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## G. W. LUFKIN, GARDENER.

### Story of a Phillips Man Who Made a Success.

#### Went West and Grew Up With the Country By Hard Work.

Mr. George W. Lufkin of Eau Claire Wis., who has been visiting relatives in this vicinity for several weeks past, started last Thursday for Greensboro, Vermont where he will visit his sister, Mrs. Mary Garven, formerly Mary E. Lufkin of Phillips. Mr. Lufkin will leave Vermont for Eau Claire in about a week. Mr. Lufkin is employed in market gardening in Eau Claire and ships his vegetables to Duluth, Superior and Ashland as a rule but sometimes in winter or late fall he ships cabbages and onions as far south as New Orleans or as far east as Pittsburg. Mr. Lufkin left Phillips about 23 years ago and on his arrival at Eau Claire he went to work out and he was all the time looking for a chance to open business on a small amount of capital. He first took a job shoveling on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway. He traveled throughout the west a good deal at intervals looking for a business opening, so that when he began business for himself he had so little money left that he bought four acres of land and started market-gardening with a boy to peddle the product.

He found it up hill business for seven or eight years, due to several causes. He was new in the business, had little capital and almost as soon as he started, he had some very bad luck. His worst luck was the year of the panic, 1893. Besides general depression in business there was practically no rain that year and his garden nearly all dried up.

He had a contract (verbal) with a company of wholesalers that it cost him \$2000 to fill and took him several years to do it. But he economized in every way possible, putting every cent he could get into his business and working sixteen or twenty hours a day.

Now, during the season which is from April first to November first, for men and boys and May first to November first for women, he employs about 30 men, 30 boys and 20 women making a total working force of about 80 people, besides seven pairs of heavy horses. He employs about 20 men in winter driving teams and running a small sawmill where he makes crates and boxes for his own use and to sell. He also has a good deal of extra work done by jobbers in the garden season and he employs a great many berry and pea pickers in their season.

He has a store building for a part of his crops with storage capacity of 150 tons of cabbages and 9300 bushels of onions. He has a 56 launch and five row boats on Chipewa river which he uses for business and pleasure.

## A JUGGERNAUT FOR DOGS.

### Automobiles Responsible for the Death of Many Canines in New York State.

In Brooklyn the people who own dogs are talking of organizing to stop the depredations of automobile scorchers, says the New York correspondent of the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle. Out where roads lead in long stretches to the rural districts of Long Island a mortality among dogs has grown so serious that day by day dozens of cherished pets are destroyed by the whirling motor cars and their corpses picked up later by their owners. It is not safe to allow a dog out of the house alone, for ten to one he will never come back alive. The ferocious chauffeur rushes over him with his juggernaut car, and never even stops to explain.

This is the newest thing in automobile outrages; the killing of human victims of various ages has lost its novelty. It is believed that unless autoists mend their ways when passing through the outskirts of Brooklyn they will find that to be a more dangerous route than the city slums wherein they are not wholly immune from showers of stones and other undesirable attentions.

The enraged owners of pet dogs threaten to avenge their wrongs, and in order that it may not get so far as the lynching of chauffeurs by hanging them from electric light poles, the police of outlying Brooklyn are adopting the method of stationing extra policemen along the roads to keep tab on the death-dealing scorchers.

## District No. 2, Phillips.

Happy New Year to all. Station Agent C. E. Howard spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Howard in Strong.

Master Seward Dill spent Christmas with his sister, Mrs. Ashley Wing.

We are glad to report Miss Azelia Prescott much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Phillips of Wilton spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. McKenney.

C. H. McKenney made a business trip to North Cheterville and Farmington last Tuesday, returning Wednesday.

Mrs. L. B. Field returned from Cheterville last Monday, after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Walker. Mr. Walker is in very poor health, suffering with a very bad heart trouble.

Mr. Morrill Wing killed a ten-months old heifer last week that dressed 253 pounds, which with the hide that weighed 50 pounds would net Mr. Wing about \$18 when sold.

## Fairbanks.

The Christmas entertainment in the chapel was well attended, the house being filled to the doors. An interesting program was carried out. Two trees were well filled with many articles, both useful and pretty. Santa Claus was bountiful with his favors. The people gave Rev. Mr. Corey a nice fur coat. The chapel was prettily decorated.

Mrs. Francis Hayes and her husband of Hallowell visited her friends, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Compton the first of the week.

Albert Bardick visited friends here the first of the week.

Mrs. Frank Wilder and little daughters of Wilton Notch are visiting friends.

Several Christmas trees at the homes of the neighbors with exercises by the children and singing by the older ones were enjoyed.

## North Phillips.

Miss Daisy Davenport, who is teaching in Salem, spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Davenport.

Mrs. Clara Byron took a business trip to Farmington one day recently.

Mrs. Wm. Harnden, who has been visiting friends in Wilton and Livermore for a short time, returned to her home last Friday.

Miss Gertrude Cushman, who is teaching at the Biethen schoolhouse, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Cushman.

Elmer Davenport, who has been visiting at Walter Davenport's for a short time, has returned to his home in Nashua, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hinkley and children visited at L. D. Shepard's one day recently.

## X-RAYS IN DETECTIVE WORK

Stolen Ring Located in the Stomach of the Thief Who Swallowed It.

To set a thief to catch a thief is a proposition that is as old as the hills, but to set the X rays to "locate" the stolen property is an achievement that Sherlock Holmes might dream about, says the New York Medical Journal. It is not a novel thing for criminals to swallow the evidence of their crimes, and the fact is so well known at the diamond mines that many a gem has been rescued from the miner's abdomen. It is, however, a new departure to examine a man with the idea of detecting in his stomach jewelry that had been swallowed to avoid detection, and the chief of police at Davenport, Ia., deserves full credit for the originality of his researches.

It seems that a negro had formed a passing attachment for a diamond ring that he did not own, and, being surprised by the legitimate possessor, promptly swallowed it, notwithstanding the heavy setting that surrounded the stone. This was suspected at once, and the culprit was forthwith locked up in jail with the diamond still in his possession. As he strenuously denied all knowledge of the missing stone, the chief of police promptly sent for the municipal electric apparatus. At the sight of this, the man, imagining doubtless that it was some new method of torture, promptly confessed. The photograph, however, was taken and it revealed the position of the ring. This the negro was willing to return as a compromise if, as the report states, "the doctors could devise some means of producing it, and they certainly could."

