpit on Sunday.

The deferred lecture by Prof. Mitchell of Bowdoin occurred on Monday evening. Subject, Books and Reading.

Mr. B. F. Newman and family spent Sunday at Norway.

The graduating class went to Bridgton for their class pictures last week, were obliged to go by Lovell on account of high water on the low land.

The church clock is again doing its duty after a rest of a week or two.

Miss Mary Fife has been at her brother's, S. W. Fife's, this week.

Thomas Souther is at Mr. Barrows' for a few days' vacation.

DENMARK.

Mr. Joseph Bennett is very feeble and in very poor health.

Mr. L. A. Ingalls is improving, and is able to sit up a little.

Mr. Ed Emery, United States Deputy Marshal, was in town again Tuesday, but did not find what he was after.

Mr. E. Swan and wife and Steve Jewett spent the day in Portland Thursday, Governor's day.

Mr. Fred Smith was in Portland Tuesday and Wednesday as a delegate to the K. P. convention.

The district surveyors are busy on the road repairs, and none too soon, either.

EAST HEBRON.

Caterpillars are very industrious and plenteous.

H. I. Tuttle from Chelsea, Mass., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. A. E. Robinson. His numerous friends were all glad to greet him.

Mrs. A. G. Roberts dropped hot lime into her eye from her brush and is suffering from its effects.

Frank Roberts, from Auburn, started to visit his uncle, A. G. Roberts, of this place, lost his way and found himself at Livermore Falls, came from that place to his uncle's, and returned home the same night. The journey was taken on his wheel.

I. T. Saunders has two cows that are losing the use of their limbs. Several have lost cows from the same disease.

Mrs. Erastus Hayes has had an operation performed on her eye and it is doing finely.

Farmers are busy; but few have planted much, the land being too wet.

SWEDEN.

John Evans had the misfortune to get both bones of his left arm broken one day last week. The fracture was set by Dr. Packard.

Francis Woodbury, now of Hartford, Conn., is making a three weeks' visit at the parental home, D. H. Woodbury's. He is accompanied by his friend, Mr. Clayton Hotchkiss of Hartford.

The circle of last week, which was postponed on account of bad weather, came off Friday evening, and was well attended. The farce "Thirty Minutes for Refreshments," was well acted, and several selections of music were given.

LOCKE'S MILLS.

The following property will be sold at auction at the home of George W. Waterhouse next Saturday, May 29th, at 11 o'clock: 1 top buggy, 1 farm cart, 1 mowing machine, 1 portable 8 horse-power engine, 1 separator, and 1 hand cider mill.

LOVELL.

A. M. Davis of Harrison, District Deputy of the 8th district of Odd Fellows, came to Lovell Thursday afternoon, and with some of the Lovell members visited Fryeburg Lodge in the evening.

On Monday at 10 o'clock A. M., the council of Congregational churches convened at the village for the ordination of Mr. Earl B. Wood, the pastor here. The forenoon was spent in organization of the council and examination of the candidate. Dinner was served in Fox's Hall at noon. In the afternoon the ordination service was held. Music was furnished by the village choir, Miss Fannie Hubbard organist. The following was the program:

Organ Voluntary.
Anthem.
Invocation, Rev. E. H. Abbott.
Report of Council.
Reading of Scripture, Rev. C. P. Cleaves.
Hymn.
Sermon, Rev. D. P. Hatch, Bangor.
Ordaining Prayer, Rev. C. S. Young.
Charge to the Candidate, Rev. Geo. M. Wardwell.
Right Hand of Fellowship, Rev. A. P. McDonald.
Address to Church, Rev. C. F. Sargent.
Concluding Prayer, Rev. A. G. Fitz.
Hymn.
Benediction by the pastor.

W. O. Brown is making repairs on the buildings of J. L. Parkers'.

A family of summer boarders at F. E. Farnham's.

A water pipe is being laid from the house of E. F. Stearns to that of Rev. J. E. Werren.

The Congregational circle at the Centre was held at the town house Wednesday evening, and a hulled corn supper was served.

Miss Margie Hatch is at home from Lakewood, N. J.

COUNTY W. C. T. U.

AN INSPIRING AND HELPFUL CONVENTION AT BETHEL.

BETHEL, May 20, 1897.

The glorious sunshine and nature in her new dress of green gave an added charm to Bethel scenery, and seemed to join in welcoming the white ribboners last Tuesday morning.

The Oxford County W. C. T. U. met in convention at the Universalist church at 10:20 A. M. The convention opened with a devotional service led by the county president, Mrs. Minnie Robinson, of Norway. The key note of the whole series of meetings seemed to be sounded in this meeting—more earnest, helpful Christian service.

The program published last week was carried out. The address of welcome was given by Mrs. T. H. Chapman, the local president. No visitor need to question her welcome after listening to words so full of generous and hearty good-will, and assurance of the appreciation of the entertaining Union, of the effort the ladies had made to attend the convention.

Mrs. Clifford of Hiram responded for the visitors in a very happy manner.

The reports of superintendents of the several departments of work taken up by the Unions showed a growing interest in the work, and gave much encouragement.

After the noontide prayer and adjournment all present were invited to partake of a bountiful dinner in the pleasant dining room below, which had been prepared by the Bethel ladies.

Tuesday afternoon after a devotional service led by Mrs. Bunting, the convention was again called to order, minutes read, then the audience listened to a fine address given by the county president. A general review of the work was given and many helpful suggestions made as to the plan of work for the coming year. Special mention was made of the arrival of our beloved state president in England, now attending the convention there. The members, officers and superintendents were urged to more active, aggressive work, and even in discouragement, when the seed sown seemed to bear no fruit, to still remember these words: "Be not weary in well doing, for in due season ye shall reap if ye faint not."

Remarks from the several clergymen and visiting members filled the hour until 3:30, when the school children marched in and were addressed by Judge Woodbury. The children listened attentively to the words of warning and advice given by one whose experience covers a period of fourscore years, yet whose heart is in close touch and warm sympathy with all that is done to uplift humanity and to save the young. If all could remember that the bird with the broken wing can never soar so high again, a greater sacrifice would be made to save our boys and girls. Adjourned to meet at 7:30.

Those who had looked forward to this part of the program as the feast of the convention were not to be disappointed. Short addresses were made by Rev. C. E. Angell, Norway, Rev. F. E. Barton, Rev. Israel Jordan and Rev. Alexander Hamilton of Bethel.

The music committee had added a pleasing part to the program. The Bethel chorus, led by B. C. Snyder, sang "Praise Ye the Father." Misses Edith Grover and Nellie Frost sang a duet, and Mr. Snyder and Miss Alice Purington sang "In the Cross of Christ I Glory." Much credit was due Miss Billings, the organist, who so kindly assisted, and the generosity of the singers who so cheerfully added to the interest of the meeting, was appreciated by all.

Wednesday morning the devotional meeting opened at 9:00. At 9:30 the convention was called to order and business occupied the forenoon. Officers were elected for the ensuing year. The convention showed its confidence in and appreciation of Mrs. Robinson by unanimously re-electing her to the office. Other officers as follows:

Vice-Presidents—Mrs. Ellen Pierce, East Hiram, and Miss Annie Cross, Bethel.
Cor. Sec.—Miss Jennie B. Kimball, Hiram.
Rec. Sec.—Miss Mary L. Gordon, Fryeburg.
Treas.—Mrs. Fannie Clifford, Hiram.

One important change was made to the end that there may be more uniformity in the work. Voted that the local unions hold their annual meeting the first week in May each year, and that the annual meeting of the county convention be the Wednesday and Thursday of the third week in May.

The morning session closed with a very impressive memorial service for those who had been called from the work here to higher service in the presence of the Master. Noontide prayer and adjournment.

