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STATE OF MAINE.

OXFORD, SS.
To the Honorable Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court next to be held at Paris within and for the said county, on the second Tuesday of October, A. D. 1904:

Maud O. Fillmore of Bethel, in said county, wife of Gordon Fillmore, respectfully represents that her maiden name was Maud Odlin; that she was lawfully married to the said Gordon Fillmore at Bayonne, in the State of New Jersey, on the fourth day of October, A. D. 1898, by J. A. Boylan, a Justice of the Peace; that they lived together as husband and wife at said Bayonne eight months, then at Portland, Me., six months, and then at said Bethel from the time of their said marriage until the thirtieth day of March, A. D. 1901; that your libelant has always conducted herself towards her said husband as a faithful, true and affectionate wife; that on the said thirtieth day of March the said Gordon Fillmore deserted your libelant without cause and went to parts unknown to her, since which time she has never seen or heard from him or received from him any support; that she has made diligent inquiry, but has not been able to ascertain and does not know the residence of the said Gordon Fillmore; that there is no collusion between your libelant and the said Gordon Fillmore to obtain a divorce; that your libelant believes it reasonable and proper, conducive to domestic harmony and consistent with the peace and morality of society that the bond of matrimony between her and her said husband should be dissolved by divorce.

Wherefore she prays that such divorce may be decreed and that she may have the custody of her minor child aged five years and eight months and named Bertha B.

August 31, 1904. MAUD O. FILLMORE.

Then personally appeared the said Maud O. Fillmore, subscribed and made oath that the above allegations are true and especially the allegation touching her ignorance of and inability to discover the residence of the said Gordon Fillmore.

Before me,
HENRY H. HASTINGS,
Justice of the Peace.

(SEAL) STATE OF MAINE.
COUNTY OF OXFORD, SS:
Supreme Judicial Court, in Vacation. September 1, A. D. 1904.

UPON THE FOREGOING LIBEL, ORDERED, That the Libelant give notice to the said Gordon Fillmore, Libellee, to appear before the Justice of our Supreme Judicial Court, to be holden at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the second Tuesday of October, A. D. 1904, by publishing an attested copy of said libel, and this order thereon, three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed in Paris, in our County of Oxford, the first publication to be 30 days at least prior to said second Tuesday of October, 1904, that he may there and then in our said Court appear and show cause if any he have why the prayer of said Libelant should not be granted.

HENRY C. PEABODY,
Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court.
A true copy of libel and order of court thereon.
Attest: CHARLES F. WHITMAN, Clerk.
H. H. Hastings, attorney for Libellant.

STATE OF MAINE.

OXFORD, SS.
To the Honorable Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court next to be held at Paris within and for the said county, on the second Tuesday of October, A. D. 1904:

Laura A. Saunders of Bethel, in said county, wife of Frank U. Saunders, respectfully represents, that her maiden name was Laura A. Morgan; that she was lawfully married to the said Frank U. Saunders, at said Bethel, on the fourteenth day of May, A. D. 1891, by the Rev S. T. Records; that they lived together as husband and wife at said Bethel two years; then at Hebron, in said county, then at Berlin, county of Coos, and State of New Hampshire, from the time of their said marriage until the tenth day of August, 1901; that your libelant has always conducted herself towards her said husband as a faithful, true and affectionate wife; that on the said tenth day of August the said Frank U. Saunders deserted your libelant without cause and went to parts unknown to her, since which time she has not seen or heard from him, or received any support from him; that she has made diligent inquiry, but has not been able to ascertain and does not know the residence of the said Frank U. Saunders; that there is no collusion between your libelant and the said Frank U. Saunders to obtain a divorce; that your libelant believes it reasonable and proper, conducive to domestic harmony, and consistent with the peace and morality of society that the bond of matrimony between her and her said husband should be dissolved by divorce.

Wherefore she prays that such divorce may be decreed, and that she may have the custody of the minor child, aged six years and named Arline.

August 31, 1904. LAURA A. SAUNDERS.

Then personally appeared the above named Laura A. Saunders, subscribed and made oath that the above allegations are true, and especially the allegation touching her ignorance of and inability to discover the residence of the said Frank U. Saunders.

Before me,
HENRY H. HASTINGS,
Justice of the Peace.

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NOTICE.

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

In the matter of JOSEPH H. LINSCOTT, of Paris, Bankrupt. } In Bankruptcy.

To the creditors of Joseph H. Linscott in the County of Oxford and district aforesaid:

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of Sept., A. D. 1904, the said Joseph H. Linscott was duly adjudicated bankrupt, and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the Court House, in South Paris, on the 21th day of Sept., A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

South Paris, September 5, 1904.
GEO. A. WILSON,
Referee in Bankruptcy.

AMONG THE FARMERS.

"SPEED THE PLOW."

Correspondence on practical agricultural topics is solicited. Address all communications intended for this department to HENRY D. HAMMOND, Agricultural Editor Oxford Democrat, Paris, Me.

The Craze to Live in Town.

THE RESULT, IN THE MAIN, OF RESTLESSNESS AND INDOLENCE—A FEW PICTURES DRAWN FROM LIFE.

On one of the back streets of a country town is a vacant lot. This lot is unimproved, covered with brush and stumps. Hard at work upon this lot, chopping and grubbing, is a man about forty years old. I ask him if he has bought the lot, and he informs me that he has not bought it, but has rented it for a garden. He pays a dollar and gets all he can raise there this season. He says he cannot afford to buy potatoes and other vegetables, they come so high. I can conceive no harder task than grubbing and clearing this lot, and the saddest part of the task must lie in the fact that he is not clearing it for himself, but for another. This man owns a small, cheaply constructed house on a small lot in the worst part of the village. Four years ago this same person owned sixty acres of good land, mostly improved, with good buildings and a fair orchard. He had his own fuel, water handy and fine land for gardening. To-day he buys his fuel, carries water forty rods and pays a tribute for the privilege of clearing another man's lot. One year in a grocery store, one year in a restaurant, one year working out and this year picking around getting a living any old way he can. But he and his wife wanted to come to town. They wanted to be where they could see something, and they wanted less work. Well, they are in town now, they can see something—the back end of a livery stable and two saloons, a pile of old boxes and barrels and the front of an old blacksmith shop. Their children play in the streets and their neighbors' pigs and chickens play in the back yard. This man was worth $4,000 and out of debt four years ago; to-day I would not give $500 for all he has.

Last night I drove by his former residence, a handsome, comfortable farm home, with schoolhouse and neighbors near by. In my mind I compared this man's surroundings as they were with the same as they are now, and I wished I could show them upon canvas to some of my friends who read The Tribune Farmer. Surely some of them would be made to appreciate the advantages of a country home.

Every night about five o'clock I meet or see passing and going toward the village scores of farmers, their sons and hired men. In wagons, in buggies, upon wheels, and on foot, all in a mad haste to get to town. Who does their chores, who cares for their stock I do not know; but there they go, and I wonder what they find to compensate them for leaving the farm at this hour of the day. But from 5 to 7 there is a general rush for the village. Twilight is the pleasantest part of the day in the country. The early evening, the cool, delightful atmosphere, the beautiful sunset, the content, the peace, the rest. And yet hundreds of farmers, their wives and children miss it all, and for what? For an hour in the throng, for a few minutes' idle gossip, for a glass of beer or an evening's carousal.

And consider the loss. Calves, pigs, cows and horses half cared for or even neglected; money lost, odds and ends of work put off and many an important job left uncompleted. Money foolishly and hastily spent, bad companions annexed and bad habits formed. Could a merchant do a successful business that way? Does the business man desert his place of business during the most important hour of the day? I know a man who makes it a rule never to go to town in the evening except upon important business or to some promising and specified entertainment. A good sermon, a good lecture, concert or theatrical entertainment will occasionally call this man and his family to town in the evening; but the occasions are rare when he is not at home as dark comes on. This man reads and studies; his place is in good repair and his livestock shows good care. He and his family are well dressed, the table is supplied with good food, the library contains good books, and all have time to read, and really do read the best farm journals. Now, who is likely to be "green," this man and his children or some of these people we see night after night standing around the streets of our villages?

The farmer needs an office. Let that office be at home. Let him make the evening his office hours. Let the children learn business habits. Let these habits be learned at home. Such boys and girls will not be half so green when they go out into the world as those who stand yelling around a pool table or trapesing up and down the streets of a country town.

The evening hours are the pleasantest hours of country life. The evening hours are the most profitable part of the day to the real farmer. The gadding habit once started makes us dissatisfied with the farm, and it is easy for me to recall instance after instance of those who have become dissatisfied, made great sacrifices and moved to town, who are now total failures, living from hand to mouth upon the back streets of little one-horse villages. These people wanted to be "in it," where they could "see somebody," and where they would not "have to work so hard." One such man is working upon the streets to-day shovelling dirt, and as I look at him I wonder why it was so much harder to work for himself than it is to work under a boss.

Fashions change. Even now people of the better class are looking for country homes. Let the change go on. As these dissatisfied, restless and lazy people leave the country a class of better, brighter, and more intelligent people from the city will come to take their places, and then, oh! how the country will boom and how some of our poor, disappointed old neighbors will long to get back to the beautiful homes they are now abandoning!—Cor. in Tribune Farmer.

An apple buyer of the middle west writes that no apple of his knowledge is so well adapted to his trade as Baldwins grown in New England. He has purchased in New York and various parts of the country but prefers New England fruit. No fault can be found with his judgment, for the flat, alluvial country from which he hails can produce corn and other cereals, but a "breath of New England air" and her rock-ribbed soil is needed to perfect flavor and finish in the apple.—Maine Farmer.

A superior farm never yet made a good farmer, but a good farmer will make a first class farm out of any on which he remains. It is more in the man than in the land, and an active, intelligent man knows how or learns how to handle his land according to its requirements. A man has to know something in order to be a good farmer.—Maine Farmer.

There is no ordinary feed which has a definite effect on the quality of milk. If a cow gives rich milk at one time, she will always do so under good care, and if she naturally gives poor milk, the kind of feed will not change the per cent of fat. Food has a much greater influence on the quantity of milk than on the quality.

The slipshod poultryman is the first to raise the cry that the poultry business is a failure.

To Raise a Good Crop of Clover.

WHY SPRING IS PREFERABLE TO FALL SOWING—CAREFUL PREPARATION OF THE SOIL NECESSARY.

A good catch of clover is often secured without a nurse crop when sown in the spring and the season is favorable, which means plenty of moisture. Fall sowing of clover is not considered good policy in the Eastern states, where conditions are more favorable than those usually encountered in the fall of the year in Nebraska; therefore, we could not in the face of this recommend a plan that, to say the least, would be courting failure.

One reason for the unpopularity of fall sowing is clover being a plant that requires a great deal of moisture, especially in the first three months of its existence, which is demanding a condition that cannot be looked forward to with the same amount of assurance in the fall that is held out to us in the spring. Then, again, it is necessary for clover to be well rooted to withstand the severity of winter and be in a healthy state when spring opens, a condition that would be the exception rather than the rule with fall sowing.

If one is very desirous of trying fall sowing of clover, under no circumstances would we recommend plowing, providing the ground has been put in a proper state of cultivation within a year. If it be stubble or stalk ground, by all means use a disk and pulverize the surface sufficiently to form a fine mulch, which will arrest evaporation. When this dirt mulch is properly made it will hold the moisture in the ground for a long time; then by drilling the clover seed just beneath, which is always moist, caused by what is known as capillary attraction, and added to this the firm seed bed, an essential to plant growth, perfect germination is assured.

If ground is prepared as above described for clover, and sown this fall to alfalfa, success, we feel sure, would follow.

The subject, "Clover Culture," one of the most valuable studies in agriculture, would occupy a great deal of space before it was exhausted. Therefore, the few words we are about to give concerning seeding, seeing this topic is being discussed, will be so little, comparatively, as to be nothing more than enough to start some thinking.

Many times the cause of failure in starting clover in the lighter soils of the Western states is the practice of surface sowing on newly ploughed ground. In case we may not be fully understood, a description of this method of sowing perhaps will not be out of place.

There are several plans for surface sowing, two or three of which we will cite. One plan, when a crop of clover is expected to be grown without a nurse crop, is to first plough and thoroughly harrow the ground; then sow the seed and cover it by using either a homemade brush harrow or a slant tooth harrow with brush or a plank attached to the back. This smooths the surface of the ground and covers the seed at the same time. When a spring sown nurse crop is used, all the work needed for growing this grain is finished before the clover is sown, after which harrow as above.

Another method of surface sowing, and a very successful one, is to sow wheat or rye in the fall; then sow the clover very early the next spring, on the last snows of winter preferred. The seed then will settle into the soft mud, caused by frequent freezing and thawing, is properly covered and ready to germinate at the earliest opportunity, or just as soon as all the conditions necessary to the life of the plant are present, which allows the roots to get a good start, and frequently enables the clover in its early stage to withstand a short drouth. Sowing on late snows has also proved very successful in getting a catch in wornout pastures.

Surface growing on newly ploughed ground is held in high favor, both with and without a nurse crop, in some of our Eastern states, where the soil is a heavy clay and they have an abundance of moisture. But in the lighter soils of the West, and especially in localities where the rainfall some years is hardly sufficient to raise a full crop, surface sowing on newly ploughed land at any time of the year has been more or less a failure.

A good catch of clover may be obtained for the hog pasture by adopting the method we have described of sowing in the spring on a nurse crop of fall rye, and allowing the hogs to pasture off the rye.—Cor. in Tribune Farmer.

The U. S. as a Horse Breeder.

(John Gilmer speed in world's work)

A shipload of horses and mares has been sent from this country for breeding purposes, with the idea of grading up the Filipino ponies and at the same time keeping a supply of light bred American horses, so that breeders can get stallions to continue and broaden this work of improvement.

It is interesting to note that this is the first time our government has taken any part in horse breeding. And even now it may not be proper to say that it is taking a part, for the present experiments are made by the civil government of the Philippines, and the expenses are to be paid out of the Philippine revenues. If the experiments succeed, however, it will not be wonderful if the federal government should establish a breeding plant of its own, so that cavalry and artillery horses of uniform types could be obtained. France, Germany and Russia breed horses for military use, and also to foster horse-breeding.

I was chosen to select the horses that have been sent out. In a general way I will say that I selected only such horses and mares as seemed to me to have a similarity of blood with the Filipino ponies. All reproducing horse types are founded on the Arab and Barb. So specimens of any of these types not made utterly dissimilar by reason of size—the Percheron for instance—appeared suitable. Available in America were the Morgans, the Denmarks and the Thoroughbreds. I secured stallions of these three types and also a few Arab stallions which had come to this country by way of England. The brood mares were all bought in the blue grass region of Kentucky, while some work and brood mares for the agricultural experiment stations were bought in Missouri. The immediate purpose is to breed Filipino stallions to American mares, and American and Arab stallions to Filipino mares, keeping, however, a supply of strictly American mares and horses as a kind of parent stock on which later to draw.

Of course this mingling of American and Filipino horse blood is an experiment and no one can tell with absolute certainty what the result will be. That the progeny as individuals will be an improvement over the native horses is tolerably sure; but the experiment cannot be considered entirely successful unless the mingling of blood aided by infusions of Arab blood results in a reproducing type of sturdy horses suitable for work on the farms and fit for use by the army and constabulary. This can, no doubt, be accomplished in time.

The latter part of August and early in September is the time for sowing clover on sandy soils. A good "catch" is difficult in the spring on such soils, but many farmers are successful with fall-sown clover who have made failures of such attempts in the spring. No other crop should go in with the clover, as it needs no shading. With a fair season the roots will make good growth and the plants push ahead rapidly in spring.

Even with fattening hogs a better appetite can be maintained by feeding a variety than by depending upon any one article even though it be good sound corn.—Live Stock Journal.

FEATHERING THE NEST

By LWELLEN TETERS

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"You see," Young went on confidentially, "Tom's income is very small, but when two people fall in love what else can they do but marry? He works from 8 to 6 every day and can't attend to feathering the nest himself, and she lives way up in the country. He wants me to select a four room flat and get all the furniture. Would you help me? I'd be so grateful."

She glanced away from the eagerness of his face. The open piano reminded her of the pupils coming for lessons in the morning. Some stockings stuffed tightly in her workbasket near by warned her of necessary darning. There was a hat to trim over so she could go to church on Sunday. Countless other petty duties arrayed themselves silently before her in stubborn protest.

It had required a veritable pocketing of pride for her to apprise Goring of her arrival in town, because of his forgetfulness of her in the time following their last meeting. Had he not been the only one she knew in the big, throbbing city doubtless the dainty little missive would never have been sent. But fate pends on trivialities, and May Carlton feared solitude more than she feared the past. A distasteful suitor was wooing her with all of the gilded persuasiveness of his wealth, championed by her aunt. But Goring did not know of this. He knew only that May Carlton was temporarily domiciled at a chilly, stuffy boarding house which breathed of frying meats at no matter what hour he called and that there was wistful pleading in her eyes.

"We will go to lunch first," Goring put in insinuatingly; "that is, if you will?"

"Thank you, but I am afraid I cannot possibly go until afternoon," she said firmly, with inward sacrifices. The hat could go until next week; surely there were greater sins than not attending church.

It was much easier selecting a flat than the furniture, as they discovered after weary pilgrimages through department stores trying to perform that miracle commonly known as buying what one wants at the price one can afford, for the flat, provided over by a smoky, generously whiskered janitor who insisted on taking them for his prospective tenants and asking them at disconcerting intervals the size of their family, was decided on almost at first glance merely because Miss Carlton liked the parlor mantel and Goring admired the size of the ice box.

But each time she returned from the cheerful little home that they were so engrossed in preparing for the bride and groom it was to sink aghast at the loneliness of her own life as she climbed up the three interminable flights of stairs to her room. Her few scholars barely sufficed to meet the exactions of her landlady. The thought of the little flat uptown mocked her with its insinuating air of home and domesticity. The instinct was strong within her for a nest of her own. It was only because of the inherent fondness for the home, as the bird builds its nest and feathers it tenderly for its mate, that she had been interested in the labor.

When Goring called for her that afternoon to complete the final arrangements in the little home, there was no trace of the grief she had endured the previous evening. As he was announced she was even beginning a letter to her distasteful suitor, and she thrust it into her pocket in her haste to accompany Goring.

"Do you think they'll like it?" she asked anxiously.

"Like it? They'll be crazy over it! Wouldn't you?"

"Yes, I would like it." She stifled a sigh that echoed in her heart.

She had been about to sign her name to that bit of paper which would mean for her a splendid mansion, horses and all the accessories of affluence, but her heart yearned for the tiny nest in which she stood and the one man to share it with her. Something suffocating arose in her throat.

"I'm sorry it's finished," Goring broke in. "I had no idea it was so interesting. Tom left three days ago for the wedding; they ought to be here tomorrow. I suppose they won't have a house warming."

May Carlton looked at him impulsively; tomorrow was her last day in town; she had resolved to seal her fate and go back to that other man, afraid to pit her puny strength longer against the world. She longed for one more taste of happiness, reluctant to take the decisive step.

"Why couldn't we arrange it as a surprise?" she cried eagerly. "It will be awfully cheerless for a bride, coming to a dark house without one light to greet her. Oh, please!"

Goring glanced into her flushed, wistful face, thinking of that summer time past and the man who rumor said had robbed him of her love.

"Well, we will. I'll see a caterer"—

"A caterer? When I can bake the most poetical biscuit and make ambrosia from mere coffee. Oh, what do we want of any ignorant, expert food maker?" she cried.

"In your hands then," he bowed in mock gravity.

Sundry mysterious parcels dispatched by Goring kept arriving all afternoon after May reached the flat, each breathing its own delectable secret. She donned a huge white apron and began her preparations early, for Goring had telephoned her that he thought the couple would arrive at 6 and he would drive up with them.

But he stepped in alone, unannounced, for he had retained one of the keys, and entered an atmosphere of delicious, savory odors. A bright light radiated from the kitchen, and he stood silently in the doorway, unseen by her, admiring her as she stooped to baste the golden brown fowl in the oven. Goring said nothing. There was a telegram in his pocket, and he hesitated to mar her pleasure all at once.

"Oh!" She nervously dropped her cooking spoon as he crossed the threshold.

"It's better than an Alma-Tadema," he commented, drinking in the homelike suggestions.

"I hope they'll be happy." She gave the fowl an undeserved prick with the fork, fluttering at something indefinable in his manner.

"Would—you be—here?" he asked unsteadily and with abruptness.

A piercing whistle at the dumb waiter interfered with her reply. It was the ice cream coming up with convulsive movements and noisy creaking, sent by an overpunctual confectioner. Metaphorically Goring received it as a cold douche to his hopes.

"Isn't it almost time for them?" she inquired anxiously, regretting the lost opportunity which had rudely interrupted the hovering sentiment. "I thought you were going to meet them?"

Slowly he took the telegram out of his pocket, extending it toward her.

"What is it? Nothing serious I hope!" she cried in alarm.

"No! Only Tom has been ordered west by his firm to manage a branch house. It means the making of his future. They're not coming here, after all."

"Oh, and the turkey so beautiful!" She sank weakly in a chair, tears filling her eyes. "I'm so sorry"—

Goring crossed the room and placed his arm around her.