## Union Christmas Concert.

The Christmas service given this year by the Union Sunday school was entitled, "Around Bethlehem's Manger," and a large chorus assisted in the carols.

The church was beautifully decorated with Christmas greens in festoons and wreaths, as well as streamers of red crepe paper very artistically festooned over the altar with a large bell in the center. Over the altar were the words, in large letters, "Glory to God in the Highest."

The tree was loaded with a profusion of Christmas gifts and bore all kinds of fruit, which was plucked from the branches at the conclusion of the concert.

The singing and speaking by the young masters and missesses of this village with now and then one of older growth, deserve special commendation. The little boys sang, or as Hon. J. P. Noble remarked, "girls and boys," showed good stage presence and spoke and sang clearly and well.

The committee in charge of this most interesting concert consisted of Misses Georgine Wibber, Albertine Butterfield and Milia Bangs with several assistants.

The program was as follows:

Organ Voluntary, Prince Wheeler Chorus. Prayer, Rev. Geo. H. Woodward Chorus. Recitation, Lamont Bean, Albert Scamman, Reynold Graffam, Mason Dutton.

Carol. Recitation, Carrie Toothaker, May Watts, Flora Kennedy, Freda Hoyt, Hilda Whitney, Louise Davenport, Carrie Virgin.

Carol. Recitation, Emma Davenport Song, Doris Haley, Mason Dutton Recitation, Helen Hilton, Mildred Mahoney, Algie Pratt, Dallas Voter.

Carol. Recitation, Nelson Harnden Song, Muriel and Wendall Berry Recitation, Edna True Singing by Carrie Pratt, Edna Barker, Mildred Mahoney, Dorothy McKenney.

Recitation, Ruth Goldsmith Duet, Mildred Hesecek, Marian Wells Recitation, Ina Badger Carol.

Recitation, Estelle Barker Christmas Bells, Primary Class Song, Helen Hilton, Mildred Mahoney, Dorothy McKenney, Estelle Barker.

Recitation, Mrs. Cherry Pratt Carol. Good Night Song, Miss Albertine Butterfield's Class.

Benediction, Rev. F. E. Freese Distribution of Presents.

## Dunham—Voter.

Sunday, December 24th, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Sarah Voter in Madrid, a very pleasant family wedding occurred. The occasion was the uniting in marriage of her daughter Sadie and Mr. Alton Dunham of Rangeley.

After the ceremony, solemnized by Rev. F. E. Freese, a bountiful dinner was enjoyed by all.

The young couple have the best wishes of a wide circle of friends.

## FOR A DANGEROUS VOYAGE

Labrador Fisher-Folk Clamor for Berths on Ships in Sealing Fields.

In an article "On Floes with a Hair Sealer," in the Technical World Magazine, P. T. McGrath tells of the eagerness with which men engage in this perilous business. "About the middle of March," says Mr. McGrath, "the seamen gather at St. John's to join their ships, about 5,000 men making up the crews. They sail on March 10, and so eager are the fisher folk to engage in the venture that they will walk 50 or 60 miles through snow-drifts and biting frosts with kits on their backs to secure a berth to the ice," as the local parlance puts it. The tonnage of the ships averages 500, and the crews 200 men each, these being crowded into the fore-castle beneath the bows. The holds are filled with coal, which is thrown overboard if she gets among the many herds and has a chance to fill up (the coal being worth but four dollars a ton and seal \$80), but is consumed in cruising through the floes for scattered batches of the pininneps if she is unlucky at the outset.

"An ample stock of food is also put on board, for occasionally a ship is 'jammed' in some remote bay by the ice and held fast till June, so that this contingency must be allowed for. Three years ago such a case occurred, and part of the crew left the vessel and walked 350 miles through the interior to their homes."

## Avon.

Mr. Z. H. Thomas of Readfield and Will Savage of Wilton were in town last week buying cattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Norton returned from Bangor Friday after attending the Maine State Grange.

Miss Mary E. Russell who has been teaching in Livermore is spending her Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and F. A. Russell.

This annual Christmas tree was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Sampson on Christmas eve, about thirty being present. A picnic supper was served after which Misses Edith Morton, Alice Russell and Messrs. Carroll Russell, Stanley Savage distributed to the old as well as the young people many pretty and useful presents.

## East Madrid.

Miss Iva Harnden of Wilton, who has been visiting relatives and friends in this place and Phillips, returned to her home last Thursday.

George Heath of Madrid and Lester Rowe of Phillips hauled Dennis, Monlon's wood last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Orren McKee are spending the Christmas holidays with the daughter and family, Mrs. Harry Harnden of Wilton.

Miss Carrie Wing and Ethel Thorpe, visited Mrs. Fred Russell of Freeman a few days last week.

G. Lee Savage spent a few days in Rangeley recently.

Fred Hathaway and John St. of Reed's were in town recently.

G. Lee Savage is keeping horses attending to the chores during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Orren McKee.

## Berry Mills.

At the annual meeting of the Webb's River Grange P. of H. No. 108, held Saturday, Dec. 23, the following officers were elected: E. H. Staples, master; W. W. Holman, overseer; F. W. Smith, treasurer; Mrs. I. T. Hutchinson, chaplain; Mrs. Etta Hutchinson, lecturer; W. S. Smith, secretary; Myron Hanson, steward; W. B. Cox, assistant steward; Geo. Libby, gate keeper; Mrs. E. H. Staples, ceres; Mrs. W. W. Holman, pomona; Mrs. Frank Brown, Flora; executive committee, Daniel Barrett, Elton Brown, E. H. Schofield; finance committee, D. W. Berry, W. W. Holman, I. T. Hutchinson; committee on charity, Jennie Hutchinson, Flora Brown, Mary Libby.

## FENDERS FOR AUTOMOBILES

English Inventor Would Have the Cars Carry Cowcatchers as a Precaution.

A London firm of motor car manufacturers has recently introduced a new feature in the shape of pneumatic cushion buffers for attachment in front of motor propelled vehicles. The buffer is in the form of a short arm curved around the front of each of the steering wheels, and is of such a shape that in a collision the impact in most cases will be converted into a glancing blow, and damage either to the car or the object with which it collides may be avoided or minimized.

In view of the numerous instances in which dogs or even children are run over and killed or maimed by motor cars, it is rather surprising that it apparently has not occurred to anyone to fit the cars with some such device as that attached to the front of the electric tram cars.

Some kind of modified "cowcatcher" which would gather up a child or a dog, and hold it out of danger for the few moments until the car could be stopped, might be a means of preventing many lamentable accidents.—Chambers' Journal.

