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PROBATE NOTICES.

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

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, It is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper published at South Paris, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of July, A. D. 1904, at 9 of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

FRANK HOWARD SWETT, late of Lovell, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Sarah Elizabeth Swett, the executrix therein named.

MAY H. WENTWORTH, late of Brownfield, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Fred R. Hanscom, the executor therein named.

AUGUSTA M. STEARNS, late of Cambridge, Mass., deceased; copy of will with petition for probate thereof presented by Charles H. Prince, the executor thereof.

WILLIAM E. OSGOOD, late of Hiram, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of Norman L. Basset as administrator with the will annexed presented by said Basset.

SAMUEL D. MARSHALL, late of Paris, deceased; second account presented for allowance by John F. Plummer, administrator.

JAMES A. BARROWS of Sumner, account presented for allowance by Hollis Turner, guardian.

EDITH MAY, JOHN E., SADIE E. and ERNEST G. DECOSTER first account presented for allowance by James S. Wright, guardian.

BENJAMIN S. DOE, late of Paris, deceased; petition for allowance out of personal estate presented by Kate H. Doe, widow.

FRANK L. MOORE, late of Oxford, deceased; petition for allowance to widow out of personal estate presented by Addie E. Moore, widow.

GEORGE H. BRIGGS, late of Paris, deceased; petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by James S. Wright, administrator.

CLEMENTINE A. CUSHMAN, late of Paris, deceased; petition for order to distribute balance remaining in his hands presented by Geo. Clark, executor.

ENOCH M. TREADWELL, late of Hiram, deceased; final account presented for allowance by Jerusha C. Treadwell, executrix.

SAMUEL D. MARSHALL, late of Paris, deceased; petition for order to distribute balance remaining in his hands presented by John F. Plummer, administrator.

ADELINE E. BARRETT, late of Buckfield, deceased; petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by Benjamin Spaulding, executor.

LEWIS H. REED, late of Mexico, deceased; petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by John Reed, administrator.

HENRY F. BRICKETT, late of Andover, deceased; petition for order to distribute balance remaining in his hands presented by Hiram D. Abbott, administrator.

AMOS BLAZO, late of Porter, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Samuel C. Blazo, administrator.

OLIVER F. FLETCHER, late of Dixfield, deceased; account presented for allowance by Helen A. Curtis, administratrix with the will annexed.

CYRUS ANDREWS, late of Lovell, deceased; account presented for allowance by C. K. Chapman, executor.

SAMUEL PLUMMER, late of Sweden, deceased; first account presented for allowance by John F. Plummer, executor.

HENRY F. BRICKETT, late of Andover, deceased; petition for the determination of collateral inheritance tax presented by Hiram D. Abbott, administrator.

LEWIS H. REED, late of Mexico, deceased; first account presented for allowance by John Reed, administrator.

ELIZABETH M. BARRETT, late of Sumner, deceased; petition for the appointment of Susan G. Barrett, or some other suitable person as administrator presented by Selden G. Barrett, son and heir.

SARAH A. WADSWORTH, late of Hiram, deceased; petition for the appointment of Samuel W. Gowell or some other suitable person as administrator presented by J. E. Wadsworth and Elbia V. Ball, heirs at law.

SARAH A. WADSWORTH, late of Hiram, deceased; petition that Wallace D. Wadsworth or some suitable person be appointed administrator presented by Wallace D. Wadsworth, son and heir.

CLEMENTINE A. CUSHMAN, late of Paris, deceased; petition for the determination of collateral inheritance tax, presented by George Clark, executor.

CHARLENE JUSTINA MILLETT of Paris, petition that name be changed to Livvie Edith Millett, presented by Fred L. Millett.

ADDISON E. HERRICK,
Judge of said Court.

A true copy—Attest:—
ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of

HARRIET A. LAPHAM, late of Paris,

in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

June 21st, 1904. LEROY F. EVERETT.

NOTICE.

The partnership known as the D. H. Fifield & Co. having been dissolved by mutual consent, and the property having been transferred to said Fifield, by whom the business will be hereafter conducted, it is requested that all persons indebted to said firm make immediate payment to the undersigned.

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West Paris, Me., June 21st, 1904.

AMONG THE FARMERS.

"SPEED THE PLOW."

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Weeds Along the Highway.

THE DUTY OF ADJACENT LANDOWNERS UNDER THE LAWS OF NEW YORK—NO CONFLICT IN THE LAWS.

I write this to find out your interpretation of the new road law, requiring the tax to be paid in cash instead of being worked out by the owners of the land. The former law required the weeds to be cut, but the pathmasters had to see that they were cut, and it was a part of the tax. Now the highway commissioner claims that after we have paid our tax in cash we still have to cut the weeds twice during the summer along the highways adjoining our farms.

Section 20 of the highway law gives the general duties of overseers of the highway, or, as they are commonly called, pathmasters. Subdivision 3 of said section in the highway law as originally passed reads as follows: "Cause the noxious weeds within the bounds of the highway within his district to be cut down or destroyed twice in each year, once before the 1st day of July and again before the 1st day of September; and the requisite labor therefore shall be considered highway work." Section 71 of the highway law as amended by chapter 681 of the laws of 1899 reads as follows:

The overseer of every highway district, or, if there is no such overseer, the commissioner of highways, shall give written notice to any owner or occupant of the premises to cut all weeds, briers and brush growing within the bounds of the highways. If the owner of such lands is a non-resident, such notice shall be served personally upon the agent of such non-resident owner residing in the town, or if there is no such agent known to the commissioner or overseer of highways, such notice shall be sent by mail to the last known address of such non-resident owner, and a copy thereof shall be filed in the office of the Town Clerk or the town where the property is situated. If such owner or occupant shall not cut such weeds, briers and bush as so required within ten days after receiving such notice, or within ten days after such notice shall have been served or filed as herein provided, such overseer or commissioner of highways shall do such work, and make a report under oath to the supervisor of the town of the amount expended by him thereon, and the ownership and occupancy of the several parcels of land against which the labor was performed, on or before the 1st day of November in each year; such supervisor shall certify these statements to the board of supervisors at their next annual meeting, and such board shall include the amounts included in such statements in the taxes assessed upon the lands upon or against which the labor was performed, the same to be collected with the other taxes and paid over upon the order of the supervisor to the parties entitled thereto.

Section 70 of the same law as amended by chapter 681 of the laws of 1899 requires the owner or occupant to cut all noxious weeds, briers and bush along the highways adjacent to the lands owned or occupied, between June 15 and July 1, and between August 15 and September 1, in each year, under penalty herein stated. The exact wording of section is unnecessary.

It is easily to be seen that there is almost an apparent conflict between section 20 and section 71, as the latter part of section 20 says that such requisite work shall be considered highway work, but section 70 compels the owner or occupant to do such work, and section 71 provides for the method of compelling such owner or occupant to pay for such work, provided he does not do it himself and it is done by others.

It seems to have been the custom in many country districts that the pathmaster directed the weeds to be cut and the owner or occupant who did such work on his own farm had so much work credited on his highway assessment of labor; or the pathmaster may have used the labor of the district to cut the weeds, briers and bush in his district along the highway. This would seem to be allowable under section 20 of the highway law, subdivision 3 of said section, although at first sight, apparently, section 70 and section 71 might not allow such procedure. But had all the labor assessed in a certain district been worked out, and the weeds, briers and bush not been cut, then, under sections 70 and 71, the pathmaster could compel each owner or occupant to cut such weeds, etc., or, if such owner or occupant would not do so, have others do such work, and compel the owner or occupant to pay for the same, even though said owner or occupant had already worked out all the labor assessed against him in said district. The above is intended to explain under what construction of the law pathmasters have allowed the work done in cutting weeds, etc., along the highway to be credited as a part of the highway labor assessed against each individual. However, chapter 136 of the laws of 1903 amends the highway law and provides as follows:

In towns where the money system of taxation has been adopted for working highways, it shall be the duty of each owner of lands situated along a highway to cut the noxious weeds and brush growing along the sides of the highway fronting his lands, at least twice in each year, once before the first day of July, and again before the first day of September. If the owner or occupant fails to cut such weeds or brush, as provided in this section, the commissioner of highways of the town in which such lands are situated shall cause the same to be done, and shall give such owner notice in writing, served personally or by mailing to his postoffice address, if the commissioner can, with due diligence, ascertain the same, stating that at a specified time and place the commissioner will assess the cost thereof against such owner so neglecting, and return the same to the town board of his town at the meeting held on Thursday next preceding the annual meeting of the Board of Supervisors, stating the name of each owner and the amount assessed against him. The time so fixed shall not be less than eight days after the personal service or the mailing of such notice. The town board shall certify the amount of the assement made by the highway commissioner to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall cause the amount so returned to them by the town board to be levied against such delinquent owner and added to his higway tax for the next ensuing year.

From the above, it would seem that there is no question that in towns adopting the money system of taxation the owners of land must cut the weeds and brush in addition to paying the cash tax assessed against them. Under the old system, as has been before shown, the pathmaster might so manage as to credit work for cutting weeds, etc., as part payment of the highway tax to be worked out; but as under the money system the owner of the property pays a certain amount in cash instead of working out such tax, and the law provides that in addition thereto he must cut the weeds, etc., along his land, and if he does not, the commissioner can do such work and make the owner pay therefor, the only reasonable interpretation is that the owner must cut such weeds and brush himself or be forced to pay some one else to do such work, in addition to his cash tax for highway purposes.—Tribune Farmer.

To have good-sized sheep, they must be grown rapidly while young, and it is important to give them a good start.

The Fruit Outlook.

It is too early of course to begin to count the barrels of apples, but it certainly is in order to keep a sharp eye out for conditions affecting the crop and its disposition when the harvest shall come, whatever of bounty that may be. Some conclusions may be drawn even at this early date in the season of the fruit growth, and certain preparation made according as the extent of the crop may be. Of tree fruits the interest here in Maine is chiefly in apples. The bloom was general and full not only here in New England but throughout the entire fruit growing country. Reliable information from abroad is to the effect that also in European countries, where the crop was so short last season, the same early promise is general. It is a fact that when there is a general bloom there is always, at the least, a fairly good crop of fruit. Hence it is a safe conclusion, even at this early time, that there will be a general and widespread crop of apples the present year. Information in regard to to the "setting" of fruit in all parts of the country confirms such a conclusion.

In view of the situation, therefore, the question of packages in which to handle this fruit is already up for consideration. Dealers all around are hustling to secure a supply in advance of their need. Every flour barrel is being picked up in town and city as fast as it is emptied. Prices are high, as was the case a year ago. It is not practicable to manufacture large quantities of barrels in advance of their use, and cannot be furnished any way at less prices than a year ago. With apples low in selling price and barrels at forty cents each there is little left to the grower for his fruit.

The recommendation of the Farmer is that boxes be provided for handling the fruit. The trade has got to come to their use. There are not second hand barrels enough for the demand, and new hardwood barrels cost too much. Boxes had to be used last year in considerable numbers, and while dealers did not favor them, yet they sold well and returned as much to the shipper for the fruit as when forwarded in barrels. Growers will do well to attend to this matter of packages early, for there is certain to be a lack of second hand barrels available at any price.—Maine Farmer.

Foreign Crop Prospects.

The following is a condensation of foreign crop conditions as published in Broomhall's Liverpool "Corn Trade News:"

Conditions in Eastern Europe are slightly improved, but in the western half there are increasing complaints of drouth.

United Kingdom—Wheat is looking rather better.

France—There are some complaints of the wheat plant being thin and of damage to the crop by storms, but as a whole the condition has not been seriously lowered.

Germany—Complaints of drouth are increasing, affecting rye and oats particularly.

Russia—Reports from the southern districts are most favorable.

Rumania—Crop reports continue pessimistic.

Hungary—The weather during the last week has improved and farmers are more hopeful regarding the crop out look.

Bulgaria—The weather is now favorable.

Italy—During the week there has been some complaints of drouth.

Spain—The weather continues drouthy, and in some sections the crop will be poor. In the largest wheat districts, however, a fair yield is expected.

Good Horse Sense.

The more good horses raised in a section the better trade and prices will be realized. Never commit the blunder of breeding a good horse to a poor one. The service fee is a small item in the selling value of a colt, yet the service of a good horse marks the distinction between profit and loss.

The colt trotters, or, in other words, the natural trotters that are seen today, are almost invariably sired by fast, young and good-looking stallions, proving conclusively that the sires of to-day are superior to those of the past decade, and that the way to breed trotters is by using only those animals that combine breeding, individuality and speed.

The man who instructed his foreman to give away a half dozen thoroughbred yearlings last fall, was surprised a few days since at the speed shown by a couple of two-year-olds that he saw at work. Upon inquiry, he learned that they were among those that he had condemned as worthless only a few months ago. It is a shrewd horseman who can correctly estimate the speed and racing quality of an untrained youngster.—Rural World.

Orange Hawk Weed.

The question of noxious weeds should absorb the attention of all farmers. For several years I have not allowed the orange hawk weed to go to seed, and dug and hoed up the roots, but still it spreads. It appears here and there at will. Even on a two-year-old strawberry bed which had been under cultivation before the plants were set it appears. As there was no seed in the vicinity to fall I think that birds must have carried the seed. If such is the case nothing short of a wholesale slaughter will stop its spread.

A pasture which adjoins my land, until recently owned by a non-resident, I thought I had exterminated, but this season there is more than ever. Another vine bearing a small yellow flower known as bridal wreath spreads rapidly, and bars everything. This was introduced as a garden ornament, and now it is spreading rapidly. Some measures will have to be taken 'ere long to eradicate these pests. Look at the by-ways and hedges, the docks, the nettles and all manner of these allowed to seed.—G. Tilton.

The latest chicken joke relates how a woman went into a grocery store and asked for 50 cents' worth of black hen's eggs. The grocer, of course, was surprised that there was any way of telling the difference, but told the woman if she could do so to go ahead. She therefore deliberately picked over the lot until she had her number, when the grocer remarked: "Do the black hens lay all the largest eggs?" "Yes," said the woman, "and that's the way you tell them," as she marched off with her basketful of the best. Where eggs are sold by the pound, as they should be, this trick can't be worked. It is silly to ask as much for a dozen small eggs as for the same number a third or a fourth as large. In Europe all eggs are sold by the pound.

Pay for Destitute Cattlemen.

Senator Platt, of New York, has transmitted to the State Department an application for reimbursement by F. C. Van Duzer, secretary of the American society in London, for the expenses of transportation to the United States of forty cattlemen left destitute in England. The American Society makes a strong plea for the protection of such men against unscrupulous shipping agents in the United States who practice deception and leave the cattlemen stranded on the European docks.

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"Better clear the wreck and get the mizzen topsail and the fore and main sail in, sir, and reef the fore and main topsails. The spars are buckling fearfully. She can't stand much more."

"Oh, Bentley," he said with a sob, and then, mastering himself, he gave the necessary orders to clear away the wreck and take in the other sails and close reef the topsails, in order to put the ship in proper trim for the rising storm; after which, the wind now permitting, the ship was headed for Philadelphia.

As Seymour turned to go below he came face to face with Talbot. The two men stood gazing at each other in silence.

"We still have an account to settle, Mr. Talbot," he said sternly.

"My God," said Talbot hesitatingly, "wasn't it awful? How small, Seymour, are our quarrels in the face of that!" pointing out into the darkness. "Such a tremendous catastrophe as that is!"

Seymour looked at him curiously. The man had not yet fathomed the depth of the catastrophe to him evidently.

"As for the quarrel," he continued in a manly, generous way, "I—perhaps I was wrong, Mr. Seymour. I know I was, but I have loved her all my life. I am sorry I spoke so, and I beg your pardon. But—won't you tell me about the note now?"

