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STATE OF MAINE.

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

OXFORD COUNTY To J. F. STEARNS, Dr.

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
	$80 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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April 26 and 27, to 2 days at West Bethel on petition of C. E. Valentine et al,	5 00
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 Sets.,	3 68
March 29 and 30, to 2 days at Paris,	5 00
To 46 miles at Sets.,	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 Sets.,	64
To 46 miles at Sets.,	3 68
May 11, 12 and 13, to 3 days regular session,	7 50
To 46 miles at Sets.,	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.

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

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 July 6, 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 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.

NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that the State Assessors will be in session at the assessors' office in Fryeburg, on Tuesday, the 8th day of June, at 8 o'clock A. M.; at the Court House in St. Paris on Wednesday the 9th day of June, at 10 o'clock A. M.; at Hotel Rumford in Rumford Falls, on Friday the 11th day of June, at 8 o'clock A. M., A. D. 1897, in the County of Oxford, to secure information to enable them to make a just and equal assessment of the taxable property in the several towns in said county, and to investigate charges of concealment of property liable to assessment as required by law.
GEORGE POTTLE, WM. C. MARSHALL, OTIS HAYFORD, } Board of State Assessors.
JAMES PLUMMER, Sec.

SHERIFF'S SALE.
STATE OF MAINE.
OXFORD, ss.
Taken this twenty-second day of May, A. D. 1897, on execution dated February twenty-fourth, A. D. 1897, issued on a judgment rendered by the Supreme Judicial Court in and for the County of Oxford at a term thereof begun and held on the first Tuesday of May, A. D. 1896, to wit, on the fifteenth day of May, A. D. 1896, in favor of John Stanley 3d, of Hiram, against I. S. Gould of Hiram, for fifty-eight dollars and eighty-five cents debt or damage and thirteen dollars and twenty-seven cents costs of suit, and will be sold by public auction at the Post Office, at South Hiram in said Hiram, to the highest bidder on the thirtieth day of June, A. D. 1897, at one o'clock in the afternoon all the right in equity which said defendant has in the following described real estate situated in said Hiram, to wit: commencing at the northwest corner of land of Simon T. Stanley, on southerly side of road leading from South Hiram to Cornish; thence southerly on line of land of said Stanley, to stone wall sixteen rods; thence westerly on said wall seven rods; thence northerly on line parallel with said Stanley's line to said road; thence easterly on said road to point begun at together with the building thereon.
Hiram, May 22, A. D. 1897.
JAMES W. CHAPMAN, Deputy Sheriff.

NOTICE.
The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator with the will annexed of the estate of
GRANVILLE L. REED, late of Norway,
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 18th, 1897. GEO. A. WILSON.

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's 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 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 July 1, 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, Andover and Roxbury in said County, and also posted up in 3 public places in each of said towns, and published 3 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.

MESSENGER'S NOTICE.
OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF OF OXFORD COUNTY.
STATE OF MAINE.
OXFORD, ss.—May 24th, A. D. 1897.
This is to give Notice, that on the 24th day of May, A. D. 1897, a warrant in Insolvency was issued out of the Court of Insolvency for said County of Oxford, against the estate of JOSEPH A. JACKSON, of Rumford,
adjudged to be an Insolvent Debtor, on petition of said Debtor, which petition was filed on the 24th day of May, A. D. 1897, to which last named date interest on claims is to be computed; that the payment of any debts and the delivery and transfer of any property belonging to said debtor, to him or for his use, and the delivery and transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the Creditors of said Debtor, to prove their debts and choose one or more Assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Insolvency, to be holden at Paris in said County, on the 17th day of June, A. D. 1897, at nine o'clock in the forenoon.
Given under my hand the date first above written.
FRED A. PORTER, Sheriff,
as Messenger of the Court of Insolvency, for said County of Oxford.

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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 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.
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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.

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 Ponds and places in Andover, Andover West Surplus and Andover North Surplus, Roxbury and Townships "C" and "D" in the counties of Oxford and Franklin.
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 Andover 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.

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TILLAGE NUMBER.—VARIOUS EXTRACTS.

ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY.

AUBURN.—In order to secure the best results in raising crops of any kind, especially hoed crops, it is of the utmost importance that the soil be not only well fertilized but well pulverized. This, with the implements of to-day, is an easy matter. I prefer to plow in the fall, spread the dressing on the furrow and thoroughly mix with a disk harrow; as soon as dry enough in the spring I start the harrow and continue to go over the piece once or twice a week until time to plant; being sure not to plant too early, especially corn, not until the ground is thoroughly warm; plant with a King of the Cornfield planter, putting in about 400 pounds of good fertilizer to the acre in the hill. In three or four days, after planting the corn, I use the Whitman weeder and go over it once in three or four days until the corn is too large to let it through without breaking it down. This will do all that is necessary to be done, providing the ground has been properly prepared before planting, and there is not too much witch-grass.

B. F. BRIGGS, (Member).

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

OTISFIELD.—For hoed crops I believe in having the manure near the surface, but not on the surface. I have become skeptical in regard to the springtooth harrow being sufficient to cover the manure, especially on very smooth ground. I now contemplate trying the disk harrow for the first time. But hoed crops will go out of fashion as soon as we learn to use the "Weeder" as a weed preventer instead of a weed killer, that is, there will be no hoeing to be done, unless we have such weeds as wild rye, that can neither be prevented nor killed. The weeder may be a nice thing to work on any kind of ground; yet I would recommend to any man who is at all predisposed to violate any of the commandments on slight provocation, to have his ground free from stones and loose sods, in fact, all ready for the mowing machine, before planting the seed.

W. W. ANDREWS.

OXFORD COUNTY.

DENMARK.—The preparation of ground for all seed is the key to a good crop, as every good farmer very well knows. First, I never hurry my land, as ground should be worked when all conditions are right. Do not plough wet soil to make it dry faster, as it makes it dense and clammy the whole season; and is sure to give a poor crop, no matter what is done, as the air cannot do its part in preparing, which is very necessary. I wait until soil is dry enough, then plough it all, then when it is fit to harrow, work until it is well pulverized, then when warm enough plant, and if well weeded a good crop is quite sure. Farmers are inclined to hurry too much the whole season through, and rush things generally. Now as farming is a business that requires thought as well as muscle, let us sit down in the shade, cool off, and think how and when to do things, and do them when nature, common sense and experience tell us. No matter what the kind of soil, it should be dry when worked, and then worked fine and thoroughly.

CHARLES B. SMITH.

PARIS.—Sweet corn is the most profitable hoed crop now raised, even at the low price we get for it. The ground should be well turned over, a good coat of manure well harrowed in, about 400 pounds of superphosphate to the acre put in the hills, and the land well cultivated and hoed at least twice before haying. Those farmers that neglect the hoeing and depend upon the weeder are very sure to get a good crop of weeds and a small crop of corn. It is better to plant a small piece and take good care of it than to plant a large piece and neglect it.

H. E. HAMMOND.

BROWNFIELD.—The soil should be thoroughly fined and pulverized. No matter what kind of an implement is used, the work should be thoroughly done, and the manure well mixed with the soil. Then if corn and beans, or beans and corn, are to be planted, from 200 to 300 pounds of some standard fertilizer should be applied in the hill or drill, and this can be most satisfactorily done with a planter drawn by a horse. And if clean culture is desirable I know of no method so effectual as hand hoeing. I am not certain as to whether the cost of this method over machine culture will be fully met by the extra yield of crop, but certain it is to my mind that on land well dressed no other method will prevent a luxurious crop of pig weeds, rag weed and barn grass. I have heard it stated that saltpetre water will destroy the cabbage worm; will it?

T. J. ALLARD.

[NOTE.—We know nothing of the merits of saltpeire water as an insecticide, and should hesitate somewhat about using it for that purpose. Ordinary Pyrethrum powder, which is not a poison, dusted over cabbages will destroy the cabbage worm and drive away the flea beetle. It may be mixed with wheat flour in the proportion of one part Pyrethrum to four parts of flour, and be lightly dusted over the plants.—Secretary.]

HIRAM.—The subject of this number of the bulletin is one deserving the careful consideration of every one who tills the soil for a living, but too little understood by most of us, and doubtless half the soil that is under cultivation in this state the present year won't be half prepared. Now I have been trying to farm here forty-one years this spring and I am going to own the truth and shame the devil. Three-fourths of the time when my ground was planted if I had done as I wanted to I should have put on the team and plowed and harrowed and rolled and dragged it some more, picked the rocks all off and had it ship shape, and Bristol fashion, but I hadn't time. But since I have read Terry's book, "Our Farming," and take and read the "Practical Farmer," I am more and more inclined to believe that thorough work is the "Open Sesame" of success in farming. In short, the land for planting should be made a fine seed bed, all rocks and rubbish removed so that a weeder can be used, going over an acre in thirty minutes and doing more good than twenty men would in a whole day with hand hoes; and I know what I am talking about. I have used a Breed's weeder four years with the best results. I was called a fool, with a prefix, several times when I first got it, as it was the first one ever seen in this section. But the good time is coming. Lots of them will be in use the coming season. But the space is growing small and not all said yet.

One by one earth's wrongs are smitten,
One by one its errors fall,
One by one is carved and written,
Truth's great triumph over all.

A. K. P. GOOGINS.

PARIS.—At this writing, May 3d, we are having a nice rain, starting the grass well, indicating early feed in pastures, and a good prospect for a full hay crop. All kinds of stock have wintered well and will go to pasture in good condition, though there are exceptions, for, strange as it may seem in this enlightened age, I know of one man having plenty of hay and ample means that has recently paid a fine for starving his cattle. Which is best to sow to be cut to feed cows, oats or Hungarian—the land to be seeded to grass at time of sowing?

HARRY FARRAR.

[NOTE.—Oats and Hungarian are both good crops for solling. We rather prefer the oats, however, as we can usually grow fully as many pounds per acre and our cows appear to prefer them, that is, will eat them longer with a relish than they will Hungarian. If your land is a light, sandy loam, it might be well to give Hungarian the preference for the larger portion of the feed; if somewhat clayey the oats will give better results. There is but little difference in their feeding value pound for pound.—Secretary.]

FRYEBURG.—The question seems to be, how shall we prepare our ground for planting, and how hoe and plant to the best advantage? In planting corn I have attained the best results when plowing late in the spring, as near planting time as possible, thus giving the grass time to start, which tends to rot the sward. I plow under twenty cords of barn cellar manure to the acre, using an O. K. swivel plow (which is good enough for a man able to walk), then apply twenty manure spreader loads to the acre, working it into the soil with a disc harrow, and finishing with a smoothing harrow. For planting I use an Eclipse planter, applying 200 pounds of some good corn fertilizer to the acre, which I consider enough for a starter. The rows are three and one-half feet apart, distance between hills according to size of corn. I always hoe twice, and often three times, running the cultivator as long as possible. Then if a few weeds should be left they are removed with the hoe. I have never used one of the modern weeders. Have thought they would do well for the man, who, when, hoeing, on coming to a poor hill would say, "This will not amount to anything if I hoe it," then on finding a good one, would say, "This will do well if not hoed." But I shall buy a weeder this season, as one might as well be out of the world, as out of fashion. My garden plot is fifteen rods square. I use a seed sower, and sow and plant so as to run the cultivator between all rows.

JOHN J. PIKE.

PORTER.—I think the ground for all hoed crops, whether plowed in fall or spring, should be well manured and thoroughly pulverized. If the ground was broken up in the fall, I think the manure should be spread on top and harrowed in, with either a disc, cutaway or spring tooth harrow, until it is well mixed with soil. If the ground was cropped the year before, I would plow in the manure, and harrow until the soil and manure are well incorporated, either for seeding down or for hoed crops. For getting in grass seed, I would use a weeder, and for planting corn for the silo or field crop, either yellow or sweet corn, and beans, I would use a corn planter—"King of the Cornfield." In hoeing I would use a Breed's weeder; it will save lots of labor if properly handled, and at the right time. Would it pay to sow muriate of potash on an orchard of apple trees set on light loamy soil? and what shape can it be bought in, and about how much will it cost per 100 pounds? A. H. MASON.

[NOTE.—Muriate of potash is an excellent potash fertilizer for orchards. It comes in a dry powder similar to ordinary commercial fertilizers and can be as readily handled. An application of about 300 pounds of bone meal and 75 to 100 pounds of muriate per acre will, without doubt, prove very beneficial to your orchard. The agent of any fertilizer company will quote prices.—Secretary.]

DIXFIELD.—We raise all of our fruit trees, and find them better suited in every way to our conditions than those bought from outside nurseries. As to management of crops: for hoed crops we prefer to plow under the dressing, but not too deep for the plants. We think the work of cultivating is much lessened this way. We prepare the land in good shape, then use Z Breed weeder early and often, and when crops become rather large, use a harrow cultivator frequently, and a common cultivator, as occasion calls for. I think the latter should be used carefully, and not so as to destroy the rootlets. We always raise the best potatoes on land that has been well dressed one or two seasons previous to planting the potato. The yield is then good and the quality also. When there is much work on the farm we plan to dress a portion of the cornfield in the fall and plow under; then in the winter draw out the remainder of the dressing, putting it in piles conveniently located in parts of the field; this helps very greatly. We plan to look over the fields and destroy all weeds that have escaped the hoe or cultivator, and dispose of them before the seeds are found.

EUGENE L. TORREY.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

SOLON.—Horses are cheap, oxen high and scarce. If you want to keep good oxen you must not price them. Cows are more plenty, though good ones are high. But poor ones are higher still. Sheep are scarce. Hay is plenty, but worth $10 per ton. The butter factory here is doing a good business. More cows are being kept than usual. There is one advantage in selling cream over making butter; it is cash every month and no truck. Will some one tell us the difference between Durham cows and Jerseys in beef and cream? If any one has tried it I would like to know.

STEPHEN MERRILL.

[NOTE.—The Durham, being much larger than the Jersey, requires more food for sustenance. It is quite difficult making distinctions between these breeds, as there is sometimes more difference between cows of the same breed than there is between the average of the breeds. It appears to have been settled, however, that the Jersey is the most profitable producer of butter. That is, she will make more pounds of butter from a given amount of food than other breeds. This fact seems to have been brought out by the great breed tests at Chicago. This, of course, is the real criterion of merit, as far as butter making is concerned.—Secretary.]

