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NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she have been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of CHARLES F. HOWARD, late of Hiram, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

Sept. 16th, 1902. ELLA S. HOWARD.

NOTICE.

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Maine. In Bankruptcy.

In the matter of JAMES M. HASEY, of Oxford, Bankrupt. } In Bankruptcy.

To the creditors of James M. Hasey, in the County of Oxford and district aforesaid:

Notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of July, A. D. 1902, the said James M. Hasey was duly adjudicated bankrupt, and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the Court House, in South Paris, on the 13th day of Oct., A. D. 1902, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

South Paris, Oct. 6, 1902.

GEO. A. WILSON, Referee in Bankruptcy.

NOTICE.

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Maine. In Bankruptcy.

In the matter of WILLIAM C. CUMMINGS, of Sumner, Bankrupt. } In Bankruptcy.

To the creditors of William C. Cummings, in the County of Oxford and district aforesaid:

Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of Aug., A. D. 1902, the said William C. Cummings was duly adjudicated bankrupt, and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the Court House, in South Paris, on the 13th day of Oct., A. D. 1902, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

South Paris, Sept. 29, 1902.

GEO. A. WILSON, Referee in Bankruptcy.

NOTICE.

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Maine. In Bankruptcy.

In the matter of MILTON E. WILKINSON, of Mexico, Bankrupt. } In Bankruptcy.

To the creditors of Milton E. Wilkinson, in the County of Oxford and district aforesaid:

Notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of Oct., A. D. 1902, the said Milton E. Wilkinson was duly adjudicated bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the Court House, in South Paris, on the 28th day of Oct., A. D. 1902, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

South Paris, Oct. 13th, 1902.

GEO. A. WILSON, Referee in Bankruptcy.

NOTICE.

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Maine. In Bankruptcy.

In the matter of ALMOND M. GORDON, of Rumford, Bankrupt. } In Bankruptcy.

To the creditors of Almond M. Gordon, in the County of Oxford and district aforesaid:

Notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of Oct., A. D. 1902, the said Almond M. Gordon was duly adjudicated bankrupt, and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the Court House, in South Paris, on the 28th day of Oct., A. D. 1902, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

South Paris, Oct 6, 1902.

GEO. A. WILSON, Referee in Bankruptcy.

Bankrupt's Petition for Discharge.

In the matter of MAX COHEN, Bankrupt. } In Bankruptcy.

To the HON. CLARENCE HALE, Judge of the District Court of the United States for the District of Maine:

MAX COHEN of Rumford, in the County of Oxford, and State of Maine, in said District, respectfully represents, that on the 21st day of Dec., last past, he was duly adjudged bankrupt under the Acts of Congress relating to bankruptcy; that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said Acts and of the orders of Court touching his bankruptcy.

Wherefore he prays, that he may be decreed by the Court to have a full discharge from all debts provable against his estate under said bankruptcy Acts, except such debts as are excepted by law from such discharge.

Dated this 26th day of Sept., A. D. 1902.

MAX COHEN, Bankrupt.

ORDER OF NOTICE THEREON.

DISTRICT OF MAINE, ss.

On this 4th day of Oct., A. D. 1902, on reading the foregoing petition, it is—

Ordered by the Court, that a hearing be had upon the same on the 24th day of Oct., A. D. 1902, before said Court at Portland, in said District, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon; and that notice thereof be published in The Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed in said District, and that all known creditors, and other persons in interest, may appear at the said time and place, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further Ordered by the Court, that the Clerk shall send by mail to all known creditors copies of said petition and this order, addressed to them at their places of residence as stated.

Witness the Hon. CLARENCE HALE, Judge of the said Court, and the seal thereof, at Portland, in said District on the 4th day of Oct., A. D. 1902.

[L. S.] A. H. DAVIS, Clerk.

A true copy of petition and order thereon.

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FARM, FIELD AND GARDEN

MILK AND CREAM.

"Standardizing" as a Means of Justice to Producer and Consumer.

Selling milk by measure alone is unjust to the producer as well as the consumer. While the fallacy of this system is apparent to a few, the majority of people seem to think that "milk is milk" and that one quart is worth as much as another as long as it is sweet, according to W. J. Fraser of the Illinois station. And Professor Fraser further says as to this matter:

City or state standards, where they exist, make the sale of milk coming direct from some individual cows that give milk low in fat unlawful, while it is in reality good, wholesome milk and a perfectly legitimate product when sold at its proper price. But, what is even worse, this system prevents the man who produces rich milk from getting the price he should, according to its food value and cost of production. Milk containing a high per cent of fat is not only worth more for food, but it costs more to produce than milk containing a low per cent of fat, and the price should be governed by its composition and food value and not by its bulk.

Before there was a ready means of determining the composition of milk these difficulties could not well be overcome, and providing city standards was about all that could be done. But since the invention of the Babcock test by Dr. Babcock of the Wisconsin station, by this test and lactometer and at slight expense and trouble it is now a simple matter to determine accurately the amount of fat and solids not fat in any milk.

How to Standardize.

Since fat in milk is the most variable constituent, the other solids remaining fairly constant, standardizing milk is a comparatively simple matter. All that is necessary is to add or remove a certain amount of butter fat, which is easily done by means of the centrifugal separator or by letting the cream rise by gravity. While it is true that milk from individual cows varies somewhat from day to day, the mixed milk of a herd that is milked at regular times each day will be practically constant for that herd, because all of the cows will not test high or low on the same day. By testing the milk of a herd occasionally the per cent of fat in the milk may be known at all times with reasonable accuracy, together with the amount of skimmilk that should be added or removed to bring it to the proper standard. If the separator does good work and the amount of milk handled is small so that it does not warrant testing every day, it may be run very close to the desired per cent of fat by testing once a week, so as to be sure that it is up to the required standard. Where the quantity of milk handled is large it is more economical to run tests frequently and keep the fat at exactly the desired per cent. Even if the per cent of fat varies but slightly it makes a great difference in profit in the course of the year in a large business.

The only apparatus necessary to standardize milk is a cream separator and a milk test. For dairymen handling but a small amount of milk the same results may be accomplished by setting the milk for a time and skimming off the cream. In this case all that is necessary is a Babcock test. In this work skimmilk containing no fat must be added or removed. If the skimmilk used contains fat, proper allowance must be made according to the amount of fat contained or the results will obviously be different. Water cannot be used to dilute the milk or the per cent of solids not fat will be reduced.

The Dairyman's Interest.

A law compelling a man to standardize the milk and cream he sells would result in justice to both producer and consumer. All dairymen would then receive the legitimate price for their product according to its food value and cost of production and would not be selling 6 per cent milk in competition with 3 per cent milk and for the same price per quart.

SILAGE AND SHOCK CORN.

Which Is Best For Wintering Calves Intended For Beef Production?

A test designed to develop the comparative merits of silage and shock corn for wintering calves intended for beef production is believed by Professor Mumford of the Illinois station to indicate that there are at least nine advantages of a system of silage feeding over that of shock corn in the wintering of calves intended for beef production.

First.—The corn can be hauled from the field and stored in the silo at a time when little damage is done to the soil by getting on the land when it is too wet.

Second.—The manure and litter incident to the feeding of steers where silage is used are in much more convenient form to handle and probably more readily available as plant food than where shock corn is fed.

Third.—The quality of silage and the cost and convenience of feeding is but little, if any, affected by bad weather, which in Illinois so frequently makes it next to impossible to feed shock corn to advantage.

Fourth.—The calves in the spring are in better thrift and flesh.

Fifth.—More rapid gains can be secured.

Sixth.—In case of an epidemic of cholera or other contagious swine disorder the pigs as a factor in economical production of beef may be eliminated without any considerable loss, which would be impossible in case of steers feeding on shock or whole corn.

Seventh.—More pounds of meat can be produced per acre where silage is fed to steers than where shock corn is used, even though the greater amount of pork produced in case of a system of shock corn feeding is taken into account.

Eighth.—A much larger proportion of the meat produced is beef.

Ninth.—The corn may be harvested earlier in the season, generally before danger of frosts and at a season, in Illinois at least, when other farm work is not pressing. In speaking of the advantages of the silo it should not be overlooked that silage may be stored for late summer feeding when pastures are often short and the new corn crop is too immature to feed to good advantage.

The Disadvantages of Silage.

The disadvantages of feeding silage appear to be:

First.—That in feeding equal acreages of corn in silage and as shock corn a greater acreage of crops other than corn is required to supplement silage than shock corn. This is an item that cannot consistently be overlooked, as economical beef production in the corn belt involves the utilization of as large a proportionate amount of corn as possible. Nevertheless, when we consider the ultimate effect upon the fertility of the soil, the clover acreage, at least, may very profitably be increased.

Second.—It is believed that warmer quarters must be provided for silage fed steers than for those receiving shock corn.

Third.—A system of feeding steers on silage involves more capital and labor.

Before attempting to draw final conclusions from this experiment as to the value of silage on beef production the reader should bear in mind that wintering calves is but one factor in beef production.

Bugs and Turkeys.

The deadly enemy of grasshoppers and other insect pests, according to Field and Farm, is the plain domestic turkey, which farmers, sugar beet growers and fruit culturists all over Colorado are now raising and turning into the fields and orchards to eat the insects. The turkey as a bug killer is creating a good deal of interest in all sections, and turkey eggs for hatching have been in much demand.

A Queer Transaction.

Sir Arthur Sullivan discovered at Monte Carlo one time that certain restaurant proprietors had a way of regulating their charges with the appearance and standing of their customers. When lunching alone, Sir Arthur was in the habit of frequenting one particular place where he knew to a centime what the prices were.

One day there sat at the table adjoining his own a wealthy Russian nobleman. Upon asking for his bill the composer found that the prices were exorbitantly high. He sent for the proprietor and demanded an explanation.

The man, an Italian, recognized Sir Arthur as an influential client and was profuse in his apologies. He explained that the mistake lay with the cashier. Going over the items to which exception was taken, the proprietor said: "The couvert I take him off directly, and the butter I charge him to the grand duke. He not notice it."

The idea of charging to the grand duke an item against whose extortionate price another customer protested always struck the great composer as a decidedly humorous way of getting out of the difficulty.

A Royal Road to Wealth.

When a certain late shah of Persia became temporarily embarrassed for money, he had quite a unique method of filling his purse. He would go to the market, where, after examining the shops, he would select one and, turning to the proprietor, would say, "Will you take me in as a partner in your business for the day?" The offer was, of course, eagerly accepted. The shah would take his seat near the shop entrance and say to his courtiers, whom he always took with him on these occasions: "Now, I'm salesman. Who'll buy?" The latter, not daring to refuse the offers of the royal merchant, set about clearing the shop of its contents, paying sometimes £50 for goods that were not worth £10. No one was allowed to beat down prices or to leave the place without making purchases. When everything was sold, the shah had a list of the cost price of each article made out and loyally shared with the shopkeeper the amount of the profit realized.

Her Sentiments.

It is related of a clergyman who was the father of a charming and beautiful daughter that one day while preparing his Sunday sermon he was suddenly called away from his desk on a mission of mercy. The sentence at which he left off was this: "I never see a young man of splendid physique and the promise of a glorious manhood almost realized but my heart is filled with rapture and delight."

His daughter, happening to enter the study, saw the sermon and read the words. Sitting down, she wrote underneath, "My sentiments, papa, exactly!"

Anxious to Do Right.

The children had quarreled, and Willie had struck Tommie. Instead of returning the blow Tommie turned and ran down the hall.

"Where are you going, Tommie?" asked his mother.

"Kitchen," answered Tommie tersely.

"What for?"

"You said if anybody was mean to me to heap coals of fire on his head, and I'm goin' for the coals."—Chicago Post.

The Word Bible.

The word Bible furnishes a striking instance of a word's rise from very low to high estate. To the bulk of English speaking folk it now means the book of books. In Chaucer's day it meant any book whatever or scroll—to speak by the card lest equivocation undo us. Tracing the word Bible straight home, we find it as bublos, but another name for the papyrus reed of Egypt.—National Review.

A Series of Failures.

A coroner's jury in Ireland delivered the following verdict on the sudden death of a merchant who had recently failed in business:

"We, the jury, find from the new doctor's statement that the deceased came to his death from heart failure superinduced by business failure, which was caused by speculation failure, which was the result of failure to see far enough ahead."

Hear the Other Side.

Hear the other side. Don't believe too fully any man's version. His neighbor will come and search him out. Likewise, if people form a hasty judgment of you, wait patiently till they hear the other side. Probably they will not need to hear it from you. If so, it is a great saving to your self respect.

Quite an Innovation.

"For a new actress she adopted an original way of drawing attention to herself."

"Attempted suicide? Diamonds stolen? Breach of promise case?"

"Nothing of the kind. She simply learned how to act, and acted."—Answers.

Defined.

Precocious Child—Papa, tell me what is humbug?

Parent (with a deep drawn sigh)—It is, my dear, when your mamma pretends to be very fond of me and puts no buttons on my shirt.

PRINCE TIMOTEO

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CHAPTER XI.

NOW the most curious part of the matter was that the sword had run through the canvas up to the hilt, where it remained as if it had pierced some reasonably solid body. Ippolita turned and looked at me with a wondering and somewhat frightened expression.

Then I came to her aid and, seizing my sword, drew it out, though not without some trouble, and the blade came forth with a sort of whistling, sighing sound, and it was of a crimson hue, and at that moment I heard a thud, as if some soft and heavy body had fallen. Then Ippolita, handing me the sharp dagger which she carried in her bosom, I cut the canvas of the portrait completely out of its frame.

And we saw, to our immense surprise, that the old portrait had covered up a doorway leading to a dark and narrow passage. The door of this passage was now open, and across the sill lay the yet warm body of a fat rascal, into whose paunch Ippolita had stuck my sword as she might have stuck a pin into a pincushion. The fellow wore a white cap and a white, greasy apron, and I came at once to the conclusion that he was my father's cook, that he had been in league with the band of robbers and that my dear fiancee had spitted him in the moment when he was spying at us through the narrow slits which. I now found, had been made in the eyes of Michelozzo.

Taking a lighted taper and kicking the corpse to one side, I now, followed by Ippolita, commenced to explore this secret and mysterious passageway. After we had walked perhaps seventy feet we came to a chamber about twelve feet square, and here it seemed to end. On our way along the corridor my charming companion had found and picked up a handkerchief, and, after examining it minutely she now cried out:

"By all the martyrs and Messer San Nicolo into the bargain, this is naught other than the handkerchief of Pico Albizzi, my beloved cousin and the brother of Federigo. It is now the half of a year past that he did come to this, the Pazzi castle, to summon thy sire Arnolfo to the presence of the duke, my father. Days passed, and he returned not, and it was a week afterward that a peasant passing by the Arno, by which name, as thou knowest, is sometimes called the turbulent stream which floweth through the town, found upon the banks of it some way below the city his lifeless corpse. Santissima ergine, he hath, like Ser Ridolfo, been thrown into the Pazzi well, and this passage, this very room, did conduct him to it."