A great pity for the young man filled Seymour's heart in spite of his own sorrow. "I loved her too," he said quietly. "The note was sent to me from Gwynn's island, where they were confined. I had offered myself to her the night of the raid—just before it, in fact—and she accepted me. The note was mine. Where is it?"

"Oh!" said Talbot softly, lifting his hand to his throat. "And I loved her, too, and she is yours. Forgive me, Seymour; you won her honorably. I was too confident—a fool. The note is gone into the sea. We cannot quarrel about it now."

"There can be no quarrel between us now, Talbot. She is mine no more than yours. She—she"— He paused, choking. She"—

"Oh, what is it? Speak, man!" cried Talbot in sudden fear which he could not explain. Philip Wilton had drawn near and was listening eagerly.

"That ship there—the Radnor, you know—is lost, and all on board of her must have perished long since."

"Yes, yes, it's awful! But what of that—what of Katharine?"

"Don't you remember the note? Colonel Wilton and she were on the Radnor."

The strain of the last hour had undermined the nervous strength of the young soldier. He looked at Seymour, half dazed.

"It can't be," he murmured. "Why did you do it? How could you?" The world turned black before him. He reeled as if from a blow and would have fallen if Seymour had not caught him. Philip strained his gaze out over the dark water.

"Oh, my father, my father!" he cried. "Mr. Seymour, is there no hope—no chance?"

"None whatever, my boy; they are gone."

"Oh, Katharine, Katharine! Why did you do it, Seymour?" said Talbot again.

Seymour turned away in silence. He could not reply; now that it was done he had no reason.

The dim light from the binnacle lantern fell on the face of Bentley. Tears were standing in the old man's eyes as he looked at them, and he said slowly as if in response to Talbot's question:

"For love of country, gentlemen."

And this, again, is war upon the sea!

CHAPTER XIX.

THE day before Christmas the warden of the port of Philadelphia, standing glass in hand on one of the wharfs, noticed a strange vessel slowly coming up the bay. This in itself was not an unusual sight. Many vessels during the course of a year arrived at or departed from the chief city of the American continent. Not so many small traders or coasting vessels or ponderous East Indiamen, perhaps, as in the busy times of peace before the war began, but their place was taken by privateers and their prizes, or a ship from France, bringing large consignments of war material from the famous house of Rodrigo Hortalez & Co., of which the versatile and ingenuous M. de Beaumarchais was the deus ex machina, and once in awhile one of the few ships of war of the Continental navy, or some of the galleys or gunboats of Commodore Hazelwood's Pennsylvania state defense fleet. But the approaching ship was evidently neither a privateer nor a vessel of war; neither did she present the appearance of a peaceful merchantman.

There was something curious and noteworthy in her aspect which excited the attention of the port warden, and then of the loungers along Front street and the wharfs, and speedily communicated itself to the citizens of the town, so that they began to hasten down to the river in the cold of the late afternoon. Finally no less a person than the military commander of the city himself appeared, followed by one or two aids and attended by various bewigged and beruffled gentlemen of condition and substance, among whose finery the black coat of a clergyman and the sober attire of many of the thrifty Quakers were conspicuous. Here and there the crowd was lightened by the uniform of a militiaman or home guard or the faded buff and blue of some invalid or wounded Continental. In the doorways of some of the spacious residences facing the river many of the fair dames for which Philadelphia was justly famous noted eagerly the approaching ship. As she came slowly up against the ebb tide it was seen that her bulwarks had been cut away; all her boats but one appeared to be lost; her mizzen topgallant mast was gone; several great patches in her sails also attracted attention. There, too, was a fieldpiece mounted and lashed on the quarter deck as a stern chaser. The fore royal was furled, and two flags were hanging limply from the masthead, the light breeze from time to time fluttering them a little, but not sufficiently to disclose what they were until just opposite High street, where she dropped her only remaining anchor, when a sudden gust of wind lifted the two flags before the anxious spectators, who saw that one was a British and the other their own ensign. As soon as the eager watchers grasped the fact that the red cross of St. George was beneath the stars and stripes they broke into spontaneous cheers of rejoicing. Immediately after the field gun on the quarter deck was fired, and the report reverberated over the water and across the island on the one side and through the streets of the town on the other with sufficient volume to call every belated and idle citizen to the river front at once.

Immediately after a small boat was dropped into the water and manned by four stout seamen, into which two officers rapidly descended—one in the uniform of a soldier and the other in naval attire. When they reached the wharf at the foot of High street they found themselves confronted by an excited, shouting mass of anxious men, eager to hear the news they were without doubt bringing.

"It's Lieutenant Seymour!" cried one.

"Yes, he went off in the Ranger about two weeks ago," answered another.

"So he did. I wonder where the Ranger is now."

"Who is the one next to him?" said a third.

"That's the young Continental from General Washington's staff who went with him," answered a fourth voice.

"Back, gentlemen, back!"

"Way for the general commanding the town!"

"Here, men, don't crowd this way on the honorable committee of congress!" cried one and another, as a stout, burly, red faced, honest, genial looking man, whose uniform of a general officer could not disguise his plain farmer-like appearance, attended by two or three staff officers and followed by several white wigged gentlemen of great dignity, the rich attire and the evident respect in which they were held proclaiming them the committee of congress, slowly forced their way through the crowd.

"Now, sirs," cried the general officer to the two men who had stepped out on the wharf, "what ship is that? We are prepared for good news, seeing those two flags, and the Lord knows we need it."

"That is the transport Mellish, sir; a prize of the American Continental ship Ranger, Captain John Paul Jones."

"Hurrah! Hurrah!" cried the crowd, which had eagerly pressed near to hear the news.

"Good, good!" replied the general. "I congratulate you. How is the Ranger?"

"We left her about 100 leagues off Cape Sable about a week ago. She had just sunk the British sloop of war Juno, twenty-two guns, after a night action of about forty minutes. We left the Ranger bound for France and apparently not much injured."

"What, what! God bless me, young man, you don't mean it! Sunk her, did you say, and in forty minutes? Gentlemen, gentlemen, do you hear that? Three cheers for Captain John Paul Jones!"

Just then one of the committee of congress and evidently its chairman, a man whose probity and honor shone out from his open, pleasant face, interrupted:

"But tell me, young sir—Lieutenant Seymour of the navy, is it not? Ah, I thought so. What is her lading? Is it the transport we have hoped for?"

"Yes, sir. Lieutenant Talbot here has her bills of lading and her manifest also."

"Where is it, Mr. Talbot?" interrupted the officer. "Let me see it, sir. I am General Putnam, in command of the city."

The general took the paper in his eagerness, but as he had neglected to bring his glasses with him he was unable to read it.

"Here, here!" he cried impatiently, handing it back. "Read it yourself or, better, tell us quickly what it is."

"Two thousand stand of arms, twenty fieldpieces, powder, shot and other munitions of war, 10,000 suits of winter clothes, blankets, shoes, Colonel Seaton and three officers and fifty men of the Seaforth highlanders and their baggage, all en route for Quebec," said Talbot promptly.

The crowd was one seething mass of excitement. Robert Morris turned about and, lifting his hat from his head, waved it high in the air amid frantic cheers. Putnam and his officers and the other gentlemen of the committee of congress seized the hands of the two young officers in hearty congratulation.

"But there is something still more to tell," cried Mr. Morris—"your ship, her battered and dismantled condition, the rents in the sails! You were chased?"

"Yes sir," replied Seymour, "and nearly recaptured. We escaped, however, through a narrow channel extending across George's shoal, off Cape Cod, with which I was familiar. And the English ship, pursuing recklessly, ran upon the shoal in a gale of wind and was wrecked, lost with all on board."

"Is it possible, sir—is it possible? Did you find out the name of the ship?"

"Yes, sir; one of our seamen who had served aboard her recognized her. She was the Radnor, thirty-six guns."

"That's the ship that Lord Dunmore is reported to have returned to Europe in," said Mr. Clymer, another member of the committee. A shudder passed over the two young men at this confirmation of their misfortunes. Seymour continued with great gravity:

"We have reason to believe that some one else in whom you have deeper interest than in Lord Dunmore was on board of her—Colonel Wilton, one of our commissioners to France, and his daughter also. They must have perished with the rest."

There was a moment of silence as the full extent of this calamity was made known to the multitude, and then a clergyman was seen pushing his way nearer to them.

"What! Mr. Seymour! How do you do, sir? Did I understand you to say that all the company of that English ship perished?"

"Yes, Dr. White."

"And Colonel Wilton and his daughter also?"

"Alas, yes sir!"

"I fear that it is as our young friend says," added Robert Morris gloomily. "I remember they were to go with Dunmore."

"Oh, Mr. Morris, our poor friends! Shocking, shocking, dreadful!" ejaculated the saintly looking man; "these are the horrors of war;" and then turning to the multitude, he said: "Gentlemen, people and friends, it is Christmas eve. We have our usual services at Christ church in a short time. Shall we not then return thanks to the Giver of all victory for this signal manifestation of his providence at this dark hour, and at the same time pray for our bereaved friends, and also for the widows and orphans of those of our enemies who have been so suddenly brought before their Maker? I do earnestly invite you all to God's house in his name."

The chime of old Christ church ringing from the steeple near by seemed to second, in musical tones, the good man's invitation as he turned and walked away, followed by a number of the citizens of the town. General Putnam, however, engaged Talbot in conversation about the disposition of the stores, while Robert Morris continued his inquiries as to the details of the cruise with Seymour. The perilous situation of the shattered American army was outlined to both of them, and Talbot received orders, or permission rather, to report the capture of the transport to General Washington the next day. Seymour asked permission to accompany him, which was readily granted.

"Lieutenant Seymour of the navy, is it not?"

"If you do not get a captain's commission for this, Mr. Talbot," continued Putnam as they bade him good night, "I shall be much disappointed."

"And if you do not find a captain's commission also waiting for you on your return here, Lieutenant Seymour, I shall also be much surprised," added Robert Morris.

"Give my regards to his excellency and wish him a merry Christmas from me, and tell him that he has our best hopes for success in his new enterprise. I will detach 600 men from Philadelphia tomorrow to make a diversion in his behalf," said the general.

"Yes," continued Robert Morris, "and I shall look for Lieutenant Seymour, if you will call at my house before you start and get a small bag of money which I shall give you to hand to General Washington, with my compliments. Tell him it is all I can raise at present and that I am ashamed to send him so pitiable a sum, but if he will call upon me again I shall, I trust, do better next time."

Bidding each other adieu, the four gentlemen separated, General Putnam to arrange for the distribution and forwarding of the supplies to the troops at once, Robert Morris to send a report to the congress, which had retreated to Baltimore upon the approach of Howe and Cornwallis through the Jerseys, and Seymour and Talbot back to the ship to make necessary arrangements for their departure.

Seymour shortly afterward turned the command of the Mellish over to the officer Mr. Morris designated as his successor, and Talbot delivered his schedule to the officer appointed by General Putnam to receive it. Refusing the many pressing invitations to stay and dine or partake of the other bountiful hospitality of the townspeople, the young men passed the night quietly with Seymour's aunt, his only relative, and at 4 o'clock on Christmas morning, accompanied by Bentley and Talbot, they set forth upon their long, cold ride to Washington's camp, a ride which was to extend very much farther, however, and be fraught with greater consequences than any of them dreamed of as they set forth with sad hearts upon their journey.

CHAPTER XX.

ABOUT half after 1 o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday, Dec. 25, being Christmas day and very cold, four tired horsemen on jaded steeds rode up to a plain stone farmhouse standing at the junction of two common country roads, both of which led to the Delaware river, a mile or so away. In the clearing back of the house a few wretched tents indicated a bivouac. Some shivering horses were picketed under a rude shelter, formed by interlacing branches between the trunks of a little grove of thickly growing trees which had been left standing as a windbreak. Bright fires blazed in front of the tents, and the men who occupied them were enjoying an unusually hearty meal.

The faded uniforms of the men were tattered and torn. Some of the soldiers were almost barefoot, wearing wretched apologies for shoes, which had been supplemented when practicable by bits of cloth tied about the soles of the feet. The men themselves were gaunt and haggard. Privation, exposure and hard fighting had left a bitter mark upon them. Hunger and cold and wounds had wrestled with them, and they bore the indelible imprint of the awful conflict upon their faces. It was greatly to their credit that, like their leader, they had not yet despaired. A movement of some sort was evidently in preparation. Arms were being looked to carefully; haversacks and pockets were being filled with the rude fare of which they had been thankful to partake as a Christmas dinner; ammunition was being prepared for transportation. Those who had them were wrapping the remains of tattered blankets about them, under the straps of their guns or other equipments, and the fortunate possessors of the ragged adjuncts to shoes were putting final touches to them, with a futile hope that they would last beyond the first mile or two of the march; others were saddling and rubbing down the horses.

A welcome contribution had been made to their fare in a huge steaming bowl of hot punch, which had been sent from the farmhouse and of which they had eagerly partaken.

"What's up now, I wonder?" said one ragged veteran to another.

"Don't know—don't care—couldn't anything be worse than this," was the reply.

"We've marched and fought and got beaten, and marched and fought and got beaten again, and retreated and retreated until there is nothing left of us. Look at us," he continued, "half naked, half starved, and we're the best of the lot, the select force, the picked men, the headquarters guard!" he went on in bitter sarcasm.

"Yes, that's so," replied the other, laughing; then sadly: "Those poor fellows by the river are worse off than we are, though. What wouldn't they give for some of that punch? My soul wasn't it good!" he continued, smacking his lips in recollection.

"Where are we going, sergeant?" asked another.

"Don't know; the command is 'Three days' rations and light marching order.'"

"Well, we're all of the last, anyway. Look at me! No stockings, leggings torn, no shirt, and you'd scarcely call this thing on my back a coat, would you? What could be lighter? So comfortable, too, in this pleasant summer weather!"

"Oh, shut up, old man! You're better off than I am, anyway. You've got rags to help your shoes out, and just look at mine," said another, sticking out a gaunt leg with a tattered shoe on the foot, every toe of which was plainly visible through the torn and worn openings. "And just look at this," he went on, bringing his foot down hard on the snow covered, frost bound soil, making an imprint which was edged with blood from his wounded, bruised, unprotected feet. "That's my sign manual, and it's not hard to duplicate in the army yonder either."

"That's true. And to think that the cause of liberty's got down so low that we are its only dependence. And they call us the grand army!"

"Well, as you say," went on another recklessly, "we can't get into anything worse, so hurrah for the next move, say I."

"Three days' rations and light marching order, mean[illegible] that we are to leave our heavy overcoats and blankets and foot stoves and such other luxuries behind. That rather indicates that we are going to do something besides retreat. And I should like to get a whack at those mercenary Dutchmen before I freeze or starve," was the reply.

"Bully for you!"

"I'm with you, old man."

"I, too."

"And I," came from the group of undaunted men surrounding the speaker.

"And to think," said another, "of its being Christmas day and all those little children at home! Oh, well," turning away and wiping his eyes, "marching and fighting may make us forget, boys! I wouldn't mind suffering for liberty if we could only do something, have something to show for it but a bloody trail and a story of defeat. I'm tired of it," he continued desperately. "I'd fight the whole British army if they would only let me get a chance at them."

"We're all with you there, man, and I guess this time we get a chance," replied one of the speakers amid a chorus of approval which showed the spirit of the men.

While the men were talking among themselves thus the four riders on the tired horses had ridden up to the farmhouse. A soldier dressed no better than the rest stood before the door.

"Halt! Who are you?" he cried, presenting his musket.