ANSON.—I do most of my plowing in the fall, working in the manure with a spring tooth harrow. I do but little hand hoeing on general crops, depending upon the smoothing harrow and cultivator to kill the weeds. In a dry season it works well, but if it is quite wet, the weeds injure the crop. For corn I sometimes plow in the spring. As it requires the whole season to grow, it will reach the fertilizer under almost any conditions. Potatoes require the fertilizer available for immediate use.

GEO. FLINT.

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FROM PARIS, FRANCE, TO PARIS, MAINE.

No. 28.

FAREWELL TO PARIS.

(From our Special Foreign Correspondent.)

NEW YORK, N. Y., U. S. A. April 14, 1897.

"God bless our native hills!
Green woods and sparkling rills,
This glorious day!
Wherever we may roam,
We find no place like home;
No other sky so fair,
No sweeter summer air,
Than here to-day."

Though it is at last with reluctant feet that we turn our steps from the gay capital, and leave friends so dear, who have made this memorable sojourn so fraught with intense interest and pleasure, yet it is towards the *Homeland* that the heart turns, and to the home friends, never before so dear, that the eyes look longingly through misty tears, that come with thoughts of by-gone years.

"There is no place like the old place, where you and I were born,
Where we lifted up our eyes to the splendors of the morn!
From the milk-white breast that warmed us; from the clinging arms that bore,
Where the dears eyes glistened o'er us, that will look on us no more.

"There is no friend like the old friend, who has shared our morning days,
No greeting like his welcome, no homage like his praise!
Fame is the scentless flower, with gaudy crown of gold;
But Friendship is the breathing rose, with sweets in every fold."

We could tell you much more of interest about fair Paris—something of the gaieties and dissipations of Mardi Gras, that three days' festival before Lent, when all Paris is out for a "lark" and an hilarious time. We have been unable to find any reason for this custom, except that the people think they have to behave for the next forty days, and so make up for it beforehand in this way.

In the morning they have a procession which resembles very much our Fourth of July parade of fantastics. The trees on the boulevards are streaming with bright colored paper ribbons, and you wade through drifts of confetti snowflakes (little round pieces of blue, green, yellow, red, purple and white paper) which every one pelts you with if you dare to step outdoors. For three days and nights this war of the elements of spirits (of all kinds) goes on. It is mostly a good natured war, but when the crowd takes your horse, carriage and coachman, if you happen to be riding in a cab, and tosses them up and down in the air, and fills your neck, hair, sleeves, eyes, ears, nose and mouth full of confetti, or gets you inside a "ring around the rosy," and won't let you out, pulls out your hair-pins, and leaves your golden hair hanging down your back; or, if you happen to be a man, they pull off your coat, smash your silk hat and pin grotesque and vulgar images on your clothes—then it ceases to be a joke.

Three weeks after this they have another day called *Micareme*, the day of the *Blanchisseres*, or laundry women, who have a grand parade, and the one most comely to look at, and most deserving, is crowned queen, and the President of France gives her $250 in gold and a gold watch. More confetti than ever is thrown on that day—you can buy it cheaper.

Then we might also tell you of the very interesting visit to the charming "princess in her high t

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COMING EVENTS.

June 3.—Little Androscoggin Valley Sunday School Association, Baptist Church, Paris Hill.
June 4—Norway high school graduation.
June 7-10.—Maine Universalist Convention, Rockland.
June 8.—Oxford Pomona Grange, Bolster's Mills.
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.
June 15.—East Oxford Local Union, Y. P. S. C. E., Rumford Point.
June 20-23.—Hebron Academy graduation.

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HERE AND THERE.

The race for the governorship of Maine is already on. Hon. J. F. Hill of Augusta, who was a candidate in the early part of the last campaign, but later withdrew from the contest, is already out with the announcement that he will be a candidate "at the proper time." This starts up the other candidates who have aspirations. The list so far includes Hon. A. R. Day of Corinna, Hon. Seth L. Larrabee of Portland, Hon. W. T. Cobb of Rockland, and Hon. H. L. Shepherd of Rockport. Lots of gubernatorial timber we have in Maine, and it's good timber, too.

Broker Chapman, who is in jail at Washington, has been suffering from indigestion caused by the richness of his diet. It should be noted, however, that he is not compelled to subsist on the ordinary jail fare, but has his meals served by colored waiters from a neighboring hotel.

The Texas legislature has adopted resolutions declaring that lynchings are "objectionable"!

Governor Black of New York is a Maine-bred man who, in the office of governor, has on several different occasions proved that he had the courage of his convictions. The trouble is that on those occasions his convictions have generally been contrary to those of the best elements of all political parties.

Modern science has again demonstrated that all the time and expense expended in its development are many times repaid in the practical benefits conferred by it upon man. The kinetoscope is one of the triumphs of science, and the kinetoscopic pictures of the great Corbett-Fitzsimmons prize fight are said to show that Fitzsimmons struck a foul blow at the finish of the fight. But for the kinetoscope, the people of this country might have gone down to their graves cherishing the mistaken idea that Fitzsimmons defeated Corbett fairly. Can we fully appreciate the inestimable blessing which science has thus conferred upon man?

GOLDEN WEDDING AT WEST SUMNER.

The fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Small was celebrated at West Sumner, May 24th, by about one hundred friends and relatives. The marriage ceremony was appropriately performed by Rev. E. W. Pierce of Paris, who closed the nuptial services with prayer. After the congratulations an entertainment was given consisting of an original poem read by Mrs. Kimball, also an original poem read by Mrs. Robertson, music, speaking, refreshments, etc. The presents were numerous and elegant, being as follows:

A beautiful gold-lined silver service presented by Mr and Mrs. E. G. Doble, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Packard, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Young, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Chandler, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Morrill, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hemingway, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Field, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Tuell, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ryerson, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Pulsifer, Mrs. H. B. Chandler, Mr. Harold Chandler, Miss Agnes E. Bonney, Mrs. Polly Howe, Mrs. E. W. Chandler, Mr. W. Edwin Doble, Mr. W. Arthur Bonney, Mr. Harry B. Crockett, Miss Iva D. Brown.

Butter dish, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Dow.

Paper cutter and cuff buttons, Mr and Mrs. L. B. Deasy, of Bar Harbor.

Cake basket, gold lined, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Gardiner, and Mr. I. A. Fletcher.

Pitcher, Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Chandler.

Meat fork, Mr. and Mrs. Z. B. Starbird.

Berry spoon, Mr. Wallace Ryerson and Mrs. Gurney.

Brooch and cuff buttons, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Small, Farmington.

Postal card case and doiley, Mrs. Judah Drisko of Harrington.

Masonic pin and lady's ring, Capt. Daniel Deasy and wife, Prospect Harbor.

Ring, E. W. Cleaves and wife, Prospect Harbor.

Berry spoon, G. A. Farrar and Miss L. L. Farrar.

Thimble and painting, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Robertson, of Harrington.

Salad dish, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Nash, Harrington.

Fancy plate and glass dish, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Field.

Pair of towels and bonbon dish, Mr. and Mrs. America Andrews.

Hand painting, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Howe.

Hand painting, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Merrill.

Spoon tray, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Ryerson.

Hand painted mirror, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Stetson.

All of Mr. and Mrs. Small's children were present: B. M. Small, Esq., of Farmington, Mrs. J. A. Robertson of Harrington, and Mr. D. D. Small of West Sumner. Only one grandson was present, Raymond E. Small, son of B. M. Small.

The following is the poem by Mrs. J. A. Robertson, which was read by her on this occasion:

FIFTY LINES.

Fifty years—who says it's fifty?
And they still alive and thrifty!
Looking ahead, the way seems long,
Looking back, 'tis past like a song.
Yes, fifty times the month of May
Has brought them back their wedding day.
Fifty summers the sun has shone;
Fifty autumns the fruit has grown;
Fifty winters the snow has come
And spread its whiteness round their home.
Half a cent'ry of storm and shine!
Together like the oak and vine—
Faithful through all changes of life—
Fifty long years husband and wife.
Oh, that many others might see
And profit by their fidelity,
Instead of lightly casting away
The vows pledged on their wedding day.
They might realize the perfect bliss
Of matrimony, such as this.
Oh, holy is the blessed tie
That binds us in matrimony.
When God has joined two loving hearts
Woe to him that asunder parts;
E'en death hath not power to sever—
United once is joined forever.
For love waits not for time nor space,
Thou can'st not find its dwelling place.
We thank God for the fifty years
That they have lived through hopes and fears;
While we His mighty name adore,
We pray he'll grant them many more.
We ask for happiness and health,
We ask for these but not for wealth.
Their past lives have been very free
From waves of great adversity.
True, one link of our chain we miss,
Their deepest trouble has been this.
We look to see her charming face;
We look, alas! to a vacant place.
We hoped she'd live to see this day,
But angels beckoned her away.
Yet that link in our family chain
Shall be to us restored again.
When we all meet no more to part
'Tis there we'll find each loving heart.
Oh, may their lives in future be
Blessed with much prosperity.
That God will care for them, we pray,
Until their diamond wedding day.

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 7:30 o'clock.

The Paris Hill Water Company are requested to meet at the post office next Wednesday afternoon at one o'clock from which place an excursion to the springs will be made for the purpose of cleaning them out, and doing other preliminary work. Every citizen who is interested in the introduction of spring water is cordially invited to join this excursion either for pleasure or business. If stormy meet at the same place and hour on the first fair day following.

Frank A. Eastman has been down from Hastings visiting at his father's for a few days.

Mr. W. S. Hutchinson and Mr. Harold Hutchinson of Newton, Mass., were at S. D. Hutchinson's over Sunday.

There was a good attendance of members of Wm. K. Kimball Post and Relief Corps at the Memorial Sunday services at the Universalist church Sunday afternoon. It was the one pleasant day for a week, and the house was filled. The church was handsomely decorated with plants, flowers and flags. Rev. Mr. Pierce delivered an excellent discourse appropriate to the occasion. Music was furnished by a quartette consisting of F. A. Thayer, Mrs. Rawson, and Mr. and Mrs. Merrill. The Paris Hill band played some appropriate selections before and after the services.

Mrs. Ingraham and daughters have arrived at their summer residence here, and are putting it in order.

Paris Grange will attend service in a body at the Baptist church in this place, next Sunday at the usual hour of service, 11 o'clock. A sermon appropriate to the occasion will be given by Rev. Mr. Roberts, who is a member of the order.

The Paris Electric Company are constructing a telephone line to Mountain View Stock Farm connecting with the main line at this place.

WHITTEMORE DISTRICT.

Mrs. James S. Drake of Hillsdale, N. J., and S. D. Whittemore of Boston, are visiting their brother, James I. Whittemore, at the old homestead this week.

Miss Bertha Twitchell, who is teaching school in this district, registered three scholars the first week of her term. This is her sixth week, and she now has ten pupils, which speaks well for Miss Twitchell.

MASON.

Mrs. Millie Turner, of Berlin, N. H., is visiting at her grandfather's, J. C. Bean's.

George Harding of West Bethel helped Charles Brown grade up his lot in the cemetery last week.

Rosie Wheeler came up from Bethel last Saturday to spend her vacation with S. O. Grover's family.

Freddie Wheeler, of Bethel, visited his sisters in this place last Saturday.

J. C. and Addison Bean attended memorial services at the Congregational church, Bethel, last Sabbath.

The Sabbath School was organized at the close of the services at the church last Sabbath:

Charles Pingree, Superintendent.
Nellie Bean, Asst. Superintendent.
Elmer Stiles, Secretary, Treasurer, and Librarian.

Fletcher Bean went to Gilead last Saturday.

WILSON'S MILLS.

Our farmers have been very busy the past week putting in their grain.

Coyle & Flint are the contractors to put in the abutments for the bridge.

J. W. Buckman, who has been spending the winter and spring with his son, Walter, started for his home in Avon, Mass., Tuesday.

Wednesday, Fred Taylor went over the road with the road machine to smooth it up, so that it might be passable until after the rush of spring's work is over.

F. A. Flint and wife started for Bethel the first of the week.

Religious services at the school house on Sunday by a Rev. Mr. Tillson.

RUMFORD.

Mrs. Nancy Silver, with Mrs. Fred Silver, of Hanover, were in town Wednesday calling on friends.

Asa Sessions of Woodstock is working for Miss Cynthia Walker.

There has been but very little planting done in this vicinity at this date.

Grass is looking well for the season. Apple trees are blossoming well. Small fruits were badly winter killed. Tramps are more than plenty. Six in one day.

It is reported that Geo. Tuttle has rented the John Wardwell house at the Corner.

ROXBURY.

Rev. D. A. Gammon is at home from California, and with his wife is at her father's, Mr. Locke's. Mr. Gammon has many curiosities from the wonderland. He is enthusiastic over the California climate.

Our big storm has hindered farmers from putting in crops, but has more than made it up on the grass crop.

Mr. Dresser sent a team and finished drawing his birch that was in Mr. Irish's field.

Mr. Higgins is drawing the remainder of his birch to Swain & Reed's mill.

Mrs. L. S. Rundlett is slowly gaining.

SOUTH RUMFORD.

Married, May 23d, by Rev. J. D. Graham, of Rumford Falls, Lee Abbott of South Rumford and Miss Delia Bellows of Rumford Falls. They have issued invitations for a reception Saturday evening, May 29th, at the bride's father's, where they will begin housekeeping soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fremont Abbott went to Roxbury one day recently and got their organ.

W. Clark is visiting relatives in Turner.

NEWRY.

There is little new going in these parts now.

The weather has been too disagreeable for some days to fall back on for a topic.

J. S. Allen carried a party from Deering to Grafton Saturday for a few days' fishing. They returned Tuesday with a small catch, it having rained every day but one and that was the Sabbath.

Mrs. J. F. Cooledge has had an ill turn lately.

O. E. Baker got a heavy fall from his wheel the other day. It was caused by a team turning out the wrong way. His head struck a stone heap and knocked him senseless for some moments.