"But, fair lady," I said, "if that is so, how came he to be found upon the Arno's banks?"

"And was not Ser Ridolfo's body also found there?" she answered, with some disdain. "May there not well be from this black bottomless well of thy castle a sluiceway leading to that neighboring stream?"

I now examined the chamber into which we had come and found in the middle of the floor a great crack which reached from wall to wall, and I made up my mind that we were standing directly over the watery tomb which had proved so convenient in the cases of Messers Ridolfo and Pico. It seemed to me altogether likely that the floor of the room, having the great crack in the middle of it, was made in two halves and that these two halves could be let down like lids whenever any one should touch the lever or spring which opened them. Coming to this conclusion, I at once led Ippolita out of that insidious deathtrap, and we commenced to search along the walls of the pasageway for the mechanism by which it could be made to operate. I soon found an iron lever or handle in the corner immediately outside the room, and I took hold of it and pulled, and at once the two halves of the floor went down as though they were hinged to the walls, and in the place of the floor we saw nothing but black, frightful, impenetrable water.

I now dragged the dead body of the cook to the well and threw it in. He came to the surface and floated there upon his back, and as his great fishlike eyes were wide open he presented a spectacle which was anything but agreeable. This water now all at once seemed to sink and recede. Then there came up a great sucking, gurgling noise, and we looked down and saw that it had all gone out of the bottom, taking the cook with it. In a moment the water commenced to come up again. We could not see it at first, away down between the black shining rocks, mounting little by little; then it seemed to rise faster, and in five minutes it was up to the level where we had first seen it. I now worked the lever the other way, and the two halves of the floor came up and met, and the chamber was exactly as it was when we had first entered it.

At this moment we heard a loud knocking at the great street door of the palace. It instantly occurred to me that it was made by Ippolita's people, who had found her whereabouts and come for her, and I immediately set about letting them in. It was some time before I could find the key, and meanwhile they kept at it hammer and tongs, so that I was glad at length to be able to unlock the door and to stop their infernal din. But, lo and behold, when I finally opened it, instead of Ippolita's people, there crowded in, in less time than it takes to tell it, a score of men, among whom I at once recognized Cante Gabrielle, the podesta, the eight members of the signoria and the captain of the watch, with almost a dozen of his men. These latter had surrounded me before I was even aware of their intention, and I made up my mind to submit to capture with a good grace, seeing that there was nothing else to do.

The haughty countess now demanded of the magistrate an explanation of this high handed outrage committed in her presence and upon the person of a gentleman of her acquaintance, and the podesta, who, I now observed, was bandy legged and not above four feet and a half in height, thus answered her:

"Gracious lady and beauteous daughter of our great and worshipful duke, we have proof indubitable that this knave before us, who hath doubtless cajoled and tricked thee with his lying tongue, is a most foul and dangerous conspirator against the duke, thy father, and that he wickedly doth plot against his life. And, to show that I speak sooth, it is whispered about at this very moment that the Elevationists have already arisen and that in the

I saw their hands wave in the air.

name of this man who is now our captive they do intend this very night to sack the palace and to murder thy sire. Wherefore hie thee away presently to a place of safety, and, as for this swashbuckler, this traditore santanico, go to, we will attend to his affair."

The graceful and stately daughter of Castruccio listened to him with an air of wonder and then gazed at me for a moment with a regretful and half incredulous look. It did not seem to me possible that she could at once believe the word of this gross and senseless official in the face of my love for her and the devotion I had shown her, but she seemed upon the point of doing so. She now turned away from me coldly, and I knew at once that her determination was taken.

"It is all on account of that unfortunate dissension about our ancestors," thought I, "and because of her finding that infernal handkerchief in the passageway."

"Sayest thou even so, worthy podesta?" said she at length. "And yet I might have been convinced sooner of the prince's perfidy if I had believed the evidences which have been thrust upon me and had listened to the dictates of reason. Ho, ye burly men of the watch, bind the villain hand and foot and tie him fast in yonder chair!"

To say that I was shocked and grieved and surprised beyond measure at my quondam inamorata's harshness toward me does but poorly express my feelings. The halberdiers of the watch to whom she had given this peremptory order at once produced cords and secured me firmly to the chair as she had directed.

"And now," she continued, "Messer Gabrielle and right worshipful members of the signoria and men of the watch, follow me, every one of ye, and, by our Lady, I will show ye such crying and damnable evidences of the guilt and cruelty and bloodthirstiness of this family of the Pazzi as will cause ye to wish them presently exterminated from the face of the earth."

With that she took the wax taper and went along the secret passage, and they all, without exception, followed her, and when she had come to the entrance of the ominous chamber she stood aside by the doorway and let the whole score of them pass into the room, and I could see the whole proceeding from the chair where I sat.

"This," said she to the closely assembled group before her, "is the most wicked spot in this most wicked and bloody castle. Domeniddio alone knoweth how many murders have here been done upon their foes by the remorseless Pazzi. See, I have but to pull this lever and the floor will disappear from beneath your feet and ye will be cast down into that black and bottomless well of which you have doubtless heard."

At this a great fright seemed to seize upon the gaping crew, and they crowded quickly and eagerly to the entrance, and then Ippolita must have pulled the lever, for I saw their hands wave in the air, heard a most awful and blood curdling shriek made of all their combined voices and saw them suddenly disappear. Then there came a great splashing, a sound of oaths and of blows and of death struggles, and in a moment all was still once more.

Ippolita now worked the lever back, and the floor rose again to its place. Then she came to me very quietly and coolly and proceeded to untie my fastenings.

"I will wager thou didst believe that I did not love thee, my Timoteo," said she. "Beshrew me, but I did not think that so light a touch would move yon iron lever, and now that I do bethink me I am of the opinion that I did bear upon it too heavily."

Was she not a magnificent, noble and yet inexplicable creature? With one movement of the hand she had disposed of and put out of existence the whole of the executive and judicial part of the government of the realm, to say nothing about a half score of the watch, and yet she made no more of it than if they had been so many flies.

I now went out to the stables and saddled Aldebaran, my noble steed of ebony, and, hunting around at some length, I found a dilapidated pillion, which I also strapped upon him. Then I led him to the great door of the castle and took a long rich cloak which had been brought by one of the robbers and which he had evidently stolen at the duke's banquet, and wrapped it around Ippolita so that her dress and face were concealed. I lifted her upon the pillion and, springing to my place in the saddle, gave the intelligent animal the rein, and we set out for Castruccio's palace.

When we were well on the way, there came bounding along the street and knocking over such of the pedestrians as got in his way a gigantic black hound, having much the appearance of a Danish boarhound, and as soon as he saw us he made for us and ran alongside my horse, making now and then great springs into the air, as though he fain would have dined off the calves of my legs, while all the time he was baying and yelping vociferously. I drew my rapier in order to spit him the next time he came near enough, for the beast made me exceedingly nervous, but Ippolita held me from it and cried out joyously:

"Now, by all the saints at once, it is none other than my valiant, good and trusty Nero. How he hath found me I know not, but in sooth he must have sought me long, for it is the faithful nature of the beast. Fair prince, harm him not, for he is my treasure, my pet and my darling."

Nero, seeing now that his mistress had recognized him, began to leap and gambol all the more, and the oftener she cried "Down!" the higher he came up; so at last I gave him a good welt on the side of the head with the flat of my sword, and he afterward ran along very quietly beside us.

"Per Messer Domeniddio!" Ippolita now exclaimed as we pursued our way with light hearts toward the palace. "What will the duke, my reverend father, say anent my having quit the house last eve and having stayed out all one night and day? Marry, I fear that he will chide me sore and will deem this tale of robbers is much too fanciful."

"But Fiorella will have told him of thy abduction," said I.

"Nay, not so, fair prince, for he would have had the ears cut from the jade upon the very hearing of the matter. Rather hath she told him some fairy narrative to excuse her conduct and account for my absence. Would that it were so, that I might see her lying tongue grow black with the strangling of the bowstring which I shall presently provide for her!"

CHAPTER XII.

WHEN we arrived at the great porch of the duke's mansion, we found a score of saddled and armored war steeds standing there, some of them being haltered to the pillars of the porch and others held by lackeys or squires, and the immense building was lighted up from top to bottom, and there was much noise of singing and shouting within, as if a great orgy were in progress. To know what was going on, I bade Ippolita take the bridle while I got down and went to one of the squires who were holding the horses.

"Prithee, fellow," said I, "tell me what unusual thing is toward upon this night that the duke's palace should contain such sounds of wassail and such brilliancy of illumination and that so vast a multitude should throng the streets of the city."

"Thou hast the appearance, friend, of having lately come into the town, and it may well be, therefore, that thou hast not yet heard the news. Know, then, that the Elevationists have arisen it is now these two hours since and that they have overthrown the government, vanquished the duke's guards and put the duke himself to death, and, that thou mayest see that I say sooth, cast thine eyes to the top of the door of the palace, and thou shalt see what thou shalt see."

I looked in the direction which he indicated and saw a decapitated head with gory locks stuck upon a pike at the top of the archway. The eyes were closed, the features pinched and the formerly rubicund cheeks fallen in, but I knew it at once for the head of the once arrogant and magnificent Castruccio.

"By my halidom," said I, "but I would fain know who hath led this sudden and successful revolution."

"Go to, my friend," he answered. "Now who should lead it but the greatest Elevationist of them all, Prince Timoteo of the Pazzi?"

"So," thought I, "the thing hath been done under my name and against my orders. I will come about with these knaves presently in such a fashion that they will wish themselves farther. Meanwhile I must get Ippolita out of the way, for she must not see this ghastly sight."

I returned to the countess, and as I approached her I perceived that her eyes, even at that very moment, were fastened in a stony and fearful stare upon the mutilated head of her father.

I now led my fiery charger with his lovely burden a little to one side, to an obscure spot, and there, telling her the history of my dealings with the Elevationists and how they had acted that night without my sanction and totally in opposition to my wishes, I bade her wait for me till I should have gone into the palace and subjugated the villains and brought them to account. I then sprang up the granite steps of the portico, crossed the vestibule and suddenly burst into the banquet hall, where the whole martial company was assembled.

It was truly a stately sight and one well worth the seeing, for there was a table 150 feet in length, stretching almost from one end of the great apartment to the other, and at this table sat full 200 men at arms whom I at once recognized as the warlike band which I had seen in the underground chapel of the monastery and who were now clad and accoutered as I had beheld them on the former occasion.

"What, ho!" I thundered in a voice which immediately procured silence. "Base dogs and contumacious caitiffs, what mean ye by this orgy? What warrant had ye for this outbreak, and why have ye disobeyed my orders, which were that the rising should be postponed? Tell me, moreover, why I should not cause to be cut off the heads of the ringleaders of ye!"

At this the assemblage seemed somewhat abashed, but a burly halberdier rose up from his seat and deliberately snapped his thumb and finger at me.

"I snap my fingers at thee," said he.

It was unnecessary for him to say so, as every one had seen him do it. I went to draw my sword that I might perforate him when I suddenly became almost paralyzed by observing upon a raised seat some way down on the other side of the table no less a personage than Brother Ambrose, the ex-monk and erstwhile captain of the band of thieves.

"Seize that man," I cried, pointing him out, "for, by our Lady, he is the same friar who escaped the flames yesteren, besides being the captain of as vile a pack of robbers as ever stole. Pardy, seize him, I tell ye."

"Hold thy tongue, thou scurvy impostor," cried Brother Ambrose coolly, at the same time rising from his seat. "Thou hast but a short while to live, and thou wilt best improve it by listening to what I now say to thee."

The faces of all the old warriors looked ominous. I felt somewhat uneasy and glanced toward the entrance, but found that a score of them had risen and lined themselves in front of it, so that escape was impossible in that direction. The renegade monk now continued:

"Thou dost assert that thou art Timoteo, the son of the noble Arnolfo. Now, by my faith, how may that well be when I myself, as all these stout men at arms can vouch, am Prince Timoteo, the last of the Pazzi, and at present, by God's grace, ruler of this our goodly principality of Firenzalino? Ha! Thou dost start; but let the galled jade wince, as Boccaccio says. Listen to me, and I will tell thee the tale, as I have already told it to these trusty warriors, my vassals. A score of years ago my sire, the noble Prince Arnolfo, was minded, in order to preserve me from the machinations of mine enemies, to let me down, by means of a long, stout rope, into the outside world. Nathless, when I had come down a matter of a hundred feet or more I repented me of it and did crawl into that level of the copper mine, the mouth of which doth open upon the face of the cliff. Being come by this means back into my native land I had shame to appear before my sire, and from that time to this I have led a wandering life, seeing all things, enjoying all things and proving all things, that in the end I might be schooled and qualified for the position to which I knew some day I would attain. That I speak sooth hath been shown by the old graybeard Jacopo, who hath recognized and acknowledged me and who hath at the same time denounced thee as an impostor and, moreover, as a foreigner, who, by his innocent aid hath come into this, our land, from the lower world of heretics and villains in opposition to the laws made and provided. Wherefore, I say to thee that thou shalt die. Seize him, my valiant minions, and, by our Lady, let his shrift be a short one."

I drew my sword, and as they closed around me I prepared to sell my life as dearly as possible. Then all at once there sounded a most infernal and deafening racket in the vestibule, and into the banquet hall like a thunderbolt, trampling down like wheat those who stood in his way, burst my great black charger Aldebaran, with Ippolita upon his back, upright and proud and vengeful as the goddess Cynthia. In a moment they were by my side, and I sprang into the saddle, took the reins and drove the infuriated and magnificent beast alongside the table down the whole length of the banquet hall, crushing and trampling upon all who could not get out of the way. Then I turned and came up again on the other side, for I wished to be impartial in the matter, and a great part of the table was upset by the rush of the knights away from me, and the hall was filled with howlings and maledictions and the crashing of crockery and the rattling of tin, so that it was nearer pandemonium than anything I had seen before, and it happened that most of them had laid aside their weapons at the beginning of the banquet, and those who had weapons could not use them by reason of the crush, or, if they did use them, the blows fell upon their own friends, so that Aldebaran and Ippolita and I broke through them all and gained the vestibule and from there dashed into the street and so away.

I drove my rapier through his thorax.