"Friends. Officers from Philadelphia with messages for his excellency," replied the foremost. "Don't you recognize me, my man?"

"Why, it's Lieutenant Talbot! Pass in, sir, and these other gentlemen with you," answered the soldier, saluting. "It's glad the general will be to see you."

Without further preliminaries the young man opened the door and entered, followed by his three companions. A cheerful fire of logs was blazing and crackling in the wide fireplace in the long, low room. On the table before it stood a great bowl of steaming punch, and several officers were sitting or standing about the room in various positions. The uniforms of all save that of one of them were scarcely less worn and faded, if not quite so tattered, than were those of the escort. The same grim enemies had left the same grim marks upon them as upon the soldiers.

The only well dressed person in the room was a bright eyed young man, a mere boy, just nineteen, wearing the brilliant uniform of an officer of the French army. He was tall and thin, red haired, with a long nose and retreating forehead. His bright eyes and animated manner expressed the interest he felt in a conversation carried on in the French language with his nearest neighbor, another young man scarcely a year his senior. The contrast between the new and gay French uniform of the one and the faded Continental dress of the other was not less startling than that suggested by the difference in their size. The American officer was a small, a very small, man, but in spite of his insignificant stature the whole impression of the man was striking and even imposing. In contrast to the other his face was very handsome, the head finely shaped, the features clear cut and regular. He had a decisive mouth, bespeaking resolution and firmness, and two piercing eyes out of which looked a will as hard and imperious as ever dwelt in mortal man.

In front of the fire were two older men, each in the uniform of a general officer, one of thirty-five or thirty-six years of age, the other perhaps ten years older. The younger of the two, a full faced, intelligent, active, commanding sort of man, whose appearance indicated confidence in himself and the light of whose alert blue eyes told of dashing brilliancy in action and prompt decision in perilous moments, which made him one of those who succeed, would have been more noticed had not his personality been so overshadowed by that of the officer who was speaking to him. The latter was possessed of a figure so tall that it dwarfed every other in the room. He was massively molded, but well proportioned, with enormous hands and feet and long, powerful limbs, which indicated great physical force, and having withal an erect and noble carriage, easy and graceful in appearance, which would have immediately attracted attention anywhere, even if his face had not been more striking than his figure.

And this was the man upon whom was laid the burden of the war of the Revolution, and to whom, under God, were due the mighty results of that epoch making contest. Seldom if ever do we see men of such rare qualities that when they leave their appointed places no other can be found to fill them, but if such a one ever did live this was he.

CHAPTER XXI.

ONE or two other men were writing at a table and another stalwart officer of rank was sitting by the fire reading. None of the four men coming into the room had seen the general before, except Talbot. As the door opened, his excellency glanced up inquiringly and, recognizing the first figure, stepped forward quickly, extending his hand, all the other officers rising and drawing near at the same time.

"What, Talbot! I trust you bring good news, sir?"

"I do, sir," said the young officer, saluting.

"The transport?" said the general in great anxiety.

"Captured, sir."

"Her lading?"

"Two thousand muskets, twenty fieldpieces, powder, shot, intrenching tools, other munitions of war; 10,000 suits of winter clothes, blankets and shoes, and four officers and fifty soldiers; all bound for Quebec, where the British army is assembling."

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For Governor.

After one of the most exciting campaigns in the history of the Republican party in Maine, William T. Cobb of Rockland was last week nominated for Governor upon the first ballot at the Bangor convention. The contest was between three candidates of high character, broad experience and acknowledged ability. Each had his supporters. But one could win. It is the glory of our country and our party that, whatever our personal preference, we accept the will of the majority. We believe that Mr. Cobb will be elected and that he will give the state an able and clean administration.

Summer Schools.

The Summer Schools for the present season will be held in Hampden, commencing July 11, Stonington, July 18, Wilton, July 25 and Limerick, August 1. Each school will be in session for one week.

The instructors are Supt. W. C. Bates, Fall River, Mass.; Supt. G. W. Twitmyer, Wilmington, Del.; Mr. C. H. Albert, Bloomsburg, Pa., and the State Superintendent.

The following topics are selected from the subjects that will be discussed:

Things worth remembering. A day in a good primary, a good grammar and a good ungraded school. Good morals and fine manners. Training young Americans. Worst thing in school. The power of our expectation.

In Arithmetic, the work will include general principles, how to begin, fundamental processes, the essentials, the art of explanation, business methods and the mechanics of Arithmetic.

In geography, type lessons on New England will be outlined in which special attention will be given to climate, forests, rocks, fishing, agriculture, manufacturing, cities and shipping routes.

In pedagogy, the following subjects will receive attention:

The work of the modern school. The modern teacher. The management of individual pupils. The knowledge most useful to children. The cultivation of taste. Things not found in books. The influence of personality. Activities outside the school. The teacher as a social factor. Devices in teaching. Principles of education.

Professional and general reading for teachers and suggestions for interesting the pupils and parents in the work of the school will be discussed, also directions for beautifying school grounds and schoolrooms will be given.

For information as to board, railway rates, etc., apply to Supt. Frank H. Damon, Hampden; Mr. W. B. Thurlow, Stonington; Prin. D. T. Harthorn, Wilton, and Prin. B. W. Sanderson, Limerick.

Re-union of the "Sergeants Mess" of Co. K 12th Maine Regiment.

The re-union of this "Sergeants Mess" which was organized about twenty years ago which was after a lapse of about eighteen years, from the time of the regiment's muster out of service was held at the home of H. N. Bolster and wife on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 28th and 29th. There was present of the old comrades, Capt. H. N. Bolster and Sergeants J. P. Cobb of Wilder, Vt., and J. F. Stearns of Lovell, Me. Of the "honorary members" of the mess present, Mrs. H. N. Bolster, Mrs. J. F. Stearns, also Comrade and Mrs. J. Edwin Nye of Auburn. Mrs. Nye was formerly the wife of Comrade E. F. Goss of Auburn. Comrades Goss, Field and Rice have passed the final "muster out" from life's service. The widows of Comrades Fields and Rice were not present. We all enjoyed the pleasant hours spent together and were glad for the opportunity of meeting together once more, but still, with our feeling of gladness, there came a feeling of sadness, for we greatly missed the dear ones who had been with us in our reunions of the former years. But we fully realized that time is speeding us on. The final "muster out" of the last one of this old mess will soon come, but we steadily move on, fully realizing that there must be partings here, but we anticipate and believe that in the "sweet by and by" there will be a joyful reunion in that "happy land" that seems to us now so far away. H. N. B.

At Bangor.

At the Republican State Convention at Bangor the Oxford County delegation elected the following:

Chairman—James S. Wright of Paris.
Vice-President—Jonathan Bartlett of Stoneham.
Com. on Resolutions—George M. Atwood of Paris.
Member State Committee—John S. Harlow of Dixfield.

A remarkable case of longevity is found in the family of John Sinnett of Orr's Island who is 96 years of age. His wife died young—at the age of 60,—but it is fair to state that her death was due to being thrown from a carriage. They had eight children, all of whom are still living, six daughters and two sons, of ages ranging from 78 to 62. Three of them are in California.

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. Y. P. S. C. E. Sunday afternoon at 3. Sabbath Evening Service at 7:30 P. M. Prayer Meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. Covenant Meeting the last Friday before the 1st Sunday of the month at 2:30 P. M. All not otherwise connected are cordially invited.

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

George M. Atwood and Henry D. Hammond attended the Republican State Convention at Bangor last week.

Lincoln Hammond of New York is visiting his parents, Hon. and Mrs. George F. Hammond.

Albert E. Davies, Esq., of New York joined his family here last week.

Advertised letter in Paris post office July 1st:

Mr. Thomas Ingraham.

The Universalist Social Circle will meet at Academy Hall Friday evening, July 8th, at which time the comedy, "No Men Wanted" will be presented by the following cast:

Elizabeth Rawley, Isabelle Granger, Girl Bachelors, Misses Helen Thorne, Mary Case. Prymella Abercromble, their maid, Miss Dorothea Carter.

To be followed by a promenade, with music by Messrs. Stearns, Knapp and Young. Admission to the hall 25 cents. Children under 12 years 10 cents. Dancing free. Ice cream will be on sale during the evening. Doors open at 7:30. Curtain rises at 8.

The Fourth was suitably celebrated at the Beeches by the unfurling of a new flag, 8x12 feet, on a staff at the top of the house. An interesting programme accompanied the raising of the flag, including readings and patriotic songs.

Percy W. Brooks, Esq., of the banking house of N. W. Harris & Sons, New York, was at Paris Hill last week.

Charles L. Case, Esq., and Miss Clara Case arrived at their summer home here Monday, having just returned from a trip to Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Bailey of Washington, D. C., are guests at the Hubbard House.

Dr. Charles S. Little of Indianapolis, Ind., with his wife and young daughter, are guests of Mrs. Little's grandmother, Mrs. Jarvis C. Marble.

With the exception of one act, the boys did pretty well on the early morning of the fourth. The daubing of brown paint on to a white front yard fence was vandalism.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Thorne, Mrs. O. A. Thayer, Mrs. C. P. Harlow and Miss Helen Thorne were guests of Jarvis M. Thayer at Camp Echo, near Locke's Mills, last week.

Mrs. W. L. Perham and Miss Wilma Perham are visiting relatives at Milford, Maine.

Charles F. Mathewson, Esq., of New York, made a brief visit to Paris Hill last week. Mr. Mathewson and family are to sail for Europe the 16th inst., where they will spend the summer. Their many friends here regret that they are not to be at Paris Hill.

Mr. Philip Goldberg arrived from New York Saturday for the summer. Mr. and Mrs. Goldberg occupy their summer home here—"Fairview."

Mrs. E. H. Barton of Cincinnati, O., is a guest at Mrs. Marble's.

Regular meeting of the directors of Paris Hill Library Association at Hamlin Memorial Hall, Wednesday, July 6th, at 3 P. M.

East Hebron.

From many fruit trees that were well loaded with fruit some have lost a large percentage within a short time. The fruit that remains is growing finely and is coloring unusually bright.

Strawberries have been plenteous but are nearly gone.

Miss Mary Warren is very feeble and does not gain but very little.

Dea. K. P. Fuller is having a sickly time again, caused by overdoing.

Mrs. Kelley has gone to Bath with her daughter to pass a few weeks with her mother, hoping to regain her health by being free from care for a time. She has been very industrious in all benevolent work.

Miss Alice Davis returned from Lynn this week to remain through the warm weather.

John Harper's valuable calf returned after a few days' absence by hitching another calf out near the stable. They went out and the calf let them catch her. The supposition is she found no feed while away.

West Sumner.

Rev. Howard MacDonald and Mrs. MacDonald (formerly Miss Ethel Heald of this place) and little daughter Phillis of Meadeville, Pennsylvania, are in town for the summer. Mr. MacDonald will supply the Congregationalist pulpit at East Sumner during the vacation of their regular pastor, Rev. Mr. Muttart.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Merrill and Mrs. Nile, wife of Dr. Joseph Nile of Rumford Falls, were in town Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Howe and other friends.

Mr. Elbridge Murch was in town over Sunday.

Rev. E. A. Davis, state missionary, occupied the Baptist pupit again last Sabbath.

H. B. T. Chandler attended commencement exercises at Bowdoin College.

Horace Farrar sold his bay mare to Lewiston parties and bought another of Mr. Fogg.

Harry Crockett is at home for a few weeks.

A regular meeting of S. B. R. Club was held June 30th with Deaconess Caroline Sanford. Business was election of officers as follows:

President—Mrs. F. R. McLaughlin.
Vice-President—Mrs. John Heald.
Secretary—Miss Dot Heald.
Treasurer—Mrs. G. A. Chandler.

Librarian to be chosen later after final arrangements are made for the new books.

Miss Grace Farrar, who boards with Mrs. Ryerson and attends school, is very ill. Her grandma, Mrs. Jefferson Farrar, with whom is her home, is here with her at present.

Linneus Farrar sold his driving horse to Ernest Farrar of Redding.

Mrs. Henry Young is quite ill again. She gains rather slowly.

Mrs. May Chandler Pulsifer is visiting friends in South Paris for a short time.

Brownfield.

It is pouring rain to every one's delight.

Mrs. Linna Allen *nee* Frink of Portland visited at J. L. Frink's.

Lura Staples is spending her vacation at her home in this village.

The brass band gave a concert Wednesday evening at Memorial Hall.

J. L. Frink, who has been spending a few days in Portland, has returned home.

Sadie Leavitt and Myrtle Harmon have gone to North Conway for the summer.

Miss Fannie Blake is stopping at her brother's, Mr. Albert Blake's.

Grafton.

Our men finished work on the road in Grafton Notch last Tuesday.

Walter Brinck and Ernest Farrar started last Tuesday for Falmouth to work at haying.

Robert Horton, who has been working for Ernest the past year, returned to his home in Massachusetts the last of the week.

Mrs. Horton of Rehoboth, Mass., has been here on a few days' visit at Mrs. Farrar's.

Will Otis came home from the Rangeleys the first of the week.

We would all in this vicicinity be glad of a good soaking rain.

Norway Lake.

Grace Kilgore has gone to Mr. Thomas' to work.

Grace Hill has been at W. O. Perry's this week.

J. L. and W. S. Partridge and Mrs. R. W. Knight went to Danville last week to attend the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. James Rounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Delano have gone to keeping house in the old house of C. A. Stephens. Mr. Delano is at work for Mr. Stephens.

Asa Frost went to Lewiston to attend the graduating exercises at Bates. His niece, Alice Frost is one of the graduates.

West Paris.

On Saturday, June 25, at 5 o'clock A. M., Mrs. Sarah E. W. Curtis passed from the earthly to the heavenly life. It was a noticable coincidence that only a little more than five years ago her husband died in the same room, the same day of the week and at the same hour.

Mrs. Curtis came here but a few weeks ago from Rumford where she has made her home with her sister, Mrs. S. A. Fickett. It was her long cherished desire to again occupy her own home here, and she had but just got her household arranged when she was taken with her fatal illness of pneumonia. She was most cordially welcomed back by the people of our community and all who knew her, deeply and sincerely regret that her helpful life and influence could not have longer been spared to us. She needs no higher praise than to say she was a worthy Christian woman.

Mrs. Curtis was the daughter of Enoch and Sarah (Cole) Whittemore, and was born at North Paris, July 29, 1846. Her girlhood was spent in that town, and after that she worked faithfully for many years in the shoe manufacturing establishments in several towns in this state and in Lynn, Mass. During this time she made it her home when she had opportunity for leisure with her sister, Nellie, the wife of Simon A. Fickett.

Sept. 12, 1892, she married Mr. Adoniram Curtis and they lived here until the death of Mr. Curtis in 1899.

For fifteen years, Mr. and Mrs. Fickett lived in this town, but they are now residents of Rumford Falls. Since the death of her husband Mrs. Curtis has made it her home at Rumford. Mrs. Curtis leaves two other sisters to mourn her loss. Mrs. Mary Childs of Hartford and Mrs. Lucinda W. Wing of California, also one brother, Mr. Enoch Whittemore, of Andover.

The funeral service was largely attended by relatives and friends. The W. C. T. U. attended in a body, and deplore the loss of a faithful and interested member. She was at one time their efficient president. The service was by Rev. D. F. Nelson, and selections of music were sung by a mixed quartette. There were many lovely flowers given by relatives, friends and members of the W. C. T. U.

Rev. H. A. Abbott has been in the place visiting his sister, Mrs. Elmer E. Tuell.

Mr. Geo. I. Burnham of South Paris was in town last Tuesday in the interest of his picture frame business, having some orders to fill in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Dearborn went to Bethel last week.