Again the tables were loaded with the most appetizing viands, and after enjoying this part of the program once more the afternoon session was opened by a devotional service led by Mrs. Andrews. After the calling to order of the convention, reading of the minutes and general remarks, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That as every good and perfect gift comes from our Father in Heaven, we will continue to thank Him for guidance in the past and go forward with increased courage and faithfulness in the various departments of our work, depending on Him in the sowing and reaping; therefore,

Resolved, That as the children are the coming men and women, we will give more earnest effort toward educating them in the true principles of temperance, purity and morality, and urge the securing of hearty co-operation on the part of all teachers and supervisors of our public schools.

Resolved, That our Unions make strong and persistent efforts to arouse public conscience in regard to the brutal and growing practice of vivisection

The Oxford Democrat.

SOUTH PARIS.

SOUTH PARIS POST OFFICE.

Office Hours: 6:00 to 7:00 A. M; 8:00 A. M. to 8:00 P. M.

Mails close: For Portland, &c., 6:25, 9:15 A. M., 3:50 P. M.; for Gorham, &c., 9:15 A. M., 3:20 P. M.

Mails arrive at post office: From Portland, &c., 9:30 A. M., 3:40, 8:15 P. M.; from Gorham, &c., 9:45, 9:50 A. M.

CHURCHES.

First Congregational Church, R. J. Haughton, Pastor. On Sunday, preaching services, 10:45 A. M. and 7:00 P. M.; Sabbath School 12 M.; prayer meeting Tuesday evening; Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday evening.

Methodist Church, Rev. I. A. Bean, Pastor. On Sunday, morning prayer meeting, 9:30 A. M.; preaching service, 10:45 A. M.; Sabbath School 12 M.; Epworth League Meeting, 6 P. M.; evening prayer meeting 7 P. M.; prayer meeting Tuesday evening; class meeting, Friday evening.

Baptist Church. Rev. T. J. Ramsdell, Pastor. On Sunday, preaching service 10:45 A. M.; Sabbath School 12 M.; prayer meeting 7:00 P. M.; prayer meeting Tuesday evening.

The Baptist church is being painted.

S. P. Stearns is painting his house on Pleasant Street.

Several of our Bates students were at home over Sunday.

Mr. A. M. Gerry of Farmington was in the place last week.

S. A. True, Esq., of Portland, was at South Paris Saturday.

John W. Chute of Sweden visited at J. S. Wright's last week.

Mrs. Villa Hoyt of Waltham, Mass., is visiting at J. S. Wright's.

Walter L. Gray, principal of Bridgton High School, was in town over Sunday.

R. L. Cummings and family are moving into a tenement in the Alva Hersey house.

Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Bolster and little Ruth spent Sunday with relatives in Portland.

Charles Gowell has moved from his farm north of Paris Hill to his residence in South Paris.

J. A. Lambe has been on a trip to Calais summoned there by the illness of his wife's sister.

Wallace Ryerson is repainting his house in lighter colors. Stuart Brothers are doing the work.

Conductor Davis of the street railway returned to Massachusetts with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Davis, last Thursday, where he will spend his vacation.

O. M. Richardson, the Canton florist, was in town Friday with a wagon load of plants for sale. Wherever he went he was surrounded by a crowd, and did a good business.

The tomb in Riverside Cemetery belonging to the Bolster and other families, but for some time unoccupied, is being removed, and the place where it stood will be graded. Other improvements are being made in the cemetery.

The Paris Manufacturing Co. have been running a small night crew for some time, and are unable to keep up with their orders. The adjustable school furniture business, which is a new department, would alone keep quite a large crew at work.

Mr. J. F. Plummer received a cablegram the first of last week from his daughter, Miss Minne Anne Plummer, at Naples, Italy. It was something of a relief to Miss Plummer's friends, as the steamer in which she sailed had not been reported at Gibraltar, and they were getting a little uneasy.

Wm. K. Kimball Relief Corps Thursday evening chose the following officers:

President—Mrs. Helen M. Childs.
Vice-President—Mrs. I. J. Monk.
Secretary—Mrs. I. Rounds.
Treasurer—Mrs. H. N. Bolster.
Conductor—Mrs. A. H. Witham.
Guard—Mrs. Rawson Holman.
Chaplain—Mrs. Milton Morton.
Past President—Mrs. W. M. Shaw.

The board fence around the new Electra Park is completed, and the work done there from now on will make more show. Perhaps a month's time will be required now to get the park ready to open. One item of furnishing which has been ordered is two hundred electric lights, so there is no danger but the place will be well lighted.

Albert D. Park has put a large amount of work into the lot on which his new house stands, and you would hardly recognize it as the same lot. The entire lot has been cleared of stones and graded, driveways built, two terraces built and sodded on the upper part of the lot, trees set, etc. It will be one of the prettiest places in the village when nature has had time to do a little work on it.

The three young fellows who broke into F. L. Willis' house, and were, during the May term of court, delivered over to the tender mercies of Cumberland County, were sentenced Thursday. They pleaded guilty to the charge of breaking into several cottages at Cape Elizabeth, and Judge Bonney gave them four years in state prison. Oxford County won't have to go to any expense on their account for some time.

F. A. Thayer has lost his valuable dog "Keno." Having to drive out a few miles one day last week, Mr. Thayer took the dog along. On the Stony Brook road, near the Fobes farm, the dog lay down in the road, as if something was the matter. Mr. Thayer went back to him, but before he got there the dog jumped up and ran off into the woods, and nothing has been seen or heard of him since. He was a pure-blooded Scotch collie, some less than a year old, and was a very handsome dog. The family feel very badly over his disappearance.

It will be welcome news to the lovers of first-class theatrical productions, to know that the Lillian Tucker Co., so well and favorably known to our citizens, is playing an engagement at the Opera House, comprising every evening and Saturday matinee. Miss Tucker is a universal favorite, her supporting company is composed of first-class artists and it is undoubtedly the best theatrical company which visits our town. There are plenty of pleasing specialties introduced, consisting of singing, dancing, etc., together with the electrical marvel of the 19th century, the Magniscope, presenting nightly a different series of Edison's Animated Pictures, so life-like and true to nature that one can hardly believe but what they are alive. Among the pictures presented is an express train at full speed, the "Lone Fisherman," "May Irwin Kiss" and many others. The plays are all new, full of good, wholesome comedy, and varied so as to suit all tastes and classes. Monday evening, "The Little Duchess." The remainder of plays presented can be seen on small bills. Popular prices of 15, 25 and 35 cents, with reserved seat tickets on sale in advance at Shurtleff's drug store. The merits of this popular company undoubtedly will and should be recognized by large houses during their stay.

The first pigeon shoot was held under the management of the South Paris Gun Club last Saturday afternoon, May 22. The turn out was good and our list of members is gaining. There were some very good scores made. J. W. Carter, Vice-President of the Hallowell Gun Club, was the guest of L. P. Swett, also I. N. Stanley, a member of the Portland Gun Club, the guest of Wirt Stanley. There were a number of the boys here that tried their hand at it for the first time and the club stands a good show of getting them as members, and they are of the quality that the club is looking for. There is still room for more. The next club shoot will be held on Saturday afternoon, May 29, at 4 o'clock sharp. On Decoration Day—which will be observed here Monday—the club will also hold a shoot and the time set for it is 9 o'clock A. M. All please turn out and do justice to the club. Following is the score for last Saturday:

NAMES.	20 BIRDS.	TOTAL.
Knight, E.,	11111111101011110101	16
Parsons, J.,	11001101010101001111	12
Brett, C.,	10111010101001011110	12
Titcomb, C.,	10101010111100001110	11
Bassett, E.,	11111010101001100010	11
Swett, L.,	00111001001001011110	10
Maxim, M.,	11110010110001001'00	9
Morton, H.,	00110100101110010010	9
Dobie, F.,	11010001100010001110	9
DeCoster, L.,	01010101101110000000	9
Stanley, W.,	01101001001000000111	8
Wright, F.,	01010110101100000100	8
Stanley, I. N.,	00100101010100110001	7
Carter, J. W.,	00001010100101001000	7
Stuart, C.,	01010001010100000010	6
Bryant, M.,	00011000001010011000	6
Dennison, W.,	00010000000000000100	2
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Charles R. Elder, Esq., of Boston, is in town.

