

THE HOME OF **Farmers' Meetings**

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York County Fair—Fourth and Last Day
BIDDEFORD, Oct. 3.

The York county fair for 1874, being the 27th of the ilk, has just closed happily with a most enjoyable evening at the hall in Biddeford. The hall has been crowded to overflowing with visitors, who have appreciated fully the extensive display of articles and the excellent music discoursed by the Institute Band of Saco, which

While the show of stock and fancy articles has been in attendance every evening since the opening of the fair.

While the show of stock and fancy articles has been that of an ordinary county fair, the show of vegetables has been unusually good and was not surpassed by that of the state fair at Lewiston. One of the most interesting exhibits in the hall was the collection of coins displayed by Hon. Ferguson Haines of this city. Though exhibited but one-fourth of his entire collection, which is one of the most complete in the country, the show was one of the finest.

The group read it aloud, and this will probably be a dangerous one of those time-honored tales, and they were badly away. The ill and are very and especially

Most of the uninitiated visitors pronounced it an improved gas cooking stove, and remarked upon it accordingly.

On the same table Mr. Treat exhibited his famous rubber paint which has recently taken so many state and county fair premiums. On the opposite side of the table McCoy & Co., of Portland, exhibited their soapstone roofing which has just taken the silver medal at the New Hampshire, and the bronze medal at the Maine State Fair. It has created a most favorable impression here, and bids fair to be the

The track was in very good condition this afternoon in spite of the heavy rain last night.

owing principally to the efforts of the judges and marshal of the race, who worked nobly over it during the feroceous, hot in hand. There were three races, the first for gentlemen's driving horses, best at \$100, for a purse of \$18, was won by Mr. J. G. Shaw of Balford, with his own gelding John Henry. Best time, 3:10. The second, greatest one, was won by the late Winning Post, Mr. B. M. Towle of Balford. Best time, 3:19. The 2.50 race was won by the great horse, Honest Tom, Mr. Samuel Chase of Sacramento, 2:48.

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There will be two races. The first will be 2 1/2 furlongs for a purse of \$100, for horses that never beat 2 1/2 furlongs. \$60 to 1st, \$30 to 2d, \$10 to 3d.

Entries—Black gelding, "Black Ralph," b...

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 Boston: Wil-

Oddy of Fall River, who is to walk two miles in fifteen minutes, for a purse of \$100. They will also be the comical sight of a valuable horse shaved, greased and let loose inside the track his pithy to be the prize of whoever is fortunate as to catch and hold him. Altogether to-morrow will be a field day for this place, and the attendance at the trotting park is expected to be unusually large. K.

Cornish Tewa Fair
 The beautiful autumnal weather of the past week has drawn a vast number of people to the

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SWEETSTAKE RACE.

R. G. Knight's b. g. Dick Turpin, 3 3
" Berry's b. g. Dick Tardor, 2 3
R. L. Laramie's b. g. Blossom, 1 3
Time—2:47, 2:45, 2:49.

SPURGEON SMOKING.—Mr. Spurgeon wrote to the London Telegraph in reply to some strictures on certain remarks of his in defence of smoking, and says:

I demur altogether, and most positively, to the statement that to smoke tobacco is in itself

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The expression "smoking to the glory of God" standing alone has an ill sound, and I do not justify it; but in the sense in which I understand it, I think a Christian should do anything in which he cannot do otherwise, and this may be done, according to scripture, eating and drinking and the common actions of life. I have found intense pain relieve a weary but I have found that I cannot sleep obtained by a cigar. I have felt grateful to God and have blessed His name; this is what meant, and by no means did I use sacred words.

an hour of my time—I had staid my gifts to the poor—I had rendered my mind less vigorous—my trust I should see my faults and turn from it; but he who charges me with these things shall have no answer but my forgiveness.

I am told that my open avowal will lessen my influence, and my reply is that if I retain it, I shall be more true to myself, and more true to what I am. I have no wish to retain it, but will do nothing upon the sly, and nothing about which I have a doubt. I am most sorry that profundeness has been given to what I meant to be a matter of common place, and my thoughts would have been the becoming of a

of manufacture growth.

DENY.—An Annual says the annuals are disast- as as a result a been put in cir- for signatures, he old constations. These the next Legis-

from the pulp; but I was placed in such a po- sition that I must either by my silence pen- nance or living the life of a recluse. My unfor- tunate self the fierce rebukes of the anti-tobacco advocates by speaking out honest- ly. I chose the latter; and although I am not free from criticism, yet I have secured some measure to endure their severest con- demnation. I do not think I could justify, at least immunity from their criticisms by tame- ly submitting to be charged with sin in an ac- tion which my conscience allows.

That intense excitement at St. Albans, Vt., caused by discussion of our duty there, when

Miss Ball's corpse was found, has slated for a funeral. Some folks who wanted the reward dug the grave and then tried to make a man confess the deed, declaring that if he didn't the people would surely lynch him, a grave having been already prepared. The suspected party politely bade his visitors clear out and went about his business. He is known to be innocent.

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CITY AND VICINITY.

New Advertisements To-Day.

SPECIAL NOTICES.
Unlabeled—Anders—Don't Read This—Allen—Why will you Con—
A large Portland—J. H. Poir & Co.,
Portland—American School—J. P. M. Harmon.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES.

Important to Travelers.
Bridges—Geo W. Rich & Co.
Mrs. Whittier—K. L. Givens.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Unequaled Bargains—F. L. Lattor.
F. L. Lattor—F. L. Lattor—F. L. Lattor.
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ENTERTAINMENT COLUMNS.

Grand Promenade Concert.
Auctioneer—J. M. L. Lattor.

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THE M. L. A. COURSE.

Popular Entertainment.

This morning the sale of reserved seats for the

twenty-fifth annual course of entertain-

ment, which will be held at the Portland

Library Association, begins at Stockbridge's

music store. The sale begins at nine o'clock.

The Mercantile course of lectures has become

an established institution, and has never yet

been so abundantly patronized as this year.

The course of lectures is so arranged that

entertainments of this winter promises un-

usually well, and the lecturers engaged are

platform orators.

Mr. Beecher has been a feature of the course

for years, and there was probably never before

so many as desire to hear him as is now the

case of his citizens to day. There can be no

doubt of the heartiness of the welcome which will be

extended to him. The friends and admirers of

the great preacher will pack City Hall on the

evening of his lecture.

Charles Bradlaugh, the well-known British

agitator, will be listened to with great interest

as the foremost exponent of the most advanced

English republicanism. He is said to be an

eloquent platform speaker.

John Gough, the world's words of praise.

People there are in this city who would count a

winter lost which did not bring Gough and his

lecture to Portland.

The Rev. Edward Eggleston is favorably

known to the majority of our citizens in the

life of the west, and as the author of several

readable works of fiction. His talents as a

platform speaker are said to be of a high order.

The Rev. E. C. Bolles is very favorably known

in Portland, and is always listened to by

citizens with great interest. The lecture which

he will deliver in the Mercantile course is highly

spoken of.

The dramatic entertainment by Kate Reig-

nolds and troupe gives a pleasing variety to the

course, and will certainly draw a full house.

The entertainment also gave last winter was

well received. This season the comedy of

"Leap Year" will be presented.

In order to secure good seats tickets should

be secured this morning. The course is in the

best of the city, and the lecturers are of the

highest order, and the course will be rapidly

disposed of.

THE GRAND ARMY FAIR.

Fifth Day.

Yesterday and last evening brought another

grand success for the fair at City Hall. A few

hundred more people were present, and the

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