Misses Nellie, Linnie, and Georgia Marshall, with invited friends, are spending two weeks at their camp.

Onward Rebekah Lodge is prospering and is having quite an addition to its membership. The lodge have purchased the books of the drama "Milly, the Octaroon" and intend to begin work on it in the near future. It is a fine play and will merit liberal patronage.

D. H. Fifield has bought out his partner, G. F. Cummings, of Boston, and from now on his grain and feed mill will be run entirely by himself. Mr. Fifield is well liked, has established a good business, and no doubt will continue to have a generous patronage.

Advertised letters in West Paris post office July 1:

Mrs. Inez Decker.
Mrs. Frances Harlow.
C. D. Hammond.
H. I. Lovering.
Mrs. Sarah F. Moore
W. G. Martin.
Henry Nelson.
J. J. Slattery.

Prof. and Mrs. J. M. Pike of Livermore Falls were in town last week visiting Mrs. Emogene A. Cushman.

Born, June 29, to Mr. and Mrs. James Robinson, a daughter. Mr. Robinson is in poor health and has been for some time.

Mrs. Bert Willis of Portland is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Alden Day is visiting at Norway.

Bryant's Pond.

The carpenters have finished work on the Mauger cottage and Mrs. Mauger and two children arrived at Mrs. A. C. Ricker's last week. They are making preparations to move into their cottage.

Robert R. Rafter is stopping at A. C. Ricker's.

John S. Pendleton is boarding at E. H. Cole's and is to preach at the Baptist church through the month of July.

Miss Elizabeth Stevens arrived home Wednesday for her summer vacation.

Brides are plentiful this season. Geo. R. Stevens and bride of Portland arrived in town Thursday and are stopping at the Glen Mt. House.

Miss Nell Preble has been visiting at Mrs. D. D. Peverley's and went to Newry Wednesday.

Walton Wyman is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. E. Hathaway.

Mrs. Grace Wing and Mrs. Annie Barker of Lewiston arrived at their mother's, Mrs. Lizzie Day's, Tuesday. Mrs. Wing returned home Wednesday.

Mrs. Anna Chase is visiting her people at Turner.

The Universalist Society held their circle at Amos Bryant's Wednesday. Owing to bad weather it was poorly attended.

Rev. W. J. Taylor will preach at the Universalist church July 10th at 10:30 A. M.

Miss Florence Bryant of Abington, Mass., is visiting in town.

Mrs. Cora Staples of Portland is stopping with Mrs. Gerry Wing.

The Pythian Sisterhood is to give a night cap sociable in Dudley's Opera House Saturday evening, July 2d.

Efforts are being made to organize a Sons of Veteran Camp in town.

Miss Myrtle Bacon has gone to St. Louis to attend the exposition.

Edwin Andrews, Alvah Andrews and G. L. Cushman attended the Republican convention at Bangor Wednesday.

The Village Improvement Society have put a tank in the sulphur spring and built a nice pavilion over it with seats at the side. The walk has also been graded and the wet places filled in.

Mrs. Lee Rowe is visiting her mother, Mrs. Issie Perkins, at Fryeburg.

Mrs. Emily Felt and Miss Ethel Ford attended the union of the Christian Endeavor Society at Norway June 29.

Mrs. Edith Bryant is visiting in Bethel.

East Waterford.

Mrs. Phil Rolfe and two children went to Appleton last week with her mother, who has been staying with her.

Josephine and Elsie Sanderson are at home but leave again July 1st, the former to work in the Poland Spring House, the latter in the Langdon, Intervale, N. H.

Mrs. Geo. Stevens is very sick.

There was an unusually good entertainment at the Temple Hill school house Wednesday evening. The principal feature was a mock graduation, the class consisting of six young ladies and one young man. All the parts were well written and rendered. Burton W. Sanderson conferred the diplomas, at the same time giving the class some timely advice. A cake walk and a jig by a little boy and girl from Boston, who are boarding in the vicinity, were especially fine. There was singing by the school, also singing and whistling by Chas. Battles, recitations by the young pupils and a farce, "The Pullback." Herbert Ames made a good hit with his rendering of "A Barnyard Episode," substituting the name of Deacon Hersey for that of the farmer.

Mrs. Mandana Miller arrives Thursday to spend a fortnight with her son, G. A. Miller.

Alton Ames has gone to Machias to spend the Fourth.

Every one is planning to begin haying immediately after the 4th. The grass about here is in a very thrifty condition.

East Sumner.

C. E. Tolman of South Paris was in town Thursday.

Sephen Doten left on Wednesday for a vist to Ellsworth Pipers, West Peru.

S. F. Stetson and G. A. Maxim attended the Bangor convention last week. The latter went in place of Dr. E. J. Marston, who was chosen but was not able to attend.

Mr. M. R. Fogg and family and Jeff Russell and wife have returned from an outing at Bailey's Island.

Mr. McDonald of Bangor Seminary is supplying the Congregational pulpit very acceptably and makes very favorable impressions as a speaker.

Rev. L. W. Muttart writes that he is enjoying his vacation at Alburton, P. E. I., finely. All wish him happiness and a return in improved health.

Bethel.

Monday evening the St. Louis party started. Eleven from Bethel joined the party which numbered sixty-five. News from various places along the way has been good. The party will reach Bethel next Friday morning.

The rain of the past few days has been refreshing to the crops.

Mr. Seth Walker is to build a barn on his intervale land.

The strawberry and ice cream supper served on The Howard lawn was a success socially and financially.

Mr. Preston of Boston, who has spent much time at Dr. Gehring's, is to erect a cottage on one of the most sightly lots in our village. The cottage has arrived in sections ready to be put together.

The boarding houses are entertaining quite a number of guests.

Mr. Westerfield, who has been boarding at Mr. Eli Stearns, has gone to Squirrel Island to enjoy the sea breeze.

The last meeting of the W. C. T. U. gave a very interesting programme, it being Flower Mission Day. The next meeting the program will be patriotic.

Mrs. Mark Chandler is visiting friends in Bethel who are glad to see her after an absence of three years. Mr. and Mrs. Chandler left many friends here when he was transferred to the Grand Trunk station at Norway.

The week is to be filled with a varied programme. Fourth of July will bring the circus, the Epworth League will hold a convention here Wednesday and Thursday.

Wilson's Mills.

Wednesday June 22d was a "red letter" day in our town history as on that day was dedicated our first house of worship, the Spaulding Memorial chapel, for Dr. Edward Spaulding of Nashua, N. H., who for forty years had spent his vacations in this vicinity, and was "called home" at Camp Meadows on his last trip at the age of 86. Many of the members of the Parmacheenee Club, of which he was an honored and revered member, have contributed to the building. A prompt response to the appeal of the pastor, Rev. E. A. Tuck, that the church be dedicated free of debt was so successful that there was some fifty dollars over to go towards a pulpit and a furnace, a debt of $100.00 remained, the cost of the chapel being about $2000.

The pastor paid special tribute to the work of the late R. A. Storey in the final success of the enterprise, who with failing health had labored faithfully and earnestly for its completion, and the first service held in it was his funeral service.

The bell and Lombard memorial window to the memory of Rev. Richard Lombard, Joshua Lombard and David Lombard was given by Mrs. Frances (Lombard) Clergue of Sault St., Marie, Ontario; the Wilson memorial window was put in by Mrs. M. W. Bennett, Mrs. A. S. Marsh, Mrs. M. E. Whittemore of Boston, Mrs. S. S. Bennett, Mrs. B. N. Storey, Wilson's Mills; the central window was put in by the building committee to perpetuate the memory of Dr. Spaulding. A bible was on the stand, given to settlement by a party of tourists early in the sixties in memory of Enoch Whittemore, a union soldier of this place. Hymn books, fifty in number, and a very handsome pulpit lamp was given by Mrs. Robert Sturgis. The church was finely decorated with ferns, daisies and potted plants by Mrs. Walter Buckman assisted by the flower committee. The dedication services began at 2 o'clock, several selections were sung by the choir, prayer of dedication, Rev. Wm. Hague. Rev. Cyrus Richardson of Nashua, the dedicatory sermon, which was of a high order in its delivery and import; closing prayer by Rev. Albert Brown, minister in charge at Errol, N. H.

For the accomodation of visitors, tents were set up, four of them, with tables and back of them beans were baked in the ground, and tea and coffee made under the supervision of D. C. Bennett and W. H. Hart.

Among the visitors from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Perley Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Kilgore of Newry, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Tyler of Grafton, W. A. Bragg, L. C. Bragg and wife, Mr. and Mrs. U. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Hanscome of Errol and many others.

The wind and rain detracted much from the pleasure of the day. The 23d, however, was a perfect June day, on which occurred the dedication of the 1st Congregation church at Magalloway Plantation. Owing to the late arrival of the Rev. Raymond Calkins, who was to give the dedication sermon, the dedication exercises were postponed till evening, but in the afternoon Rev. Cyrus Richardson gave a very eloquent and touching address to the assembled people, after which he started for Colebrook. The people then gathered on the river bank beneath the trees. An organ was carried down and all that wished to joined in the singing interspersed by platform speeches from the pastors, E. A. Tuck, Rev. Mr. Hague and Rev. Albert Brown. A very large number of people for such a place were kindly and courteously served with an excellent dinner and supper here. Five large tents were set up with tables and seats on both sides, making it much more comfortable than at Wilson's Mills the day before. Entertainment committee, Miss Allura Flint; tent and reception committee, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Lary, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Sturtevant, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Leavitt, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Linnell and Mrs. Patterson.

The church was tastily decorated with flowers, ferns and potted plants. Here also the pastor made a grand move to pay off the church debt of $460.00 before the dedication, and by cash and pledges succeeded in doing it. The cost of the chapel so far had been about $2000, the bell was given by Elihu Leavitt. D. M. Sturtevant has contributed generously to the building as has his son, M. D. Sturtevant.

At 7 o'clock began the dedication exercises; prayer, Rev. E. H. Tuck; a helpful and stirring address by Rev. Raymond Calkins of State Street church, Portland. Rev. Mr. Hague made the closing prayer. The same choir sang at both places. Miss Grace Tuck, organist; Mrs. Susan Winston, Miss Addie Flint, alto; Mrs. Grace Tuck, Miss May Fox, soprano; F. E. Jorgenson, bass; Rev. Mr. Hague, tenor.

North Buckfield.

The workmen on the Grange Hall have the frame up and boarded.

The ladies of the Grange Circle held another entertainment Saturday evening, June 18th, which was very liberally patronized. Maidie Moody of Hebron was the principal speaker. The audience seemed to enjoy her speaking very much.

Ella Ames of Rumford Falls is with her grandmother, Mrs. V. D. Bicknell, for a while.

Miss Bessie Green of Portland made a short call at A. F. Mason's one day last week.

Mabry Mayhew was at home the 26th.

Wallace and Ross Varney of Haverhill, Mass., are guests of Washie Heald and wife.

Henry Young and his sister, Cynthia, of Oxford, were calling on friends in our place one day the past week.

The National Lumber Company have four teams hauling hard wood plank from their plant in Sumner to Buckfield village.

North Paris.

Mrs. A. J. Abbott visited at Bethel, June 25th and 26th.

Leroy Abbott had a very severe bilious attack June 30th. Dr. Marston was called and he is now better.

Mrs. Kimball had a severe attack of heart trouble the 2d.

Mrs. W. E. Abbott and children is visiting at A. J. Abbott's.

Leroy Abbott has hired to Seth Benson for July and August.

Mrs. David Graves and family have arrived at their summer cottage.

P. A. Crawford and son have returned from Clarksburg, West Va.

Prentiss Library has received a gift of several books from Paris Hill Library.

School closed in the Tuell District, Friday, June 24th, 1904. Scholars not absent were:

Doris Field.	May Elwell.
Bernard Elwell.	Alberta Elwell.
Della Elwell.	Iona Littlehale.
Lorenzo Littlehale.	Walter Littlehale.
Alfred Andrews.	Zilpha Porter.
	Eunice Gowell.

Doris Field, aged six, did not miss a word for the term. We earnestly hope Miss Swift will come back for another term.

Buckfield.

Any one wishing to worship at the new Jerusalem can go up to Mt. Tom Sunday afternoons. A tent 40 feet long for the accomodation of the multitude has been erected.

Miss Shirly Hall is spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Mary Hall. She teaches in Hingham, Mass.

Amy Shaw, a teacher in Everett, Mass., is with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Shaw, during her vacation.

Dr. Heald, on returning from the city Saturday, drove into O. E. Wait's barn to escape the shower, which was very slight there, but the village was invisible by reason of the falling torrent.

Will Allen has gone to the St. Louis fair, to Oklahoma and other points.

Chase's Mills and Buckfield tried titles on the diamond Saturday in a ball and mouth game. Buckfield won on the ball 11 to 10.

The Oxford County Blacksmith's Association met with A. F. Cloutier Saturday evening. Members from South and West Paris and Norway attended.

Herman Wardwell and wife of West Paris have recently visited Mrs. Wardwell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Irish.

Mrs. John Moore passed away June 25th at 52 years of age. Eighteen years bed-ridden and a great sufferer, causes us to wonder why things are so ordered. She leaves a husband, parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Atwood, two brothers, Fred Atwood of Rumford Falls and E. F. Atwood of Portland, four daughters and five grand-children. Funeral services were at the home Tuesday, Rev. Mr. Turner of Rumford Falls attending. The brothers and wives were present, also Mr. and Mrs. Nahum and Wallace Moore of Rumford Falls.

Cayenne pepper mixed with flour knocks the spots off of anything I ever used for potato beetles and squash bugs.

She, I and John attended the reception by the treasurer of the National Lumber Company to the correspondents of the Oxford Democrat at Mt. Tom, Saturday, June 25th. She, is my wife, John needs no introduction to Oxford County people. "A good day and a good track" as the horsemen say. A fine time, a good dinner, but a small company. The table was presided over under the trees by the treasurers daughter and another lady to our abundant satisfaction. A large tent was erected, the company seated, then came the literary part of the affair. John gave two readings, and John knows how. There are none of the professional who come to Buckfield that can eclipse John is the universal decision here. Harrison Farrar gave a reading, "The Almighty Dollar" very appropriate in all departments, except ours. Those who did not attend escaped the writers effort, of what to write to bring the Almighty dollar to publishers and kicks to the correspondent, and his some-time pleasures of being entertained at Mt. Tom, all of which we suspend except a few lines if deemed worthy of a place in the Democrat.

We sometimes think there must be a drop of aboriginal fluid in our veins that impels our love for nature's beauties. We do not envy others the sights at St. Louis, but for me, give me the hills.

I love the hills, the grand old hills of Maine,
And unto these I'll raise my voice again;
What though we worship them as homage due
To these, God's monuments, from me and you?

The priest may storm and seek to wield the rod,
But these are part and parcel of our God,
Who sets the bounds that man may ne'r contend
O'er hidden themes, he cannot comprehend.

These noble hills, the landmarks of the age,
Defying time when storms and tempests rage;
What rapt'rous tales these mountains might unfold
Of ages, dates, and mysteries untold.

Of men and races which have come and gone,
And left no dates to strew the way along,
Of what, or who, or what there might have been,
Of pigmies dwarfed, or that of giant men.

Of castles grand, of science and of art,
Of corp'rate greed to crush the human heart;
Or, bitter still, of loves and holy fire
When toiling man was worthy of his hire.

Ah yes, I love these hills, these giant hills,
The woods, the trees, and ever running rills;
And when life's fitful journey here shall end,
For natures boone we ever will contend.