The ladies of Newry, Bethel and Hanover organized a sewing circle at L. H. Jewett's Wednesday. The object is to help in church matters.

SUNDAY RIVER.

Planting about done all but gardens.

The bears are here. They have taken four of Will Williamson's sheep. Pleased to have the bear hunter here, Mr. Leavitt.

Mr. Trask set a trap for bears and caught a heifer.

Mrs. Bacon has a daughter, born May 12th.

Hawks are plenty. Have carried off lots of chickens.

We have too many fishermen. There are not fish enough to go around.

Miss Littlehale keeps school in District No. 1. Miss Thurston in No. 3.

Will Powers and horses are working for Mr. Hastings.

One case of the measles in Mrs. Jackson's family.

Elmer Trask is working in Bethel for Mr. Swan.

LYNCHVILLE.

Most of the people of this vicinity have been sick with the grippe. There is hardly a family but what has one or more sick ones.

George Brown of Stoneham has been clapboarding Austin McAllister's house.

Willis Plummer from Rumford Falls came down Monday to attend the funeral of his little sister.

Eugene McKeen went to Lewiston Thursday with Charles Berriman's goods.

Addie Holt is at home from Norway, where she has been at work.

Elmer Cordwell has been running the engine for Henry Plummer.

BETHEL.

A very impressive memorial service was held at the Congregational church last Sunday. The chancel and organ were decorated with flags and bunting and the bank of white blossoms in front of the pulpit added much to the artistic effect of the decorations. The opening exercises were conducted by Rev. I. Jordan and Rev. A. Hamilton, followed by a very able patriotic sermon by Rev. F. E. Barton. Music was furnished by a double quartet, which was beautifully rendered.

Rev. and Mrs. Jordan are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a little son.

Last week Frank Flint and Merton Farwell took a trip to Richardson Lake, and while there caught some fine trout. Mr. Flint took a beauty from the lake weighing 9 1-2 pounds. A gentleman paid him $10 for it to send to a friend.

The merry-go-round has put in an appearance, to the delight of the girls and boys.

The subject of a soldiers' monument is being agitated here. A very strong sentiment is expressed in favor of a memorial building, which shall be a blessing to all future generations.

Commencement week of Gould Academy opened Sunday with a baccalaureate sermon by Rev. I. Jordan. Thursday evening the graduating exercises and a concert will take place in Odeon Hall. "There will be no orchestra or out of town music, but, better than that, our talented musical friends in town have gladly co-operated in furnishing music for the evening." No doubt this will be one of the finest concerts given in Bethel this season. Friday evening, Miss Purington will give a reception to the graduating class, students and friends of the students. About 300 invitations have been issued.

The Academy Herald is issued, and a very kind and courteous thing it was for the managers to dedicate it to their teacher, Miss Purington. The articles are mostly from members of her classes in literature and reflect much credit upon both teacher and scholars.

The friends of Dr. W. A. Russell, who formerly resided here, and son of the late Dr. Charles Russell of West Paris, will regret to know that on account of his health, he has been obliged to relinquish all practice and go to Denver for a season; and all will join in the wish that he may regain his health in that milder climate.

The conundrum social given by the Christian Endeavorers Friday evening was a very pleasant affair.

KEZAR FALLS.

Peleg Boynton and his sister, Mrs. Wm. G. Davis, were summoned to Boston by telegraph to see a sick brother.

The dressmakers say they are making a number of wedding dresses.

Half fare on the railroad takes many of our people to Portland shopping Saturday.

The report is current that Rev. Mr. Nixon is preaching some very able sermons.

Alpheus Gilpatrick, aged 80, was buried Saturday, the 22d.

No planting done yet. The ground is too wet.

Apple trees have blossomed quite nicely.

Sheriff Shirley of Fryeburg was in town Wednesday.

NORTH BUCKFIELD.

Geo. R. Hammond of Paris with quite a crew of men has commenced on Carl Heald's barn.

Two meat men, one fish cart and one baker's cart in our place the 26th.

J. H. Carey and family have returned home to Salem, Mass.

Mr. A. T. Sloan and family of West Paris were in our place calling on friends the 23d.

Luther Turner and wife of Buckfield village were in our place the 23d.

James Bicknell is moving Mrs. Ingraham's goods to Paris Hill.

NORTH PARIS.

Mr. Hazeltine has bought the shop now occupied by Mr. Edgerley, and will finish the lower part for living rooms and move in.

The road machine has reached this place.

Leroy Abbott has a new bike.

Rev. Seth Benson has bought seven or eight cows and is sending cream to the factory.

Very wet at this writing, and more to come.

Lyman Beck and wife were at G. G. Fuller's May 16th.

Capt. and Mrs. G. M. Small and D. D. Small were at E. E. Field's May 16th.

Will Andrews and wife visited at her mother's May 16th.

Dr. Yates was called to see G. G. Fuller one day last week. Mr. Fuller was laid up for a few days but is now out.

John Butterfield has bought a yoke of oxen of Joseph Cummings.

A few of the neighbors made a bee for G. G. Fuller one day last week, to assist him about his planting.

A new member received the 1st and 2d degrees at the Grange last Saturday.

Mrs. Lorana Adams has sold the blacksmith shop to Mr. Haseltine who will fix it over into a dwelling.

Edgar Townsend has moved into the Field house in the village.

Plenty of rain to make hay.

WEST BETHEL.

"All hail the open sesame season!
All hail the verdurous verge of the verdue!
All hail the resurrection of the hoe and the porous plasters that are to ensue to the worker thereof.
Already doth the wasp stir himself in the garret-hung trousers, while the angleworm lubricates the robins' alimentaries.
Now the chrysalis twitters in the larvæ, and the Coroner and the M. D. sing the advent of the cherry season.
All hail everything! Even the things that are thingless!
Yea! Even the thingery and the thingumbob."

Frogs are happy nowadays.

Mosquitoes are merrily singing.

Good weather for greens, grass and grain.

Albert A. Richmond has moved to Paris.

Maud M. Merrow was in Gorham, N. H., Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. A. J. McAllister, whose health has long been failing, died the 22d of consumption.

A. S. Bean has had two men and four horses working on the road machine for a number of days.

A game of base ball is expected to be played here on the afternoon of June 5th between our boys and the Gilead club.

Many young women have a strange fancy that a man without a moustache is not kissable; for a kiss without a moustache tastes like soup without salt, they say.

Fred Ordway has put a good supply of flour, meal, corn, oats and bran in the Grange building, to be sold by his father, Lysander Ordway.

Milton Holt went to Portland May 11th to have a tumor, or something of that kind, removed from his neck. The operation was successfully performed in the Maine General Hospital, and we hope to soon see him at home. His store is closed during his absence.

HARTFORD.

We have received a visit from Mr. Chase, a Boston Globe reporter, who wished to know something of the history of the Custard Pie Association. We gave him a full account of it from its birth up to the present time, the particulars of which you will soon see in the Boston Globe.

Cyrus Merrill is very low. He is not expected to live.

Frank Allen has been quite sick, but is better at this writing.

Plenty of apple blossoms on the trees, and plenty of rotten apples in the barnyard.

NORWAY LAKE.

Josiah Smith of Monson has been at David Flood's. They were comrades in Co. G, 14th Maine Regiment. Mr. Flood and Mr. Smith went to Edes Falls the 19th to visit John S. Maxfield, another comrade.

The McKay family have moved out of Eugene Smith's rent. They have gone to Norway, where Mr. McKay has work.

WELCHVILLE.

Mrs. M. B. Warren was called to Cumberland by the sudden death of her aunt, Mrs. J. N. Dunn, last Tuesday.

Mrs. S. P. Stuart returned home from Medford, Mass., last week, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Gertie Harris.

Mr. W. N. Thomas planted F. J. Hall's, J. F. Fuller's and M. B. Warren's sweet corn last Wednesday.

WEST PARIS.

Last Monday about 2:30 A. M., Mr. Fred Lurvey and wife were awakened by the creaking of a board in their kitchen floor. Lurvey sprang from the bed, but before he could do anything the supposed thief escaped through a window, the lower sash of which was being held up by a pal outside. The rascal had evidently come through the window, it not being fastened, went to the door and unlocked it, so as to have two chances to escape provided he was detected. There have been quite a number of good shooting irons pocketed around this vicinity lately.

S. B. Locke is having his buildings painted, and there is quite a demand for painters and paper hangers.

D. G. Shaw and wife of Portland are visiting relatives in the neighborhood.

W. J. Wheeler of South Paris was in the village this week.

I. F. Lapham and wife of Litchfield are visiting at L. B. Swan's.

Our factory is turning out a large amount of butter, for which there is a good demand. From the cream of the first four days of the past week there was made over 2100 pounds of butter.

Rain seems to be the order of the day, and most of the planting in this vicinity, both in field and garden, will be done in in June.

Miss Birdie Bryant is visiting relatives at Bryant's Pond.

The State of Maine Wood Rim Co. have two steam fitters from Mechanic Falls doing a large job in their new dry house, and elsewhere about the premises.

FRYEBURG.

The Fryeburg baseball team played at North Bridgton with the North Bridgton Academy boys Saturday, the 22d. Score, 20 to 19 in favor of the Fryeburgs.

Hon. G. B. Barrows came from Boston on Saturday. Miss Anna Barrows accompanied him, but went back to Boston on Tuesday.

Mrs. Lucie Towle Livingston of Williamstown, Mass., with her son and daughter, is at her father's, Dr. W. C. Towle's.

Rev. Mr. Abbott went to Portland on Monday to meet his father and mother, Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott and wife of Brooklyn, N. Y.

A very pleasant finale of the C. L. S. C. meetings took place at Mr. Frank Locke's on Monday evening, at which Dr. and Mrs. Abbott and son were present.

Mrs. Jane Frye Coolidge returned from Portland, where she had been spending a few days, also Mrs. Sue Gordon.

Mr. T. L. Eastman is having his house (the upper part of the Twin Spring Houses) painted a light buff color.

Dr. and Mrs. Lyman Abbott received callers on Wednesday afternoon and evening at Mr. A. H. Evans'.

Rev. W. B. Hague and wife and friend of South Bridgton were in town on Wednesday.

Mrs. M. A. Randall still continues quite sick.

Mr. Ralph Downing of Portland has been visiting his friend, Fred Fife.

Dr. S. C. Gordon is in town.

Mrs. Alberta Abbott is very busy with the preparation for the music for Sunday and Monday's memorial services, and for the baccalaureate of next week.

The annual business meeting of the Woman's Library Club occurred May 28, and officers for the year were chosen as follows:

Pres.—Mrs. G. S. Barrows.
Vice-Pres.—Miss Fannie Tibbetts.
Sec.—Miss Mary Warren.
Treas.—Miss Mary Weston.
Librarian—Mrs. Jennie W. Hastings.
Assistants—Mrs. Laura Weeks and Mrs. Aurelia N. Eastman.

LOVELL.

The fifth session of the West Oxford Sabbath School Association met with the Congregational school at Lovell Centre Tuesday, May 25th. The day was very rainy, but there were forty in attendance. The forenoon was devoted to business, and discussion of the use of aids in the study of lessons. Dinner was served in the hall. The afternoon was taken up in discussing the questions upon the programme, and resulted in bringing out many points which must prove useful to those interested in the study of the lessons. Among those present and taking part in the meeting were Rev. C. L. Baker of the Centre and Rev. E. B. Wood of the village, E. E. Allen and Miss Butters of Stoneham, and M. M. Hamblen of North Waterford, also many connected with the two schools at Lovell Centre.

The mumps are steadily marching on at the village.

Mrs. James T. Farnham is on the sick list.

Mrs. Eliza Andrews of Biddeford is visiting in town.

Miss Julia Stearns is visiting at Biddeford.

Frank L. Howe is here for stock for Brighton market.

OXFORD.

Married, at Oxford Spring House, on Wednesday evening, May 26, Mr. Henry Oscar Hatch of Littleton, N. H., and Miss May Bell Keith, daughter of Mrs. Isabel N. Keith. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Edgar Davis, Episcopal clergyman of Littleton, N. H. Relatives and friends from Massachusetts and New Hampshire, and also a large number of guests from this town and other towns near were present. The bride wore white satin with bridal veil, and carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley. The bridesmaids wore white and carried bouquets of lilies of the valley and roses. Palms, ferns, trailing vines and fragrant flowers adorned the rooms and the dining room tables where supper was served to 200 or more guests. The presents were numerous and beautiful. The best wishes of all attend the youthful pair.

Rev. Mr. Howard and wife are visiting friends in Welchville.

The Misses Cora and Flora Martin have gone to Boston to visit friends.

Mr. Fred Carey of Auburn visited his father last week.

WEST SUMNER.

Geo. E. Pulsifer is putting a new pipe to his buildings for water supply.

Mrs. Sadie Jacobs, who has been at Dr. Andrews', has gone back to Massachusetts.

Henry Bates and wife have been visiting at Clinton Bates, a few days.

The golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. G. M Small was celebrated at the vestry last Monday. Their children were present, as well as a large company of friends. Some nice presents were given. A pleasing literary entertainment was given. May they live to see their diamond wedding day.

The fishing party, Chas. Hemingway, Geo. Packard, Wallace Chandler and Dr. E. H. Andrews, returned Tuesday laden with handsome trout. They had a very good catch and pleasant trip. The following is one of the products of the trip:

Of all the places to fish and rest,
The Four Ponds camps are by far the best.
Plenty of fish, and everything good,
And twenty-five miles back in the wood.

'Tis a very great pleasure for men who work,
To steal away where the wily trout lurk.
Even the doctor likes to go,
And with the blacksmith 'tis even so.

The camps are pleasant, the beds are nice;
There's pure spring water, and snow and ice.
The trout are gamy, large and small;
And for genuine pluck our doctor beats all.

The millmen are as bad as the rest,
And the carpenters are not always the best.
But with all the tramping on the route,
They like to go and live on trout.

Good-bye to the trout, good-bye to the pond.
We'll be ready to start in the early morn,
With gripsacks empty, and rods in the case,
There's considerable fun in the homeward chase.
E. W. CHANDLER.

SWEDEN.