## Trouble on the Zambesi.

Hippopotami in the Zambesi river, which in the vicinity of Victoria falls is coming into use for transportation purposes, are causing a lot of trouble. A Livingstone correspondent of the Bulawayo Chronicle writes: "The hippo have again become very troublesome on the Zambesi. Several boats have been upset, causing one fatality and some narrow escapes. One man who had gone out had his boat overturned close to the edge of the falls and it was only by the most strenuous effort that he and the boy he had with him were not swept over the lip. As it was, they managed to reach Cataract island, where they were obliged to spend the night, remaining there until they were rescued on the following morning."

## PHILLIPS WATERWORKS.

### A Business Man Expresses Himself In Regard to Buying Them.

A business man in Phillips who is always ready to assist in anything that will be a benefit to his own town, suggests that it would be well for the voters of the Phillips Village Corporation to be reminded that according to the contract between the Phillips Water Company and the Corporation, the Corporation can acquire the local water plant on the 15th day of September next if they wish to do so.

He says the citizens of the Farmington village corporation have every reason to feel very well pleased on account of the fact that they took on their local plant. They were obliged to raise no money for the purpose and the plant will pay for itself.

He says that he believes the Phillips water works have been and are an excellent money making proposition and he is sure that the corporation will make a great mistake if they do not look this matter up thoroughly.

A letter has been received by a citizen of the town from an attorney in a neighboring city who has had something to do with transfers of this kind. This attorney is not soliciting business, he isn't obliged to do that, but he has agreed to come to Phillips once, free of charge if he is wanted and talk to the people, giving them all the information he can in regard to the matter.

A man who was interviewed wants to know whether or not the people are interested enough in this matter to gain information that will help them in this connection.

## TWO GOOD HORSES

### Die Within a Month of Pleuropneumonia.

Some five weeks ago the Worthley brothers of Avon had the misfortune to lose their valuable trotter, Byron Shaw, by pleuropneumonia and within a week they have lost another valuable colt from the same disease.

A word about the breeding of the two horses may be of interest.

Byron Shaw was by Harry Lothare by Lothare, dam by Winthrop Morrill. He was a very promising horse and was fast developing unlimited speed.

The colt was a two-year old chestnut filly by Philip, he by Nelson Wilkes, 1st dam by Harry Lambert; 2d dam Wedgewood. This colt easily represented a value of \$500 and with the loss of Byron Shaw the Worthley brothers have certainly lost at least \$1000.

## Byron.

The grange finished electing their officers last Saturday evening. W. A. Arris was elected on the financial committee; Mrs. J. A. Pressay on the executive and W. D. Abbott on the relief committee. The grange voted to have a public installation of officers. Mrs. W. A. Arris was elected chorister and organist.

Several of the farmers of Hop city have cut and hauled their ice. It is about ten inches thick.

J. F. Howard's little boy, who has been very sick, is some better. He is attended by Dr. Bisbee of Rumford Falls.

George Thomas has gone into the woods for the winter.

George Cooper is working for J. F. Howard cutting and yarding birch.

R. W. Trask lost a valuable cow last week.

Wallace Taylor is building a sporting camp at Garland pond.

A. O. Hodsdon is quite sick. Dr. Twitchell of Andover attends him.

## Taylor Hill.

Arthur Crosby was home from Carra-bassett for Christmas.

Mrs. B. Reickert and Mrs. Chapman with their children have gone to their former home at Gloucester, Mass.

Mrs. Brawn has come to do the cooking for her husband's lumbering crew. Mr. Biawn has four men besides himself and works six horses.

Herbert Parlin is lumbering quite extensively.

## To Cure a Cold In One Day.

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## AMONG THE CHURCHES.

At the Union church Rev. Mr. Freese occupied the pulpit. He announced no text but his words were in harmony with the Christmas season.

I wish you would all come with me in thought to that country where occurred those scenes and events that we celebrate today; that country where shepherds keep watch over their flocks by night. On the hills surrounding Bethlehem were Jewish shepherds with their flocks. Doubtless through the watches of the night they often spoke together of the hope of their nation the fulfillment of which had been so long deferred. They told of the need of the promised Redeemer and wondered if their eyes should ever behold him.

One night their eyes saw wonderful things, their ears heard wonderful words. About them shone a light, strange and beautiful. An angel appeared surrounded by radiance which was the glory of the Lord and he came with this message that he was the bearer of good tidings of great joy, not to them alone but to all people of the world. The Redeemer whom they looked for and desired had this day been born in the city of David. A multitude of heavenly beings sang praises and announcements of peace and goodwill among men.

As soon as they heard these wonderful things the shepherds hastened to Bethlehem that they might see the babe of whom the angels told.

Where did they find him? Had some kind hearted one opened the door of his house to receive the mother out of the crowd and the tumult of the town to which now flocked the tribe of Benjamin? The inn was filled, no room was left and so in the place where the cattle were sheltered was born the baby king. This incident is a commentary upon the power which that baby has exercised in the world. In no Christian land would such a thing be possible. The spirit of Christ has been one of kindness and helpfulness. Even those whom we look upon as least christian, have been in the influence of that spirit and realized the worth of helpfulness. We feel in some degree at least that we reach forth kindly hands. No one who would not be denied great need and kind help, would allow the baby's cradle manger.

God has spoken to the world in many ways. Prophets and angels have been his messengers.

The heavens and the earth speak of him. All the works of his hands are telling of him. At his will he might speak with a voice which should be heard upon the earth. Does it not seem singular, then, that he should speak through a tiny helpless baby. Nothing else begins its life so helpless as a human baby. Yet God knew that through a baby, as through nothing else, could the hearts of the people be stirred and moved. Nothing else has such a hold upon human interest. A little girl plays with her dolls perhaps for years, but after a time she does not care for them. But little girls and larger girls, men and women no matter how are interested always in the babies. They hold the possibilities of noble manhood and womanhood. We do not tire of watching the growth of the little body, the unfolding of the mind, the awakening of the soul. And so God speaks to us by this little babe born in Bethlehem, knowing that as we watch that life shall learn of him as we could in no other way. And the baby grows and develops as do other children, his youth is still a growth in mind and body. He meets the common experiences of childhood and life. To be sure he lives closer to his divine father than do other children and his life is more beautiful and pure. Yet through it all do we see the humanity that awakens our interest and sympathy.