We dined on new potatoes June 29, and they were very good. One man was in such haste for new potatoes that he dug up the seed.

Mrs. A. E. Cole left Wednesday for Traverse City, Michigan, to visit a sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Emery and Master Ralph of Boston are visiting N. E. Morrill.

Benj. Spaulding is visiting his brother at Caribou.

Bertram Hall of Massachusetts is visiting relatives here.

STREAKED MOUNTAIN.

A. J. Abbott of West Paris put in a U. S. cream separator for Dr. Whitman a few days ago. It works to perfection, taking out all of the cream in a few minutes. The doctor has a herd of nine cows.

Plaisted Whitman has bought the Sherman Jordan farm and is moving in his household goods.

Pearl Maxim has bought a colt of Webster Maxim and it is, perhaps, the handsomest colt in Oxford County.

Your correspondent made a short call on Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Tilton the other day and had the pleasure of listening while Mr. Tilton read aloud a poem from his own versitile pen, which ought to be published in every newspaper in the state. Mr. Tilton deals fearlessly with wrong doing. Would that there were more like him. Would it not be well to keep some of our missionaries at home instead of sending them to foreign lands?

Fryeburg.

The welcome rain has come at last and brought renewed life to the gardens.

Sunday was rather a torrid day, the mercury reaching 90° and upwards in some localities.

Our numerous teachers, collegians and students are coming home for their well earned vacations. Miss Susan Wiley is home from Arlington, Misses Hermit and Katherine Abbott from Attleboro, Mass., and Farmington Normal School, Miss Harriet Pike from Waltham, Miss Rachel Weston from Normal Art School, Boston.

Mrs. A. M. Abbott and daughter, Louise, have returned from Wellesley, and our college boys Evans from Dartmouth, Pike from Bowdoin, Stone from Amherst, Norman and Whitmore from Orono are now at home.

Misses Eva Goodwin and Mary Barrows came from Boston on Wednesday, and Miss Sarah Evans reached here on Thursday having spent four weeks at South Berwick on her way from Boston.

Mrs. Leah Chase sails from New York on Saturday, July 2d in company with Miss Lizzie Shirley and one of her pupils from Los Angeles, Cal.

Miss Carol Webster is at Mr. Wyman's at Invervale for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Pitts came home on Wednesday. The pulpit was supplied on Sunday by the Conway minister.

East Bethel.

Strawberries in the field are plenty.

Orman Farwell with his horses is pressing hay with Orlando Buck.

Miss Fannie Holt returned home from Neponset, Mass., where she has been spending the past year.

Z. W. Bartlett visited friends in Auburn this week.

A large crew of men have been repairing and improving a large tract of road in this place the past two weeks.

Mr. C. M. Kimball visited South Paris and Norway July 1st.

Mrs. F. B. Howe and son, John, are visiting relatives in Paris.

Mrs. E. A. Howe from South Paris visited relatives here last Saturday and Sunday.

Hebron.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Glover of Newton, Mass., have been visiting relatives here.

The Ladies' Circle gave their last supper for the season Tuesday evening.

Mrs. S. P. Cushman, who has been very sick for a few days, is a little better.

A. J. Turner goes to Norway on his annual trip this week. Mr. Turner expects to be gone three weeks as he has many clocks and watches to repair.

We learn that E. M. Glover has sold his house, stable and some land to his brother, H. T. Glover, who will run the stable. We are glad to hear that Mr. Glover will not leave the place but build on the corner lot which he bought of Mrs. C. E. Harden a few years ago.

E. M. Glover and family went to Boston Thursday on a short visit.

Mrs. Benson Phillips has returned from a visit to her parents in West Auburn.

Oxford.

During the severe thunder shower of Sunday, the lightning entered the home of George Cash, and Mrs. Cash received a shock which rendered her unconscious for a length of time but causing no serious injuries.

Mrs. Fobes visited her brother, Dr. A. L. Hersey, last week.

Miss H. E. Hersey is intending soon to start for Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Deering have moved to Deering.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin had an auction sale of household goods Saturday. They are going to Los Angeles, Cal., as Mr. Martin is suffering from a bronchial trouble.

Tonsilitis is quite prevalent here.

Scott Patterson has returned from Massachusetts and will resume his blacksmith work at Welchville.

The graduating exercises of Oxford High School took place at Robinson Hall, Friday evening, June 24. Following is the programme:

Part I.

Music, ... Orchestra.
Prayer, ... Rev. A. H. Ericsson
Music, ... Orchestra.
Salutatory—Small Beginnings, †Bertella Althea Towne.
Music, ... Lotus Quartette, Lewiston.
Essay—Rights and Duties of Nations, *Charles Winfield Rowe.
Music, ... Lotus Quartette.
Essay—Forestry, ... *Charles Henry Hirst.
Music, ... Lotus Quartette.
Class History, ... †Ida Parcher Stone
Music, ... Lotus Quartette
Prophecy, ... †Bessie May Newport
Valedictory—The Postal System, *S. Everett Cook.

Part II.

Music, ... Lotus Quartette.
Presentation of Diplomas, Supt. Frederic Newport.
Singing of Class Ode.
Valedictory Address, ... Heloise Edwin Hersey.

*English Course.
†Classical Course.

Lovell.

Within about a week four heavy showers have passed over the village, besides one night of rain, so the ground is thoroughly wet here.

Large numbers of visitors for the summer are coming to the place now. The stages in from Fryeburg are loaded most of the time.

The town schools closed Friday.

The scholars of the village school enjoyed a delightful picnic as a closing exercise.

The store of the late John M. Farrington at the Centre is in charge of Dr. Fred C. Russell, the administrator of the estate.

Married in Lovell, June 27, by C. K. Chapman, Esq., Linton P. Ingalls of Bridgton and Miss Georgie E. Keniston of Lovell.

Locke's Mills.

Geo. Mason of Hanover was at Wesley Cole's Friday, the 1st.

There was a picnic in the grove back of the school house, Howe Hill, Friday, July 1st, the closing day of school.

A. J. Ayer has been and is picking strawberries and preserving them alone—has some ten or fifteen quarts already done.

W. H. Farnham is cutting L. C. Trask's hay.

Charles R. Bartlett had another bad turn Thursday, June 30th.

Rev. A. D. Colson preached in the Union church, 26th inst. Rev. Mr. Potter July 3d. They will preach in the same place alternate Sundays at 2:30, through the summer.

Eben Rand sent a nice cow from his place to his daughter, Mrs. Walter Swift, this week.

Quite a crew of men are cutting pulp on Mrs. Annie Emery's farm for F. L. Edwards.

Alder River Grange has a meeting in Mount Abram Hall, Saturday evening, July 2d.

Gilead.

The one hundredth anniversary of the town of Gilead will be celebrated July 14th.

Mr. D. R. Hastings has returned from Auburn to his summer residence with his family.

The Mountain View Grange will meet Friday, the 8th, at the town hall in the evening.

C. F. Saunders stopped Saturday night with friends in town while on his way to Hanover from New Hampshire.

Johnnie Watson of Portland is spending his vacation with his sister, Mrs. J. E. Richardson.

Mrs. E. R. Popham with her three children is spending a few months with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Moore.

My Hebron Visit and its Sad Ending.

It was suggested during centennial week that I should publish the leading incidents in connection with myself, and one lady in another county subscribed for the Democrat, partly for the sake of getting them. But although there were no promises made to that affect, perhaps the relating of a few of the principal occurrences might be of local interest at least. The details of the celebration have already been given, and consequently I shall confine myself to personal matters, in doing which it will be necessary to use considerable egotism. So much then by way of preface.

On learning from the program that the celebration would commence on Sunday, June 12, by a sermon from Rev. G. E. Horr, D. D., of Bo

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SOUTH PARIS.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

Commencing June 13, 1904,

TRAINS LEAVE SOUTH PARIS

Going down (east)—4 51 A. M., (daily, Sundays included) 9 30 A. M., 3 58 P. M. Sunday only, 6 00 P. M.

Going up (west)—10 00 A. M., 3 22 P. M., 10 15 P. M., (daily, Sundays included). Sunday only, 10 22 A. M.

SOUTH PARIS POST OFFICE.

Office Hours: 7 30 A. M. to 7 30 P. 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. H. A. Clifford, Pastor. 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.; preaching service 7 P. M.; prayer meeting Tuesday evening; class meeting, Friday evening.

Baptist Church, Rev. H. S. Pinkham, Pastor. 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. Sunday School at 3 30 P. M. Evening service, 7 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. 26, 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.

W. R. C.—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 first and third Saturday; during the remainder of the year, meets every Saturday, in Odd Fellows' 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. 5897, meets second and fourth Tuesday evenings in Golden Cross Hall.

Royal Arcanum.—Paris Council, No. 1621, meets first and third Monday evenings at 7 30.

Miss Alta Walker is at Old Orchard for a week.

Miss Florence Lowell of Lewiston is a guest of Mrs. Walter L. Gray.

Miss Soule of Washington, D. C., was a guest at E. N. Haskell's last week.

Miss Clara May Needham of Portland recently visited at E. N. Anderson's.

Mrs. E. N. Hall returned Friday from a ten days' visit with friends in Waterville.

Miss Julia Morton is at home from her school in Abington, Mass., for the summer vacation.

Walter Dennison, wife, and Masters Harlan and Robert, are visiting relatives in Massachusetts.

Misses Ida Kerr and Grace Bennett are employed at the New Falmouth Hotel, Portland, for the summer.

Mrs. F. E. Howe and Master John, of East Bethel, spent the past week in town, guests of Mrs. Effie Howe.

Miss Rose Powers, who has been employed in a millinery store in Dover, Maine, through the spring season, returned home last week.

Miss Elizabeth K. Chapman of Jamestown, North Dakota, and Mrs. H. N. Upton of Bethel visited Mr. Banister N. Chapman and family last week.

James S. Wright, William J. Wheeler, Walter L. Gray, Silas P. Maxim, and C. McArdle attended the Republican State Convention at Bangor last week.

Mrs. Ansel Swift and Miss Susie Wheeler went to Barton Landing, Vt., Wednesday. Mrs. Swift will remain for the summer. Miss Wheeler will return in a few days.

Mrs. Walter Swett entertained her Sunday School class at her home Thursday. A special carriage was prepared for their conveyance and the little people had a very happy time.

Miss Maud Carter, who teaches in Braintree, Mass., is at home for a vacation. She returns to Boston the 9th for the summer, where she has a position in the summer school there.

Wednesday evening the Norway Cornet Band gave another open air concert in Market Square. A good attendance was present but not as many as the week before owing to bad weather.

About twenty-five Masons visited Evening Star Lodge at Buckfield Monday evening and all enjoyed themselves. They were conveyed by a barge with four horses, arriving home Tuesday morning at 4 o'clock.

Supt. A. O. Wheeler and wife of Mountain View Stock Farm went to Peak's Island Saturday morning, July 2d, to spend the 4th, returning home on the evening train Monday. They also visited friends in Portland and Westbrook.

William B. Edwards, foreman of the machine room at the works of the Paris Manufacturing Company, met with an accident Friday. A stick flew from one of the machines striking Mr. Edwards between the eye and ear, making a wound that required several stitches to close up.

Among those who attended Bates commencement last week were Alton C. Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. James D. Haynes, Mrs. Rounds, Miss Rounds, Miss Mertie Walker, Miss Susie Wheeler, Miss Lucinda Field, Miss Olive Stuart and Nathan Chase.

Rev. T. J. Ramsdell of Caribou was in town a few days last week, coming here from Waterville where he preached the baccalaureate sermon before the graduating class of Colby College June 26. He occupied his former pulpit here last Sunday and was cordially welcomed by old parishioners and friends.

The next morning after the bear story was told, old men, big men, small men, boys with dogs and guns, and boys without either were seen to start in the direction of the "bears den." Some starting as early as 3 o'clock A. M. returning at dusk; some were seen with their coat collars turned up around their necks and their blood running cold at the thought of seeing a bear, but they most respond to the call, as the sporting blood within them was at fever heat. It was predicted by some that grass would soon start in the road-bed in the vicinity of the "bears den" on the Stony Brook road, but such is not the case. The matter was reported to Judge John Martin, the hunter, trapper and guide, and he at once started on the war path. The latest report is that the old bear and her three cubs were migrating southward at a high rate of speed, so no doubt they got wind of the Judge, and in the language of the poet "Flew the Coop." Now the strawberry pickers are heaving a sigh of relief.

Following is the programme of Children's Day Exercises, given at the Congregational church, Sunday evening, June 26th:

Processional—The Rosy Gates of Summer.
Recitation—Greeting, ... Gilbert Swett.
Prayer, ... Pastor.
Song, ... Lilla Farrar.
Recitation—Sunrise and Sunset Gates, ... Carrie Clifford and Bessie Haggett.
Singing—Never Pass Them By, ... School.
Recitation—Prayer, ... Arline Crocker.
Bible reading—Gates of Blessing, ... Superintendent and School.
Singing—Go Ye Through the Gates, ... School.
Exercise—Forward March, ... Rosy Clark, Marguerite Worthington, Ethel Bennett, Ruth Blood, Ruth Bolster.
Duet—Beautiful gate, ... Ruby Clark, Bessie Haggett.
Singing—Take the World for God, ... School.
Address—Gates of Opportunity, ... Pastor.
Violin Solo, ... Carl Briggs.
Exercise—Doors for Little Children, ... Mary Clifford, Marian Wheeler, Myra Haggett, Lizzie Muzzy, Arline Crocker, Muriel Bowker, Marjorie Chandler, Hilda Chandler.
Singing—Little Hands are knocking, ... Primary Classes.
Song—Beautiful Isle of Somewhere, Ruby Clark.
Singing—World-Wide Doors for Jesus, ... School.
Offering.
Singing—Sing Aloud, Jerusalem, ... School.
Exercise—The Gates of Zion, ... Mae Field, Lilla Farrar, Roland Haggett, Stanley Shurtleff, Irving Barrows, Olive Barnes, Esther Wheeler, Annie Muzzy.
Bible reading—Gates of Pearl, ... Superintendent and School.
Duet and Chorus—Through the Pearly Gates, ... Helen and Warren Barnes and School.
Quartet—The Gates of Heaven, ... Misses Wheeler and Tolman, Messrs. Dunn and Hall.
Hymn—The Gates Ajar for Me, ... Congregation.
Benediction.

F. O. Godwin of Upton visited his mother and sister the Fourth.

Rev. L. M. Robinson of Philadelphia is a guest at Wallace Ryerson's.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Tirrell of Turner visited relatives in town the Fourth.

Arthur Royal and family of Worcester, Mass., are visiting relatives in town.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Brett, of Beverly, Mass., are visiting at Charles Brett's.

J. F. Plummer has sold his automobile to John A. Scott, who is now running it.

Miss Clara May Needham of Portland is visiting her aunt, Mrs. E. N. Anderson.

Professor Waterman T. Hewett of Cornell University is visiting his mother here.

George W. Turner of Lynn, Mass., was the guest of relatives here over the Fourth.

George W. Berry was at home from Salem, Mass., to spend the Fourth with his family.

Mrs. Hilton is entertaining as guests her sister, Mrs. Harry Wade, and daughter, of Portland.

Phineas Stearns and wife of Cambridge, Mass., are guests of his mother, Mrs. H. L. Stearns.

Mrs. G. E. Dolliver and two children of Baltimore are guests of her brother, George F. Eastman.

Mrs. James Dennett, a former resident of South Paris, is reported very ill at her home in Saco.

Mrs. C. L. Abbott went to Bethel last Wednesday to work for Miss Ellen Locke at the "Locke House."