"Look here, you're not crying?" he said, peering into her face. "There, there! It is a shame, I admit. But you and I can enjoy that dinner just as much as they."

"Yes, but what about the flat? Will they sell everything? And we fixed it up so pretty"—

She was sobbing quietly now.

"Can't—can't—we pretend that it's our home for always?" he asked softly, with a tremendous beating of his heart. "And—and can't you—make it come true, dear? I love you—you must have known that; but I heard you cared for some one else. Tell me, May"—

She tried to steal her handkerchief from the bloused front of her shirt waist, but something white and diminutive and square tumbled out with it. It was her answer to that other man, in which she had so nearly signed away her happiness. She took out the letter, forcing him to read it, and taking infinite relish in his visible symptoms of agitation. The futility of his love stared at him uncompromisingly. It was as he had feared; he was too late.

The cheer and coziness of the toy house taunted him. He turned away from it and away from the woman he loved.

"Well?" said Miss Carlton sharply, compelling his attention. Her lips were quivering, her eyes mutinous at his easy defeat.

"You've ruined my life—for the second time," he said, unsmiling.

She grasped the letter from his hand and tore it into innumerable tiny pieces which scattered over the floor like snow.

"That's my answer," and her voice trembled happily.

How the Athlete Escapes Falls.

The circus man spread his hands. "You see, we have no use for a man who endangers his life. What we want is a man who can do acts that appear appallingly dangerous, but can do them without any risk to himself. That is what all these men can do and are paid for doing—that and nothing more."

An English bareback rider undertook to explain:

"It is all done with the shoulders," he said. "The shoulders are the center of gravity in the air. It is with the muscles of the chest that the lift and turn are both made. For example, in a back somersault you do not throw yourself over with the kick from the ground. You merely leap into the air, and then, with the muscles of the stomach and chest, whip your legs up over you, revolve around your shoulders and come down on your feet. That is the reason why all circus performers are widest under the arms and smallest around the waist. They are built like greyhounds."—Success.

The Last Note.

A prominent musician recently told a little anecdote which will be appreciated by musicians and perhaps by laymen as well.

He was teaching his young son the piano keyboard by the inductive system, and the boy, having learned all the notes, both white and black, the teacher began to review the lesson by asking, "And now, Henry, show me A flat."

Henry soon figured it out.

The next question was, "Where is G sharp?"

That also proved easy.

After asking the boy several more questions about sharps and flats, the teacher said, "Where do you think we shall find C flat?"

Henry looked at the keyboard long and curiously; he put his finger on C, and next on B, then he got down close to the piano and after examining it carefully replied, "I don't know, papa, but I guess it's gone down that crack between B and C."

Rise Above Your Troubles.

No matter what cares, anxieties or sorrows may vex or sadden you, do not prove yourself a weakling by going down before them, but show yourself noble in rising above them and molding them to life's purpose. Rather bear an insult than give one; rather dry a tear than cause one to be shed. How many celebrities we would have if men would be as anxious to make their own fame as they are to unmake the fame of others.

Nothing Left.

"I have had lots of friends who were guilty of mutilating books they had borrowed from me, but my latest experience was the most novel of all."

"What was it?"

"I lent Mrs. Blanks my dictionary a few days ago, and yesterday she returned it without a word!"—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Its Beauties.

"Do you now appreciate the beauties of civilization?"

"Yes," answered the barbarian. "Civilization is a great institution. But, as in the case of other large enterprises, it's usually best to be one of the promoters and get in on the ground floor."—Washington Star.

He Was Afraid.

The Bride—Tell me now, dearest, when you proposed weren't you a little nervous for fear I should say "No?"

The Bridegroom (who has married for money)—I should think I was. Why, I owed nearly $5,000, and my creditors were getting awfully pushing.

He Knew.

"Squeezem is a mean man."

"What makes you think so?"

"I saw him put a lead quarter in a blind man's hat this morning."

"How did you know it was lead?"

"I passed it on him yesterday."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Flattery.

He—Is there anything in the world that bores you more than flattery? She—Only one thing that I know of. He—what is that? She—Not to be flattered.

LIFE'S GRAB BAG

By KEITH GORDON

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"Life," meditated Cynthia as she tucked in the ends of her veil more neatly, "is nothing more than a grab bag on a huge scale. Day by day you put your hand in and grab something, but until you take it out and unfold it you never know whether it is a joy or a sorrow!"

With a droll smile at the idea, she picked up her gloves and card case, took a last comprehensive survey of herself in the cheval glass and then passed down the stairs and out into the street filled with the gentle exhilaration that her view of life induced.

One did not know, for instance, what charming adventure might befall, even in the pursuit of so banal a duty as a round of formal calls. Musing thus, she turned into Fifth avenue, her face alight with eager expectancy of the next thing and trying to imagine what it was going to be.

This might be the great day of her life—one couldn't tell. Perhaps before the afternoon was over she would meet the man—that godling of her dreams who moved in the time honored Olympian manner, enveloped in a mist that hid his face from view. Apparently the afternoon held nothing more than a pleasant stroll, broken by a half dozen calls, but the beauty of the thing lay in the fact that one couldn't be sure! Perhaps on that very afternoon—

These pleasant speculations suddenly came to an abrupt end. Her card case—where was it? She felt blindly in her muff, thrust her hand into one side of her coat and then the other, but in vain. It was gone—lost—just as numberless purses, opera glasses, boas, muffs and umbrellas had gone before it, until she was a byword among her friends and the gifts of her intimates were invariably accompanied by a beseeching: "Don't lose this, Cynthia. Do try to be a little bit careful."

And now her new card case, a gift on her birthday a few weeks before, had gone in the usual way, just when she was expecting the very best of life too! Her optimism disappeared like the sun behind a cloud, and, with an aggrieved sense of misplaced trust, her steps slackened and she came to a standstill, wondering if it would be worth while to go back and try to find it.

"Scarcely," she decided, as the moving crowd of pedestrians slowly filed past her, and, with a sigh, she resumed her way northward once more, a little comforted by the reflection that, after all, some honest person would probably find it and return it to her.

Meanwhile a tall, athletic young man who was swinging up the avenue in the same direction a block or so behind her, unconsciously rejoicing in his mere physical vigor and not philosophizing at all, found his attention attracted by a small, dark object ornamented with a gleaming disk of silver that was lying near the edge of the sidewalk.

Picking it up, he glanced in this way and in that, but the handsomely gowned women who were making their way in both directions gave no indication of distress, so he examined the monogram on the clasp, with a grunt of masculine disdain for such devices.

Then he bethought him that it might be a good idea to open it, and, suiting the action to the impulse, he discovered in one compartment a latchkey and in the other a bunch of cards. "Miss Williar, No. 4 West —th street," he read, taking out one of the cards. And, having thus satisfactorily established the ownership of his find, he tucked it into his pocket and strode on toward the University club, idly wondering if this Miss Williar could be related to the little Cynthia Williar he had known in his boyhood. It was this wonder that impelled him to wait to see Miss Williar personally when, just before the dinner hour, he stopped at the address given on the card.

He had not long to wait. A tall girl with a look in her eyes that said plainly that life was an interesting experience entered the room, and he found himself face to face with what seemed to him a larger, older and greatly glorified copy of the small, freckled girl upon whom in moments of rare generosity he had sometimes bestowed his boyish approval.

"Why, Jack Mayhew," she exclaimed with unfeigned gladness, extending her hand, "where have you dropped from?" while his hearty "Jupiter, Cynthia, if this isn't luck!" uttered with enthusiastic heartiness while he conscientiously wrung her hand as if it had been that of another man, placed them at once on the plane of good fellowship where they had parted ten years earlier.

In their delight and surprise at the meeting they talked volubly and sometimes both at once, asking about boy and girl friends and referring hilariously to the pranks of those dear old days. But if their tongues were busy their minds were doubly so.

"He's magnificent," Cynthia was saying over and over to herself, with a thrill of delight, though ostensibly she was listening with rapt attention to his account of himself since he left Elmwood and had grown up, while he, filled with admiring wonder at this new Cynthia, suddenly lost the thread of his story and floundered helplessly, after the manner of persons who try to think about one thing and talk about another.

"As I was saying," he observed impressively, making a frantic but ineffectual attempt to recall what he had been saying, "as I was saying—that is—oh, hang it all, Cynthia, I was so busy looking at you that I forgot what I was saying. Don't know where I'm at."

At this plain avowal they both laughed, and he went on with masculine frankness:

"I say, you've done yourself proud. You're ripping, you know!" And he gazed at her with so much of the old boyishness in his face that the reproof that rose to her lips was suppressed. Then a black thought suddenly clutched at her.

"You aren't married, are you?" she demanded so abruptly and intensely that she winced the moment the words were out, while his prompt negative was tempered with a certain shame as he recalled some events of the previous year. Cynthia was so direct that she inspired him with a desire to meet her on her own ground.

"No, I'm not married, but I am afraid that I should have been except for the firmness of the young lady's mother," he acknowledged honestly. "She had other views for her daughter. You see, I wasn't rich enough, and I'm mighty glad I wasn't—now," he added with a fervor that was beyond suspicion.

Still, Cynthia's manner seemed to take on a slight coating of ice. "So you're a blighted being!" she said thoughtfully, her chin resting on the back of her hand and her eyes fixed upon his face speculatively.

They parted a few minutes later, reluctantly, it is true, yet with the feeling that the fine glow of the meeting had suddenly faded.

"He's mourning for that horrid little thing with the mercenary mother," reflected Cynthia scornfully and without any compunction whatever anent the injustice of calling an unknown damsel "a horrid little thing," while Jack Mayhew, his eyes dazzled by the fine, open face of his old playmate, wondered how he could ever have fancied pretty little pink and white Dorothy.

As he remembered Cynthia's mouth, with the little curlycues at the corner that looked like baby smiles, his face grew gloomy.

"Depend upon it, old fellow, you'll find there is some man in the background," he confided to himself darkly on the way homeward. "Don't get the idea that there's any chance for you. A girl like that"— Here he gave up at loss for words to express his convictions on the subject.

But in spite of this mutual cynicism Miss Williar and Jack Mayhew were seen together very frequently during the next three months. They affected palm rooms and art galleries and such places where a certain soft splendor and quiet made for sentiment and low toned conversation.

It was upon one such occasion that a patron of art who had closed the book of romance before the young people in this story were born overheard the following extraordinary bit of conversation. He was sitting with one eye screwed up critically in the effort to form a judgment of a Claude Monet on the wall before him when he heard the young man murmur anxiously:

"You don't suppose your mother will say that I'm not rich enough, do you?"

"Indeed, no!" replied the girl at his side confidently. "My mother is not that kind. Besides, didn't our mothers know each other before we were born?"

The patron of art looked slightly puzzled. From the tail of his cool estimating eye he sent furtive glances at the pair, vainly endeavoring to follow the young lady's reasoning.

There was an ecstatic silence for a second, during which the patron of art found the two decidedly interesting from an artistic standpoint. It was an eloquent moment—and paintable. It was really a pity. Then the girl's face dimpled and she began to speak.

"Oh, Jack," she said, and her tone was a caress, "isn't it lucky that I got you out of the grab bag after all?"

The patron of art moved away, shaking his head as if the times were getting beyond him. "Got him out of the grab bag," he murmured, just to see how it would sound—"got him out of the grab bag!"

A Bill That Never Passed.

Congressmen sometimes adopt queer expedients to gain the good will of their constituents. Years ago a member from a western state was very much afraid he would be knocked out in the approaching campaign. He had not managed to make himself a power in congress. In fact, his constituents had never heard of him doing anything besides voting with his party when his name was called and drawing his salary. He was desperate. Something must be done to please his people at home or he would be buried out of sight. A bright young woman to whom he had described his troubles said to him:

"You live near the center of the United States, don't you?"

"Yes."

"Then why don't you introduce a bill to have the capitol moved to the principal town in your district?"

"The very thing."

And he introduced the bill. It worked to a charm. The people of his district at once concluded he was a great man and with much enthusiasm sent him back for another term, so that he might press his removal bill and secure its passage. In the next congress he reintroduced the same measure, and, though it was promptly pigeonholed in the committee room and of course he never got a chance to make a speech on it, his people stood by him and gave him a third term as a reward for his genius.

Between the Horns of a Dilemma.

He was walking to and fro on the station platform, and his anxiety was so marked that a friend inquired:

"What's the matter, Tibbs? You look as if you had something serious on your mind."

"I have," he replied. "I'm worried; badly worried. I've just found a dollar in my trousers pocket."

"You're the first man I ever saw that worried over finding money he didn't know he had."

"But you don't understand. I can't make up my mind whether I forgot the dollar or whether my wife slipped it in my pocket to try me. You see, she has been accusing me of keeping things from her. Now, if I were to blow this bill in without saying anything to her about it and it should turn out that she had played a trick on me my finish would be worth writing up. On the other hand, if I go to her and confess that I found it she'll simply take the dollar. I haven't been so worried in a month."—New York Press.

Cast your bread upon the waters, and you will realize how many people are out for the dough.—Philadelphia Record.

An Ancient Foe

To health and happiness is Scrofula—as ugly as ever since time immemorial.

It causes bunches in the neck, disfigures the skin, inflames the mucous membrane, wastes the muscles, weakens the bones, reduces the power of resistance to disease and the capacity for recovery, and develops into consumption.

"A bunch appeared on the left side of my neck. It caused great pain, was lanced, and became a running sore. I went into a general decline. I was persuaded to try Hood's Sarsaparilla, and when I had taken six bottles my neck was healed, and I have never had any trouble of the kind since." MRS. K. T. SNYDER, Troy, Ohio.

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TEAS THAT ARE WORTH FORTUNES

Twelve Hundred Kinds Are In China's Show at the World's Fair—The Most Populous Nation of the World For the First Time Makes an Exhibit Worthy of Her Greatness.

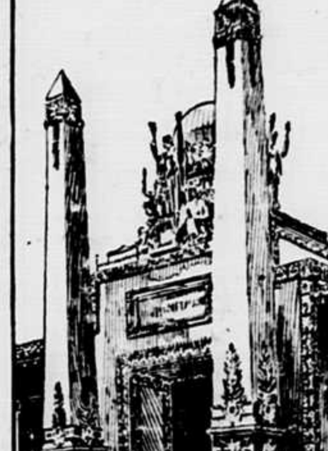
Many expositions of stupendous character make up the World's Fair of 1904. Each part is a vast and distinct show. Each building shelters many acres of wonderful things—wonderful because they are the choicest of their kind. Every nation on the globe is represented. Every state and territory is here with its best and making the most of its greatest opportunity.

The fact that China has not been a large exhibitor at world's fairs gives to her great exhibit here a prominence quite exceptional. It is a wonderland of ingenious productions. We know China best by reason of her extensive exports of teas, which have found a vast market in the United States for generations. Her commercial interests therefore prompted her to make a display of teas that we should not forget.

In sealed glass jars China displays in the Liberal Arts Palace some 1,200 kinds of tea. Young Hyson and Old Hyson have a string of tea relations longer than the genealogical chain of a Plymouth Rock. They are neatly selected "chops," in the language of the tea farmer, and these classes do not embrace medicinal teas, which are quite another lot in the rather modest number of 400.

The teas exhibited vary in price from a few cents a pound to some rare and exclusive kinds that are worth their weight in gold, the tea in the latter cases being placed on one side of the scales and pure gold on the other—that is to say, the tea of this expensive kind is worth about $20 gold an ounce. Only a very small quantity of this exclusive leaf is exhibited, and it is grown in carefully guarded tea plantations or gardens right under the shadows of the great wall of China. Its cultivation is prohibited for any use save for the imperial family of China and a few of the favored high officials.

Mention has been made of the word "chop" in connection with tea, and it may be interesting to the everyday reader to know what the word actually signifies. The tea leaf is grown in various districts of the Chinese empire on



NORTH ENTRANCE PALACE OF MINES AND METALLURGY, WORLD'S FAIR.

large areas of ground which are often mistaken for single plantations. This is hardly ever the case, as the large tracts are very often owned by hundreds of different men, whose individual plots of ground bearing the tea plants are carefully mapped out, so that each individual owner may cultivate and pick his own crop of tea. Each owner likewise markets his own tea and puts his own special mark, or "chop," on the packages. Hence the term "chop" signifies an individual growth or picking of tea by one owner. In an area of tea land of, say, a thousands acres, all apparently under one ownership, there may be some forty, fifty or more owners of the plantation and consequently a like number of "chops" of tea.

It must not be imagined that all these different owners of the tea get the same price for their commodity—far from it, as each of these individual tea growers has his own secrets for improving the quality and flavor of tea. Take, for instance, the Amoy and Fuchau districts, whence most of the tea for the United States comes. The owners of "chops" of tea varying from 10 to 200 chests of 56 pounds each bring samples of their goods to the various foreign merchants for sale. These latter turn the Chinese tea growers over to the good offices of the foreign or American professional tea taster, who passes on the goods as to price. The tea taster has the samples infused, not boiled, in his presence and passes upon the quality, flavor, twang and manner of curing, fixing a price accordingly, from which there is never any variation and which the tea grower must accept or go elsewhere to dispose of his wares. In a single tract of tea land like the one cited above the price has ranged from 14 cents, the lowest, to 48½ cents, the highest, per pound among sixty-one different tea producers. A matter of great moment that also figures in the price of tea is that very often tea from the same district will have the various "chops" blended together in order to produce special flavors.

SOFT CORE

Like the running brook, the red blood that flows through the veins has to come from somewhere.

The springs of red blood are found in the soft core of the bones called the marrow and some say red blood also comes from the spleen. Healthy bone marrow and healthy spleen are full of fat.

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The King of Bardsey.

About a mile distant from the rocky promontory of Braich-y-Pwll, the extreme westerly point of north Wales, lies the island of Bardsey, the home of a singularly isolated community. The island is the property of Lord Newborough and was a favorite resort of the third baron, grandfather and predecessor in the title of the present peer. At that period the island was even more remote and out of the way than at present. Communication with Pwllheli was infrequent and uncertain. Consequently the Bardsey folk formed an entirely independent community, forced by circumstances to conduct their own affairs without special reference to the laws of the country. Lord Newborough instituted the office of "king." Selecting from the islanders one of superior parts and character, he invested him with the general authority which he himself possessed as landlord, bidding the rest to obey his ruling, abide by his decisions in case of dispute and in general respect his authority. Partly in jest, partly to strengthen his vicegerent's position, he conferred upon that worthy the title of "king of Bardsey" and bestowed upon him a crown, a treasure and an army. The "crown" was a gorgeous diadem of brass, wondrously embossed and wrought; the "treasure" a silver casket brought from Italy, and the "army" a wooden figure painted to represent a soldier.

Grotesque African Customs.

Tattooing is almost universally practiced by both sexes of the natives of Africa. It is, however, very roughly done and is altogether inferior to the tattooing of the Maoris of New Zealand and other Pacific races. The method of operation is simply to make a slit in the skin and then rub in charcoal. Among the less pleasing feminine ornaments must be reckoned the nose buttons of the Wa Yao and the frightful pelele, or lip ring, of the Anyanja. The nose button is a circular disk of ivory or burnished lead let into one side of the nostril. Ugly as is the effect produced by this, it is yet a thousand times less hideous than the pelele, which consists of a round, flat piece of ivory or wood fixed in a slit in the upper lip. The slit is gradually increased by the insertion of successive plugs, each a little larger than the preceding one, until it can accommodate a full sized pelele, which sticks out an inch or more in front of the face, rendering the appearance of the wearer scarcely human.

The Game of Trinquet.

Popular among the Basque peasantry is an ancient game known as trinquet. No one knows the origin of trinquet. Like all Basque customs, it can be traced back and back till its history is lost in the remote past. Nearly every court in the country bears the aspect of extreme age. The court at Bayonne is believed to be 400 years old, and the one at St. Jean de Luz looks older than the one at Bayonne. When Louis XIV., who was married in St. Jean de Luz church, went down to the little frontier town to meet his Spanish bride, he found the Basques of St. Jean de Luz energetically playing their ancient game, and he took the idea back with him to Paris, and from it, largely modified, comes the game of tennis.

Tennis and trinquet are very similar, save that instead of a racket a leather arrangement, known as a glove, is used for propelling the ball.—Country Life.

Duty, Then Pleasure.

Mr. Nasmyth, the inventor of the steam hammer, once said: "If I were to try to compress into one sentence the whole of the experience of an active and successful life and offer it to young men as a rule and certain recipe for success in any station, it would be comprised in this: 'Duty first; pleasure second.' From what I have seen of young men and their after progress I am satisfied that what is generally termed 'bad fortune,' 'ill luck' and 'misfortune' is in nine cases out of ten simply the result of inverting this simple maxim. My own experience convinces me that absence of success arises in the great majority of cases from want of self denial and want of common sense. The worst maxim of all maxims is, 'Pleasure first; work and duty second.'"

How He Viewed It.

There was a carriage accident in a town in Scotland. A brougham containing two ladies was run away with down a steep hill. The noise and clatter of the horses' hoofs on the flags with which the town was paved were terrific. A Scotch farmer who was walking on the footpath turned to watch the carriage disappearing in the distance and said to his companion, "For us who see it, it is indeed a fearsome sight, but for those who are inside it it must be a rich spiritual experience!"—London Gentlewoman.

