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THE WEATHER.

SIGNAL OFFICE, WAR DEP'T,
WASHINGTON, D. C.,
Dec. 28, 1888, 8 p.m.

Indications for next 24 hours for New England are fair, warmer weather and westerly winds.

LOCAL WEATHER REPORT.
PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 28, 1888.

	8 A M	8 P M
Barometer	29,626	30.057
Thermometer	34.	29.
Dew Point	22.	21.
Humidity	57.	73.
Wind	W	SW
Velocity	12	6
Weather	Fair	Clear

Mean daily bar...29.845 Maximum ther....39.2
Mean daily ther...31.5 Minimum ther....28.5
Mean daily d'wpt.21.5 Max. vel. wind.... 24.
Mean daily hum...65.0 Total precip..... 0

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.
(Dec. 28, 1888, 8.00 P. M.)

Observations taken at the same moment of time at all stations.

Place of Observation.	Barometer.	Thermometer.	Exposed.	Change in last 24 hours.	Wind Direction.	Velocity.	State of the Weather.
Eastport, Me	29.96	26	-20	NW	18	Clear
Portland, Me	30.08	34	-16	SW	6	Clear
Boston, Mass	30.14	36	-16	W	14	Clear
Block Island	30.21	34	-12	NW	24	Clear
Nantucket						
New York	30.22	34	-4	SW	8	Clear
Philadelphia	30.30	38	-2	SE	8	Clear
Washington	30.32	42	-2	SE	8	Clear
Norfolk, Va	30.34	38	-12	SW	6	Clear
Hatteras	30.42	40	-14	NE	Lt	Clear
Wilmington	30.38	42	-10	NW		Clear
Jacksonville	30.34	46	-12	Clm		Clear
Galveston	30.24	54		E	12	Cloudy
Montgomery	30.34	48	-12	N	Lt	Clear
New Orleans	30.32	48	-2	N	6	Clear
Knoxville	30.46	38	-2	Clm		Clear
Memphis	30.40	42	-4	Clm		Clear
Cincinnati, O	30.36	34	-2	Clm		Clear
Pittsburg	30.28	34	-2	W	Lt	Clear
Buffalo, N.Y	30.18	30	-4	SW	20	Clear
Cleveland	30.26	28	-2	SW	12	Clear
Detroit	30.24	26	-6	SW	12	Clear
Chicago, Ill	30.36	22	-12	SW	8	Clear
St. Louis						Clear
St. Paul, Minn	30.16	10	-4	W	Lt	Clear
Duluth, Minn	30.26	24	+4	SW	4	Clear
St. Vincent	30.22	6	-4	N	6	Clear
Dew'ey, Col	30.32	32	-2	W	6	Clear
Halifax	29.88	34	-10	NW	8	Clear
Montreal	30.04	22	-12	W	20	Fair
Bismarck	30.24	12	-8	NW	6	Clear
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THE INSANE HOSPITAL.

What the Visiting Committee Saw During the Year.

[Special to the Press.]

AUGUSTA, Dec. 28.—The visiting committee of the Insane Hospital report as follows:

The Hospital has received a visit each month during the year by at least two members of the committee, and in a manner which fully accords with the law governing such visits.

"One or more of the committee has made frequent and unexpected tours at irregular intervals, throughout the different departments of the institution, both by day and during the evening, especially the wards, and have ascertained the sanitary condition to be surprisingly excellent, especially when we take into consideration the surplus of patients above the capacity of the hospital which the superintendent is obliged to accommodate. We have directed our observations particularly towards this point."

The committee find that the institution is well heated and supplied with pure water. A system of electric lighting has been introduced around the buildings. They have also found the table well supplied with wholesome food and the inmates comfortably clad. The officials have been diligent in their duties and commitments and discharges properly and lawfully assigned. The alteration in the buildings and the outbreak of diphtheria have necessarily interfered somewhat with the religious exercises and the amusements of the patients. The epidemic has also interfered with labor in the farm and garden. The committee says:

"The patients have been liberally supplied with writing material, and we have every reason to believe that all communications from the inmates addressed to any member of the visiting committee have been received without unnecessary delay. The system of letter boxes has been maintained throughout the year, and each box has been opened at every visit, occasionally finding a communication within, but we fail to observe any special use or benefit to the patients derived from this arrangement; and perhaps no particular harm or disadvantage arises from it.

"The epidemic of diphtheria which has afflicted the institution since mid-summer to the present time, with a subsidence of only a few weeks, has had its distressing effects upon the whole household, and cast a shade of gloom and sadness over the entire institution. After making careful investigations and many inquiries of the superintendent and other officers, we are satisfied beyond a doubt that nothing is left undone which could in any manner add to the treatment, well-being and comfort of those afflicted with the dread disease. We are of the unanimous opinion that all precautionary measures and preventatives known to medical science have been applied to stay the ravages of this direful disorder, and that the officers and employes have nobly and faithfully performed their several duties during the epidemic. there is no opportunity for doubt. The appointment for one or more physicians specially in charge, is upon our opinion, a wise one; in fact essential, as has been forcibly demonstrated during the epidemic. Drs. Thompson and Dearborn have devoted a large portion of their valuable time to the institution since diphtheria occurred, thereby sacrificing their respective incomes from extensive and lucrative practices.

"We cannot speak in terms sufficiently commendatory in connection with Dr. Sanborn, the Superintendent of this great, noble and deserving charity. His conduct under the trying ordeal of so many increased burdens and perplexing cares, occasioned by the outbreak of diphtheria, augmented by sorrow and pain caused by the illness of his most excellent wife and the separation from his family, furnishes an example of such noble and unselfish fortitude that no person can fail to admire and respect it in the highest degree.

"One of the most noticeable and disadvantageous features of the institution that has come under our observation, and which can affect the patients in no other manner than retard improvement and be detrimental to their well-being and comfort, is the necessity under which the superintendent is placed of caring for so large a surplus of patients over which the capacity of the hospital will comfortably and conveniently accommodate. At present there are about 125 more patients treated at the institution than there are rooms. This insufficiency of accommodations is more severely felt on the female than the male side of the house.

"This condition of affairs, in the judgment of your committee, is a very serious matter, and the increased demand for the accommodation of this most unfortunate of God's creatures, seems to us imperative; and we most sincerely hope that the next legislature will take prompt and decided action in this matter."

The report is signed by A. B. Sumner, Mrs. C. R. Whidden and Tobias Lord, committee.

The Insane Hospital.

AUGUSTA, Dec. 28.—The teacher at the Maine State Prison, Mr. D. J. Starrett in his report to the Prison Inspectors says that a large number of the convicts admitted during the year, a majority of whom have not the rudiments of a common school education, availed themselves of the privilege of instruction. The convicts also give earnest attention to religious teaching.

Inspectors of Jails.

AUGUSTA, Dec. 28.—The inspectors of jails say in their annual report: "The Cumberland county jail at Portland is the largest in the State, and on one of our visits we found 100 prisoners, which is about the average number. Twelve of these were females. The prisoners labor. The number of prisoners is increasing yearly and enlarged accommodations will be required at no distant day. The large number confined here makes the duty of jailer and turnkey very arduous. We found the food good and sufficient, the bedding fair, the jail clean and well kept and the sanitary condition satisfactory. The jailer reports to the inspectors that the whole number of prisoners November 30, 1888, was 107; for the year, 1307; number of males, 1159; females, 138; tramps, 33; foreign birth, nine-tenths; poor debtors, 22; escaped, 2; retaken, 2; committed for drunkenness, 394; committed for liquor selling, 33. The price of board per week is $1.75; those that work, $2. Five hundred and thirty prisoners were committed by the police and other officers for safe keeping; for the United States, 107; for York county, 5."

Hayes Will Not Be There.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 28.—The Leader will announce editorially tomorrow that it has the highest authority for saying that ex-President Hayes will not be in the next cabinet.

LEARNING THE ART OF TEACHING.

Proceedings of the Maine Pedagogues at Auburn Yesterday.

President Hall's Ideas of the Teacher and the Library.

A New Method of Teaching the Modern Languages.

AUBURN, Dec. 28.—At the meeting of the Pedagogical Society in Auburn today 200 teachers were in attendance. The exercises opened with an address by Prof. E. W. Hall of Colby, president of the association, on the teacher and the library.

Prof. Hall said that the teacher and the library had peculiar and intimate relations. Previous to 1836 the public library of this country was inefficient, but after the report of the commissioner of public libraries and the great discussion that ensued at that time, had widened the influence of the library, and indices catalogues, etc., had followed, until, the public library system of the land is remarkably well-developed, and today the librarian has changed from a jealous guardian of literary treasures to a helper and a friend to the student in his work.

The first duty of the teacher should be an acquaintance with all the details of the library and all the library helps that every library has. He should know all the cross-references, all the shelf marks, all the catalogues and the treasures of the collection. The library, in this way, becomes a storehouse for the teacher. Such a teacher becomes desirous of communicating his knowledge of the library to his pupils.

Prof. Hall quoted profusely from statistics of library use in Barnstable, Ct., Hartford, Ct., Springfield, Mass., Providence, R. I., to show how the liqrary may and does help the public schools. In Chicago, one special design of the library is its use in conjunction with the public schools and often the scholars are taken to the public library where lectures are often given by the librarian and a reverance and love of books are thereby instilled. As a result of this the librarian points out the use of the books of reference. The same is true in Gloversville, Cambridge, Mass., Peoria, Ill., of which separate illustrations were made by the speaker.

In Worcester, Mass., the public library and the public schools have a most complete and satisfactory union, and the teachers use the public library as a direct and systematic adjunct to the work of the schools, and the result is a marked advance of the pupils and a gradual association with broader treatment of topics of school interest in current publications. In Worcester, Mass., between January and June over 700 valuable books of the public library were in the hands of the pupils of the public schools. A library is absolutely required in teaching in public schools. No teacher can afford to slight the public library and no public library can afford to slight the public school.

Prof. Hall spoke at this point of the tendency of the public to read fiction to an inordinate extent, over 60 per cent of the circulation of the public library being of fiction.

There are two ways that this taste may be overcome: 1st, by the introduction of a better type of fiction to the adult population whose tastes can not be immediately changed and 2d, by inculcating in the young a love of a different sort of reading, such as biography, history, science and art. A systematic education in a love for good reading, is a great and needed safeguard of the youth. All schools teach reading. Why not teach not only how to read a single chapter, but an entire book.

There are well authenticated cases where young men have fitted and entered college who could not read a single book. It seems impossible, but there are well authenticated cases to this effect. Pupils need education in the proper treatment of books, especially large and costly books, and books belonging to others. They need instruction in the use of tables of contents, indices and how to get at the essence of books.

In Maine, we have only about 60 libraries of over 1000 books each. An awakening in this direction is needed. A wide-awake and enthusiastic teacher is just the one to take the initiation and awaken public sentiment in communities where they are needed.

The time must come when the public benefits and therefore fit for support by public taxation and when this time comes the nation will be growing larger. In Michigan the state constitution provides that the fines from penal infractions go to the support of libraries and thus the preventative is supplied by the vect penalty. The time will time must come when town libraries shall be provided at public expense.

A round of applause followed the President's address.

The report on history was delivered by Principal George C. Purinxton of the Farmington Normal school. It was a technical paper of much interest to the session.

Prof. Henry Johnson of Bowdoin College delivered a paper on the teaching of Modern Languages in Secondary Schools.

Prof. Johnson referred in opening to some of the discouragements in the way of teaching modern languages in colleges, such as a loss of flexibility, by this time of the student's life, in vocal organs. He was quite severe upon the lack of use of foreign language study among professional men and regretted the slovenliness of the English speaking people in their own noble tongue.

The direction of the paper was along the illustration of the study of German and it especially requested the use of the reason in study of the language, i.e., giving the student something to think about. From this point, Prof. Johnson spoke from the blackboard which he had industriously covered with German words and combinations and sounds. He considered what to teach to a pupil who comes knowing nothing about the language—a condition, he quaintly remarked, infinitely better than a pupil who comes thinking he knows something. He would teach the sounds and would never say that one sound is like another. Sound is definite, inelastic, absolute.

Be sure that the pupil has each individual sound. He illustrated it especially in the vowel O, and said that he would teach every sound of O as an individual sound. He would give the pupil a printed list of the sounds and while not expecting the pupil to remember all the sounds, he would expect him to remember nothing that is not correct. In the same way he would teach the verb and the pronoun, and would leave the article and noun until he had given eight or ten lessons in order that the pupil might have the machinery of the language before he got encumbered with words. This is done easily by pronouns.

Prof. Johnson was compelled to make his paper brief in order to come within the limits of time. It was shortened much to the regret of all.

It is understood that in the system which he illustrates so copiously are seventy sounds comprising his alphabet, and that he intends to use this system, which has been the study of years, in the instruction of his next class at Bowdoin.

Professor Taylor, of Colby, gave a very bright paper on the need of a better system of teaching Latin.

At the afternoon session there was the largest attendance in the history of the society. Prof. F. E. Chapman of Boston, gave a paper on music in primary schools, illustrating it by a class from the Auburn primaries. A printed report on geography, by Rev. B. P. Snow of Willard, was read and adopted. This was discussed by Superintendent Crawford of Waterville. After papers on "Physical training in Public Schools," by C. E. Adams of Colby and F. H. Dodge of Bates, Albro E. Chase, principal of the Portland High School, gave notice that the educators of Maine, propose to push a law this winter prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to minors. In the evening Hon. H. Martin, agent of the Massachusetts Board of Education, discussed "What our pupils know of t.e English language when they leave the grammar school," and Prof. C. C. Rounds of New Hampshire, delivered an address on "School government as a factor in moral culture."

FOUR PISTOLS AND A RING

Found on Men arrested for Assaulting Mr. Frost.

AUGUSTA, Dec. 28.—Two men were arrested in Readfield today for the robbery of Frost in Winthrop and there is but little doubt but what they are the guilty parties. Four revolvers were taken from their persons and a ring which belonged to Frost. The night of the Frost robbery a house was broken into and burglarized at Winthrop, and one of the revolvers was identical with a weapon stolen from the building. The prisoners are now in custody in Winthrop,

A SUPPORTER OF MR. PLATT.

Senator Teller Has a Long Talk With the President-Elect.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 28.—The only distinguished out of town visitor on the President-elect to-day was Senator Henry M. Teller, of Colorado, ex-secretary of the interior under President Arthur. He had a long private talk with the President-elect and left the city shortly after. In an interview early in the day Mr. Teller said he thought one of the new cabinet officers would certainly come from the West. He expected to express his views to the President-elect on political matters, but should not urge the appointment of any man. He should, however, tell him what he thought about some men. In response to a query, as to whether the Republican members of the Senate were not generally of the opinion that Mr. Blaine should be invited into the Cabinet, Mr. Teller replied: "There is a division of opinion. Mr. Blaine's friends think he will be Secretary of State, but there are others who think his appointment might not be advisable." From a gentleman well advised on New York politics it is learned that Senator Teller is an ardent supporter of Ex-Senator Platt.

THE STATE'S INTEREST.

New Hampshire's Perpetual Trouble With Her Railroads.

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 28.—At the afternoon session of the commission appointed to ascertain the interest of the State in the Concord and Boston & Maine railroads, Hon. A. T. Batchelder of Keene renewed the proposition of Austin Corbin of New York, Robert K. Dow and John L. Howard of Claremont, made to Gov. Sawyer in August, 1887, to pay the State $500,000 for its interest in the Concord railroad. An additional stipulation, not mentioned in that offer, is that the road should not be paralleled.

William M. Chase, one of the counsel for the Concord road, objected to the consideration of the proposition, and took the position that an acceptance would virtually place the State in the attitude of a stock broker. The commissioners decided to make an investigation of the facts in the case, to report to the legislature, and accordingly took a recess until the middle of January, when testimony will be heard.

A DEADLY ASSAULT.

A Burglar Attacks Captain Seth B. McLellan

And Leaves Him Unconscious on the Floor.

Burglars sometimes when brought to bay will take life in order to escape arrest or personal injury, but it is of rare occurrence that one is found who unnecessarily and wantonly attacks a man whose premises he has invaded.