Apple trees have blossomed fairly well in this section, notwithstanding the heavy fruiting of last year, and every one who has a pear tree can reasonably expect a good crop, as the trees have been very white this spring.

Grass is looking unusually well, but very little being winter killed.

Mr. G. F. Stone of Norway was in town recently and photographed the union school, and as the pictures are quite good most of the scholars are to have one.

The mumps are among us, and Lena Maxwell, Eva Holden, John Evans and Frank Stone are the victims.

Frank Watts took a five days' vacation last week visiting friends in Woburn, Lancaster and Boston. He made the trip on his wheel with the exception of from Portland to Boston and return. When he got home the cyclometer indicated 245 1-2 miles. It was pronounced a very enjoyable trip.

BUCKFIELD.

Mr. Edwin P. Churchill, a recent graduate of a theological college in Toronto, Canada, visited his sister, Mrs. Daniel Murch, last week, and preached an able discourse at the Baptist church Sunday morning, the 23d inst. Mr. Churchill is on his way to Nova Scotia, where he has a call to a Baptist church in Kempt, N. S.

Miss Mary P. Ingraham of Brookline, Mass., joined the Ingrahams at Hon. A. P. Bonney's Monday, the 24th.

Miss Mary Louise Bisbee of Rumford Falls was in town Wednesday and Thursday to attend the rehearsal of the chorus of the Maine Musical Convention.

Hon. John L. Childs, of Floral Park, and son, were in town this week.

Memorial Day was fittingly observed by Fessenden Post Monday. An able address was delivered by Alfred Cole, Esq. Music was furnished by the Buckfield Orchestra and the Baptist choir.

W. H. Tilton, Esq., postmaster at Floral Park, N. Y., was visiting friends here last week.

Rev. Sumner Bangs, pastor of the Baptist church, was united in marriage to Miss Florence Brown, of Norway, by Rev. A. R. Crane, D. D., at Hebron, last Monday.

HEBRON.

Dr. Butler of Colby University preached here Sunday to a large and appreciative audience, and gave a lecture in the evening. The older residents who remembered Dr. Butler's father and grandfather were specially pleased to hear him.

Judge Bonney, E. S. Donham and other strangers were at church Sunday.

Miss Grace Bumpus went to Harris Hill by special invitation to attend the presentation and raising of a flag at the school house, where she has taught several terms. The flag was purchased by money raised at an entertainment given by Miss Bumpus and her pupils.

The road machine has been doing good work in this district for a few days the past week. We are sorry to see many stones of various sizes left on nicely kept grass in several places.

Mrs. Phebe Sturtevant of Jamaica Plain, Mass., has been the guest of Prof. and Mrs. Sargent for a few days.

Mrs. Coleman of Washington, D. C., gave an address here Thursday evening. Mrs. Judge Bonney accompanied her.

Geo. Whitney, Esq., of Oxford, was in the place Friday.

Memorial Day was observed Sunday. A delegation from Post Dwinal of Mechanic Falls was present. The services throughout were fitting for the day, and the memorial sermon by Dr. Crane was one of his best, which is all need be said. We are glad that in our little village the day was kept as it should be, and wish it came on Sunday every year. It is a disgrace to our country that the one day given to the memory of our brave, dead soldiers cannot be kept as intended, but given over to ball playing and other games. Our young people should remember that it is not a holiday in that sense of the word.

GREENWOOD.

Enough more rain this week for grass or any other crop. Grass has seldom looked better at this time of year. It was but little killed and had a good start.

Strawberries are blossoming heavily, and apple trees fairly well, but not to compare with last year.

Hanging Maybaskets is still in vogue, and fishing is the pastime for boys during the rainy weather.

Mrs. E. L. Dunham visited her parents last Friday, went to Norway Saturday, and returned home Sunday night.

Rev. Mr. Snow preached at the Pond last Sunday forenoon from the text, "What seek ye?" There was a good congregation, and we had the privilege once more of shaking hands with Rev. Seth Benson, and also with Isaac Lapham and wife of Litchfield.

Rev. Mr. Snow preached at the Centre Sunday afternoon, but, not being there, details must be omitted.

Sunday evening we read a sermon by Rev. Dr. Talmage from the words: "Till a dart strike through his liver." The subject was on the health of the body. Everybody ought to read it, and the young in particular.

We called on Stephen Rowe at the Pond the other day, and found him busily at work in his garden as usual. It is already evident that he intends it to take the premium as it always has done. Mr. Rowe will be 82 years old the 4th of July, but time is touching him so lightly that the other evening he was out hanging Maybaskets. His daughter, Lizzie Whitman, is still in feeble health, but does considerable work.

Alfonzo Cole has quit work in Portland, and has gone to work for his father. He says that Madison Swan, who lost both legs and one arm by falling under the cars, has so far recovered as to be able to travel on artificial legs with the help of a cane.

The sudden death of Nathan M. Small last Monday must have been a surprise to every one. We had been somewhat acquainted with him for nearly thirty years, always found him ready for conversation, and he would generally work a streak of humor into it before closing. We had an interview with Mr. Small last Saturday, and little thought that in two days he would be summoned across the river. It needs no argument to prove that in life we are in the midst of death.

LOCKE'S MILLS.

Mr. Cullen Swift of Fall River, Mass., is visiting his mother and brothers in this place.

The ladies' union circle met at the church Wednesday, the 26th, to re-organize, Mrs. Ida Crooker presiding. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Mrs. Ida Crooker, President.
Mrs. Flora Farnham, Vice-president.
Mrs. Abbie Coffin, Treasurer.
Mrs. Clara Brown, Secretary.

It was voted to use the money obtained by the circle for religious services, and repairs on the church if needed.

The mill office and W. H. Crockett's store are being newly painted. Martin Bros. are doing the work.

Rev. Mr. Corey was present at the quarterly meeting Friday, the 21st, and preached an excellent sermon in the evening.

Lafe Lapham is at work at Rumford Falls.

Oscar Brown is at work at the steam mill at Bethel.

George Herrick and Oscar Brown went to the lakes fishing Saturday, the 22d, returning Monday, the 24th.

The rain is a blessing to the farmers in this vicinity.

Lafe Lapham is working at Rumford Falls.

Walter Carr and wife of West Paris were here one day last week.

Mr. Barnett is having trouble with his eyes again.

W. H. Crockett has made some repairs about his store.

L. P. Bryant is drawing lumber from Virgin's mill to build a shed.

S. S. Felt is having water put into his house and D. D. Cross is working for him building some boats.

Howard Chapman and family of Bethel visited at L. P. Bryant's the other day.

Cullen Swift is visiting relatives in this vicinity.

RUMFORD CENTRE.

T. H. Small has sold his ferry to Frank Abbott.

C. R. Abbott fell Saturday in Graham's barn and sprained his ankle.

C. G. Delano of Dixfield was in town Saturday.

Henry Colby has charge of the roads at the Falls.

Frank Martin has charge at the west part of the town.

C. E. Kennison is building a tool house.

John Thompson broke a leg last week.

STOW.

The drama entitled "Uncle Josh," followed by the farce, "Too much of a good thing," was played at the town hall at Stow Wednesday evening. The house was crowded full and a large sum received.

Miss Bertha Charles was at home one night last week.

Mr. John McKeen from Cumberland Mills visited at O. R. Barrows' last week.

Miss Lizzie Charles visited her sister, Mrs. F. E. Guptill, a few days last week.

Miss Imogene Eastman and Nellie Walker expect to go away to work for the summer season.

ANDOVER.

We have had rain in the superlative degree. Lots of land is completely submerged in water. Those who planted early on low land will be obliged to replant.

The people this way are enthusiastic over the proposed railroad which will run from Bryant's Pond to Rumford Falls, with a branch to Andover. If this is consummated it will open up an avenue of trade, which otherwise will never be improved. An informal meeting was held at the town hall last night, and Mr. O. B. Poor and R. L. Melcher, Esq., were appointed to meet the railroad commissioners at Augusta next week.

Services were held to-day in accordance with the usual custom in memory of our fallen heroes. Mr. Young gave one of the best discourses ever listened to by our people.

The remains of Roy Marston, second son of Chas. E. Marston, were brought here to-day for burial.

CANTON.

Mrs. Ruth Keene is quite sick.

The new firm is Hutchinson & Houghton.

Road Surveyor DeCoster has repaired Main Street hill the best that it was ever done.

Too wet to do any planting.

C. O. Holt has swapped horses again.

G. W. Moore went to Portland Tuesday on a business trip.

William Coolidge has shingled his stable.

Work is progressing finely on Grange Hall.

L. W. Smith was at Boston last week on business.

Mrs. Emma Straton of Rumford Falls was having some dresses made by Miss Abbie Johnson the 24th and 25th.

Simeon Bicknell and Nathan Reynolds have had their stands painted. C. Hall painted Reynolds', J. Darrington Bicknell's.

Strawberries, 2 boxes for 25 cents.

EAST BETHEL.

Mrs. W. H. Tracy is visiting friends at Norway.

Percy Bartlett is at his home in this place on a short vacation.

Mrs. S. E. Rich of Berlin, N. H., is visiting her parents in this place.

Mrs. A. M. Bean has returned from Washington, and will spend the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. H. Bean.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Farwell, son and daughter, and Mrs. W. O. Holt have gone on a carriage drive to Moosehead Lake. They will visit at Greenville, Mrs. Holt's childhood home. Mrs. Sarah Farwell and Miss Ella Abbott will care for their home while they are away.

EAST SUMNER.

Rev. D. S. Hibbard and Miss Nellie Hibbard have been visiting in East Sumner and vicinity. Their present address is Gorham, Maine.

Rev. P. E. Miller has been on a brief visit to Deer Isle.

S. C. Heald took two colts by rail to Boston last week for parties at Weymouth.

Armenian (?) peddlers seem to be plenty. So are black flies.

S. A. Oldham has been quite feeble from an attack of heart disease.

Cream collectors now make their trips during the latter part of the night.

Planting is much delayed, especially sweet corn, on account of dull and cold weather.

HIRAM.

On Sunday, the 24th, Rev. J. E. Adams, D. D., of Bangor, preached a very able sermon from the text, "Were there not ten cleansed? Where are the nine?" He also administered the sacrament, and admitted two persons to the Congregational church by letter, and baptized two who were also admitted to membership.

The numerous friends of Irving Mabry will be glad to hear of his improvement and probable recovery.

We do not claim to be the oldest inhabitant, but we remember that it snowed in Hiram on May 26th, 1857.

Charles W. Osgood is building a house at East Hiram.

Willis T. Wadsworth, the new postmaster at Hiram, is confined to the house by lameness.

On Monday evening some 35 members of the Y. P. S. C. E. passed a very pleasant evening with Mr. Eli C. Wadsworth at Mountain View farm.

DENMARK.

Mr. J. N. Smith has purchased the remainder of the stock of goods in the store formerly occupied by Bert Libby.

Dr. Curtiss of Boston was a guest at the Maplewood a few days last week.

U. S. Deputy Marshal Emery was again in town Tuesday and took with him to Portland John Roberts.

Mr. C. O. Pendexter was in Portland Monday on special business connected with the Roberts case.

It is reported that Arthur Richardson has been arrested in Conway, N. H., for illegal sale of liquor, and is now confined in Ossipee jail.

BROWNFIELD.

The Mason Family Concert Company gave a very entertaining concert Tuesday evening at the town hall. Notwithstanding the storm the hall was very well filled. All seemed well pleased with the program. Mr. Mason is very much of a gentleman. His aim is to please. Reports from adjoining towns speak in flattering terms of the company, especially of little Miss Nina May, 10 years old, who renders selections of violin music in a masterly manner.

Farmers are not done planting yet.

ALBANY.

Bad weather for planting and hanging Maybaskets, but the last is quite extensively carried on here regardless of the weather.

The Ladies' Circle meets with Mrs. A. G. Bean on Thursday afternoon.

Lewis Sanborn of Bethel was at the Corner Saturday on business.

One young man that failed to catch the Maybasket hanger says he knew where it came from by the smell of the basket. We think he will develop into a detective or something else.

W. I. Beckler is limping around from the effects of lumbago in the back.

Maitland Bird is at home for a few days. He takes back a new horse to show the New Hampshire boys. He swapped with Elmer Cross.

CANTON POINT.

The recent rain of Thursday will put a damper on some of our wet farms.

C. M. Holland is the first to do hoeing this season.

G. M. Park recently sold a nice cow to Mr. Warren Hall of East Dixfield.

A. J. Foster and son have gone to Boston to spend the summer, where Mr. Foster is engaged in mason work.

Ed Bartlett and family have been on the sick list, but are better at this writing.

Our trader is selling fine flour for $5.65 a barrel.

Bessie Bartlett is at work for Mrs. A. J. Foster.

G. M. Park recently dropped a stitch in his back and is very lame.

Mrs. McWilliams is on the sick list.

Capt. White is blacksmithing at Brettun's Mills.

Mrs. Peter Russell, who was taken to Auburn for treatment, is slowly improving.

BRYANT POND.

Nathan M. Small, senior member of the firm of N. M. Small & Son, gentlemen's furnishing and grocery store at this place, dropped dead from his chair at his home Monday forenoon, May 24, about half-past ten. He was 60 years of age. He had been in his usual health.

Y. P. S. C. E.

The East Oxford Local Union, Y. P. S. C. E., will meet at Rumford Point, June 15th.

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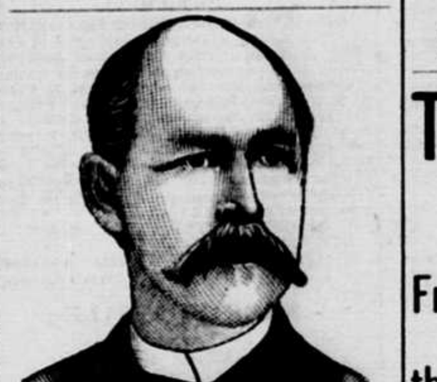

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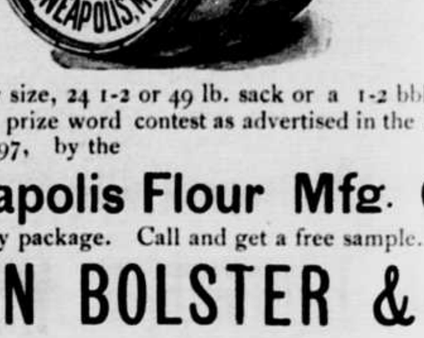

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Sunday trains: Going down, 9:40 A. M.; going up, 7:06 A. M., 8:03 P. M.