We talk a great deal about the new birth. How many of us want it? How many are ready for it? This is what we mean by the new birth: Christ born within us. The birth announced to the shepherds was glad tidings. The birth of Christ within our hearts is glad tidings. It means good news, it means happiness. Gladness comes into our lives not because of our environments. It is not the fact that our surroundings

speaks of gratification or of self-denial. It is the spirit born within us that determines our joy or discontent. Christ within us brings us the glory of God. Glory you know is a term we often use when all other terms of description fail to give our thought. All radiance, all beauty, all delight is in the word; and where Christ is there is the glory of God.

Another thought and that with which I will close has come to me in my reading of late. Evan Roberts was asked to work among the young people in London. Though the tears rolled down his face as he talked of the thousands and hundreds of thousands there who needed help, he said that he was called to other work. But he sent to them a message, and it was something like this: You are looking for happiness. Do not look for it in what you can gain from the life about you. Do not measure it by what you can gain for yourself. Happiness is not won by getting but by giving.

This is the true message of Christmas: Give, help, care for others. Some of you have been for a long time preparing presents for Christmas, and rejoicing in the pleasure you might give. You'll begin almost as soon as Christmas is past to make ready for the one of the coming year. You are glad to bring pleasure to another. Carry this thought of helpfulness throughout the year. Give your lives to helping others as did he of whose birth the angels sang and you shall know the glory of God.

## INVALUABLE TRAINING.

Scientific Knowledge as an Aid to the Commercial Side of Business.

The supreme gift of scientific training in an address to the Staffordshire pottery classes, is the power to (Ed.) "How many problems are there that present themselves to us every day in our businesses that really disappear are no longer problems if we once see them clearly. The commercial organizer of a business has two problems always facing him—first, the production of his goods, and the disposal of these in the market. A scientific training, in so far as it gives knowledge tending to the solution of these problems, is of direct value to the commercial side of business. Many problems can be solved only by scientific methods. But manufacturers should not look for immediate results from the employment of a trained man. Remember, he must have time to apply his science to your industry. He must have time for experiment, and must be given both leisure and fullest opportunity to follow out these lines of prolonged and systematic investigation, on which alone scientific knowledge has been built."

## SHE WAS READY FOR HIM.

And He Did Not Say Exactly What He Had Intended to Say.

He had come to break off the engagement. His mother didn't approve of his choice. Besides, he felt that he was too timid to assume the responsibilities of married life, relates the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

It wasn't a pleasant task. "I have come," he said, "to say that isn't there some one stirring at the side door?"

"It is nothing," she hastily answered. "You were about to say that—" "I were about—I mean I was about to say that I think that we have—I mean I have, made a mistake in—I'm sure I hear somebody snuffing at the keyhole!"

She laughed in an unmitigated way. "Yes," she said, "my football brother with his brindle bulldog are out there waiting."

He didn't ask what they were waiting for.

"I have come to say, dearest," he briskly remarked, "that I think I have made a mistake in permitting you to put our wedding day so far ahead."

## ICE PALACE A "FROST."

"Beautiful Detriment" in Canada Creates False Impression of the Country.

"Your ice palace of Montreal is a thing of the past, isn't it?" said a New York man to a Canadian.

"Yes, thank fortune," said the other. "It was a beautiful detriment. It created abroad a false impression of Canada. It conveyed the idea that Canada was a bleak, cold place—a land of snow and ice—a kind of Greenland or Labrador. People sent to their friends abroad illustrated postcards and large photographs of the ice palace and the ice carnival year after year. Hence, abroad, they got to associating ice and Canada together. The two words became almost synonymous and few would emigrate Canadaward."

"Our immigration figures fell off to a deplorable degree on account of the false impression of our climate that the ice palace gave to England and France and Germany. Canada lives on immigration. She wants all the immigrants she can get. And because the ice palace lost her thousands of immigrants yearly, she wisely did away with it."

## ANIMALS IN THE DESERT.

Number of Them Outdo the Camel in Respect of Going Without Drink.

Other creatures than the camel are able to get along for extended periods without drinking. Sheep in the southwestern deserts go for 40 to 60 days in winter without drink, grazing on the green, succulent vegetation of that season. Peccaries in the desert of Sonora live in little dry hills where there is no natural water for long periods. They cannot possibly find water. In fact, for months at a time. The only moisture they can obtain comes from roots and the fruits of cacti. But the most extraordinary case is that of the pocket mouse, one of the common rodents of the desert. This little creature, by the way, has a genuine fur-lined "pocket" on the outside of its cheek. When it is hungry it takes food from this pocket with its paw, just as a man would pull a ham sandwich from his pocket. One of these mice has been kept for three years with no other food than the mixed bird seed of commerce. During this period it had not a taste of either water or green food. Other experimenters have found, in fact, that these mice in captivity refuse such treats, not seeming to know that water is good to drink. The bird seed put before this mouse contained not more than ten per cent. of moisture, which is less than is necessary for digestion. Stuff so dry as this cannot even be swallowed until it is moistened by saliva. Yet this remarkable mouse gave nothing but his time to the interests of science. He suffered nothing in health or spirits during his captivity.

## NONOGENARIAN NEWSMAN.

Aged Illinoisan a Familiar Figure About Railroad Depots at Joliet.

The oldest newsboy in the world is to be found at Joliet, and he is a very familiar figure to passengers at the railroad depots, says the Chicago Chronicle. He is Orasmus Page and he was born in 1809. Although approaching his ninety-seventh year, he is never missing from his post and is always ready to supply the public with his stock of newspapers. He maintains his vigor to a remarkable extent, as he rises at four o'clock every morning in order to meet the early trains. He is also engaged till late in the evening. He has been handicapped by the loss of a leg, losing the member at the knee in a mine accident at Braidwood 20 years ago.

His father was noted for longevity, his father dying at 89, his mother at 98, while his grandfather lived to be 102 and his grandmother 105. Orasmus commenced life as a farmer in Iowa, moving there with his parents from New York state. He then engaged in railroad contracting and had charge of some of the grading for the Chicago & Alton, near Bloomington, in 1857. Mr. Page has a wife, who is 86 years of age. His papers are the sole support of the couple, but owing to his age and crippled condition he is given the preference among the newsboys that besiege the trains and he manages to earn several dollars a day. The old man expects to continue at the business as long as his strength holds out. He is anxious to round out the century and will likely do so.



## THE DANGER TO THE CHILD

May be real or the snake may be a harmless one, but there is danger that menaces every child's life if the mother is deficient in womanly health and functional vitality.