Thursday night Captain Seth B. McLellan, one of Portland's oldest shipmasters, and a brother of the late Hon. Jacob McLellan, dreamed that a house belonging to the family, located at the corner of High and Danforth streets, had been entered by burglars and a quantity of valuable property taken. Yesterday morning, after breakfast, the captain remembered his dream, and thought, as he had not been in the house in question for some time, that he would look it over and see if it was in proper condition. Accordingly he put on his hat and coat and went to the house. Everything looked right about the place and he was about to leave when he heard a noise as if some one was moving about the cellar. Thinking that one of his neighbors might be there—for it was not uncommon for one of them to occasionally visit the house—he went to the cellar door and called. No answer was returned and the noise ceased. Thinking he was mistaken Captain McLellan turned to come away, when he felt a tremendous blow on the head and lost consciousness. How long he remained in that condition he cannot tell—must have been some time—before he recovered sufficiently to make his way to his neighbor's house near by. It appeared that when the captain called down the cellar stairs, there was a burglar in the house who was loading up with lead pipe. He came up the dark stairs, swiftly and noiselessly, and hit the captain over the head with a piece of the pipe, inflicting a deep and serious gash. In his fall the captain also injured his face considerably and blackened his eyes. He is considerably prostrated by the shock.

A lady living in the vicinity saw the burglar leap from a window, after the blow had been inflicted, and run down the street. It is to be hoped that the villain will be seized by the police and get a good measure of justice meted out to him.

Children's Christmas Club.

Reception Hall was filled with workers yesterday morning receiving the food and presents. The heads of tables and waiters will meet Mrs. Chisholm in Reception Hall this morning at 10.30 o'clock. The squad leaders will meet Mr. Mitchell at the same time and place. No lunches will be served to any waiters. Refreshments may be sent to Reception Hall this morning.

A rehearsal for the entertainment to follow the dinner was held in City Hall yesterday afternoon.

The gallery is reserved for all the children who have ever belonged to the club.

Every child in town should purchase a membership ticket for ten cents and see the entertainment.

Eight hundred guest's tickets have been issued. The festival at one o'clock to-day is not a dinner, but a treat of sweetmeats with a bag of "goodies" to carry home.

The chief feature is the entertainment, which is planned as much for members as for guests, in fact for every child in Portland.

Those who have not already joined the club will find members' tickets for sale at the box office, City Hall to-day. Adult tickets may also be obtained there, admitting grown persons wishing to bring young children into the gallery.

The gallery staircase will be open at 12 15; the two front rows of seats being reserved for persons bringing children.

The Busy Bees in their yellow caps will sing their buzzing bee song.

The fan drill by the young ladies, led by Mr. Joe Bedlow, in antique costume, was given at rehearsal with a precision deserving of high praise. The rich costumes will add greatly to the beauty of the drill.

The "Juvenile Seven" and their ladies, who took part in the Juvenile Operetta "The Children's Crusade," in Congress square vestry, will give movements from their march clod in full suits of armor.

The visitor from Switzerland has been in Portland only a few weeks. While he can not speak the English language, he will be able to contribute to the amusement of the children.

Following this is a performance called "The Feast of Lanterns," in which eight young boys and a little girl from Deering will take part. This represents a Japanese festival with amusing songs and gymnastic performances. The performers will be attired in Japanese costumes and the antics of little "All-right," and the song of "Yum Yum" will especially please the audience.

Next comes the graceful wand drill, by a class from the Portland Turnerein.

Below is the order of exercises:

One o'clock—Entrance March.....
Greeting—Mr. Charles J. Bailey, President Children's Christmas Club.
Address—Hon. C.J. Chapman, President Advisory Board, C. C. C.
Christmas Carol.....
Grace.....Rev. Asa Dalton
Serving of Sweetmeats.
March to Seats, etc.
Broom Brigade.
Bee Song.....The Busy Bees
Fan Drill.....Ten Young Ladies
(from Woodford's in old fashioned costumes.)
Violin Solo.....Miss Goodwin
March—from Children's Crusade.....
.....Juvenile Seven
of Congress Square Church.
A Visitor for Switzerland.
The Feast of Lanterns.....Japanese Jugglers
of Deering.
Wand Drill.....Portland Turnverein
Line of March.
Candy Bags Distributed by the Busy Bees.
Christmas Tree.

Mrs. Taylor with her committee will be in Reception Hall to receive contributions of food, especially nuts, raisins and figs.

This is the refreshment room committee: Mrs. Henry L. Taylor, chairman; Mrs. Hall Davis, Mrs. Henry Fowler, Mrs. Charles Bailey, Mrs. Frederic Bailey, Mrs. Joseph Kendall, Mrs. S. P. Getchell, Mrs. George Swett, Mrs. Leonard Billings, Mrs. Frank Smith, Miss Bailey.

Robbery.

About 5.30 p. m. yesterday, some person entered the store of W. P. Goss, and while the attention of the employes was attracted elsewhere, stole about $30 in money from the money drawer.

KEEPING UP THEIR DROOPING SPIRITS.

Democrats Declare Their Defeat as Only a Temporary Set Back,

Which Will Be Overcome When the Country is Educated.

The Tariff Reform League Will Furnish the Teachers.

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—The annual banquet of the Massachusetts Tariff Reform League came off at Hotel Vendome this evening. The principal guest was Secretary Fairchild. Among others present were President Eliot of Harvard, Col. T. W. Higginson, Hons. P. A. Collins, J. F. Andrew, Henry L. Pierce, Robert Blakie, Leopold Morse, C. R. Codman, G. S. Hale, Congressman Burnett, W. L. Putnam, of Maine, and Congressman Fitch, of New York. Hon. W. E. Russell presided, and made a happy opening speech. He said they were gathered not as a band of interested capitalists to rejoice over a political victory, but in the interest of the propagation of a great politico-economical reform. He said the defeat of President Cleveland was a misfortune. He was a brave, honest man, who refused to catch at votes when the country's good was at stake. Three cheers were then given for President Cleveland and the following was read from him:

EXECUTIVE MANSION,
WASHINGTON, Dec. 24, 1888.

Messrs. Sherman, Hoar and others, committee:

Gentlemen: I am exceedingly sorry that I cannot be present at the annual dinner of the Massachusetts Tariff Reform League on the 28th inst. This is not merely a formal and common expression of regret. It truly indicates how much I should enjoy meeting the members of your league and how glad I should be to express in person my appreciation of the important services in a cause to which I am earnestly attached, and to acknowledge at the same time their frequent and encouraging manifestations of personal friendliness. I know too, that it would be profitable and advantageous to be, even for a brief period, within the inspiring influence of the atmosphere surrounding patriotic and unselfish men, banded together in the interests of their fellow countrymen and devoted to the work of tariff reform. This reform appears to me to be as far reaching in its purposes as the destiny of our country, and as broad in its beneficence as the welfare of our entire people. It is because the efforts of its advocates are not discredited by any sordid motives that they are able boldly and confidently to attack the strongholds of selfishness and greed. Our institutions were constructed in purity of purpose and love for humanity. Their operation is adjusted to the touch of National virtue and patriotism, and their results under such guidance must be the prosperity and happiness of our people. And so long as the advocates of tariff reform appreciate the sentiments in which our institutions had their origin, so long as they apprehend the forces which alone can guide their operation, so long as they in a spirit of true patriotism are consecrated to the service of their country, temporary defeat brings no discouragement. It but proves the stubbornness of the forces of combined selfishness, and discloses how far the people have been led astray, and how great is the necessity of redoubled efforts in their behalf. To lose faith in the intelligence of the people is a surrender and an abandonment of the struggle. To excuse their intelligence and free it from darkness and delusion gives assurance of speedy and complete victory. In the track of reform are often found the dead hopes of pioneers and the despair of those who fall in the march, but there will be neither despair nor dead hopes in the path of tariff reform, nor shall its pioneers fail to reach the heights. Holding fast to their faith and rejecting every alluring device and every deceptive compromise which would betray their sacred trust, they themselves shall regain and restore the patrimony of their countrymen from the fingers of grasping encroachment and safely secure it by the genius of American justice and equality.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) GROVER CLEVELAND.

President Cleveland's health was then drunk, and three more cheers for him given. Mr. Russell then introduced Secretary Fairchild, as the representative of the administration. Secretary Fairchild said: The tariff reform struggle has just begun. The late campaign brought no discouragement. Wherever the intellect was aroused, thought invoked and experienced appeal to our cause gained greatly. It lost only where the mind was dominated by passion; where partisanship and blind race and sectional prejudice overcame benevolence and love for the whole country. The tariff should be settled and forever taken out of politics, for it disturbs business, prevents simple purpose of universal beneficence for which alone our government is fitted, converts legislative halls into arenas of barter between conflicting interests.

The Secretary complained that the issue was not fairly presented by the Republicans and denied that the League could educate the people to accept what they would receive its teachings.

Representative Fitch of New York followed. The prestiding officer then read letters of regret from Secretary Endicott and Speaker Carlisle. Hon. W. L. Putnam of Maine, described the economic standstill of the three northern New England States, under the protection regime. Letters of regret were read from David A. Wells, President Hyde of Bowdoin College, Geo. M. Stearns, Carl Schurz, Gen. F. A. Walker and others.

PLUCKY MARBLEHEAD.

Everybody Determined to Rebuild the Burnt District.

MARBLEHEAD, Mass., Dec. 28.—The business committee is hard at work, using all endeavors to retain what business was here previous to the fire. H. O. Symonds has concluded to build a two-story brick building in place of the one destroyed. John C. Peach has secured John Goodwin's factory, including machinery, and also the hall of Capt. Clinton Love for the use of his cutters who have been called to fill fill to secure quarters, but will rebuild at his earliest convenience. B. E. Cole has not yet concluded what he will do. It is stated that while the conflagration was at its height, 35 houses were on fire in the lower part of the town. Today citizens offered their services for two weeks work to dig trenches and aid in the work of clearing up and rebuilding.

The Business Association said this morning that he had no doubt that all the manufacturers would rebuild, but it would take some time to complete the work. Mr. Woodbury is swamped with orders, and has given out word that he does not want a man to secure work elsewhere, thus assuring his 250 employes that he will stand by them.

N. P. Sanborn, of the committee, stated a gentleman from East Boston has offered a shoe factory to a leading manufacturer in which to locate for the present. Letters are being received on every mail by manufacturers, inviting them to other towns and cities.

RAILWAY MATTERS.

A RUMORED EXTENSION.

A despatch from Enfield says: "It is evident that some sort of a scheme is on foot looking to the extending of the Maine Central road, which now runs in from Enfield to the mouth of the Piscataquis river, still further onward, either to Schoodic or Brownville. This is made plain by the fact that several men, known to be intimate with the Maine Central officials, have been and still are looking over the ground, buying and getting the refusal of timber tracts on which are white birch and pulp wood growths. Men, who have been out the river looking at the bottom, watching the current and making inquiries about the water and the drives of logs in the spring, and these are supposed to be the men who are either to build the necessary bridge across the Penobscot or are to bid on a contract. One of the men came down from the Canadian Pacific road, where he has been looking after the Edgemore or Union Bridge companies.

"I am told that the syndicate which has bought up much of the land along the route, includes an ex-governor of the State, a member of the legislature, a prominent Penobscot lumberman, a brother of Senator Hale, and one of the leading Maine Central officials and that this land now stands in their names. The proposed route has not a hill in it, and a rail could be laid on the present surface, and trains run in without an inch of grading. In fact the only work of this sort will be the building up of a right of way, so that it will be above the spring floods. Nearly all the land along the proposed route is flooded at some season of the year, and quite a large tract is submerged each spring and fall."

NOTES

The Canaan Railroad Company have elected the following officers: President, V. R. Tuttle; secretary, J. Q. A. Butts; solicitor, T. B. Barrett, Esq., treasurer, George W. Johnson; directors, V. R. Tuttle, George W. Johnson, Moses H. Furber, Henry Johnson, Amos Stevens, Benjamin Chase, Ansel Goodrich, James Harmon, John Drew, John Tuttle, Bela Burrill.

Amos Pillsbury, superintendent of locomotive power; G. P. Kennison, master car builder, and Frank Robinson, division foreman of locomotive power for the Eastern division of the Maine Central railroad, arrived at Vanceboro Thursday night, and were met by Mr. G. A. Heggarty, the mechanical superintendent of the New Brunswick railway.

The Maine Central officials are on a tour of inspection and are very much pleased with the condition of the machines, houses, turn-tables, etc.

There was a peculiar accident at Eaton station on the Maine Central Thursday night. Two freight cars had been left on a siding, insecurely braked, and these were taken by the high wind and run onto the main line, just as the main freight from Bangor, came along. The result was a pilot knocked from the engine, and the front end somewhat damaged. The loss is slight.

The attorney general of New York has brought action against the New York, New Haven & Hartford road to compel them to observe the State law requiring the heating of cars without the use of stoves.

PERSONAL.

Geo. W. Brackett, of Belfast, has been in town a couple of days.

Ex-Senator Charles E. Gibbs, of Bridgton, is in the city.

John A. Woodsum, Esq., Representative from China, was in town yesterday.

The Barretts will hold their anniversary at the Preble House, Jan. 10th.

Mr. George G. Gosse arrived on the Winthrop Thursday night. He has been to England and back in the past nine weeks.

Rev. James Rand, formerly of Saco, died in Dover, N. H., Monday. He was born in Parsonsfield Sept. 5, 1815.

Mr. Jacob T. Lewis, the wholesale clothier, died at his residence in this city late last night at the age of 75 years.

Dr. A. V. Thompson was presented on Monday evening with a beautiful gold headed cane by the members of Munjoy Hill, K. of P.

In the death of Mrs. Walter Woodman her family loses a most devoted wife and mother, and her friends an acquaintance of varied accomplishments and a woman of remarkable beauty of character. She was the daughter of Rev. Dr. Weston, the principal of Westbrook Seminary, and she leaves a husband and four little children whose bereavement seems particularly sad.

Dr. Charles S. Swasey, aged 73 years, a native of Limerick, and a brother of the late Dr. Wm. Swasey, of Limerick, and Horatio J. Swasey, of Standish, died on the 24th inst., at New Bedford, Mass., his home for the last 30 years. He was an excellent practitioner and an enthusiastic lover and student of natural history. He served as surgeon in the army of the James, and had been on the school committee and board of health, and in other public stations in New Bedford.

A course of lectures will be delivered at the Congregational church, Harpswell, for the benefit of the society, the first to take place Jan. 8th, and to be delivered by Prof. F. E. Woodruff, Bowdoin College, subject, "Ancient and Modern Athens" to be illustrated by the stereopticon. Jan. 15th Hon. C. W. Goddard, of Portland, will speak on "Constantinople." Prof. L. A. Lee, of Bowdoin College, will speak later on "Glimpses of South America" caught during his recent trip, and Rev. Elijah Kellogg will close the course.

SUBURBAN NEWS.

SACCARAPPA.

At a regular meeting of Naomi Lodge, D of R., the following officers were elected:

G.—Mrs. Ella M. Smith.
V. G.—Mrs. W. E. Knowlton.
Secretary—Miss Flora E. Martin.
Treasurer—Mrs. G. J. Hirelman.

A number of new pieces of furniture will soon be purchased for the Odd Fellows' lodge room by the Rebekahs with the money secured from their fair a few weeks ago.

An excellent supper was given the children connected with the Congregational Sabbath School on last Wednesday evening at the vestry. After the supper readings, recitations and scenes by the magic lantern were given to entertain the audience. It was a very pleasant and profitable occasion.

Messrs. W. K. and F. J. Dana were each presented on Monday evening by their employes with a handsome Banner Mills, with a gold headed cane. The Messrs. Dana are public spirited citizens whose uniform kindness has won the regard and esteem of all those employed about their mills.

The Christmas trade of the village was generally superior to that of past years.

A large number of natives of the village, residents of other places, were here to spend Christmas.

DEERING.