Monster Beds.

Though the beds of the royal personages of England were elaborately carved and hung with rich curtains even so late as the Tudor period, it is recorded that King Henry VIII.'s bed contained only straw beneath all its finery. A curious order exists as to precautions to be taken against the possibility of intended mischief to the royal person in the making of the bed, for the usher was to search the straw through with a dagger, "that there be none untruth therein, and to tumble over on the down bed for the better search thereof." The bed of Henry VIII. was nearly eleven feet square, and of even more generous dimensions is the great bed to which Shakespeare refers in a well known passage in "Twelfth Night," which was twelve feet square. This "great bed of Ware" has been a marvel for centuries.

He Sent Another.

A few years ago a well known lawyer remitted in settlement of an account to the publisher of a paper a two dollar bill, which was returned with the brief statement:

"This note is counterfeit; please send another."

Two months passed before hearing from the lawyer again, when he apologized for the delay, saying:

"I have been unable until now to find another counterfeit two dollar bill, but hope the one now inclosed will suit, professing at the same time my inability to discover what the objection was to the other, which I thought as good a counterfeit as I ever saw."—Philadelphia Ledger.

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Coming Events.

Sept. 27-30.—Maine State Fair, Lewiston.
Oct. 4, 5, 6—Fair at Riverside Park, Bethel.
Oct. 4, 5, 6.—West Oxford fair, Fryeburg.
Oct. 5, 6.—Oxford North fair, Andover.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

County Commissioners' Bills.
Eastern Steamship Company.
Fall Opening.
Knitting Yarns.
New Clothing for Fall.
Specialty Store.
Notice.
Applicants for Naturalization.
Order for Opening of Court.
The Shaw Business College.
Lost.
Cup and Saucer 5 Cents.
Bankrupt's Petition for Discharge.
Medium Weight Merino Underwear.
Notice.

The Sheriff Overturn.

The surprising thing about the election in Oxford County is the success of Mr. McIntire, the Democratic candidate for sheriff, who received the votes of about a thousand Republicans who otherwise voted the straight Republican ticket. It is also said that he got the votes of a few Prohibitionists, though the inconsistency of such a vote, when it is considered that Mr. McIntire was the only member of the Oxford County delegation in the last legislature to vote for resubmission, is so glaring that the statement may well be questioned.

The causes of this overturn are elusive. No charge was made against Mr. Elliott, the Republican candidate. Throughout the campaign the Democrat has known of only one man who had anything to say derogatory to him, while many of the bolting Republicans have emphatically declared that they had nothing against him. Mr. Elliott has been an efficient officer for several years, not to be scared or bought, and has won the enmity of no one except violators of the law.

Only two tangible reasons are given for their action by those concerned in the movement. One is a dislike for some of the present deputy sheriffs, though it is by no means certain that they would have been reappointed under Elliott. The other reason is the undoubted personal popularity of Mr. McIntire. Taken together these two causes do not account for the magnitude of the bolt, some of which must be attributed to a sort of abstract enthusiasm.

The unpleasant feature of the situation is the interpretation put upon it in some sections, especially by papers outside the state, who reckon it as in the same class with the Democratic victories in the cities of the state, by which Pennell, open mullifier of the prohibitory law, is re-elected sheriff of Cumberland County, and Cummings, who has strictly enforced the law, is defeated in Androscoggin County. Such an interpretation is not justified. While it is undoubtedly true that about every man who favors an "easy" enforcement of the prohibitory law voted for Mr. McIntire, it was not those votes or that issue which elected him. Oxford County has not proved false to her reputation for temperance and law-abidingness and taken her place beside those cities where open saloons are tolerated by either officers or people. The result in Oxford County does not mean that, and the false impression regarding it should be corrected.

The Democrat has faith enough in Mr. McIntire to believe that he is a man of honor, and would in any event faithfully enforce the laws which are on the statute book. But he is especially committed and pleged to such enforcement. In the Democratic county convention he introduced the following resolution, which was on his motion added to the resolutions reported by the committee: "We favor a careful and impartial enforcement of every law of the state of Maine." He is thus directly pledged to a careful and impartial enforcement, and that we believe he will give.

The Vote for Representatives.

	Martin, Rep.	Abbott, Dem.	
Rumford	471	209	
	Witt, Rep.	Stevens, Dem.	
Hebron	79	36	
Norway	324	276	
Oxford	144	81	
	547	393	
	Gray, Rep.	Shurtleff, Dem.	Buck, Pro.
Buckfield	90	106	11
Paris	579	168	30
Milton Plantation	18	22	
	687	296	41
	Walker, Rep.	Noyes, Dem.	
Brownfield	128	51	
Fryeburg	173	77	
Hiram	108	91	
Lovell	128	51	
Porter	112	36	
	649	306	
	Merrill, Rep.	Morse, Dem.	
Canton	65	118	
Dixfield	225	49	
Hartford	85	35	
Mexico	221	53	
Peru	103	28	
Sumner	99	55	
	798	338	
	Cushman, Rep.	Fessenden, Dem.	
Albany	65	44	
Denmark	25	129	
Greenwood	77	71	
Stoneham	80	18	
Stow	22	21	
Sweden	34	19	
Waterford	98	129	
Woodstock	167	52	
	568	483	
	Hastings, Rep.	Edwards, Dem.	
Andover	97	38	
Bethel	285	134	
Byron	19	7	
Gilead	26	25	
Grafton	7	4	
Hanover	40	14	
Mason	13	5	
Newry	24	21	
Roxbury	22	13	
Upton	11	13	
Lincoln Pl.			
Magalloway Pl.	2	5	
	546	279	

Kicked in the Head.

Lewis Foster of Gray got a serious blow from his horse's heels while at the fair Wednesday. Mr. Foster had taken the bridle off the horse, hanging it on the saddle, and hitched the horse by a halter. He and his sister, who accompanied him, were sitting in the carriage eating their lunch about noon, when the reins slipped down over the dasher. Mr. Foster leaned over the dasher to reach them, when the horse kicked, one foot striking Mr. Foster in the side of the face. There were bad cuts above and beside the eye, and the eyeball was pushed inward by the force of the blow. Dr. Littlefield, who attended him, says that it came very near killing him. He did not recover full consciousness for several hours. He was taken to the house of Aaron Babb, where he is now being cared for. His injuries are doing well, and it is thought the sight of the eye will be saved.

Dangerous Shooting.

The hunting season is on, and reckless people are popping indiscriminately around the woods. On Friday Elmer Campbell, son of Cyrus P. Campbell and twelve years of age, started down the Oxford road from South Paris. When in the woods a short distance below the village, in the road, he heard the report of a gun, and a bullet went through his hand near the knuckles. It was evidently a 22-calibre bullet, and made a wound which is not dangerous, but it was a close call. It is not known who fired the shot, but whoever it was may consider himself lucky that the consequences were no worse. It is impossible to make the warning against such carelessness in shooting too emphatic.

THE OXFORD BEARS.

THE DOINGS OF THE WEEK IN ALL SECTIONS OF THE COUNTY

Paris Hill.

First Baptist Church, 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.

Percival J. Parris, Esq., of Philadelphia, is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Columbia Parris, and other relatives here.

Hon. George D. Bisbee and Mrs. Bisbee of Rumford Falls and Mrs. E. R. Josselyn of Portland were guests at George M. Atwood's last week.

Hon. Waldo Pettengill of Rumford Falls was a guest at the Hubbard House last Tuesday. Mr. Pettengill attended the Oxford County fair on Wednesday.

Charles L. Case, Esq., and Miss Clara C. Case returned to their New York home last Tuesday. They will open the house preparatory to the return of the other members of the family who go soon.

Mrs. Clayton K. Brooks returned Wednesday to her home in Cambridge, Mass.

The George L. Mellen place was sold at auction Saturday forenoon. The purchaser was John Pierce.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Bailey of Washington, D. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Chase of Portland are at the Hubbard House for a few days.

Among the arrivals at the Hubbard House are F. A. Neal and Miss C. G. Neal of Boston.

Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Hubbard gave the tea at the golf links Saturday afternoon. It was well attended and a very pleasant occasion. Mrs. Chas. Bailey of Washington poured tea.

Recent arrivals at White Mountain View House are:

Miss E G. Crisfield, Portland.
Major Bouve, Boston.
Mrs. F. B. Cumm'ngs and two sons, Harold and Raymond, of Portland.

Rev. E. O. Taylor of Littleton, Vt., has preached at the Baptist church the last two Sundays.

C. W. Parker of the New England House, Boston, with his friend, F. E. Perley, and J. J. Pooler of the Columbia, Portland, were the guests of John Pierce three days of the county fair.

Miss Jeannie Hubbard returned to Boston last week.

The medal play contest at the golf links Saturday was won by Miss Adelaide Case for the ladies and Fred Shaw for the gentlemen.

Loren B. Merrill opened up a valuable pocket in his mining operations at Mount Mica Saturday.

WHITTEMORE DISTRICT.

Chandler Garland and wife, and Mr. Sanders and wife, daughter of Mr. Garland, are stopping with Mrs. Garland's sister, Mrs. Christina Drake.

Arthur Batson has returned to New York from a visit to his aunt, Mrs. Drake.

Mr. Joseph Briggs died very suddenly, Sept. 14th, at South Paris, where he had gone to spend a day at the fair. He will be greatly missed by all that knew him. He was a good Christian man and respected by all, a kind husband and father. He has gone where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest.

Bryant's Pond.

A big crowd attended the fair on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stowell, who have been the guests of Mrs. Lizzie Day, have returned home.

Mrs. Wiske and son Prescott returned to Paterson, N. J., Tuesday.

A few of the summer boarders are still in the village.

Mrs. Marcus Allen and son Mason returned home from Jonesport Sunday.

Percy Bowker arrived at his home from Wakefield Saturday for a week's stay.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bowker went to West Paris Wednesday evening to attend the marriage of their son, Irvin Bowker, and Miss Lulie Tuell. After the ceremony the newly wedded couple took the 10:30 train for a short wedding trip, and will then return to Portland, where they will reside, Engineer Bowker having bought a nice house in that city.

There has been work in the corn shop a few days since Thursday morning of last week.

Work is booming again at the spool mill.

Dora York has gone to Oxford.

Rev. E. A. Davis, state missionary, is in town and will preach at the Baptist church Sunday.

Miss Stevens, a book agent, is stopping at Mrs. Alonzo Felt's.

There was much rejoicing Tuesday night when the returns gave McIntire the majority for high sheriff. Cannons and guns were fired and there was a big racket generally to celebrate the event.

On Saturday night, about 11 o'clock, the sleepy people were awakened by music and strange sounds, which was kept up for some time. Upon inquiry the next morning it was learned that Fred Farnum and Ida McCullum were married, by Rev. Mr. Nelson, of West Paris, at the home of the bridegroom's brother, James Farnum, Jr., and the music was caused by some of their friends giving them a big serenade.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Waterhouse and son Jamie, of Portland, are stopping at Arthur Ricker's. Mr. Waterhouse had a clam bake at his boat house and invited Jefferson Lodge. About fifteen attended and reported a nice time.

Miss Lena Felt has gone to Oxford as stenographer.

East Brownfield.

Mrs. E. A. G. Stickney and daughter, Isabel, attended the W. C. T. U. state convention at Augusta, last week. Miss Stickney came directly home but Mrs. Stickney will visit Boston and vicinity before returning.

The Congregational circle held a meeting at Mrs. Mary Spring's last Wednesday. A picnic supper was served.

The W. C. T. U. held its regular meeting Sept. 9, at Mrs. Julia Bean's, with quite a number present.

Mrs. E. A. G. Stickney has been entertaining Sara V. Rice. Miss Powderly, who was also at Mrs. Stickney's the first of the season, is now at Dr. Marston's. Miss Powderly was stenographer for Miss Frances Willard for eight years before her death, after which she filled the same office for Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens until her health became so impaired that she was obliged to seek rest and outdoor life for which purpose she is here.

Oxford.

Rev. Mr. Ericsson preached his farewell sermon to his people Sept. 11th. He has been here four years and has been much esteemed for his Christian character and faithful work. Much regret is felt at his departure.

At the morning service at the Congregational church, Rev. Mr. Newport preached an able and timely sermon on "Christian Responsibility in Citizenship."

Harvest Sunday will be observed Sept. 18th.

The schools are in session. Prof. Ernest Pratt, principal of the High School; Miss Lena Perkins, assistant; Mrs. Alma Pendexter Hayden, Intermediate; Miss Kate Wight, Primary. The room in which the primary school is held has been enlarged, a hard wood floor laid and more windows put in. A much needed improvement.

Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Seliger, and Miss Loring attended the W. C. T. U. convention at Augusta.

Rev. Mr. Ericsson administered baptism by immersion Sunday to two sons of Elmer Twitchell.

Everett Cook has returned to Bates College.

Ethel Cook is teaching at Scribner Hill.

Arthur Hayes is at Hebron.

Bessie Newport is teaching at East Oxford.

Mrs. Lena Jackson of Portland is visiting friends here.

Born Sept. 8th, to the wife of Augustus Hale, a daughter.

Died Aug. 25th, Mrs. Abbie McAlister, wife of Levi McAlister, aged 68 years.

Dr. Farris is improving and is able to ride out.

Dr. Gehring of Bethel was called here last week.

West Paris.

A quiet home wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Tuell, Wednesday evening, Sept. 14, when their daughter and only child, Lulie Etta, was united in marriage to Mr. Irvin L. Bowker. The ceremony was performed by Rev. B. S. Rideout of Norway, and only the parents of the bride and groom were present. After the service a dainty lunch of harlequin ice cream and cake was served, and following this Mr. and Mrs. Bowker left on the evening train for a short trip to the mountains. Mrs. Bowker is one of our most popular young ladies and will be much missed by her friends and associates. For years she has been organist for the Baptist society here, and also has had a class in instrumental music. She is an efficient bookkeeper and for the last few years has been extra assistant at the Norway National and Savings Banks. Mr. Bowker is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Bowker of Bryant's Pond. He has been employed for some time by the G. T. R. R. and now has a good position in the Grand Trunk yard at Portland. He has purchased a new house in Portland which has been conveniently fitted up and prettily furnished for them to at once go to housekeeping. We extend congratulations and best wishes.

There was quite a delegation from here to the town meeting Monday of last week.

Charles W. Dunham of Brattleboro, Vt., visited his parents two or three days a short time ago and took many acquaintances in this vicinity to a ride in his automobile. It is a fine machine of Stevens-Duryea make and makes as nice an appearance as any we have seen. Mr. Dunham is an enthusiastic admirer of the auto and says it is easier to drive than a horse. He made the trip from Brattleboro here via Littleton, N. H., a distance of 228 miles in 18 hours, making several calls by the way. Now who will invent a practical flying machine?

W. G. Hammond and son, Horatio, are going to pack apples for R. L. Cummings. Almon T. Washburn has gone to Mr. Hammond's to board and care for the stock.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Shaw of Rockland are visiting relatives and acquaintances in this vicinity.

Mrs. F. E. Wheeler and Miss Nellie Marshall have both returned home and both are reported to be gaining in health.

Mrs. Julia B. Kimball has gone to Portland but will return here for a short time the last of the month. Rev. Dr. E. C. Bolles, Mrs. Bolles, and the daughter, Miss Margaret, are in Bethel at present.

Wirt McKenney has gone to Norridgewock High School. He will make his home with his aunt while there. Arthur Cummings from Milan takes his place in the drug store for S. T. White.

Rev. and Mrs. A. K. Baldwin from Winthrop are visiting at A. E. Marshall's.

Of course H. C. Loveland was gratified that West Paris Creamery butter took first prize at the Oxford County fair.

Nearly 250 tickets were sold from this station for the fair, beside all those who went in other ways.

Dr. Sullivan L. Andrews, wife and little son, of Clinton, are guests at the home of C. Howard Lane.

Mr. Willard Whittle and daughter, Carrie, of Lynn, Mass., have been spending a few days visiting friends and relatives here.

H. G. Brown exchanged poultry with Mrs. Marilla Ray last week, obtaining over 70 fair sized Plmouth Rock pullets for 38 broilers ready for the Boston market. Mr. Brown now has over 200 birds, and of these 175 are pullets which he intends to keep through the winter. Mrs. Ray has had quite a poultry farm on Curtis Hill, but as she is going to Portland to live this winter is disposing of nearly all her stock.

Mrs. Almeda Richardson is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Churchill.

The Starbird and Andrews relatives in this vicinity and South Paris will have a reunion at Grange Hall, South Paris, Thursday, Sept. 22d, all day and in the evening. There will be a picnic dinner and supper.

Mrs. C. H. Young and son, Roy, are visiting Mrs. Anna C. Young.

Bethel.

Dr. King of Portland was in Bethel Tuesday, called here professionally.

One hundred and twenty-five tickets were sold at this station Wednesday morning for the Norway fair.

The wife and son of Rev. Baman N. Stone of Fryeburg were visiting Mrs. Brackett last week.

Prospect Inn has closed for the season.

Mr. Chauncey Bryant and son Will are making an addition to their store, corner of Main and High Streets. It will be much larger on the lower floor and a nice tenement will be finished on the second floor. The business will be enlarged when the store is completed.

Mr. Furbush, who recently purchased the G. P. Bean store, will make repairs upon the store before putting in his fall stock of goods. Among the improvements will be a new steel ceiling.

The corn shop is working steadily now and if the frost does not injure the corn for another week there will be a good pack.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Grover have been to Orono to attend the wedding of their son Archer to Miss Florence Abbott. Mr. Grover is physical director in Orono and is one of Bethel's successful young men, and many friends will extend congratulations.

Thursday evening, Miss Elsie Livermore of Portland entertained an interested audience in Odeon Hall in her capacity as monologuist. The entertainment was under the auspices of the Universalist society.

The St. Louis party under the supervision of Mr. E. C. Bowler will start Monday, Sept. 19th. Among the Bethel people to join the party are Mr. and Mrs. Eben Kilborn, Mr. Fred Edwards, Miss Rose Kimball, Mrs. Bowler and son and several others.

Rev. E. C. Bolles occupied the pulpit of the Universalist church Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Potter has been in North Bridgton the past week, being called there by the serious illness of his father.

Buckfield.

Mrs. Wilfred Senior of Sanford is the guest of Miss Laura Z. Dean.

N. E. Morrill is confined to the house by stomach trouble.

Geo. Dunham of Boston and sister, Mrs. Stover of Auburn, are visiting their mother, Mrs. Dunham.

Master Charlie Atwood of Rumford Falls is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Atwood.

Lewis Irish came home from the "war" pretty well dragged out. He was with Payne's Second Regiment Band.

Sept. 13th was observed by the Baptist church, it being the fiftieth anniversary of its organization. Historical reminiscences and roll call were the exercises in the afternoon. The evening exercise was an address by Rev. A. K. P. Small, D. D., of Portland, he being the first pastor.

Hebron.

The funeral of Mr. Joseph Hibbs on Tuesday was largely attended. A delegation of Odd Fellows from South Paris was present.

Mrs. Fred Sturtevant is at home from New Sharon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sturtevant are visiting his mother in this place.

The academy opened Tuesday with a large number of new students.

Ira Bearce went to Concord, Mass., Tuesday, where he is to teach.

Mrs. Shepard and little daughter Marion and Mrs. Goodman with Master Kippie Goodman returned to their home in New York this week. Mrs. Ralph Whitney, their sister, accompanied them.

Herbert Bowman goes to Baring this week as principal of the high school and Henry Bearce returns to Orono at the same time.

Brownfield.

Weather is cold and rainy.

Arthur L. Pendexter, who died in Portland Sunday, was brought here for burial on Tuesday last. He leaves many friends in the village to mourn his loss.

Election was quite exciting here.

Dance at Bradbury's Hall Friday evening.

Edith Swan is in town on a visit.

The Brownfield Cadet Band will furnish music at the Fryeburg fair.

Mrs. Carl Blake has been on the sick list.

E. Gilpatrick is working for Staples.

Dixfield.

The Republicans of Dixfield turned out in great force at the state election last Monday and gave Hon. William T. Cobb, the Republican candidate for Governor, 208 votes against 62 for Hon. Cyrus Davis, the Democratic candidate. The largest vote ever cast before for a Republican candidate for Governor was 123, and Dixfield naturally feels proud of her vote. Samuel Smith, residing nearly ten miles from the polls, a life long Republican and 93 years of age, as also Harvey Kenney, 82 years of age, were at the polls early and their many friends hope that they may live to come many years more. Both are highly respected farmers and men of character.

Wilson's Mills.

Geo. B. Fox of Boston and a friend, Rev. Eugene Shippen, are spending their vacation at Wilson's Mills. They are tenting out, D. York cook and guide.

E. S. Bennett returned home Monday with a pair of work horses and a driving horse. He has a crew at work preparing the foundation for a barn.

Mrs. Grace Tuck returned home from her New York trip Friday accompanied by an aunt.

Parmacheenee Club members are plenty and every available man is guiding. The president, H. W. Poor, and two sons, are at Camp Caribou.

NORWAY.

Wednesday eight automobiles were in front of Beal's Hotel. Those who eat good things know they are to be found at John A. Woodman's.