Judge Enoch Foster of Bethel was in town Monday.

George W. Ripley is visiting relatives in this village.

Mrs. Charlotte Howe is visiting her son in Waltham, Mass.

Arthur P. Holman is now one of the conductors on the electrics.

Charles E. Dwinals is building a story-and-a-half house, with ell, on the lot on the Pine Street extension, or Briggs Avenue.

George W. Cook has completed the foundation and begun the erection of his new residence on Western Avenue near the head of Gothic Street.

School Superintendent M. F. Corson of Rumford Falls was in town last week and visited the South Paris and Norway schools, besides making the Democrat a very pleasant call.

Mt. Pleasant Rebekah Lodge will have a box lunch at the close of their meeting on Friday evening, May 28th. Each lady will furnish lunch enough for two. All the members are requested to be present.

Advertised letters in the South Paris post office May 24:

Dora M. Brady.
Mrs. Fannie Record.
Mr. Edward L. Stevens.
Mr. George Kelley.

Mr. H. P. Dennison has bought a house at West Paris, and will probably remove to that place some time next month. He has recently become interested in the State of Maine Wood Rim Co. at that place.

All the ladies who are interested in the proper observance of Memorial Day are requested to meet at G. A. R. Hall, on Saturday, May 29th, at 1:30 P. M., to assist in making trimming, wreaths, etc., for decorating on Memorial Day.

The ladies of the Relief Corps are to have a social gathering at Grand Army Hall on Memorial evening, Monday, May 31st, to which the members of the post are cordially invited. It is hoped that all members of both orders will be present.

Treasurer George R. Morton of the Paris Manufacturing Co. has purchased of Albion Taylor a house lot containing about an acre of land, on the easterly slope of the ridge, directly west from the factory, and a short distance south of W. C. McArdle's.

There is hardly any limit to Oxford County talent. The Democrat received a pleasant call recently from an Oxford County man who had commenced teaching his 119th term of school. It is hardly necessary to say that it was that veteran pedagog, Wm. M. Brooks of Norway.

The match race at the fair grounds Saturday afternoon was between James Pledge's black mare and Thede Thayer's little bay horse. The Thayer horse was an easy winner and surprised everybody by doing a half mile in 1:15 1-2, a pretty good clip for a green colt that was raised by a minister.

As Memorial Day will be observed next Monday, the Democrat will be issued one day later than usual next week. Correspondents are requested not to delay their communications after the usual time, but in case of anything of special importance they may send in an additional card on Monday.

Fred W. Bonney and wife have returned from their fishing trip at the lakes and report a very pleasant and successful trip. They brought home eleven trout that averaged 1 1-4 pounds each. That 4-pound fish that "repaid him for going" was caught only by the reporter of one of the local papers, and then only on paper.

Henry Fletcher, Superintendent of Schools, has called a meeting of the Paris teachers for Saturday, May 29th, at 2 P. M., in the high school room, South Paris. Subject for discussion, A Uniform Course of Study for all the Schools in Town." Question Box. Members of the school committee and others interested in the welfare of our schools are cordially invited.

Thursday evening the second of the series of recitals of the piano pupils of Mr. E. W. Hanscom of Auburn was given at Mr. Hanscom's studio. Mrs. Cora S Briggs of this place was the pianist and was assisted by her husband, Mr. George A. Briggs, baritone. The Journal critic gives quite a lengthy review of the programme, speaking in the highest terms of Mrs. Briggs' playing and Mr. Briggs' singing.

The Arabian Klan has come to town! It was organized last Friday in connection with Hamlin Lodge, K. of P., and the following are the officers:

Imperial High Potentate—Rev. R. J. Haughton.
Grand Wizard—A. C. T. Klag.
Grand Magi—Frank Taylor.
Prophet of the Klan—T. S. Barnes.
Oriental Guide—C. M. Titcomb.
First Regulator—G. M. Cutting.
Second Regulator—J. T. Parsons.
Grand Inkslinger—F. L. Dobie.
Grand Boodler—A. H. Jackson.
Inside Lictor—Herbert Fletcher.
Outside Lictor—Wm. Stinchfield.

We hardly think these Moslems will cause us any trouble, and therefore we will say, "Welcome, sons of the desert!" Though members of any secret society in good standing are eligible to the Klan, we will add for all who intend to join this interesting Klan, "The sands of the desert are hot."

BISCOE DISTRICT.

Bert Foster has a new bike.

Len Sessions is caring for Mr. Jno. Andrews.

A. H. Andrews is building a lot of wire fence.

Apple trees are coming out quite full in this neighborhood.

Ed Dudley has been at work with his horses for Fred Jackson.

A. H. Andrews has sold his large black oxen to Wardwell for Auburn.

Fred Farrar has serious trouble with his eyes, one being nearly sightlesss at present.

Mrs. E. A. Jackson has some very beautiful tulips. A lot of Buffalo beetles were found in them.

Mrs. A. J. Penley spent a day last week at South Paris with her friend, Mrs. Chester Record.

A. J. Penley has an abundance of garden rhubarb since May 12th; lettuce May 21, and has early potatoes, radishes and cucumbers well up.

Myrtle Holden, who has been living at C. R. Penley's for a few months, has gone to live with her mother, Mrs. Montague, in New Hampshire. Mrs. Bert Jackson and little daughter, of Hungry Hollow, went with her.

MEMORIAL DAY.

OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL SUNDAY AND MEMORIAL DAY IN PARIS.

The members of Wm. K. Kimball Post and Relief Corps will attend divine service at the Universalist church, Paris Hill, on Sunday, May 30th, at 2:30 P. M. Barges will leave Market Square, South Paris, at 1:30.

On Memorial Day, (Monday), the graves of all soldiers in the cemeteries and yards in Paris, excepting Riverside at South Paris, will be decorated by comrades of the post, detailed for that purpose, at 8 o'clock, A. M.

The Memorial Day services will be held at South Paris in the afternoon. The line will be formed in Market Square at 1:30. Scholars of the schools in the town, and citizens are cordially invited to join the procession in the parade. Music will be furnished by the Paris Hill Band. The march will be to Riverside Cemetery, where short services will be held—music by the band, singing by the choir, prayer, brief remarks, decorating of the graves, etc.

From the cemetery the march will be to Moore Park, passing the soldiers' monument, then return to New Hall, where the exercises of the day will be held, consisting of music by the band, singing by the choir, prayer, reading by Frank L. Starbird. The address will be given by Rev. C. A. Southard of Lewiston. All are invited to be present to participate in the exercises of the day.

S. D. BROWN, P. C.,
H. N. BOLSTER, Adjt.,
O. G. CURTIS, Q. M.
} Gen. Com. on Exercises.

NORWAY.

Several miles of sleepers and poles are on the location of the Oxford Central Railroad at the northerly end.

The assessors of town and corporation taxes have the books nearly ready for committment to Collector Cole for 1897.

Charles F. Ridlon is greatly improving his new house on Oak Avenue, by the enlargement of some rooms and the addition of one story to the ell.

James A. Tuell handles a large amount of domestic butter and farm produce which he purchases in summer.

Frank A. Danforth has commenced work on the old Asa Danforth place. The large stable has been removed and ground broken for the store.

It is reported that Arthur Hebbard will purchase a house lot on the northerly side of the lot on Danforth Street and build a house.

Freeland Howe and wife are enjoying a short vacation at the lakes this week. It is their annual outing.

The merry-go-round has put in an appearance on the tannery lot. It is rushed with business.

Rev. Dr. A. T. Dunn, of Portland, preached at the Baptist church Sunday afternoon to a crowded attendance. Dr. Dunn also conducted the evening services.

America Bisbee, who has been sick for several years at his daughter's on Pleasant Street, is very low.