There will be a recognition service at the Free Church in Deering tomorrow at 3 p. m., at the services of which Rev. F. T. Bayley, Rev. W. H. Fenn, D. D., Rev. A. H. Quint, Rev. C. W. Goddard and Rev. E. P. Wilson take part.

SOUTH WINDHAM.

At the regular meeting of Oriental Lodge, K. of P., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

P. C.—Clarence C. Libby.
C. C.—John Boody.
V. C.—Charles Morton.
P.—Mr. Williams.
K. of R. and S.—M. A. Larry.
M. of E.—J. E. Freeman.
M. of E.—E. T. Smith.
M. at A.—Sumner Maxfield.
Trustee—Wm. H. McLellan.
Representatives to Grand Lodge—E. T. Smith, Henry Small.

The lodge is in a very flourishing condition; it has now 132 members.

MUSIC AND DRAMA.

ROME.

The third and last lecture by Stoddard in the Stockbridge course, drew another splendid audience last evening. The views were superb and the lecture highly entertaining and instructing. We have already given in former issues a general outline of the points dwelt upon and will not repeat them here. Mr. Stoddard is one of the most satisfactory attractions in Mr. Stockbridge's courses.

THE ROYAL GUARD.

Last evening Mr. Frank Mayo, who has become familiar to the theatre-going public in his charming representation of Davy Crockett, was seen in his latest role, that of D'Artagnaw, the gallant, shrewd and reckless guardsman of Dumas' creation in Mayo's arrangement of the novel under the title of "The Royal Guard." The peculiarities of Mr. Mayo, joined with his fine presence, easy, natural acting, his musical and pene-trating voice and his clear enunciation, all go to make up a dashing *mousquetaire* of the days of Louis. He is full of the spirit of its romanticism. He sustains its interest to the end, and fairly commands the admiration of the women fully as well as the men. It is unnecessary to go into a sketch of the plot of the play. It is familiar to almost every one. Mr. Mayo is fairly well supported, and the many situations in the piece received the hearty applause of the audience.

Tonight the charming drama of "Nordeck" will be presented.

The Bailey Praying Band.

The Bailey Praying Band closed on Wednesday evening the series of meetings which they have been holding in Sanford. One hundred and ten persons have been converted during this great revival and the three churches have been greatly blessed by creating greater activity and interest among the members. The residents of Sanford declare that the success of the meetings far exceed any revival interest ever held in the history of the town. The farewell meeting was deeply affecting, the church was filled to overflowing, a letter was read from Mr. C. M. Bailey, expressing regret at not being able to be present, and assuring the people of his deep interest in their spiritual welfare. A unanimous and hearty vote of thanks was given Mr. Bailey and also to all the members of the Band.

The Bailey Praying Band commenced a series of meetings in Damariscotta and Newcastle on Wednesday evening of this week. There will be Union meetings held with the three churches.

Card of Thanks.

We, the officers and members of Truck 3, wish to extend our thanks to Mr. Mitchell, the caterer, on Exchange street, for the elegant coffee that he so kindly furnished at the fire yesterday.

(Signed), J. E. CADY, Captain.
F. E. DOE, Clerk.

Card of Thanks.

The undersigned sincerely thanks his many friends who so faithfully and zealously aided him during the fire of yesterday; also to the fire department, for their prompt

THE PRESS.

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 29.

We do not read anonymous letters and communications. The name and address of the writer are in all cases indispensable, not necessarily for publication but as a guarantee of good faith.

We cannot undertake to return or preserve communications that are not used.

Mr. Cleveland says in a recent letter that he is "eagerly counting the days" until he shall retire from office. He seems to feel that all the work he does now goes to pay for a dead horse.

The Ohio White Caps are still at their infamous work. Their latest exploit was to thrash a physician on suspicion of having drugged his office boy, who had been found intoxicated. The State of Ohio ought to be able to make short shrift of this gang.

It is really quite refreshing to read the accounts of the surrender of the Haytien Republic to Admiral Luce's fleet. Our navy, which at home has become a butt for all sorts of jokes, of more or less merit, appears to have really inspired terror in the harbor of Port au Prince. Then, too, a Haytien cruiser actually saluted our flag. Furthermore, there is a good prospect that the Haytien treasury will have to shell out a million or two for insulting American citizens and seizing their property.

The fire on Federal street yesterday ought to prove a valuable lesson to city councils. Permission was granted to build the burned building in the face of most strenuous protest. It was urged that on account of its character and the purposes to which it was to be put, it was peculiarly liable to fire, and consequently would increase the rates of insurance on dwelling houses near it and cause a depreciation in the value of property in its vicinity. It was urged, also, that the use for which the building was originally intended would make it a nuisance to the neighborhood. These representations were all well sustained by evidence, and experience has proved them all true. Lately the building has been let for a school, so that recently there has been no ground for complaint of the use to which it was put. But it has been a constant menace to neighboring dwelling houses in the way of fire. So there will not be many tears shed at its destruction. It never ought to have been allowed to be built in the first place. Its location was neither suitable nor proper for a place of entertainment.

Since February 1887 there have been three bye-elections for members of the Dominion parliament in the constituency of Cumberland, Nova Scotia. In the first election Sir Charles Tupper, the Conservative candidate, was elected by a majority of 462 over the combined vote of the Liberal and Third parties. In November following Sir Charles again defeated his opponents by a majority of 741, a Conservative gain of about 300. In July, 1888, Mr. Dickey, Conservative, was elected by a majority of 764, a slight gain over Sir Charles's majority in the preceding November. On Wednesday last another election took place in this district and Mr. Dickey was again returned by 1,100 majority, a gain in a year and a half of about 400. It is difficult at this distance to understand all the causes that have produced these Conservative gains, but it is a fact that commercial union has been a prominent issue in Nova Scotia politics, and therefore it is altogether probable that this question has had something to do with it. If so, then the tendency in Nova Scotia is away from closer commercial relations with the United States, for the Conservatives have opposed commercial union, while the Liberals have advocated it.

Whether the Democrats were free traders or protectionists in the late election has in a large measure ceased to be a matter of interest, as have also the opinions of the English on the subject. Yet it may not be wholly uninteresting to listen to what Sir Lyon Playfair, the eminent English free trader, said to an audience at Leeds the other day, in the course of an address on "Protection and Wages in America." "I have lately," said he at the very beginning of his address, "returned from the United States, where a very important issue has been before the people in the Presidential election. It would be false to call that issue free trade, because the proposal before the country was whether the high protectionist tariff, averaging 47 per cent on the price of imports, should be reduced to 42 per cent. If a man took 47 drinks a day, and reduced them to 42, you would not call him a teetotaler. So you would not call a tariff of 42 per cent a free trade tariff; but it was the thin end of the wedge, and everyone knew that if successful it would be driven deeper." At that words the free trade audience, after the manner of English audiences, shouted "Hear, hear." Perhaps they had heard of the protestations the Democrats made during election that the wedge never should be driven deeper; or, more likely, they were pleased at the idea that a wedge should ever have been pointed towards the heart of the protective system.

It is not to be wondered at that the Persian minister at Washington should desire to open friendly and commercial relations with a distinguished and fair-dealing country like the United States. Poor Persia, somewhat wealthy and very defenceless, is in a position much like that of the grieving Penelope, who, in the absence of Ulysses, was wooed by powerful and unscrupulous suitors. Both Russia and England are paying to Persia distinguished attentions, and the faintest sign of preference given by fair Persia is the signal for a little dispute between the rivals. Just at present England, being represented at Teheran by Sir H. Drummond-Wolff, an ambassador well versed in pleasing a semi-barbarous court, is enjoying the advantage. Thereupon the Russians begin to scold, and insist that this must not go on. As a field for commercial enterprise and also as an arena for the extension of political influence in Asia, Persia is appreciated by both England and Russia; and each is doing its best to gain an ascendancy. England at present is ahead. Next spring, however, when the Shah visits Europe he will call with impartiality at St. Petersburg, Berlin, Paris, London, Brussels, Vienna and Constantinople. He might take a few days and run over to America, where he would be the greatest social lion since the visit of the dusky Queen of the Sandwich Islands. He would find over here, too, that attentions would be paid to him on account of his own barbaric self, and not on account of the opportunities for wealth furnished by his dominions.

The Aroostook Republican says that within a short time two prominent citizens of Fort Fairfield, men of good standing and eminently respectable, have been arrested and taken to Bengor, on charge of liquor smuggling. The evidence against both of them was so meagre that they were promptly discharged as soon as they received a hearing. Within the past two weeks two old residents of Caribou, men of good character and standing in the community, never having sold liquor while they had lived there, have suffered the same experience as the Fort Fairfield gentlemen, only they were taken to Portland instead of Bangor. "The arrest of these gentlemen," says the Republican, "was as ridiculous as it was outrageous," and the complaint, that paper is sure, was made out of pure malice. The Republican is inclined to think that the United States marshals were manifesting altogether more zeal than discretion in making these arrests. But the fault, if fault there be, probably lies back of the marshals, who probably have no discretion in the matter, and must execute orders given them. Where the blame lies doubtless is upon the malicious persons who make the complaints. They should be discovered and soundly punished if they have knowingly instigated unjust prosecutions. The Republican thinks if this thing is to continue, and innocent men are to be put to the expense of proving their innocence, the expense to them ought to be made as low as possible by establishing a commissioner's court in Aroostook county, where a preliminary hearing can be given. At present arrested parties are taken to Bangor or Portland, and are thus put to large expense to get home again.

The Governor of South Carolina has given to the Legislature of his State a lesson in the same line with that taught so energetically and impressively by President Andrew Jackson in the days when Calhoun's ideas were more rampant. South Carolina has never got out of her head the idea that she may do as she pleases without regard to the other members of this indissoluble Union. The present issue was over what was known as the Clemson bequest bill. One T. G. Clemson, who became possessed of a certain portion of the property of John C. Calhoun through marriage into the family, upon his death bequeathed the old Calhoun homestead in Oconee county to the State of South Carolina for an agricultural college. Miss Isabel Lee of New York, a great-granddaughter of John C. Calhoun, contested the will, and the United States Circuit Court granted an injunction restraining the executors from carrying out its provisions. In spite of this, the South Carolina Legislature passed an act accepting the gift. What was the action of a United States Court to the Legislature of the "sovereign State" of South Carolina! But Governor Chamberlain has more sense and perhaps a little better memory of the lessons of the past, than the Bourbons of the Legislature, and has vetoed the bill. This act has caused great agitation in the State as the acceptance of the Clemson bequest was made a political issue. But Governor Chamberlain justifies his position by showing the inexpediency of South Carolina's opposing her sovereignty to the courts of the nation, and also by calling attention to the consideration which should be paid to the cause of the "granddaughter of Calhoun, whose whole life was devoted to South Carolina and who was one of the towering three who made the States of Massachusetts, Kentucky and South Carolina so noted in American history."

CURRENT COMMENT.

HARRISON AND THE SPOILSMEN.

[New York Press.]

No one has stated this question more clearly than General Harrison. The present law regulating appointments to the classified civil service will be faithfully enforced. And it ought to be. Extensions of the classified list may prove practicable and desirable. Legislation looking to this end will receive the next President's approval. That ought to be clear enough to any one capable of comprehending that adding a column of figures and performing routine or mechanical work is one thing and assuming the responsibilities of management or direction is quite another.

To the victors belong the responsibilities.

A KENTUCKY ROMANCE.

Colonel Owen C. Breckinridge's Strange Matrimonial Career.

[Washington Post.]

A story, the romance of the life of Colonel Owen C. Breckinridge, comes to light today, and is causing a great sensation throughout the State. He is a nephew of Congressman W. C. P. Breckinridge of Kentucky, and a relative of Congressman Breckinridge of Arkansas. For romance and strangeness it is excelled by few tales of fiction. Colonel Breckinridge was born and reared in Kentucky, and when a young man was a dashing brilliant and handsome fellow, a favorite in the families of the bluest blood and the most aristocratic people of the Blue Grass region.

Being of a strongly romantic and poetic nature, he had not more than reached his majority before he met, wooed and married a beautiful girl from St. Louis. There being some opposition on the part of his family, it is said that he was secretly married, under the name of Owen, and lived with her most happily for one year, without his people having a suspicion of his marriage. A child, a girl baby was born, and its life caused the mother's death. The father, heart broken at his irreparable loss, came back to Kentucky, where he remained a few years, and then went to California. His little one, in the meantime, was placed in the care of the grandparents in St. Louis, the father contributing most generously to its support and education.

In California Mr. Breckinridge, by his wit and brilliancy, became the social favorite of the Pacific slope, and was elected and served several terms in the Legislature. Two years after his first wife's death Mr. Breckinridge met the beautiful heiress, Miss Tevis, the daughter of Lloyd Tevis, Esq., formerly of Kentucky and now a ten millionaire of California. A courtship followed and they were married.

All this time the first marriage was kept a profound secret, and the existence of a daughter was, of course, unknown, she not even knowing her father by sight and was ignorant of her right name. The second union, was, like the first, of comparatively short duration, for after bearing two children Mrs. Breckinridge died. The second affliction nearly killed Mr. Breckinridge, and for some time he wandered around the world, attempting to forget his sorrow in the excitement of foreign travel. He, however, returned to San Francisco several years later and devoted himself to the practice of law.

His two children by his second wife were reared and educated by the Tevises, and the first born was fast maturing in years and beauty in her far off St. Louis home. It is said that the Tevis family gave Mr. Breckinridge $30,000 in consideration of allowing them the full charge of their grandchildren, and with this in fortunate business affairs and speculation, he made a very comfortable fortune.

It was seventeen years after his first marriage that Colonel Owen Breckinridge, then a man of possibly 40 years of age, married for the third time. But the last chapter of the romance—the denouement—came lately. Mr. Breckinridge, who is a man of fine character, admirable courage and with a warm, impulsive heart, never forgot the little one—the offspring of his first love—and, determined to make all reparation in his power, went to St. Louis, made himself known to his daughter, by this time a splendid specimen of beautiful womanhood, and told her of the past and of his desire to take her back home with him. This she readily consented to do, and father and daughter started for California. Upon their arrival Miss Breckinridge was introduced to her stepmother—the third Mrs. Breckinridge. It is said that this brought a disclosure of the entire history of the husband's past life, and, for some reason not told, caused a separation between Mr. Breckinridge and his present wife.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

The Tory's Daughter: A Romance of the North-West. 1812-1813. By A. G. Riddle. (New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons; Portland: Loring, Short & Harmon.) This is a romantic story of the war of 1812-13 on our northwestern border, with a strong element of pioneer life in the West. The author says in his preface, "I had a wish to tell a story which I hoped would interest some readers. As I made a study of the ground and material, there came a wish almost as strong, to awaken interest in the forgotten history of the Northwest." Hence this volume.

From Flag to Flag. By Eliza McHatton-Ripley. (New York: D. Appleton & Co.; Portland: Loring, Short & Harmon.) Mrs. Eliza McHatton-Ripley has "a story to tell," which she tells with much vivacity, and it is an interesting story, too. It is the history of a woman's adventures and experiences in the South during the war; in Mexico when it was conquered by the French, who in time were driven from the country; and in the Island of Cuba when it was under the control of the insurgents. These were stirring times, in which the writer and her family bore a part, and, as she says, ran "ran from flag to flag."

From Lady Washington to Mrs. Cleveland. By Lydia L. Gordon. (Boston: Lee & Shepard; Portland: Stevens & Jones.) This is not a book of a high literary order, but rather one that is made to sell. It will serve its purpose, for many will buy and read it out of curiosity. The author doubtless intends to be correct in her statements, but many of them are, to say the least, in questionable taste.

Andersonville Violets. A Story of Northern and Southern Life. By Herbert W. Collingwood. (Boston: Lee & Shepard; Portland: Stevens & Jones.) This pretty volume contains a story written by a Southerner, now living at the North, with the object of presenting fairly, without partisan or sectional feeling, a story of the late war between the States, its causes and results. The author has taken the Northern scenes from life, and the pictures of Southern life are taken from personal experience. A story of Andersonville prison, told by a soldier in the Confederate army suggested the work, and Mr. Collingwood has conscientiously endeavored to be perfectly fair in describing what has come under his own observation.