Mrs. Alice R. Woodsum retired from the position of librarian of Norway Public Library, Saturday. Miss Gregg becomes librarian on Tuesday, Sept. 20. The library will be closed every Monday.

Frank Seavey of Portsmouth, N. H., visited his mother, Mrs. James Smith, during the week.

V. W. Hills has been appointed watch inspector for this division of the Grand Trunk Railway.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal R. Eaton have returned to their home in Belfast. They have been stopping with Mrs. Eaton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Sargent, during the summer vacation.

The very attractive sign in gold letters on Cummings & Sons' office platform, the first of the week attracted much attention. It is for the cottage, and is "Sat-o Wishou." Just what it means is not clear.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Gayton and family started for Tulare, Col., Wednesday. They will make that place their new home.

H. L. Horne and wife were at Rumford Point several days last week, guests of Dr. and Mrs. Baker and Mr. and Mrs. Hayes.

Jessie M. Warren of Cornish is stopping with her sister, Mrs. Geo. A. Brooks, for a few days.

Auburn Commandery, K. G. E., will give a drill at the Opera House, Tuesday evening, Oct. 4th. Following the drill there will be a ball under the auspices of Oxford Castle, No. 2, K. G. E.

The schools in town will open Monday, Sept. 19th, with the following teachers:

High—Prin. C. B. Thompson.
Sub-Master—P. E. Hathaway.
Assistant—Grace B. Bickford.
Ninth Grade—Catherine H. Oldham.
Eighth Grade—Annie S. Emery.
Seventh Grade—Edna I. Brown.
Sixth Grade—Grace L. Griffith.
Fifth Grade—Clara A. Eastman.
Fourth Grade—Harriette E Cragin.
Middle Primary—Gertrude Gardner.
Upper Primary—Mercy E. Millett.
Lower Primary—Lucy M. Hayes.

RURAL SCHOOLS.

Swift's—Mary A. Merrill.
Yagger—Marguerite Finney.
Lake—Elizabeth O. Laselle.
Pike Hill—W. H. Wood.
Crocket—Lola Smith.
Millettville—Lizzie M. Johnson.
Noble's Corner—Mae Marston.
Chapel—Miriam Calef.
Pierce—Cleora Merrill.
Holt—Nellie L. Rankin.

Helen Cutting Hamlin.

Helen Cutting Hamlin, wife of Dr. Augustus C. Hamlin of Bangor, died suddenly at Paris Hill Wednesday morning of heart failure.

Mrs. Hamlin was the daughter of Judge Jonas Cutting of the Supreme Court of Maine, whom many of the older attendants of court will remember, and since her marriage to Dr. Hamlin in 1857 has been well known here.

Dr. and Mrs. Hamlin had two children, Helen, wife of Edward C. Hamlin of Boston, (whom Longfellow called "Beautiful Helen of Maine" in his poem The Iron Pen) who died in 1901, and Frederick Cutting, whose death occurred in 1891, and in whose memory Hamlin Memorial Hall was established.

Mrs. Hamlin was a woman of wonderful character and sweetness of disposition, as well as beauty of person, and was dearly loved by all with whom she came in contact. Her sorrows she had borne bravely, and forgetting herself always had comforted others.

The greatest sympathy is felt for Dr. Hamlin, whose only remaining tie is the little granddaughter Elinor.

The remains were taken to Bangor Thursday, Dr. Hamlin being accompanied by his son-in-law, Mr. Edward C. Hamlin of Boston. Services were held Friday in the St. John Episcopal church of which Mrs. Hamlin was a member, and the burial was at Mt. Hope.

Paris Schools.

Schools in the town of Paris opened Monday with the following list of teachers:

High—
Prin., Ernest F. Clason, A. B.
Susie L. Rounds, A. B., 1st assistant.
Florence M. Jewett, 2d assistant.
Brick Grammar—
Grade 9, Iva L. McArdle, Prin.
Grades 7 and 8, Susie M. Wheeler.
Grades 5 and 6, Florence Richardson.
Shurtleff Building—
Grades 3 and 4, Mertie G. Walker.
Grades 1 and 2, Emma E. Shurtleff.
Pleasant St. Primary—
Grades 1, 2, 3 and 4, Annie Jenne.
Porter St. Primary—
Grades 1, 2 and 3, Hattie M. Leach.
Hill Primary—Una P. Taylor.
West Paris Grammar—Olive C. Swett.
West Paris Primary—Ethel M. Howe.
Webber—Lola Lane.
Biscoe—Marjorie Penley.
Porter—Helen Cole.
Harbor—Roy Cole.
Tuell—Inez Swift.
Partridge—Blanche Penley.
Hollow—Elsie M. Bolster.
Whittemore—Stanley Wheeler.
Mountain, Nina F. Bradford.
Tubbs—Lottie Giles.
King—Ruth I. Stearns.

The Paris Hill Grammar School will not open until Sept. 26th owing to the fact that no satisfactory candidate has been found for the place since it became vacant. The Webber school is postponed to the same date owing to a delay in the shipment of new desks.

Joseph Briggs.

Joseph Briggs of Paris died quite suddenly Wednesday. He had come down from his home on the farm Tuesday afternoon, and went to the house of Lafayette Waterhouse in the western part of the village. Mrs. Waterhouse was brought up in the family of Mr. Briggs. On the way down Mr. Briggs was taken ill, and died before noon of Wednesday. It was pronounced by the physician a case of acute Bright's disease. Mr. Briggs was one of the old residents of the town, a mason by trade, though he worked some in other lines. He was a member of the Methodist church, a good citizen, and an upright man. He leaves a widow, one son, Frank A. Briggs, and a daughter by a former wife, Mrs. Leroy B. Abbott. The funeral was held at the Methodist church Friday afternoon, attended by Rev. H. A. Clifford. Interment was in Riverside cemetery, where the burial service of the order was performed by Mount Mica Lodge of Odd Fellows, of which Mr. Briggs was a member.

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ITS SIXTY-SECOND FAIR.

Exhibition of the Oxford County Agricultural Society.

EVERYTHING UP TO STANDARD.—MORE HORSES AND BETTER HALL EXHIBIT THAN EVER.—ONE DAY'S POSTPONEMENT FOR RAIN.

The sixty-second fair of the Oxford County Agricultural Society has become history, and was a worthy successor to those that went before. In some respects this year's fair was better than ever before. More horses were on the grounds than ever, and the display of cattle, while not quite equal in number to the phenomenal show of last year, completely filled the large accommodations of the society which were enumerated by President Wheeer in last week's Democrat.

Four granges made exhibits in the upper hall, and this combined with the fruit and flowers, the art exhibit and the domestic manufactures and fancy work of the ladies' department, made the show on the second floor excel anything that was ever seen there before. Only in the lower hall, where the vegetables and crops and the canned goods are displayed, was the showing any less than in previous years. Here a portion of the space was not well filled.

The Democrat desires to speak particularly of the work done by the officers of the society in behalf of the fair. There is no perfunctory performance of their work, as something that must be got out of the way, but every man takes hold and works as if he was forwarding a business enterprise of his own. This and the way in which the officers are backed up by the citizens generally are two of the powerful reasons why this fair ranks at the top of the county fairs of Maine, and goes but little behind the state fair.

Dubious weather interfered somewhat with last week's fair. Tuesday was an ideal day, but the crowd is always small the first day. Wednesday morning it was threatening, and probably two thousand people were deterred from starting. Through the day it rained a little occasionally, though not enough to interrupt the programme at all. The pour of Wednesday night and Thursday forenoon left no doubt as to the postponement of the third day's programme. Friday was a fine day, and the programme was fully carried out. The attendance throughout was fair, but undoubtedly much less than it would have been if three good days in succession could have been had.

THE BABY SHOW.

An innovation is the baby show, which was held on Tuesday afternoon, and the entries came in slowly until the day of the show, when a total of forty-nine appeared in the two classes, and the audience had little apprehension of race suicide in this immediate section. The baby show was a great success, the only difficulty about it being the want of a place to arrange the infants where they could be collectively seen by everybody with comfort.

Each baby was given a present, and cash prizes were awarded as follows:

Babies 15 months and under, Stanley Greene, South Paris, $5; Lena Richardson, Greenwood, $4; Ruth Crooker, Norway, $3; Bruce Hosmer, Norway, $2; Lottie B. Libby, Norway, $1.

Babies between 15 months and 2 years, Gwendoline Record, Woodstock, $6; Roland Andrews, Norway, $5; Irene Lewis, Norway, $4; Violet Maxfield, Greenwood, $3; Gerald Stillman, South Paris, $2; Odile King, Berlin, $1.

The names of the babies 15 months and under are as follows:

Ruth F. Crooker, Norway, daughter of A. T. Crooker.
Bruce C. Hosmer, Norway, son of H. H. Hosmer.
Rebecca C. Bubier, Norway, daughter of Frank S. Bubier.
Stanley Warren Greene, South Paris, son of E. L. Greene.
Harold Hrmon Walker, Woodfords, son of W. W. Walker.
Harry E. Briggs, West Paris, son of George L Briggs.
Melvin F. Pingree, Otisfield, daughter of Mrs. Kate Pingree.
Cleona E. Perkins, Oxford, daughter of Mrs. Alton Perkins.
Thelma M. Chase, South Paris, daughter of Mrs J. K. Chase.
Roland Ki'gore, Norway Lake, son of Webster Kilgore.
Perlie A. Shaw, Paris, son of Mrs. G. E. Shaw.
Ralph A. Johnson, South Paris, son of Chas. Johnson.
Rosie Perry, Norway Lake, daughter of Fred Perry.
Philip Stanley Maxfield, Greenwood, son of F. H. Maxfield.
Guy A. Swan, South Paris, son of Mrs. H. L. Swan.
Leslie M. Cole, Greenwood, son of S. R. Cole.
Madeline Hayden, Norway, daughter of Eugene Hayden.
Doris E. Haskell, Norway, daughter of Frank Haskell
John M. Judkins, South Paris, son of W. R. Judkins.
Lottie B. Libby, Norway, daughter of M. E Libby.
Madeline E. Flint, Norway, daughter of A. E. Flint.
Herbert O. Frost, Norway, son of Herbert Frost.
Mabel A. Perry, Norway Lake, daughter of Mrs. F. H. Perry.
Mira A. Gammon, Norway, daughter of A. S. Gammon.
Francis L. Ethridge, Norway, son of Will Ethridge.
Marian L. Downing, Norway, daughter of C. H. Downing
Grace A. Chapman, North Bethel, daughter of H. V. Chapman.
Ruth E. Marston, Norway, daughter of J. E. Marston.
Lena M. Richardson, Greenwood, daughter of C. A. Richardson.
Laura E. Brooks, South Paris, daughter of L. A. Brooks.
Hester M Ordway, South Paris, daughter of S. C. Ordway.
Arthur A. Small, Norway, son of L. A. Small.
Ralph C. Bradbury, Norway, son of M. T. Bradbury.

Babies from 15 months to 2 years:

Eva May Aldrich, South Paris, daughter of Geo. C. Aldrich.
Gerald Stillman, South Paris, son of Thomas Stillman.
Edwin O. Brown, Norway, son of G. W. Brown.
Forest M. Longley, Norway, son of Leon Longley.
Roland S. Porter, West Paris, son of E. L. Porter.
Odile King, Berlin, N. H., son of Joseph King.
Violet Maxfield, Greenwood, daughter of F. H Maxfield.
Gwendoline Record, Woodstock, daughter of J. S. Record.
Kenneth M. Cole, Greenwood, son of J. Cole.
Edwin A. Gammon, Norway, son of E. G. Gammon.
Roland E. Andrews, Norway, son of Eugene Andrews.
Arthur E. Knightly, South Paris, son of W. T. Knightly.
Leander A. Swan, South Paris, son of Howard Swan.
Nora F. Hascall, Norway, daughter of Wm. J. Hascall.
H. Ray Thurlow, South Paris, son of H. E. Thurlow
Irene O. Lewis, Norway, daughter of W. A. Lewis.
Birchard Earl Lowe, North Paris, son of B. C. Lowe.

SOME OF THE CATTLE.

In amount, the show of cattle was not quite equal to the record breaker of last year, but the stalls and tie-ups of the society were all filled, and in quality the exhibit was fully up to previous years.

One of the first lots to show up was the Hartford string, which came in Monday night. Of the fifteen yoke of oxen and steers, eight belonged to Moses Young, six to Oscar Turner, and one to Mr. McPherson. They were a handsome lot, as usual, most of them white faces, and carried off the blue ribbon in the town team contest.

The herd from Morey Farm of Mechanic Falls was early on the grounds. This farm is owned by Boston parties, and Herbert M. Tucker, formerly of Paris, is general manager, and was on hand with several assistants. The herd consists of fifteen head, all registered A. J. C. C. Jerseys except one grade cow.

From the Holmes Farm, Oxford, thirteen of the Herefords for which this farm is noted were shown.

A. W. Gerry of Norway exhibited a pair of handsome 3-year-old Dutch Belted steers.

E. L. Pike of South Waterford exhibited fourteen head of Holsteins, thoroughbreds and grades, and two yokes of oxen.

James Thomes of Harrison, three yoke of oxen.

John P. Penley of Paris, a yoke of heavy oxen.

Abbott Brothers of Norway had a yoke of oxen which were here this year for the eighth time, and which have pulled in the drawing match every year since they were three years old; also another yoke of oxen and a yoke of steers.

D. S. Brackett of Oxford showed 6 Sussex cows and heifers, and five Ayrshire heifers, all thoroughbreds.

C. A. Richardson of Greenwood, a Devon bull and a yoke of 3-year-old steers.

L. F. Everett, West Paris, six head, a thoroughbred Devon bull, a grade calf, and two yoke of oxen.

E. W. Penley of Greenwood, a good pair of 3-year-old steers.

From J. F. Howland's Mountain View Farm, South Paris, six head of thoroughbred Ayrshires were shown.

E. E. Chapman of South Paris showed a herd consisting of ten cows and a pair of steers just under a year old.

H. A. Robbins of Norway exhibited a handsome string of Herefords, including five yoke of grade steers, and eight cows and heifers.

S. H. Millett of Norway showed a long and good string of Herefords, in fact, the largest number of cattle shown by one exhibitor, comprising twenty-four head.

V. H. & G. H. Dunn of Norway, nine Ayrshires, a thoroughbred bull and grade cows and heifers.

F. W. Noyes, Norway, a thoroughbred Ayrshire bull, seven grade cows and heifers, and two calves.

F. L. & A. J. Millett, Norway, a Durham bull, and eight cows and heifers, Durhams and Guernseys and grades.

J. S. & J. H. Millett, Norway, a yoke of oxen, a registered Durham bull 2 years old, and eight cows and heifers.

C. H. Brett, Otisfield, four thoroughbred and seven grade Holsteins.

Almon Churchill, South Paris, four cows and heifers, including two especially handsome 2-year-olds.

Thayer Brothers, Paris, two yoke of steers and two heifers.

B. F. Richardson, South Paris, a grade Jersey cow and a yearling heifer.

John Martin of South Paris exhibited his cow which has been here regularly for a number of years, and has always carried home a blue ribbon.

Grant Royal, Paris, three good grade heifers.

C. R. King, Paris, a thoroughbred Ayrshire bull, and three grade heifers.

Three thoroughbred Holstein calves raised by W. S. Pierce of Norway made an attractive pen.

Benjamin Tucker of Norway had a large herd on exhibition, numbering nineteen.

From the Outlook Farm, Oxford, J. B. Robinson proprietor, were shown eight head of fine thoroughbred Jerseys.

H. E. & H. D. Hammond of Paris showed a handsome pair of matched oxen with white faces.

W. H. Blake, South Paris, a good grade Durham cow.

W. W. Maxim of Paris, a grade Durham cow and a yearling heifer which is heavier than her mother.

L. W. Whitman had only one yoke of oxen on the grounds, but he did some big stunts with them. He pulled with them in three classes, and won first money in the sweepstakes and one other class, and second money in the other contest—$31 in premiums.

THE POULTRY SHOW.

The exhibit of poultry was not large but good.

Eight coops were shown by H. E. Lovejoy of Norway, including White Plymouth Rocks, Barred Plymouth Rocks, Buff Cochins, White Leghorns, and Buff Cochin Bantams.

Herbert Thurston of Norway showed a pair of White Plymouth Rock chicks.

L. I. Gilbert of Norway showed six coops, including Black Minorcas and Brahmas.

L. W. Clark, South Paris, six coops of White Wyandotte fowls and chicks.

Mrs. George B. Stone, Paris, Bronze turkeys, and old and young geese.

George P. Tucker, South Paris, two pairs of White Leghorn fowl.

R. A. & G. G. Wheeler, Paris, a pair of American Dominiques.

R. D. Tuttle, Paris, a trio of Silver Spangled Hamburgs and a trio of chicks.

George B. Abbott, Norway, a pair of Rouen ducks.

VEGETABLES AND CROPS.

The largest display of vegetables and farm crops was made by G. H. Porter of South Paris, who occupied considerable space, with a great assortment of crops. For one feature, not less than seventeen varieties of squash were included.

Another large assortment was shown by W. H. Porter of Norway, who never fails to make a good showing.

A very creditable display was that of Charles H. Pike of Norway, who is a boy of 15. It comprised at least fifteen varieties, including specimens of canned pears, plums and strawberries.

Prentiss F. Crockett of Paris made a good exhibit of squashes and melons.

Some of the famous melons, raised by John Martin in the Garden of Eden at South Paris were shown.

Specimens of the Heart o' Gold squashes, raised by J. Simpson of South Paris, were of immense size and of a peculiar golden yellow color.

NOTES ABOUT THE HALL.

Three fine collections of house plants were shown. Mrs. W. A. Porter of South Paris showed a number of palms. Mrs. George W. Hobbs of Norway, a collection of house plants, also a quantity of cut flowers. Mrs. John W. Webber of South Paris had the largest number of plants, comprising sixty specimens, and making a very attractive display.

Merrill, the photographer, of Norway, occupied a space in the upper hall with an array of excellent photographic work, mostly portraits.

Charles A. Hersey of South Paris was in charge of the stock of sheet music from Powers' music parlors, South Paris, and was disposing of it to all who wished to buy.

A very sweet display was that made by George H. Davis of South Paris, consisting of a pyramid of maple syrup and honey, extracted and in the comb.

F. E. Tainter had on exhibition several pianos from his store in Lewiston.

A line of Glenwood ranges and heaters was shown by W. C. Leavitt, the Norway hardware dealer.

Herald ranges and oak stoves in variety were shown by J. P. Richardson of South Paris, who makes a specialty of them in his hardware store at South Paris.

An exhibit which attracted about as much admiring attention as anything to be seen was made by L. M. Longley, the Norway plumber, and represented a well-furnished bath room, with the most approved modern fittings. No one passed it by without stopping for a second look.

The Mason Manufacturing Co. of South Paris showed a line of its toy furniture, dolls' chairs, tables, etc.

Miss Libby of the Cottage Studio, Norway, had a fine display of photographic work of various kinds, souvenir post cards, burnt wood work, etc.

Mrs. George S. Boutelle of Paris occupied a booth from which she dispensed various remedies and toilet articles.

Five sketches in oil from North Norway and Greenwood, by Atherton Furlong, the artist, attracted much attention in the upper hall. All were appropriately framed. One was a lion's head, the others were cattle and farm scenes.

THE GRANGES.

For some years the upper hall has been made very attractive, in addition to the regular displays, by the exhibits of the several granges, which have shown a great deal of artistic work as well as showing the products of farm and household in good shape. This year, in spite of the fact that two of the granges intending to exhibit were obliged to drop out at a late day, the space was well occupied, and the four granges which exhibited made the displays if possible even better than usual.

Norway Grange had a larger amount of material than was ever brought in by one grange before, occupying the south end of the hall, over the main door. It not only filled the floor, but extended up into the roof, and spread out on the walls and over and down the stairs on both sides. The decorations were in yellow and white. A detailed description of this or any of the other exhibits would convey little idea to the mind of the reader, but it is safe to say that this was universally pronounced a little the finest and most striking thing in its line ever seen here.

Mountain Grange of Buckfield came in for a great deal of compliment for its work, especially considering the distance from which it accomplished it. The decorations were cerise and white, and tastily arranged as was the exhibit throughout.

West Paris Grange, on the opposite corner, had decorations in pink and white. It was a creditable display in all respects.

Bear Mountain Grange of South Waterford used a background of solid white for its exhibit, with decorations of cedar artistically sprinkled with red crab apples. The most literally striking feature of this display was a cow bell from Interlaken, Switzerland, weighing nearly ten pounds, hung on a strap six inches wide, and having a melodious but heavy tone which must be a burden to the cow which is compelled to wear it.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

In this twentieth century every man has to be a machinist, and the farmer no less than men of other callings. And so it is that when one entered the hall under the grand stand, at the upper end where the agricultural implements were shown, the first thing that met his eyes was a gasoline engine, dynamo, rheostat, and set of eletric lights complete and in operation. This was the exhibit of H. J. Davis of Auburn, agent for the Stoddard Manufacturing Co. The engine was a two-and-a-half horse power, made for farm use, and the lights, which were in a sign showing Mr. Davis' name, and the dynamo, were simply to show the power of the engine. Besides the power plant, he exhibited an ensilage cutter, a wood saw, and other machinery made by the same company.