The tax payers will be pleased to know the following: Total amount of taxable property in town for 1897, $1,115,274; consisting of $815,435 in real estate, and non-resident taxed at $61,776; personal estate resident $226,843; non-resident $11,220; money tax rate, $.0155 on the dollar; poll tax, $2.00; highway labor tax, $.0035 on the dollar; poll tax, $1.50. The discount on highway tax is 25 cents on the dollar if paid on or before July 4, '97.

J. F. Bolster went to Augusta a few days ago to set a Scotch granite monument for the late James Welch.

John W. Carter, of Hallowell, is visiting friends and relatives in town. Mr. Carter was for some time in trade in this village before he moved to Hallowell.

Mrs. Sarah S. Hobbs has sold her delightful residence at Norway Lake to John S. Kneeland, who has taken possession.

Samuel H. Hayden, of Haverhill, Mass., made his people a short visit the first of the week.

John Haselton, with his hayrack and four-in-hand, gave the high school scholars their first ride of the season Tuesday evening. They were a merry company of pleasure seekers, sure.

Surveyor Austin cleared up Main Street Monday. The road machine played a very important part.

Verne M. Whitman, L. P. Swett, Edgar Tufts and Charles L. Jackson are having canoes made at Mr. Stephenson's shop in this village.

Merton L. Kimball, Esq., O. M. Cummings, Capt. E. Ames and C. G. Mason attended the Grand Lodge of K. of P. at Portland this week.

A crew of men are at work on the sidewalk in front of the academy buildings, Main Street, straightening the same.

The highway surveyors for the following districts have been appointed as follows:

1.	Geo. E. Austin,	17.	C. J. Everett,
2.	Calvin Richardson,	18.	Roswell Frost,
3.	A. F. Jackson,	19.	John E. Rhodes,
4.	E. B. Tubbs,	20.	Geo. W. Wood,
5.	H. G. Dinsmore,	21.	E. A. Merrill,
6.	F. M. Noble,	22.	F. S. Frost,
7.	Emerson Kilgore,	23.	O. W. H. Judkins,
8.	Harry Wood,	24.	Chester G. French,
9.	John Wyman,	25.	J. B. Frost,
10.	L. A. Carter,	26.	Alvin Brown,
11.	H. F. Greenleaf,	27.	V. H. Johnson,
12.	H. I. Holt,	28.	A. P. Farnham,
13.	Orin Brown,	29	H. N. Brown,
14.	T. D. Knightly,	30.	A. J. Millett.
15.	C. W. Ryerson,	31.	E. C. Walker,
16.	J. E. Marston,	32.	L. M. Cox,
		33.	E. A. Cox.

L. P. Bartlett, of the firm of B. F. Spinney & Co., with S. H. Wolcott and W. C. Cole, is enjoying himself catching good trout.

Deputy Sheriff Cross was in Lewiston Thursday on business.

Enoch H. Wentworth is stopping in Auburn for a short time. The outcome of a "good time."

David Andrews of Otisfield was in town the first of the week and visited his people. Mr. Andrews was burned out at the Falls in the big fire of '94 and has not rebuilt.

The announcement is made of the engagement of Rev. Marcus H. Carroll, of the Episcopal church, and Octavia Bickford, daughter of Major and Mrs. W. K. Bickford.

L. I. Gilbert has a new awning over his store windows.

The town clock bell was raised two feet this week by C. H. Adams for fire alarm purposes.

The school board have engaged Mrs. Alma Pendexter Hayden, first assistant, and Hugh Pendexter, second assistant, in the high school; Mrs. H. D. Bartlett for the first grammar, and Mercie Millett for the first primary for the fall term. Miss Elinor F. Hunt, Miss Kate W. Hobbs and Miss Susie Millett have resigned.

The owners of cottages by the lake are arranging to move in at once. C. B. Cummings and family have already taken possession of Goat Island for the season.

Merritt Welch has moved the shade trees from the Danforth lot, corner Main and Danforth Streets, to his residence.

Charles C. Tibbetts, formerly proprietor of the Ginn House, was in town Saturday, and made his friends a short call.

Bradley Frost is hauling from the station to the corn shops cans for the approaching season's pack. There are about 300,000 in all.

A. L. Cook has so far recovered from his late sickness so as to resume work for Mel Sampson.

It is understood that the contract to build the new electric road has been closed and work will be commenced in the near future. The question of damage to the land owners over which the road has been located has not been adjusted. It is of course a matter of some importance to both parties.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY MEETING.

There will be a woman's missionary meeting at the Baptist church at Norway next Thursday, beginning at 10 o'clock. Miss Bownell, a returned missionary, will present the foreign cause. Mrs. Amanda Coleman, a graduate of Hartshorn Memorial College, now teacher in Wayland Seminary, will speak in behalf of home missions. As it is a basket meeting, those attending will carry their lunch. Tea and coffee provided by the Norway ladies. Half rates will be given on R. F. R. R. and G. T. R. R.

Hills, Norway, is the only practical optician in Oxford County; the only one in this county who ever attended an optical school, and has diploma for same. No mail diplomas. He can back up his statements, and use no wind.

A number of Lewiston and Mechanic Falls wheelmen took dinner at the Andrews House Sunday.

Hills, the jeweler, Norway, offers no such inducements to patrons as cheap work, still his prices are no higher than any first-class workman.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, } ss.
LUCAS COUNTY.

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

(SEAL.) A. W. GLEASON, *Notary Public.*

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There is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over 1-4 as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15cts. and 25cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

Shake Into Your Shoes

Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It cures painful, swollen, smarting feet and instantly takes the sting out of corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Allen's Foot-Ease makes tight-fitting or new shoes feel easy. It is a certain cure for sweating, callous and hot, tired, aching feet. Try it to-day. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores. By mail for 25c. in stamps. Trial package Free. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

Watches cleaned for 75 cents and main spring same price. All work warranted at Richards' shop.

The fact that our popular optician, Dr. Samuel Richards, is president of the alumni association of the Philadelphia Optical College is proof of his ability as a refracting optician.

The X-rays give a new insight to scientists only, but the improved rays through our glasses give new sight to every one.—Dr. Richards, Consulting Optician, South Paris.

A. P. Bassett of Norway has been recently appointed fish and game warden, he also holds the office of state detective, coroner and constable. Any business reported to him in either line will receive prompt attention. All letters are held strictly confidential and promptly answered.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your Grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. 1-4 the price of coffee. 15c. and 25 cts. per package. Sold by all grocers.

BORN.

In East Stoneham, May 14, to the wife of Alphonzo McAllister, a daughter.

In North Norway, May 14, to the wife of Oliver Merrill, a daughter.

In Oxford, May 8, to the wife of John Hall, a son.

In Rumford Falls, May 4, to the wife of George Dyer, a daughter.

In Rumford Falls, May 13, to the wife of Wallace E. Haynes, a son.

In Rumford Falls, May 13, to the wife of Alfred Fisher, a son.

In Rumford Falls, May 16, to the wife of Joseph LaBrieque, a daughter.

MARRIED.

In Bethel, May 14, by Rev. I. Jordan, Mr. Eblen Whitman and Mrs. Augusta Lyon Pratt.

In Norway, May 17, by Rev. W. B. Eldridge, John Henry Chaplin of Poland and Melinda Morey of Calais.

In North Norway, May 15, at the residence of the bride's father, Geo. G. Abbott, by Rev. W. B. Eldridge, James E. Marston and Florence E. Abbott.

In Fryeburg, May 14, by Rev. B. N. Stone, Erastus B. Harriman and Carrie Isnam, both of Fryeburg.

In East Brownfield, May 19, by Rev. Newton Clough, Mr. Charles Spring and Miss Mary Stickney.

In Franklin Plantation, May 16, by Rev. A. Abbott, Mr. Josiah Hall, Jr., and Miss Alice Atkins, both of Peru.

In Bath, Me., May 19, Rev. James L. Hoyle of Rumford Falls, and Miss Sophronia E. Thurlow of Bath.