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., 3:46, 8:13 P. M.; from Gorham, &c., 6:45, 9:30 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.

STATED MEETINGS.

F. & A. M.—Regular meeting Tuesday evening on or before full moon.
I. O. O. F.—Mount Mica Lodge, regular meeting, Thursday evening of each week.—Aurora Encampment, first and third Monday evenings of each month.
D. of R.—Mount Pleasant Rebekah Lodge, No. 30, meets second and fourth Fridays of each month in Odd Fellows' Hall.
P. of H.—Paris Grange, second Saturday of each month. The Grange store is open for trade Wednesday and Saturday afternoons.
U. O. G. C.—Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
I. O. G. T.—South Paris Lodge, No. 311, meets first and third Monday evenings of each month in the G. A. R. Hall.
G. A. R.—W. K. Kimball Post, No. 148, meets Saturday on or before full moon, in G. A. R. Hall.
Wm. K. Kimball Relief Corps meets first and third Thursday evenings of each month, in G. A. R. Hall.
N. E. O. P.—Stony Brook Lodge, No. 181, meets at G. A. R. Hall first and third Wednesday evenings of each month.
K. of P.—Hamlin Lodge, No. 31, meets every Friday evening at Masonic Hall.
O. U. A. M.—Norway and South Paris Council, No. 9, meets in G. A. R. Hall every Tuesday evening.

S. F. Briggs' house is being painted.

Rev. S. D. Brown of this place has been granted a pension.

W. A. Porter has put in a handsome ice cream cabinet beside his soda fountain.

Mrs. Sarah True of Mechanic Falls visited at John Woodman's two days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Howland and a party of friends are at Mountain View Farm.

F. A. Thayer has found his Scotch collie Keno, which disappeared several days ago, but the dog was dead.

The regular monthly meeting of the South Paris Board of Trade comes on Wednesday evening of this week.

Dr. C. L. Buck was at Hastings one day last week, and removed a large amount of lumberman's toothache.

General Manager H. F. Morton of the Paris Manufacturing Co. made a business trip to Buffalo, N. Y., last week.

Alton Wheeler is at home for the summer, and is in W. A. Porter's serving soda, fruit, confectionery, etc., with his usual ease and good humor.

All the members of the Mt. Pleasant Rebekah degree team are requested to meet at the hall on Tuesday, June 1st, at 4 o'clock P. M., for rehearsal.

Alfred A. Starbird is at home from the University of Maine for a few days, coming here from Bath after the Coburn Cadets broke camp at that place.

Hamlin Lodge, K. of P., has accepted an invitation to visit Oxford Bear Lodge at Hanover on the 16th of June, when they will work the Third Rank in the long form.

A number of Hebron students came up Wednesday to practice on the track at the fair grounds, in preparation for the interscholastic field day at Brunswick.

The earthquake shock which was reported Thursday evening over quite a part of New England, New York and the province of Quebec, was observed here by several people.

Work on the grading of the county grounds is progressing well. Notwithstanding the fact that a correspondent of the Advertiser thinks the county has been trying for three years to get those grounds graded, it remains a matter of record that the work of building was begun only a little more than two years ago, and that the buildings have been completed only seventeen months.

J. Hastings Bean, our popular and efficient Register of Deeds, moved into his new house on Gothic Street last Thursday. We say new because the thorough remodeling that the buildings have received amounts to that. The entire lower story of the old house has been torn out and rebuilt, several changes made in the second story, a new ell built and the stable moved back, raised and repaired. Mr. Bean has now one of the best residences in town. Here's hoping that he may long enjoy it.

The plan for the improvement of the plot in Market Square is at hand. It shows a plot generally triangular in form, not running out to sharp angles, but rounded off in curves in harmony with the surroundings. A three-foot iron fence, with posts set in stone bases, surrounds it, and outside of this is a two-foot stone-paved gutter. At the lower edge are a drinking fountain and a catch basin. It is probable that arrangements will be made so that this plan may be carried out the present season.

The Lillian Tucker Co. played here every evening and Saturday matinee last week, as announced in the last number of the Democrat. They closed each evening with an exhibition of the lifelike pictures of the magniscope. This company is one of the best that is seen in this part of the country outside of the cities, and lovers of good clean theatrical entertainments and good acting always hail its coming with pleasure. Considering the weather, the houses for the week averaged fair, and the audiences were appreciative and enthusiastic.

As the result of a raid by Sheriff Porter and a party of assistants on a house of ill-fame at Rumford Falls, Wm. Grant, Mrs. Goodwin and Mrs. Bradbury are serving thirty days in jail. Barney Butler of the same place is also serving thirty days in default of a $10 fine and costs for intoxication and disturbance. The latter didn't seem to take kindly to arrest, and it took several men to induce him to enter the lock-up. Later, when he was taken from the lock-up to the court room, he made a break for liberty, but the officer made better time and caught him.

At the last meeting of Paris Grange it was voted to observe Children's Day June 12 at 1:30 P. M. S. E. Jackson and Mrs. Gertrude Twitchell, the committee on exercises, announce the following list of committees, who are requested to prepare a program in their respective districts:

South Paris—Hannah Carter and Mrs. Franklin Maxim.
Elm Hill—Mrs. Annie L. Swift.
Biscoe—Mrs. A. J. Penley.
Porter—Mrs. Mabelle I. Greeley.
Stearns Hill—Mrs. Lottie Gates.
Paris Hill—Mrs. Gertrude Hammond.
Whittemore—Mrs. Ruth Thayer.
King—Mrs. J. F. King.
Mountain—Miss Annie Marshall.

The beautiful summer weather of Sunday came as a great relief after the week of almost incessant rain, and though many people converted the day into one of pleasure seeking, the audiences that assembled at the Congregational church, both morning and evening, were very gratifying to the pastor. In the morning Mr. Haughton preached on "What a community owes to the Church," and earnestly avowed that the moral and material, as well as the spiritual prosperity of an individual, and of a nation depend upon faith in and worship of Almighty God. People forget what they owe to the church. "Pull down these churches," said the preacher, "give up the habit of attending divine worship; do away with prayer and Christian song, give the reins to worldliness, and pleasure seeking and selfishness, and in fifty years from today, would you expect a better moral condition or a worse?" In the evening the subject was "An Earnest Appeal," Rom. 12:1, and an excellent congregation was present to listen to it.

Four members were added to the Baptist church by baptism last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown of Salem, Mass., are visiting Mrs. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Shurtleff.

The members of Paris Grange who go to the Hill next Sunday are requested to meet at the academy after their arrival, and march to the church in a body.

One of the prisoners at the jail is at work on the grading, preferring to do that rather than to remain in his cell. It is unnecessary to state that he wasn't arrested as a tramp.

A member of the local board of health, in conversation with the Democrat the other day, remarked that the village is laying up grief for itself in allowing the sewage to run off into several convenient hollows which have no outlet, and that is a practice that will sooner or later have to be stopped. The fact is that, notwithstanding the very favorable character of the soil here for drainage, we have got to come to a system of sewerage some time, and it may not be many years either.

Mr. Archie K. Pope of Ashmont, Mass., who was the fortunate winner of the silver cup at the interscholastic bicycle race in Boston on Monday, is the son of Hon. and Mrs. Arthur W. Pope, who are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Howland at their stock farm "Mountain View." Among other guests are Miss Maggie Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Hamlin and others. Mr. and Mrs. Howland, who are the soul of hospitality, have given several dinners during their stay in honor of their guests, who will remain a month longer. To-morrow Hon. and Mrs. A. W. Pope are celebrating their wedding anniversary, in whose honor a dinner will be given, followed by fireworks on the lawn, and a dance.

After the shower Saturday afternoon the South Paris Gun Club met on their old grounds and had their weekly shoot. The rain made it impossible to shoot at the appointed hour and darkness interfered somewhat with shooting but the scores were quite up to the average. There were two events made of the usual twenty targets, ten at known angles and ten at unknown angles. This was new business to the boys and seemed to create considerable excitement, giving them the flavor of what is to come. On Monday, following, the club had a forenoon and afternoon shoot and the usual interest was manifested which seems to be a characteristic of the club. They now have nineteen members and are looking for more. The next club shoot will be held on Saturday afternoon, June 5, at 4 o'clock, sharp. Following is the score made Saturday, May 29th:

	Known Angles.	Unknown Angles.
Titcomb, C.,	1011101010	0101001110—11
Brett, C.,	1110100111	0001100110—11
Record, J.,	1001100110	0100011111—11
Record, H.,	0100100001	1000111101—9
Morton, H.,	0001111110	0001010010—9
Wright, F.,	1100101001	0000010101—8
Stanley, W.,	1000000000	0001101011—7
McArdle, E.,	0011011100	0010100000—7
DeCoster, L.,	0001010001	0000110001—6
Doble, F.,	0010000001	0000110000—4
Chandler, R.,	0100010001	0000100000—4
Shaw, E.,	1100000000	0000000000—2
Maxim, M.,	0000000001	0001000101—4
Bonney, F.,	0010110110	
Bennett, M.,	00110	

Following is the score for Monday forenoon, May 31st:

	Known Angles.	Unknown Aigles.
Bonney, F.,	1101011011	0111110010—13
Knight, E.,	1011111101	0001001011—12
Stanley, W.,	1101111011	1001001010—12
Shaw, E.,	1011100011	0100010010—9
Parsons, J.,	0111101110	1000010000—9
Titcomb, C.,	0100101001	1010100010—8
Brett, C.,	0101101000	0001110000—7
Doble, F.,	0100010010	1001100001—7
Penley, F.,	1100100010	0100000101—7
Record, H.,	1100100010	0000011001—7
Wright, F.,	0111000001	0100001000—6
Maxim, M.,	1000010010	0010010000—5
Morton, H.,	0000010000	0110001000—4

Following is the score for Monday afternoon:

Knight, E.,	14
Bonney, F.,	13
Stanley, W.,	12
Morton, H.,	11
Brett, C.,	10
Parsons, J.,	10
Titcomb, C.,	9
Record, H.,	8
Wright, F.,	8
Doble, F.,	6
Penley, F.,	6
Dennison, W.,	5
Maxim, M.,	4

MEMORIAL DAY AT PARIS.

On Sunday, May 30, the members of Wm. K. Kimball Post and Relief Corps attended service at the Universalist church, Paris Hill, and listened to an excellent memorial sermon by Rev. Mr. Pierce.

On Monday the graves in all the cemeteries except Riverside at South Paris, were decorated by details of comrades. At 1:30 P. M. the post assembled at their hall, and the procession was formed headed by Paris Hill Brass Band, followed by Co. D, N. G. S. M., Wm. K. Kimball Post, citizens and school children.

The line of march was to Riverside Cemetery, where there was prayer by Rev. R. J. Haughton, remarks by Rev. I. A. Bean, the reading of President Lincoln's Gettysburg address by Rev. Mr. Haughton, and the decorating of the graves by a detail of the post. The procession then proceeded to Moore Park, giving the marching salute at the soldiers' monument, then back to New Hall for the exercises of the day.

Commander S. D. Brown presided and the address was given by Rev. C. A. Southard of Lewiston. Mr. Southard spoke without notes, and timed the closing of his remarks by the departure of the afternoon train. He spoke earnestly and rapidly, and is evidently thoroughly imbued with the Grand Army spirit. Space will not permit of an extended review of his remarks.

The other parts of the afternoon's programme were prayer by Rev. T. J. Ramsdell, music by the band, singing by a choir composed of Mrs. G. A. Wilson, Miss Grace Thayer, Mr. F. A. Thayer and Mr. George A. Briggs, and the national memorial hymn, to the tune of "America," sung by the audience in closing.

In the evening the ladies of the relief corps entertained the members of the post at a social gathering.

WHAT CAN BE DONE TO IMPROVE OUR ROADS?

SUGGESSIONS FROM CORRESPONDENTS, IN RESPONSE TO THIS QUESTION.

Editor Democrat:

I saw in the Portland Express the question you ask about the improvement of our roads, and I think that a good way to get the ideas of different men from all parts of our state. Now the question is, "What can be done to improve our roads?" and the answer I should give to that question would be surface and sub-surface drainage, which is the foundation of all good road making.

If the street commissioner would make a note of the places in the roads that break up in the spring, and then as soon as possible put a blind drain made of broken stone and small rocks or tile of good size through those places, and give them a good outlet, he will have a piece of road that will not trouble him again for many years, and by following that course for a few years he would have his roads well drained and passable at all seasons of the year; and they can be kept in good repair for about one-half that undrained roads can. The usual course in the country is to pile on sand or gravel just to make it passable for the time being, and the next spring do the very same thing, or if there is no gravel handy pile on brush, so that every spring we look back and cannot see any improvement in our roads, and we never shall until we have our roads thoroughly underdrained.

You wanted brief answers, but it is a hard question to answer very briefly.

ABNER T. SMITH, Woodfords.
[Street Commissioner of Deering.]

LAW COURT DECISION.

The following rescript has been handed down from the law court in an Oxford County case:

Charles G. Knight vs. Albion Hall Burnham.

Strout, J.—On a sale of boards by the thousand, the statute requires a survey by a legally appointed and sworn surveyor. Without such survey, the seller cannot recover the purchase price. The owner and seller of the lumber, although a legal surveyor, is not authorized to survey his own lumber, sold by him, in the absence of an express agreement. It must be done by a disinterested surveyor. No survey of the lumber sued for in this case was made by any one except the owner. This does not meet the requirements of the statute. Exceptions sustained.

OXFORD CONFERENCE.

The Oxford Conference will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, June 8 and 9, at the Congregational Church, Norway Centre. The programme has already been published.

Naples has voted five per cent of its valuation in aid of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad.

NORWAY.

CHURCHES.