The Soul of the Far East, by Percival Lowell. (Boston: Houghton, Mufflin & Co.; Portland: Loring, Short & Harmon.) The dainty array of Mr. Lowell's volume attracts us at first sight, and we are not disappointed in the agreeable and interesting contents. It is charmingly written, and although somewhat metaphysical is not too deep for the general reader. The nature of the Orientals, their peculiar and irregular development and utter lack of imagination and individualization; the retrogressive way of doing things; their excellence in art and utter ignorance of science; of all these and many more traits the author has made an interesting study, knowing by observation whereof he speaks. Mr. Lowell believes that the chief danger to these Far Orientals is their impersonality; and that unless these races greatly change and their newly imported ideas take root they are "destined to disappear before the advancing nations of the West. Vanish they will off the face of the earth." For Mr. Lowell likens their civilization to their own trees "beautiful blossoms never destined to bear fruit."

All Sorts and Conditions of Men. An Impossible Story, by Walter Besant, Illustrated. (New York: Harper & Brothers; Portland: Loring, Short & Harmon.) This volume belongs to the Harpers' new library edition of the works of Walter Besant. The plan of the story had been arranged with his friend and literary partner Mr. James Rice before the death of the latter, to whose memory the work is dedicated. For some unknown reason the titles of the Besant & Rice novels seem to have no more connection with the plots than the title of Artemus Ward to his lecture on "The Babes in the Woods," in which these historical infants are now mentioned from the beginning to the end. One might as well call the present volume "Hickory Dickory Dock," or, "A Frog He Would a-Wooing Go," as to name it "All Sorts and Conditions of Men," but as according to Mr. Wemmick, "a man has a perfect right to call his house an island if he wants to" we will not demur further. Mr. Besant's story is a very good one, clever and amusing and the "time" is within the memory of man, which, in this respect is an improvement upon some of his previous works. This being merely a new edition of the novel the remarkable career of Angelia Marsden, and the equally unusual experience of Harry Jocelyn is quite familiar to the novel-reading public, and needs no new lights thrown upon it.

A man was picked up in a New York gutter the other day apparently unconscious, and three physicians labored over him all night, but failed to arouse him. In the morning a fourth doctor was called in. He stuck a pin into the patient, and the patient jumped into life and activity. He had been shamming.

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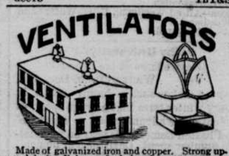

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Warranted *absolutely pure Cocoa*, from which the excess of Oil has been removed. It has *more than three times the strength* of Cocoa mixed with Starch Arrowroot or Sugar, and is therefore far more economical, *costing less than one cent a cup.* It is delicious, nourishing, strengthening, easily digested, and admirably adapted for invalids as well as for persons in health.

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150 Pieces and Part Pieces that have been selling for 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50, $1.75 and $2.00,

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Sale commences Thursday, Dec. 27. Bargains in every department during the sale.

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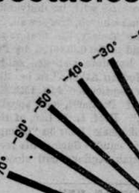

These lines should all appear equally black to a normal eye. Persons having weak eyes who cannot read the above letters and to whom the lines do not appear equally black at five or ten feet, have a visual imperfection which common spectacles will not improve. They must be special lenses ground to correct the defect locally at their feet. This defect is called ASTIGMATISM. THIS PRINT should be read with ease at ten inches and is a test for NEAR VISION.

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New Store, New Stock, New Methods.

As the season is late we shall offer to close out our large stock at exceedingly low prices Do you want Overcoats! Do you want Men's Suits! Do you want Children's Suits! Do you want Odd Pants! Do you want Odd Vests! Do you want Underwear, Hosiery, Shirts, Suspenders, Gloves, Mittens, Mufflers! Do you want to save money! Do you want to see how far you can make a dollar go! If you do, come to the White Store. Our goods and our prices will tell the story better than we can place it before you in a newspaper advertisement.

LOOK AT THESE PRICES AND GOODS:

30 Satin Lined Overcoats	$15.00	worth	$20.00
50 Blue Reefers	3.00	"	4.50
75 Black Worsted Suits	7.00	"	10.00
100 Raritan Overcoats	5.00	"	8.00
300 Heavy All Wool Pants	1.75	"	2.25

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PORTLAND MISFIT CLOTHING COMPANY

Under United States Hotel, Near Congress Street.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT. DOWN THEY GO.

Just received, a nice lot of the finest kind of Merchant Tailors' Misfit Overcoats, Suits and Pantaloons made by the leading Merchant Tailors of the United States. We have purchased the above goods for half their original cost—it is Clothing made to order for private customers and either does not fit the person whom it is made for or in some cases is uncalled for. This is why we offer the very finest Custom Made Clothing at nearly half the original measured price. Please call and be convinced that we are offering you genuine bargains. Don't miss the opportunity as we are selling them as fast as we can get them. No trouble to show goods at our Misfit Parlor, under U. S. Hotel. Strictly one price.

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A FORCED SALE FOR CASH

By the Manufacturers,

Was the Reason of Our Large Purchase This Week of

Garments at One-Half the Cost

TO MANUFACTURE.

MANSON G. LARRABEE & CO.,

246 Middle Street, Portland, Me.

We do not keep Garments in stock and did not intend to, but when we can buy at such a great sacrifice from the manufacturers' prices, all new and modern styles, we do not hesitate in regard to quantity, as we know our customers appreciate our efforts to give them goods at our Popular Low Prices. This $2500 purchase of LADIES' and CHILDREN'S GARMENTS will not be put on sale until Wednesday Morning, Dec. 26th. We shall have no Garments in the store until that date, and it will be a great opportunity to every lady in need of a Garment for this season or next to take advantage of this sale.

MANSON G. LARRABEE & CO., 246 MIDDLE ST.

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Rubber Boots AND Shoes

There is no line of goods manufactured of which the consumer knows so little regarding quality. You ask for a pair of GOOD RUBBERS and take whatever the retailer offers you. If you will insist on having the

TRADE MARK. **AMERICAN RUBBER COMPANY'S**

goods and be sure that they bear this Company's name or trade mark, you will be assured of a good article. They are made of the finest Pure Para Rubber, and are sold by all First Class retailers. Insist on having them and take no others.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

STANDARD CLOTHING COMPANY.

MANUFACTURERS' GREAT BREAK IN PRICES OF

SUITS AND OVERCOATS

Ulsters and Reefers for Men and Young Men.

In order to well round out the year, give our patrons some Grand Bargains, reduce our stock previous to stock taking, and encourage Buyers of Christmas and New Year's Gifts to secure Useful Articles at unusually Low Prices, we make the following liberal and extraordinary Low Prices. We recommend our friends to come and see us as early as possible, as small lots of goods will be closed out at a great sacrifice and these lots cannot be duplicated.

MEN'S DEPARTMENT.

BARGAIN NO. 1—Small lot of Men's Black Chinchilla Beaver Overcoats, good serge lining, silk velvet collar, made in our own shops. A regular $10.00 Overcoat. Marked down to $6.

BARGAIN NO. 2—Large lot of Blue Chinchilla Beaver Overcoats, heavy serge lining, single breasted, fly front, all sizes, 34 to 44. A regular $12 overcoat. Marked down to $7.50.

BARGAIN NO. 3—Small lot of Large Sized Overcoats for Big Men, sizes 42 to 50, in several very desirable patterns. Extra quality. Cannot be duplicated for the price and are rare bargains at $12 each.

BARGAIN NO. 4—Men's and Young Men's Black, Blue and Brown Chinchilla and Kersey Beaver Overcoats, marked down from $18, $20 and $22 to only $15 each. Don't wait, but come and select your size if you can find it.

MEN'S DEPARTMENT.

BARGAIN NO. 5—Small lot Men's All Wool Sack and Frock Suits being CLOSED OUT at $6.50 and $8 per suit; marked down from $12.

BARGAIN NO. 6—Men's $15 Wool Lined Heavy Long Ulsters MARKED DOWN to $10, all sizes. This price is made simply to close them out, because we take stock Jan. 1.

BARGAIN NO. 7—500 pairs of Men's All Wool Pants in all sizes, at $1.75. These goods are the most durable known for the price.

BARGAIN NO. 8—Large lot Men's Heavy GRAY ULSTERS cut long, wool lined, and only $6.50.

BARGAIN NO. 9—Small lot Black Broadcloth and Doeskin DRESS COATS $12 and $15 quality, marked down to only $7 each.

BARGAIN NO. 10—250 pair of All Wool TROUSERS, in Men's sizes, only $2 and $2.50 per pair. Prices are made until Jan. 1 on these lots.

BOYS' DEPARTMENT.

BARGAIN NO. 11—2,000 pair of Boys' Knee Pants in sizes 4 to 13 years, at 15, 25, 35, 50, 75 cents and $1.00. No such bargains in Knee Pants for Boys have been seen in this city to compare with these.

BARGAIN NO. 12—Small lot of Boys' Knee Pant Suits. All sizes at $2.00. Marked down from $3.50.

BARGAIN NO. 13—Three large lots of Boys' Knee Pant Suits, sizes 4 to 14 years, only $5.00 per suit. Marked down from $7.50.

BARGAIN NO. 14—Boys' Cape Overcoats, sizes 4 to 12 years, at $5, $6, $6.50 and $7 each. Also big bargains in Cape Overcoats for Boys at only $3.50 each.

BARGAIN NO. 15—Boys' Long Pant Suits, sizes 10 to 14 years, only $3.50. A regular $5.00 suit.

Large Stock of Fine Cape Overcoats and Ulsters!

We cordially invite you to write, telegraph, telephone, or send a messenger to us, and we will attend to your wants promptly.

STRICTLY ONE PRICE.

STANDARD CLOTHING COMPANY,

Largest Manufacturers and Retail Dealers in New England. **255 Middle Street, Portland, Me.**

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and examine our stock of

ULSTERS, Winter Overcoats AND WINTER SUITINGS,

FOR MEN, YOUTHS, BOYS AND CHILDREN.

Gentlemen's Furnishings.

Greatest assortment of

NECKWEAR

ever exhibited by any concern in New England. We guarantee our goods and prices.

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GROCERS,

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CHRISTMAS CANDY,

ONLY 10 CENTS PER POUND.

We keep Pure, Wholesome Candies only, made by the BEST BOSTON AND NEW YORK MANUFACTURERS,

At prices ranging from 10 to 50 cents per pound, and all guaranteed to be fresh goods.

We are headquarters for Choice Nuts, Figs, Dates, Table and Cooking Raisins, Malaga Grapes, Jellies, Jams, Preserves Pickles, Sauces, etc., and carry the largest line of Choice Tea and Coffee in the city.

OUR ARABIAN COFFEE

ALWAYS SUITS.

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ANNUAL MEETINGS.

NOTICE.

THE Proprietors of Union Wharf Corporation are hereby notified that their annual meeting will be held at the office of the wharfinger, on said wharf, on TUESDAY, the first day of January, 1889, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles, viz:—

1—To choose a president.

2—To choose a clerk and other officers for the ensuing year.

3—To act on any other business that may legally come before them.

STEPHEN K. DYER, Clerk.

Portland, Dec. 24, 1888. dec25dtd

FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

THE annual meeting of the Stockholders of this Bank will be held at its Banking Rooms on TUESDAY, the 8th day of January, 1889, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing seven directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may legally come before them.

JAMES E. WENGREN, Cashier.

Portland, Dec. 8, 1888. dec10dtd

Cumberland National Bank

THE annual meeting of the stockholders of the Cumberland National Bank of Portland will be held at their banking room, on TUESDAY, the eighth day of January, 1889, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the choice of directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before them.

W. H. SOULE, Cashier.

Portland, Dec. 8, 1888. dec8dtd

MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK.

THE annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Merchants National Bank of Portland for election of directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of any other business that may legally be presented, will be held at the bank on TUESDAY, January 8, 1889, at 10 o'clock a. m.

dec8dtd CHAS. PAYSON, Cashier.

CANAL NATIONAL BANK.

THE annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Canal National Bank, of Portland, for the election of seven directors, and for the transaction of any other business that may legally come before them, will be held at their banking house on TUESDAY, the eighth day of January, 1889, at 11 o'clock a. m. GEO. C. PETERS, Cashier.

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National Traders Bank.

THE shareholders of the National Traders Bank, of Portland, are hereby notified that their annual meeting will be held at their banking room on TUESDAY, the eighth day of January next, at 11 o'clock a. m., to choose five Directors for the ensuing year and to act on any other business that may legally come before them.

dec7dtd EDWARD GOULD, Cashier

OCEAN INSURANCE CO.

THE Stockholders of the Ocean Insurance Company are hereby notified to meet at the Company's office on WEDNESDAY, the ninth day of January, 1889, at 3 o'clock p. m. for the following purposes:

1st. To hear the report of the Directors.

2nd. To choose seven Directors for the ensuing year.

3rd. To transact such other business as may legally come before them.

By order of the Directors.

CHAS F. FLAGG, Sec'y.

Dec. 20, 1888. dec20dtd

EAT QUAKER MILLS

TRADE MARK.

ROLLED WHITE OATS

FOR BREAKFAST.

SOLD BY ALL GROCERS.

Quaker Mill Co., Ravenna, Ohio.

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Police Notice.

THE regular monthly meeting of the Police Examining Board will be held at the Common Council Room, in the City Building, on TUESDAY EVENING, Jan. 1, 1889, at 7.30 o'clock. JOHN F. THOMPSON, Chairman.

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The Best Place to Buy

Pianos and Organs, New and Second-hand,

16 FREE STREET.

AMUSEMENTS.

PORTLAND THEATRE

FRIDAY and SATURDAY EVENINGS December 28 and 29.

The Eminent Actor,

Mr. Frank Mayo

supported by his own Talented Company, in

2 -- GREAT PLAYS -- 2

THE ROYAL GUARD!

Mayo and Wilson's version of Dumas' Three Guardsmen, and the beautiful Romantic Drama,

NORDECK!

by Mayo and Wilson, founded on the German novel, Vineta.

Tickets 75, 50 and 35 cents; sale to commence Wednesday. dec24d1w

TICKETS "Yeoman of the Guard." TICKETS GEORGE KENNAN. TICKETS McGIBENY FAMILY. TICKETS

Evening tickets now on sale: also Course tickets to the 7 Populars, including above entertainments and Gilmore's, Il Trovatore, Glee Concert, Spanish Students and Wilder. dec24d1w

A New, Novel and Unique Entertainment

at CONGRESS HALL, nearly Opp. City Hall, for a short season, commencing Monday Evening, Dec. 31, the original and only genuine

JAPANESE VILLAGE!

A colony of Japanese Men, Women and Children in native costume will daily illustrate and reproduce with all the original paraphernalia, the Arts, Sciences and Mysteries of the far-off Orient.

Reception every afternoon (except Monday) and every evening, 1.30 to 5, 7 to 10 o'clock. Grand stage entertainment every hour by the

Sanford Girls Orchestra and Concert Co.

In Salem, Newburyport, Portsmouth, Lewiston, and Bangor the halls were crowded to repletion and in many instances hundreds were turned away. **10 cents** admits to all. dec27-15t

DANCING CLASS

— COMMENCES AT —

GILBERT'S

Friday Evening, Dec. 14.

Gentlemen $2.50, Ladies $1.50, for Six Lessons.

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Letter Carrier's Ball

NEW YEARS EVE,

— AT —

CITY HALL.

Band Concert from 8 to 9 by Chandler's full Band.

GRAND MARCH AT 9.

Tickets $1.00 admitting Gent and Ladies, for sale by Carriers. dec18eodtd

Gilbert's Matinee!

NEW YEAR'S AFTERNOON

at 3 o'clock. Gentlemen 50 cts.; Ladies 25 cts.

CLASS IN DANCING FRIDAY EVENINGS.

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BUSINESS CARDS.

STEPHEN BERRY,

Book, Job and Card Printer,

No. 37 Plum Street.

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THE PRESS.

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 29.