Mrs. E. E. Aldrich and son Harold of Amesbury, Mass., are visiting relatives and friends in this place.

Miss Margaret Baker is back in Mr. Wheeler's office after a month's vacation, looking much benefited by her rest.

A large Angora cat, much prized, has disappeared, and a liberal reward will be paid for its return to 46 Hill Street.

Misses Lelia and Lillian Woodcock of East Wilton are visiting Miss Marguerite Clifford at the Methodist parsonage.

Markie Richardson of Quincy, Mass., and Mr. and Mrs. Peaslee and daughter are guests of Mrs. Mark Richardson.

Mrs. Al Brooks of Grafton and Mrs. Fred Bartlett of Bethel were guests of Mrs. A. O. Godwin last Wednesday.

Rev. H. A. Clifford will attend the Epworth League convention at Bethel Wednesday and Thursday, and deliver an address.

Mrs. Nellie Sampson and two children, Elmer and Blanche Lane, went Saturday to Calais, where they will make their home in the future.

The A.'s, B.'s, C.'s, D.'s and E.'s are requested to meet at the Universalist church parlor on Saturday, July 9, at 3 P. M., rain or shine.

Mrs. H. A. Clifford is at East Rumford to visit her father, Mr. A. J. Knight, who has been quite ill. Mr. Knight is reported as improving.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Holton of Chicago are at South Paris. Mr. Holton is private secretary to William Deering, the well known manufacturer.

Sunday evening subject next Sunday at the Universalist church, "The personal benefits derived from union and fellowship in our work." 1 John 1, 3, 6, 7.

Mrs. Prince, Mrs. Hall and Miss Prince of Buckfield, and T. E. Stearns of Cambridge, Mass., were at C. H. Thayer's last week and the ladies made the Democrat a call.

Harold H. Thayer, who graduated from Bates last year, and has been assistant in chemistry there since, is at home. He will be in the store of N. Dayton Bolster & Co. for the summer, and expects to enter a medical school in the fall.

Advertised letters in South Paris post office, July 4, 1904:

Wm. M Mornas.
Mrs. Esther Wheeler.
Mr. Leonard Baker and wife.
Mrs. Arabine Abbott.
Miss Harriet Abbott.
Mrs. Benj. C. Keene.
Mrs. A. E. Penley.

S. F. DAVIS, Postmaster.

A party composed of Mrs. Park, Mrs. J. F. McArdle, Mrs. Penfold, Mrs. H. G. Fletcher, Mrs. W. A. Porter, Mrs. C. W. Bowker, Mrs. E. A. Howe, Mrs. Littlefield, Mrs. Herman Wilson, Mrs. Irving Andrews, Mrs. Stanley, Misses Hattie Burnell, Ruth Tucker, Gertrude Hall, and Catherine Briggs, and little Muriel Bowker, Eva Andrews and Gustave Porter are at Camp Owsley, Harrison, for a three days' outing.

There will be a meeting of the members of the Universalist church and parish Tuesday evening of next week, July 12, to hear the report of the trustees, the soliciting and any other committee, for the six months ending July 1st. The present and future needs of the parish will be considered, and any necessary action will be taken toward providing for future work. The excellent success thus far achieved will be abundant encouragement for action for the future. Let all members of the parish and church and regular attendants at this church be present, that the work of the parish for the remainder of the year may be all provided for, before the summer vacation begins. Unless provided for now, there are so many things to take up the time and attention in the early fall, that winter will come quickly upon us before we make a beginning on the important work connected with our church. Remember the date, Tuesday evening, July 12.

Welsh Brothers' Railroad Shows drew a large crowd at the fair grounds Saturday. The "early bird" and there was several of him, landed at the South Paris depot about four o'clock in the morning to see the circus arrive and unload. He may as well or better have finished his morning nap. After waiting several hours the show arrived and the work of unloading was hardly begun when a series of accidents delayed the unloading of the cars until about noon. One circus wagon was thrown from the car and landed up-side-down by the shunting of an engine in the railroad yard; another was tipped over by the men in charge, while the biggest wagon connected with the show, loaded with the big tent poles and canvas, left the slides in coming off the car and was somewhat damaged. Owing to these delays the street parade had to be "cut out" of the programme much to the disappointment of those assembled to witness it. The show got into gear however to give a performance in the afternoon. The horses and ponies were handsome. The performance was that of the old time one-ring circus, easier to see than the 3-ring-and-a-stage affair. A clown act was put between each turn. The riding, acrobatic work, etc., were very good.

Democratic Caucus.

At the Democratic caucus in New Hall, South Paris, July 2d, W. D. Clark, chairman of the town committee, called the caucus to order promptly at one o'clock. A. E. Shurtleff was chosen chairman and W. L. Farrar secretary.

Chairman Shurtleff on taking the chair made a brief, but very earnest and eloquent speech, predicting the nomination and election of Grover Cleveland.

W. D. Clark, B. L. Swift, and W. E. Bryant were chosen delegates to the county convention at South Paris, July 8th.

B. L. Swift, W. L. Farrar and W. D. Clark to the state convention at Waterville, July 14th.

Card of Thanks.

West Paris, Me., July 1st, 1904.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to all the friends and neighbors who offered us their aid and sympathy in our recent sorrow, to the choir who rendered music, and to all those who so generously gave so many beautiful flowers.

MR. ENOCH WHITTIMORE.
MRS. MARY D. CHILDS.
MRS. LUCINDA W. WING.
MRS. NELLIE A. FICKETT.

The great convention gave Bangor more music than all the eight Festivals combined.

Hon. George F. Emery.

DEATH OF WELL KNOWN NATIVE OF OXFORD COUNTY.

After a very brief illness Hon. George F. Emery, one of the best known citizens of Portland and dean of Cumberland Bar, died early Friday morning at his apartments at The Sherwood. No longer ago than Wednesday he visited his office in the Clapp Block.

For some time Mr. Emery has complained about pains about his heart and on Thursday had a severe attack. But when he retired that evening, he said he was feeling better. The physicians pronounced the cause of the death to be heart disease.

Almost to the last he kept up his literary work and a few days ago wrote an obituary of the late Samuel A. True, one of his life-long friends.

George F. Emery was born on Paris Hill, Nov. 10, 1817. His father was Judge Stephen Emery of Paris. Two of his sisters were the first and second wives of Vice-President Hannibal Hamlin and were richly endowed with feminine graces as was their husband with masculine virtues. His brother Stephen, who died some years ago, was a professor of music in the New England Conservatory.

Mr. Emery began his preparation for college at a private school in Andover, taught by Rev. Thomas T. Stone. Among his fellow pupils were George H. Shirley, Henry B. Poor and the late Judge Virgin. He also attended Thornton Academy at Saco and the Farmington Normal School, and entered Bowdoin College at the age of 15 years in the class of '36. After graduating he studied law in his fathers's office and in 1837, though not yet admitted to the bar and only 20 years of age, took charge, for six months, of the office of a Waterford lawyer who was prostrated by illness. He was admitted to the Oxford Bar on the day he was 21 years old and entered into partnership with his father, the firm name being Stephen Emery & Son. He was appointed Register of Probate by Gov. Dana and re-appointed by Gov. Anderson, and after serving six years concluded to resign and remove to Portland, which he did in 1846. He opened a law office here and soon after, at the request of Charles Holden, one of the owners of the Eastern Argus, began to write leading editorial articles for that paper, wherein he so forcibly advocated the exclusion of the slaves from the territories under the Wilmot proviso, that the policy of the paper became so distasteful to the Polk administration that pressure was brought to bear which induced Mr. Emery to resign, since his attitude on the subject was unalterable.

In 1847 when Hannibal Hamlin was a candidate for U. S. Senator there was strong opposition to him in Oxford County among those Democrats who were in sympathy with the opponents of the Wilmot proviso. They labored to defeat Mr. Hamlin and Mr. Emery undertook gratuitously the task of conducting the Oxford Democrat in the defense of his distinguished brother-in-law. He encountered bitter opposition but he and his friends were victorious and the Oxford delegation voted for Himlin.

In 1848, Mr. Emery was appointed by Judge Levi Woodbury to be clerk of the United States Circuit Court, which position he retained until 1876. In 1853 he was appointed pension agent for Maine by President Pierce and re-appointed by President Buchanan, occupying the position for eight years. He was also elected by his political opponents to be a member of the city school committee and served for seven years, being associated with such men as Phineas Barnes and Judge Webb.

In 1876 he resigned as clerk of the circuit court and removing to Boston took charge of the Morning Post, as president of the Post Publishing Co. At one time the entire responsibility of the financial, as well as editorial department was upon his shoulders. He strongly urged the Democratic view of the situation at the time when Hayes and Tilden were nominated for the Presidency and the former was declared elected.

During the Greenback agitation the Post adhered to the old hard money doctrine and firmly opposed that of Greenbackism of which Ben Butler was at the head in Massachusetts. The course of the Post antagonized the Democracy and in consequence the Globe was started as a Democratic paper, opposed to the policy of the Post. Mr. Emery severed his connection with the Post and returned to Portland in 1881, and has since made his residence there.

Two dominant characteristics of Mr. Emery are apparent from the foregoing facts. He was a Democrat by birth and training and conviction, but one of the old, strict construction school, now dying out, and one who had never and would never allow his partisanship to dominate his conscience. He was also a man of decided literary taste and talent, who had found his greatest pleasure in literary pursuits, both in writing and reading. He had long been a member of the Maine Historical Society and contributed several valuable papers, among them a sketch of John Appleton, his brother-in-law, and a vindication of the Baptists of Maine in reply to the journal of Paul Coffin, which he regarded as a slanderous attack upon the early Baptists.

He was himself a member of the Free Street Baptist church, but was a broad and liberal Christian. His critical researches and observation of life in connection with theology, had been extensive and the more he studied the more liberal he became. He believed that no party and no church had a monopoly of truth.

Mr. Emery's intimates knew him as a man of fine-grained, high-strung temperament, of elevated tastes and sentiments and sympathies and the soul of honor. They knew him also as a man of quiet and genuine humor and ready wit. In 1894 he received the degree of LL. D. from Colby University, conferred, as he was accustomed humorously to say, in recognition of his consistency as a life-long Democrat. He was particularly ready and happy as an after-dinner speaker and also had written occasional graceful poems that betrayed a strong natural poetic tendency.

In figure, Mr. Emery was tall and spare; in manner, most courteous and winning; in countenance, strongly significant, not only of New England birth, but of New England intellect and morality in the first degree.

The Glorious Fourth.

Although Young America grasped his privilege of celebrating Independence Day in the time-honored fashion, as soon as the stroke of twelve proclaimed the passing of the line between Sunday and Monday, it is not recorded that any one was seriously disturbed thereby. A reasonable amount of racket was made, but good sleepers lost few winks. Nor was there any large amount of removal of portable property. A disabled circus wagon left near the depot by the Welsh Brothers show was hauled down the street a distance, and a calf from a neighboring pen was substituted for the former wild beast which occupied it. This was about the only noticeable feature of the early morning celebration.

The only celebration of the day in the vicinity was the sports at the fair grounds. In addition to some races, two games of ball were played. The forenoon game was between South Paris and Hebron, and was won by Hebron, 3 to 1. It was a clean, snappy game, Hebron's three scores being made in one inning, by a bunching of hits.

The afternoon game between Norway and Oxford was also a good game, though not quite so sharp as the one in the forenoon. It was won by Oxford, 5 to 2.

A band concert and theatre at Norway in the evening attracted a number, while many of the people gathered about the Square to see the informal display of fireworks and hear the crackers and torpedoes fired by small boys and larger boys. Torpedoes on the street car rails are very effective, and on several trips of the car a line of them at intervals of a few inches for a distance of fifteen or twenty rods made a fusillade most satisfactory to the average American, who hasn't yet got quite to the point of hankering for a "Fourthless Fourth," without racket or dynamite.

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County Convention.

LARGE AND HARMONIOUS ASSEMBLY OF REPRESENTATIVE REPUBLICANS. BARTLETT WINS THE SENATOR CONTEST.

If the convention that assembled at the court house last Friday indicates anything it indicates that the Republicans of Oxford County are awake and interested in the outcome of the elections this fall.

It was a large and representative body of men that left their several occupations to assist in nominating a county ticket and their interest in affairs political means something.

It means that the Republican banner in state and nation will be carried to victory.

The scenes of the night preceding the convention were not as lively as usual, owing perhaps to the fact that few contests were on the docket and also that many of the delegates had just returned from that strenuous Bangor convention and were glad to get a night of rest.

At 10:40 Friday forenoon H. H. Hastings, Esq., of Bethel, chairmen of the Republican County Committee, called the convention to order and called upon Rev. J. H. Little, pastor of the South Paris Universalist church to offer prayer.

In the absence of Arthur E. Forbes of Paris, secretary of the county committee, Dr. H. L. Bartlett of Norway read the call for the convention.

The temporary organization afterward made permanent, was made by the election of Aretas E. Stearns, Esq., of Rumford Falls, as chairman and Dr. H. L. Bartlett of Norway and T. L. Eastman, Esq., of Fryeburg, as secretaries.

In taking the chair Mr. Stearns made an eloquent and able address, reviewing to some extent the glorious record of the Republican party, and referring to the credit due the State of Maine and the County of Oxford. The speaker said Oxford County should take pride in the fact that she is the banner county in Maine in the observance and enforcement of the prohibitory law. That she takes pride in the record of the public men she has given to the state and nation and declared that the material is now as good as in the past. He paid a glowing tribute to the Republican policy of protection which has brought to the nation unparalleled prosperity. Tariff schedules, he said, cannot be made for all time; they must conform to prevailing conditions and tariff revision when necessary, may safely be left in the hands of the party of protection.

While we sorrow at the death of the lamented McKinley, we find in his dauntless successor a man amply able to carry forward the great and growing interests of the Republic. By his decisive action he has secured the Panama canal, thus doubling the efficiency of our navy as well as strengthening our commerce.

The speaker touched upon the currency question calling attention to the fact that to the Republican party belongs the credit of establishing a sound and stable currency.

On every hand and in every phase of its national existence the Republican party has been found standing for the rights and best interests of the whole people. The history of the nation for the past fifty years is the history of this progressive party and this fall we go forth to victory under that invincible leader, Theodore Roosevelt.

Mr. Stearns' speech was loudly applauded.

On motion of E. H. Gleason, of Mexico, the county committee was made committee on credentials.

On motion of Hon. John S. Harlow of Dixfield the temporary organization was made permanent.

On motion of H. C. Dunton of Rumford Falls the chair appointed as committee on resolutions:

H. C. Dunton of Rumford.
F. E. Dyer of Hanover.
Solon Coffin of Gilead.
E. W. Penley of Greenwood.
W. A. Garner of Porter.
A. W. Walker of Paris.
E. P. Faunce of Oxford.

On motion of Frederick R. Dyer of Buckfield the chair appointed as committee to select a county committee:

F. R. Dyer of Buckfield.
A. P. Gordon of Fryeburg.
J. M. Philbrook of Bethel.
Chas. F. Ridlon of Norway.
D. M. Travis of Rumford.
John P. Swasey of Canton.
V. H. Littlefield of Stoneham.

On motion of Hon. Waldo Pettengill of Rumford Falls the following committee was appointed to receive, sort and count votes:

Waldo Pettengill of Rumford.
Almon Young of Hiram.
John S. Allen of Newry.

Chairman H. C. Dunton from the committee on resolutions reported the following resolutions which were accepted:

The Republicans of the County of Oxford, in the State of Maine, by their delegates in convention at Paris, in said County assembled, this first day of July, 1904, hereby announce and proclaim the following statement of their principles:—

We endorse and ratify the platform promulgated by the National Republican Convention at Chicago.