Universalist Church, Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Pastor. Preaching service on Sunday, at 10:30 A. M.; Sabbath School, 11:45 A. M.; Y. P. C. U. meeting, 7:00 P. M.
Second Congregational Church, Rev. B. S. Rideout, Pastor. Preaching service Sunday, 10:30 A. M.; Sabbath School, 11:45 A. M.; Social Meeting, 7:00 P. M.; regular weekly Prayer Meeting, Wednesday evening; Young People's Meeting Friday evening.
Methodist Church, Rev. F. Grosvenor, Pastor. Preaching service, 10:30 A. M.; Sabbath School, 12:00 M.; Social Evening Meeting, 7:00 P. M.; prayer meeting, Tuesday evening; class meeting, Friday evening.
Baptist Church, J. L. Harding, Pastor. Preaching service, 2:00 P. M.; Sabbath School, 3:00 P. M. Prayer Meeting, Saturday evening.

STATED MEETINGS.

F. & A. M.—Union R. A. C., No. 36, assembles Wednesday Evening, on or before full moon, at Masonic Hall. Regular meeting of Oxford Lodge, No. 18, in Masonic Hall, Monday Evening on or before full moon. Oxford Council, R. & S. M., Friday evening, on or after full moon.
I. O. O. F.—Regular meeting in Odd Fellows' Hall, every Tuesday Evening. Wildey Encampment, No. 21, meets in Odd Fellows' Hall, second and fourth Friday Evenings of each month. Mt. Hope Rebekah Lodge, No. 58, meets on first and third Friday of each month.
K. of P.—Regular meeting in Hathaway Block, every Thursday Evening. U. R., A. O. Noyes Division, No. 12, meets third Friday of each month.
P. of H.—Norway Grange meets second and fourth Saturdays of each month at Grange Hall.
G. A. R.—Harry Rust Post, No. 54, meets in New G. A. R. Hall on the third Friday Evening of each month.
W. R. C.—Meets in New G. A. R. Hall, Monday evening.
N. E. O. P.—Lakeside Lodge, No. 177, meets in New G. A. R. Hall, on the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month.

Rain enough.

Memorial Day again. The veterans are growing old.

Inspector General E. E. Newcomb, of the National Guard of Maine, will inspect Co. D of the 1st Regiment, Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Swan started Tuesday morning to drive to Augusta. Mrs. Swan will visit Mrs. J. F. Huntington, and Jack will take views.

Martha and Mary Monahan of Gorham, N. H., visited their sisters in town the past week.

We understand that the headquarters of the U. S. examining surgeons for this part of Oxford County will be moved to South Paris about June 10th, at which time the new board of surgeons will take charge. The headquarters for four years has been at Dr. B. F. Bradbury's office in this village.

Mrs. C. W. Carter and children, who have been stopping at the Beal's House, started for Salt Lake City, Utah, Tuesday morning of this week. The husband and father has been West sixteen years.

The convention of the Oxford County Woman's Auxiliary Baptist Missionary Society was held at the Baptist church on Cottage Street, in this village, during the week. There was a large attendance of delegates present. Mrs. A. M. Coleman, of Richmond, Va., and Mrs. Percival Bonney of Portland, gave very interesting and instructive addresses.

Geo. W. Hobbs has built a new platform in front of the McKenney store. After it is carefully repaired inside and out by Charles Walker, J. T. Rowe will move his barber shop from over Freeland Howe's office into it.

It is reported that Fred Keith, after a "good time" at Westbrook, is stopping in that city for several weeks.

The funeral of America Bisbee was held at his late residence, Pleasant Street, Monday, Rev. Miss Angell officiating. Mr. Bisbee was born in Sumner in December, 1811. He was engaged in trade in his native town for a time. At North Paris he carried on the blacksmith's business until he moved to Norway. For several years he has been an invalid. He died at his home Saturday. A daughter and son survive him. He was a Universalist and a member of the Norway church and one of Norway's highly respected citizens.

Mrs. Nettie J. Rich has purchased the C. W. Willey & Son's new house.

W. H. Twombly is the night watch while the fire alarm is being put in.

Eugene S. Philbrook, of Colby, preached at the Baptist church Sunday.

Hon. Z. M. Mansur of Island Pond, Vt., and Carl R. Storrs of Hastings were in town this week on business.

It is reported that four tramps were frightened away from the Falls store Saturday night while attempting to effect an entrance.

The fire alarm boxes will be located nearly as follows: One at the corner of Main and Fair Streets; Main and Paris; Marston and Beal, Main and Cottage and Main and Pleasant Streets, five in all.

Norway was represented at the New England Intercollegiate Athletic Association Field Day, at Worcester, by Frank A. Stearns and Aldro A. French, members of the Bowdoin College team.

MAINE UNIVERSALIST CONVENTION.

This organization, representing all the Universalist churches of Maine, meets at Rockland June 7, 8, 9, 10.

The ablest speakers will be present and important themes will be discussed. Rev. Dr. J. M. Pullman, of Lynn, a very powerful and inspiring preacher, will deliver the opening sermon; the evening of the 7th Rev. J. F. Rhoades, of Fairfield, preaches the occasional sermon. Rev. Henry Blanchard, D. D., Rev. W. M. Kimmell, Rev. Dr. A. B. Hervey, Rev. H. R. Rose, Rev. H. F. Moulton, Rev. E. F. Pember, vice-president of the convention, are among the Maine speakers who will be there. From outside the state, besides Dr. Pullman, Rev. Dr. H. W. Rugg, of Providence, Rev. Dr. Emerson of Boston, Rev. Dr. G. S. Weaver, of Canton, N. Y., and others will be on hand. The report of the executive committee showing the state of the Universalist cause in Maine, will be read and will be a very encouraging one. It will show two new churches completed, one at Kingfield, and one at Dover, and one more than half completed at Machias, besides predicting several other new ones to be built the coming year.

It will show new and promising parishes organized at Woodford's, South Portland, East Auburn. It will show the churches through the state in excellent financial condition, despite the hard times. It will show a large increase in church membership, making plain that spiritual matters have had earnest attention. Three new churches have been organized, one with 51 members.

Dr. Geo. M. Twitchell, of Augusta, is president of the convention, and will call it to order. The address of welcome will be given by Hon. W. T. Cobb of Rockland.

LITTLE ANDROSCOGGIN S. S. ASSOCIATION.

The Little Androscoggin Valley Sunday School Association will meet at the Baptist church, Paris Hill, Thursday, June 3d. The programme is as follows:

MORNING.

10:30 Praise Service, L. B. Merrill.
10:45 Devotional Service, Rev. A. K. Bryant.
11:00 Words of Welcome, Rev. H. A. Roberts. Response, President.
11:15 "Between Sundays—What?" Rev. Israel Jordan.
11:25 How to Prepare the Sunday School Lesson, Rev. W. B. Eldridge.
11:35 Discussion.
11:50 Business.

Dinner.

AFTERNOON.

2:00 Praise and Devotional Service, Rev. I. A. Bean.
2:15 Business. Evangelistic Work in Sunday School.
2:30 Pastors Preparing the Way, Rev. B. S. Rideout.
2:40 Superintendent's Oversight, George B. Crockett.
2:50 Teacher's Opportunity, Cora M. Bean.
3:00 Church's Responsibility, Mrs. Ford.
3:10 Discussion.
3:20 After the Lesson—What? Alice K. Hammond.
3:40 Discussion.
3:55 Child Study, Rev. T. F. Millett.

Dinner and supper furnished by local Sunday School.
Reduced rates on Grand Trunk.
Conveyances will be provided at South Paris station.

OXFORD POMONA GRANGE.

Oxford Pomona holds its next session with Crooked River Grange at Bolster's Mills, on the 8th of June next. Program:

A. M.

1. Opening grange in 5th degree.
2. Report of subordinate granges.
3. Conferring fifth degree.
4. Woman's half hour. Subject, What the grange needs to make it interesting during the busy season.

Opened by Sister H. E. Weston.

Dinner.

Entertainment for the afternoon furnished by Crooked River Grange.
Question, What education does the farmer require, and how best can it be obtained?

Two children in an East Bluehill family have recently died from tubercular pneumonia, induced, it is thought, by drinking milk from a cow having tuberculosis.

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.

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.

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ALBANY.	
Roscoe Fifield to F. L. Edwards,	$ 185
L. Z. Cummings to A. E. Cross,	1
ANDOVER.	
Harriet C. Thomas to F. M. Thomas,	3000
C. A. Proctor to H. A. Bradeen,	1
BETHEL.	
C. S. Edwards to E. C. Rowe,	50
E. P. Swan to G. H. Swan,	1
C. V. Martin to W. A. Emery,	2400
E. W. Woodbury Exr. to J. S. Bartlett,	250
BYRON.	
C. D. Merrill to H. W. Merrill,	1
A. R. Merrill et als to H. W. Merrill,	1
BUCKFIELD.	
Mary A. Mason to C. E. Foster,	1
CANTON.	
I. G. Virgin to Ella A. Adkins,	1
DIXFIELD.	
J. C. Little to J. S. Harlow,	1
Lucius Packard to Geo. T. Porter,	700
GREENWOOD.	
S. I. Millett to C. A. Richardson,	1
GRAFTON.	
J. W. Bennett to Erastus Thompson,	350
HARTFORD.	
Albert Sampson to D. C. Gurney,	275
Albert Sampson to S. A. Sampson,	1
HEBRON.	
Fred Packard to Portland & R. F. Ry.,	1
E. D. Morrill to Portland & R. F. Ry.,	1
MEXICO.	
Shaw-Ridlon Land Co. to E. F. Corkum,	250
MAGALLOWAY	
D. M. Sturtevant to Sadie L. Little,	10
NEWRY.	
Timothy Stowe to A. M. Edwards,	1
NORWAY.	
Geo. W. Hobbs to R. G. Dietrich,	650
Sarah S. Hobbs to J. S. Kneeland,	1200
J. S. Kneeland to Addie C. Kneeland,	1200
Matilda Childs to E. D. Thompson,	900
H. L. Horne to E. N. Swett,	1500
Mary A. Danforth to J. C. Yeaton,	400
OXFORD.	
Amasa R. Paine to F. E. Bowker,	400
PARIS.	
C. F. Penley to E. A. Jackson,	80
ROXBURY.	
H. W. Merrill to C. D. Merrill,	1
RUMFORD.	
Renda A. Small to F. E. Abbott,	1
Asa A. Martin to Village Improvement Society,	20
John Summers to Ada A. Cates,	1672
SUMNER.	
J. W. Andrews to T. J. Andrews,	100
C. H. Berry to T. J. Andrews,	350
Gideon Cushman to A. F. Benson,	1
May A. Keene to H. W. Danforth,	1

BORN.

In Albany, May 16, to the wife of Perley Adams, a daughter.
In Oxford, May 19, to the wife of F. A. Hall, a daughter.
In Snow's Falls, May 18, to the wife of Moses D. Smith, a daughter.
In Denmark, May 15, to the wife of Charles Poor, a son.
In North Norway, May 22, to the wife of C. D. Herrick, a son.
In East Sumner, May 14, to the wife of Moses Black, a son.
In Rumford Falls, May 21, to the wife of G. A. Peabody, a daughter. (10 1-2 lbs.)
In Rumford Falls, May 24, to the wife of John J. McGinnis, a daughter.
In Mexico, May 13, to the wife of D. A. Morgan, a daughter.
In Mexico, May 24, to the wife of Harry H. Gleason, a daughter.
In Andover, May 21, to the wife of Dr. H. H. Tukey, a son.
In Bethel, May 24, to the wife of Rev. Israel Jordan, a son.

MARRIED.

In Waterford, May 6, by Rev. Chas. P. Cleaves, Roy H. Lord of Albany and Mattie E. Thompson of Bridgton.
In Rumford Falls, May 23, by Rev. J. D. Graham, Lee Abbott of South Rumford and Della Bellows of Rumford Falls.
In Oxford, May 26, Mr. Henry Oscar Hatch of Littleton, N. H., and Miss May Bell Keith.
In Hebron, May 31, by Rev. A. R. Crane, D. D., Rev. Sumner Bangs of Buckfield and Miss Florence Brown of Norway.

DIED.

In Greenwood, May 26, Inez Amanda, wife of G. Clinton Cole, aged 44 years.
In Albany, May 22, Cora Ula, little daughter of Henry Plummer, aged 11 months, 28 days.
In West Bethel, May 22, Mrs. A. J. McAllister.
In Bryant's Pond, May 24, Nathan M. Small, aged 60 years.
In Norway, May 22, America Bisbee, aged 85 years, 5 months, 2 days.
In Norway, May 17, Arunia B., daughter of Mrs. Henry N. Judkins, aged 1 year, 6 months, 15 days.

R. W. BUCKNAM, M. D.,
Elms House, BETHEL, MAINE.
At Bryant's Pond daily from 6 to 10, A. M.

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 six weeks successively 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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STATE OF MAINE.

COUNTY OF OXFORD.

COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE.
South Paris, Maine, May 25, 1897

The following list containing the aggregate amount of costs allowed in each criminal case as audited and allowed at the May term 1897 of the Supreme Judicial Court for said County of Oxford and specifying the Court or magistrate that allowed the same, and before whom the case originated, is published in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 19 of Chapt. 116 and of Sec. 12 of Chapt. 136 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Maine.

NORWAY MUNICIPAL COURT.	
State vs. George Falardeau,	$17 11
State vs. Nellie N. Allen,	17 11
State vs. William Nolan,	9 28
State vs. Bradbury & Carpenter,	32 06
State vs. Alfred Shattuck,	21 41
State vs. Alfred Shattuck and horse,	8 78
State vs. Porter, Robbins and Pitts,	2 74
SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT.	
State vs. Alfred Shuttuck,	59 32
A. E. MORRISON, TRIAL JUSTICE.	
State vs. Fred E. Tucker,	8 52
A. W. GROVER, TRIAL JUSTICE.	
State vs. Jesse Webb et als,	11 50

GEORGE M. ATWOOD,
Treasurer of Oxford County.