The Planet Jr. horse hoe or cultivator was shown by W. C. Cole, the Norway agent.

A. W. Walker & Son, the South Paris dealers in agricultural implements, showed an extensive and varied line of the goods in which they deal. It included Hussey and Wiard land plows, Cambridge and Arlington swivel plows, the National reversible sulky plow, Eclipse corn planter, the Steel Age and other harrows, the Yankee pulverizer, weeders and a few other implements.

A rotary roller riding harrow was exhibited by C. R. Penley of South Paris.

DOWN THE PIKE.

The merry-go-round of Archie T. Heath of Gilead was in the same location which it has occupied for a number of years, and did the usual rushing business. The refreshment stands, tintype tent, and other necessaries which go to make up a complete fair, were all doing business and having a good patronage. There were no shows proper, and only one novelty in the amusement line. This was a ten-pin table at which balls were thrown. Five throwers entered, paying ten cents each for three balls, and the one getting down the most pins got thirty cents, the other twenty cents going to the house. The proprietor took a corner if necessary.

THE STOCK PARADE.

At 10 o'clock Friday morning the parade of premium stock started on the track, headed by Marshal W. C. Cole and the band. President Wheeler of the society, Vice-President Hammond, and Secretary Frothingham, rode in the first team. With ribbons fluttering in the sunlight, it was a pretty sight, and the string of animals would have done credit to any fair. There were seven pairs of heavy horses and fifteen other individuals, forty-two yoke of oxen and steers, and thirty other cattle—a total of 143 animals.

THE SOCIETY'S MEETING.

At 1 o'clock Friday afternoon President William J. Wheeler called the annual meeting of the society to order. He expressed his appreciation of the interest and assistance of the citizens of the county, and then stated that the special business of the meeting was to choose a vice-president and three trustees of the society.

Henry D. Hammond stated that he had been vice-president for ten years, and he thought it would be well to choose some one else. The society seemed to take a different view of it, as after several had made complimentary remarks regarding Mr. Hammond's efficiency as an officer, he was unanimously re-elected by ballot.

The first trustee to be chosen was one to succeed E. W. Penley of Greenwood, and Mr. Penley received all but one of the ballots cast.

The other two trustees whose terms expired, J. W. Libby of Hartford and Charles F. Millett of Norway, were re-elected on single ballots cast by the secretary by direction of the society.

President Wheeler suggested that the meetings of the society are apt to be closed up too quickly, and that he would be glad to hear anything that any member had to say, or any suggestions that might be offered.

In response to this Hon. J. A. Roberts of Norway suggested that larger premiums should be given and more attention paid to farm crops, especially in the line of fruit, which is so important an interest in the county.

Further suggestions along this and other lines were made by Charles Edwards, C. H. George, V. P. DeCoster, L. S. Swan, and others.

In some remarks made early in the meeting, Hon. George F. Hammond stated that he attended the first fair of the society, and he noted the great advance made since that time, not only in the quality of the stock and other things exhibited, but in the general appearance of the people.

In the course of the meeting President Wheeler said that two Grand Trunk officials visited the grounds with him, on Thursday, the rainy day, and that they especially complimented the exhibit in the upper hall, saying that they had never seen at the fairs in Canada anything that excelled it.

The meeting adjourned after a session of about half an hour.

THE AWARD OF PREMIUMS.

Stallions—J F Howland, South Paris, $15; L A Hall, Bethel 8. Stallions, 2 years old, Robinson & Wheeler, South Paris, 6; E E Abbott, East Rumford, 4; C M Heald, Buckfield, 2. Stallions, 1 year old, L A Hall, 5; Maud R. Tyler, Snow's Falls, 3; Geo A Record, Buckfield, 2.

Judge—J. L. Lowell.

Colts—3-year-old filly or gelding, F L Barrett, Barrett, gelding, $8; C W Bowker, South Paris, filly, 6; J G Littlefield, South Paris, filly, 4; 2-year-old filly or gelding, J F Howland, filly, 6; Geo S Record, Buckfield, filly, 4; J F Howland, filly, 2; 1-year-old filly or gelding, F L Barrett, filly, 5; C M Heald, Buckfield, filly, 3; W D Gates, South Paris, filly, 2; 1-year-old filly, gelding or stallion draft breed, B Y Russell, South Paris, stallion, 5; H W Davis, Oxford, stallion, 3, filly, 2.

Committee—J. L. Lowell.

Best Brood Mare with Foal by Her Side—F L Barrett, Barrett, $15; J B Robinson, Oxford, 8; J F Howland, South Paris, 4; best sucking colt, F L Barrett, 4; J B Robinson, 3; E E Abbott, East Rumford, 2.

Committee—J. L. Lowell.

Best Pair Driving Horses—A J Penley, South Paris, $15; H W Dunham & Son, North Paris, 10; green horses shown by owner, F. L. Barrett, Barrett, 10; J A & J S Record, South Paris, 8.

Committee—H. S. Hastings, N. Z. Foss, E. M. Thayer.

Best Pair Work Horses—N E Bessey, South Paris, $10; Walter E Gordon, Lovell, 8; W J Wheeler, South Paris, 6.

Committee—I. R. Morrell, C. D. Hasty, N. Z. Foss.

Herds—C A Pride, Norway, $15; E. E. Chapman, South Paris, 12; E L Pike, South Waterford, 9.

Committee—C. R. Penley, W. F. Dunn.

Thoroughbred Durhams—Bull 2 years old, J S & J H Millett, Norway, $8. Bull 1 year, F L & A J Millett, Norway, 6. Cow 4 years, F L & A J Millett, 6. Heifer calf, F L & A J Millett, 3.

Grade Durhams—Best grade milch cow 4 years or over, W H Blake, South Paris, $5; J S & A J Millett, Norway, 3, 2; heifers 3 years and under 4, Almon Churchill, South Paris, 3; F S & A J Millett, 2; Thayer Bros., Paris, 1; heifer 2 years and under 3, Almon Churchill, 3; heifer 1 year old under 2, W W Maxim, Paris, 3; J S & J H Millett, 2; Thayer Bros., 1; heifer calf under 1 year, C F Millett, Norway, 3; F J & A J Millett, 2.

Committee—Geo. W. S. Perham, Fred S. Hayes.

Thoroughbred Herefords—Bull 2 years old, S H Millett, Norway, $8; Louisa S Holmes, Oxford, 6; bull 1 year, O E Turner, Hartford, 6; bull calf, Louisa S Holmes, 3, same, 2, same, 1; cow 4 years, O E Turner, 5; Louisa S Holmes, 4, same, 2; heifer 3 years, 5, same, 3; heifer 2 years, Louisa S Holmes, 3, same, 2; heifer calf, Louisa S Holmes, 3.

Best grade Hereford Milch Cow. 4 years old and over—H Arthur Robbins,

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SOUTH PARIS.

Miss Olive M. Stuart is in Boston after her fall stock of millinery.

A. J. Knight of Rumford was a guest at Rev. H. A. Clifford's last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Noble returned from a visit to Rumford Falls Saturday.

Arthur Dascomb and wife of Auburn spent Sunday with Mrs. N. F. Strickland.

Mrs. Lettie Thayer of Bethel has been a guest at Theodore Thayer's a few days.

Mr. Olin Chase returned last week from a trip in the Northwest where he has been since last May.

Mrs. Ansel Swift returned home last week from Barton Landing, Vt., where she has spent the summer.

L. E. Pulsifer of Natick, Mass., who was at one time in the shoe business here, is in town for a few days.

Fremont P. Penley and wife of Portland, formerly of South Paris, were in town last week to attend the fair.

Archie Page, Jose Lyman and Elmer Hood visited the family of George Giles and other relatives during the fair.

The subject of the afternoon discourse next Sunday in the Universalist church will be "The Blessings of Poverty."

William Cushman, the well known Hartford correspondent of the Democrat, is visiting friends in town for a few days.

More or less local matter is unavoidably omitted from this issue of the Democrat, for reasons which should be obvious.

Miss Alma Linder, who has been at George A. Briggs' during the summer, started for her home in Mankato, Minn., Thursday.

The Epworth League will meet Wednesday evening with Mr. T. M. Davis on Main Street, and expect a very interesting programme.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wise have been visiting their sons, Dwight and Frank, in Gardiner, and their niece, Mrs. Will Haynes, of Richmond.

Rev. Howard Clifford went to Portland to-day to meet the committee of the State Sunday School Association of which he is a member.

Meeting of Good Cheer Wednesday afternoon. A large attendance is desired as business of importance will come before the meeting.

George H. Cummings and wife of Mechanic Falls and George Stevens and wife of Rumford Falls were guests at Wirt Stanley's during the fair.

Evening meeting at the Universalist church at 7. Subject: Reverence. For whom, for what? How to cultive it. References, Matt. 6:9, Phil. 4:22.

All the hose companies, and the hook and ladder company, are requested to come out Tuesday evening, Sept 20, for practice, by order of the engineers.

The usual fair dance was held in the hall Wednesday evening. Music by Stearns' Orchestra. Although the night was rainy, there was a good crowd out.

The Relief Corps will give a supper and sociable in Grand Army Hall, Saturday evening, Sept. 24th, at the usual prices. Come one, come all! It is bean time again.

Mrs. Susan Preble and Miss C. A. Preble of Auburn, Mrs. Elizabeth Waitt of Boxboro, Mass., and Mr. and Mrs. Jason Rowe have been the guests of N. M. Rowe recently.

Mrs. Ethan Willis is still with relatives at West Paris, her health not permitting her to go to Massachusetts, where she will spend the winter, for a few weeks yet.

The ladies of the Good Cheer society will have their first supper and entertainment for the season in the hall connected with the church, Tuesday evening, Sept. 27th, at the usual prices.

George R. Morton, who was about to sail for England last week, was recalled from Boston by the illness of his little daughter Barbara. She has been seriously ill, but is now hoped to be improving.

The Rev. Martin L. Hall of Chicago, Ill., has been visiting Mrs. Nathan F. Strickland and W. B. Strickland. Mr. Hall is the great-great uncle of Merton and Louise Sumner, on their mother's side.

Mrs. Mary Chandler, who has been in Maine for about two years, started on her return to Denver, Colo., Monday morning. She was accompanied by her son, Fred P. Chandler, who will be gone a number of weeks, visiting the St. Louis fair on his way home.

A Christian Endeavor mass meeting will be held at the Congregational church Monday evening, Sept. 19th, at 7:30. Rev. C. D. Crane will preside and a model Christian Endeavor meeting will be conducted and various methods of work will be discussed. All are invited.

There will be a sociable after the regular meeting of Mt. Pleasant Rebekah Lodge next Friday evening, and every lady member who attends is asked to bring two hard boiled eggs and a teaspoon. It is hoped there will be a good attendance as lots of fun is expected.

Mrs. Elvira Barrows died Thursday morning at her home on Main Street near the river, at the age of 88 years, after an illness of several months. Mrs. Barrows was an aunt of the late Charles F. Morse, who some ten years since came to care for her, and since his death two years ago she has been cared for by Mrs. Morse.

Mrs. William Mason and daughter Annie of Baltimore, Md., Mr. and Mrs. Hatch and nephew of Biddeford, Mrs. Herbert Cole of Lynn, Mass., Barney Gunn of Berlin, N. H., and Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Brooks and son, Clarence Cole and Lottie Bryant of Bryant's Pond were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Dunham during the fair.

The correspondent of the Lewiston Journal is astray in his arithmetic, as may readily be seen, when he figures that 342 Republicans in Paris voted for McIntire. As Cobb received 580 votes and Elliott 406, it will be seen that the bolt was less than half what the Journal correspondent states. In point of fact, just 158 otherwise straight Republican ballots bore McIntire's name.

The committee in charge of the lecture course at the Methodist church have secured Hon. W. W. Stetson, State Superintendent of Schools, President W. F. Berry of Kent's Hill, and Rev. B. C. Wentworth of Old Orchard. The lecture by Mr. Wentworth will be on "A Trip to California." Rev. Howard Clifford will probably give "A Ramble in Europe," a lecture already heard in over fifteen towns and cities.

Wednesday evening the news spread around the village that Angus Bridgham, the 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. L. Bridgham, was lost. Early in the afternoon, at the fair grounds, his father gave him some money to go to a stand near by and buy some ice cream, and that was the last he saw of the boy. When this became known about 9 o'clock, a party of men with lanterns started for the fair grounds. There they searched the grounds quite thoroughly, and inquired of about every one who was spending the night there, also called at all the houses in the immediate vicinity of the grounds, without getting any real trace of the boy. As they were about to start back to the village at 10 o'clock, Mr. Bridgham appeared at the gate and told them that the boy had been located at Gorham, N. H. It seems from all that was learned about the matter that the boy came to his home about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. No one was there and the village was of course nearly deserted. Probably he started back up the street, and reaching the station about the time of the afternoon train, followed the crowd on board. He is always extremely reticent, and the conductor, though he tried all the way from here to Gorham, was unable to get any information. On arrival at Gorham the conductor left him in charge of the station agent there, and the next morning he was at home again, apparently none the worse for his extended journeying.

ITS SIXTY-SECOND FAIR.

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Norway, $5; A K Martin, South Paris, 3; S H Millett, Norway, 2. Heifer 3 years old and under 4, S. H. Millett, 3. Heifer 2 years old and under 3, S H Millett, 3; Heifer 1 year old and under 2, F W Noyes, Norway, 3; S H Millett, 2; H A Robbins, 1. Calf under 1 year, H. A Robbins, 3; S H Millett, 2; S H Millett, 1.

Committee—C. F. Stanton, A. D. Cummings.

Thoroughbred Jerseys—Bull, 2 years old, J B Robinson, Oxford, $8; Morey Farm, Mechanic Falls, 6, same, 4; bull, 1 year old, Morey Farm, 6; cow, Morey Farm, 6, same, 4, same, 2; heifer, 3 years, Morey Farm, 5, same, 3, same 2; heifer 2 years, J B Robinson, 3; Morey Farm, 2; C R King, South Paris, 1; heifer, 1 year, Morey Farm, 3, same, 2.

Guernsey bull, 1 year old, J S & J H Millett, Norway, $6.

Grade Jerseys and Guernseys—Best grade Jersey milch cow 4 years old and over, Lyman Merrill, South Paris, $6; G. H Davis, South Paris, 4; Morey Farm Mechanic Falls, 2; Best grade Guernsey milch cow, 4 years old or over, F J & A J Millett, Norway, 6; J S & J H Millett, Norway, 4; F W Noyes, Norway, 2. Best grade Guernsey heifer 3 years old and under 4, J S & J H Millett, 5; F L & A J Millett 3. Best grade Guernsey heifer 2 years old under 3, J S & J H Millett, 3; best grade Jersey heifer 1 year old under two, C R King, South Paris, 3; Grant Royal, South Paris, 2; C R King, 1; best grade Guernsey heifer calf under 1 year old, J B Robinson, Oxford, 3; best grade Jersey heifer calf under 1 year old J H Robinson, 3.

Thoroughbred Holsteins—Bull 2 years old, Carl M Heald, Buckfield, $8; E L Pike, South Waterford, 6; bull 1 year, Benjamin Tucker, Norway, 6; E L Pike, 4; bull calf, W S Pierce, Norway, 3; C A Pride, Norway, 2; C H Brett, Otisfield, 1; cow, C H Brett, 6; Benj Tucker, 4; Carl M Heald, 2; heifer, 3 years, Benj Tucker, 5; E L Pike, 3; Benj Tucker, 2; heifer 2 years, Benj Tucker, 3; C H Brett, 2; Benj Tucker, 1; heifer 1 year, E. L. Pike, 3; Benj Tucker, 2; same 1; heifer calf, Benj Tucker, 3; W. S. Pierce, 2; C. H. Brett, 1.

Grade Holstein—Best grade Holstein milch cow 4 years old and over, C H Brett, Oxford, $5; Benj Tucker, Norway, 3; J H Martin, South Paris, 2; heifer 3 years old under 4, Benj Tucker, 3; do 2; heifer 2 years old and under 3, Benj Tucker, 3; C A Pride, Norway, 2; E L Pike, South Waterford, 1; heifer 1 year old and under 2, G H Davis, South Paris, 3; E L Pike, 2; C A Pike, 1; heifer calf under 1 year, F W Noyes, Norway, 3; Benj Tucker, 2; E L Pike, 1.

Committee—E J Hobbs, W W Dunham.

Thoroughbred Ayrshires—Bull 2 years old, Benjamin Tucker, Norway, $8; B M Greeley, West Paris, 6; F W Noyes, Norway, 4; bull 1 year, J F Howland, South Paris, 6; W A Hersey, Norway, 4; bull calf, W H & G H Dunn, Norway, 3; Benj Tucker, Norway, 2; J F Howland, 1; cow, 4 years, Benj Tucker, 6; J F Howland, 4; Benj Tucker, 2; heifer, 3 years, Benj Tucker, 5, same, 3; D S Brackett, Oxford, 2; heifer, 2 years, Benj Tucker, 3, same, 2; W H & G H Dunn, 1; heifer, 1 year, J F Howland, 3; D S Brackett, 2; J F Howland, 1; heifer calf, J F Howland, 3; B M Greeley, 2; D S Brackett, 1.

Grade Ayrshires—Best grade Ayrshire milch cow 4 years old and over, W H & G H Dunn, Norway, $5, 3; heifer 3 years old and under 4, W H & G H Dunn, 3, 2; Grant Royal, South Paris, 1; heifer 2 years old and under 3, Benj Tucker, Norway, 3; W H & G H Dunn, 2; B M Greeley, West Paris, 1; heifer 1 year old and under 2; W H & G H Dunn, 3; B F Richardson, South Paris, 2; B M Greely, 1; heifer calf under 1 year, W H & G H Dunn, 3, 2, 1.

Committee—S. J. Record, C. R. Penley.

Thoroughbred Devons—Bull, 2 years, C A Richardson, Greenwood, $8; bull, 1 year, L F Everett, West Paris, 6.

Thoroughbred Sussex—Bull, 2 years old, D S Brackett, $8; bull, 1 year, D S Brackett, 6; cow, D S Brackett, 6; heifer, 3 years, D S Brackett, 5; heifer, 2 years, D S Brackett, 3; 1 year, D S Brackett, 3; heifer calf, D S Brackett, 3.

Grade Devons and Sussex—Best grade Devon Sussex milch cow 4 years old or over, C R Penley, South Paris, $5; heifer 3 years old and under 4, F W Noyes, Norway, 3; heifer 2 years old and under 3, Almon Churchill, South Paris, 3; heifer 1 year old under 2, C A Richardson, Greenwood, 3; heifer calf under 1 year, L F Everett, West Paris, 3; C A Richardson, 2, 1.

Committee—W. E. Curtis, North Paris.

Steers—Three-year-olds, Moses Young, Hartford, $6; S H Millett, Norway, 5; two-year-olds, Thayer Bros., Paris, 5; R K Morrill, Norway, 3; S H Millett, 2; yearling steers, Thayer Bros, 4; S H Millett, 3; R K Morrill, 2; steer calves, S H Millett, 4; grade Durham 3-year-olds, J Irving Penley, West Paris, 5; Moses Young, 3; Calvin H Abbott, Norway, 2; grade Hereford three year-olds, Moses Young, 5; grade Holstein 3-year-olds, A W Gary, Norway, 5; Howard A Swan, South Paris, 3; grade Devon 3-year-olds, C A Richardson, Greenwood, 5; grade Durham 2-year-olds, Fred Grover, Norway, 4; grade Herefords, H A Robbins, Norway, 4; O E Turner, Hartford, 3; S H Millett, 2; grade Durham 1-year-old, Charles Gammon, Norway, 4; Stephen W. Abbott, Norway, 3; grade Hereford 1-year-old, H A Robbins, 4; S H. Millett, 3.

Committee—C. H. Bonney, Sumner; A. D. Frost, Norway.

Matched Cattle—Oxen, Moses Young, Hartford, $8; H E & H D Hammond, Paris, 6; Moses Young, 4; oxen under 5 years, J S & J H Millett, Norway, 7; F T Pike, Norway, 6; 3-year-old steers, H A Robbins, Norway, 7; W F Young, Norway, 6; 2-year-old steers, O E Turner, Hartford, 5; H A Robbins, 3; S H Millett, Norway, 2; yearling steers, O E Turner, 4; H A Robbins, 3; Walter S Buck, Norway, 2; calves, H A Robbins, 4.

Working Oxen and Beef—5 years old or older, S W Whitman, Hebron, $8; O E Turner, Hartford, 6; R K Morrill, Norway, 4; beef oxen, L W Foster, South Paris, 6; Moses Young, Hartford, 4; beef cattle less than 5 years, O E Turner, 5; M G Richardson, Norway, 3.

Committee—L. A. Carter, L. E. McIntire.

Town Teams—Best town team of working oxen 8 yoke, Moses Young, Hartford, $20; H D Hammond, Paris, 15; S H Millett, Norway, 10; best town team of steers, 3 years, 6 yoke, S H Millett, 10; Moses Young, 7; best town team steers, 2 years old, S H Millett, 8; best town team steers 1 year old, S H Millett, 8; best town team of calves, S H Millett, 6; best town team of 8 pairs work horses, town of Norway, 10; town of Paris, 8.