WIT AND WISDOM.

A citizen who had just had a tooth pulled howled himself dismally through the reception room and down stairs to the street.

"I believe you are next, sir," said a waiting sufferer, politely.

"Oh, no, sir; you came in before I did."

"I'm sure I am not the next," sniffed an old lady.

"I shall have to give up my turn," said another, regretfully. "I have stayed already longer than I ought."

"My dinner will be ready in half an hour," said the last one.

And they all made a hasty exit.

"Oh! I wouldn't bother about all that. Cure your neuralgia with Salvation Oil. Price 25 cents.

Lovers of honey will be gratified to learn that Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is a much sweeter article and much better for a cough. Price 25 cents.

Hero (modern drama)—Great Heavens! My rival has just arrai ged to convey the fatal paper to Irene's father. Lost! Lost!

Staunch friend—I fear the worst. But stay! How sends he the paper?

Hero—By a messenger boy.

Friend Ha! I have it! Give the boy a nickel to buy so ne marbles.

Hero—Saved!

CURE OF PNEUMONIA.

William A. Sawyer, Hess Road, Niagara Co., N. Y., says:

"About a year ago I was taken with a severe pain in both lungs. I was first attacked with a violent chill, then a dreadful pain and then a cough accompanied by considerable fever. It looked very much like a bad attack of pneumonia. A friend of mind procured five ALLCOCK'S PLASTERS. One he put under each arm, one under each shoulder blade, and one on my chest close around my throat. In a few hours the cough ceased, the pain gradually abated and I broke out in a profuse perspiration. I fell into a profound sleep, and the next day was almost well. I wore the Plasters eight days afterwards, and have never had any trouble since."

A little rosebud blooming in the wilds of New Jersey appeared one day, dolly in arms, at the house of a friend, and asked: "Tan I tum in and 'muse myself and 'ou a 'ittle while?"

An hour or more went by, when her father came, searching for her.

"Why did you do so, Rosebud?" he inquired, reprovingly. "You must ask Mamma if you want to go visiting."

"Oh, I knew she'd say no," replied the child, coolly, "so I just 'quired of myse'f."

Facts Worth Knowing.

In all diseases of the nasal mucous membrane the remedy used must be non-irritating. The medical profession has been slow to learn this. Nothing satisfactory can be accomplished with douches, snuffs, powders, syringes, astringents, or any similar application, because they are all irritating, do not thoroughly reach the affected surfaces and should be abandoned as worse than failures. A multitude of persons who have for years borne all the worry and pain that catarrh can inflict, testify to radical and permanent cures wrought by Ely's Cream Balm.

The end of the Honeymoon:

Young Wife: How the world moves! There's Bessie Gray, an old chum of mine, a graduate of the normal school, has just entered a medical college. She will soon be able to write M. D. after her name. Women are coming to the front I can tell you. Formerly girls were taught nothing but housekeeping.

Young Husband—Yes; and now they're taught everything but housekeeping.

It Don't Pay

to use uncertain means when suffering from diseases of the liver, blood or lungs, such a biliousness, or "liver complaint," skin diseases, scrofulous sores or swellings, or from lung scrofula (commonly known as consumption of the lungs) when Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is guaranteed to cure all these affections if taken in time, or money paid for it will be promptly refunded.

$500 offered for an incurable case of Catarrh in the Head by the proprietors of Dr. Sage's Remedy.

It was Thoreau who s id:

"I would rather sit on a pumpkin and have it all to myself, than to be crowded on a velvet cushion. I would rather ride on earth in an ox cart with a free circulation than to go to heaven in the fancy car of an excursion train and breathe a malaria all the way."

A woman who is weak, nervous and sleepless, and who has cold hands and feet cannot feel and act like a well person. Carter's Iron Pills equalize the circulation, remove nervousness and give strength and rest.

A Boston musician tells a funny story of his experience as a teacher:

One day a lady somewhat advanced in years came to make arrangements for taking private lessons in singing. At the end of the second lesson the teacher felt constrained to tell her that her ear was not true. She received the remark coolly, and at the next lesson sang as badly as before.

"I am afraid," said Mr. Eichburg, "you can never learn to sing in tune."

"Oh, it doesn't matter," was the surprising reply.

"Doesn't matter!" said the astonished man.

"No; I don't care anything about music, but my doctor said singing would be the best thing for my dyspepsia, so I decided to take lessons."

A man's wife should always be the same, especially to her husband, but if she is weak and nervous, and uses Carter's Iron Pills, she cannot be, for they make her "feel like a different person," so they all say, and their husbands say so too!

Dumley—I say, can't you let me have the twenty you owe me?

Brown—Why, Dumley, I am just going to the races. You wouldn't rob a man under such circumstances, would you? I'll see you again.

Evening of the same day.

Dumley I wish you'd let me have that twenty dollars I spoke to you about, Brown. I need the money.

Brown—W-wh t! Dun a man wh's just got back from the races? I didn't think that of you, Dumley.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria,
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria,
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria,
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

"Miss Clara," he began, passionately, "let me open my heart to you; let me tell you how long and deeply I have loved you; how from the first moment your sweet presence beamed upon me I have——"

Just then a deafening noise outside disturbed them and they hastened to the window. After resuming their seats he went on:

"Uh—er—h'm—singular what was the subject of our conversation when we were interrupted? Ah, I remember. From the moment your sweet presence dawned upon me I have longed to make you my wife."

"That can never be, Mr. Chalk," replied the girl, "you are too absent-minded."

Sarah's Worn Out Gate.

Sarah and her young man are out so much in the night air, swinging on the front gate, that her father says "They will both catch their death of cold, and Ma will have to dose them with Adamson's Botanic Cough Balsam."

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Foreign Exports.

PONCE, P.R. Schr Emma—3288 shooks 667½ prs heads 9663 staves 12,900 hoops 90,730 feet lumber.

BUENOS AYRES. Schr Warren Adams—561,150 ft lumber.

Railroad Receipts.

PORTLAND Dec. 28 1888.

Receipts by Maine Central Railroad—For Portland 97 cars miscellaneous merchandise; for connecting roads cars 101 miscellaneous merchandise.

Grain Quotations.

CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE.

Thursday's quotations.

WHEAT.

	Dec	Jan.	May.
Opening	97¼	97½	103
Highest	99¼	99½	105
Lowest	97¼	97	102½
Closing	99¼	99½	105

CORN.

	Dec.	Jan.	May
Opening	33⅝	33⅞	37
Highest	33¾	34⅛	37
Lowest	33⅜	33⅞	36⅝
Closing	33⅝	34	36⅞

OATS.

	Dec.
Opening	25
Highest	25
Lowest	25
Closing	25

Friday's quotations.

WHEAT.

	Dec.	Jan.	May
Opening	100	99⅞	105
Highest	100½	100¼	105⅞
Lowest	99⅝	99⅝	104⅝
Closing	99¾	100	105⅛

CORN.

	Dec.	Jan	May
Opening	34	34	36½
Highest	34	34⅝	37⅛
Lowest	33⅞	33⅞	36⅝
Closing	33⅞	34⅛	37⅛

OATS.

	Dec.
Opening	25
Highest	25
Lowest	25
Closing	25

Boston Stock Market.

[By Telegraph.]

The following quotations of stocks are received daily:

New York and New England Railroad	44
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Atch., Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad	7 8⅛
Eastern Railroad	93
Eastern Railroad pref	122
C. B. & Q.	93¾
Old Colony Railroad	171¼
Chicago, Burlington & Northern	48[illegible]
Mexican Central	12⅝
California Southern Railroad	25½
Flint & Pere Marquette Railroad com	30
do pref	98½
Boston & Albany	201¾
Bell Telephone	203
Wisconsin Central	16½
Wisconsin Central preferred	37
Portland, Saco & Portsmouth	123
Boston & Maine R	180

New York Stock and Money Market.

[By Telegraph.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 28 1888.—Money easier, ranging from 2 to 3 per cent; last loan at 3, closing offered at 3 per cent. Prime mercantile paper at 5@6½ per cent. Sterling Exchange is dull and weak. Government bonds dull and firm. Railroad bonds quiet and steady. The stock market closed fairly active and heavy to weak, though still at small fractions better than first prices.

The transactions at the stock exchange aggregated 167,379 shares.

The following are to-day's quotations of Government securities:

United States 3s	
New 4s, reg	127⅜
New 4s, coup	128⅜
New 4½s, reg	108⅝
New 4½s, coup	108⅝
Central Pacific 1sts	114½
Denver & R Gr. 1sts	119
Erie 2ds	98
Kansas Pacific Con sols	112½
Oregon Nav. 1sts	113
Union Pacific 1sts	116
do Land Grants	
do Sinking Funds	

The following are closing quotations of stocks:

	Dec 27.	Nov. 28
Adams Express	142	141
Am. Express	110	110
Can ra Pacific	35¼	35
Chesapeake & Ohio	17¼	16⅞
Chicago & Alton	133½	133½
do pref	157	155
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	110	109⅝
Delaware & Hudson Canal Co	130⅞	131¼
Delaware, Lackawanna & Western	143	143
Denver & Rio Grande	16¾	15
Erie	27¼	27
Erie pref		62
Illinois Central	113½	113½
Ind. Bloom & West	13½	13½
Lake Erie & West	17	17⅛
Lake Shore	103¾	103¾
Louis & Nash	56⅝	57
Manhattan Elevated	89⅞	90
Michigan Central	87½	87⅛
Minn & St. Louis	5	5
do pref		10
Missouri Pacific	74	73⅛
New Jersey Central	94⅛	95⅛
Nor. Pacific common	25	25½
do pref	59⅝	59¾
Northwestern	107⅞	108
North western pref	140	140
New York Central	108⅝	108½
New York, Chicago & St. Louis	17½	17½
do pref	70	69½
Ohio & Miss	22⅛	21⅞
Ont. & Western	15¼	15
Oregon Trans-Con'l	30½	30
Pacific Mail	36¼	36¾
Pullman Palace	172½	172½
Reading	48¾	48⅛
Rock Island	97½	97½
St Louis & San Fran	26¾	26¾
do pref	67½	66¾
do 1st pref	113⅝	1 3¼
St Paul	63	63½
do pref	103⅝	103¾
St Paul, Minn & Man	99	99
St. Paul & Omaha	32⅛	32⅝
St. Paul & Omaha pref	95	96
Texas Pacific (new)	22⅝	22⅝
Union Pacific	64	63⅝
U. S. Express	74	74
Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific	13	13½
do pref	24¾	24⅝
Western Union	83¾	83½
Richmond & West Point	24⅞	25
do 2d con. new	9¼	9¼
East Tenn. pref	67	67½
Wells, Fargo express	138	138
Oregon Nav	91	90½
Houston & Texas	13	13
Mobile & Ohio	8	8
Metropolitan El	142	142
Alton & Terre Haute	40	40
do pref	85	85

New York Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28, 1888.—The following are to-day's closing quotations of mining stocks:

Homestake	12
Ontario	33
Quicksilver	6 25
do pref	36 00
Col. Coal	31 50
Hocking Coal	23 50
B die	1 35

Gloucester Fish Market.

FOR THE WEEK ENDING, Dec. 27.

Last sales of Shore codfish $2½ ₱ cwt.

We quot large Georges Codfish at $4¾@4⅞ ₱ quintal small at $4¼. Bank $4¼@$4 for large and $3¾ for small; Shore at $4½ and $4¼ for large and small. Dry cank at $4¾ and $4½. Newfoundland codfish $4@$4¼.

We quote cusk at $3½ ₱ qtl; hake $2¼; haddock $3¼; heavy salted pollock $2½; and English cured do $3.

Homeless and prepared fish at 4@6c ₱ lb for hake, haddock and cusk, and 5@7c ₱ lb for codfish, as to style and quality. Smoked halibut at 10@c ₱ lb; smoked salmon 15c; do haddock 6c. Medium herring at 60 ₱ box; kegs 16c; lengthwise 19c; No 1s at 14c; Bloaters at 75c; canned trout $1½; fresh halibut at $1¼; fresh salmon at 1.00; clams 1 50; lobsters 1 70; mackerel 1 75@ 2.00.

Labrador Herring at $7 ₱ bbl; medium split $6; Newfoundland do at $6½; Eastport a $5; pickled codfish $5½; haddock $4½; halibut heads at 3; tongues $8; sounds $1½; tongues and sounds $10; alewives 5.00; trout $15.00; California salmon at $18; Halifax do $20; Newfoundland do $18. Clambait $7 to $7½; silvers $6½; halibut fins $18.

We quote cod oil at 30@32c ₱ gal; medicine oil at 60c; backfish oil 55c. Livers at 20c ₱ bucket.

Fish scrap at $6 ₱ ton; dry do $6; liver do $4; fish skins not sold by contract quoted $35@$40 ₱ ton.

Boston Produce Market.

BOSTON, Dec. 27, 1888.—The following is our to-day's quotations of Provisions, &c.:

Pork—Long cuts 18 00@18 50; backs at 18 50@18 75; lean ends 18 50@19 00; pork tongues at 19 00; prime mess 18 00@18 50.

Lard—Choice 9¼@9½c ₱ lb for tierces, 10-lb pails in cases 9¾@10c; 5-lb pails at 10@10¼c; 3-lb, 10¼@10½c.

Hams at 11½; dressed hams 12½c.

Hogs—choice city dressed hog at 7½c ₱ lb; country do at 6¾c.

Butter—Western extra creamery at 30@31; firsts and extra firsts at 24@29; extra dairy at 24@26; do seconds at 21@22c; do factory, at 12@21c; New York and Vermont extra creamery 30@31; extra firsts at 26@27c; New York and Vermont, good to choice, 22@24c; fair to good 18@19c; Eastern cream good to choice at 18@20c. The above quotations are received prices for strictly wholesale lots. Jobbing prices 1@2c higher.

Cheese—North choice 11¼@12c; lower grades as to quality; Western 11¼@11¾c; sage at 13@14c. Jobbing prices ½c higher.

Eggs—Eastern extras at 30@28c; fancy near-by stock higher; Eastern firsts at 26@27c; extra Vt and N H at 28@28c; fresh Western 24@26c; N S and N B at 26c; Michigan choice at 26@28. Jobbing price 1c higher.

Poultry—Turkeys, Northern choice at 15@16c; fair to good at 12@14c; chickens, choice Northern 00@15c; fair to good 12@14. fowls, choice at 11@12c; common to good 9@10; ducks, young 14@15; Western turkeys, choice at 12@14; fair to good, 9@11c; chickens, choice at 10@12c; fowls, choice, 11c.

Beans—Choice small N Y hand picked pea at 2 50@2 60 ₱ bush; choice New York large hand picked do 2 00@2 10; small Vermont hand-picked do at 2 75; choice yellow eyes 2 25@3 30.

Hay—Choice prime hay $18 50@$18 50; fair to good at $17 00@$18 00; Eastern fine $16@$17 poor to ordinary $14@$17; East swale 10@11 Rye straw, choice, at $18 50@19 00; Oat straw 10 00@11 00.

Potatoes—Houlton Rose at 55c ₱ bush, Hebron 60c; Aroostook Hebrons 55c; Burbanks at 40@ 43c.

Chicago Cattle Market.

By Telegraph.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 28, 1888.—Cattle market—receipts 14,000; shipments 3000; dull, demoralized and lower; choice to extra beeves at 4 40@4 90; steers 2 80@4 30; stockers and feeders at 2 00@3 10; cows, bulls and mixed at 1 25@3 00; Texas cattle 1 80@3 00.

Hogs—receipts 19,000; shipments 6000; slow and lower; mixed at 5 25@5 20; heavy at 5 00@5 30; light 5 00@5 20; skips 3 40@5 10.

Sheep—receipts 6,000; shipments 1500; slow, and easier—natives at 3 00@4 25; Western at 4 15@4 55; feeders at 3 25@3 70; Texans 2 50@3 3. lambs 4 00@5 00.

Domestic Markets.