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NORWAY MUNICIPAL COURT.	
State vs. Joseph Vigue,	$4 52
State vs. John A. Bird,	14 11
State vs. Henry Vancone,	15 16
State vs. John Farrell,	12 51
State vs. Intox. Liquor,	12 16
State vs. Intox. Liquor,	11 93
State vs. Kennedy,	62
State vs. Brooks,	62
State vs. Walker,	62
A. W. GROVER, TRIAL JUSTICE.	
State vs. Charles E. Luce,	17 99
State vs. Jesse Webb et als,	26 65
A. E. MORRISON, TRIAL JUSTICE.	
State vs. Brown and Day,	14 00
Peter Jandaise et al,	13 60
Bachelder and Burns,	22 60
O. S. Gallant,	28 12
Sargent et als,	56 75
Intox. Liquor,	4 29
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Intox. Liquor,	6 61
Ansel Taylor,	9 13
John Bixby,	6 13
John Bachelder,	14 17
John Donovan et al,	12 37
Herbert Hayes,	15 96
James F. Smith,	12 68

GEORGE M. ATWOOD,
Treasurer of Oxford County.

JUST RECEIVED
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Commissioners' Notice.

OXFORD, ss: May 29th, A. D. 1897.

We, the undersigned, having been duly appointed by the Honorable Seward S. Stearns, Judge of Probate within and for said County, Commissioners to receive and decide upon the claims of the creditors of REBECCA CUSHMAN, late of Hebron in said County, deceased, whose estate has been represented insolvent, hereby give public notice agreeably to the order of the said Judge of Probate, that six months from and after the third Tuesday of May, 1897, has been allowed to said creditors to present and prove their claims, and that we will attend to the duty assigned us at the office of James S. Wright at South Paris on Wednesday the 23d day of June and Wednesday the 3d day of November next at one o'clock P. M. of each of said days.

JAMES S. WRIGHT, } Commissioners.
J. A. LAMBE,

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE
SOUTH PARIS SAVINGS BANK,
South Paris, Maine,
As it existed on the 5th day of May, 1897.

ALVA SHURTLEFF, President. GEORGE A. WILSON, Treasurer.

LIABILITIES.

Deposits,	$398,748 79
Reserve Fund,	11,000 00
Undivided Profits,	8,804 68
	$418,553 47

RESOURCES.

	Par Value.	Estimated and Market Value.	Charged on Books.	Total.
Public Funds Owned.				
United States Coupon 4s, 1907,	$ 2,200	$ 2,464 00	$ 2,200 00	$ 2,200 00
City of Bath, 6s, 1899,	150	156 00	150 00	
Portland, 6s, 1897,	1,000	1,000 00	1,000 00	
Total public funds of Maine,	1,150			1,150 00
County of Bourbon, Kan., 6s, 1909,	1,000	1,115 00	1,000 00	
Delaware, Ind., 5s, 1899,	5,000	5,075 00	5,000 00	
City of Duluth, Minn., 5s, 1906,	2,000	2,150 00	2,000 00	
Fort Madison, Ia., 5s, 1902,	5,000	5,050 00	5,000 00	
Sioux City, Ia., 6s, 1902,	4,500	4,882 50	4,500 00	
Sioux City, Ia., 6s, 1901,	500	535 00	500 00	
Total public funds out of Maine,	18,000			18,000
Railroad Bonds Owned.				
Lime Rock, 5s, 1906,	2,000	2,040 00	2,000 00	
Maine Central, 6s, 1900,	1,500	1,582 50	1,500 00	
Phillips & Rangeley, 5s, 1910,	2,000	2,000 00	2,000 00	
Total railroad bonds of Maine,	5,500			5,500
Akron Street, O., 6s, 1908,	5,000	5,000 00	5,000 00	
Albany Street, N. Y., 5s, 1930,	3,000	3,300 00	3,000 00	
Canton Street, O., 6s, 1910,	15,000	15,450 00	15,000 00	
Chicago & West Michigan, 5s, 1921,	6,000	3,000 00	6,000 00	
Des Moines Suburban Street, Ia., 6s, 1921,	10,000	10,000 00	10,000 00	
Des Moines Street, Ia., 6s, 1900,	3,000	3,060 00	3,000 00	
Detroit & Mackinac, 4s, 1995,	1,000	600 00	1,000 00	
Grand Rapids Street, Mich., 6s, 1912,	10,000	10,000 00	10,000 00	
Haverhill & Amesbury, Mass., 5s, 1912,	5,000	5,000 00	5,000 00	
Northern Pacific, Gen. Lien, 3s, 2047,	3,500	1,855 00	2,500 00	
Total railroad bonds out of Maine,	61,500			60,500 00
Corporation Bonds Owned.				
Kennebec Light & Heat Co., Augusta, 6s, 1911,	5,000	5,000 00	5,000 00	
Knox Gas and Electric Co., Rockland, 6s, 1903,	10,000	10,000 00	10,000 00	
Maine Water Company, 5s, 1931,	2,000	2,000 00	2,000 00	
Municipal Security Company, 5 1-2s, 1898,	10,000	10,000 00	10,000 00	
Norway Shoe Company, 5s, Opt.	1,200	1,200 00	1,200 00	
Oxford County Loan Association, Norway, 6s, 1897,	10,000	10,000 00	10,000 00	
Richmond Water Company, 5s, 1906,	4,000	4,000 00	4,000 00	
York Light and Heat Company, Biddeford, 6s, 1901,	10,000	10,000 00	10,000 00	
Total corporation bonds of Maine,	52,200			52,200 00
Fort Smith Water Company, Arkansas, 6s, 1910,	1,000	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00
Railroad Stock Owned.				
Detroit & Mackinac, Certificate of Beneficial Interest,	2,400	600 00	1,700 00	
Nothern Pacific Preferred,	1,700	595 00	700 00	
Sioux City Traction Company,	6,000 00	2,700 00	5,000 00	
Total railroad stock owned,	10,100			7,400 00
Corporation Stock Owned.				
Masonic Building Association,	1,000	1,000 00	1,000 00	
Mt. Mica Building Association, South Paris,	1,000	1,000 00	1,000 00	
Oxford County Loan Association,	1,000	1,000 00	1,000 00	
Total Corporation Stock Owned,	3,000			3,000 00
National Bank Stock Owned.				
Canal National Bank, Portland,	700	840 00	700 00	
Casco National Bank, Portland,	500	565 00	500 00	
Cumberland National Bank, Portland,	80	80 00	80 00	
First National Bank, Bath,	1,000	1,400 00	1,000 00	
First National Bank, Lewiston,	1,000	1,550 00	1,000 00	
First National Bank, Portland,	4,300	4,300 00	4,300 00	
Manufacturers' National Bank, Lewiston,	1,000	1,150 00	1,000 00	
Merchants' National Bank, Portland,	750	1,125 00	750 00	
National Shoe and Leather Bank, Auburn,	15,200	15,200 00	15,200 00	
National Traders' Bank, Portland,	600	645 00	600 00	
Norway National Bank, Norway,	11,200	12,880 00	11,200 00	
Total national bank stock of Maine,	36,330			36,330 00
Ætna National Bank, Kansas City, Mo.,	1,100	770 00	1,100 00	
National Bank of North Dakota, Fargo, N. D.,	630	315 00	630 00	
Total national bank stock out of Maine,	1,730			1,730
Other Bank Stock Owned.				
Auburn Trust Company,	8,400	8,460 00	8,400 00	8,400 00
Loans on Railroad Bonds.				
Annapolis and Baltimore,		1,900 00	1,900 00	
St. Joseph Traction and Lighting Co., Mo.,		2,925 92	2,925 92	4,825 92
Loans on Corporation Stock.				
Arcadia Land and Improvement Co., Neb.,		177 50	177 50	
Hillside Water Company, So. Paris,		100 00	100 00	
Paris Manufacturing Co.,		565 00	565 00	
Proprietors of Union Wharf, Portland,		336 00	336 00	1,178 50
Loans on National Bank Stock.				
American Exchange National Bank, Lincoln, Neb.,		2,000 00	2,000 00	
First National Bank, Portland,		1,000 00	1,000 00	3,000 00
Loans on Other Bank Stock.				
American Bank, Sidney, Neb.,		2,000 00	2,000 00	
Auburn Trust Company,		700 00	700 00	
Bank of Calloway, Neb.,		8,500 00	8,500 00	
Oxford County Loan Association, Norway,		1,200 00	1,200 00	
State Bank of Arcadia, Neb.,		680 00	680 00	13,080 00
Loans to Corporations.				
First Congregational Parish, So. Paris,		300 00	300 00	
Mt. Mica Building Association, So. Paris,		400 00	400 00	
Paris Manufacturing Company,		484 27	484 27	
South Paris Building Association,		1,840 65	1,840 65	
South Paris Library Association,		161 00	161 00	
West Paris Manufacturing Co. (endorsed),		3,553 96	3,553 96	6,739 88
Loan on Greenbush Water Co. bonds, R. I.,		1,000 00	1,000 00	
Loan to town of Paris,		2,500 00	2,500 00	
Loans on life insurance policies,		730 86	730 86	
Loans on personal property,		123 50	123 50	
Loan on South Paris Savings Bank book,		300 00	300 00	
Loans on mortgages of real estate,		142,899 52	142,899 52	147,553 88
Real estate, investment,		7,800 00	7,800 00	
Real estate, foreclosure,		21,750 00	21,760 00	29,550 00
Premium account,			1,900 00	
Expense account,			667 47	2,567 47
Cash on deposit,		11,788 25	11,788 25	
Cash on hand,		859 57	859 57	12,647 82
				$418,553 47
Unpaid accrued interest,		8,507 00		
		421,743 00		
Due depositors, earned dividend and accrued state tax,		406,851 15		
Estimated market value of resources above liability for deposits, earned dividend and state tax,		14,891 85		
Annual expenses, $1,000.00.				

F. E. TIMBERLAKE,
Bank Examiner.

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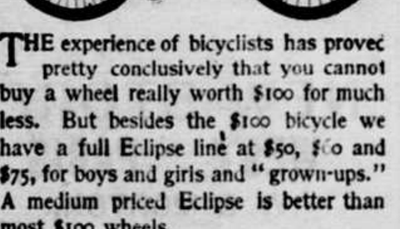

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Notice of Assignee of his Appointment.

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 F. WARREN, Assignee.

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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.

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, administrater.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the estate of PAMELIA DEVEREAU, 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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THE PUZZLER

No. 100.—Enigma.

In olden times I was a shoot,
A progeny or child, to boot,
But now I am a little sprite
And not a full grown demon quite.
A little devil see in me,
Who works much mischief in pure glee.

No. 101.—Illustrated Diagonal.

All the words pictured contain the same number of letters. When rightly guessed and placed one below the other in the order numbered, the diagonal from the upper left hand letter to the lower right hand letter will spell the name of an English poet.—St. Nicholas.

No. 102.—Charade.

Sweet May came in with sapphire skies
And golden glancing sun.
The air was soft, the earth likewise,
As soft as any ONE.
For April showers, the wettest kind,
Like fountains, had been playing,
And standing-TWO was hard to find
When Nan and I went Maying.

The grass was drenched, the flowers were drowned,
But on the pasture knolls
Such constellations starred the ground
Of white, delicious WHOLES.
With these we wove our garlands gay,
And memory still keeps saying,
"Oh, what a feast we had that day
When Nan and I went Maying!"

No. 103.—Transposed Trees.

The letters in each of the words printed in small capitals may be transposed so as to form the name of a tree.

In a cabin a MILE NORTH, on the river WYE, lives old LEM with his pet LAMB. CLOUTS of old CRAPE fill the place of window PANES and door PANEL. Possessed of AMPLE means, he HAS not CARED to wear other covering than a ragged DOLMAN nor to drink from any but a CHEAP blue MUG. At night he goes to REAP the harvest of his MELON patch. He will TAKE A LAMP in one hand to ALLURE insects and a LUMP of ROCK in the other with which to slay a possible weasel.

No. 104.—Word Squares.

1. A river in Germany. 2. An awkward person. 3. To consume with fire. 4. A volcano in Sicily.

1. A stinging insect. 2. Part of a church. 3. A river in England. 4. A movable habitation.

1. Food. 2. The space upon which a building stands. 3. Money paid for the use of a habitation. 4. Consumes.

No. 105.—Curtailed Blank.

The sot, after drinking too much ——, lay down on the hearth too near a blazing —— and burned his clothes.

No. 106.—Anagrams.

[Words with definitions.]

1. Fish. Mice.—Done by idle hands.
2. Scream P.—To run away quickly.
3. Mist. Chat. Seen.—Punishment.
4. Men. Coal. Cent.—Secrecy.
5. Air. Grace.—A vehicle.
6. Cato. Chloe.—A pleasant beverage.
7. Hip. Rag. Boy.—The history of a life.
8. Trip. Hum.—Great joy, success, victory.
9. Ice. Ling.—Over your head.

Brevities and Levities.

It is pleasant to find a four leaved clover, but beware of the poisonous IV plant.

The burglar began to climb over the office partition. "It is well to be on the safe side," he said. Then he began work on the vault.

"I am getting things down to a fine point," said the balloonist as he lit on a steeple.

The slot machines are admirably adapted for taking the cents of the community.

"Do you think you'll be able to pull through?" inquired the needle of the thread. "Eye guess so," was the curt response.

"Your turn will come soon," said the impecunious young man as he inspected his cuffs.

Key to the Puzzler.

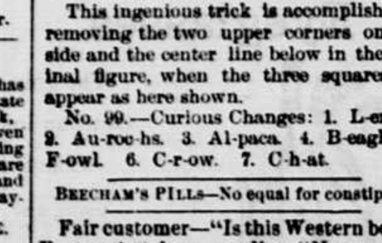
No. 95.—Anagram: Asclepiad.

No. 96.—A Double Wreath:

M . O
. G .
U . L
. I E .
. R R .
I . D
. A .
N . M

No 97.—Transposition: Spot, stop, post, pots, tops.

No. 98.—Three Square Puzzle:



This ingenious trick is accomplished by removing the two upper corners on each side and the center line below in the original figure, when the three squares will appear as here shown.

No. 99.—Curious Changes: 1. L-emu-r. 2. Au-roc-hs. 3. Al-paca. 4. B-eagle. 5. F-owl. 6. C-r-ow. 7. C-h-at.