Sheep—Best flock of sheep, Sec. 1, V E Dunn, Norway Lake, $10; E M Everett, Norway Lake, 8; best flock sheep, Sec. 2, Record Sisters, Paris, 7; C A Richardson, Greenwood, 5; E E Witt, Norway, 3; best flock lambs, Sec 1, C A Richardson, 10; E M Everett, 8; best flock lambs Sec. 2, Record Sisters, 7; V E Dunn, 5; C F Stanton, 3; best thoroughbred down buck, C A Richardson, 4; Fred Hill, Norway, 2; best thoroughbred buck, E E Witt, 4; E M Everett, 2; best grade buck, H P Frost, Norway Lake, 3; C F Stanton, 2; E M Everett, 1.

Committee—D. P. Curtis, Jesse C. Howe.

Swine—Best Chester boar with pedigree, C F Millett, Norway, 5; D L Brett, Otisfield, 3; F L Keene, East Otisfield, 1; best Berkshire boar with pedigree, D L. Brett, Oxford, 5; best Chester sow with not less than 4 pigs, V E Dunn, Norway, 3; C E Freeman, Norway, 2; E L Pike, South Waterford, 1; best Berkshire sow with not less than 4 pigs, C H Brett, Oxford, 5; D L Brett, Oxford, 3.

Committee—O. G. Chandler, H. B. Sturtevant.

Poultry—Fowl, L W Clark, South Paris, white wyandottes, $1, 60; L I Gilbert Norway, light brahma, 1, 60, black minorca, 1; Harry E Lovejoy white plymouth rock, 1, 60, rose comb white leghorn, 1; Herbert Thurston, Norway, white plymouth rock, 1; George P. Tucker, South Paris, white leghorn, 1, 60; Robert D Tuttle, Paris, silver spangled hamburgs, 1.

Chicks—L I Gilbert, brahma, 1, 60, black minorca, 40; H E Lovejoy, white plymouth rock, 1, 60, buff cochin, 1, 60, buff cochin bantams, 1, barred plymouth chicks, 1; Robert D Tuttle, silver spangled hamburg, 1; R A & G I Wheeler, South Paris, American dorminiques, 1.

Ducks—Geo G Abbott, Norway, Rouen 60. Chicks, L W Clark, white wyandottes, 1, 60, 40. Geese old, Mrs. Geo Stone, West Paris native, 1; geese young Mrs. Geo Stone, native, 1; bronze turkeys old, Mrs. Geo. Stone, 1.

Committee—A E Shurtleff.

Drawing Oxen—Oxen 7 feet 6 inches and under: L W Whitman, Hebron, $12; James Thomes, Harrison, 8; oxen 7 feet 2 inches and under: James Thomes, 10; L W Whitman, 7; E S Abbott, Norway, 4; Oxen 6 feet 10 inches and under: James Thomes, 8; O E Turner, Hartford, 6; oxen 6 feet 6 inches and under: R C Hill, Norway, 8; Three-year-olds: George S Record, Buckfield, 6; A W Gerry, Norway, 4; H A Robbins, Norway, 2; Two-year-olds: R K Morrill, Norway, 6; Fred Grover, Norway, 4; L W Mills, Norway, 2, One-year-olds: Stephen M Abbott, Norway, 5; H A Robbins, 3; Sweepstakes, oxen: L W Whitman, 12; Moses Young, Hartford, 8; James Thomes, 6.

Drawing Horses—Pairs weighing 2800 and under, Paris Manufacturing Co., South Paris, $12; W B Packard, Canton, 8; Paris Manufacturing Co, 6; Pairs weighing 2400 and under, C A Richardson, Greenwood, 10; Walter Penley, West Paris, 8; Paris Manufacturing Co, 6; sweepstakes, C E Freeman, Norway, 12; Paris Manufacturing Co, 10; F J Keene, West Paris, 8.

Committee—George M Stevens, Eugene D Millett, Guy L Curtis.

Vegetables and Farm Crops Raised This Season—Best arranged assortment of field crops and garden vegetables raised by exhibitor, G H Porter, South Paris, $8; W H Porter, Norway, 5; Chas H Pike, Norway, 3; best display of squashes, Homer Tubbs, Norway, 75c; Ernest Crockett, South Paris, 50; B F Cummings, 25; best squash, Irving Symonds, Norway, 50; Homer Tubbs, 25. Best display pumpkins, onions, watermelons, muskmelons, citrons, tomatoes, celery, cauliflower, beets, turnips, cabbages, carrots—J H Martin, South Paris, watermelon, 50c; B F Cummings, South Paris, pumpkins, 75; Homer Tubbs, muskmelons, 75; B F Cummings, turnips, 75, beets, 50; Ernest Crockett, watermelons, 25; Geo D Abbott, Norway, citrons, 75; E E Chapman, beets, 75, carrots, 75; Arthur W Frost, Norway, beets, 25; E L Stanton, South Paris, watermelon, 75; S H Kilgore, Norway Lake, tomatoes, 75, beets, 75; Arthur Frost, cucumbers, 25; Abbie A Swan, 75; S H Kilgore, 50; best trace 12 rowed seed corn not less than 25 ears, B F Cummings, $1; C S Dudley, West Paris, 75c; best trace popcorn not less than 25 ears raised by boy 15 years old or less, Charles Buck, Norway, 1; Ray Jenne, South Paris, 75; Nelson Cummings, South Paris, 50; best display potatoes raised by one person not less than 3 varieties, Irving Symonds, Norway, 75; best specimen of potatoes, B F Cummings, Green Mt., 50; Walter S Buck, 25; best exhibit of grains and grasses in sheaves not less than 5 inches in diameter, Calvin H Abbott, 3; best exhibit seeds not less than 5 varieties, S H Kilgore, 3.

Committee—E. E. Chapman.

Grange Exhibit—Norway Grange first, $75; Mountain Grange, second, 70; Bear Mt. Grange third, 65; West Paris, fourth, 60.

Committee—J. M. Libby, Waldo Pettengill, J. H. Martin.

Agricultural Implements—Best swivel plow wherever made, A W Walker & Son, South Paris, $2, 1, land plow, 2, 1, seed plow, 1, horse hoe or cultivator 50, harrow, 50.

Committee—Alvin Brown.

Dairy Products and Bread—Best specimen domestic cheese, Mrs S H Millett, $4, 2; Hiram Berry South Paris, 1; best specimen domestic sage cheese, Hiram Berry, South Paris, 4; Fanny M Richardson, 2; Mrs Calvin Richardson, 1; best plate domestic butter, not less than 5 pounds, O. A. Bird, West Paris, 4; Mrs Howard Swan, South Paris, 3; Mrs B N Chapman, South Paris, 2; A W Whitehouse, Norway, 1; best specimen cooperative creamery butter not less than 5 pounds, Portland Creamery, $4; West Paris Creamery, West Paris, 3; Waterford Creamery, Waterford 2; best display creamery butter, West Paris Creamery, West Paris, 5. Portland Creamery, South Paris, 3; Waterford Creamery, Waterford, 4.

Best loaf white bread with recipe, Leona Penley, West Paris, $1; Abbie Swan, South Paris, 50; Mrs C R Penley, South Paris, 25. Best loaf wheat bread made by girl 15 years old or less, Marion Haskell, Norway 1; Ethel Brett, Otisfield, 50; best loaf brown bread with recipe, Mrs Howard Swan, 1; Mary E Swan, 50; Leona Penley, 25; best loaf brown bread made by girl 15 years or less, Madeline Andrews Norway, 1; Iona Littlehale, North Paris, 50; Hattie Buck, Norway, 25.

Committee—J. D. Haynes, Mrs. C. H. Bonney.

Canned Goods, etc.—Best collection canned goods made by exhibitor, Mrs O B Upton, Norway, $5, Mrs F E DeCoster Norway, 3; best collection maple sugar, Gertie M George, Hebron, 1 50, Geo H Davis, South Paris, 1; best collection maple sugar, J Irving Penley, West Paris, 1 50, Geo H Davis, 1, Gertie M George, 75; best collection honey, Geo H Davis, 1.50.

Committee—Mrs. H. M. Tucker.

Fruit and Flowers—Best exhibit of desirable apples raised by one person, 7 specimens on a plate, Charles Edwards, South Paris, $6; C H George, Hebron, 4; H A Knightly, Norway, 2; best specimen winter apples not less than 6 varieties, 7 specimens on a plate, W H Tucker, Buckfield, 4; John Wyman, Norway, 3; best specimen fall apples as above, W H Tucker, 2; best 7 specimens Baldwins, Northern Spys, Rhode Island Greenings, King of Tompkins County, Roxbury Russet, Yellow Bellflower, Sweet Bough, Williams Favorite, Garden Royal, McIntosh Red, Nodhead, Fameuse, Gravensteins or other varieties, Thomas W. Stillman, South Paris, Wealthy, 50c; A T Crooker, Norway, Duchess, 50c, Sherwood, 50, Kings, 50, Maiden Blush, 50, Wageuen, 25, Spy, 50; B F Richards, South Paris, Alexander, 25, R. Island Red, 25, Golden Russet, 50; N H Buck, Norway, Twenty Ounce, 50, Wealthy, 50; P E Wheeler, South Paris, Wealthy, 25; E E Chapman, South Paris, Greenings, 50; Walter S Buck, Norway, Tolman Sweet, 50, Wageuen, 50, American Beauty, 50; W H Tucker, Buckfield, Ben Davis, 25; Frank S Dudley, West Paris, Gravenstein, 25, Sherwood Favorite, 25; S J Spaulding, North Buckfield, McIntosh Red, 50, Fallawater, 50, Russet, 25; John Wyman, Norway, Baldwin, 2; J E Penley, West Paris, Gravenstein, 50, Sweet Boughs, 50; 4 varieties, C H George, Hebron, 2; best Bartletts, 7 specimens, Clapp's Favorite, Lawrence, Buerre Clairgeau, Buerre de Anjou, Sheldon, etc., A E George, Hebron, Sheldon pears, 50; B F Richards, South Paris, Seckle, 50; E E Chapman, Clapp's Favorite, 50; Walter S Buck, Bonnede Jersey, 50; W H Tucker, Clapp's Favorite, 25; John Wyman, Bartlett, 50; H A Knightly, Sheldon, 25; best specimen plums, A T Crooker, 25; Walter S Buck, 25, 50; Stephen Spaulding, North Buckfield, 50, 50, 50, 50, 50; A E George, 50, 25; best four bunches grapes, Moore's, Early, Worden, Rogers, Champion, N H Buck, 50; C H Brett, Otisfield, 50; best cranberries, S G Burnell, South Paris, 25; Mrs Geo B Stone, West Paris, 50; best plate peaches, W A Hersey, Norway, 50; best collection house plants, Mrs John Webber, Norway, $5; Mrs Will Porter, South Paris, 3; Mrs Geo W Hobbs, Norway, 2; best collection cut flowers, Mrs Geo Hobbs, Norway, 1; best 7 specimens Baldwins, etc., W A Hersey, Porters, 50, Kings, 25, McIntosh Red, 25, Baldwin, 1, R. I. Greening, 50, Roxbury Russet, 50; W W Maxim, Peach Apple, 50; Geo H Davis, Orange Speck, 50, Northern Spy, 25, Fallawater, 25, Talmon Sweet, 25, Ben Davis, 50, Snow, 25, William's Favorite, 50; B F Richards, South Paris, Yellow Bellflower, 50; Myra and Nettie Austin, Paris, Baldwins, 3; Willie Abbott, Paris, Betenheines, 50; Charles Merrill, Paris, Alexanders, 50.

Committee—F. L. Wyman, B. F. Richards.

Crochet and Knit Goods—Best stockings spun and knit by same person, Mrs Lott E Keene, Buckfield, 50c; Mrs A C Packard, West Paris, 25; Mrs Lott E Keene, 10; best hand knit gents socks, Mrs Howard Swan, South Paris, 25; Abbie A Swan, South Paris, 15; best hand knit gents mittens, Mrs A C Packard, 25; Abbie A Swan, 15; Mrs Frances Stowe, (80 years old) 15; Mrs Lott E Keene, 10; Mrs Howard Swan, 10; Mrs Frances Stowe, 10; best hand knit ladies' mittens, Mrs A C Packard, 25; Mrs Lott E Keene, 15; Abbie A Swan. (gratuity) 25; best knit rug, Mrs A C Packard, 75; best sweater, Abbie A Swan, 75; best knit slippers, Grace Bennett, Norway, 50; Abbie A Swan, 25; best display crochet lace, A M Eliot, Andover, 50; Mrs Ned Cross, Norway, 25; Mrs Howard Swan, 15; best crochet shawl, Mrs P K Bradbury, 50; A S Knapp, 25; Grace Bennett, 15; Eunice Marston Norway, 15; Estelle Record, South Paris, 10; best crochet doily, Mrs Giles Frost, Norway, 25; Mrs D E Fuller, Norway, 75; Mrs Eva French, (gratuity) 10, 10, 15, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 15, 15, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10; best infants' jacket, Mrs Eva French, Oxford, 50; same, 25; best infants' socks, Mrs Eva French, 25; same, 15; best table mats, Mrs Eva French, 50; same, 25; Dora Hill, 10; Mrs Eva French, (gratuity) 10; Mrs D E Fuller, Norway, (gratuity) 10; A M Eliot, (gratuity) 10; best tidy, Mrs Giles Frost (fancy) 50; Mrs Ned Cross, (crocheted) 25; Mrs Giles Frost, (crocheted) 10; best afghan, Emma W Haskell, South Paris, 75. Added for other exhibits: Mrs Giles Frost, crochet bag, 10; Mrs Eva French, needle book, 10; same, commode set, 10; same, picture throw, 25; Mrs Jason F Rowe, couch cover, 50; Mrs Frances Stowe, skein yarn, 10; Mrs Levi Richardson, armlets, 10; same, crocheted garters, 10; Myra Richards, crocheted button bag, 10; Abbie Swan, child's knit stocking, 10; same, skein of yarn, 10; Mrs Howard Swan, child's knit stocking, 10; Grace Dunn, child's jacket, 15; Mrs A T Forbes, rigolettes, 10.

Committee—Mrs. H. C. Crosby, Mrs. E. W. Penley.

Quilts, Spreads, Comforters—Best silk quilt, Mrs E E Chapman, South Paris, $1; Mrs Alice M Rowe, Norway, 75c; Alice K Hammond, Paris, 50; Louise Durgin, South Paris, 25; best log cabin quilt, Mrs L L Twitchell, South Paris, 75; Mrs E E Chapman, 50; Mrs. M E Henry, South Paris, 25; best calico patchwork quilt, Mrs E E Chapman, 75; Mrs Huldah Perkins, South Paris, 50; Emma W Haskell, South Paris, 25; best woolen quilt, Mrs Vilonce A Bubier, Norway, 75; Frances Stowe, Norway, 50; Mrs Jason F Rowe, 25; best outline quilt, Edna E. Curtis, West Paris, 50; Mrs. P. K. Bradbury, Norway, 25; best drawn rug, Mrs C H George, Hebron, $1; Mary J. Richardson, South Paris, 75; same, 50; same, 25; best woolen rug, Mrs Chas Kimball, South Paris, 75; Mrs F W Bonney, South Paris, 50.

Committee—Mrs. G. W. Q. Perham, Mrs R. L. Cummings.

Needlework—Best specimen plain hand sewing, Mrs C H Downing, Norway .50; Abbie A. Swan, South Paris, 25; Mrs Howard Swan, South Paris, 15; best set underwear not less than 3 pieces, Mrs Giles Frost, Norway Lake, 75; best specimen patchwork by girl not over 10, Frances Bartlett, Norway, 25; best specimen art embroidery, Mrs J W Kimball, Norway, 50; Mrs W. Heald, North Buckfield, 25; Mrs J W Kimball, 15, 10.

Best specimen battenburg, Mrs M A Downs, Norway, 75; Emma W Haskell, South Paris, 50; Izah Pike, Norway, 25; Mrs W C Leavitt, Norway, 15; Grace Bennett, Norway, 10; best specimen duchess lace, Mattie I Richards, South Paris, 50; best specimen jewel work, Mrs P R Bradbury, Norway, 50, 25; best specimen tatted work, A M Elliott, Andover, 50; Katherine Towne, Norway, 25; A S Knapp, Hebron, 15; best specimen drawn work, Mrs J S Wright, 50; Grace Thibodeau, 25; best centerpiece, Mrs F W Woodbury, Norway, 50; Mrs W Heald, North Buckfield, 25; Mrs J J Emeley, South Paris, 15; Mrs W C Leavitt, Norway, 15; Florence A Thomas, 15, 10; best dolly, Alice Abbott, Norway, 25; Helen Millett, Norway, 15, Mrs Eva French, Oxford, 10; Mrs J J Emeley, South Paris, 10, 10; Arline Crocker, South Paris, 10.

Best table cover, Mrs Ned Cross, Norway 50; Florence Thomas, 25; Katharine Towne, 15; Lucinda Fields, South Paris, 15; Mrs F W Woodbury, Norway, 15, 10; best fancy pillow, Mrs F W Woodbury, 1, 50; Myrtle Haskell, Norway, 75; Mabel Sanborn, Norway, 10; Mrs Violona Bubier, Norway, 10; Emma N. Haskell, 10, 15, 10; Grace L Bennett, 10; Mrs Levi Richardson, 10; Eva McAllister, Bryant's Pond, 25; Mrs B N Chapman, South Paris, 10; Rossmond Dunham, Norway, 10; Mrs Jennie Robbins, Norway, 10; Charlotte Giles, South Paris, 10; Mrs E E Chapman, South Paris, 10; best pincushion, Mrs F W Woodbury, 25.

Best handkerchief, Iva M Allen, Oxford, 50; Lucinda Tufts, South Paris, 25; Mrs Eva French, 15; Emma N Haskell. 10; Mrs F L Goodwin, 10; Emma N. Haskell, 10; Lucinda Tufts, 10; best infants dress, Mrs Alton Perkins, Oxford, 50; best pillow slips, Mrs Giles Frost, 50; Mrs P K Bradbury, 25; Mrs Howard Swan, 15; Mrs Giles Frost, 10; best apron, Abbie A Swan, 50.

Added for other exhibits, Mrs Giles Frost, head rest, 25; Mrs Eva French, corset cover, 15; A M Elliott, Andover, Brazilian lace, 25; Alice Abbott, marguerite, 25.

Committee—Mrs. E. H. Herrick, Mrs. W. H. Lurvey.

Paintings—Best oil painting work of exhibitor, Mrs John Cullinan, Norway, $5; Hattie Haskell, South Paris, 3; Mrs H L Libby, Norway, 2; best water color painting, Helen Barnes, South Paris, 3, 2; Mattie I. Richards, South Paris, 1; best crayon, Ethel Ford, Bryant's Pond, 3, 2

Committee—Mrs. H. K. Stearns.

Miscellaneous—Mrs Thomas W Stillman, South Paris, art square, $1; Mrs P K Bradbury, Norway, picture frame, 15c; Florence N Robinson, East Oxford, burnt wood tray, 50; Grace Bennett, Norway, dust bag, 10, bead chains, 25; Florence D Pinkham, Hebron, bead chain, 50; Mrs F W Bonney, South Paris, 25, 50; Hattie Leach, South Paris, burnt wood picture, 1; B C Lowe, North Paris, display burnt wood, 1.50; S M Patterson, Welchville, hand-made horse shoes, 2; Mrs Josiah Witham, Norway, old-fashioned dishes, 50; Freeland S Harlow, South Paris, violins, 2; Myra Richards, South Paris, bead belt, 25, bead chain, 10, 15, bead fob, 10, 10; Gladys Bonney, South Paris, Indian fan, 10; E May Davis, South Paris, doll's hammock and stand, 50; Hattie Haskell, South Paris, picture, 25.

Committee—Mrs. H. L. Swift, H. L Swift.

The Norway Cadet Band played all three days of the fair, and strangers on the grounds inquired with much interest where the band came from. It is unusual to hear a band hailing from a country town making such music.

THE RACES.

The three days' races taken as a whole were very satisfactory and fully up to the average of those usually given at this fair. The Wednesday races were especially exciting and close, while those of Friday were less so, and the free-for-all, which carried the largest purse and was naturally the fast race of the fair, was something of a disappointment, narrowing down to only two horses. It was evident from the first heat that Commodore Dewey had that class at his mercy. The best heat, however, was done in under 2:20, which is good speed for this track.

2.30 Class, Trot and Pace—Purse $200.

Pointer Patchen, s g, Bourbon Patchen, N. J. Foss 5 3 1 1 1
Fair Nancy, b m, by Robert McGregor, C. M. Stuart 1 5 2 2 2
Sprague Nutwood, ch g, Prince Nutwood, E. W. Hunt 2 2 3 3 4
Maud Bates, br m, H. S. Bates, Monmouth 7 6 4 4 3
Lelia Wilkes, b m, Alclayone, F. O. Walker ....3 1 dis
Albertus, b g, Wm. Abbott, Mayberry Farm ....4 4 5 dis
Homer Wilkes, g g, C. Kneeland, Bridgton ....6 7 dis
Time—2.24½, 2.27¼, 2.25, 2.24¼, 2.30.