"Gramercy," quoth the spirited and lovely countess, with her arms clasped tightly around me and her laughing mouth at my ear, "but that swift course that we did run around the banquet hall was a rare and joyous one, and I do swear by Peter Martyr that I have not had so much plaisaunce since I did ride upon the carousal last Candlemas at the county fair, and as for those scurvy, unwashed knights, may they take the infinite and exceeding number of broken bones and dark purple bruises which they did receive from thy right noble steed as guerdon for the full payment of the debt I owe them for having hewn the head from my beloved sire, which same was much too short before they did lay hands upon him."

We went down across the city toward the western gate, and our course for the greater part of the way was somewhat slow on account of the great number of people in the street. Once in awhile, however, I made a burst of speed, and in doing so I trampled down and ran over several pedestrians, one of whom I had good reason to believe—the wish being perhaps father to the thought—was none other than Gian Jacopo, the man who had so foully and cravenly betrayed me. When we reached the gates, we found them closed, but the keepers were there, and upon my shouting, "Open in the name of the prince!" they immediately flung them wide, and we passed out upon the broad highway of the principality.

The air was sultry, and the heavens were fast clouding over with an approaching storm. The moon still shone, however, so that I had no difficulty as yet in keeping to the path, and as I put mile after mile between us and our enemies my confidence arose, and I felt that with Aldebaran beneath me and Ippolita beside me, or, rather, behind me, I could defy the whole population of that pestiferous land. When we had gone some miles in a westerly direction, I heard hoof beats upon the road behind us and at once knew that we were pursued. Listening awhile, I came to the conclusion that the sound was made by but one horseman. I therefore turned my steed's head around, and, chuckling to myself at the humor of the joke which I was about to enact, I rode to meet this solitary enemy at full speed. When I had come to within a hundred feet of him, the moon shining brightly at the moment, I saw, to my delight, that it was Prince Timothy, alias Brother Ambrose, and, drawing my sword and holding the point toward him, I clapped spurs to Aldebaran and, coming up to him with great velocity, drove my rapier through his thorax so completely and powerfully that the hilt of it snapped off against his breastbone, and he fell to the earth like a clod, while his horse ran back toward the city.

"By St. Reparata," exclaimed Ippolita, her arms tightening upon me in a fond hug, "but thou art a merry youth and a handy one with thy weapon!"

We now set forward again upon our way, and I presently found, to my mortification, that in the bout with Prince Timothy—if really the knave had right to that title—my noble charger had got a sprain and had become dead lame. The heavens were now completely clouded over, and the rain began to fall in great drops, there were sudden and violent gusts of wind, and ever and anon came distant rumblings of thunder, so that it behooved us to get straightway to some place of shelter. I lifted the willowy form of Ippolita from Aldebaran, and, leaving him in the road for lack of knowing what else to do with him, we struck across country and ascended a great rocky hill, upon which it seemed to me that I beheld a light. When we got to the top of it, we found no habitation whatever, but there were some trees and overhanging crags, beneath which we found some sort of protection from the storm, which now came upon us in full force.

I shall never be able to describe that storm. I had never imagined anything like it, and I really believe that there never was a worse one. The gusts of wind became a hurricane which tore the very trees out by the roots, the rain fell in solid sheets, the lightning was so continuous that I could have read a good sized book through without once stopping, and the thunder was so terrible and stupendous that it seemed to be ripping the very bowels out of the earth. We had found a fairly reasonable shelter from the blasts and torrents on the lea side of a great overhanging rock, and here, with her dear head upon my shoulder, Ippolita, worn out with the fatigues of that day and night and crushed by the ghastly experiences to which her innocent and gentle nature had been subjected, fell into a sweet and untroubled sleep, which lasted through all that great and frightful storm.

Soon after she began to slumber I felt something cold and moist touch the hand by which I held her to me, and, turning, I beheld that it was the nose of that faithful beast Nero, who had followed us all those weary miles and who now stood guard, like a trusty Cerberus, over the sleeping form of his incomparable mistress.

I shall never forget one feeling which I had when the storm was at its height, and that was a rocking and pitching sensation, as though I were in a boat on a rough sea. This kept up for quite awhile, and then I felt sudden sinking, a sudden qualm about my stomach and my heart, which lasted for fully five minutes, so that my bowels seemed to come up into my throat. It was exactly the sort of feeling which a man has when going quickly down the lift of one of those thirty story buildings, only much worse, and I wouldn't like to experience the like again. And now the whole ground around us seemed to be flooded with water, and the waves dashed almost to our very feet, and I thought it was something strange that the floods could have risen to the top of that high hill.

The lightning now ceased and the storm went down, and I must have slept some myself, as when I next took note of my surroundings I found the daylight had come. And what an awakening that was, and what a surprise was that which was awaiting me, a surprise, miraculous, prodigious, stupendous and sublime, a surprise which beggars all description and which it is useless for me to attempt the portrayal of. When I awoke and gazed about me, the principality of Firenzalino had vanished, and Ippolita and I were seated upon a rocky island of scarce an acre in area, and round about us were the pellucid waters of the very lake which I had crossed in order to scale the sides of the mesa encantada. There had been another earthquake, like unto the one of 1492; the country of the exiles, of the Pazzi and the Albizzi, had gone down again into the bowels of the earth, and of its city, its inhabitants, its flocks and herds, its vineyards, streams and forests naught remained save the remembrance of the one day which I had passed in that

ESTABLISHED 1846.

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COMING EVENTS.

Oct. 22, 23.—Universalist state Sunday School convention, Mechanic Falls.
Oct. 22, 23, 24.—Annual convention of Maine State Sunday School Association, Farmington.
Oct. 29, 30.—Annual meeting Oxford Universalist Association, South Paris.
Nov. 4.—Oxford Pomona Grange, West Minot.
Nov. 4, 5, 6.—Annual meeting of Maine State Pomological Society, Farmington.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Fall Store News.
Home Quaker Range.
$8.00 buys the Best Grey Goat Robe.
Fall Suits.
Special Sale of Tooth Brushes.
J. Franklin Harris.
Situation Wanted.
Hand Lamps 9 cents.
Parker's Hair Balsam.
Send us a cow.
To Buy or Sell Steer.

RAILROAD REPORTS.

The reports of three of the railroads which have a part of their lines in Oxford County have been received by the railroad commissioners, and show these roads to be prosperous. A portion of the reports is appended. They are for the year ending June 30, 1902:

PORTLAND & RUMFORD FALLS.

Income Account.

Gross earnings from operation	$528,820 76
Operating expenses,	310,172 57
Income from operation,	218,648 19
Miscellaneous income,	27,864 90
Total income,	246,513 09
Interest on funded debt, taxes, etc.,	80,656 33
Net income,	165,857 76
Dividend 6 per cent common stock,	90,000 00
Surplus for year ending June 30, '02,	75,856 76
Surplus June 30, '01,	296,956 77
Additions for year,	121,208 96
Surplus, June 30, '02,	434,022 43

Assets.

Cost of road,	2,092,776 41
Cost of equipment,	280,636 36
Stocks owned,	571,989 00
Bonds owned,	112,000 00
Other permanent investments,	337,500 00
Lands and buildings owned,	23,797 82
Cash and current assets,	450,360 27
Materials and supplies,	39,048 57
Sinking fund,	33,277 33
Total assets,	3,891,335 76

Liabilities.

Capital stock,	2,000,000 00
Funded debt,	1,342,000 00
Current liabilities,	69,839 33
Accrued interest not yet payable,	12,446 67
Total liabilities,	3,424,086 00

The total number of passengers carried was 177,746; carried one mile, 4,550,727; freight carried, 562,827 tons, of which 114,195 tons was lumber, 144,944 was pulp, 270 tons was bark and 97,835 tons was paper.

The total mileage consists of 53.58 of single track and 19.26 of yards and sidings, making a total of 72.84 miles.

RUMFORD FALLS & RANGELEY LAKES.

Income Account.

Gross earnings from operation,	$101,202 48
Operating expenses,	73,295 17
Total income from operation,	27,907 31
Miscellaneous income,	186 61
Total income,	28,093 92
Interest on funded debt, accrued liabilities and taxes,	21,864 69
Surplus for year ending June 30, '02,	6,229 23
Surplus June 30, '01,	41,122 58
Additions for year,	1,022 44
Surplus June 30, '02,	48,374 25

Assets.

Cost of road,	627,003 83
Cost of equipment,	96,748 73
Lands owned,	1,536 00
Cash and current assets,	53,968 52
Materials and supplies,	503 66
Total assets,	779,790 74

Liabilities.

Capital stock,	300,000 00
Funded debt,	409,181 04
Current liabilities,	17,235 45
Accrued interest not yet payable,	5,000 00
Total liabilities,	731,416 49

The total number of passengers carried was 18,060; carried one mile, 382,854; freight hauled 109,342 tons of which 99,952 tons was lumber.

The total mileage consists of 27 miles single track and 4.92 yard track and sidings, making a total of 31.92.

The report of the Grand Trunk shows that the total mileage of the road in Maine is 89.37 miles, of which 82.60 is the Atlantic & St. Lawrence and 6.77 is the Lewiston & Auburn branch. The operating expenses in Maine amounted to $432,141.48, divided as follows: Maintenance of ways and structures, $94,092.38; maintenance of equipment, $100,753.42; conducting transportation, $221,936.37; general expenses, $15,419.31. The gross earnings from operation in Maine were: $588,762.95, and for the whole line, $24,075,430.53. The percentage of expenses to earnings in Maine is 73.65.

The company has 790 locomotives; 813 cars in the passenger service; 24,460 cars in the freight service; and 523 in the company's service, making 25,796 cars owned. All rolling stock is equipped with air brakes and automatic couplers.

During the year covered by the report five persons were killed and 32 injured. No passengers were killed and but four were injured. The total tax paid by the road for its line in Maine was $38,546.08. The total number of passengers carried on the entire line was 7,972,469; the number of tons of freight carried, 11,141,762.

HERE AND THERE.

While the coal strike is not yet officially declared off, the arbitration commission has been named, and seems to be acceptable to the operators and to the leaders of the miners, and there is little doubt that within a few days the men will again be at work. Strikes there have been before, which caused wide-spread trouble, but never one which like this directly affected almost every one in the country. Although the first conference at the White House seemed to have been an utter failure, it gave the country a remarkable illumination regarding the attitude of the parties, and proved to be the beginning of the end. Nothing that President Roosevelt has done has won him more fame at home and abroad than this action in this matter.

The crown prince of Siam, who is now visiting this country, bears the simple and euphonious name, Somdetch Chowfa Maha Vajiravudig. It should be explained that Americans who have the pleasure of meeting His Royal Highness are not required to address him by his full name.

Several Indian tribes in the Southwest have chosen a representative to go to Washington and ask the government to take all their lands in Oklahoma and buy them in exchange a tract of 2,000,000 acres in Mexico, so they can get out of the country. Evidently our twentieth century civilization is crowding the red man. The projected action might go a little way toward disposing of one of the several race problems which the country has on hand.

CORN TWO CENTS PER POUND.

The advance in the price paid the farmers for their sweet corn, for which the farmers have been working for some years, has been granted. A conference of the leading packers of the state was held in Portland Thursday, when it was unanimously agreed that the price paid in 1903 should be 2 cents per pound. The price previously paid was 1 1-2 cents.

At this conference the firms represented were Burnham & Morrill Co., Portland Packing Co., and Fernald, Keene & True Co. Undoubtedly the smaller firms will make the same increase.

Many farmers in this vicinity have said that they would not plant sweet corn another year at the old price, but with this advance there is little doubt that all the acreage desired can be secured.

THE OXFORD BEARS.

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

PARIS HILL.

First Baptist Church, Rev. H. H. Bishop, Pastor. Preaching every Sunday at 11 A. M. Sunday School at 12 M. Sabbath Evening Service at 7:30 P. M. Prayer Meeting Thursday evening at 7:30 P. M.

Universalist Church, Rev. J. H. Little, Pastor. Preaching service every Sunday at 11 A. M. Sunday School at 12 M.

The following books have been recently added to the library:

Whitney, Mrs. A. D. T.—Sights and Insights.
Guernsey, Lucy Ellen—Winifred.
Doudney, Sarah—Child of the Precinct, A.
Buel, J. W.—Fighting in Africa.
Buel, J. W., ed—Hero Tales.
Saint-Amand, Imbert de—Marie Louise and the Decadence of the Empire.
Saint-Amand, Imbert de—France and Italy.
Cupples, Geo.—Green Hand, The.
Shutter, Marion D.—Applied Evolution.
Dunn, Martha Baker—Memory Street.
Perry, Nora—Rosebud Garden of Girls, A.
Ray, Anna C.—Margaret Davis, Tutor.
Swett, Sophie—Captain Polly.
Swett, Sophie—Flying Hill Farm.
Carroll, Lewis—Sylvie and Bruno, concluded.
Clark, Kate Upson—"That Mary Ann."
Pyrnelle, Louise C.—Diddie, Dumps and Tot.
Douglas, Amanda M.—Larry.
Barnes, James—For King or Country.
Coubertin, Baron Pierre de—Evolution of France Under the Third Republic.
One Hundredth Anniversary of 1st Baptist church of Portland, Maine.
Kingsley, Florence Morse—Needle's Eye, The.
Eastman, Chas. A.—Indian Boyhood.
Shakespeare, William—Macbeth.
"Censor"—Don't.

Mrs. Walter L. Twitchell and daughter Velma went to Boston Monday.

Miss Gertrude Harlow of Dixfield is the guest of her sister, Mrs. George M. Atwood, for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pierce and Miss Mary Hubbard went to Boston on the excursion Monday morning.

Mrs. Lyon, who has been with Capt. Lyon at Boston for a few weeks, has returned home. Capt. Lyon, with the Olympia, has sailed for the West Indies.

Mrs. A. T. Forbes is laid up as the result of a fall down stairs Saturday night. Fortunately no bones were broken, but she was badly shaken up and bruised.

LOVELL.

Rev. C. F. Sargent went to Denmark Thursday, returning the same day.

The Congregational Circle of the Centre was entertained at the Town House Wednesday evening.

Miss Mary Decrow of Boston is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Emery.

E. L. Bell has been at Denmark and vicinity buying apples for Boston parties.

Miss Georgia Keniston has returned from a visit to friends at Fryeburg.

D. W. True has a present of a pair of horses, the property of the late C. H. Tibbetts of Fryeburg.

Geo. Marston is at work for a short time for William Hazeltine of West Denmark, in his mill.

Charles Pray is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. B. Irish.

Mr. and Mrs. Stark have gone to their home in Cambridge, Mass.

WILSON'S MILLS.