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## LEGAL NOTICES.

### Estate of Mary Jane Dill.

FRANKLIN, SS. At a Court of Probate holden at Farmington, within and for the County of Franklin, on the third Tuesday of December, A. D. 1905.

Joel Wilbur, Administrator of the estate of Mary Jane Dill, late of Phillips, in said County, deceased, having presented his final account of administration of the estate of said deceased for allowance:

ORDERED, That said Administrator give notice to all persons interested, by causing this order to be published three weeks successively in the MAINE WOODSMAN, published at Phillips, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Farmington, in said County, on the third Tuesday of January next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be allowed.

J. H. THOMPSON, Judge.  
Attest, FRANK W. BUTLER, Register.

### Estate of Hiram A. Barker.

FRANKLIN, SS. At a court of Probate holden at Farmington, within and for the County of Franklin, on the third Tuesday of December, A. D. 1905.

T. R. Barker, Executor of the last will and testament of Hiram A. Barker, late of Phillips, in said County, deceased, having presented his first account of administration of the estate of said deceased for allowance:

ORDERED, That said Executor give notice to all persons interested, by causing this order to be published three weeks successively in the MAINE WOODSMAN, published at Phillips, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Farmington, in said County, on the third Tuesday of January next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be granted.

J. H. THOMPSON, Judge.  
Attest, FRANK W. BUTLER, Register.

### Estate of Emma L. Kinney.

FRANKLIN, SS. At a Court of Probate, holden at Farmington, within and for the County of Franklin, on the third Tuesday of December, A. D. 1905.

Arthur L. Kinney, administrator of the estate of Emma L. Kinney, late of Madrid, in said County, deceased, having presented his first account of administration of the estate of said deceased for allowance:

ORDERED, That said Administrator give notice to all persons interested, by causing this order to be published three weeks successively in the MAINE WOODSMAN, published at Phillips, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Farmington, in said County, on the third Tuesday of January next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be granted.

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## UP IN KINGFIELD.

Special correspondence to Maine Woodsman.  
KINGFIELD, Dec. 26, 1905.

Saturday, Roy W. Atkinson of the MAINE WOODSMAN was a business caller in this town.

Mrs. Evie Currier spent Christmas with relatives in Temple and vicinity.

After a few days visit with her sister, Mrs. Bert Traub, Miss Maud Wright has returned to her home in Farmington.

School in the west part of the town opened, Monday, Dec. 18, with Miss Nora Stevens of Strong as teacher.

## KINGFIELD.

### For the New Year

You will need a Hat or Cap—possibly collars or ribbons.

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Kingfield, - - Maine.

The past week Elmer Hutchins and wife of Somerville, have been guests of relatives here after a several years absence and are warmly greeted by many old friends.

Mrs. Fannie L. Howe is in Cortland N. Y., where she will spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. Abbie Crockett.

Principal L. A. Corson was quite ill several days last week.

Miss Sara Clinker of Albany, N. Y., is spending the holidays with her sisters, Mrs. L. R. Schafer and Miss Mary Clinker.

Edith Talcott spent Christmas with her parents in New Vezeyard.

B. F. Safford and wife of Dead River are guests this week of their son, W. S. Safford and family.

Christmas morning there were many private Christmas trees, also many family reunions during the day.

Mr. Gould and family from Phillips have moved into the Winter block in this village, as Mr. Gould has employment in one of the mills here.

Winnifred Hall spent the Christmas recess with her uncle, John Metcalf and family at New Portland.

Fred Hutchins recently visited his father, F. B. Hutchins. Fred is in the photograph business and is making a success of it we are glad to know.

Hari Harvey of New Portland was a business caller here the first of the week.

Erman C. Stanley has returned to Massachusetts much improved in health after a several month's tarry here.

Miss Nettie Rowell has returned to her home in Solon after doing table work at the Kingfield House the past few weeks.

Elias Reed of Salem was a caller here the last of the week.

The past week John Hier has been confined to the house by illness but is now improved.

O. A. Anderson was home from Frankfort, Me., during the holidays with his family.

Eula Hinds who is working in the family of Mrs. A. S. Ham spent several days at her home in Bigelow.

Saturday, Dr. Pennell of this town and Dr. C. W. Bell of Strong amputated below the knee the leg of Newton F. Stanley which was broken in Florida early last January and the bones being so badly shattered could not knit although the best surgical skill in the country has been employed. At this writing Newton remains as comfortable as can be expected and his many friends now hope for a speedy recovery and extend much sympathy to him and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Stanley.

Sunday evening at the F. B. church was given a sacred concert by the members of the Sunday school which was enjoyed by a large number as each one did their part in an able manner but we make special mention of Master Guy Phillips who gave a recitation, and although it was his first appearance before the public deserves much praise.

Sunday Eben Carsley and C. H. Carsley were up from New Portland.

The annual meeting of the Webster Library association will be held at the library rooms on lower Main street Monday evening, Jan. 8. All officers are requested to be present and as many of the citizens as possible, as important business is to be transacted.

Mrs. Orren Tufts has gone to Flag staff, where she will have charge of the Jerkins & Bogert Co.'s boarding house during the winter.

Sunday evening the Universalist church was crowded to its utmost capacity when the concert by the Sunday school was given. The church was prettily decorated in green and white and a long and interesting program was well carried out. The vesper choir composed of about 20 children was an unusual attraction, while the most pleasing feature was the song given in such an attractive manner by little Miss Agnes Porter.

Miss Tena Goldsmith of Strong is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Arthur Stevens.

Mrs. Adelbert Thompson of New Portland recently visited her son, Frank and family on upper Maple street.

William H. Hutchins was in Auburn last week, called there by the critical illness of his uncle, Edwin Hutchins.

Mdms. Maria Stevens and Lydia Bartlett of North New Portland were recent callers on friends in this village.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Morse have begun housekeeping in the O. W. Simmons rent on Maple street.

After a several months' stay in this village Scott W. Martin has returned to his home in Rumford.

Brief funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Maria, wife of Warren Bullen, who died after a brief illness of pneumonia, were held at the home of Mrs. C. W. Leeman, a daughter of the deceased and conducted by Rev. L. A. White, pastor of the F. B. church. The remains were taken to Farmington for burial Wednesday.

Harold P. Wood of the firm of Jacobs & Wood was a business caller in Farmington a few days ago.

Willis Bailey of Winthrop was the guest over Sunday of Frank Stanley and family on Stanley avenue.

Joseph Knapp of Livermore Falls recently visited relatives in this village.