2.23 Class, Trot and Pace—Purse $200.

Little Glimmer, b g, Bayard Wilkes, Stuart 1 1 3 1
Bonny Nelson, b g, Phillips, Chapman 2 2 1 2
Orphan Wilkes, br g, Abbott Wilkes, Hastings 4 3 2 3
Nelmah, ro g, F. R. Hayden, Lewiston 3 dis
Helen, b m, Robinson D., Ames ....5 dis
Time—2.22¼, 2.22¼, 2.25¼, 2.28¼.

2.50 Class—Purse $100. Divided.

Nelsonita, ch m, by Nelson, Bartlett 1 1 1
Julian, br s, by Victor Patchen, Farrington 5 2 2
Roland L., ch g, by Nelson, Brown 2 5 3
Alanta, blk m, by Alcantrix, Wilkinson ..3 3 5
Casco Simmons, blk g, Mayberry Farm ..4 4 4
Time—2.31¼, 2.29¼, 2.25¼.

2.20 Class Trot and Pace—Purse $200.

A. H. B., ch g, Nelson Wilkes, Loring 4 4 1 1 1
Meader Boy, b g, by Pickering, Pitman 1 1 2 2 2
Dr. Jack, b s, Mascot, Tarbox ....2 5 dr
Joe Hedge, g g, St. Croix, Bonnallie 3 3 dr
Elzetta, b m, F. H. Wilkinson ....5 2 3 dis
Vermont Chimes, b g, Chimes, Rowe dis
Time—2.19½, 2.25½, 2.26½, 2.22½, 2.22½.

VOTE OF OXFORD COUNTY FOR STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS.

	Governor.				Rep. to Congress.			Senator.			County Attorney.			Judge of Probate.		Register Probate.		Sheriff.			County Commission'r			County Treasurer.			Vote on Raising Legislative Salary.	
	Cobb, Rep.	Davis, Dem.	Woodbury, Pro.	Hapgood, Soc.	Littlefield, Rep.	Foss, Dem.	Waterman, Soc.	Bartlett, Rep.	Thurston, Dem.	Brown, Pro.	Barnes, Rep.	Fox, Dem.	Eustis, Pro.	Herrick, Rep.	Holt, Dem.	Park, Rep.	Starbird, Dem.	Elliott, Rep.	McIntire, Dem.	Morton, Pro.	Ballard, Rep.	Richardson, Dem.	Page, Pro.	Atwood, Rep.	Eastman, Dem.	Keniston, Pro.	Yes.	No.
Albany,	65	44	1	3	65	44	3	65	44	1	65	44	1	65	43	65	44	46	63	1	65	44	1	65	44	1	7	42
Andover,	97	38	4		98	38	1	96	39	4	97	38	4	98	38	98	38	76	58	5	97	38	4	97	38	4	19	50
Bethel,	284	130	3		288	127		283	132	3	283	132	3	284	131	285	130	248	166	3	285	130	3	285	130	3	72	131
Brownfield,	128	51		1	128	51	1	128	51		127	51		128	51	128	51	102	75		128	51		128	51		17	52
Buckfield,	90	106	11	2	91	106	2	90	106	11	90	106	11	93	105	94	104	83	116	9	90	106	11	91	105	11	12	165
Byron,	19	7			19	7		19	7		19	7		19	7	19	7	19	7		19	7		19	7		17	2
Canton,	88	95	2		86	96		88	96	2	88	96	2	88	96	88	96	66	113	2	88	96	2	88	96	2	16	67
Denmark,	73	81			75	79		75	79		75	79		74	80	75	79	61	93		75	79		73	79		13	57
Dixfield,	208	62	4	1	209	62	1	209	62	3	208	62	4	209	62	208	62	170	104		209	62	3	209	62	3	16	51
Fryeburg,	169	80	1		171	80		171	80		171	80		171	80	171	80	138	112		174	75	1	171	80		24	128
Gilead,	26	25			26	25		26	25		26	25		26	25	26	25	26	25		26	25		26	25			
Grafton,	7	4			7	4		7	4		7	4		7	4	7	4	7	4		7	4		7	4		1	3
Greenwood,	79	68	2		79	68		80	68	2	80	68	2	81	67	80	67	37	109	1	78	67	2	80	68	2	9	75
Hanover,	38	14			40	14		40	14		40	14		40	14	40	14	33	17		40	14		40	14		9	12
Hartford,	88	32	3		87	32		87	32	3	87	32	3	87	33	89	31	78	41	3	87	32	3	87	32	3	18	70
Hebron,	77	37	2	3	80	36	3	79	36	2	79	36	2	80	36	79	37	66	48	3	79	36	2	79	36	2	12	50
Hiram,	107	91	8		109	91		108	91	8	109	90	8	108	91	108	91	75	117	7	108	91	8	108	91	8	17	139
Lovell,	124	53	2	1	126	51	1	123	51	2	127	51	2	128	49	127	51	91	87	2	125	51	2	127	51	2	13	75
Mason,	13	5			13	5		13	5		13	5		13	5	13	5	5	13		13	5		13	5		4	3
Mexico,	217	55	3	2	217	54	2	218	54	3	218	54	3	218	54	218	54	180	90	3	218	54	3	218	54	3	36	50
Newry,	24	21			24	21		23	22		24	21		24	21	24	21	20	25		24	21		24	21		3	25
Norway,	311	286	23	10	323	277	11	317	278	25	311	273	24	317	281	320	277	164	447	15	320	277	23	322	276	23	70	192
Oxford,	143	83	2	2	144	83	2	143	83	2	141	86	2	144	83	143	84	103	122	2	142	83	2	143	83	2	29	78
Paris,	580	170	25	4	589	168	4	583	170	28	584	168	28	588	167	584	168	406	338	29	585	169	28	584	168	27	73	154
Peru,	101	28	2		103	28		103	28	2	103	28	2	103	28	103	28	79	45	3	103	28	2	103	28	2	12	90
Porter,	112	36	1		112	36	1	112	36	1	112	35	1	112	36	112	36	112	36	1	112	36	1	112	36	1	8	58
Roxbury,	23	12	1		23	12		23	12	1	23	12	1	23	12	23	12	20	15	1	23	12	1	23	12	1	2	6
Rumford,	452	224	6	1	462	215	1	462	215	4	462	214	6	463	216	465	214	401	272	5	462	216	4	464	215	4	176	141
Stoneham,	80	18		1	80	18	1	88	10		80	18		80	18	79	18	59	38		80	18		80	18		31	16
Stow,	22	21	2		22	21		23	20	2	22	21	2	22	21	22	21	18	25	2	22	21	2	22	21	2	4	24
Sumner,	97	57			99	55		99	55		99	55		99	55	101	53	68	84	1	99	55		99	55		11	79
Sweden,	33	20			34	19		34	19		34	19		34	19	34	19	30	23		34	19		34	19		5	17
Upton,	11	13	1	1	11	13	1	11	13	1	11	13	1	11	13	11	13	10	14	1	11	13	1	11	13	1	1	15
Waterford,	98	129	3		97	129		101	125	3	99	129		98	129	98	129	56	170	1	98	129	3	98	129	1	12	80
Woodstock,	175	44		2	176	44		176	44		176	44		176	44	174	45	42	175		176	44		176	44		19	66
Lincoln Plantation,																												
Magalloway Plantation,	2	5			2	5		2	5		2	5		2	5	2	5	2	5		2	5		2	5		2	4
Milton Plantation,	17	23			18	22		18	22		18	22		18	22	18	22	4	36		18	22		18	22			29
	4278	2268	112	34	4333	2236	35	4323	2233	113	4310	2247	112	4331	2243	4331	2235	3201	3328	90	4322	2235	102	4326	2237	108	790	2296

2.40 Trot—Purse $125.

Ameridan Law, b s, Heir-at-Law, Howland 1 1 1
August, b s, Strombol, Maple Grove Farm 2 2 2
Harry Miller, b g, Phebson, L. A. Bartlett 3 3 3
Lucero, b s, St. Croix, G. R. Pattee 4 4 dis
Red Elm Boy, b s, Red Elm, F. H. Wilkinson ....dis
Time—2.24½, 2.25, 2.27½.

2:35 Class—Purse $125.

Nelsonita, ch m, L A Bartlett, Belgrade, ..1 1 1
Alclaymont, b g, H S Hastings, Newry, ..2 2 3
Julian, br s, Farrington, Locke's Mills ...3 3 2
Roland L, ch g, Brown, ...4 dis
Elwin L. b g, E L Parker, Lovell, ...5 dr
Time—2:29 1-2, 2:26, 2:28 1-2.

2:27 Class—Purse $200.

Miss Strike, b m, W R Chapman, Bethel, 2 1 1 1
Harry Miller, b m, L A Bartlett, Belgrade, ...1 2 2 2
Alclay H, ch g, F O Walker, Rumford Falls, ...3 3 3 3
Boynton, b g, Geo Bonnallie, Lewiston, 4 4 4 4
Time—2:25 1-2, 2:24 1-2, 2:27, 2:28 1-2.

Free-for-All—Purse $250.

Commodore Dewey, ch g, J P Loring, Portland, ...2 1 1 1
San Telmo, br g, W B Stone, Lovell, ...1 2 2 2
Vermont Chimes, b g, I W Rowe, Portland, ...4 3 dis
Joe Hedge, g g, Geo Bonnallie, Lewiston, ...3 dr
Time—2:20 1-4, 2:20, 2:19 3-4, 2:20 1-2.

A game of ball was played each day. That of Tuesday was between Oxford and West Paris, who have played a number of games this season. The score was 11 to 1 in favor of Oxford. Wednesday Harrison defeated Norway, 3 to 1. On Thursday Oxford and West Paris met again, and reversed positions, the score being 12 to 7 in favor of West Paris.

PLURALITY ABOUT 27,000

Republican Lead in State Election Larger than Expected.

M'INTIRE ELECTED SHERIFF—OXFORD COUNTY OTHERWISE REPUBLICAN BY OVER TWO THOUSAND.

The result of the election of last Monday in the state is in its main features more than satisfactory to the Republicans. The plurality of Cobb, Republican, over Davis, Democrat, for governor, is shown by unofficial returns to be 27,130. This is larger than was expected by the Republicans, and considerably more than was conceded by the Democrats, although the Democrats profess to find satisfaction in the fact that the plurality of 33,384 given in 1900 was reduced by 6,000.

In 1900, the year of the abnormal Republican plurality mentioned, a large portion of the Democratic party declined to follow Bryan and did not go to the polls, and no effort was made to get out the Democratic voters. This year a lot of work was done to get the Democrats out, and most of them voted, as is shown by an increase in the Democratic vote of 11,000 over that of four years ago.

The Republican vote is about 5000 larger than it was four years ago, and if the Democrats can find any satisfaction in the general result they ought to be allowed the privilege. The reasonable and fair interpretation of it is that while the Democrats alienated by Bryanism are coming back to the fold, the Roosevelt sentiment is altogether too strong to be overcome.

Locally the Democrats made some gains in the state, and the election of county officers has some peculiar features. By a very mixed state of political matters in Cumberland County, one Democratic state senator has been chosen, and one Democratic senator is also elected in each of the counties of Androscoggin, Knox and Lincoln. The next Maine senate will consist of 27 Republicans and 4 Democrats, and the house of representatives of 121 Republicans and 30 Democrats. This is the largest minority representation in the legislature for some years.

Androscoggin County gave a small plurality for Davis on the governor vote, and on the county officers the vote was so close that a portion of the Republican and a portion of the Democratic candidates are apparently elected by margins of a few votes, so that a recount is called for in about every instance.

The specially regrettable features of the result are the re-election of the Democratic sheriff, Wm. M. Pennell, in Cumberland County, who has openly and frankly nullified the prohibitory law and substituted a system of "regulation" of the liquor business; and the defeat of Rev. Charles S. Cummings, sheriff of Androscoggin County, who has enforced the prohibitory law, by John L. Cummings, who is expected to be easy on the rumsellers.

A Democratic sheriff is also elected in Hancock County, which is otherwise Republican.

In Oxford County, with the exception of the sheriff vote, there is the usual plurality of a little over 2000. The sheriff contest is an exception, and the vigorous effort made to elect the Democratic candidate, Bertrand G. McIntire of Waterford, was successful, he having a plurality over Harris L. Elliott, the Republican candidate, of 127.

The seven representatives to the legislature from Oxford County are all Republicans.

The officers elected in the county are as follows:

Senator—Jonathan Bartlett of Stoneham.
County Attorney—Charles P. Barnes of Norway.
Judge of Probate—Addison E. Herrick of Bethel.
Register of Probate—Albert D. Park of Paris.
Sheriff—Bertrand G. McIntire of Waterford.
County Commissioner—Dean A. Ballard of Fryeburg.
County Treasurer—George M. Atwood of Paris.
Representatives in Legislature—
Jerry H. Martin of Rumford.
Edward E. Witt of Norway.
Walter L. Gray of Paris
George L. Merrill of Dixfield.
George W. Walker of Lovell
George L. Cushman of Woodstock.
Henry H. Hastings of Bethel.

The full vote of the county is tabulated elsewhere in this paper, with the exception of Lincoln Plantation, which has only a few voters. We have been unable to get in communication with the plantation, but as all available men are employed in guiding, it is possible that no vote was had there.

These figures are tabulated from returns sent by the town clerks, to whom the Democrat wishes to extend its thanks for the service rendered.

Born.

In West Paris, Sept. 5, to the wife of Fred C. Verrill, a son.
In West Paris, Sept. 3, to the wife of Oscar A. Kimball, a son.
In North Paris, Aug. 9, to the wife of Horace W. Marston, a son.
In Oxford, Sept. 8, to the wife of Augustus Hale, a daughter.
In Bethel, Sept. 7, to the wife of Walter Emery, a daughter.
In Norway, Sept. 16, to the wife of Eugene F. Smith, a daughter—Eleanor Alexander.
In Sumner, Sept. 10, to the wife of Corry A. Bonney, a son.
In Denmark, Sept. 10, to the wife of Fred Davis, a daughter.
In Rumford, Sept. 5, to the wife of Ed. Cole, a son.

Married.

In Paris, Sept. 10, by O. K. Yates, Esq., Mr. Johannes Pulkkinen and Miss Hanna Roosenperk, both of Paris.
In West Paris, Sept. 12, by O. K. Yates, Esq., Mr. Edward D. Slattery and Miss Blanche L. Richardson, both of Paris.
In East Sumner, Sept. 8, by Rev. D. S. Hibbard, Mr. Kirk W. Spaulding of Hollis and Miss Jennie M. Stetson of Sumner.
In Auburn, Sept. 14, by Rev. J. True Crosby, Mr. Frederick Osgood Eaton of Rumford Falls and Miss Mary Louise Grierson of Auburn.
In Orono, Sept. 7, by Rev. Horace B. Haskell, Mr. Archer L. Grover of Bethel and Miss Florence A. Abbott of Orono.
In West Paris, Sept. 14, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Mr. Irvin L. Bowker of Portland and Miss Lulie E. Tuell of West Paris.

Died.

In South Paris, Sept. 15, Mrs. Elvira Barrows, aged 88 years, 4 months, 7 days.
In Paris, Sept. 14, Joseph Briggs, aged 76 years.
In Norway, Sept. 13, Mrs. Alice, wife of Porter Seavey, aged 42 years.
In Oxford, Aug. 25, Mrs. Abbie, wife of Levi McAllister, aged 68 years.
In Paris, Sept. 14, Mrs. Helen (Cutting), wife of Dr. A. C. Hamlin of Bangor, aged 65 years.
In Paris, Sept. 10, Anna G., daughter of Mr and Mrs. Erick Erickson, aged 4 months.
In Sweden, Sept. 14, Ruel O. Moulton, aged about 67 years.

Bankrupt's Petition for Discharge.

In the matter of the partnership of BRICKETT & WIGGIN, the individual co-partners in which are James A. Brickett and Fred B. Wiggin, and they individually, Bankrupts. } In Bankruptcy.

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

FRED B. WIGGIN, of Waterford, in the County of Oxford, and State of Maine, in said District, respectfully represents, that on the 25th day of Feb., last past, he was duly adjudged bankrupt individually and as a member of the firm of Brickett & Wiggin under the Acts of Congress relating to bankruptcy; that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said Acts and of the orders of Court touching his bankruptcy.

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

Dated this 30th day of April, A. D. 1904.
FRED B. WIGGIN, Bankrupt.

ORDER OF NOTICE THEREON.

DISTRICT OF MAINE, ss.

On this 17th day of Sept., A. D. 1904, on reading the foregoing petition, it is—

Ordered by the Court, that a hearing be had upon the same on the 7th day of Oct., A. D. 1904, before said Court at Portland, in said District, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon; and that notice thereof be published in The Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed in said District, and that all known creditors, and other persons in interest, may appear at the said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted.

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

Witness the HON. CLARENCE HALE, Judge of the said Court, and the seal thereof, at Portland, in said District, on the 17th day of Sept., A. D. 1904.

[L. S.] JAMES E. HEWEY, Clerk.

A true copy of petition and order thereon.
Attest:—JAMES E. HEWEY, Clerk.

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NOTICE.

Whereas, my wife, Cora Thorne, has without just cause or provocation, left my bed and board, I therefore give notice that I shall pay no bills of her contracting after this date.

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At South Paris station, Wednesday, Sept. 15th, a small purse containing a sum of money and railroad ticket for West Paris. Will the finder please leave at the Democrat Office and be rewarded.

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NOTICE.

I hereby forbid all persons harboring or trusting my wife, Georgia French, on my account, as I shall pay none of her bills contracted after this date.

August 29, 1904. F. IRVIN FRENCH, Andover, Maine

STATE OF MAINE.

OXFORD SS. CLERK'S OFFICE.
Supreme Judicial Court.
Paris, September 10, 1904.

Notice is hereby given, that it is the intention of the following persons to apply at the October term, 1904, of said court, to be naturalized as citizens of the United States: Vernon A. Walton and Thomas W. Stillman of Paris, Joseph N. Panneton of Woodstock, Charles W. Mills of Mexico, and Alfred Chasse, Ulric Metevier, Joseph Fisher, Camille Carrier, Joseph A. Garneau, Peter J. Poitras and Charles A. Bujold, all of Rumford, Frank Voycher Vetquosky of Bethel.

CHARLES F. WHITMAN,
Clerk Supreme Judicial Court

STATE OF MAINE.

OXFORD, SS. CLERK'S OFFICE.
Supreme Judicial Court.
Paris, September 17, 1904.

By order of Hon. L. A. Emery, Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, who will preside at the October term, 1904, of said court in this county, notice is hereby given, that the persons summoned as traverse jurors will appear on Thursday morning at ten o'clock A. M. of the first week of the court, instead of Tuesday. The grand jurors will appear as usual on the first day of the term.

The members of the bar are also notified that jury trials will begin on Thursday morning of the first week after the traverse juries have been impaneled and that cases assigned for the first or second day will be in order on Thursday.

CHARLES F. WHITMAN,
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No. 260.—Floral Arithmograph.

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My 5, 9, 6, 7 are a female relation.
My 10, 9, 6 are a great light.
My 10, 2, 5, 1 are a cleansing substance.
My 8, 9, 7 are a poor little house.
My 10, 5, 3, 7 are a common and useful mineral.
My 8, 5, 7 are an article of attire.
My 7, 2, 1 are a toy.
My 10, 3, 5, 4 are to kill with violence.
My 10, 8, 9, 7 are to close.
My 10, 5, 1 are the juice of plants.

No. 261.—In the Woods.

[Find the names of twelve trees.]

In the woods, O, a knoll I know,
And I pine for the trees and to roam.
Kindly let us spruce up and go,
For my ma pleads for me to come home.

The sewing is done; yes, the hem.
Lock the door and come quickly; now, do!
We'll pass the cedar grove, dear Lem,
And rest 'neath the still arches of yew.

Now we're off, and we must not stop;
'Tis the first time for you and for Dash.
Good dog! Woods are fine. Guns will pop.
Larches beneath. In the streams we'll splash.

No. 262.—Postman's Puzzle.

An ardent admirer received a letter which made him a maker of gloves.

A favorite child received a letter which made him a maker of verses.

A poor person lost a letter which made him a medium for writing and printing.

A member of a religious body received a letter which made him addicted to strong drink.

No. 263.—Disguised Vegetables.

Skill, a personal pronoun and to suffocate.

An equal value and a little shred.

A sort of vehicle and to decay.

A vowel, a piece of wood, a vowel and a boy's name abbreviated.

No. 264.—A Flight of Stairs.

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1. o o o
2. o o o o o o        o 6.
      3. o o o o o o  o
            4. o o o o o o 7.
                  5. o o o
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1. Turf. 2. Soaked and softened in water. 3. Pertaining to the teeth. 4. A book of Hebrew laws and traditions. 5. Wet earth. 6 to 7, a pole.

No. 265.—Illustrated Puzzles.

A fashionable summer resort and a means of travel.

No. 266.—Arithmetical Examples.

Subtract five hundred from to in timidate and leave a relative.

Subtract one thousand from to repair and leave the close.

No. 267.—Geographical Acrostic.

A beautiful watering place on the English coast. At the beginning of the nineteenth century it was only a small fishing village, but it now contains a considerable number of inhabitants and is annually visited by crowds of health seekers.