R. F. Rogers of Boston, E. S. Bennett, guide, took out a deer with a good head with him on his return to his home in Boston.

Messrs. Corbin and Styles of New Britain, Conn., also each secured a deer, S. W. Bennett, guide.

Messrs. Marshall and Hilliard of Colebrook were in Tuesday buying stock. From the prices paid, the back of the beef trust must be thoroughly broken.

Thursday, a little child of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pennock was buried, Rev. Wm. Ineson, of Colebrook, conducting the services.

Thursday, the church bell was put into the tower and for the first time the notes of a bell were heard in our secluded valley. It was a gift from Mrs. J. H. Clergue, formerly of Bangor, now of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.

NORTH STONEHAM.

Charles McKeen and family of Albany visited his brother, H. B. McKeen, Sunday.

Wm. Gammon has gone to Paris as one of the jurymen.

Mrs. Elwood Sawyer does not gain very much and it is feared she will have to go to the hospital.

Guy Hazeltine and wife and another man and wife from Denmark are camping in Perley McKeen's house.

Mr. Kelly from New York and two men from Portland are boarding at Wm. Gammon's.

It has been quite sickly here with the children, nearly every family having one or more sick.

Mrs. Heffrin of East Stoneham is helping Mrs. Will Culbert.

NORTH BUCKFIELD.

Mrs. I. D. Fuller has returned home from her visit with her folks in Auburn.

Mrs. Bowley of Massachusetts has been a guest at Mrs. N. B. Emery's the past week.

Mrs. Douglass Farrar has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Earle Jack, this week.

Gideon Fletcher is very poorly this fall.

Calvin B. Keene's six boys were all at home the 12th.

Ernest Churchill has bought him a pair of team horses.

Mordant Rowe is watchman nights at the corn shop this fall.

Will Bisbee, who cut his foot a while ago, is so he is out again.

There are lots of apple buyers in our vicinity and the most of our farmers are selling their apples at $2.00 per barrel. They are rather poor quality this year.

HEBRON.

Robert C. Donham of Boston has been visiting relatives here this week. Mr. Donham came here from Mt. Washington, where he has been editing "Among the Clouds."

Mr. and Mrs. Bridgham of Mechanic Falls are visiting their daughter, Mrs. E. M. Glover.

Mrs. Locke of Mechanic Falls has been visiting her sisters here this week.

Mr. Israel Gurney is here on a visit to his brother and sister.

The annual Harvest Home Festival was held in the vestry Friday evening, the 17th.

OXFORD.

Mrs. Haskell, wife of Truman Haskell, died Oct. 3d, the result of a fall a short time before. She left three children, Dr. Wm. Haskell, Ben Haskell of Massachusetts, and Mrs. Charles Bumpus.

Levi Packard met with a fatal accident Friday morning, the 10th. While driving, one of his oxen became frightened and jumped, throwing Mr. Packard and before he could regain his feet, one of the wheels of the heavily loaded cart passed over his body. He was carried to the house of F. Hayes, for whom he worked, and a doctor was summoned, and he was found to be in a serious condition, nearly all his ribs being broken. He died Friday afternoon. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Congregational church, under the auspices of the Odd Fellows, Rev. Frederick Newport officiating.

BROWNFIELD.

The remains of Mrs. J. M. Linscott, formerly of Brownfield, late of Boston, are to be brought to this town for interment.

Daniel A. Bean Post gave a dinner to comrades from abroad Tuesday last.

Mr. Wesley Johnson has bought the Central House owned by Mr. E. B. Bean and will soon take possession.

Mr. S. N. Adams is employed in Bridgton.

Dr. Marston has moved into the Dr. Gatchell house.

Mrs. Bradeen has gone to Haverhill, Mass., for an irdefinite time.

Mrs. Julia Bean has gone to Portland to attend the W. C. T. U. convention.

Mr. Greenlief of Portland is visiting his sister, Mrs. Albert Blake, and other friends in town.

NEWRY.

Mrs. Willard Wight of North Newry is quite sick with throat trouble.

Mrs. John Morse, of Grafton, went to Bethel Thursday with two little children. While near the covered bridge at Newry Corner, her horse stumbled and fell, and one of the children was thrown violently over the wheel of the carriage but was not seriously injured. The shafts to the carriage were broken. A very narrow escape.

Quite a crowd assembled at R. Kilgore's hall for a masked ball Thursday night. Those who came home in the wee sma' hours were witnesses of the total eclipse of the moon.

BETHEL.

Rev. Mr. Barton, pastor of the Universalist church, and Rev. Caroline Angell of Norway exchanged pulpits Sunday, Oct. 12.

Sunday evening a gospel temperance meeting was held at the Methodist church in which the three churches united. The meeting was addressed by the pastors, Rev. O. S. Pillsbury, Rev. C. N. Gleason and Rev. Caroline Angell. The speakers dealt with facts and it is hoped that we may see good results.

Tuesday, Mr. E. C. Bowler and Rev. and Mrs. Gleason went to Boston to attend the New England meeting of Christian Endeavor.

Tuesday evening the ladies of the Universalist church served a chicken pie supper. A nice supper was served and a pleasing program followed. The ladies added twenty dollars to their treasury.

A good delegation attended the National Convention of the W. C. T. U. in Portland.

Mrs. Fred Emery and little daughter Helen and Mrs. Lizzie Chandler of Mexico, Me., have been visiting friends in Bethel.

Thursday afternoon and evening Odd Fellows Hall proved to be the attraction, for the ladies of the M. E. Society held their annual fair. The hall was tastily decorated and articles useful and ornamental were for sale. A harvest supper was served at six o'clock. The ladies were well rewarded for their labor.

Miss E. E. Burnham held her opening of millinery and fancy goods Wednesday and Thursday, when visitors and patrons were shown a fine display of hats from the ready-to-wear to the real dress hats. Miss Burnham makes a specialty of laces and fine fancy goods and the display at this opening excelled all past efforts of the kind.

There was no session of schools Friday on account of the convention at Norway.

Four young ladies united with the Congregational church last Sunday.

There will be a cake sale in Garland Chapel Thursday afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock.

Miss Nellie Mercier has gone to Mexico with her aunt to spend the winter.

Mrs. Lucinda Clark went to Skowhegan a few weeks ago and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hiram Perkins. The remains were brought to Bethel and funeral services were held Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Dana Hall. Interment in the family lot in Woodlawn cemetery.

WEST BETHEL

Oh, it sets my heart a-clickin' like the tickin' of a clock,
When the frost is on the punkin and the fodder's in the shock!

—James Whitcomb Riley.

"Oh, apples, fragrant apples, piled high beside the presses,
And heaped in wain and basket 'neath the broad-branched, mossy trees,
Can we fairly call him sober—the splendid, rich October—
Pouring out his sweets and beauty in such lavish gifts as these?"

Fortunate is the man who owns a good wood lot.

L. H. Tyler has sold the E. G. Wheeler farm to Addison S. Bean of Mason.

Eugene A. Briggs of South Paris visited his father and brothers here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. O'Reilly and Miss Rosa Bean attended the Maine Music Festival in Portland.

H. E. Mason has moved from the Miss O. J. Grover house to the home of L. Ordway.

Lemuel Dunham, the Greenwood correspondent of the Democrat, made us a social call last week.

A. J. Haskell employs two young men to assist him in his cider mill and wormjuice is plentiful.

Schools were not in session here Friday—the teachers attended the convention at Norway.

Percy O'Brien recently lost a young and valuable horse, one of a matched span purchased in Norway.

Frequent falls of rain interfere with the digging of potatoes and the picking of apples, and cold weather draweth near.

BRYANT POND.

Orison Bryant, brother of Mrs. Emily Felt, arrived here this week from his home in California. It has been over thirty years since Mr. Bryant visited his childhood home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Andrews visited at Bangor and vicinity a few days this week. Mr. Andrews purchased a large quantity of goods for his store.

Miss May Allen is visiting her brother at Portland.

Mrs. Ansel Dudley has returned home from Portland. She reports her daughter, Ola Dudley, quite sick, so as to be unable to return home.

Miss Alice Day has recovered her health and returned to her work at the millinery shop.

James Libby has moved his family into the rent of Ansel Dudley, next to the store.

There is a small crew labeling at the corn shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Quinby Perham went to South Waterford this week to attend Pomona Grange.

Mrs. Myrta Gilman has gone to Portland.

There are a number going to Boston Monday on the excursion.

Mrs. Bessie Billings and Mrs. Lena Cummings are both convalescing.

Edwin Mann expects to resume business in his clothes-pin mill about the middle of November.

Business is flourishing at the spool mill.

George L. Stephens and Harold Day went to the lakes Thursday.

Engineer Bowker was in town this week.

Dr. Rollins of Phillips, Me., will stop at his daughter's, Mrs. Lunette Currier's, part of the winter and work at his profession.

EAST BETHEL.

Mr. Wm. R. Swan from Lynn, Mass., visited this place last week.

A number from this place will go on the excursion to Boston.

Mrs. W. F. S. Litchfield from Revere, Mass., visited at C. M. Kimball's last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stevens were guests at G. K. Hastings' last week.

Miss Hester Kimball attended the teachers' convention at Norway last Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. W. Bartlett entertained a number of their friends with an old-time husking last Monday night.

EAST WATERFORD.

B. W. Sanderson has returned to Bates.

Frank C. Shaw is so much improved in health that he visited at L. M. Sanderson's Wednesday.

There is to be an entertainment and box supper at the school house the evening of the 24th.

Mrs. William Emery has a little son born the 13th.

Ford Smith of Sabattis is at James Tibbetts'.

Charles Gammon has been at the hospital twice recently to have a growth in his mouth removed.

Adam Bellefontaine is visiting his people in Halifax.

EAST HEBRON.

Colds are prevalent since the frosty mornings returned.

A. P. Allen is sick and unable to go out. His apples are all out and so far they are unable to get help. Some are talking of getting up a bee for his benefit, as he has always been ready to lend a helping hand in sickness.

The farmers are shipping early fruit rather than keep it for higher prices.

Times have been more quiet the past week, since but few chickens now remain on the roost.

The ladies' circle, on the 23d, will have their fair in Grange hall.

School closes this week. The teacher, Margaret Everett, has given good satisfaction to scholars and parents. The prospect is fair for her to teach this winter's term in the new school house that is being erected.

Mrs. Snow of Bath is assisting her daughter, Mrs. Kelley.

Mr. and Mrs. James Heald from Sumner Hill passed last Sabbath with her mother, Mrs. S. H. Keene.

Mrs. Hiram Rawson from Paris Hill was in this near vicinity looking for a farm to her mind. The prospect is her husband will come here soon, and if S. M. Bean's farm suits his mind he will purchase.

Picking apples, ploughing and haying are all in progress this week.

BUCKFIELD.

Fred Atwood of Rumford Falls visited his parents Saturday.

Hon. A. P. Bonney of Auburn visited his native soil last week, returning to his home Saturday.

Clarence Hutchins and wife of Mechanic Falls visited at J. A. Rawson's over the Sabbath.

Allen Irish was with his parents Sunday. He has a situation at Bath.

Corn canning adjourned Wednesday with about 200,000 cans to their credit.

Some hunt, some shoot, but it remained for Bert Hutchinson to take the cake. While gathering cream on his route last Friday he took his gun along and shot 8 partridges.

Installation of Masonic officers came off Monday night. Ladies were along to participate in the feast.

Monday, Oct. 13, Bessie M. Caldwell, daughter of J. C. Caldwell, M. D., was married to Chas. P. Buck of Traverse City, Mich., by Rev. B. F. Turner, taking the afternoon train for the home of the groom amid a storm of rice, etc. Many and fine presents were reported.

The hotel stable has been moved to the southeast and is being raised to make room for a cellar.

Augustus Cloutier's blacksmith shop has been moved back making more yard room and other improvements.

Pigs well encased in burlap are $3, F. O. B. in this market.

Barrett Spaulding attends court as juror.

Buckfield Literary Club programme for October 28:

Quotations from D. G. Mitchell.
Character sketches by Mrs. Almira Irish.
Current events.
Essay, Irrigation of arid lands, by Mrs. Eliza Bryant.

Mrs. Elizabeth Waldron, who has been visiting friends in Portland, returned to her home Wednesday.

Bert Austin of Deering is visiting relatives in town.

J. H. Carey of Salem, Mass., arrived in town with his gun Thursday. He is with his daughter's family, wife of Dr. Harry Heald.

H. D. Irish and wife have returned from a visit to friends in Massachusetts.

The widow and son of the late William Davee, appreciating the great kindness of neighbors and the Grand Army comrades in their late bereavement, take this opportunity of expressing their heartfelt thanks.

MRS. E. J. DAVEE.
F. J. DVAEE.

SWEDEN.

Harry O. Saunders is visiting friends in Sebago and taking in the fair.

Ned N. Holden appears with a new span of work horses bought of Lyman Chadbourne of Bridgton.

Irving Chandler is at home from Cumberland Mills on a two weeks' vacation.

Frank E. Stone is at Paris attending court, he being one of the traverse jurymen.

S. L. Plummer has purchased of S. B. Church of Boston, a gasoline engine and ensilage cutter; has filled his own silo and is now at work in Waterford for Irving Hamlin and Ernest Pike.

GRAFTON.

Mr. F. Mahuron of Stewartstown, N. H., has a crew of men pressing hay for the farmers in this vicinity who have hay to sell.

Mrs. Martha E. Davis of Woodstock, who has been here on a visit to her sister and niece, returned home on Tuesday.

Mrs. Florice McInnis is visiting at her father's, A. F. Brooks'.

The circle met with Mrs. Nellie M. Brown on Thursday afternoon. There was a fair attendance considering the smallness of our numbers. They were very pleasantly entertained by Miss Ruth Brown with her graphophone.

Thursday night of this week was the coldest here for the season, freezing quite hard.

NORTH PARIS.

P. A. Crawford has received from Wisconsin three lambs—two ewes and one buck of the famous Rambouillet breed for which he paid a fancy price.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Beck and Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Wyman visited at G. G. Fuller's, Oct. 12.

Frank Farris is at work for A. J. Abbott.

A. D. Littlehale is packing apples for F. L. Barrett.

David Corbett visited at Harvey Corbett's last week.

F. E. Gowell visited his mother and brother at South Paris, Oct. 12.

SOUTH RUMFORD.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Putnam have gone to Millinockett to visit their daughter, Mrs. John Longley.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Hemingway and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Neal have moved to Virginia into Aaron Hall's new home. They have rented their farm to Fred Staples for a year.

Herbert Hall boards with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sloan, who have moved into the Zircon House.

Mrs. Frances Silver has moved to her old home at Rumford Point.