(By Telegraph.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 28, 1888.—Flour market—receipts 21,246 packages; less or s 4963 bbls and 4612 sacks; steadier and moderately active, chiefly for home trade, sales 15,900 bbls; low extra at 3 00@3 60; City mills at extra at 3 60@5 30; city mills patents 5 65@7 00; winter wheat, low grades 3 15@3 65; to fancy at 3 65@4 65; patent 5 0 @6 00; Minnesota clear at 4 25@5 35; straights do at 4 8 @6 25; do patents 5 50@7 00, do rye mixtures 4 25@5 25; superfine 2 75@3 25, fine 2 10 @2 85; Southern flour in moderate demand; common to fair extra 3 15@3 65; good to choice do at 3 75@6 25. Rye flour dull, Buckwheat flour is steady. **Wheat**—receipts 6050 bush; exports bush; sales 1100 bush; dull, but 3¼@¼c lighter; No 2 Red at 1 01¼@1 01¾ elev, 1 02¼@1 03 afloat. 1 02¼@1 03¾ f o b; No 3 Red at 95¼@ 9 ¾c; No 1 White 1 01; No 2 Red at 1 08; No 2 Chicago m. 1 05¾. Rye is dull. **Barley** firm and quiet. **Corn**—receipts 175,4 0 bush exports 1,621 bush, sales 138,000 bush, moderately active and steady; No 2 at 46¼c elev, 4 ¾c afloat; No 2 White at 44 - 44½c; steamer Mixed at 42½ @44c; No 3 a 38@39½c. **Oats**—Receipts 54,000 bush exports — sales 124,000 bush; firm, ¼@½c higher and fairly active; best prices, No 3 at 30c; do white at 31¾@ 2c; No 2 a 30¾@31c; do White 34¼@35c; No 1 at 32; White do 33@34; Mixed Western at 3 @32c White do at 38@39c. **White Oats** 34@36c; No 2 nicago 31c. Coffee—Rio quiet; fair cargoes at 19¾c. **Sugar**—raw easy and nominal; refined dull, C 6¼c; Extra C 6-16c; White Extra C 6 7-16; yellow 6¼c; off A 6 9-16@6¾c; Mould A at 7¾c; standard A at 6⅝; Confec A 7¼c; powdered 7⅝c; granulated 7¼c; Cubes at 7½c; cut loaf and crushed at 8¼. **Pork**—quiet and lower—united at 16½c. **Pork** is steady. Beef quiet. **Lard** is easier and quiet; Western steam at 8 35@8 50; city steam at 7 85; refined quiet for Continent at 8 80@8 90; S A 9 00. **Butter** is easy and quiet; State dairy 18@22c; do crm 20@26c. **Cheese** steady with moderate demand.

Freights to Liverpool firm.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28, 1888.—The Flour market is firm. Wheat is higher; No 2 Spring at 1½@ 99¾c No 2 Red at 99½@99¾c. Corn stronger; No 2 at 33½@34c. Oats steady. No 2 at 26c. No 2 Rye at 50c. Provisions—Mess Pork unsettled and weak at 12 00. Lard moderately active at 8 22½@8 25. Dry salted shoulders 6 75@6 87½; short clear sides at 7 12½@7 25. Whiskey at 1 20.

Receipts—Flour, 11,000 bbls, wheat 20,000 bu, corn 54,800 bus, oats 157,000 bush, barley, 6,100 bush, rye 200 bush.

Shipments—Flour 14,000 bbls, wheat 13,000 bush, corn 275,000 bush, oats, 133,000 bu sh, barley 3,000 bush, rye 4,000 bush.

ST LOUIS, Dec. 28 1888.—The Flour market unchanged. Wheat higher—No 2 Red at 96¼c bid Corn firm and fraction better, No 2 at 30⅝ @30¾c. Oats are lower; No 2 at 24c bid. Rye lower to sell at 47½c. Barley steady. Whiskey steady at 1 14. Provisions slow and sales confined to job lots; Pork 12 50. Lard—prime steam 7 7½@7 75 only salted seats—shoulders 6 37½@6 50; loaps and ribs at 7 25; short clear at 7 50. Bacon—shoulders 7 50 loaps and ribs 8 00@8 10; short clear 8 20@8 25. Hams $10 30@$12 50.

Receipts—Flour, 1,000 bbls; wheat, 8,000 bush; corn 139,000 bush; oats 8,000 bush; rye 00,000 bush; barley, 4,000 bush.

Shipments—Flour, 12,000 bbls; wheat, 6,000 bush corn 359,000 bush; oats, 10,000 bush; rye 0,000 bush, barley 6,000 bush.

DETROIT, Dec. 28, 1888.—Wheat—No1 White 1 01½; No 2 Red 1 01¼c. Corn—No 2 at 34¼. Oats—No 2 at 28c; No 2 White 29c.

Receipts—wheat 19,200 bush, corn 2300 bush, oat 3600 bush.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28, 1888.—The Cotton market is dull; sales 814 bales; uplands ordinary 6¾c; good do 8 2-16c; low middling 9¾c; middlings 10¼c. Gulf ordinary 9¾c; good do 8 7-16c; low mid 9 9-16c, middling 10c.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 28, 1888.—Cotton market easy; middling 9⅝c.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 28, 1888.—Cotton market is quiet; middling 9 15-16c.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 28. 1888.—Cotton market quiet; middling 9⅝c.

MEMPHIS, Dec. 28, 1888.—Cotton market is quiet; middling at 9¾c.

MOBILE, Dec. 28 1888.—Cotton market is quiet; middling at 9 5-16c.

European Markets.

By Telegraph.]

LIVERPOOL Dec. 28.—The Cotton market—quiet with moderate inquiry; uplands 5⅝d; sales 8,0000 bales; speculation and export 1000 bales; receipts 40,000 bales

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 28 1888—Quotations—Winter at 8s; Spring wheat at 8s 1d; Club Wheat at 7s 9½d. Corn, mixed Western at 4s 5¼d. Peas 5s 11d. Provisions, &c.—Pork prime Eastern meess at 78s 9d; Bacon 42s 6d for short clear and 42s for long clear. Cheese 58s. Lard 43 s9d. Tallow 33s 6d.

SAILING DAYS OF STEAMSHIPS.

FROM	FOR	
Servia	New York	Liverpool Dec 29
Ohio	New York	Liverpool Dec 29
Belgenland	New York	Antwerp Dec 29
Schiedam	New York	Amsterdam Dec 29
La Champagne	New York	Havre Dec 29
Alvo	New York	Hayti Dec 29
Niagara	New York	Hav & Mex Dec 29
Wyoming	New York	Liverpool Jan 1
Manhattan	New York	Havana Jan 2
Germanic	New York	Liverpool Jan 2
Aller	New York	Bremen Jan 2
Suevia	New York	Hamburg Jan 3
Cienfuegos	New York	Cienfuegos Jan 3
City of Berlin	New York	Liverpool Jan 5
Umbria	New York	Liverpool Jan 5
Anchoria	New York	Glasgow Jan 5
Rhynland	New York	Antwerp Jan 5
La Bretagne	New York	Havre Jan 5
Alhos	New York	Kingston Jan 5
Scythia	Boston	Liverpool Jan 5
Arizona	New York	Liverpool Jan 8
Oregon	Portland	Liverpool Jan 8
Valencia	New York	Laguayra Jan 9
Adriatic	New York	Liverpool Jan 9
Fulda	New York	Bremen Jan 10
Claribel	New York	Hayti Jan 12
Pavonia	Boston	Liverpool Jan 12
Vancouver	Portland	Liverpool Jan 17
Santiago	New York	Cienfuegos Jan 17
Samaria	Boston	Liverpool Jan 19
Sarmatian	Portland	Liverpool Jan 24

MINIATURE ALMANAC.—DECEMBER 29.

Sun rises	7 17	High water	8 22
Sun sets	4 11		8 04
Length of day	8 54	Height	9 ft 7 in
Moon rises	3 11		9 ft 2 in

MARINE NEWS.

PORT OF PORTLAND.

FRIDAY, Dec. 21.

Arrived.

Steamer Cumberland, Thompson, St John, NB, via Eastport for Boston.

Sch Railroad, Smith, Gloucester.

Sch John M Plummer, shore, with 10,000 lbs fish; C H Haskell, do, 10,000 do.

Cleared.

Steamship Acadian, (Br) Mylieus, Sydney, CB—H & A Allan.

Sch Warren Adams, Colcord, Buenos Ayres—Wm Haskins & Son.

Sch Emma, Plummer, Ponce—Geo S Hunt & Co.

Sch Lucy H Russell, Wilson, Baltimore—Peter S Nickerson.

Sch Freeman, Torrey, Green's Landing—J H Blake.

Sch Victor, Stanley, East Bluehill—J H Blake.

Sch Grace E Stevens, Stevens, Calais—S W Thaxter.

SAILED—Schs Warren Adams, Mabel Phillips, Mattie B Russell, Warren B Potter, C S Bayis.

Also sailed, steamship Parisian; barque J H Chadwick; sch C J Willard.

FROM MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE.

At at Buenos Ayres Dec 24th, sch J H Kranz, Riggs, Portland, (Oct 25); 26th, sch Luis G Rabel Murphy, do, (Nov 2.)

At at Singapore Nov 15, barque Penobscot, Eaton, New York.

Sld fm Singapore Dec 20, barque Antioch, Hemingway, Boston.

At at Batavia Nov 13, barque Samar, Emery, New York, (and sld 15th for Cheribon.)

At at Dunkirk Dec 27, ship Columbia, Hogan, Portland, O.

At at Havre Dec 26, ship Lydia Skolfield, Dunning, New Orleans.

At at Fernambuco Dec 5, barque Eva J Ray, Ray, Buenos Ayres.

Sld fm Surinam 5th inst, brig Eugene Hale, Harding, Boston.

Memoranda.

Brig Sarah & Emma, from Kingston for Philadelphia, is believed to be lost, with all on board. She is 60 days out.

Sch Carrie S Bailey, Cushing, from Bath for Darien, put into Vineyard-Haven 26th with loss of port anch r. A new one was obtained at Vineyard-Haven.

Fishing schr Geo W Cushing, of Portland, went ashore on Richmond Island night of 27th and remains.

Domestic Ports.

PORT TOWNSEND—Sld 19th, ship Florence, Duncan, (from Tacoma) for Queenstown.

Ar 22d, ship Carondelet, Stetson, fm San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO—Cld 27th, ship Servia, Gilmore, Havre.

NEW ORLEANS—Ar 25th, sch Daisy E Parkhurst, Hooper, Aspinwall.

MOBILE—Sld fm Fort Morgan 27th, barque Chalmette, Chadbourne, Rio Janeiro.

DARIEN—Ar 23d, sch Helen I Martin, Fountaine, Savannah.

SAVANNAH—Ar 27th, brig Robt Dillon, Leighton New York.

CHARLESTON—Cld 27th, brig Woodbury, Brown, Barbadoes; H B Hussey, Hodgdon, Weymouth.

RICHMOND—Sld 27th, sch Jennie A Cheney, Cushman, Norfolk.

NEWPORT NEWS—Sld 26th, sch W H Bailey, Pearce, New York.

BALTIMORE—Cld 26th, sch B C French, Hamnett, Boston.

Ar 27th, steamer Frostburg, Mills, Portland, sch E C Allen True, McLaughlin Charleston.

Cld 27th, sch Josiah R Smith, Case, Boston.

Ar 28th, sch Laura E Messer, Gregory, from Charleston.

PHILADELPHIA—Ar 28th, sch Belle Hooper, Gilkey, Demerara.

Ar 27th, barque Jos Baker, Eaton, Lisbon; sch Jona Sawyer Reynolds, Portland.

Cld 27th, sch Jas B Jordaif, Bickmore, for New Bedford.

Sld fm Newcastle 24th, sch Abbie S Walker, for Portland.

PERTH AMBOY—Sld 26th, schs Spartel, Hallowell, Portland; Frank Herbert, Herrick, Camden.

NEW YORK—Ar 27th, schs T N Stone, Boston; Rosa & Adra, New Bedford; Index, Rockport; Emma McAdam, and Hattie E King, Calais; Ann E Valentine, Bangor; Fannie Flint, Lubec.

Also ar 27th, schs N E Symonds, fm Bucksport; Lady Ellen, Calais; Am Chief, Rockland; Helen G Moseley, Holmes Holl for Philadelphia; Vulcan Port Jefferson; Carrie A Bucknam, Bangor; Telegraph, Thomaston.

Ar 28th, schs Milford Haskell, St Augustine; Minnie A Bonsall, Lodge, Darien.

Passed the Gate 27th, sch Ella Pressey, from New York for Rockland.

NEW HAVEN—Ar 27th, sch Annie L McKeen, Lindsay, Calais for New York.

PROVIDENCE—Ar 27th, sch John Somes, Robbins, New York; Belle Brown, Sawyer, Maracaibo via Southport, NC; Eva L Leonard, Robbins, fm New York.

DUTCH ISLAND HARBOR—In port, schs Lygonia, Fullerton, Stark's Island for New York; A McNichols, Brown, Calais for do; A M Dickinson, Boston for do.

NEWPORT—Ar 27th, sch Ira D Sturgis, Blaisdell, Wiscasset.

VINEYARD-HAVEN—Ar 26th, schs M A McCann, and Ruth Darling, Bangor for New York; Cayenne, and M M Chase, Eastport for do; Magnolia, Boothbay for do; Lavinia Warren, Gloucester for do; Mary L Allen, do for Darien; John Lenthal, Weehawken for Nantucket; Carrie S Bailey, Bath for Darien.

Sld 26th, schs Ira D Sturgis, Lavinia Warren, Geo W Glover, Fannie Flint.

Ar 27th, sch T A Stuart, and Mary B Smith, fm Port Johnson for Boston; Mabel Hall, do for do; Franklin Nickerson, do for Portland; Laina Cobb, Bangor for New York.

In port, schs Rosa M McCann, Ruth Darling, M M Chase, Cayenne, Magnolia, Mary L Allen, John Lenthal, Carrie S Bailey, T A Stuart, M E Smith, Mabel Hall, Franklin Nickerson, Laina Cobb, Carrie Walker.

HYANNIS—Sld 27th, schs Wm Mason, Whittemore, New York; W S Jordan, Baker, do.

BOSTON—Ar 27th, schs Addie J, Hall, Cherryfield; Mail, Caswell, Kennebec; Antelope, Banks, Rockport; Ann Parker Morse Rockport.

Cld 27th, sch Electric Light, Anderson, Portland, to load for Buenos Ayres.

Ar 28th, sch Geo W Glover, Morton, Amboy.

Cld 28th, barque Charles R Lewis, Reed, Talcahuano and Valparaiso; sch F H Odlorne, Hutchins, Portland.

Sld 28th, schs Carrie Norton, and Electric Light, for Portland, in tow; schs M V B Chase, and City of Augusta.

SALEM—Ar 27th, sch Jack Coombs, Coombs, New York.

In port 27th, schs Ernest T Lee, Thomas, from Calais for New York; John Douglas, Jordan, Bangor for Bridgeport.

PORTSMOUTH—Ar 26th, sch Alfred Keen, Greeley, South Amboy.

OWLS HEAD—Sld 27th, schs Georgie Berry, Rockland for New York; Delaware, Lincolnville for New Bedford.

LAMOINE—Sld 22d, sch Nellie Woodbury, Hodgdon, New York.

BATH—Sld 28th, sch Geo W Jewett, McKown, for Boothbay, to haul up.

Foreign Ports.

Sld fm Hong Kong 16th inst, ship M L Stone, Joseslyn, New York.

At Singapore Nov 20, barque Hiram Emery, Gorham, for Liverpool.

At at Valparaiso Nov 16, barque St Lucie, Erskine, from Port Blakely.

Sld fm Hong Hong Nov 17, ship Mary L Stone, Carver, New York.

Ar at Honolulu Nov 26, barque Escort, Waterhouse, Hong Hong.

Sld fm Balhurst Nov 22, sch Mary E Higgins, Strickland, Goree.

Sld fm Buenos Ayres Nov 22, ship Annie Bingay, Pinkey, Boston; 23d, barque C P Dixon, Rhodes, New York.