In Milton Plantation, May 8, by Henry Davis, Esq., Mr. Fred Foster of Woodstock and Miss Lola L. Bean of Milton Plantation.

DIED.

In East Stoneham, May 16, youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. David Keniston aged about 1 year.

In Oxford, May 16, Mary, widow of the late Jonathan Work, aged 84 years.

In Mason, May 7, Ida M., wife of Fletcher I. Bean, aged 40 years, 9 months, 7 days.

In Newry, May 17, Joseph R. Wight, aged 79 years.

In South Bethel, May 14, Mrs. I. R. King.

In East Brownfield, May 14, Mrs. Cyrilla, wife of Smith Grey, aged 50 years.

In North Sumner, May 12, Mrs. Phineas Richardson.

SOUTH PARIS.

WEAK EYES REQUIRE GLASSES,

And there are no exceptions to the rule. If your eyes are weak or the sight defective in any way, and you are not wearing glasses, you are playing with danger.

You can't be too careful in having your eyes examined and fitted. A small mistake may mean eternal darkness. What we do we do right, no charge for examination or fitting.

DR. Samuel Richards,

Graduate of the Philadelphia Optical College,

.....Office, South Paris, Me.....

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TRUNKS, VALISES and EXTENSION CASES.

W. O. & G. W. Frothingham,

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Low prices on Cultivators to close.

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Music Books, studies, Banjos, Mandolins and Guitars.

H. W. POWERS, South Paris.

Music at Shurtleff's.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the estate of PERRIN DUDLEY, late of Woodstock, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

May 19th, 1897. ANSEL DUDLEY.

NOTICE.

The subscribers hereby give notice that they have been duly appointed executors of the estate of ARABELLA R. CARTER, late of Paris, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

MARY B. CARTER.
May 19th, 1897. PERCIVAL J. PARRIS.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the estate of PAMELIA DEYEREAU, late of Brownfield, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

May 19th, 1897. JOHN BENNETT.

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always wear a good fitting suit. If you have been disappointed heretofore and got nothing but a misfit, get your next suit of

E. L. JEWELL,

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Satisfaction Guaranteed.

Notice of Assignee of his Appointment.

At Paris, in the County of Oxford and of Maine, the 20th day of May, A. D. 1897.

The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as Assignee of the insolvent estate of FRANK S. BUBIER, of Paris, in the County of Oxford, Insolvent Debtor, who has been declared Insolvent upon his petition by the Court of Insolvency for said County of Oxford.

JAMES S. WRIGHT, Assignee.

Notice of Assignee of his Appointment.

At Buckfield, in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, the 20th day of May, 1897.

The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as Assignee of the insolvent estate of LEWIS B. SPAULDING of Buckfield, in the County of Oxford, Insolvent Debtor, who has been declared insolvent upon his petition by the Court of Insolvency for said County of Oxford.

ALPHONSO P. WARREN, Assignee.

PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper published at South Paris, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of June, A. D. 1897, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause:

RUBY HARDEN, late of Sumner, deceased. Will and petition for probate thereof presented by Valorus White, the executor therein named.

LYDIA S. FRENCH, late of Porter, deceased. Will and petition for probate thereof presented by Henry C. French, son.

SOPHIA J. CURTIS, late of Paris, deceased. Will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of administrator with the will annexed, presented by Anna A. Lothrop, sister.

OLIVET ROBBINS, late of Woodstock, deceased. Petition for the appointment of an administrator presented by Irwin A. Robbins, son.

EBENEZER R. HOLMES, late of Oxford, deceased. Petition for a partial distribution presented by James S. Wright and W. S. Starbird, administrators with the will annexed.

JAMES F. BIRD, late of Albany, deceased. Petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by Wellington Bird, administrator.

HANNIBAL McALLISTER, late of Sumner, deceased. Petition for an allowance out of personal property presented by Isabel C. McAllister, widow.

KINGSBURY CURTIS, late of Paris, deceased. First account presented for allowance by Davis P. Curtis, administrator with the will annexed.

REBECCA CUSHMAN, late of Hebron, deceased. First account presented for allowance by Charles H. George, administrator.

FRANCIS W. REDLON, of Porter, ward. Second account presented for allowance by Geo. E. Davis, guardian.

MARY A. BROWN, late of Hebron, deceased. Will with petition for probate thereof and the appointment of an administrator with the will annexed presented by S. E. Brown, son.

ISAAC E. RICHARDSON, late of Rumford, deceased. Petition for appointment of an administrator presented by Charles E. Richardson, son.

ANGELINE F. MASON, late of Paris, deceased. Petition of Geo. A. Wilson, administrator de bonis non, for license to sell real estate.

JESSIE H. RUSSELL, late of Oxford, deceased. Will and petition for probate thereof and for the appointment of an administrator with the will annexed, presented by Ellen Russell, widow.

SEWARD S. STEARNS, Judge of said Court.
A true copy—Attest:—
ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At an Insolvency Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the 19th day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper published at South Paris, in said County, that they may appear at an Insolvency Court to be held at said Paris, on the 16th day of June, A. D. 1897, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

PETER RUSSELL, insolvent debtor, of Dixfield. Presents his petition for discharge from all his debts provable against his estate under the Statutes of Maine.

JOSEPH G. REED, insolvent debtor, of Grafton. Presents his petition for discharge from all his debts provable against his estate under the Statutes of Maine.

WENDELL E. WHEELER, insolvent debtor, of Oxford. First and final account presented for allowance by James S. Wright, assignee.

BENJAMIN R. HOWARD, insolvent debtor, of Norway. Presents his petition for discharge, from all debts provable against his estate under the insolvency laws of Maine.

SEWARD S. STEARNS, Judge of said Court.
A true copy—attest:
ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

STATE OF MAINE.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

In conformity with the provisions of Sections Seventy-six and Seventy-seven of Chapter one hundred and four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, upon the petition of five or more citizens of the State, and deeming it for the best interest of the State, the Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game after due notice to all persons interested in the subject matter of said petition, and public hearing thereon in the locality to be affected, and deeming it necessary and proper for the protection and preservation of the inland fish of the State, hereby adopt the following needful Rules and Regulations relating to the times and places in which and the circumstances under which inland fish may be taken in the waters of Cold Brook and Great Brook in the towns of Stoneham and Lovell, tributaries to the so called Upper Kezar Pond.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Section 1. Cold Brook and Great Brook in the towns of Stoneham and Lovell, tributaries to the so called Upper Kezar Pond, are hereby closed against all kinds of fishing, for any kind of fish, for a period of four years from May fourteenth, A. D. 1897.

Dated this fourteenth day of May, A. D. 1897.

LEROY T. CARLETON,
HENRY O. STANLEY,
CHAS. E. OAK,
} Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Section 1. On and after May seventh, A. D. 1897, for a period of four years, Ellis River and its tributaries, situated in Andover, Andover "West" and "North" Surplus, Roxbury and Townships "C" and "D" in Oxford and Franklin Counties, shall be closed to all kinds of fishing, for any kind of fish, except on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays during the months of May, June and July and to the fifteenth day of August in each year.

Dated this fourteenth day of May, A. D. 1897.

LEROY T. CARLETON,
HENRY O. STANLEY,
CHAS. E. OAK,
} Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of JUDITH F. ROBBINS, late of Woodstock, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

May 19th, 1897. LEWIS H. BISBEE.

To the Honorable County Commissioners for the County of Oxford:

The undersigned most respectfully represent that common convenience and necessity require certain new locations, alterations, discontinuances and gradings in the highway as now traveled between Thomas' Hotel, in Andover village in the County of Oxford, via Andover West Surplus, Andover North Surplus to the Post Office in the town of Upton, viz.: commencing at Thomas' Hotel in the town of Andover; thence by the main traveled highway, as now traveled, near the West branch of Ellis river, so called, to a point on said highway at or near the dwelling house of Richard Morton, in Andover North Surplus, and leaving said highway at or near said Morton's house, and thence by the most feasible route in a westerly direction through Dunn's Notch, so called, in Andover North Surplus, and through a portion of the town of Grafton to a point in the town of Grafton at or near the farm dwelling house of E. I. Brown on the highway leading from the town of Newry to Upton; thence by said Newry and Upton highway, through the towns of Grafton and Upton, to the Post Office in said Upton, all in said County of Oxford.