Mrs. M. L. Wyman is visiting relatives and friends in Boston. Susie Elliott is housekeeper while she is away.

Dr. J. F. Putnam went to Washington, on the G. A. R. excursion.

W. F. Clark shot a small deer in Mexico last week.

George H. Jacobs returned to his home in Boston Oct. 14, after a six weeks' visit at M. L. Wyman's.

Maggie Bessey is at home from Mechanic Falls where she has been attending school and Mrs. Arthurs has gone away from Dr. Putnam's.

DENMARK.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Smith have been spending a few weeks' vacation in Dixfield, Canada.

After a long sickness Mr. L. A. Ingalls died Sunday morning at 4 o'clock. Funeral services were held at Odd Fellows Hall Tuesday afternoon, Rev. L. A. McKenna officiating. Denmark Lodge, No. 50, I.O. O. F., of which he was a member, attended in a body and performed the usual burial service.

It is reported that Burnham & Morrill Co., packers of corn, will pay 2 cents per lb. next year instead of 1 1-2, the present price.

Mr. Thomas Randall, agent of the Portland Star Match Co., has been in town a few days.

MASON.

Mr. Addison Bean has bought him a place at West Bethel and is moving this week. Sorry to lose a good neighbor.

Edward Uhlman, who bought Eddie Bean's farm, is here to take possession the 25th.

Irving Hutchinson, Ray Mills and Douglas Cushing are hauling wood to West Bethel.

Rob Hastings was in town one day this week looking after his men on the dam.

Ernest Morrill is moving into the woods this week. Edward McPhee is helping him.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT ON "THE PRESIDENCY."

Before his nomination for the Vice-Presidency Theodore Roosevelt wrote expressly for The Youth's Companion an article on "The Presidency." It will be published in the number for November 6th, this being one of the remaining weekly issues of 1902 sent free from the time of subscription to every new subscriber who at once sends $1.75 for The Companion's 1903 volume. When this article on "The Presidency" was written no one could have foreseen or dreamed even that its author would so soon be called upon to take up the duties of the great office. For this reason alone what Mr. Roosevelt has to say possesses extraordinary interest, and will be eagerly awaited by persons of all shades of political opinion.

A twenty-eight-page Prospectus of the 1903 volume of The Youth's Companion and sample copies of the paper will be sent free to any address.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION,
144 Berkeley Street, Boston, Mass.

All honor to little Eustis in northern Franklin County. At a special town meeting the citizens voted 47 to 5 against the proposition to sell the pines owned by the town to a lumberman who wanted them. The pines make a noble grove through which the highway runs, and are one of the chief natural beauties of that section. The amount offered, $3,000, would have paid the town debt, but the voters felt that they could pay the debt some other way and not despoil the most attractive spot in town.

REBELS IN WASHINGTON.

GEN. EARLY'S MEN IN THE CAPITAL CITY IN 1864.—SOME LITTLE-KNOWN HISTORY.

Editor Democrat:

One of the most important events of the war of the Rebellion is known to but few—and those the soldiers now living who participated in it. None of the histories of the war give any account of the affair, news of it being suppressed at the time (kept out of the papers) on account of the discouraging effect it might have upon the country.

I know that time will dim the memory somewhat as to every-day affairs, but my recollection of what took place on that July morning, nearly forty years ago, is just as fresh in my mind to-day as if it happened but yesterday.

In July, 1864, the 12th Maine Regiment arrived in Washington from New Orleans. We landed from the boat at midnight, and at break of day the drummers beat the long roll, and the officers gave orders to fall in line, saying, "The rebels are in Washington!" The regiment was formed in line in less than one minute, and we were on the double-quick driving the enemy before us. They had invaded the city with quite a large force. The following letter from Comrade Robinson gives the part his corps had in the affair, and additional testimony can be furnished, but we trust that this will be satisfactory to those who have doubted that the rebels ever marched their troops into Washington during the war.

HENRY H. MAXIM.

South Paris, Maine.

HARTFORD, ME., Oct. 9th, 1902.

DEAR COMRADE:

Your esteemed favor duly at hand. You are perfectly right. Jubal Early's troops did get into Washington in July, 1864. When he made his raid down the valley, his object was to capture Washington, it being the first time that all the Union troops had ever been sent to the front and the capital left uncovered.

Our corps—the 6th—was hastily detached from in front of Petersburg and forwarded with all possible haste by transports to Washington. We got there not a minute too soon. We double-quicked down the gang plank and up into the city. We met a rebel column swarming up Beech Street, and one of our division batteries (the 5th Maine, I think,) unlimbered under the personal direction of Gen. Upton and raked that street with grape and canister.

In the meantime another detachment of Early's troops had got into Fort Stevens, and had nearly turned two of the heavy 100-pound guns around in an effort to fire on the capitol building. Our division, the 1st of the 6th corps, with Upton leading, charged the fort and recovered it.

I simply *know this*, as I was one insignificant unit in that charge. We followed them out some miles, and at the same time made a junction with a corps just arrived from the Department of the Gulf—the 19th—and with the 8th Corps, and these three corps formed with Custer's cavalry, the Army of the Shenandoah; Gen. Wright in command until the arrival of Sheridan.

We played a game of hide and seek through Maryland and Virginia from that time until Sept. 19th, when we got at them at Winchester or Opequan Creek.

I think this affair was not much spoken of in the public press until after we had smashed Early at Winchester and Fisher's Hill.

Very Truly Yours,
W. SCOTT ROBINSON.

WILLIAM M'KENNEY.

Died, in Paris, Me., Oct 2, William McKenney, aged 89 years, 9 months. He was born in Cape Elizabeth, and removed with his parents to Paris at the age of 13 years. His was a family remarkable for longevity. At the death of his parents, aged respectively 91 and 89 years, their eleven children were all living. The oldest lived to be one hundred lacking four months. He had a cousin who lived to be 103.

He married Mary L. Bessey, and they were the parents of nine children. Their four oldest sons were volunteers in the civil war. Three children survive him—two daughters and one son, Frank P., the youngest of the children, and who cared tenderly for him in his last years, and at whose home he died.

OXFORD POMONA.

Oxford County Pomona Grange will hold its November meeting at West Minot on the first Tuesday. Programme:

Routine work.
Topic for Woman's Half Hour. Have mothers more influence in the education of children than fathers? Discussion opened by some sister of West Minot Grange.
Music by West Minot Grange.
Reading by Hebron Grange.
One-half hour for use by West Minot Grange.
Recitation by Norway Grange.
Song by Franklin Grange
Reading by Hebron Grange.
Topic, How can agricultural fairs be improved for the benefit of the farmer? Opened by members of West Minot Grange.

Granges desiring to entertain Pomona for year 1903 will please signify their wishes to the secretary at once.

J. A. ROBERTS, Sec.

What is believed to be a message from a passenger on the ill-fated steamer Portland, which was lost with all on board in the November gale of 1898, was found a few days since in a bottle picked up on the beach of Indian Island, N. B. The paper bore beside the message the name of "Hooper, Portland, Me." which would seem to substantiate it, as Oren Hooper of Portland, Me., was one of those who was lost with the ship. The message, which was written in pencil, was as follows: "Portland going down off Cape Cod, fighting for our lives; no time to write." On the back of it was the name "Hooper, Portland, Me." The paper was yellow with age and the writing much faded.

GOES LIKE HOT CAKES.

"The fastest selling article I have in my store," writes druggist C. T. Smith, of Davis, Ky., "is Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, because it always cures. In my six years of sales it has never failed. I have known it to save sufferers from Throat and Lung diseases, who could get no help from doctors or any other remedy." Mothers rely on it, best physicians prescribe it, and F. A. Shurtleff & Co., South Paris; Noyes Drug Store, Norway; guarantee satisfaction or refund price. Trial bottles free. Reg. sizes 50c. and $1.00.

HIS LIFE IN PERIL.

"I just seemed to have gone all to pieces," writes Alfred Bee, of Welfare, Tex., "billiousness and a lame back had made life a burden. I couldn't eat or sleep and felt almost too worn out to work when I began to use Electric Bitters, but they worked wonders. Now I sleep like a top, can eat anything, have gained in strength and enjoy hard work." They give vigorous health and new life to weak, sickly, run-down people. Try them. Only 50 cts. at F. A. Shurtleff & Co's., South Paris; Noyes Drug Store, Norway.

Building operations at Houlton have progressed quite as rapidly since the fire of May 17, as could be expected under the circumstances. Upwards of thirty residences have been built on the burned district, besides as many more in other parts of the town. Such a large proportion of these are now fit for occupancy, that the stress of living room has been considerably relieved. Many of the new residences are of modern architecture, and will, when completed, do much to restore Houlton to its former picturesque beauty, if not even to surpass it.

AMERICA'S FAMOUS BEAUTIES.

Look with horror on Skin Eruptions, Blotches, Sores, Pimples. They don't have them, nor will any one, who uses Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It glorifies the face. Eczema or Salt Rheum vanish before it. It cures sore lips, chapped hands, chilblains. Infallible for Piles. 25c at F. A. Shurtleff & Co.'s, South Paris; Noyes Drug Store, Norway.

OUT OF DEATH'S JAWS.

"When death seemed very near from a severe stomach and liver trouble, that I had suffered with for years," writes P. Muse, Durham, N. C., "Dr. King's New Life Pills saved my life and gave perfect health." Best pills on earth and only 25c. at F. A. Shurtleff & Co., South Paris, and Noyes Drug Store, Norway.

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT.

OCTOBER TERM, 1902.

Sewall C. Strout, Justice Presiding.
Charles F. Whitman, Clerk.
A. H. Whitman, Stenographer.
Ellery C. Park, County Attorney.
James R. Tucker, Sheriff.
H. E. Hammond, Crier.
W. A. Barrows, Messenger.

The October court opened promptly at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, Judge Strout in silk robe presiding. Rev. J. H. Little of the South Paris Universalist church offered prayer, and the organization of the court proceeded with the usual formality.

The grand jury was empaneled as follows:

GRAND JURY.

Darius S. Sanborn, Norway, Foreman.
N. F. Brown, Bethel.
Henry A. Chase, Peru.
George C. Cole, Jr., Greenwood.
Aaron O. Corbett, Paris.
H. W. Coy, Oxford.
Elmer B. Davis, Woodstock.
J. M. Doyen, Mexico.
Charles W. Farrington, Fryeburg.
William Gammon, Stoneham.
Eben N. Gilpatrick, Hiram.
Charles W. Harmon, Brownfield.
Abel D. Holt, Dixfield.
Whiter S. Kimball, Rumford.
G. Perley McAllister, Lovell.
A. Lincoln Purkis, Buckfield.
Charles W. Walker, Canton.
Ashley Weeks, Porter.

Judge Strout charged the grand jury regarding their duties, briefly, but clearly and comprehensively. They then retired to their room and the traverse juries were empaneled as follows:

FIRST JURY.

Adelbert Delano, Canton, Foreman.
A. C. Andrews, Stow.
Aldana Brooks, Upton.
Alvin Brown, Norway.
Charles Chandler, Fryeburg.
William L. Chapman, Bethel.
John W. Chute, Paris.
John Colby, Denmark.
Fred J. Dunbar, Hebron.
Daniel Fletcher, Hartford.
W. S. French, Oxford.
Sherman Haselton, Albany.

SECOND JURY.

John E. Stephens, Rumford, Foreman.
J. H. Jenne, Roxbury.
William H. Merrow, Bethel.
William A. Paul, Dixfield.
Frank E. Quint, Brownfield.
David P. Richards, Andover.
G. Barrett Spaulding, Buckfield.
Frank E. Stone, Sweden.
M. L. Thurston, Newry.
Elmer E. Tuell, Paris.
P. T. Wadsworth, Hiram.
George C. West, Sumner.

SUPERNUMERARIES.

H. B. Whitman, Mexico.
Frank G. Noble, Norway.

Frank H. Morse of Waterford, who had been drawn, was excused on account of illness.

There was an unusually full attendance of lawyers, not more than two or three of the regular practitioners in the county being absent from the assembly which filled the bar. In addition there were several visitors from other counties, including Judge Enoch Foster of Portland, Hon. J. M. Libby of Mechanic Falls, E. M. Briggs of Auburn, S. I. Gould of Portland, and Williams of Lewiston.

The docket was called, and a trial list of sixteen cases was made up, which is rather shorter than the usual list. The assignment of these cases for trial produced some of the usual difficulties. It had been supposed the case of Ethel B. York vs. Magalloway Plantation was to go on trial Wednesday morning. Both parties to the suit had made arrangements to that effect, but the plaintiff, after getting as far as Bethel, was taken ill. According to the physician's report, she would not be able to attend before the second week of the term, even if she was then. No other case was ready for trial at once, and it was found impracticable to assign

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SOUTH PARIS.

SOUTH PARIS POST OFFICE.

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

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.
Commencing Sept. 28, 1902,

TRAINS LEAVE SOUTH PARIS

Going down (east)—5:26 A. M., (daily, Sundays included), 9:30 A. M., 4:40 P. M. Sunday only, 6:00 P. M.

Going up (west)—10:00 A. M., 3:28 P. M., 8:47 P. M., (daily, Sundays included). Sunday only, 8:22 A. M.

CHURCHES.

First Congregational Church. Rev. W. E. Brooks, D. D., pastor. Preaching services, 10:45 A. M. and 7:00 P. M.; Sunday School 12 M.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6 P. M.; Church prayer meeting on Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All, not otherwise connected, are cordially invited.

Methodist Church, Rev. A. W. Pottle, Pastor. On Sunday, morning prayer meeting, 9:30 A. M.; preaching service 10:45 A. M.; Sabbath School 12 M.; Epworth League Meeting, 6:15 P. M.; evening prayer meeting 7 P. M.; prayer meeting Tuesday evening; class meeting, Friday evening.

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

Universalist Church, Rev. J. H. Little, Pastor. Preaching service every Sunday at 2:30 P. M., in New Hall. Sunday School at 3:30 P. M.

STATED MEETINGS.

F. & A. M.—Paris Lodge, No. 94. Regular meeting Tuesday evening on or before full moon.

I. O. O. F.—Mount Mica Lodge, regular meetings, Thursday evening of each week.—Aurora Encampment, first and third Monday evenings of each month.

D. of R.—Mount Pleasant Rebekah Lodge, No. 30, meets second and fourth Fridays of each month in Odd Fellows' Hall.

G. A. R.—W. K. Kimball Post, No. 148, meets first and third Saturday evenings of each month, in G. A. R. Hall.

Wm. K. Kimball Relief Corps meets first and third Saturday evenings of each month, in Relief Corps Hall.