Deputy Sheriff W. B. Small and Constable S. L. Vose were in Bigelow recently on official business.

Our business men report trade brisk during the holidays as it was also at the express and post offices.

A few days ago Stephen Twombly of Phillips called on friends in this village.

At the schoolhouse in the west part of the town Saturday evening was given a Christmas concert and tree, which was attended by the entire neighborhood and was a success in every way, as each and all received many nice presents and the entertainment given much enjoyed.

It was a merry sleighing party that took a ride one evening recently—but how did they return to town? Some say on foot!

## SOUTH AMERICA PROSPERS

Argentina in Fair Way to Surpass United States in Food Exports.

Buenos Ayres, the capital of the Argentine Republic, has just passed the 1,000,000 mark in population. It is the fourteenth city in the world in inhabitants, and is by far the largest city on the western hemisphere, outside of New York, Chicago and Philadelphia. Fifteen years ago Rio de Janeiro was ahead of it. Now the Brazilian city is far behind. Thirty years ago Buenos Ayres was exceeded in population by St. Louis, Boston and Baltimore. It is far in front of these big United States towns to-day. It is growing as fast as Chicago, and faster than Berlin. Argentina has an area almost as great as all the United States, east of the Mississippi, although its population is a little less than 6,000,000, or smaller than Pennsylvania's. It exports more corn than the United States. Before many years pass, on account of our own home demand, Argentina will surpass the United States in exportation of food products in the aggregate. For the first half of 1905 its total exports were \$175,000,000, or several times as much as those of the United States in proportion to population.

## HAUNT WOMEN'S CLUBS.

Rules Will Be Enforced Concerning Men Guests in London Organizations.

One of the largest of the numerous ladies' clubs which of recent years have sprung up with remarkable suddenness is about to enforce strictly one of its unrecognized rules providing that no member shall entertain more than three guests to tea, says a London exchange.

The reason is not unamusing. The more serious-minded members of the ladies' clubs are beginning to look upon the male guests as a pest.

The class of man who haunts ladies' clubs is rapidly growing. He is usually an idle person with no club of his own, who makes use of his wife's, his sister's or sweetheart's to lounge away the afternoon.

It is no uncommon thing for a man to walk into a woman's club ostensibly to meet a member, calmly order a drink, which is put down to the member's account, and make himself generally comfortable.

Some of the ladies, it is to be feared, encourage this sort of thing too much. Certain members of women's clubs are excessively proud of having a number of male guests to tea.

## The Pineapple.

"Pineapple" and "love apple" (tomato), which have come under notice in these columns, are instances of the manner in which the apple has been habitually taken as the typical fruit, the name of which is naturally borrowed in christening all sorts of fruit and vegetables that only remotely resemble it. Dr. Murray's dictionary gives an imposing list of them—Jew's apple, devil's apple, kangaroo apple and so on. A writer of the seventeenth century speaks of "the fruit or apples of palm trees," and a fourteenth century man says that "all manere aples that ben cloyed in an harde skynne, dynde, other share, ben callyd Noces" (nuts). In the year 1000, apparently, "earth apples" meant to our forefathers not potatoes, but cucumbers! And even Eve's "apple" is believed to have been a citron.—London Chronicle.

## "Stone That Breeds."

Honolulu has on exhibition a specimen of the Illili or "stone that breeds," from Kau island. The natives say that if the stone is placed in a glass jar and water poured over it and the jar be corked for a couple of days the stone will reproduce itself in the form of four or five smaller stones.

## Weld.

Mrs. Clara Brown, wife of Leo Brown died at her home Sunday, Dec. 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer B. Vi were made glad by the birth of a son Dec. 8.

Mrs. E. P. Foster has been very sick with pneumonia, but is convalescent. Hayner Foster from Somerville, Mass., and Nathan Foster from Rumford Falls are in town on account of the illness of their mother, Mrs. E. P. Foster.

Milford I. Baker, Colby '09, is spending his vacation working in Vassalboro. I. H. Baker was at Wilton Saturday on business.

Hildreth's mill on the McLaughlin place shut down half a day last week because lumber was not supplied fast enough.

The post office at Webb will be discontinued after the 15th of January. The people can then get their mail through the R. F. D.

Wm. Horn has been off duty for a week past. He was splitting wood with Edward Howard, when his ax stuck in the wood and he stooped to pull it out just as Mr. Howard struck and an ugly gash was made on Mr. Horn's thumb. It is doing well and it is hoped that he will not have a stiff joint.

Miss Grace Tobin is home from North Jay to spend Christmas.

Christmas exercises at Weld were well attended. John Lidstone conducted the devotional part of the service. The children did their parts well and presents were numerous, many being remembered.

Lynn Newman, one of our bustling townsmen, is making our streets noisy by selling our neighbors new sleighs.

Rev. A. C. Brown will go to Lewiston

this week to buy goods and to attend to other matters of business.

Fzra Noyes is planning to move to Dixfield, where he is to work in the toothpick mill.

J. Simmons is doing quite a business hauling birch to Dixfield. He has two fine colts.

Charles Soule and R. Scamman are to cut the ice for the farmers in this section.

Charles Dummer is having a nice lot of pine cut and hauled to the mill. It is understood that he will build several new cottages.

The people who attend services at the Union church are planning to give a baked bean supper at John Lawrence's Tuesday evening, Jan. 9. A good time is anticipated.

## Dallas.

Mrs. Samuel Raymond visited at her mother's, Mrs. William Collins, last Sunday.

Wm. Oakes visited at Wm. Thomas's and Cyrus Campbell's recently.

Mrs. Robert Nile is at work for Mrs. Ella Adams this week.

Chas. Adams is at home hauling up his wood.

Jim Searles and daughter visited at Charles Adams's Sunday.

Mrs. Rosie Adams will finish work for Joseph Brackett soon.

Vincent Mason is at work for Ruel Wilcox cutting cord wood.

Robert Nile and wife visited at Chas. Adams's Sunday.