We pledge our unswerving allegiance to our National Standard Bearer, who by his integrity, enthusiasm and industry has challenged the wonder and admiration of the world, Theodore Roosevelt, and to his colleague, Charles W. Fairbanks, our candidate for Vice-President.

We view with commendation the acts of our Representative in Congress, the Hon. Charles E. Littlefield, and congratulate the Second District that she is thus continuously represented by her ablest sons.

We congratulate our party in the State that out of a thoroughly active pre-convention campaign within the family we have emerged, united as our man for the successful engagement of the summer under the leadership of the Hon. William T. Cobb, our candidate for governor.

The Chicago and Bangor platforms are our platform.

In our county we demand and promise the faithful and fearless enforcement of all laws against crime, and especially the Prohibitory Law, aiming to eradicate Intemperance the mother of crime.

To our candidates this day chosen we hereby guarantee our ardent support, appealing to all men within our county who approve of our articles of Faith, our National and State Platforms, to join with us at the ballot for the weal of our beloved State, and for the encouragement of all who uphold the traditions, institutions, and laws of our Grand Republic.

Chairman F. R. Dyer reported from his committee the following as county committee:

H. H. Hastings, Bethel.
Benj. A. Swasey, Peru.
J. F. Stearns, Lovell.
H. C. Dunton, Rumford.
Dr. H. L. Bartlett, Norway.
F. H. Bartlett, Stoneham.
Chas. H. Prince, Buckfield.

H. H. Hastings declined to serve another term and N. F. Brown of Bethel was elected to fill the vacancy.

The chairman called for nominations for the office of Senator.

Hon. John P. Swasey of Canton in an eloquent address presented the name of Jonathan Bartlett of Stoneham.

Hon. Almon Young of Hiram presented the name of Albert R. Hill of Brownfield. Mr. Hill's nomination was ably seconded by Capt. Horace N. Bolster of South Paris. Mr. Bartlett's nomination by H. C. Dunton of Rumford Falls.

The ballot was taken with the following result:

Number of votes cast,	73
Necessary for a choice,	37
Jonathan Bartlett had,	46
Albert R. Hill had	27

In behalf of Mr. Hill Hon. Almon Young moved to make Mr. Bartlett's nomination unanimous.

On motion of Hon. Waldo Pettengill of Rumford Falls, Hon. Addison E. Herrick of Bethel was nominated by acclamation to succeed himself as Judge of Probate.

Hon. Geo. A. Wilson of South Paris presented the name of Albert D. Park for the office of Register of Probate and Mr. Park's nomination was made by acclamation.

At this point Ex-Governor Sidney Perham was called upon for remarks and responded in a very pleasing manner. The appearance of "the grand old man of Oxford County," now eighty-five years of age, evoked from the audience a perfect ovation.

'Squire Henry W. Park of Mexico, another of the old wheel horses of the Republican party, was called out and responded briefly in an able manner.

Capt. H. N. Bolster of Paris presented the name of George M. Atwood of Paris for County Treasurer, and the nomination was made by acclamation.

Hon. John S. Harlow of Dixfield, seconded by Chas. S. Ridlon of Norway, presented the name of Charles S. Barnes of Norway for County Attorney, and Mr. Barnes was nominated by acclamation.

The second contest of the convention was for the office of county commissioner. T. L. Eastman of Fryeburg, seconded by Mr. Pettengill of Rumford, presented the name of Dean A. Ballard of Fryeburg.

Mr. Young of Hiram presented the name of Charles Rankin of Hiram. The ballot stood:

Number of votes cast,	72
Necessary for choice,	37
Dean A. Ballard had	57
Chas. Rankin had	15

On motion of Mr. Young in behalf of Mr. Rankin the nomination was made unanimous.

H. H. Hastings, Esq., of Bethel, presented for sheriff the name of Harris L. Elliott of Rumford Falls and the nomination was made by acclamation.

The convention then adjourned.

NORWAY.

It is reported that important changes will take place relative to the employment of teachers in the village schools for the fall term.

Albert J. Stearns, Esq., Col. W. W. Whitmarsh, C. W. Ryerson and E. E. Andrews attended the State Convention at Bangor this week. They returned Thursday.

One of Norway's enterprising farmers brought to the village peas of his own raising, for sale June 25th.

The sign "To rent" again appears in the Abbott store window. The Berlin traders have changed their minds and will not open a store in Norway as contemplated when they hired the place.

Joseph A Woods has moved into the Walker place at Norway Lake.

Oxford Lodge, No. 18, F. and A. M., have accepted the invitation from Jefferson Lodge, No. 100, F. and A. M., to go to Bryant's Pond some time about the first of July.

Frank S. Waldron, clerk at F. P. Stone's drug store, was married on Wednesday noon, June 29th, to Alice L. Pride or Portland. The marriage took place at the bride's home in Portland. The service was performed by Rev. Q. H. Shinn of Cambridge. Only relatives of the two families were present. After some two weeks Mr. and Mrs. Waldron will take up their residence in Norway.

We understand that something like one half the amount of money necessary to put in a screen at the outlet of the lake to stop the salmon and bass has been subscribed.

The Hebbard house, corner Main and Marston Streets, is up and boarded. It promises to be one of the best in town as to convenience and attractiveness.

An open air concert was given at Witherell Park on Tuesday evening. The large crowd fully appreciated the excellent music.

Mell W. and John F. Sampson have sold their camp at East Soneham, Camp Medford, to Kenneth C. Gurney who will hereafter conduct it as a sportsman's camp. The fishing and hunting in that section is first class.

The East Oxford Local Union of young people's societies of Christian Endeavor held its semi-annual convention at the Congregational church in this village Wednesday. Owing to the absence of speakers some change was made in the programme. The meeting was well attended and the session was of much interest. The address in the evening by Rev. P. F. Marston of Pine Street Congregational church Lewiston was of great interest and instructive.

Capt. John W. Nash was in Bangor this week on a business trip.

S. C. Foster has greatly changed the appearance of his Maple Street home by the addition of a piazza.

The funeral of Mrs. Ellen M. Allen, wife of Alphonso Allen, took place at her late home on Paris Street, Sunday afternoon, Rev. C. A. Brooks officiated. Mrs. Allen died very suddenly Thursday afternoon at the home of her son, Edwin H. Allen, on Bridge Street of heart failure. Her husband, six sons, Howard A. of Albany, Winfield R. of South Paris, Edwin H., Fred, Arthur, Harvell L. and Wallace L., one daughter, Jennie E. Thompson, of Norway, survive her. Mrs. Allen was beloved by all who knew her because of her kindness and good will for all.

William W. Alber, D. D. S., of Lewiston is with Dr. H. P. Jones.

The Blue Store of F. H. Noyes has been newly painted.

Solomon H. Millett, H. A. Robbins, F. L. Pike, B. L. Rich, D. W. Goodwin, Geo. Dunn and Asa Frost are the subscribers to the new telephone line on Pike's Hill.

The Noyes Block front has been painted by Geo. W. Chaney and crew.

Mrs. G. A. Allen's milliner, Charlotte Somers, has returned to her home in Pittsfield for the summer vacation.

A company consisting of Geo. I. Cummings, Edwin S. Cummings and F. L. Perkins of Mechanic Falls, returned from a fishing trip to Four Ponds Wednesday. They report good success and lots of pleasure.

Norway Grange observed Children's Day Saturday with a most pleasing programme comprising songs, recitations, dialogues and declamations by the children. The grange will enjoy a day's outing at Gibson's Grove, July 4th.

S. H. Wolcott has a new Mullins steel boat.

Elsie Favor is visiting with her mother, her brother, Henry F. Favor, in Brockton, Mass., for a few weeks.

Edwin H. Allen has moved from Bridge Street to his father's place on Paris Street.

Harriet Cragin and Gertrude Gardiner went to Prout's Neck the last of the week where they will work in the Checkley House.

Charles L. Hathaway and wife, Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Bradbury, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Ridlon, Charles H. Sargent and wife, Mrs. H. B. Foster and A. Frank Marston visited Tanglewood Cottage, by boat, Tuesday evening. They were the guests of Emma J. Smith.

Mrs. Woodbury Cummings and daughter, Blanch, of Rockland were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Twombly this week.

Dr. and Mrs. A. Thompson are stopping at their cottage on Rock Island and the Elm House.

Charles L. Cragin, a graduate of the Maine Medical School, will take the state examination next week. At present he is with his people here.

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SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN.

Notwithstanding all that is done by boards of health and charitably inclined persons, the death rate among small children is very high during the hot weather of the summer months in the large cities. There is not probably one case of bowel complaint in a hundred, however, that could not be cured by the timely use of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy. For sale by Shurtleff & Co., South Paris; Jones Drug Store, Oxford; Noyes Drug Store, Norway.

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Born.

In West Paris, June 27, to the wife of James Robinson, a daughter.

In Auburn, June 26, to the wife of William A. Blake, a son—Richard Eugene.

Married.

In South Paris, June 30, by the Rev. W. E. Brooks, D. D., Mr. Alphonso B. Hammond of West Paris and Miss Gladys A. Prescott of South Paris.

In Bryant's Pond, June 25, by A. Mont Chase, Esq., Mr. Earl M. Jackson of Rumford and Miss Ella F. Blodgett of Bryant's Pond.

In South Paris, June 30, by Rev. T. J. Ramsdell, Mr. Leroy L. Wentworth of Harrison and Miss Lucy S. Meader of South Paris.

In Norway Center, June 29, by Rev. C. A. Brooks, Mr. Claude Allison Haskell of Harrison and Miss Minneola Ava Cox of Norway.

In Portland, June 29, by Rev. Q. H. Shinn, Mr. Frank Stephen Waldron of Norway and Miss Alice Leola Pride of Portland.

In Bethel, June 25, by Rev. A. D. Colson, Mr. Elmer Small and Miss Vitelia M. Davis, both of Bethel.

In Fryeburg, June 15, Mr. Francis Swan and Miss Myrtle Harmden.

In Rumford Center, June 21, by Rev. H. C. Munson, Mr

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THE PUZZLER

No. 162.—Zigzag.

The zigzag spells the title of the highest official in the United States.

1. A portico. 2. A frame of metal bars. 3. Rain and snow falling together. 4. To cook by exposure to fire. 5. A Jewish title. 6. To slip. 7. To gather after a reaper. 8. A trap. 9. Honesty.

No. 163.—Pictorial Medley.

What article to be found at a hardware store is represented in the picture?—New York Tribune.

No. 164.—Charade.

An ancient city, wall'd around,
Where relics of old times are found,
With bridge and castle, cross and fane,
And many a place of work and gain;
Where British and where Roman hands
Have wrought of old, where fighting bands
In civil strife have done their worst;
Find out its name—for 'tis my FIRST.

Our happy childhood's dear delight,
The scene of many a gambol bright;
A restful spot for young and old,
In springtime gay with green and gold;
My SECOND may be seen each day
By those who tread the King's highway.

A noble lord who wrote advice
In style most polish'd and precise;
A man whose manners gained repute;
His name, if guessed, my WHOLE will suit.

No. 165.—Reversed Syllables.

Reverse the first syllable of each word.

Thus transform to stroll about into a kind of calcareous stone.

Transform to walk like a duck into waste time by trifling.

Transform to move in an unsteady manner into a gewgaw.

Transform a crustaceous fish into a long pillow.

No. 166.—Diagonal.

All the words described contain the same number of letters. When rightly guessed and written one below another, the diagonal, beginning with the upper left hand letter and ending with the lower right hand letter, will spell the name of a large city of the United States.

Crosswords: 1. The sole right to print a book. 2. Pertaining to the planets. 3. A preacher. 4. Preparation. 5. Going before. 6. A kind of fruit jam. 7. A republic of Central America. 8. Watchful. 9. To advise.

No. 167.—Anagram Verse.

We drove along by the ****,
**** and I each day,
With a little **** horse
That ambled along
In his own dull, lazy way.

No. 168.—Primal Acrostic.

Primals name a beautiful flower.

1. A ridge of rocks. 2. To move or rouse to action. 3. Pertaining to or consisting of lines. 4. A seagoing vessel for pleasure trips or racing.

No. 169.—A Row of Peas.

1. P and dexterity make a share.
2. P and fortune make a scheme.
3. P and a song make a drama.
4. P and fate make courage.
5. P and a mode of travel make dignity.
6. P and a pronoun make to flow.
7. P and order make a frolic.
8. P and guidance make to urge.

A Good Boy.

"Did you tell that awful bore who called that I had gone to Calcutta?"

"Yes, sir. I said you started this morning."

"Good boy! What did he say?"

"He wished to know when you'd return, and I told him I didn't think you'd be back till after lunch, sir."

Key to the Puzzler.

No. 153.—Word Puzzles: 1. Sap, prove, approve, rove. 2. Lute. So. 3. Tract, act, acted. 4. Stress, tress, distress. 5. Distrust, trust, rust. 6. Chin, China, nations.

No. 154.—Riddle: Fork.

No. 155.—Central Acrostic: Lincoln. Crosswords—1. All. 2. Pit. 3. One. 4. Act. 5. Son. 6. Ill. 7. And.

No. 156.—Crossword Enigma: Heart.

No. 157.—Geographical Puzzle:

TORONTO
RAPTURE
EXIGENT
NATURAL
TRUCKLE
OVERACT
NIAGARA

No. 158.—Song Symbol: "Out on the Rocks."

No. 159.—Arithmetical Puzzles: War—w=ar+y=ray. Ass—s=as+s=gas. Time—t=ime+l=mile. Lose—o=lse+a=sale.

No. 160.—Word Squares: I.—1. Coat. 2. Ohio. 3. Alls. 4. Toss. II.—1. Peal. 2. Erie. 3. Aims. 4. Less.

No. 161.—Anagrams: Electricity. Rheumatism Parallelogram.

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Dinners for the Convalescent.

Cookery is the art of preparing food for the nourishment of the human body. It is the effect produced on food by the application of heat, air and moisture. "Uncivilized man takes his nourishment like animals, as it is offered by nature; civilized man prepares his food before eating, and in ways which are in general the more perfect the higher his culture. The art of cookery when not allied with a degenerate taste or with glutony is one of the criteria of a people's civilization."

There are comparatively few foods that are at their best when taken in the raw state; they neither taste so good, nor are they so easily digested as when subjected to some kind of cooking. "Food well cooked is partially digested."

For the best results in cookery, good materials, accurate measurements, care in combining ingredients, and a knowledge of the object to be obtained, are essentials; the effect of heat at different temperatures, and the time of exposure of different foods to such temperature, must be thoroughly understood.

Measuring cups of glass, granite or tinware, divided into thirds or quarters, should be used. Tea and tablespoons of regulation sizes and a case knife are indispensables. To insure uniformly good results, level measurements have been adopted by the leading teachers of cookery, which seem at the present time the best guide that can be given to the average cook.

In planning the dinner menus we must for a time go without oysters on the half-shell, though in their season they are very easily digested, and offer a pleasing variety to the diet on account of their delicious flavor.

Stock soups are valuable chiefly for their extractives. When taken as the first course at dinner they stimulate gastric juice to such an extent that the solid foods which follow are much more readily digested than they otherwise would be.

Cream soups have a food value, largely due to the milk and butter they contain, vegetables being added for the purpose of giving flavor, with the exception of peas and beans, which increase nutritive value.