P. of H.—Paris Grange, from May 1 to Oct. 1, meets second and fourth Saturday; during the remainder of the year, meets every Saturday, in Grange Hall.

U. O. G. C.—Second and fourth Mondays of each month.

N. E. O. P.—Stony Brook Lodge, No. 181, meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month.

K. of P.—Hamlin Lodge, No. 31, meets every Friday evening at Pythian Hall.

Modern Woodmen of America.—South Paris Camp, No. 10367, meets second and fourth Tuesday evenings in Goblen Cross Hall.

G. H. Porter started his cider mill last Monday.

The iron bridges are having a coat of paint, put on by Amos Bird and Frank Kimball.

A. E. Morse reads this Monday evening at an entertainment given by Falmouth Grange at West Falmouth.

E. P. Woodbury, superintendent of the Industrial School at Lancaster, Mass., is the guest of his sister, Mrs. J. W. Chute.

N. Dayton Bolster has prepared for the settlement of the coal strike by equipping his residence with a new Magee combination hot air and hot water heater.

Amos A. Bird was laid off from work a few days last week, on account of having his hands poisoned by the coal tar paint which he was using on the iron bridges.

A freight train which went up the line Thursday morning was made up of 64 cars, and while most of them may have been empty, there were at least a dozen heavily loaded coal and flat cars. It was drawn by one of the big compound locomotives, which pulled it without difficulty, but gave evidence of doing considerable work on the grade.

The price of apples seems to be showing a little improvement. W. G. Everett, G. P. Abbott, the Hammonds and others in that neighborhood sold theirs last week at $2.00, to be packed this week. Some of the other buyers who have been offering $1.50 say that it looks as if they would have to increase their offer soon, while others say that they cannot pay more than $1.50 any way.

J. Mellen Cummings, who, as everybody in South Paris knows, has sawed a good deal of wood in the last nineteen years, was reckoning up a few days since what the amount of work was that he had done in that line. Though he has kept no record, he is confident that the total is not less than two thousand cords. That, piled four feet high, would make a pile of cord wood more than three miles long. Doesn't it make your back ache just to think of it?

Plans for the Universalist church have been prepared by S. P. Maxim, and while they will not be acted upon fully this year, they are approved as far as dimensions go, and the foundation will be put in this fall. The plans include a main building 40 x 48 feet, with a vestry connected 25 x 35 feet. On the back side is a wing 8 feet deep and 24 feet wide, for organ and other purposes. The basement contains furnace room, kitchen, and large dining room. The total frontage on Pine Street is 75 feet.

Miss Livonia Knight died last Monday, the 13th, at her home in the south part of the town, aged nearly 67 years. The funeral at 2 P. M. Wednesday was attended by Rev. J. H. Little of the Universalist church. For many years Miss Knight and her two brothers, Hudson and Horace, have lived a quiet home life on the home farm. They have always been known as specially well informed people on all topics of the day, more reading matter going into their home every week than into almost any other in the vicinity. The younger brother, Horace, died on the 7th of September, and now the death of the sister leaves the elder brother, Hudson, alone.

The transfer of the local telephone exchange of the New England Telephone Company to the Eastern Telephone Company was fully accomplished last week, and since Wednesday all lines have been connected with the switchboard in the Eastern central office at Norway. Mrs. Butler remains in charge. It is understood that some re-arrangement of numbers will be necessary, and that when this is completed a list of subscribers will be issued. By the combination of the two exchanges, about 175 subscribers are brought into one exchange. All the transmitters are Bell long distance, and connection may be had by any one with the long distance lines of the New England Telephone Co.

A good audience attended the temperance meeting at the court house Wednesday evening. Hon. George D. Bisbee of Rumford Falls presided, and the meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Brooks. Besides Chairman Bisbee, the meeting was addressed by Rev. Messrs. A. W. Pottle, W. E. Brooks and J. H. Little of South Paris and B. S. Rideout of Norway, and by C. F. Whitman, J. H. Bean and James S. Wright. Pointed reference was made by one speaker to the local enforcement of the law, which was fully approved. Opposition to resubmission was expressed by the speakers generally, and before the meeting closed a vote of the audience was taken on the question which was unanimous in opposition.

Ethan Willis, who had been seriously ill for some time, died at his home on Church Street last Monday afternoon, aged nearly 73 years. The funeral Wednesday afternoon was attended by Rev. A. W. Pottle of the Methodist church, of which church Mr. Willis was a faithful member and in which he was an earnest worker. Mr. Willis had lived in South Paris about twelve years, the larger portion of his life previous to that time having been spent in West Paris. He was a carpenter and builder by trade, and had done much work in Oxford County and elsewhere. His last extensive work in South Paris was on Billings Block, which he and Franklin Maxim took the contract to build. He built the stations on the extension of the Portland and Rumford Falls Railway from Canton to Rumford Falls, and in 1901 superintended the erection of a large number of dwelling houses at Rumford Falls for the Rumford Falls Power Co., which was his last work. He was a man of sterling honesty, universally respected, and his death is a loss to the community. During the civil war Mr. Willis served in the Eighteenth Massachusetts Regiment, and was a member of Wm. K. Kimball Post, G. A. R., which attended the funeral in a body, as did the Relief Corps. He was also a member of the Odd Fellows lodge at West Paris. He is survived by a widow and three children by a former wife—Mrs. H. H. Houghton of Auburn, William F. Willis of West Paris, and C. H. Willis of Portland. Burial was at West Paris.

William B. Russell and wife are visiting at Leeds.

George Ham is spending a week in Albany hunting.

The additional tier of cells is being put in at the jail.

E. G. Peterson of Portland is a guest of Wirt Stanley this week.

A. J. Bigelow of Berlin, formerly of South Paris, was in town Sunday.

Mrs. Charles M. Titcomb of Rumford Falls made a short visit here last week.

Mrs. J. F. Stanley of the Auburn Hatchery was at C. W. Bowker's last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bonney of Sumner were guests at J. D. Haynes' last Wednesday.

The Relief Corps will have an informal meeting at their room next Saturday evening.

Chester Record and family have moved from Portland into a rent in Leon Tufts' house.

Advertised letter in South Paris postoffice Oct. 20:

Chris Donoho.

Dr. J. W. Davis and family of Cliff Island made a short visit at Dr. C. L. Buck's last week.

The Washington excursionists, who returned home last week, give glowing accounts of the trip.

Rev. A. W. Pottle of the Methodist church exchanged pulpits with Rev. B. F. Fickett of Norway Sunday.

Mrs. Clara Howard is visiting her sister at Jamaica Plain and other relatives and friends in Massachusetts.

Judge Strout is accompanied by Mrs. Strout at this term of court. They are stopping at the Andrews House.

Fred Jackson of Lynn, Mass., a resident of Paris when a boy, visited his aunt, Mrs. S. F. Briggs, a few days last week.

The ladies of the Baptist Social Circle will give a supper Thursday evening at 6:30 o'clock and entertainment to which all are cordially invited, price 15 cents.

The Good Cheer Society meets Wednesday afternoon, and it is desired that all members shall be present, to make arrangements regarding the association next week.

W. D. Morrison and wife of Rutherford, N. J., are guests of Mrs. Morrison's brother, L. S. Billings. Mr. Morrison is an assistant superintendent for the Pullman Company with an office in Jersey City.

The second lecture in the People's Course will be given by Judge Percival Bonney of the Cumberland Superior Court, at the Methodist church next Friday evening. Subject, "A New England Town."

The schools were all suspended on Friday, while the teachers attended the convention of the Oxford County Teachers' Association at Norway. Some more than a hundred teachers, from all parts of the county, were in attendance, and very interesting and profitable sessions are reported.

Among those who went to Boston on the excursion Monday morning were A. H. Doble and wife, Master Louis Clark, F. A. Shurtleff and wife, Mrs. W. P. Morton, Mrs. H. E. Wilson, Mrs. Charles Edwards, Miss Annie Edwards, N. C. McKeen, E. M. Thayer, H. B. Holden. A large number of tickets for the excursion were sold, both at this station and at Norway.

Mrs. Eliza R. Wheeler, widow of Joseph Wheeler, died Friday at the home of her son, P. E. Wheeler, in South Paris, at the age of 85 years. The funeral Sunday afternoon was attended by Rev. A. W. Pottle, assisted by Rev. Dr. Brooks. Paris Grange, of which Mrs. Wheeler was a member, was present in a body, and performed the burial service of the order at the house. Mrs. Wheeler has had seven sons. The oldest one died in the army. The other six are living, in various places in Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

Sheriff Tucker on Wednesday searched the room in Mrs. Rideout's rent in Davis Block occupied by Linneus R. Cole. He found there two gallons of hard liquors of various kinds, in bottles and demijohns, and an empty jug. Mr. Cole was taken into custody, and Thursday morning was arraigned in the Norway Municipal Court on a search and seizure complaint. He pleaded guilty, but was adjudged guilty by the court, and sentenced to a fine of $100 and costs of about $10, or sixty days in jail. He appealed, and furnishing bonds was released from custody. Mr. Cole paid a fine for single sale a few weeks since.

Ground was broken for the Universalist church at 8:30 Monday morning, and quite an audience were in attendance. Rev. Mr. Little, in opening, read a portion of the account of building the tabernacle, and offered prayer. He followed this with a brief appropriate address, and then called upon S. P. Stearns as the oldest member of the parish trustees, to throw up the first shovelful of earth. Mr. Stearns was followed by several others of the parish, men and women, and a few representatives of other parishes and denominations, each of whom threw out a shovelful of earth. The exercises closed with singing of the doxology, and benediction.

The Good Cheer Society furnished supper for over 150 at its anniversary entertainment Tuesday evening. The supper was served in Grand Army Hall, which was nearly three times filled. The evening's entertainment was given in New Hall, beginning at 8 o'clock. The principal feature of the entertainment was Mrs. Jarley's Wax Works, which was given in two sections. Mrs. R. L. Cummings as Mrs. Jarley set forth the attractions of the collection in glowing terms, and Albert D. Park and George Soper in burnt cork brought in the "figgers" and manipulated them with much dexterity. The characters represented were too many to enumerate, but they were varied and highly amusing. Between the sections of the wax works a miscellaneous programme was given, including a song by Howard Shaw, followed by an instrumental duet by the little Misses Dean, a song by the little Misses Chandler, and a song and dance by Ralph Andrews and Raymond Penfold, all of which were heartily encored. There was also a series of well-posed tableaux. The audience filled the hall beyond its seating capacity, and the financial results of the evening were very satisfactory.

The first lecture of the People's Lecture Course under the auspices of the Epworth League was given at the Methodist church Friday evening by Rev. C. E. Lund of Portland. It was an illustrated lecture on the subject, "Twentieth Century's Ideals." The ideals aimed at were in general terms a more even division of the products of labor and the improvement of the condition of the masses, especially the laboring men. He showed quite a list of views illustrating the work of co-operative labor in England and Scotland—pictures of the factories and the homes, all owned by the workmen, with description of the plan on which they are conducted. It was probably a surprise to many in the audience to learn that co-operative labor was doing so much. Coming to our own country, he showed various scenes representing some of the serious social problems which we are now facing. The ultimate result of present conditions which Mr. Lund sees, and that which is to correct the inequalities of the present system, is public ownership. His idea is similar to Edward Bellamy's, and, like Bellamy, he takes into account certain economic truths which the writers of text books have heretofore ignored. He differs from Bellamy in one important respect. Bellamy did away with human greed simply by the mechanical process of reconstructing our industrial system. Mr. Lund, on the other hand, does not expect to abolish all the wrong and evils of the present, except by the inculcation of the spirit of Christ and the establishment of Christian fraternity among all classes of men. The lecture is open to criticism for assuming some things as fact which are clearly debatable, and for an occasional bit of rhetoric which a little examination of statistics might have modified, but was nevertheless entertaining, instructive, and far-seeing.

NORWAY.

CHURCHES.

Second Congregational Church, Rev. B. S. Rideout, Pastor. Preaching service Sunday, 10:40 A. M.; Sabbath School, 12:00 M.; Men's Prayer Meeting at 6:30; Social Meeting, 7:15 P. M.; regular weekly Prayer Meeting, Thursday evening; Y. P. S. C. E. Meeting Friday evening 7:30.

Universalist Church, Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Pastor. Preaching service on Sunday, at 10:30 A. M.; Sabbath School, 12 M.; Y. P. C. U. meeting, 7:00 P. M.

Methodist Church, Rev. B. F. Fickett, Pastor. Preaching service, 10:30 A. M.; Sabbath School, 12:00 M.; Social Evening Meeting, 7:00 P. M.; prayer meeting, Tuesday evening; class meeting, Friday evening.

Baptist Church. Rev. E. S. Cotton, Pastor. Preaching service, 10:30 A. M.; Sabbath School, 12:00 M. Prayer Meeting Sunday evening 7 P. M.

STATED MEETINGS.

F. & A. M. Regular meeting of Oxford Lodge No. 18, in Masonic Hall, Friday Evening on or before full moon. Oxford Royal Arch Chapter, No. 29, assembles Wednesday Evening, on or before full moon. Oxford Council, R. & S. M., Friday evening, after full moon. Oxford Lodge, No. 1, Ark Mariners, Wednesday evening after full moon.

I. O. O. F.—Norway Lodge.—Regular meeting in Odd Fellows' Hall, every Tuesday Evening. Wildey Encampment, No. 21, meets in Odd Fellows' Hall, second and fourth Friday Evenings of each month. Mt. Hope Rebekah Lodge, No. 58, meets on first and third Friday of each month.

K. of P.—Regular meeting in Hathaway Block every Thursday Evening. U. R., A. O. Noyes Division, No. 12, meets third Friday of each month. Lake Assembly, No. 33, P. S., second and fourth Friday evenings of each month.

P. of H.—Norway Grange meets second and fourth Saturdays of each month at Grange Hall.

G. A. R.—Harry Rust Post, No. 54, meets in New G. A. R. Hall on the first Tuesday Evening of each month.

W. R. C.—Meets in New G. A. R. Hall, Monday evening.

N. E. O. P.—Lakeside Lodge, No. 177, meets in New G. A. R. Hall, on the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month.

O. U. A. M.—Norway and South Paris Council, No. 10, meets at G. A. R. Hall every Tuesday evening.

U. O. P. F.—Elm Tree Colony, No. 199, meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month.

U. O. G. C.—Norway Commandery, No. 247, meets second and fourth Thursday evenings of each month

S. A. Stevens, Esq., has been confined to his house with a severe cold.

Bertha A. Allen has sold her house opposite the corn shop to Charles E. Dearborn of Bridgton. Mr. Dearborn will move on to the place at once and make his home here.