WHEREFORE, Your petitioners pray that after due notice Your Honors will view the premises, hear all parties interested, and make such alterations, new locations, discontinuances and gradings between the above described points in the above described route as common convenience and necessity may require.

Dated this 17th day of April, A. D. 1897.

R. L. MELCHER et als.

STATE OF MAINE.

COUNTY OF OXFORD, ss:

Board of County Commissioners, May session, 1897.

UPON the foregoing petition, satisfactory evidence having been received that the petitioners are responsible, and that inquiry into the merits of their application is expedient, IT IS ORDERED, that the County Commissioners meet at the Andover House in Andover in said County of Oxford, August 31, 1897, next at nine of the clock, A. M., and thence proceed to view the route mentioned in said petition; immediately after which view, a hearing of the parties and their witnesses will be had at some convenient place in the vicinity, and such other measures taken in the premises as the Commissioners shall judge proper. And it is further ORDERED, that notice of the time, place and purpose of the Commissioners' meeting aforesaid be given to all persons and corporations interested, by causing attested copies of said petition and of this order thereon to be served upon the respective Clerks of the Towns of Andover, Grafton and Upton, in said County of Oxford, and also posted up in three public places in each of said towns and published six weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat a newspaper printed at Paris in said Oxford County, and the owners of land in said Andover North Surplus and Andover West Surplus being unknown, to be also published in the State Paper, the Kennebec Journal, a newspaper printed at Augusta in the County of Kennebec, the last of said publications, and each of the other notices, to be made, served and posted, at least thirty days before said time of meeting, to the end that all persons and corporations may then and there appear and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioners should not be granted.

ATTEST:—CHARLES F. WHITMAN, Clerk.

A true copy of said Petition and Order of Court thereon.

ATTEST:—CHARLES F. WHITMAN, Clerk.

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Notice of Assignee of his Appointment.

At Paris, in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, the 21st day of April, A. D. 1897.

The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as Assignee of the insolvent estate of CHARLES O. GODWIN of Waterford, in the County of Oxford, Insolvent Debtor, who has been declared insolvent upon his petition by the Court of Insolvency for said County of Oxford.

EDGAR M. BRIGGS, Assignee.

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To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners for the County of Oxford:

The undersigned, citizens and legal voters in the towns of Paris and Hebron, in the county of Oxford, respectfully represent, that public convenience and necessity require that a county highway be layed out and located as follows, viz.:—Commencing at a point on the highway passing L. W. Whitman's buildings, in the town of Hebron, thence running past the buildings occupied by Albert Cummings, thence to a point on the highway passing A. O. Corbett's buildings, in the town of Paris, in the most feasible and advantageous route.

Wherefore your petitioners most respectfully pray that your honorable board view the route and make such location.

L. W. WHITMAN, and 77 others.

STATE OF MAINE.

COUNTY OF OXFORD, SS:

Board of County Commissioners, May session, 1897.

UPON the foregoing petition, satisfactory evidence having been received that the petitioners are responsible, and that inquiry into the merits of their application is expedient, IT IS ORDERED, that the County Commissioners meet at the House of A. F. Cummings in Hebron, in said County, on June 22, 1897, at eleven of the clock, A. M., and thence proceed to view the route mentioned in said petition; immediately after which view, a hearing of the parties and their witnesses will be had at some convenient place in the vicinity and such other measures taken in the premises as the Commissioners shall judge proper. And it is further ORDERED, that notice of the time, place and purpose of the Commissioners' meeting aforesaid be given to all persons and corporations interested, by causing attested copies of said petition and of this order thereon to be served upon the respective clerks of the towns of Hebron and Paris in said County, and also posted up in three public places in each of said towns, and published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed at Paris in said County of Oxford, the first of said publications, and each of the other notices, to be made, served and posted, at least thirty days before said time of meeting, to the end that all persons and corporations may then and there appear and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioners should not be granted.

ATTEST:—CHARLES F. WHITMAN, Clerk.

A true copy of said petition and order of court thereon.

ATTEST:—CHARLES F. WHITMAN, Clerk.

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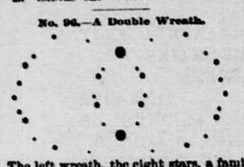
THE PUZZLER

No. 95.—Anagram.

WHOLE has four feet; it must, I know,
Because my Webster tells me so.
Of legs it has no kind of need.
It cannot run nor crawl indeed,
And, what is more, this strange COMPLETE
Has never stood upon its feet.
It cannot love, it cannot hate
Because it is inanimate.
No substance in it we can find,
Though of something 'tis a kind.
Seek it not 'mongst living things,
But rather in Hyperean springs,
Where the muses are enshrined
And poets inspiration find.
Indeed its residence must be
Among the sons of poetry.
Perhaps you'll find the name revealed
In "LADIES' CAP" where 'tis concealed.

No. 96.—A Double Wreath.



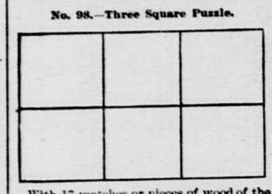
The left wreath, the eight stars, a family of well known flowers adapted to both garden and window culture. Some varieties are scarlet, some pink, some white. Some are odorless, some very fragrant. Its language is "Gentility," "Comforting," "Preference."

The right wreath is also well known. It has been cultivated for at least 300 years. It is yellow and brown, without agreeable odor. Its language is "Grief."

No. 97.—Transposition.

FIRST is a blemish, I'll admit;
TO SECOND's not to walk a bit;
The THIRD's to cause to go by mail;
The FOURTH are vessels—not a pail;
The FINAL finishes the grist
And overbalances the list.

No. 98.—Three Square Puzzle.



With 17 matches or pieces of wood of the same length make the figure here shown. The puzzle is to remove only five matches and yet leave no more than three perfect squares of the same size remaining.

No. 99.—Curious Changes.

1. Behead and curtail a nocturnal animal allied to the monkeys and leave an Australian bird.
2. Behead twice and curtail twice the European bison and leave a monstrous bird of Arabian mythology.
3. Behead twice an animal of Peru and leave a South American rodent.
4. Behead a small hound and leave a large bird.
5. Behead a domestic bird and leave a wild one.
6. Syncopate a bird and leave a useful animal.
7. Syncopate a bird and leave a domestic animal.

People of Whom You Have Heard.

The young man who cast his eye on a young lady coming out of church has had it replaced and now sees as well as ever.

The man who could not trust his feelings is supposed to do business on a cash principle.

The lady who went off in hysterics came back on the "L" road.

The gentleman who went too far in an argument was brought home on a stretcher.

The man who wrestled with adversity wore out the knees of his trousers and got worsted.

The man who jumped up on the spur of the moment was soon glad to sit down again.

The girl who burst into tears has been put together.

The young man who flew into a passion has had his wings clipped.

The young man who was taken by surprise has returned.

The man who painted the signs of the times is now out of a job.

It is rumored that distance lent enchantment to the view, and now the view refuses to return it.

The man who was moved to tears complains of the dampness of the premises and wishes to be moved back again.—Life.

Key to the Puzzler.

No. 86.—Beheading: Plague.

No. 87.—Pictorial Rebuses: 1. To accumulate wealth use all honest and honorable efforts, but regard overreaching as infamous. 2. The kindest and the happiest pair will find occasion to forbear.

No. 88.—Metagram: 1. Dingle. 2. Single. 3. Mingle. 4. Tingle. 5. Jingle.

No. 89.—Oblique Rectangle:

R
HOD
HAMES
ROMANIC
DENIZEN
SIZZLES
CELLULE
NEURINE
SLIDERS
ENEMA
ERA
S

No. 90.—Enigma: Will Carleton.