BEECHAM'S PILLS—No equal for constipation.

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THE PINEAPPLE.

A MOST DELIGHTFUL AND HEALTHFUL FRUIT, WHICH MAY BE USED IN MANY APPETIZING WAYS.

The pineapple is said to have been a native of South America and some of the West India Islands, but it has now been introduced to many other countries, where the climatic conditions are favorable to its growth, so that it is raised in the low latitudes all around the globe. In this country its cultivation is confined to Florida; but even there it has not yet obtained a great footing. Not much attention has been given to growing it in hothouses, on this side of the Atlantic; though such cultivation is entirely feasible, and is carried on to a considerable extent in Great Britain. The pines thus grown sell at very high prices, one of four or five pounds weight, well ripened, readily commanding a pound sterling. Of course the imported fruit sells there at a much lower figure, but it is not presented in the English markets in nearly so good a condition as in our own. Pineapples do not bear long shipments, or even long keeping, very well, if they are allowed to approach ripeness before being gathered; while if plucked too soon they are of inferior flavor and unsatisfactory in condition.

Speaking from a hygienic standpoint, it is doubtful if we have in the entire vegetable kingdom a more healthful fruit than the pineapple. The sharp, penetrating, but wholly palatable acid of the juice has most valuable remedial qualities, and is especially efficacious in clearing the mouth, throat and stomach of morbid disorder. At the same time it stimulates digestion, and thus encourages the system to correct itself, without the aid of drugs and dosing. Many of nature's products—fruits and nuts—do this, but none in more marked degree or more efficiently than the pineapple.

There is every reason to hope that the cultivation of this fruit will be extended in our own country—especially Florida. When this is done, in close proximity to railroads, so that the pines can be shipped directly through to the northern markets, we shall be favored with much better fruit than at present; since it is well understood that the most delicious portion of the crop is grown quite inland, and is not shipped to our markets at all. Unquestionably there will be, within a few years, a great increase in the facilities for getting the best of the crop, and for getting it in such economical fashion as will make its cost comparatively low.

Meantime housewives are advised to make liberal use of the fruit while it can be had in the markets fresh, and of the canned article at other times. Here are a few recipes, which may give new ideas. Bear in mind that the more nearly ripe the pineapple, the better it is for any use. This can be tested by pulling one of the tuft of green leaves at the top. If it gives way readily, the fruit is ripe; otherwise better lay it aside for a few days.

PINEAPPLE PANCAKES.—The Germans make these by adding stewed pineapple to a plain pancake batter of eggs, flour and milk. Pour out the batter into a buttered frying pan that is large enough to cook it all. The pan should be not less than twelve inches in diameter, and the batter thin. When the batter has been poured into the pan, cover it at once with stewed pineapples and dredge them with powdered sugar. Put the pan in a quick oven and bake seven minutes; cut the cake into triangular pieces, like pie, when served.

PINEAPPLE CREAM.—Rub a pound each of butter and sugar to a cream; stir in a pound of grated pineapple; then add the yolks of three eggs well beaten, and one cupful of milk. Beat the whites of the eggs stiff and light, and add them last. Line a pudding dish with a rich pie crust rolled very thin, fill it with the prepared custard, and bake in a moderate oven.

PINEAPPLE DESSERT.—Put in a saucepan four ounces each of butter and sugar, place over the fire and when the butter becomes soft mix in four ounces of flour and blend well. Stir in a cupful of boiling milk and remove from the stove. When the mixture is cold, add the beaten yolks of three eggs, and after thoroughly blending, add the whites of the eggs, beaten light. Peel a pineapple, cut from it three or four slices and lay them one side. Pick the rest of the fruit from the core, and chop it fine. Butter a mold and sprinkle it with sugar. Cut the slices of pineapple into diamonds, cubes, or other fancy shapes, and line the mold with them. Put a layer of the prepared mixture in the bottom of the mold and cover with some of the chopped pineapple, proceeding thus with alternate layers till the dish is two-thirds full. Cover with a greased paper, place the mold in a dripping pan, and fill the pan to half the height of the mold with water, which should be almost boiling hot. Set all in the oven and steam for an hour. Turn it out on a hot dish, and serve hot with the following sauce: Put a pint of cold water and half a pound of granulated sugar in a saucepan over the fire; moisten an ounce of cornstarch with a gill of cold water, and add it to the sugar when boiling, stirring all the while until it is clear. Flavor to taste.

PINEAPPLE WITH RICE.—This is an admirable dessert, which can be used with the sauce just given. Put a pint of milk over the fire, and the moment it boils add a third of a cupful of well-washed rice and half a teaspoonful of salt. Let the rice cook in a double boiler in the milk for half an hour. Add two eggs well beaten and three tablespoonfuls of granulated sugar. Have ready a buttered two-quart mold, in the bottom of which put an inch layer of the prepared rice, then a layer of stewed pineapple, and so on alternately. When the mold is filled, set it into a pan of hot water, and cook in a moderately hot oven for half an hour.

PINEAPPLE SHERBET.—Cover two tablespoonfuls of gelatine with water and soak for two hours. Peel a large pineapple and chop it very fine. In the saucepan over the fire put a pint of water and a pound of granulated sugar, cooking for five minutes. Then add a cupful of hot water to the gelatine, and when it is dissolved pour over the prepared pineapple with the hot sirup. When the mixture is cold turn it into a freezer and freeze. Just before it becomes stiff enough to remove the beater, add the white of an egg beaten light, repack with ice and salt, and stand it away for two hours.

PINEAPPLE JELLY.—Soak two-thirds of a box of gelatine in cold water to cover, for an hour. Chop fine one large or two small pineapples, or an equal amount of the canned fruit may be used. Strain over the fruit the juice of one lemon, and add a pint of granulated sugar. Add a pint of boiling water to the gelatine, and, when all is dissolved, turn it over the prepared fruit. Place in a mold and put it on the ice till it hardens. Serve with the jelly, whipped cream or boiled custard. If fresh pineapple is used, the acid will in a few hours digest the gelatine and turn it to a liquid.

PINEAPPLE PUDDING.—Peel and grate pineapple enough to make three cupfuls. Place over the fire in a double boiler a pint of milk. Beat light the yolks of six eggs, and add to them one cupful of sugar, a pinch of salt, and a gill of cold milk. When the milk is at the boiling point, stir in the pineapple and half a package of gelatine which has been soaked in cold milk for two hours, and lastly the egg mixture. Cook for two minutes, stirring all the while; remove from the fire, stand the boiler in a pan of cold water, and stir continually till cool. Turn into a mold that has been rinsed in cold water, and place in the refrigerator for three or four hours.

TRY, TRY AGAIN.

This pudding sauce: two cups of brown sugar, and one cup of butter stirred together till white and smooth.

A little cider in buckwheat cakes to brown them.

Boiling potatoes in their skins, removing from the water when tender, and drying in a hot oven.

Two small, tart apples in the stuffing for roast duck or goose.

TO SAIL UNDER THE OCEAN.

THE HOLLAND SUBMARINE TORPEDO BOAT LAUNCHED AT ELIZABETH, N. J.

The Holland submarine dynamite torpedo boat was launched at the Crescent shipyards at Elizabeth, N. J., Monday. The inventor of the boat, John P. Holland, was present. The vessel was named the Holland by Mrs. Nixon, wife of Lieut. Lewis Nixon, the constructor. There were few present at the launching. Inventor Holland says there will not be any attempt at submarine evolution for several weeks.

The Holland boat, though but a trifle over 50 feet long, is capable probably of sinking the largest iron-clad afloat. What nation will own this submarine monster is a question. The United States government will not. This is an assured fact, for there are two dynamite boats, somewhat similar to this one, now being constructed at Baltimore under orders from the naval department. This craft was constructed by the Holland submarine company of New York city, and will cost, when complete, exclusive of dynamo and pneumatic tubes, in the neighborhood of $30,000. "It is being built to be placed on the market," Mr. Holland has said, "and whoever has the price can have the boat." What Mr. Holland's valuation is was not given by him, but it is understood that $100,000 is about the figure. It has been hinted at that the Cubans have promised to give $85,000 for the boat if it proves a success, but this cannot be confirmed.

As soon as the trial trip takes place around the Sound on top of the water a test descension will be made, and if everything is found to be in working order a 500 mile trip is to be taken. While those engaged in the construction of it are loud in their assurances that the boat is safe, not one outsider has yet been found willing to take the trip under water. Mr. Holland, the inventor, will go himself. An engineer and assistant will go, a representative of Mr. Nixon may go, and two naval officers. These are all who will be allowed to enter the boat after the machinery is put in place, which will be very soon now. The boat is a cigar-shaped, hermetically sealed tube. Her steel frames are covered with a steel plating which is half an inch thick in the center, and tapers off to an eight of an inch at either end. The conning tower is two feet in diameter and so arranged that a lookout may be stationed in it while the boat is on the surface. A superstructure extends from end to end broad enough for a man to walk on. Four rudders control the boat when on the surface or submerged. She is driven by a three-blade propelier, four feet nine inches in diameter.

The interior gives no accommodation whatever for sleeping or cooking. It is built for business, not pleasure, and when 10 men are crowded in the boat has received its crew. The measurements are 50 feet 3 inches long from the forward end of the Whitehead torpedo tube to the after end of the sternpost. Its diameter amidships is 10 feet 3 inches. The gunner's room will hold four or five men, and the firing is all done by pneumatic pressure. At the forward end of the craft are two torpedo tubes, one a little above the water line and the other set at an angle. At the stern another tube is also at an angle. The oil, engine room and the dynamo quarters are cramped, and the rest of the interior is taken up by a torpedo room and water tanks.

These water tanks are used in submerging and raising the vessel. They are controlled both fore and amidships by large Kingstone valves, and when the boat is below water and is to be raised, instead of pumping out the water a button is pushed, which releases the valves, turns on the compressed air, and the water is blown out with terrific force. When submerging is necessary the water is let in by opening the valves. These tanks are capable of standing a charge of 3000 pounds to the square inch, and will supply air to the crew 9 or 10 hours below the surface of the water. The dynamite tubes are covered outside by a steel shield which fits into sockets, concealing the tubes and preventing the water from getting in. When about ready to fire, a button at the side of the tube is pressed, releasing the shield, which instantaneously flies back from the mouth and after the torpedo passes out closes again.

Both oil and electricity may be used as a motive power, and if the boat is running by oil and it is desired to change it to electricity a clutch is thrown back, and the other power controls the boat at once. The oil engine is intended to run the boat when it is on top of water. It has 48 horse power. The dynamo, when the storage batteries are fully charged, develops 150 horse power. There are 60 battery cells of two volts each, or a total of 120 volts, which run the boat when submerged for eight hours, or for 10 knots when on the surface. All through the boats are electrical bells, flooding tubes, speaking tubes and lights. On the top of the boat outside are electric dead lights.

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To the Honorabl 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. Corbet'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 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.

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Commissioners' Notice.

OXFORD, SS: May 11th, A. D. 1897.

We, the undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Seward S. Stearns, Judge of Prodate within and for said County, Commissioners to receive and decide upon the claims of the creditors of MARSHALL WALKER, late of Fryeburg, in said County, deceased, whose estate has been represented insolvent. hereby give public notice agreeably to the order of the said Judge of Probate, that six months from and after April 20th, 1897, have been allowed to said creditors to present and prove their claims, and that we will attend to the duty assigned us at the office of E. E. Hastings in Fryeburg, in said County, on Saturday, June 26th, 1897, Saturday, July 31st, 1897, and Saturday, September 25th, 1897, at ten of the clock in the forenoon of each of said days.

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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 26
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 39
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
S. 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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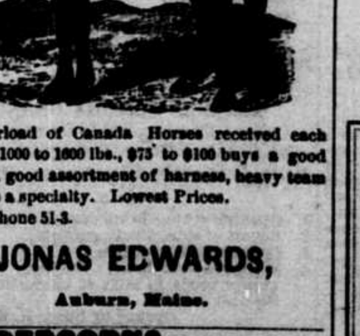

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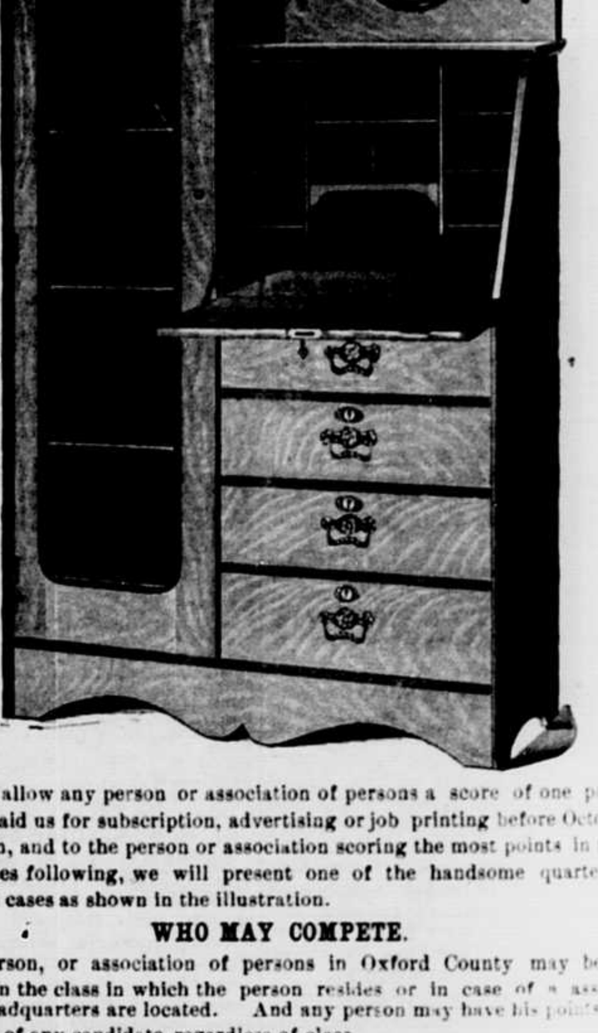

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THE CLASSES.

In order that the smaller towns may not be placed at a disadvantage by having to compete with large ones we have made the following classes in EACH of which we shall give one of the presents.

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