Eastern Telephone Co., local and long distance, is the new sign at the Beal Block office. The New England and the Eastern have consolidated and the competition in the telephone business is a thing of history. The library and telegraph office will continue to exist at the Crooker building as heretofore.

Mrs. T. H. Sawin is visiting in Boston for a few weeks.

Russell F. Merrill and daughter were paid in settlement of their suits for false imprisonment the sum of $325. Each side pays its own attorneys and other expenses.

The attorneys have all been at court during the week.

Mrs. E. C. Tarr, after a very serious sickness of several weeks, is improving.

At the annual meeting of Oxford Chapter, No. 29, the following officers were elected after the various reports for the year were considered:

H. P.—Frank N. Barker, M. D.
K.—Walter L. Gray.
S.—Albert J. Stearns.
Treas.—E. F. Smith.
Sec.—G. E. Tubbs.
Finance Committee—H. D. Smith, C. H. Adams and A. C. T. King.

C. L. Hathaway has changed and greatly improved the front of the store now occupied by E. M. Thomas & Co. as a boot and shoe store. New windows and doors with large panes of glass add greatly to the attractiveness of the place.

At the organization of the various women's clubs into the Norway Federation of Women's Clubs at Concert Hall Wednesday afternoon the following were the officers elected:

President—Mrs. Christine A. Stephens.
Vice-Presidents—Mrs. Mary Howe, Mrs. Sumner Parker, Mrs. Edith Bartlett, and Mrs. Margaret Libby.
Secretary—Mrs. Alice Woodsum.
Treasurer—Mrs. Ursula Perry.
Auditor—Mrs. Ada Libby.

Meetings will be held in February, May and October each year.

A delegation of about twenty-five Masons from Oxford Lodge, No. 18, F. and A. M., visited Mount Tirem Lodge, No. 132, Tuesday evening. Work in the third degree was followed by a most elaborate banquet. The company reported a most pleasant visit.

Osgood Drew of North Fryeburg was in town this week with friends.

Horace P. Sawyer and O. F. Edgecomb have gone to Bemis where they have work painting at the Thayer cottage. They left Thursday.

Prin. V. M. Whitman is suffering with a wrenched knee this week, the result of a game of football.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Stiles of Portland visited Postmaster Stiles this week.

Silas D. Andrews has greatly improved his buildings with a coat of paint.

Marguerite Finney is working at the telephone office as assistant.

It is reported that Rev. J. M. Pullman, who owing to sickness did not speak at the Universalist centennial, will in the near future lecture at the Universalist church in this place.

Rev. F. E. Barton of Bethel preached at the Universalist church Sunday to a large congregation. He exchanged with Rev. Miss Angell.

At the regular meeting of Oxford Lodge, No. 18, F. and A. M., at Masonic Hall Friday evening, the following officers were installed by Grand Master A. S. Kimball assisted by Grand Marshal B. F. Bradbury:

Master—Geo. Hazen.
S. W.—A. J. Stearns.
J. W.—C. P. Barnes.
S. D.—H. F. Andrews.
J. D.—Harry Farris, M. D.
S. S.—James Favor.
J. S.—G. L. Curtis.
Treas.—Lee M. Smith.
Sec.—H. D. Smith.
Marshal—E. F. Smith.
Chaplain—J. E. Budden.
Organist—H. P. Jones.

UNIVERSALIST ASSOCIATION.

Following is the programme for the annual fall meeting of the Oxford Association of Universalists, which will be held at South Paris, Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 29 and 30:

WEDNESDAY.

10:30 A. M. Convention called to order and address by President Bennett.
Response, Rev. J. H. Little.
11:00 A. M. Address, "The Unfolding Life," Rev. W. J. Taylor.
12:00 M. Dinner.
2:00 P. M. Service of Song.
2:15 P. M. Address, "Some Lessons of the Lord's Supper," Rev. C. R. Tenney.
Communion service, Rev. J. H. Little and Rev. C. R. Tenney officiating.
3:30 P. M. Address, Rev. C. E. Angell.
6:00 P. M. Supper.
7:30 P. M. Praise service.
7:45 P. M. Address, Rev. W. W. Hooper.
Address, Rev. M. B. Townsend.

THURSDAY.

8:30 A. M. Conference meeting, led by Bro. Geo. L. Merrill.
9:30 A. M. Business: Election of officers. Reports from parishes. Reports from secretary and treasurer.
Question box. Practical problems.
12:00. Dinner.
1:30 P. M. Song service.
1:45 P. M. Address, Rev. Isabella S. MacDuff.
2:30 P. M. Address, Rev. W. E. Gaskin.
6:00 P. M. Supper.
7:00 P. M. Addresses: Rev. A. Gertrude Earle, "Have We a Living Faith?"
Rev. F. E. Barton, "Small Things and Great in Religion."

Half fare rates on the Grand Trunk and Portland and Rumford Falls roads. Tickets good going Oct. 29th and 30th, to return on or before Nov. 1st.

Visitors will be entertained at the homes of the people of the parish for lodging and breakfast. Dinner and supper will be provided by the Good Cheer Society at 25 cents for dinner and 20 cents for supper.

In affliction and sorrow how sweet is sympathy. We are so grateful to our neighbors and friends who so lovingly and kindly ministered to our loved one while here and have helped us so much by sympathy and kindness in our great affliction.

EDWIN I. SPOFFORD AND FAMILY.

Thunder showers were quite lively and long continued Sunday evening. We have had lightning during every calendar month of the season, from February to October inclusive, with the exception of September. Possibly there may have been some during that month also, but the Democrat failed to note it.

PENSION MATTERS

Increase of pension to $12.00 per month has been granted to Orren Whittemore, Welchville.

During the year 1902 Kennebec County has received in fines from violators of the prohibitory law $42,149.23, which is about $14,000.00 more than in 1901.

Calais reports Maine's first snow storm of the season on October 10. It was enough to cover the ground.

FOOTBALL.

The high school team seems to be picking up, judging from their victory over Mechanic Falls high on Saturday. The Paris boys won out 21 to 6.

Mechanic Falls won the toss and took the south goal, and Lyon kicked out of bounds on the kick off. The ball was brought in 15 yards, then Mechanic Falls was held, and Paris with brilliant line plunges by Shaw, Penfold and Lindley, scored a touchdown within a minute and a half's play. Lyon failed at a goal.

Then Mechanic Falls kicked to Lyon, who fumbled on his own 20-yard line, and Mechanic Falls got the ball. Paris held them and threw them back on the third down, but in some manner Blackinton skirted the crowd for a touchdown and kicked the goal. That ended things up for Mechanics. In the same half Lindley, Strout and Penfold got touchdowns, and Lyon kicked two goals, but one did not count because a Paris man was off-side. On the second half neither side scored, but Shaw saved a touchdown by a pretty running dive tackle on Blackinton, who again got away from the crowd.

Every man on the Paris team played a splendid game. There were only two offside plays, and two punts. Wheeler played a great game, also McAlister. They both opened up holes big enough to run a wagon through. Parlin played a steady game as did Lindley.

PARIS.	MECHANIC FALLS.
Record, l.e.	r.e. Garrett.
Strout, F., l.t.	r.t. Young.
Kenney, l.g.	r.g. Prince.
Strout, S., c.	C. Leach.
Wheeler, r.g.	l.g. Royal.
Penfold, r.t.	l.t. Rowe.
Parlin, r.e.	l.e. Megrath.
Briggs, q.b.	q.b. Morr'l.
Lindley, l.h.b.	r.h.b. Bray.
Lyon, r.h.b.	l.h.b. Tilton.
Shaw, f.b	f.b. Blackinton.

The score Paris 21, Mechanic Falls 6. Touchdowns, Shaw, Penfold, Strout, Lindley, Blackinton. Goals from touchdown Lyon, Blackinton. Referee, Mr. Jones of Amherst. Timekeeper, Cole. Linesmen, Fletcher of Paris and Dwinal of Mechanic Falls. 20 and 10-minute halves. Attendance 200.

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

In East Waterford, Oct. 13, to the wife of William Emery, a son.

In Norway, Oct. 1, to the wife of Charles D. Morse, a daughter.

In Norway, Oct. 8, to the wife of Paul L. West, a daughter.

In Albany, Oct. 6, to the wife of Fred Skinner, a daughter.

In Rumford Falls, Oct 4, to the wife of Leon Bazin, a daughter.

In Rumford Falls, Oct. 4, to the wife of John Duncan, a son.

In Rumford Falls, Oct. 8, to the wife of Walter Hicks, a son.

In Norway, Oct. 11, to the wife of E. E. Andrews, a son.

In Locke's Mills, Oct. 13, to the wife of Wesley Kimball, a son.

In Bethel, Oct. 15, to the wife of Fritz J. Tyler, a daughter.

MARRIED.

In Buckfield, Oct. 13, at the residence of the bride's father, Dr. J. C. Caldwell, by Rev. B. F. Turner, Mr. Charles Prince Buck of Traverse City, Mich., and Miss Bessie Mae Caldwell of Buckfield.

In Hallowell, Oct. 14, by Rev. E. W. Webber, Mr. Chester G. Bisbee and Miss Sadie L. Tainter, both of Rumford Falls.

In Fryeburg, Oct. 15, by Rev. Baman N. Stone, Mr. Charles F. Stevens of Fryeburg, and Miss Hattie Gilpatrick of Hiram.

In East Stoneham, Oct. 5, by Rev. E. W. Pond, Mr. Virgil H. Littlefield and Miss Georgia Putnam, both of Lovell.

In Rumford Center, Oct. 4, by Rev. W. E. Purington, Mr. Herbert B. Goodwin and Miss Nina B. Mason, both of Bethel.

In Norway, Oct. 14, by Rev. C. E. Angell, Mr. Edward E. French and Miss Minnie Paine, both of Albany.

DIED.

In South Paris, Oct. 14, Ethan Willis, aged 72 years.

In Paris, Oct 13, Miss Livonia Knight, aged 66 years.

In South Paris, Oct. 17, Mrs. Eliza R. Wheeler, aged 85 years.

In Oxford, Oct. 3, Mrs. Truman Haskell.

In Oxford, Oct. 10, Levi Packard.

In Wilson's Mills, Oct. 7, Zelva Pennock, aged 2 years.

In Byron, Oct. 11, Ruth H. Merrill, widow of the late Wm. F. Merrill, aged 74 years.

In Rumford Falls, Oct. 5, Caroline B., daughter of Albert and Lydia King, aged 4 years.

In Denmark, Oct. 12, Leonard A. Ingalls, aged 66 years.

In Bryant's Pond, Oct. 8, infant son of Elmer and Lena M. Cummings.

In East Fryeburg, Walter, son of Luther Harnden.

In Norway, Oct. 8, Louise Titcomb, aged 19 years.

In West Sumner, Oct 13, Lucius Clinton Bates.

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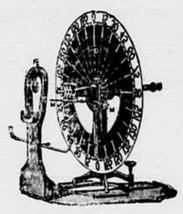

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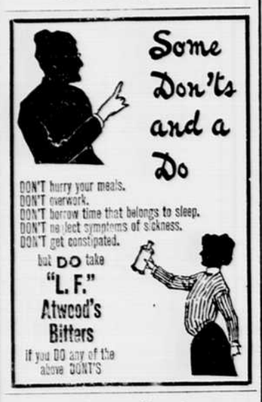

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THE PUZZLER

No. 311.—Numerical Enigma.

I am composed of seventeen letters and form the name of a great man long dead.

My 10, 16, 4 is an assessment.
My 11, 1, 17 is something to wear.
My 13, 2, 8, 15 is joy.
My 3, 9, 14 means to make a mistake.
My 7, 5, 6, 12 is a native of Denmark.

No. 312.—Charade.

My FIRST the Scriptures say in Eden grew.
(Pronounce its letters; there's the whole for you!)
My LAST word to myself I can't apply;
My WHOLE, tradition says, could never lie.

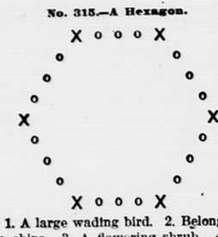
No. 313.—Geography.

1. Islands always excellent and especially acceptable at a picnic.
2. A lake in the United States attractive to all animals, particularly to sheep.
3. A river in South Africa, more abundant and cheap in March and April than at other times of the year.
4. A city in France situated on the Mediterranean; a health resort which to English speaking people is dainty, but not to the French themselves.

No. 314.—Word Square.

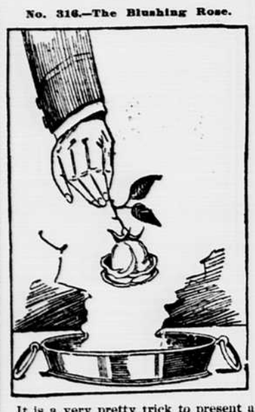
1. Always. 2. Evil. 3. A girl's name. 4. To erect.

No. 315.—A Hexagon.



1. A large wading bird. 2. Belonging to ships. 3. A flowering shrub. 4. A pile of stones. 5. Mother of pearl. 6. Country.

No. 316.—The Blushing Rose.



It is a very pretty trick to present a little girl with a white rose, telling her that though the flower looks pale it will revive and glow with the blush of health if she will wear it a few hours.

In order to make your prediction true you must select not a naturally white rose, but a red one, which you have bleached in the manner illustrated in the picture by holding it over the fumes of burning sulphur.

The rose can be bleached almost or quite white in this way, but the natural color returns after a few hours' exposure to the air.—New York Herald.

No. 317.—A Dish of Pears.

1. A pear which may be found in this paper.
2. A pear which is a model, sometimes found in one's own house, but usually in the house of somebody else.
3. A pear which is a certain kind of short story.
4. A pear which is precisely like another in every direction.
5. A pear which is a certain bird.

Key to the Puzzler.

No. 301.—September Rhymes: Cool, school. Knowledge, college. Town, down.

No. 302.—Initial Puzzle: Initials—Harvest. 1. Hare. 2. Alligator. 3. Reindeer. 4. Vulture. 5. Elephant. 6. Swan. 7. Turtle.

No. 303.—Central Syncopations: 1. St(a)ir (stir). 2. Fr(e)ed (Fred). 3. Ma(s)ts (mats). 4. Co(o)ns (cons). 5. Ma(p)le (male). Æsop.

No. 304.—Word Squares. I.—1. Odes. 2. Dale. 3. Ella. 4. Seat. II.—1. Crow. 2. Rove. 3. Oven. 4. Went.