Sld fm Aspinwall Dec 10, barque Nannie T Bell, Paterson, Mobile.

Ar at Rio Janeiro Dec 23, barque Moonbeam, Dunbar, Brunswick.

At Demerara Dec 7, sch Grace Bradley, Smith, for New York.

Sld fm Demerara 1st inst, sch Belle Hooper, Gilkey, Philadelphia.

Ar at Cienfuegos 24th, barque Jose E Moore, Leonard, Philadelphia.

Spoken.

Dec 3, lat 41, lon 62 26, sch Jas S Lowell, Reed, from Portland for Buenos Ayres.

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FINANCIAL.
Bond investments—Blake Bros. & Co.

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ABYSSINIAN CHURCH.—The pastor will preach at 3 o'clock. Christmas concert at 7 p. m.

CHESTNUT ST. M. E. CHURCH.—Rev. N. T. Wallaker, D. D., pastor. Preaching at 10.45 a. m. Topic, "Babel Builders," illustrated by oil paintings. Sunday School at 1 30 p. m. Preaching at 7 p. m. Young people's meeting at 6 p. m. Praise and prayer meeting at 7 p. m. All are cordially welcomed.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH (Universalist)—Rev. M. Crosby, pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. Subject, "The True Idea of Sacrifice." 7 p. m. a Christmas service by the Sunday School.

CONGRESS SQUARE CHURCH.—(First Universalist)—Rev. Henry Blanchard, pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. with sermon on "Christ the Revelation of what all men one day, will be." Sunday school at 12.15 p. m.

CONGRESS ST. M. E. CHURCH.—Rev. J. M. Frost, pastor. Bible Lecture at 10.30 a. m. Subject, "Consecration." Sunday School at 1.30 p. m. Preaching at 3 p. m. by the pastor. Prayer meetings at 9.30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. A. K. P. Small, D. D., pastor, will preach at 10.30 a. m. Sunday School at 12 m. Prayer meeting at 7 p. m.

FIRST FREE BAPTIST CHURCH — Congress street, (Plymouth). Preaching by the pastor, Rev. J. H. Lowden, at 10.30 a. m. Subject of sermon, "A seasonable suggestion." Sunday school at 12. Prayer and social meeting at 7 p. m

FIRST PARISH CHURCH—(Unitarian) Congress St., Rev. Thomas Hill, D. D., pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Williams' Hall Congress ste t.—Sunday school 2 p. m. Preaching at 3 p. m. and 7.30 p. m. by pastor, Rev. J. R. Crosser. All are welcome.

FREE CHURCH—Western Avenue, Deering—Sunday School at 2 p. m. Recognition service at 3 p m. Sermon by Rev. F. T. Bayley. Addresses by Rev. W. H. Fenn D. D., Rev. A. H. Wright, Rev. C. W. Goddard, and Rev. E. P. Wilson. Sunday school concert at 7.15 p. m. All are welcome. Seats free.

FREE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. A. T. Dunn, pastor. Preaching at 10.30 a. m. Sunday School at 12 m. Prayer meeting at 7 p. m.

GOSPEL MISSION.—Rev. S. F. Pearson pastor. Sunday school, F. J. Russell, Sup't., and pastor's Bible class at 1.30 p. m. Temperance sermon by the pastor at 3 p. m. Praise service at 7 p. m. Temperance service at 7.30 p. m. All are welcomed.

HIGH STREET CHURCH—Rev. Wm. H. Fenn D. D., pastor. Preaching at 10.30 a. m. Subject of the evening lecture, "Some prominent points of religious horizon in 1888."

NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH, New High Street—Rev. Howard C. Dunham, pastor. Divine worship and preaching by the pastor at 10.30 o'clock Sunday school at 12 m. All are welcome.

PINE STREET M. E. CHURCH.—Rev H. E. Foss of Lewiston, will preach in the forenoon. Sabbath School at 2.30 p. m. Social meeting at 7 p. m.

PREBLE CHAPEL—Sunday school at 2 p. m. Preaching by the pastor at 3 p. m. A Sunday school concert at 7 p. m. A cordial invitation to the public.

SECOND ADVENT CHURCH — Library Hall, Mechanic's Building, corner Congress and Casco streets, Rev. E. P. Woodward, pastor. Preaching at 10.30 a. m., and 3 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Praise service at 7 p. m., and prayer meeting at 7.30 p. m. Morning subject, "One thing done." Afternoon subject, "Bible temperance." Seats free.

SECOND PARISH (CONGREGATIONAL) CHURCH Congress, Cor. of Pearl street. Preaching service at 10.30 a. m. and 3 p. m. by Prof. Henry L. Chapman of Bowdoin College. Chinese class 12 m. Sunday School 1.45 p. m. Social Service 7 p. m.

STATE STREET CHURCH.—Rev. F. T. Bayley, pastor. Services of worship at 10.30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School at 3 p. m. A cordial welcome is extended to all services.

ST. LAWRENCE ST. CONG. CHURCH—Rev. A. H. Wright, pastor. Preaching service at 10.30 a. m. Sunday School service at 1.30 p. m. Social service at 7 p. m.

THE YOUNG MEN'S LIBERAL ASSOCIATION meet in Science Hall, corner of Congress and Temple sts., entrance on Temple, at 2 p. m. There will be good singing. By request, Dr. Lamb will give the opening address. Subject Do whips and prisons reform the man or the human nature?

THE PORTLAND LIBERAL FRATERNITY meets in Mystic Hall, No. 457½ Congress street, at 10.30 a. m. Subject, "Resolved, that Spiritualism affords the most conclusive evidence of immortality. Opened by Dr. L. F. Webster.

THE PORTLAND SPIRITUAL TEMPLE, Mystic Hall, Congress street,—Lecture at 2.30 and 7.30 p. m. by Oscar A. Edgerly, of Newburyport, Mass.

VAUGHAN STREET CHURCH—Rev. D. W. LeLacheur, pastor. Prayer meeting at 10.30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 1.30 p. m. Preaching by the pastor at 3 p. m.

WEST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—Rev. S. K. Perkins, pastor. Preaching service at 10 30 a. m. Sunday School at 12 m. Christmas Concert at 7 p. m. Seats free.

WILLISTON CHURCH—The pastor, Rev. L. H. Hallock, will preach at 10.30 a. m. Sunday School at 3 p. m. Sunday school concert at 7 o'clock to which the public are cordially invited.

WOODFORDS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH—Rev. Edwin P. Wilson, pastor. Morning service at 10.30 a. m. New Year's sermon by the pastor. Sunday school at close of morning service. Children's meeting at 3 p. m. Social prayer meeting at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting Tuesday at 7.30 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. meeting Friday at 7.30 p. m. A cordial welcome to all services.

SUPERIOR COURT.

BEFORE JUDGE BONNEY.

FRIDAY.—S. H. Mayberry vs. Matthew Trainor. Action to recover $245, balance claimed to be due for moving the building formerly standing where the new hospital now stands at St. Joseph's Convent in Deering, down near the Maine Central railroad below Woodford's Corner. The whole bill amounts to $450, but $200 have been paid. The defendant claims that the plaintiff took it by the job for $250. He further claims that the building was twisted and racked out of shape and the plastering shaken off, which was the result of the careless moving by the plaintiff.

Decision reserved.

L. M. Webb for plff.
W. H. Looney for the deft.

Stephen M. Watson vs. inhabitants of Deering. Action to recover for services as a member of the superintending school committee of Deering for the year 1886-7, fifty-seven days at $1.50 per day and $57 for horse hire.

The plaintiff was elected on the first of March. On the eighth of March, at an adjourned meeting, the town voted that the compensation of the chairman of the school committee should be $75 for the year, and $50 for the others.

The statute of the State provides that the compensation shall be $1.50 per day unless it shall be increased by vote of the town. The plaintiff therefore claims that the town can increase the pay, but cannot diminish it.

Decision reserved.

A. F. Moulton for plaintiff.
N. & H. B. Cleaves for defts.

MUNICIPAL COURT.

BEFORE JUDGE GOULD.

FRIDAY—Frank S. Linwood, John Kane, intoxication; each fined $3 and costs.

John Kane, resisting officer; fined $30 and costs.

John Taylor, larceny; fined $10 and costs.

George Stoneman, larceny; sixty days in county jail.

Cumberland Council United Fellowship.

At a regular meeting of Cumberland Council, No. 31, United Fellowship, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

Director—Thomas P. Beals.
Vice Director—Mrs. Josie Johnson.
Instructor—Miss Lizzie J. Burnham.
Secretary—Mrs. Frances B. Jordan.
Collector—Adam K. McGunnigle.
Treasurer—Wm. H. C. Merrill.
Guide—Clarence E. Fischell.
Warden—A. Judson Conary.
Sentinel—John C. Porter.
Past Director—Domicilia Jorden.
Trustees—Andrew Leighton, William A. Allen, Thomas P. Beals.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers of real estate in this county have been recorded at the Registry of Deeds:

Gorham—Ellen White to M. L. Keyes, $1, etc.
Baldwin—H. A. Miles to T. J. Wentworth. $900.
Raymond—Eliza A. Skillin to Ephram Edwards. $110.

A GREAT CONFLAGRATION AVERTED.

The Portland Firemen Prevent a Terrible Calamity.

The Old Park Garden and Several Dwellings Destroyed.

Loss About $28,500 – Insurance About $19,000.

Shortly after 11 o'clock yesterday morning an alarm was pulled in from box 46, near the the corner of Market and Congress streets. The fire originated in the building occupied by the Portland Latin School, and formerly known as Park Garden, a large wooden two story structure, about 115x100 feet in size. So swift was the progress of the flames that in the strong west wind which was blowing, in a very few moments, the great building was wrapped in flames and the fire was seriously threatening the large two story wooden house, with Mansard roof and tower, adjoining, occupied by Jacob and Charles Chandler. A hydrant stream was applied to the flames but it didn't seem to have any force.

In the mean time the department arrived, and went to work with a will. There seemed however to be a decided lack of water pressure just at the time it was most wanted. Despite this drawback the firemen worked with so much skill and perseverance that they earned the favorable comments of everybody in the vicinity. A number were stationed on the Chandler house and kept it well wet down. Others were located on the buildings in the vicinity and covered them with streams from the engines. The general alarm had brought everything in the department to the spot and it was all put into use.

At 12.30 p. m. the fire looked exceedingly ugly and anxiety was manifested lest the south-eastern part of the city was doomed. The flames roared like a tremendous furnace, and the huge tongues of flame shot out from the school building into the large two story and a half brick house, in its rear, known as the Cumston house, corner of Church street and Newbury, occupied by the families of Maurice S. Fisher, Mrs. Marquis and George E. Allen, and the two and a half story wooden dwelling occupied by William H. Willard, and were threatening the Josiah Burnham story and a half wooden house on the corner of Federal and Church street, and Mrs. Barbour's two story house on Newbury street. Then, on Pearl street, the houses No. 71 occupied by Leonidas Mayo and Mrs. J. C. Larrabee, and No. 69, adjoining, which backed up to the school building, were getting a good singeing in the rear.

By this time about half of the city had assembled to see the conflagration. Lincoln Park, in front was a sea of heads, and black with humanity, men, women and children, being mixed together indiscriminately. A steam fire engine, was puffing and shrieking at the corner of Pearl and Congress streets, another at the corner of Franklin and Federal streets, and third at the corner of Market and Federal, and the others in the best available places. Pearl street and Newbury were packed with people, and, above the great volumes of black smoke, the roar of the flames, and the heavy thud of the engines, great flakes of fire floated on the wind down the city and set fire to George Burnham's house on Federal street and Mrs. Cole's on Newbury. Every vacant spot—if there could be said to be a vacant spot—was covered with furniture pulled out, not only of the burning buildings, but of those adjoining.

By 1 o'clock it was evident the firemen had the conflagration under control, and shortly after 2 o'clock a pile of blackened ruins, where the school building had stood, and wrecked buildings where were a few hours before the comfortable residences of Messrs. Burnham and Willard, and the Cumston house alone remained to tell the sad tale.

How the fire originated is a mystery. Mr. Crane, the master of the Latin School, said that it was vacation last week and therefore there was no school exercises yesterday. When the school closed last Friday, he gave strict orders to the janitor, Mr Foristal, not to have any fire in the building, unless the weather should come off very cold, when it would be necessary in order to keep the pipes from freezing. He went into the building Thursday and found everything all right. Mr. Farrington, the owner, had put the heating arrangements in good condition when the building was leased. A lady, who lives near, said she heard what sounded like a discharge of firearms in the school building just before the fire broke out. A man said he heard an explosion just before the fire—not a very loud one—and it was followed by a puff of dense black smoke which was immediately succeeded by a rush of flame. It is certain that the building was all ablaze in a very few moments.

Concerning the fire Mr. Foristal, the janitor of the Bijou Rink, said to a PRESS reporter: "At about 10 o'clock in the forenoon I fixed the fire under the boiler and built a fire in one of the stoves. I left my lantern burning as I always do, by the boiler. When I left the building everything was as it should be, and I locked the doors after me. When I was in Lincoln Park on my way back I saw smoke and perceived the Rink was on fire. I could do no good myself, but sent two boys to ring the fire alarm. Nobody was in the building at the time and I do not know how the fire originated."

The losses and insurance, as reported, are as follows:

Mr. Crane has $600 insurance on his property, which was the value of his property in the school building, and is also responsible for the $700 worth of improvements lately put in The insurance is with Prentiss Loring in the Springfield.

The Kennard Bros. bought the house occupied by the Chandlers from the Crockett estate. The damage is mostly from water. There is $4500 insurance, $3000 in the Guardian of London, with William Allen, Jr., and $1500 in the Royal with Rollins & Adams. Mr. Jacob Chandler's loss is $500, and no insurance. Mr. Charles Chandler has $300 with Wm. Allen, Jr., in the Buffalo German.

The school building, known formerly as the Bijou Skating Rink and Park Garden Theatre, was built by the Marwicks a few years ago at a cost of $8000. It was owned by I. P. Farrington, and was insured for about $3000, of which $2000 were policies transferred by Harmon & Mills to William Allen, Jr., two of one thousand dollars each in the Peoples and the New Hampshire. Mr. Farrington also had $150 on furniture in the Liberty of New York, with Rollins & Adams.

The Cumston building was insured for $1500 in the Franklin with Rollins & Adams. It is valued at $5000. Mr. M. S. Fisher had $500 insurance on his furniture in the Security with Morse & Pinkham—it was valued at $1500—and Mrs. Marquis and her daughter had $600 insurance in the same company on property valued at $1000. Geo. E. Allen was insured for $500.

Mr. Josiah Burnham had $2000 insurance in the Franklin with Rollins & Adams on his furniture, and there was $2000 in the Manchester of Providence with the same agents. The house was worth at least $3,500 and the value of nick-nacks and articles of *vertu* was by no means covered by the insurance.

Mr. W. H. Willard's house is damaged to the value of at least $750. He has $1000 each in the Security and Providence Washington on the building, and $800 on the furniture in the Phœnix of London with W. D. Little & Co. Mrs. Ditchfield, mother of Mrs. Willard, has $200 with W. D. Little & Co. on her furniture.

The house No. 71 Pearl street, occupied by Leonadas Mayo and Mrs. J. C. Larrabee was badly scorched and the ell considerably burned. Mr. Mayo's furniture suffered severely, so did Mrs. Larrabee's carpets. Rollins & Adams have $1500 on the building, with Rollins & Adams in the Franklin, and Mrs. Larrabee and Mr. Mayo have $500 each on their furniture with Joseph Webster.

Mrs. Barbour's house, No. 217 Newbury street was considerably scorched and burned in the rear. There is an insurance for $2500 in the National of Hartford, with W. D. Little & Co.

The residence of the late George Burham, on Federal street, was badly scorched and so was Mrs. Cole's on Newbury street.

NOTES.

Some furniture went out of buildings as if it was short out. Mr. Fisher's piano was thrown out a window and probably destroyed.

Some rascals took a valuable seal skin sack belonging to Mrs. Cole and made off with it.