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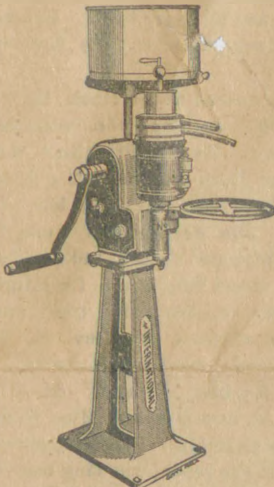
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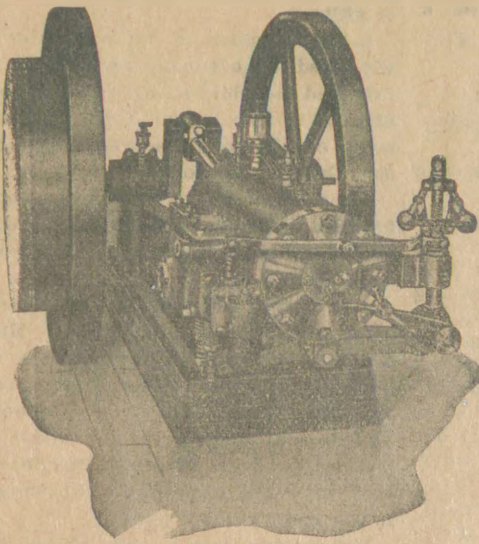
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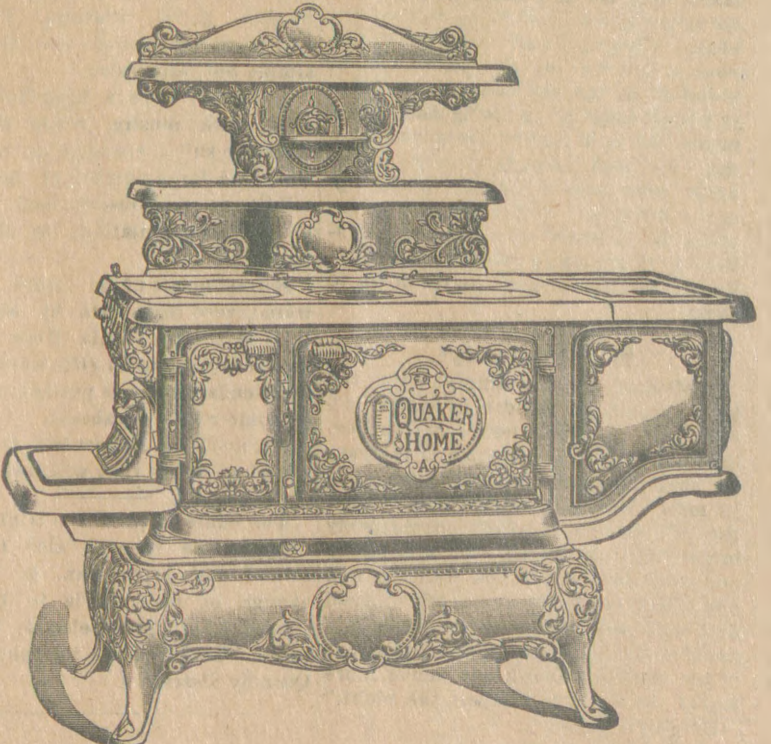
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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1905.

**Franklin County Officers.**

Clerk of Courts—Byron M. Small, Farmington.

County Attorney—Herbert S. Wing, King field.

Judge of Probate—Josiah H. Thompson Farmington.

Register of Probate—Frank W. Butler, Farmington.

Register of Deeds—Charles F. Coburn Farmington.

Treasurer—Carleton P. Merrill, Farmington.

Sheriff—Dana O. Coolidge, Jay.

Deputies—Joseph A. Witham, Weld; W. B. Small, Kingfield; James H. House, New Sharon; Arthur W. Byrant, Jay; Earle R. Taylor, Eustis; Herman Sanborn, Wilton; Albra H. Taylor, Jay; Geo. M. Esty, Rangeley; Harry E. Bell, Phillips; David Richardson, Strong.

County Commissioners—George D. Clark, New Vineyard; Charles R. Hall, East Dixfield; B. F. Beal, Phillips.

Terms of Supreme Judicial Court, the first Tuesday of February, third Tuesday of May and fourth Tuesday of September.

Terms of Probate Court, the third Tuesday of each month.

Regular sessions of County Commission Court, last Tuesday of April and last Tuesday of December.

**A New Dress.**

In regard to the new type. We promised last week that the present issue of MAINE WOODSMAN would be in all new type. The type was in MAINE WOODSMAN office when that item was written as it is now, waiting to be put into the cases. There are excellent reasons why the change should have been made with this issue,—one being that it would have saved labor as stated last week but pressure of business for the past week has made it impossible to get new dress ready. Therefore, it is delayed until the next issue, Jan. 5. This new type will make a great improvement.

**FEEDING YOUNG PELICANS.**

Produces Physical Shock Which Has Strange Effect on the Birds.

As the young increase in size, feeding becomes a more serious proceeding for all concerned, writes Frank M. Chapman, in Century. At the age of eight, the young birds average slightly larger and heavier than old ones, and the physical shock of feeding is so great that the parents supply only one bird at a time, and that at long intervals; while the young seem so overcome by the prolonged stay in the parental pouch, as well, doubtless, as by the size of the meal they have secured there, that on emerging they are in a dazed and helpless condition. Laying the head on the ground with wings relaxed, they act as though they had received a violent blow at the base of the brain. This apparent semi-consciousness is followed by the most violent reaction, as the reviving bird suddenly grasps itself by the wing and whirls about like a demented creature, pausing only long enough to bite at the other wing before turning in the opposite direction. If this surprising exercise be intended as an aid to digestion, it is evidently effective, since at its conclusion, the bird settles down to sleep.

**The Stronger Eye.**

"Left-eyed people simply own the town these days," said a Broadway oculist. "If the prominence and importance of that optic continue to increase we shall one day be a left-eyed race. In more than half the patients I treat the left eye is already considerably larger than the right. It is brighter and lasts longer. If you want to find out which eye is stronger try to read first with one then with the other unassisted by its mate. Nine times out of ten that test shows how much more useful the left eye is than the right." —Brooklyn Eagle.

**Better Suited to Him.**

Little Tiddle (nervously, to livery stable keeper)—Have you a very quiet horse? It must be like a lamb, neither kick nor shy, and not go too fast.

Livery Stable Keeper (eyeing him contemptuously)—Certainly, gov'nor. Which'll you have—a clothes-orse or a rockin'-orse?—Stray Stories.

**RANGELEY NEWS NOTES.**

Special correspondence to Maine Woodsman.

RANGELEY, Dec. 26, 1905.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kempton and Miss Irene have gone to Massachusetts to spend a month or more with relatives.

Miss Mina Patterson spent Sunday at Osceola farm with her brother and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Patterson.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Haley are in Boston for the Sportsmen's show.