Considering meats, we find mutton is commonly ranked next to beef in nutritive value and consumption, but the fat of mutton is more difficult of digestion than the fat of beef. A lamb one year old is called a yearling, and furnishes lamb, while an older animal furnishes mutton. Lamb chops may be readily distinguished from mutton chops by the red color of the bone. As the creature grows old the blood recedes from the bone, therefore in mutton the bone is white. The meat of young animals (veal excepted) is more easily digested, but less nutritious, than the meat of older animals, as the walls of the muscle tubes are more delicate and there is less connective tissue.

Chicken, fowl, turkey, squab and quail are allowed in the dietary of the sick. Chicken breast is one of the most easily digested cuts of meat. Squab and quail are likewise easily digested, and may be introduced into the dietary of a convalescent quite as easily as chicken.

Sweetbreads are the most easily digested of all meats, with but one exception; namely, calf's brains, which are very poorly absorbed. Sweetbreads are in season during the late spring and early summer; while they are obtainable throughout the year, they are very expensive in city markets when out of season.

A sweetbread is the thymus gland of the calf, and consists of two parts connected by tubing and membrane. The round, compact part is called the heart-sweetbread, the other portion the throat-sweetbread. They should never be bought disconnected, as the heart-sweetbread is the more desirable.

The so-called vegetables, with the exception of peas and beans, contain a small amount of nutriment, but are valuable, nevertheless, for the large amount of water and the mineral matter they contain. Vegetables are necessary for the body's needs, as they give bulk to the food and possess especial antiscorbutic properties.

To be easily digested they should be thoroughly cooked, usually in freshly boiling salted water.

Potatoes, if properly cooked, are more easily digested than most of the vegetable foods, as they contain but a comparatively small quantity of cellulose. Their digestibility is increased by being mashed.

The method preferred for cooking potatoes, when to be served to a young child or convalescent, is baking in a hot oven, which changes some of the starch to dextrin, thus increasing its digestibility. If baked in an oven at a low temperature, they have no advantage over boiled or steamed potatoes.

Salads find no place in cookery for the sick except during the advanced stages of convalescence, in chronic and wasting diseases, or after a surgical operation.

Salad greens have but little food value, but are useful for the water and potash salts they contain, besides being cooling, refreshing and stimulating to the appetite. In selecting salad greens choose only those that are fresh and crisp, and see to it that they are thoroughly washed and drained before serving. French dressing greatly increases their nutritive value, as pure olive oil is most beneficial to the system. Cream and mayonnaise dressings, although highly nutritious, are so complex as to render them difficult of digestion.

Frozen desserts, whether in the form of ices or creams, are of inestimable value in the sick-room, if given at the proper time and under favorable conditions.

If eggs and cream enter into their composition, especially if the cream be of good quality, they have a high food value; care must be taken that they are not too rich or too sweet.

For individual recipes of ices and ice creams, an ice cream freezer of ordinary capacity proves impracticable. A baby ice cream freezer is on the market, which answers the purpose, but as these are owned by few, a freezer may be improvised which does the work to the satisfaction of the nurse. A five pound lard pail, one pound baking-powder can, silver-plated knife and spoon complete the outfit.—Home Science Magazine.

Etiquette of the Table.

If the function be luncheon or dinner, the napkins, which are placed upon the plates, hold the dinner rolls or the slices of bread. Remove the bread as soon as seated, and place it at the left of the plate. Then unfold the napkin to half its amplitude, and lay it across the lap. Gentlemen do not tuck their napkins in their waistcoats, no matter how convenient they may find such an arrangement. Nor is the napkin used as if it were a big cloth, the end being all-sufficient for touching the lips. At the end of the meal the napkin is left unfolded at the left side of the plate.

Bread is always broken in small pieces, never cut, and never crumbled into soup or sauce.

Soup is taken from the side of the spoon, which is filled by drawing it up from the opposite edge of the soup plate. Soup, of course, must be taken noiselessly. No one takes the second helping, or tips the plate to secure the last mouthful.

Fish in days past was taken with a fork supplemented by a bit of bread, nowadays, a silver knife is allowable; forks and knives for fish being made of a special pattern. All vegetables are eaten with a fork; asparagus with a knife and fork, although it may be taken up with the fingers if one prefers to do so. A safe rule is never to touch any bit of food with the fingers if possible. Peaches and pears are peeled, cut in half, and then broken by the fork and thus eaten. An orange may be cut in half, and then eaten with an orange spoon, or it may be peeled entire, then divided into sections and eaten with a fork.

All pies are eaten with a fork only, and most puddings, except custards, which require a spoon. Soft cakes are eaten with a fork, while jellies, no matter how hard, are eaten with a spoon.

Of course one must not eat with the knife, nor must the knife be thrust into a dish of sweets or sauce to convey a portion of these to pieces of bread or cake. —McCall's Magazine.

How Modern War Tries the Nerve.

(By "A Lineman.")

To-day a man may die as soon as the enemy's long guns, hidden away in the distant, cloud-topped mountains seven miles away, begin to talk. And over that seven miles he must walk with caution with a wide interval between him and his pals on either hand; he must lie down at every short halt and scratch the ground hurriedly with his little spade at every long one, for the great shells are sailing toward him, and he sees by his officer's eye and hears by his commands that it is considered that he may perish at any moment, and that precautions are necessary to preserve him. He sees, moreover, how futile those precautions must be if one of those monsters howling overhead, should land as near to him as the last one did to that blasted tree, for instance, with its scorched, dangling limbs and the huge charred fissure in its stout trunk, or as the one before did to the team of mules in the ambulance wagon, now a screaming, struggling jumble of harness and bloody flesh.

All this is dispiriting and appears unnecessary. The country on all sides is as peaceful as his native dale, not a sign of an enemy. Even the great blue hill ahead, on which he is told the enemy's long guns are posted, looks as quiet as the mountain on a Christmas card. Yet for two miles he walks through death, thinking only of it because there is nothing else to think of, and then, as twilight falls, bivouac in extended line, sees his friends run for their tea between the fall of the shells, notices one of them time his run back badly and meet a projectile in full career, to part from it an awful and disgusting offense, and then lies down in the darkness with shaking nerves and the thought that five worse miles still intervene between him and the guns he knows he is intended to take.

Next morning he is awakened by a shell, is marched with infinite caution for two more miles, shelled the whole way, is shelled even in his bivouac by the light of the moon, and as he watches the projectiles bursting like waterspouts of fire along his hillside is glad when he is told that to-morrow will be the battle, after which if he wins and if he lives he may be able to walk and sleep in peace for a space.

The Golf Girl Sees a Ball Game.

It was her first appearance at a ball game, and he sat beside her with resignation written on his face. They both belonged to the smart set, and when people smiled at her innocent queries as to how the game progressed he ground his teeth and groaned inwardly, for it was a vulgar, peanut eating crowd about them.

"Why does the man with the mask throw the ball at the other man?" she asked.

"To put out the runner," he replied. "There! Look at that drive to left field!" he added, excitedly.

She began to see daylight.

"That's just great," she commented. "How many will it take him to hole out?"

"He doesn't hole out. He runs bases."

"How long does it take him to get around the bases and back to the teeing off place?"

"That depends," he grumbled in despair.

"John," she queried presently, "when the batter tees off and the caddies get the ball and throw it at one another, what then?"

"Oh, I suppose Milwaukee might win a game then," was the indifferent response.

"Dear me. He's foozled his put," she exclaimed at the next play. "And look at the caddies shaking their fists at the referee. The impudent things! They ought to be put off the links!"

"You don't understand the game, Margaret," he explained. "You see, the players bat the ball thrown by the pitcher, and then they run the bases. While they're on base they can't be put out, and if they are caught between bases they are out. Every man that reaches home makes a tally for his side. Each side has nine innings. Balls caught on the fly are out, every batter has three strikes at the sphere, and fouls don't count unless caught by the outside's players. That's the game epitomized, Margaret. Don't you understand it now?"

Margaret was silent. She felt humbled and perplexed. After a pause, she protested meekly:

"But, John dear, I don't see any one trying to catch any fowls."—The Milwaukee Wisconsin.

Nerve and Politeness.

(Washington Times.)

"The nerve of newspaper men frequently keeps them from serious trouble, as well as getting them into it," remarked Representative Livingstone of Georgia, while talking to a group of friends in the cloakroom. "As a whole they are generally a pretty clever lot and prepared for any emergency, and I suppose that they make about as few mistakes as the average run of men. I shall never forget an incident which happened several years ago in Atlanta, and I laugh now every time I think of it. A dashing young woman came to the Atlanta and engaged the swellest suite of rooms at the Kimball, and she sported diamonds as large as walnuts and drove a four-in-hand. It was given out that the young beauty was Miss So-and-So, the cattle queen of the West, and that she had money enough to burn up a stock yard of wet cows.

"'Ed' Bruff, of the Constitution, had an idea that the woman was a fake, and he soon had the wires hot with messages making inquiries about her, the result being that he got a corking good story to the effect that the woman was the rankest kind of humbug. Bruff printed the story next morning and it caused a genuine sensation, but the woman never lost her grip, driving out that afternoon with her four-in-hand. Late that night Bruff was in the lobby of the Kimball talking to 'Ed Calloway, the night clerk, when the cattle queen swished down the steps and, walking up to Bruff, asked if he was responsible for the story in the Constitution.

"'I have that honor,' was his reply.

"'Then, sir, I am going to kill you,' almost yelled the woman as she drew a gun from the folds of her dress.

"This didn't alarm the little newspaper man in the least, but, lifting his hat, he quietly remarked.

"'Fire away, madame; I had rather be killed by a pretty woman any day than to die a natural death.'

"Bruff went out, for the woman laughed and retreated upstairs."

Experimental Honesty.

Jacob A. Riis, in a recent discussion of the slums of American cities, said that it was dishonest for rich men to draw huge rents from squalid and unwholesome tenements.

"These men," he said, "claim to be honest, but their honesty reminds me of a thief whom I knew in my police reporting days.

"This thief, a humorist in his way, was joking with me one night in the Bowery.

"'I tell you,' he said, 'honesty is the best policy after all.'

"'Well,' said I, 'I'm glad you've found that out at last. How did you come to discover it?'

"'Do you remember that little pug dog you saw me with the other day? Well,' said the thief, 'I stole that dog from an old lady. I tried to sell it everywhere, but there wasn't a dealer who would offer more'n $3 for it. So, like an honest chap, I returned it to the old lady I had took it from and she gave me $10 reward.'"—New York News.

The Seven Ambitions of the Seven Ages.

1. To be a street railway conductor.
2. To be a professional ball player.
3. To be able to lick the school principal.
4. To marry the smartest girl in the class.
5. To be the president of the United States.
6. To make a decent living.
7. To keep out of the poorhouse.

"Upon what grounds do you seek a divorce?" asked the lawyer whom she had just retained. "Non-support, cruelty—"

"Both," she cried quite tearfully. "He wouldn't support my passionate longing for a diamond necklace, and if that isn't cruelty I'd like to know."

Entire Wheat Flour.

BULLETIN OF THE MAINE AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION.

The modern methods of flour manufacture have given us a flour yielding a light white loaf, pleasing to the eye and acceptable to the average palate. In the milling process generally employed, the germ and the coatings of the wheat kernels are almost entirely excluded, the offals being used as food for stock. It has long been known that these coarse by-products are more highly nitrogenous than the flours reserved for the use of man. A knowledge of this fact suggested a return to the primitive methods of milling, which consisted in grinding the entire kernel. The product thus obtained is known as graham flour and meets with a steady though somewhat limited demand.

A study of graham flour and its effects soon showed that it does not possess the food value which a chemical analysis seemed to indicate for it. In brief, graham bread, for the average consumer, is less completely digested than bread from fine white patent flour.

There is in the market a flour which is intermediate between the two kinds named, which, according to the manufacturers, is prepared by removing the outer and woody covering of the kernel and grinding the remainder, which should thus contain the germ and the highly nitrogenous inner coating. An examination of several samples of these flours shows that the claims of the manufacturers are not substantiated. While it is true that the entire wheat flours contain more of the wheat coverings that the patent flour and less than the graham, there seems to be little or no difference between that portion of the coverings excluded and that retained in the flour.

Chemical analysis shows that entire wheat flour would be more valuable as a food than a white flour from the same wheat, provided they were equally digestible. Experiments made here and elsewhere show that white flour bread is more digestible than that from either graham or wheat. The higher cost of entire wheat flour does not seem to be justified. It must be remembered, however, that flour of all kinds is a most economical food, and that entire wheat flour, even at five cents a pound, is still a low cost food.

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Holman Day's New Book.

That the reading public relishes a taste of freshness and the spontaneous and unconventional is shown by the fact that over fifteen thousand copies of Holman Day's volumes of poems, *Up in Maine* and *Pine Tree Ballads* have been sold.

Mr. Day's new book, entitled *Kin o' Ktaadn*, just published by Small, Maynard & Company, is a still more vivid and piquant portrayal of New England rural character and outdoor picturesqueness. In its conception and execution, its mingling of prose and verse stories, this new volume is absolutely unique, and seems sure to become one of the "Old Home" books to be sent broadcast over the country and treasured as a real contribution to literature.

The book is divided into six sections, five of these sections portraying each a distinct phase of homely New England life. It is neither a book of short stories nor merely a volume of poetry. In each section a generous number of the author's latest and best poems are woven into a harmonious unity by a thread of prose narrative, description or chat, so that the interest of the reader is continuously held; and the lights and shadows of the life of simple country people are shown in such artistic contrasts in these pages that the heart is touched by the tender sentiment of one verse or paragraph even while the laugh still lingers from a page of rollicking humor.

The title of the volume is explained by a quatrain on the title-page which refers to "the giant mount which typifies the sturdy strength of Maine," Ktaadn being the ancient and Indian spelling of Katahdin, the king of mountains and practically the centre of the state.

The book bears a striking cover design, showing a distant view of Mt. Katahdin, misty blue against an evening sky, and framed by tall spruce-trees in the foreground. A fine portrait of the author appears as frontispiece, and each of the six sections has a vignette title, with an appropriate picture and preliminary verse framed in a distinctive decorative border. The drawings and cover design are by Miss Amy Rand. The immediate success of the volume is evidenced by the fact that the first edition consists of 4,000 copies. The publishers are of the opinion that this is the largest first edition of any book of verse by an American poet.

If the spirit of tidiness has sometimes grown into a demon in the New England household it has never been allowed to dominate the roadside, says the New Bedford Standard, and then goes on to draw a few inferences that will not go amiss with our Maine readers. Sometimes, to be sure, untidiness has gone to the far extreme, but that has usually been because man has spoiled the roadside by dumping into it heaps of unsightly rubbish. Why the farmer should take the road in front of his house as the place of deposit for the old tin cans, the broken crockery, the wornout shoes, and the rest of the household and farm debris, instead of putting the collection into a hole in a back lot is to be accounted for only on the supposition that he has saved trouble thereby. But in such cases the observant wayfarer will note that nature, given half a chance, will hide the unsightly pile with a tangle of vegetation. We do not think that nature should have the responsibility, but that in places like this, man should see to establishing the beauty of trimness and neatness. Still, there are miles of country road, byways through forests, and even generally traveled highways apart from the villages, where for the sake of beauty it would be a real pity to take trimness as the standard. In those places where the enthusiasm for so-called neat roadsides has been unduly fostered the first result has been a gaunt deformity. The space between roadway and field has been turned into a barren waste of stumps and stalks and stubble, looking more like a bungled shave than like the face of nature. It has often been a real joy to see in the spring time that the enthusiasm for neatness in these spots has waned or has been forgotten, and that the verdure is covering the desolation made by hoe and hatchet. There is no need of deliberate untidiness which man makes with malice aforethought—but there is actual crime in destroying the beautiful abandon of nature when she seeks to cover an unused corner with shrub and vine.

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