Several houses were filled with smoke but not damaged.

The loss foots up $28,460 and insurance $18,850.

A pipe got away from three pipemen on Newbury street and the crowd got a good ducking.

Mrs. Kennard gave the firemen a substantial lunch.

The fire department horses were dragging the Public Library books, and that's why the steamers were delayed.

The fire department ought to have a vote of thanks from the City Government.

A boy was hit by a falling timber and somewhat hurt.

A horse attached to one of John L. Best's wagons, standing in front of Charles Adam's store, became frightened by the engines and ran away, up Congress street to Munjoy Hill, where he was stopped by a horse car conductor, who turned him around and started to drive him away, when he ran again, throwing the conductor out. The only damage done was a slight hurt to the driver of Best's team, named Bucknam.

Mr. Bucknam, a member of steamer No. 1 who drives for Martin Best, in his hurry to get to the fire accidentally ran his team into another. Bucknam was badly bruised and is confined to the house.

THE GEORGE W. CUSHING

Goes Ashore on Richmond's Island and is Wrecked.

The Crew Reach Shore Safely and Without Difficulty.

Thursday night at about 8 o'clock the schooner George W. Cushing, Captain Cushing and a crew of twelve men, was off the Cape bound into Portland with a catch of fish. A fresh southwest wind was blowing and it was very foggy, so thick that the men could see hardly any distance from the vessel. Dan Sampson and J. M. Wallace, two of the crew, were on the lookout, while all hands were on deck. Charles Littlejohn was at the wheel, and Captain Cushing stood near by him with the lead in his hand. The captain was in the act of throwing the lead to ascertain in what depth of water the vessel was sailing when the men on the lookout shouted "breakers." One cried "helm hard up" and the other "helm hard down." The man at the wheel put his helm hard up, the boom which was on the starboard side, swung around with such force that it broke like a pipe stem, and the next moment the schooner struck the rocks with a tremendous crash. A hole six or seven feet square was made in her bow, but she lay in such a position that it was easy for the crew to run out on the bowsprit and jump upon the rocks, which they did. The place where the vessel struck is known as Adam's Head, Richmond Island. If the schooner had gone a little outside Adam's Head she would have struck more dangerous rocks a little farther on, and without doubt a part, if not the entire crew would have been drowned. The George W. Cushing was a handsome schooner of sixty-four tons, and was built in Bath in 1882 at a cost of about $10,000. She was owned by Cushing and McKenney, C. P. Ingraham, W. T. Studley, W. J. Trefethen and J. and J. Fowler, of this city. She was insured for $2,000 in the Lloyds, and for $500 with Ebenezer Freeman.

Yesterday a crew from the Life Saving Station took off the vessel's sails and what other rigging they could, otherwise she will be a total loss.

BRIEF JOTTINGS.

The Winthrop made her last passage from New York in 26 hours.

The Deering schools will begin Monday after a week's vacation.

There were 14 half barrels of lager and four barrels of ale seized at the Boston boat yesterday morning by the police.

"The three ages of man—youth, middle age and old age," will be the subject of Dr. Dalton's sermon tomorrow evening at St. Stephen's church.

The trustees of the State Agricultural Society will hold a session here soon at the office of the society for the purpose of revising the premium list, for the coming year.

Officer Morse arrested John Taylor yesterday for stealing a watch from a man. The watch was pawned at Pat O'Malley's for $5 and was recovered.

The schooner John M. Plummer landed 10,000 pounds of cod and haddock yesterday, and the Charles Haskell arrived with about the same amount.

It is rumored that one of the Portland representatives is to make an earnest effort in the coming legislature to repeal the provision of law under which the special Portland liquor sheriffs are appointed.—Bridgton News.

As Mrs. Witham, of Woodfords, was driving along Forest Avenue into the city to get her husband, who works at Brackett's Mills, her team was run into and demolished and she was thrown out, striking on the back of her head. She was not hurt so seriously that she could not ride home readily.

Proposed Temperance Legislation.

The committee on temperance legislation raised by the Grand Lodge of Good Templars of the State, held a preliminary meeting here Thursday, and formulated an outline of operations. The general feeling seemed to be that it is not advisable at present to recommend to the legislature any amendments to the prohibitory law in the form of increased or additional penalties, but rather some minor amendments looking towards aiding the better enforcement of the law already on the statutes.

The committee, with similar committees from other organizations, will hold another meeting here soon and agree upon such proposed additions and amendments to the law as seem to be called for, and report the same to the legislative committee on temperance at an early date of the session.

Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

At a meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union held yesterday afternoon it was voted to hold meetings fortnightly instead of monthly. At the fortnightly meeting the different departments of the National W. C. T. U. will be taken up. Topics will be announced hereafter.

A resolution of respect to the memory of Mrs. C. E. Young, president of Aroostook county W. C. T. U., and of sympathy to the local union and her family was passed.

His Skull Was Fractured.

When the alarm of fire was striking yesterday noon a boy named Addie Bickford, living on Cleaves street, started to cross Congress street near Pearl. A herdic driven by Mr. Jordan came along. The driver shouted for the boy to get out of the way but the little fellow did not hear and turning his back was struck by the shafts of the herdic. He was thrown violently down and rendered insensible. He was taken into Dr. King's office and from there to the Maine General Hospital. He is suffering from a fracture of the skull. He is not expected to live, but was comfortable last evening.

The Pullman Car Service.

Mr. J. W. Stockton, of Boston, District Superintendent of the Pullman Palace Car Company is arranging for the change in the Pullman car service which will attend the change of time on the Maine Central next Monday. The elegant vestibule Pullman parlor cars will continue to run between this city and Boston as usual, running on the morning and midday trains. They will undoubtedly continue to be as largely patronized as formerly.

Novel by a Portland Author.

A new society novel, this time by a Portland author, is presented in Robert Rexdale's "Saved by the Sword," just published in Boston. It is a story of absorbing interest, and while the writer has yielded to the popular demand for sensational work he handles the details with skill, and like Ruskin, believes a novel should end well. The illustrations are by John Calvin Stevens and Bert Poole, and the make-up of the book is pleasing to the eye. A pretty sonnet dedicates the book to a Portland lady. "Saved by the Sword" is for sale by the booksellers and newsdealers.

Musicale.

Miss Susie E. Haven gave a musical entertainment at her home on Wednesday evening. There was vocal and instrumental music and recitations. Each number was very much enjoyed by all. The parlors were beautifully decorated with flowers and evergreen. Many friends were present from Massachusetts and elsewhere.

MARRIAGES.

In Bridgton, Dec. 22, Willis H. Martin and Miss Alfreda M. Ballard.
In Bridgton, Dec. 24, David Mottram and Miss Nellie Seavey.
In Denmark, Dec. 25, Frank Giles and Miss Belle Hill.
In Turner, Dec. 19, J. E. Bonney and Mrs. Julia A. Dunham.
In Rumford Centre, Dec. 20, Geo. H. Perry of Topsham and Mary S. Hodgdon of Rumford.
In Augusta, Dec. 24, W. B. West and Miss Annie M. Stone.
In Searsport, Dec. 25, Walter H. Skinner and Miss Jennie Emerson.
In Sanford, Dec. 23, Rylah Firth and Miss Sadie Wittaker.
In New Gloucester, Nov. 29, Benjamin Davis and Mrs. Frances E. Morrison.
In Richmond, Dec. 18, Benj. Alexander of East Boston and Miss Emma F. Freeman of Richmond.
In Palmyra, Dec. 25, Chas. C. Curtis of Dexter and Miss Annie M. Stuart of Palmyra.
In Palmyra, Dec. 23, Jeff B. Kenney of Camden and Miss Rose E. Sedgewick of Palmyra.
In Bath, Dec. 24, Frederick Southworth and Miss Nellie M. Colby.

DEATHS.

In this city, Dec. 27, Mary E. Weston, wife of Dr. Walter Woodman, age 39 years 11 months. [Funeral this Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the house, No. 106 State street.
In this city, Dec. 29, Jacob T. Lewis, aged 75 years.
[Notice of funeral hereafter.
In Bridgton, Dec. 22, Dr. Sylvester Robbins, aged 76 years 2 months.
In Otisfield, Dec. 25, Mark Knight, aged about 70 years.
In Woodstock, Dec. 21, Fidelia Swan, wife of Frank Witham.
In Lewiston, Dec. 25, Israel Roberts, aged 75 years.
In Penobscot, Dec. 17, Mrs. Abby Leach, aged 42 years.
In Randolph, Dec. 20, Geo. H. N. Bean, aged 29 years.
In Gardiner, Dec. 22, Daniel Robinson, aged 83 years.
In Randolph, Dec. 21, Edward Bachelder, aged 68 years.
[The fun al service of the late Saml A Knight will be held Sunday afternoon at 1.30 o'clock, at his late residence, No. 59 Parris street.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

To the Board of Railroad Commissioners of the State of Maine.

THE undersigned hereby respectfully represent that — Geo. P. Wescott, James Webb Jr., Frederic C. Bridgham, Daniel T. Richardson Jr., William J. Knowlton, C. P. Mattocks, all of Portland; Byron Kimball, Freeman H. Brown, Geo. S. Farnsworth, Sam'l C. Smith, H. A. Shorey, J. L. Wales, John P. Perley, W. A. Stevens, Wm. F. Perry, all of Bridgton; Henry L. Forhan, Gideon P. Davis, Henry Harmon, all of Raymond; John D. Spiller, John McLellan, both of Casco; Edward Moore of Deering; C. Eugene Wescott of Gorham; D. J. White of Windham; all of Cumberland County, in said State of Maine, and Henry Nutty of Buckfield, in the County of Oxford and said State, have by written articles dated November 1, A. D. 1888, associated themselves together for the purpose of organizing a corporation under the laws of Maine for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating a railroad for public use in the conveyance of persons and property within said State of Maine.

The name adopted by said association is Presumpscot River Railway Company.

The guage of the proposed road is four feet, eight and one-half inches.

The proposed route commences in Standish, near the outlet of Sebago Lake, and extends to the village of Saccarappa in the town of Westbrook, all in the County of Cumberland in said State of Maine, through the towns of Standish, Gorham and Westbrook, all in said County of Cumberland.

Your board is respectfully asked to approve said articles of association which are annexed hereto.

Dated at Portland, Maine, this twenty-fourth day of December, A. D. 1888.

GEO. P. WESCOTT,
EDWARD MOORE,
JAMES WEBB JR.,
FREDERIC C. BRIDGHAM,
WILLIAM J. KNOWLTON,
} Directors named in said Articles.

On the foregoing Petition, *Ordered*, That the petitioner cause to be published a true copy of said petition, and this order of notice thereon, in the Portland Daily Press, a newspaper published at Portland, in the County of Cumberland, four days successively. The first publication in said paper to be at least five days before Friday the fourth day of January, A. D. 1889, on which day the Board of Railroad Commissioners will be in session in Portland, in said County of Cumberland, at 7½ o'clock in the afternoon, for the purposes indicated in said petition.

D. N. MORTLAND,
Chairman.
For the Board of Railroad Commissioners of Maine.

Dated this 27 day of Dec. A. D. 1888.

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GORDON HOUSE DINING HALL—A. G. HASKELL makes a specialty of late suppers, oyster stew, steamed clams, lobster salad, chicken croquettes, all at 25c., from 8 to 11 p. m. 29-1

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WANTED—A capable girl to do general house work at 103 SPRING ST. 29-1

WANTED—To buy out a small tobacco and cigar or confectionery store. Address WM. F. RIDDER, Lewiston, Me. 29-1

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

"BOSH"

The columns of the papers lately issued have been full of "bosh" about giving and receiving. Advice good for filling up space and there ends its usefulness.

We Always Shall and We Always Will

do just as we please. It is an instinct peculiar to nearly everyone that kindness deserves gratitude and that we should

PAY OUR DEBTS!

And anybody that don't possess this element in their nature we want to steer clear of them. A great number of people held off at Christmas, not knowing what to give, just waiting for suggestions. The happiest today are those who took our advice and came where presents suggested themselves. We will just name a few of the articles that sold best and which we have renewed supplies of, expecting a demand for

New Year's Gifts!

Prominent were the

Plush Easy Chairs and Rockers, in Crushed Plush of all shades, in Silk Plush and in Moquette Tapestry and Rhaime from $6.50 up.

Then there were the

LAMPS.

LAMPS OF ALL KINDS
AZURE AND AMBER
YELLOW AND SOFT
PINK AND BLUE
SILVERY AND BRIGHT

Hanging Lamps, Hall Lamps, Parlor Lamps, Lamps with Plain or Decorated Shades, from $2.50.

China Dinner and Tea Sets, Silver Tea Sets, Silver Castors and Butter Dishes, Silver Cake Baskets.

These goods were all in great demand and they are all just as suitable as you can find.

LADIES' DESKS and MUSIC CABINETS were very popular. WHAT NOTS and EASELS took their share in making folks happy. A great many of those pretty MIRROR BRACKETS and WALL POCKETS found their way to somebody. Many CHAMBER SETS were presented and added a charm to just as many homes. And luxury reigned supreme wherever the PARLOR SUITS found their resting place.

We are Positively Full from Basement to Attic.

OUR BASEMENT

is filled with a line of STOVES and RANGES handsome to look upon. To see the NEW TARIFF standing so quiet and dignified looking, no one would ever dream he was the cause of so much righteous and comprehensive indignation in our Congress and Senate. The QUAKER is more majestic looking. No blow about him, but all in the State reverence his good qualities and strongly recommend him for office. Nothing beat QUAKER and NEW TARIFF RANGES. Come up to

OUR MAIN FLOOR

CARPETS by the thousands of yards. OIL CLOTHS never so cheap. Parlor BODY BRUSSELS at $1 per yard. Come up higher.

OUR PARLOR FLOOR

CORNER CHAIRS, OCCASIONAL CHAIRS, ODD CHAIRS. PARLOR SUITS from $35 to $33. DRAPERIES of all kinds. BED and TABLE LINEN. Higher still.

Our Chamber Floor

Full of every kind of CHAMBER SETS, $18 to $300.

STILL HIGHER!

Rattan Furniture, Parlor Furniture, Rustic Rockers, Children's Chairs, Cribs and Cradles, Cane Seat Chairs and Rockers, Office Desks in Roll Top and Flat, Office Chairs, Revolving and Spring, Hall Stands, &c., &c. What, Higher! Yes, Higher.

Window Shade Department

SHADES of all colors, all materials, and all prices. Come everybody and see the vast establishment that has no equal in New England.

FAIRLY LOADED WITH GOODS

from which to select, and offered to you at PRICES so LOW and TERMS so LIBERAL that you can't afford to do without them. We want you to make yourself at home. A very pleasant hour can be spent with us. Elevator to every floor. Obliging and attentive salesmen to wait on you; and you will not be annoyed as in many houses by being bored to buy this or buy that. We want YOU to choose what you require, you are certainly the best judge of what you want, and it only remains our pleasant duty to attend to your requirements. If it is possible we want to clear out everything in the

Special Present Line of Goods!

before stock taking, and for that reason no reasonable offer will be refused between now and New Year's day. Buy while you can buy cheap. Our terms remain the same all the year round.

Open from 7a.m. to 9p.m.

The ATKINSON HOUSE Furnishing Co.,

Cor. Pearl and Middle Sts.

ISAAC C. ATKINSON, Gen. Mgr.
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MISCELLANEOUS.

COLD WEATHER GARMENTS.

We have just received from our manufacturers 200 Ulsters intended for our jobbing trade, but were too late for this season's sales. These Ulsters are worth $15.00 in any market, but rather than carry them till another year, we have decided to sell them at $10.00 each, cash. It is worth your while to look at these garments, at

HASKELL & JONES,

Lancaster Building, 470 Congress St.

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FANCY HANDKERCHIEFS, SILK HANDKERCHIEFS, SILK MITTENS.

A full and elegant line of each.

This being our first Holiday season you will find a new and well selected stock. Our Linen Table Sets make very handsome presents. Other goods in great variety.

E. M. OWEN & CO.,

538 Congress Street.

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BARGAINS IN ADDITION

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