No. 91.—Diamonds:

T	T
TAR	FAG
LIBEL	LIBEL
TITULAR	FIBULAE
TABULATED	TABULATED
RELATED	GELATIN
LATER	LATIN
RED	EEN
D	D

No. 92.—A Chain Puzzle: Earth-worm, worm-wood, wood-cock, cock-pit, pit-coal, coal-black, Black-sea, sea-chest, chest-nut, nut-bone, bone-earth.

No. 93.—Decapitation: 1. Aslope. 2. Slope. 3. Lope. 4. Ope. 5. Pe. 6. E.

No. 94.—Anagrams: 1. Meringue filling for cake. 2. Cheese sandwiches. 3. Pressed corn beef. 4. Scrambled eggs. 5. Pickled cabbage. 6. Huckleberry cake. 7. Stewed tomatoes. 8. Lyonnaise potatoes. 9. Custard pudding sauce. 10. Lobster bisque. 11. Tomato soup. 12. Chocolate blancmange. 13. Welsh rarebit. 14. Braised beef. 15. Hominy croquettes.

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"And now you act as if I ought to keep my coat and trousers hanging over the hall banisters."

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HOMEMAKERS' COLUMN.

Correspondence on topics of interest to the ladies is solicited. Address: Editor HOMEMAKERS' COLUMN, Oxford Democrat, Paris, Maine.

DELICATE DESSERTS AND CREAMS.

ALMOND CHARLOTTE RUSSE.—One pint of thick, sweet cream, white of one egg, one-half ounce of gelatine, two tablespoonfuls of sugar, one teaspoonful of almond extract. Put the gelatine in just enough water to dissolve it; while this is slowly dissolving whip the cream to a froth; whip the white of egg and mix it with the cream. As soon as the gelatine is dissolved boil for two minutes, add the sugar, and when about as warm as milk add the flavoring, and the cream and eggs. Beat the mixture until cold; pour over a sponge cake that has been baked in a scalloped tin. Put the cake while warm, to prevent crumbling, into a round dish, allowing the scallops to show at the top, then pour the cream into it, and you have a dish fit for a king.

CHOCOLATE MOUSSE.—One quart of cream whipped stiff, one coffeecupful of powdered sugar, one-half cake of grated chocolate, two tablespoonfuls of sugar, two tablespoonfuls of boiling water, one teaspoonful of vanilla. Put all together and pack in ice for several hours.

BAVARIAN CREAM.—One pint of sweet milk, one-half pint of hot water, one pint of whipped sweet cream, two and one-half cupfuls of sugar, one teaspoonful of extract of vanilla, one cupful of canned or fresh pineapple, one cupful of chopped English walnuts, one-half boxful of gelatine. Dissolve the gelatine in as little water as will cover it. Let it soak an hour, pour on the hot water, and when perfectly dissolved, add the milk and sugar, and boil ten minutes briskly. Remove from the stove and add the vanilla and cream. Set in a cool place, and as soon as it begins to form, stir in the fruit and nuts. One may leave out the walnuts, and on taking from the mold decorate with blanched almonds, standing them upright in the cream. Keep in a cool place until served.

PINK AND YELLOW.—Whites of four eggs, four tablespoonfuls of fine, white confectioners' sugar, three tablespoonfuls of currant jelly. Whip the whites of the eggs to a froth, then add the sugar and jelly, beat well together, put in small dishes ready to serve, and pour around a custard made from the yolks of the eggs, one cupful of milk, and two tablespoonfuls of sugar. Add a little lemon juice to the custard.

SPANISH CREAM.—Let one pint of milk, part cream, come to a boil, and stir in the yolks of three eggs, beaten to a cream, with three-fourths of a cupful of sugar. Let this come to a boil, then add one-half box of gelatine which has soaked in a little milk for fifteen minutes. Let this all boil up thick; remove from the stove and stir in the whites of eggs beaten stiff. Flavor with vanilla, pour into a wet mold, and set on the ice. This is often used in place of ice cream.

BADEN BADEN WHIPS.—Take the weight of two eggs in butter, flour and sugar. Cream the butter, and work in the sugar and yolks of the eggs. Whisk the whites to a stiff froth, and mix them in lightly; flavor with vanilla. Butter some small molds, sprinkle them with sugar, pour in the mixture and bake. When done, leave them till cold, then scoop out a portion from each cake, fill up the cavity with strawberries, peaches, or any kind of fruit one fancies. Pile on it some whipped cream, and serve them cold.

GENERAL NOTES.

A strong salt bath, with a teaspoonful of tincture of benzoin added, is balm to tired nerves and muscles, as well as a sovereign skin beautifier.

Vaseline or castor oil rubbed lightly on the eyes at bedtime relaxes the strained lids, removes redness, and quickly rests the eyes. It also encourages the growth of the lashes and makes them silky.

A hot bath is the natural enemy of nervous headaches.

After a long drive in the wind a very hot face bath, dabbling the water on with a soft towel in liberal quantities, will remove the unpleasant redness and burning and be of permanent benefit.

To sum it all up one is forcibly reminded of the little "cracker" boy, who, after watching in amazement the toilet of a chance visitor from the outer world drawled out, "Say, mister, haint ye a hesp'er trouble to yerself?"

It is some trouble to be neat and dainty when one pair of hands must do all the work, but it pays richly in health and comfort as well as appearance. Experience proves that half an hour at bedtime is sufficient for an elaborate toilet, and the slumber gained is "Beauty sleep" indeed.—Good Housekeeping.

RECIPES.

CHOCOLATE PUDDING.—Mix two squares of chocolate, grated, or four teaspoonfuls of cocoa, with one-half of a teaspoonful of powdered cinnamon, add gradually one cupful of scalded milk and simmer for a moment; to this add three cupfuls of hot milk and pour it over two cupfuls of stale bread crumbs in a bowl. Cover and let stand for fifteen minutes, then beat with a spoon to mix thoroughly. Beat together two eggs and one-half of a cupful of sugar until light add a dash of salt and stir into the prepared bread; mix, turn into a greased pudding dish and bake forty-five minutes in a moderate oven. Serve with

CREAMY SAUCE.—Cream one-half of a cupful of butter, add one cupful of powdered sugar and beat until light. Whip in gradually one teaspoonful of vanilla and one pint of thick whipped cream. Set over a pan of water and stir well for two minutes. Serve at once.

MERINGUE FOR LEMON PIE.—Add a pinch of salt to the whites of three eggs and begin to whip with a flat wire egg beater (this gives a lighter whip than the Dover beater and is always better for meringues than a close texture; when frothy sift in three tablespoonfuls of powdered sugar and continue to beat until the mixture is stiff and glossy. Add one teaspoonful of lemon juice and whip until the meringue will stand alone. Spread this over the pie when partially cooled, dust thickly with powdered sugar and place in a cool oven until lightly colored. It is also well to dip the knife in water before cutting the pie.

POTATO CHOWDER.—Peel and chop fine one large onion; dice six peeled potatoes and one-quarter of a pound of ham. Put the ham and onion in a pan and fry slowly until brown. Put the potatoes, ham and onion in layers in a saucepan, sprinkling them with one tablespoonful of chopped parsley, salt and pepper. Add two cupfuls of water, cover and simmer for twenty minutes; add two cupfuls of scalded milk, stir in one tablespoonful of flour and one tablespoonful of butter rubbed to a paste. See that it is well seasoned, simmer a minute longer and serve.

STRAWBERRY SARABANDE.—Whip one cupful of thick cream until very stiff and light; cut one pint of berries into small bits with a silver fruit knife and stir them lightly into the cream. Soak one tablespoonful of granulated gelatine in one-quarter of a cupful of cold water and when soft place over hot water until dissolved. Add this by degrees to the cream and berries, stirring and adding three tablespoonfuls of powdered sugar. When the mixture begins to thicken turn it into a wetted mold and put away in a cold place until set, then turn out on a fancy dish.