No. 305.—Work Making: 1. Deacon, canoe, caned, Dane, cane, cone, code, node, done, dace. 2. Persist, stripes, strips, spirts, tripe, trips, spite. 3. Pheasant, peasant, hasten, Athens, paste, pants, thane. 4. Theater, thereat, teareth, threat, hatter, tether, tareth, heart, three, treat, there, hater, teeth. 5. Teacher, cheater, heart, cheat, chart, caret, three, there, cheer, hear, hare, here, care, cart, chat, tear, thee, hart, hate.

No. 306.—Diamonds: I.—1. C. 2. Ale. 3. Clear. 4. Ear. 5. R. II.—1. D. 2. Are. 3. Drear. 4. Eat. 5. R.

No. 307.—Arithmetic: 1. VIaL (vial). 2. VIanD (viand). 3. CeCIL (Cecil) Rhodes. 4. MILL (fraction of a cent). 5. LID. 6. LIXIVIaL.

No. 308.—Beheadments: 1. S-low, l-ow. 2. S-tare, tare, are. 3. S-pace, p-ace, ace.

No. 309.—Anagram: Automobile.

No. 310.—Hidden Rivers: 1. Po. 2. Elbe. 3. Rhine. 4. Tweed.

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HOMEMAKERS' COLUMN.

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HOUSEHOLD LINENS.

"White-work" is not so general a term as one might suppose it to be. The name has been, by centuries of use, confined to embroidery done with cottons, usually on white linen grounds and after the method more correctly known as satin stitch. Another proof of how little there is in a name is evident in the modifying "French," for without exception this work is, of all kinds of embroidery, the most universally done throughout all countries. To be sure, the French do it exclusively, but the most beautiful specimens come from Switzerland.

Its most practical application is in lettering. This is exceedingly satisfactory embroidery for linens which are to be washed. Many of our silks are fast colors, but even with that guarantee they need to be laundered with care. This is true to a certain extent of all embroideries, but certainly this work is as near to being altogether serviceable as it is possible for embroidery to be.

The work on household linens such as table-cloths, napkins, tray-cloths, towels, etc., should be done in "French working cotton," and, by the way, the best quality is labelled "made in Germany."

Initialing is both ornamental and useful, and is already widely done in American homes—too often very badly—but not so universally as abroad; there one sees it even in hotels and very humble homes. Our ugly indelible ink-marking is unknown; instead, bed and table linens are marked with needle-work. No doubt many women could find time to so ornament their household linens, but the right way to go about the work is wanting. It is not difficult embroidery; on the other hand, it is certainly not sewing, and there is a proper way to do it. The material should be stretched either in a hoop or basted over stiff paper so that the stitches can be placed with perfect uniformity. When the linen is heavy, such as table damask, the hoop is better. One who learns to work on it with both hands, sending the needle up and down, will be repaid by the ease which she will acquire. On light lawns the stiff-paper method may be used, and the work done in and out, the entire stitch laid at a stroke, for the paper will prevent the lawn from pulling. This is the way in which the fine French handkerchiefs are embroidered.

It is impossible to do good work with the covering stitches unless the under filling is carefully done. It should be carried lengthwise of a form or with its direction. The first set of stitches can be long, and when these are evenly laid they should be bound in with slanting stitches from side to side. Great care should be taken, in the first place, to lay an equal quantity of cotton over the surface, and in the second to keep all well within the outline. One may raise the work in this way just a little, or firm and high. The form must be wide enough to permit of this raising, however. Stems or single lines can be most satisfactorily worked over a single thread.

The second step in this embroidery is the over-work. These stitches are made to cover the width of the letter or vines or ornaments from side to side, entirely without shading and with perfect regularity. It is not always that such definite rules for embroidery can be laid down as in this particular instance, but as it is a kind of work chiefly dependent upon accuracy for its beauty, it is therefore quite possible to state in what respects it shall be accurate.

The first essential to the correctness of all embroidery is the direction of the stitches. This is the foundation of technique in embroidery, and in some kinds of work it is a very complicated question but as applied to French white work it is a very definite and unmistakable principle even to amateurs. Always the stitches should be placed at right angles to the direction of the form, whether it be composed of straight or curved lines. It is indeed an over and over work, and to lay the stitch at right angles will be to span the form by the shortest possible distance. Look at the sampler and note how the direction of the stitches bears always the same relation to the direction of the curves of the letters. If the form is wide it is necessary to divide it into two or more bars or sections. By embroidering these bars separately the stitches are short, and the work is consequently firm.

A very little practice enables one to do this work evenly, and it, together with hem-stitching, will give the every day linens that very dainty touch which makes a bit of art and beauty a part of the home atmosphere. Initialing alone is often sufficient. The proper size for an initial or crest on a napkin is one to two inches, on the corner of the table-cloth four inches. This letter should be placed on the cloth just where it turns the corner of the table on top. On sheets the initial should be placed in the centre of the width and about one inch from the bottom of the top hem. A little color may be used in marking towels if one wishes.

Hem-stitching and white work are always a pretty combination; they are both pleasant leisure work, and the time will be well spent in a very practical as well as decorative needle-work.—Harper's Bazar.

TALES OF TEA GROUNDS.

Telling fortunes by tea grounds is a favorite pastime with many. Here are a few hints for the benefit of the uninitiated:

If the grounds are bunched together, it signifies that all will be well with the fortune seeker, but if they are scattered it means much the reverse.

A small speck near the top is a letter. A large speck, a photograph or present of some kind, what it is depending on the shape of the speck.

The sticks are people—light or dark, short or tall, according to their color and length. A small one means a child. A thick one, woman.

If they lie crosswise they are enemies, says What to Eat. If straight up, intimate friends, or pleasant acquaintances to be made.

If a large speck is near them, it means they are coming for a visit, bringing a valise or trunk.

If there is a bottle shape near a stick, it means a physician. If a book shape, a minister or lawyer. If many fine specks, a married man.

A long line of grounds with no opening between foretells a journey by water. If openings, by rail.

A large ring means an offer of marriage to an unmarried woman. To a married one, it means a fortunate undertaking. To a man, success in business.

A small ring is an invitation.

Dust like grounds bunched together at the bottom or side are a sum of money.

A triangle signifies good luck, so does an anchor or a horseshoe.

A half moon or star to married people means a paying investment. To unmarried, a new lover or sweetheart.

A pyramid is extremely lucky.

A square or oblong, new lands.

Flowers, a present, what it is depending on the shape, or the present may be flowers.

Leaves, sickness and death.

Fruit of any kind, health.

A hand, warning, if the fingers are spread. If closed, an offer of friendship or marriage.

A cross signifies trouble. Any musical instrument a wedding. Bird, suit at law. Cat, deception. Dog, faithful friend. Horse, important news. Snake, an enemy. Turtle, long life. Rabbit luck. Flag, some surprise or a journey to another country.

A heart is the most propitious sign of all, as it means happiness, fidelity, long life, health and wealth.

DIET FOR THE HAIR.

Women who have the finest hair live principally upon fruits, grains and vegetables. Vegetables and cereals are their tonics. Too much meat and milk cause atrophy of the roots, and, of course the hair comes out as a result of this condition.

If the hair is falling out eat little meat and drink no milk; live upon fruits and vegetables. Fruit gives luxuriant locks, especially those containing iron. Prunes, cranberries and spinach are also useful articles of diet if one would have fine hair. Hair that is growing coarse demands a diet containing albumen and gelatine.

OF GENERAL INTEREST.

Statistics have proven that ninety-five per cent of the population of any territory are troubled with a cough or cold at some time between September and March. Also that ninety-nine per cent of the consumption cases have been caused by neglect of a trifling cough. That "trifling cough" weakens the action of the lungs, tears the bronchial tubes and leaves the throat dry and sore. The seeds of consumption then take easily and your life is in positive danger.

When you commence to cough do not delay one hour, use Bauer's Instant Cough Cure at once. It will instantly loosen up that tightness and heal that soreness of the chest and will strengthen the action of the lungs. It will save you hours of torture and misery. Bauer's Instant Cough Cure is guaranteed to do all this or your money will be refunded. The following druggists will give you a sample bottle free. F. A. Shurtleff & Co.; A. Dudley, Bryant's Pond; Orin Stevens, Oxford.

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Messrs Ely Brothers:—I have been a great sufferer from catarrh and hay fever and tried many things, but found no permanent relief until I found it in Ely's Cream Balm about eight years ago, and we have been fast friends ever since.
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A DOZEN TIMES A NIGHT.

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Bess—(after the quarrel)—"Are you going to the picnic next Saturday, Jack?" Jack (indifferently) — "Sure." Bess (hopefully)—"And are—you—go-going alone?" Jack (spitefully)—"O, no; I shall take an umbrella."

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When you have a cough or cold don't ask what is good for it and get some medicine with little or no merit and perhaps dangerous. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar, the greatest throat and lung remedy, it cures coughs and colds quickly. F. A. Shurtleff & Co. Orin Stevens, Oxford.

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Gayboy—A fellow can't be too careful about his letters to women.

Henpeck—That's right. A woman got three letters from me once that have kept me in hot water ever since.

Gayboy—You don't mean it?

Henpeck—Fact. They were "Y-e-s."

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Every person is responsible for all the good within the scope of his abilities, and for no more, and none can tell whose sphere is the largest.

NATURAL ANXIETY.

Mothers regard approaching winter with uneasiness, children take cold so easily. No disease costs more little lives than croup. Such cases yield readily to One Minute Cough Cure. Cures coughs, colds, grip, bronchitis, all throat and lung trouble.

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FORTY YEARS' TORTURE.

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Second English lord—No, to her father. I hate to have any business dealings with a woman.

"WATCH THE KIDNEYS."

"When they are affected, life is in danger," says Dr. Abernethy, the great English physician. Foley's Kidney Cure makes sound kidneys. F. A. Shurtleff & Co. Orin Stevens, Oxford.

If one always takes a short cut through life they sometimes regret they did not go the round about way.

On Its Own Merits.

A young man who spent his summer vacation on a Maine farm says that new instances of the thrift and shrewdness of his landlady are constantly thrusting themselves upon his attention.

One day a wagon load of unexpected relatives descended on the farm, and the mistress was, as she afterward frankly said, "put to it" to provide enough food for dinner. She brought forward among other things an apple pie which seemed to the boarder far inferior to the pies she usually made. But when she served it she spoke of her reputation as a piemaker.

"They do say at the sociables that nobody's pies quite come up to mine," she remarked, with a beaming smile, "and apple pies are what you might call my specialty. I've often been asked for the recipe, but I tell 'em it's knack and judgment does it, not rule."

The pie disappeared, and then, when her guests were not as hungry as they had been, she brought forth a second pie, flaky of crust and luscious to the taste.

"Why, Aunt Mary," said the youngest of the party, a boy of twelve, "I think this pie's ever so much better than the other, and you haven't said a word about it!"

His aunt looked at him without so much as a twinkle in her eyes.

"This one will go down without praising, I reckon," she said gravely.

The Necessity of Mystery.

To be content in utter darkness and ignorance is indeed unmanly, and therefore we think that to love light and find knowledge must be always right. Yet (as in all matters before observed) wherever pride has any share in the work even knowledge and light may be ill pursued. Knowledge is good and light is good, yet man perished in seeking knowledge and the moths perish in seeking light, and if we who are crushed before the moth will not accept such mystery as is needful to us we shall perish in like manner. None but the proud will mourn over this, for we may always know more if we choose by working on, but the pleasure is, I think, to humble people in knowing that the journey is endless, the treasure inexhaustible.—"Lamps of Architecture," Ruskin.

Conversations.

"What's the matter, dear?"
"Nothing."
"Yes, there is."
"No—that is, nothing to you."
"Come; tell me."
"I was thinking couldn't you eat your breakfast once without reading the paper."
"You know I have to hurry."
"There was a time"—
"Now, now."
"I scarcely ever see your face."
"But surely you don't object"—
"Yes, I do. It's horrid of you."
"But this is Monday morning, and"—
"Precisely. It's Monday morning, and you know I like to look at the advertisements on Monday morning."—New York Herald.

One of the Great Dinners of Venice.

Perhaps the most expensive banquet ever given in Venice was that to Henry III. of France. He was feasted in the great hall of the doges' palace, and there were silver plates for 3,000 guests. At another time the same monarch was entertained at a sugar banquet—the napkins, plates, knives, forks and even the bread (so called) were all of sugar. The Venetians were mightily pleased when Henry took his napkin in his hands and to his surprise found that it broke to pieces. At this feast 1,260 different dishes were served, and 300 sugar effigies were distributed among the ladies.

Grandma's Object Lesson.

"My, my, my!" said the little girl's grandmother. "You mustn't make so much fuss when you have your hair combed. When I was a little girl, I had my hair combed three or four times every day."

"Yes," said the child, pointing at the poor little gray knot on the back of the good old lady's head, "and see what you've got for it!"—Chicago Record-Herald.

Kisses.

An old sea captain, under the impression that he was saying a good thing, asked a lady passenger why men never kiss one another, while ladies waste a world of kisses on feminine faces.

"Because," the lady replied, "the men have something better to kiss and the women haven't."

The Inevitable.

"Do as I tell you," Tommy's mamma cried. "It's about time you realized the futility of struggling against the inevitable. Do you know what that means?"

"Yes'm," replied Tommy. "It means there's no use o' your washin' my hands an' face 'cause they'll only get dirty again."

His Taste.

The landlady was speaking.

"Mr. Barnstorme, how do you like your eggs?"

The tragedian's face relaxed into an expression of joy.

"Hard boiled!" he cried. Until that moment people had willfully mistaken his taste.—Baltimore Herald.

In a Close Place.

"How do you manage to live within your income, Briggs? Don't you feel cramped?"

"Cramped, did you say? Why, I have got to go out and borrow $10 every time I want to stretch myself."—Smart Set.

When People Laugh.

People laugh when they are amused, when they think people expect them to be amused and when they don't want to be rude and don't know what else to do.—Los Angeles Herald.

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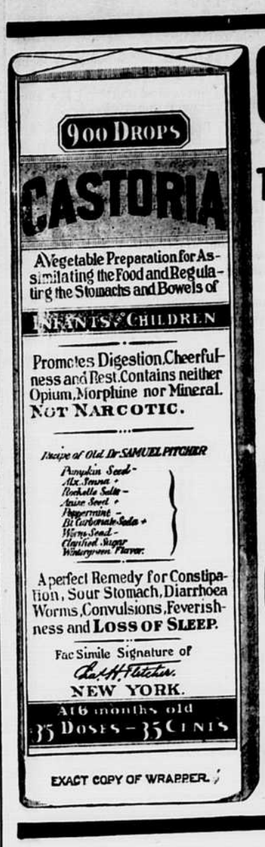

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