1. One of the United States.
2. One of the great lakes in the United States.
3. An ancient city in Normandy which has a remarkably fine Gothic cathedral.
4. A city in Canada.
5. One of the "forest cantons" of Switzerland.
6. A river in central Italy.
7. The largest river in China.

No. 268.—A Basket of Fruit.

The vowels are correctly placed. Wrong consonants are used. By substituting the right consonants the words will be given.

REAKDEH—A kind of fruit.
OSATHEG—A tropical fruit.
KEAPY—A kind of fruit.
CDARES—A kind of fruit.

A Recompense.

"They say Mabel's fiance eats with his knife," Stella remarked.

"Yes, but he cuts coupons with his scissors," observed John.

Horrid Fate.

In a spasm to be thought most exquisite
A maiden named Lee spelled it Lis.
It's good French," said she.
"Just see fleur-de-lis"—
And now she is known as plain Liz.

Key to the Puzzler.

No. 251.—Triangle: 1. Rustic. 2. Union. 3. Sine. 4. Toe. 5. In. 6. C.

No. 252.—Picture Puzzle: Kingfisher.

No. 253.—Reversals: Peep. Poop.

No. 254.—Concealed Word Square: 1. Hand. 2. Aloe. 3. Note. 4. Deer.

No. 255.—Riddle: Story.

No. 256.—Missing Rhymes: Flaws, today, say, cause, man, me, be, plan.

No. 257.—Rhomboid: Crosswords—1. Mogul. 2. Natal. 3. Satin. 4. Hires. 5. Nadir. Down—1. M. 2. On. 3. Gas. 4. Utah. 5. Latin. 6. Lira. 7. Ned. 8. St. 9. R.

No. 258.—Jumble: "Curfew shall not ring tonight." "Music, when soft voices die, vibrates in the memory." "Be wise today, 'tis madness to defer."

No. 259.—Decapitations: R-egret. P-lane. P-lash.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Everything is in the name when it comes to Witch Hazel Salve. E. C. DeWitt & Co. of Chicago discovered some years ago how to make a salve from Witch Hazel that is a specific for Piles. For blind, bleeding, itching and protruding Piles, eczema, cuts, burns, bruises, and all skin diseases, DeWitt's Salve has no equal. This has given rise to numerous worthless counterfeits. Ask for DeWitt's—the genuine. Sold by F. A. Shurtleff & Co.

Cleopatra dissolved the pearls. "Did you ever see a costlier banquet?" she asked.

"Yes," answered Antony, scornfully, "I once tipped the waiter".

Seeing her pains had gone for naught, the lily of the Nile wept bitterly.

Westward the orb of glory takes its way,
Wisconsin is the state, you hear everybody say,
It's made itself famous by one great stride;
Rocky Mountain Tea has made its name world wide.
Orin Stevens; F. A. Shurtleff & Co.

Knicker—"Did Hardup bull or bear the market?"

Bocker—"Neither. I think he only monkeyed with it."

A POWER FOR GOOD.

The pills that are potent in their action and pleasant in effect are DeWitt's Little Early Risers. W. S. Philpot of Albany, Ga., says: "During a bilious attack I took one. Small as it was it did me more good than calomel, blue mass or any other pill I ever took and at the same time the effect was pleasant. Little Early Risers are certainly an ideal pill." Sold by F. A. Shurtleff & Co.

HOMEMAKERS' COLUMN.

Correspondence on topics of interest to the ladies is solicited. Address: Editor HOMEMAKERS' COLUMN, Oxford Democrat, Paris, Maine

Bachelor Maids.

So much has been said and written with regard to those women who have been styled "bachelor maids," that one would imagine there was nothing further to be stated in connection with them. There are still people in existence who imagine that the state of "bachelor blessedness" is not the desire of the sex; others there are who wax severe on the cheeriness displayed by the modern maid in the often self-chosen solitary lot. Some girls prefer not to marry; others, by force of circumstance, do not get the right opportunity; others, again, may have loved too absolutely to care to replace the lost ideal. No hard and fast rule can, in fact, be applied to "bachelor maids," who, whatever the cause of their celibacy, are in a far better position than those sad old maids of former years, those "unclaimed treasures" to whom, in some instances, romance never came, and who had to live their narrow lives too often on inadequate means just because self-support was decried for women. The bachelor maid is a brighter specimen of humanity than the "old maid," and younger by reason of her many interests and her status in the ranks of the world's workers.—Ex.

Wasteful Indulgence.

We desire that our children shall have every advantage in life which we can possibly obtain for them; and so tenderly, so dotingly do we regard them that, not content with educating them carefully and at great expense, we also undertake to give them rich dainties, diurnal rations of candy, really elegant clothing, furs, jewelry, and trinkets and luxuries innumerable, suitable only to persons of mature years. Here we might take a lesson from the English, whose daughters are kept in "brown Hollands" and "pinafores" to an incredible extent, while Uncle Sam's little girls possess fans, bracelets and kid gloves to their heart's content. Children with their bright eyes, clear pink skins and abundant hair, are beautiful objects without external aids, and it is certain that most mothers spend far too much on their adornment.

But this matter of clothing is so vital that any reasonable disbursement for it must not be inveighed against. A child must early acquire the habit of wearing good things, and of taking care of them. In seeking a situation much depends on the applicant's appearance, while an employee in out-of-date and faded garments is felt to reflect discredit on an establishment and stands in danger of being suddenly "turned down." Truly, "the apparel oft proclaims the man," and it is not in personal attire that retrenchment is either practicable or advised.—Good Housekeeping.

Advice to Housekeepers.

Inexperienced housekeepers and even those who think they are too successful to need advice, will do well to remember these simple rules when buying meat.

To test beef press it down with the thumb. If it rises quickly, the meat is good.

Beef should be fine grained, of a bright red color, with streaks of clean, white-looking fat. The meat will be tough unless there is plenty of fat.

When beef is of the best quality, the fat is always a fresh-looking white. Good mutton should always look dark, except where it is freshly cut. Flabby, unwholesome-looking meat must never be bought.

A housekeeper should always bear in mind, in ordering meat, that beef, when boiled, loses one pound weight in every four; and when roasted, eighteen ounces. Mutton loses even more than this, and the fact must be taken into account where much meat is eaten.

To understand how to choose game and poultry is quite a liberal education of itself. Young tender chickens, that are a pleasure to eat, have quite smooth legs. Avoid the horny-legged ones, unless you only wish to boil them down for broth.

Geese and ducks should have their feet and bills a bright yellow color, and with no hair on them. But don't reject an otherwise irreproachable duck just because he has red feet, because that only proves him to be a wild creature and not brought up in a farm yard. The breast must also be firm to the touch.

As to fish, it is always stiff in the body, clear red in the gills, and bright in the eyes when newly caught, and should not smell unpleasantly. Avoid the dull, sunken-eyed fishes, as they have not freshly left their homes.

Fruits must be firm and free from specks of any kind whatever. And all small fruits should be separate the one from the other, not all crushed up together anyhow, as we too frequently see.

Lobsters should be chosen by their weight. The male is the heavier, and is the better to boil. The female is not so heavy, but is better for sauces and salads. She may be known by her being the possessor of a broader tail, and has the two uppermost fins within the tail less stiff and hard than those of the male.

Vegetables should always look and feel firm, and not flabby. Lettuce must be crisp, not in the withered condition it is too often offered for our inspection.

When canned provisions are bought, the cans should be quite round and shapely. If there are any dents, see that they go inwards; that is only the effect of an outward blow. An outward bulge in any part of the tin is, however, fatal, as it shows that decomposition has set in inside, and the contents of such cans are unfit for food.—Ex.

To Make an Oil Stove Burn Satisfactorily.

Thoroughly clean and refill every time after using. If you allow oil and dirt to accumulate on it, it is sure to smell unpleasantly when lighted. Don't cut the wick, but rub off the charred parts with a rag or piece of paper. Always turn the wick down before extinguishing it, and leave turned down till you are going to light it again. Remember that the top of the part up and down which the wick runs needs to be kept thoroughly clean. Give it a rub both inside and out every time you clean the stove, and, if a crust forms around the top scrape it occasionally.

Where closet room is at a premium—and what woman in these days of cramped houses and elaborate wardrobes ever has enough closet room?—it is a good plan to have a pole arranged in the clothes closet, right down the center, the ends resting in sockets, the same as are used for curtain poles. If the closet be of any length whatever, a number of dresses, coats, waists and skirts may be supported on this pole by means of coat hangers. If the ordinary style of hanger is used, a separate one is required for each waist and skirt, but there are improved types, which easily accommodate both skirt and waist. In such a closet it is easy to keep the clothes in good condition.

If you wish to keep your weight down don't drink water at meals. Take tea and coffee. Rise early, walk at least five miles every day, and don't take a nap after exercising. Shun fresh or hot bread. Flee from potatoes, peas, macaroni, olive oil, cream, alcoholic drinks, sweets and pastry.

For foot sprains, slide the fingers under the foot, and, having greased both thumbs, press them successively with increasing force over the painful parts for about a quarter of an hour. The application should be repeated several times, or until the patient is able to walk. This is a simple remedy for a very frequent accident, and can be performed by the most inexperienced.

When a child burns him or herself, cover the place at once with common kitchen whiting mixed with sweet oil to a thick paste. If you have no oil, use water. If whiting is not at hand cover the burn with flower from the dredger. Always cover up a burn with cotton wool, flannel, or a silk handkerchief so as to exclude the air.

Five necessary things for children. Plenty of milk, plenty of flannel, plenty of fruit, plenty of fresh air and plenty of exercise. If a mother will see her children gets these things, she may be almost certain of her little ones keeping well and strong.

Would Trust Michael Angelo.

Two members of the Rolling Stone Club of Medina, N. Y., have written a book telling how to "do" Europe on $4 a day. "Florence is a dream," they say. "We came for three days and stayed five, and dragged ourselves away unwillingly. Yet it can be done in a day, and we saw it being done that way more than once. The Baptistery is noted for its beautiful bronze doors. We were standing one day before the pair by Ghiberti, when a fine equipage whirled up. Two exceedingly prosperous looking Americans, with their wives, occupied the seats.

"'These are the doors,' droned the guide on the box seat, 'that Michael Angelo said were good enough for heaven.'

"'All right,' said one of the jovial tourists, looking at his watch. 'We'll trust his judgment. Let 'em run!'

"And as they were whisked away, after just five seconds before one of the most artistic creations in Europe, we saw the man who sat with his back to the driver nearly dislocate his neck as he twisted around to ask:

"'Who'd you say said that?'

"And the Limited having passed, we resumed our leisurely enjoyment of the masterpieces."

City of Millionaires.

"There are more millionaires in the little city of Uniontown, Pa., in which I live, than in any of the smaller towns of the United States, with the possible exception of Colorado Springs," said William T. Lewis to a Washington Post reporter.

"In fact millionaires are so common in Uniontown that they excite no reverence or especial regard. We have plutocrats in such abundance that they cut no more ice than the average citizen. A Uniontown plutocrat, moreover, has never been known to have a swollen head and citizens who could cash in for from $2,000,000 to $3,000,000 mix in with their brethren in the same every day raiment they wore prior to their acquisition of wealth.

"Our location in the great field of Pittsburg coking coal is the source of Uniontown's pecuniary plethora. It is an impressive spectacle to see this big district with its thousands of coke ovens, by the glare of which the nocturnal wayfarer may pursue his journey as easily as under the noonday sun. By day the smoke hangs like a pall over the land, blackening trees, grass and fences and making of our town a miniature Pittsburg. It isn't a beautiful landscape but people who prefer the utilitarian to the æsthetic seem to like it."

"Life insurance," said the man who was disposed to argue, "is nothing but a game of chance. It's based on averages and probabilities. There isn't an element of certainty in it, from first to last."

"Oh, yes, there is."

"Just name it, will you? If you can I'll take out a policy."

"The certainty is that the man that's insured will die some day," said the life insurance agent, taking a blank application out of his pocket. "What amount do you want to carry?"

THE GOOD OLD WAY.

A severe cold or attack of the grippe is like a fire, the sooner you combat it the better your chances are to overpower it. But few mothers in this age are willing to do the necessary work required to give a good old-fashioned reliable treatment such as would be administered by their grandmothers, backed by Boschee's German Syrup, which was always liberally used in connection with the home treatment of colds, and is still in greater household favor than any known remedy. But even without the application of the old fashioned aids German Syrup will cure a severe cold in quick time. It will cure colds in children or grown people. It relieves the congested organs, allays the irritation, and effectively stops the cough. Any child will take it. It is invaluable in a household of children. Trial size bottle, 25c. Regular size, 75c. For sale by F. A. Shurtleff & Co.

Fond Papa—Johnny, the stork has brought a new baby to our house; would you like to see it?

Little Johnny—No; but I would like to see the stork.

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One of the most remarkable cases of a cold, deep-seated on the lungs, causing pneumonia, is that of Mrs. Gertrude E. Fenner, Marion, Ind., who was entirely cured by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. She says: "The coughing and straining so weakened me that I ran down in weight from 148 to 92 pounds. I tried a number of remedies to no avail until I used One Minute Cough Cure. Four bottles of this wonderful remedy cured me entirely of the cough, strengthened my lungs and restored me to my normal weight, health and strength." Sold by F. A. Shurtleff & Co.

"He's got the most self-conceited superior airs about him."

"Of course. He's a New Yorker."

"But he's the worst of all the New Yorkers I ever met."

"Yes, he only moved there recently from Hoboken."

THE STOMACH IS THE MAN.

A weak stomach weakens the man, because it cannot transform the food he eats into nourishment. Health and strength cannot be restored to any sick man or weak woman without first restoring health and strength to the stomach. A weak stomach cannot digest enough food to feed the tissues and revive the tired and run down limbs and organs of the body. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat, cleanses and strengthens the glands and membranes of the stomach, and cures indigestion, dyspepsia and all stomach troubles. Sold by F. A. Shurtleff & Co.

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Mrs. Johnson—He'd be out more than ever then.

Mrs. Smithson—No, indeed. My husband got one last week and the doctor says he won't be out for six weeks.

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Lifter—"Yes, it was a present."

Kifter—"Indeed? Who gave it to you?"

Lifter—"Nobody gave it to me, but it has an inscription on it showing that it was 'presented to John F. Jones,' whoever that is."

Nellie Fuller, Denver—"My face was full of pimples and black-heads. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea has driven them away. People hardly know me. I'm looking fine." 35 cents. Tea or tablets. Orin Stevens; F. A. Shurtleff & Co.

Unc's Opinion—"Which is the luckiest day to be married, Uncle Joe?"

"Matrimony knows no lucky day."

To accommodate those who are partial to the use of atomizers in applying liquids into the nasal passages for catarrhal troubles, the proprietors prepare Ely's Liquid Cream Balm. Price including the spraying tube is 75 cents. Druggists or by mail. The liquid embodies the medicinal properties of the solid preparation. Cream Balm is quickly absorbed by the membrane and does not dry up the secretions but changes them to a natural and healthy character. Ely Brothers, 56 Warren St., New York.

Estelle—I shuddered when he proposed.

Bertha—Was he so awkward?

"Oh, no. He did it so well."

Mary—Sponge the pimples with warm water. You need a blood tonic, would advise you to take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. It drives away all eruptions. 35 cents. Tea or tablets. Orin Stevens; F. A. Shurtleff & Co.

STATE OF MAINE.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT AND ROAD BILLS.

September Term, 1904.

COUNTY OF OXFORD
To JONATHAN BARTLETT, Dr

1904.	
May 23, 1 day at Albany, on state road,	$ 3 00
25 miles travel on same,	2 00
May 24, 1 day at Waterford, on state road,	3 00
25 miles travel on same,	2 00
May 25, 1 day at Paris Court House, to meet State Assessors,	3 00
42 miles travel on same,	3 36
May 26-27, 2 days at Fryeburg, on state road,	6 00
54 miles travel on same,	4 32
June 2, 1 day at Paris, on state road,	3 00
30 miles travel on same,	2 40
June 3-4, 2 days at Sumner, on state road,	6 00
46 miles travel on same,	3 68
June 6-7-8-9-10, 5 days on Lake trip,	15 00
170 miles travel on same,	13 60
June 11, 1 day at Andover, on state road,	3 00
20 miles travel on same,	1 60
June 13, 1 day at Mexico and Dixfield, on state road,	3 00
30 miles travel on same,	2 40
June 14-15, 2 days at Rumford Falls, on state road and Hall Hill road,	6 00
52 miles travel on same,	4 16
July 2-3, 2 days at Paris Court House, adj. session,	6 00
42 miles travel on same,	3 36
Aug. 9-10, 2 days at Paris Court House, adj. session,	6 00
42 miles travel on same,	3 36
Sept. 6-7-8, 3 days at Paris Court House, reg. session,	9 00
42 miles travel on same,	3 36
	$121 08

JONATHAN BARTLETT.

Paris, Maine, September 8, 1904.

COUNTY OF OXFORD
To RANDALL L. TAYLOR, Dr

1904.	
May 11, to 5 days on inspection of Lake roads and on Andover state road, at $3,	$ 15 00
To total of travel on above, 143 miles,	11 44
May 13, to 1 day on Mexico and Dixfield state road,	3 00
To travel on same, 20 miles,	1 60
May 14, to 1 day on Rumford state road, and on pet. selectmen dis. Hall Hill road,	3 00
To travel, 18 miles,	1 44
July 2, to 3 days at Paris,	9 00
70 miles travel,	5 60
Aug. 10, to 4 days at Paris,	12 00
Travel 70 miles,	5 60
Sept. 8, to 5 days at Paris, reg. session,	15 00
Travel 70 miles,	5 60
	$ 88 28

RANDALL L. TAYLOR.

South Paris, September 8, 1904.

COUNTY OF OXFORD
To EDWARD P. FAUNCE, Dr.

1904.	
May 21, Paris, 1 day, 14 miles,	$ 4 12
May 23, Albany, state R., 1 day, 25 miles,	5 00
May 24, Waterford, state R., 1 day, 31 miles,	5 48
May 25, Paris, State Assessors, 1 day, 26 miles,	5 08
May 26, Fryeburg, state R., 1 day, 40 ms.,	6 20
May 27, Lovell to Oxford, 1 day, 25 ms.,	5 00
June 2, Paris, state R, 1 day, 7 ms.,	3 56
June 3, Sumner, 1 day, 46 miles,	6 68
June 6, Lake trip and Riley, 1 day, 34 ms.,	5 72
June 7, Lake trip, Upton, 1 day, 35 ms.,	5 80
June 8, Lake trip, Carry, 1 day, 40 ms.,	6 20
June 9, Lake trip, Andover, 1 day, 20 ms.,	4 60
June 10, Lake trip, Andover state road, 1 day, 15 miles,	4 20
June 11, Lake trip, B. Brook etc., 1 day, 34 miles,	5 72
June 12, Lake trip, 1 day,	3 00
June 13, Mexico and Dixfield, state R., 1 day, 20 miles,	3 60
June 14, Rumford, state R., 1 day, 28 ms.,	5 24
June 15, Rumford to Oxford, 1 day, 24 miles,	4 92
July 2, Paris, adj. session, 1 day, 14 ms.,	4 12
Aug. 9, Paris, adj. session, 1 day,	3 00
Aug. 10, Paris, adj. session, 1 day, 14 ms.,	4 12
Sept. 6, Paris, reg. session, 1 day,	3 00
Sept. 7, Paris, reg. session, 1 day,	3 00
Sept. 8, Paris, reg. session, 1 day, 14 ms.,	4 12
	$111 48

EDWARD P. FAUNCE.

Paris, September 8, 1904.

STATE OF MAINE.
COUNTY OF OXFORD, ss.

September 8, 1904.

Personally appeared the above named Jonathan Bartlett, Randall L. Taylor, and Edward P. Faunce, and severally made oath that the foregoing accounts by them made and subscribed are just and true. Before me.

CHARLES F. WHITMAN,
Clerk Sup. Jud. Court.

Having examined and audited the above accounts, we allow the following sums:

To Jonathan Bartlett	$ 121 60
To Randall L. Taylor	88 28
To Edward P. Faunce	111 48

ELLERY C. PARK, County Attorney.
CHARLES F. WHITMAN, Clerk S. J. Court.

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BENJAMIN F. VIRGIN, JR., late of Mexico,

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.

Aug. 16th, 1904. GEORGE W. BROWN.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator with the will annexed of the estate of

PATTY WENTWORTH, late of Brownfield,

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

Aug. 16th, 1904. ARTHUR MERRILL.

NOTICE.

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

In the matter of ALPHONSE LACOURSE, of Rumford Falls, Bankrupt. } In Bankruptcy.

To the creditors of Alphonse Lacourse in the County of Oxford and district aforesaid:

Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of Sept., A. D. 1904, the said Alphonse Lacourse was duly adjudicated bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the Court House, in South Paris, on the 24th day of September, A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

South Paris, September 12, 1904.

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I have a nice oak case organ at Rumford Falls, 11 stops, that I will sell at a great trade.

One second hand Estey organ at South Paris, almost new, for **$55**.

One second hand Worcester organ, 11 stops, in nice condition, for **$45**.

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