TRY, TRY AGAIN.

For insomnia, a hop pillow.

For constant headache, having the eyes examined.

To stop the bleeding of a wound, powdered rice or lint.

For toothache, hot, dry flannel.

For diarrhœa, blackberry wine or cordial.

For summer complaint, red raspberry leaf tea.

For sick headache, baking soda.

It is well to remember that bitter experiences are sometimes productive of sweet results.

Doing nothing is the hardest work for an industrious man.

A cup of strong coffee is an antidote for the odor of onions.

SLICK DRUMMER.

HOW HE RECOVERED VALUABLE DIAMOND STUD.

"I don't know whether the X-ray will ever revolutionize science," said a carpet drummer to some friends, who were standing around the bar at the St. Nicholas, "for that's out of my line; but it might be used to advantage in criminology."

"Criminology! How?" chirruped his friends in unison.

"I'll have to tell you my experience a few weeks ago to illustrate. I was on my way to San Francisco. In my tie I wore this sparkler. One morning I took it into my head that I wanted to change my dark tie for a lighter one, and thought I had transferred the headlight from one to the other. I suppose I didn't, but laid it down somewhere in the toilet room. Some time afterward I missed it. I asked the conductor and the porter to look it up for me, but they said their search proved fruitless after a while.

I rather suspected that the porter had it. He was a yellow-skinned coon with an unprepossessing countenance, and from the time I had reported my loss he seemed to hover about me constantly, trying to brush my clothes and resheeting my pillows four and five times a day. Then I conceived an idea. I broached it to two of my traveling companions, and they said they'd gladly help me.

"We got together in one section and commenced to talk low, but not so low that the porter in the section behind us could not understand every word. I told my friends of the loss of my stud, and said that I had an infallible remedy which would bring it back to me as soon as it got dark. Then I took from my sample bag a tin box, in which I carry an expensive line of carpet tacks.

"'This,' I said, 'is an X-ray machine, and as soon as it is dark I am going to turn it on everybody and everything in the car. No matter where that stone is I shall see it. Even if it should have been scraped up with the dirty clothes and put in a bag and locked up in the closet my X-ray machine will turn it up.'

"'Right you are,' said one of my friends. 'The other day when I was in New York a man was arrested for stealing a diamond ring. He was suspected of having it on his person, but when searched in Inspector Goff's office nothing was found on him but a piece of the crumb of a loaf of bread. The inspector surmised at once that the prisoner had swallowed the ring in the bread. He ordered the X-ray gotten out and focused on the man's stomach.

"'You ate that diamond,' yelled the inspector. 'I can see it sparkling right now inside of you. Better own up, or I shall send for the stomach pump, and it won't do a little thing to you, when once I get it down your throat.' The man confessed.

"It was a good story for my friend to tell in hearing of the coon, and after a few more hair-splitting examples of the efficacy of the X-ray box we gave the darkey time to digest what he had heard.

"It was just about getting dusk, and the lamps had been lighted, when the coon came up to me from the back part of the car.

"'Say, boss, I found that stud of yours. Where do you suppose it was?'

"I said nothing, but looked astonished, and held my sparkler up in the light.

"'You gemmen must have shoved it under the carpet in the washroom, for when I lit the lamp I stood close to the wall, and feeling some hard substance under my foot I stoops and picks up this yere sparkler from under the carpet.'

"Now, this little experience of mine makes me think that the X-ray might be used to advantage in criminology—with the ignorant, at least."—St. Louis Republic.

DELAWARE'S LEGISLATURE.

SOME PECULIARITIES OF A CURIOUS LAW-MAKING BODY IN A SMALL STATE.

Nowhere else in the United States is there so peculiar and remarkable a body of lawmakers as assemble from time to time in the inland town of Dover to transact public business for the people of Delaware.

What is known as the senate or upper house of the Dover legislature consists of nine members only. Delaware is one of the states which has no lieutenant-governor, and therefore from out of these nine members one is chosen as presiding officer.

The basis of representation for these members is so unusual that each of the eight may be said to represent a very different number of persons. Delaware is divided into three counties, the most populous of which is the northerly county of Newcastle, which includes the city of Wilmington. At the recent presidential election the vote of Newcastle was 22,000. The second of the Delaware counties is Kent, which includes the capital city of Dover and cast at the recent election 6600 votes only. The third and most southerly of the counties is the rustic Sussex, which cast at the recent election 8500 votes. Newcastle, it will be observed, has several thousand more voters than Kent and Sussex combined, but the basis of representation in the Dover senate is the same for all three—three members from each county, and on any public question, therefore, in the senate, a minority of the people of Delaware can by a two-thirds majority outvote the majority.

The Delaware house of representatives consists of 21 members, chosen without reference to population, seven from each county, and though the Republicans carried Delaware at the recent election, such is the peculiar method of choice that the present house of representatives consists of 20 Democrats and one Republican only.—New York Sun.

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It is the medicine above all others for catarrh, and is worth its weight in gold. I can use Ely's Cream Balm with safety and it does all that is claimed for it.—B. W. Sperry, Hartford, Conn.

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Mar. 19th 1897. MARY J. SEWELL.

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Treasurer's Office,
Augusta, May 5, 1897.

Upon the following townships or tracts of land not liable to be taxed in any town, the following assessments for the State tax of 1897 were made by the Legislature on the twenty-sixth day of March, 1897.

OXFORD COUNTY.

Fryeburg Academy Grant	$44 68
A. R. 1, Riley Pl.	138 65
Andover North Surplus	87 78
Andover West Surplus	36 18
C	173 86
C Surplus	67 13
No. 4, R. 1	129 14
No. 5, R. 1, Magalloway Pl.	211 36
No. 4, R. 2	212 52
No. 5, R. 2, Lincoln Pl.	117 99
No. 4, R. 3	182 16
No. 5, R. 3	171 79
No. 4, R. 4	104 43
No. 5, R. 4	209 82
No. 4, R. 5	131 34
No. 4, R. 6	114 55
No. 5, R. 5	62 67
No. 5, R. 5	42 09
Bachelder's Grant	41 25
Franklin Pl.	70 12

OXFORD COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS ON RESERVED LANDS.

C. R. 1, W. B. K. P.	$7 26
No. 4, R. 1, W. B. K. P.	3 96
No. 4, R. 2, W. B. K. P.	7 92
No. 4, R. 3, W. B. K. P.	6 60
No. 5, R. 3, W. B. K. P.	5 94
No. 4, R. 4, W. B. K. P.	3 96
No. 5, R. 4, W. B. K. P.	7 26
No. 4, R. 5, W. B. K. P.	3 30
No. 5, R. 5, W. B. K. P.	3 96
No. 4, R. 6, W. B. K. P.	2 75
Tract north of No. 4, R. 6, W. B. K. P.	18
A. R. 1, (Riley)	4 62
Andover North Surplus	1 98
C Surplus	4 40

F. M. SIMPSON,
State Treasurer.

State of Maine.

Treasurer's Office.
Augusta, May 5, 1897.

Upon the following townships or tracts of land not liable to be taxed in any town, the following assessments for county tax of 1897 were made by the County Commissioners of Oxford county, on the 30th day of March, 1897.

Fryeburg Academy Grant	$27 79
A. R. 1, Riley Plantation	86 19
Andover North Surplus	54 58
Andover West Surplus	22 50
Letter C	108 11
Letter C. Surplus	41 74
No. 4, R. 1	80 30
No. 5, R. 1, Magalloway	131 37
No. 4, R. 2	132 15
No. 5, R. 2	73 37
No. 4, R. 3	113 27
No. 5, R. 3	106 82
No. 4, R. 4	64 94
No. 5, R. 4	130 47
No. 4, R. 5	81 67
No. 4, R. 6	71 23
N. 1-2, No. 5, R. 5	38 97
N. 1-2, No. 5, R. 5	26 17
Bachelder's Grant	25 65
Franklin Plantation	43 60

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