Mrs. L. J. Kempton was the guest of Mrs. W. L. Butler on Christmas day.

Mrs. Etta Dill has gone to Boston this week. She will visit her daughter, Mrs. Mora Dill Drew, at Lewiston before she returns home.

E. I. Herrick and Frank Porter are in Boston to attend the Sportsmen's show; also Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. Amos Ellis.

Letters from Mr. and Mrs. Loring Haley announce their safe arrival in Florida. They encountered very rough weather on their journey.

Miles Patterson, who has been in town since early in the spring, returned to his home in Frederickton last week to attend school.

Mrs. Minnie Cushman and little son arrived in town last week to spend a short time with friends.

Reed Ellis, who is a student at Bowdoin college, is spending the holidays at home.

**Christmas at Rangeley.**

Christmas bells and wedding bells rang out merrily in the little town of Rangeley last Monday, making the day one long to be remembered by many. The day was bright and sunny, an ideal Christmas day. The streets were full of busy shoppers and happy children and an old-fashioned, yet always new, feeling of "Merry Christmas" was heard on every hand. Several important events added to the interest of the day.

The first occurred at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, when occurred the marriage of Mr. George Waldo Bridgman and Miss Florence Dora Carlton at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Carlton. The decorations were in green and white and natural holly. The bridal party stood beneath a Christmas bell of white during the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. E. H. Prescott, the ring service being used.

Linwood Carlton, brother of the bride, acted as best man and Miss Hazel Rowe as bridesmaid. Percis Carlton, little sister of the bride, was ring bearer. The bride was dressed very becomingly in white.

A large number of intimate friends witnessed the ceremony and afterward extended their best wishes and congratulations to the bridal pair. Refreshments of cake and coffee were served by Mrs. Carlton, the hostess.

The wedding gifts were numerous and beautiful. Mr. and Mrs. Bridgman will make their home in Rangeley, where he is in business.

At a quarter before 7, Christmas evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Albee occurred the marriage of their daughter, Miss Susie Crosby and Mr. Albert Leslie Abbott of Caribou. The pleasant rooms in the new home of the host and hostess were prettily decorated with the appropriate Christmas colors, green and holly red.

The wedding march was played by Mrs. O. R. Rowe and while its beautiful strains filled the air with melody, the young couple took their place for the bridal ceremony which was performed by Rev. E. H. Prescott. The bridal pair were unattended and the service simple but impressive.

The bride wore a beautiful dress of white silk muslin, while the groom wore the suit customary on such occasions. A large number of friends and relatives were present and extended hearty congratulations to the bridal pair.

Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served the guests by Miss Laura Wolf and Miss Thala Hoar. A large number of beautiful gifts were presented by friends who were present as well as by some who were absent.

Mr. and Mrs. Abbott left for Caribou Tuesday, where they will reside.

The winter term of the High and the other village schools, also the White school will begin Jan. 2. The only change of teachers is in the White school, where Miss Helen J. Piper will teach. There will be no school in the Quimby district.

**Standing Room Only.**

The Lawyer—So your wife has sued you for a divorce, eh? Will she have any standing in court?

The Client—I'm afraid so. From the nature of the evidence she threatens to bring in there won't be half enough seats to accommodate the crowd.—Chicago Daily News.

**INDIANS' THANKSGIVING.**

Red Men of Reservations Take Great Interest in White Man's Feast Day.

Even our reservation Indians take a great interest in Thanksgiving day. Of course they show their Indian nature in their gaming and feasting, but at their corn dance with which the day's celebration closes, they offer thanks to the Great Spirit for the harvest, and the resident priest is invited to bless the food provided for the feast.

The Cheyennes and Apaches sometimes give a pony smoke, other tribes are invited to a feast of their best

**SUBWAY SIGN LANGUAGE.**

Somewhat Similar to That Employed by Deaf and Dumb People.

When the subway express train started from Brooklyn bridge, two messenger boys who were sitting together began suddenly to make signs, relates the New York Press. At first those who looked on thought that possibly these signs might be only the wiping off of chins after consuming slices of pie before starting on the journey, but it was not many minutes before they began to think otherwise. The train had hardly slowed up going around the Worth street curve before the language had definitely resolved itself into that of the deaf mute.

There was some inward speculation as to how deaf mutes could possibly retain positions which are supposed to entail considerable glibness of tongue, together with a broad and smiling approval of the nimbleness with which the language was carried on between the two youngsters. A woman who was more deeply interested than the rest alighted at the Fourteenth street station when the boys did. She followed them up the steps and found to her amazement that the moment they emerged into the open atmosphere of the street, they burst into verbal talk.

A stranger who walked by her side, noticing her look of astonishment, slowed up and said to her:

"It is getting to be a common thing now for messenger boys and those who are obliged to employ the subway as a means of locomotion, to study the sign language and use it. As a matter of fact it is the only language that can be 'heard' to any extent on the subway express."

**AN APPEAL TO CAMPERS.**

Patriot of the Hoe Admonishes Them to Aid in Forest Preservation.

I want again to raise my voice in an appeal for care of the forest, says Casper Whitney, in Outing Magazine. Help the president and the forest service in their magnificent efforts to preserve our woods. Be sure before you leave your camp that every last bit of your cooking fire has been extinguished, and then scrape dirt over the ashes, so the wind may not stir into destructive life the supposedly dead embers you have left. No single inimical element is more of a menace to forest conservation than the devastating fires which every autumn sweep across great tracts because of careless campers who "thought" they put out their camp fire.

And if you thus aid the president and the forest service you serve your country and your own interest—because the preservation of our forest lands concerns every citizen in America, and intimately concerns our agricultural interests. Every intelligent reader knows that the agricultural interests come very near to being the commercial bulwark of America; "poor crops, tight money," is a saying which ought to be familiar with newspaper readers.

**BASE OF THIRD CENTURY.**

Relic of Early Italian Art That Is Valued at a Very High Figure.

Another family treasure of great value which has since passed into the keeping of the nation is the Portland vase, now exhibited in the British museum. This vase came from Italy, and what its age is no man knows, though it has been proved that in A. D. 235, it was deposited in a sepulcher under the Monte del Grano, three miles from Rome, and it is believed to have contained the ashes of the Emperor Severus. But, whether or no, Pope Urban VIII. had it dug up; and for more than two centuries it reposed in the Barberini palace at Rome. In 1786 the duke of Portland purchased it from Sir William Hamilton for 1,029 guineas, and deposited it in the British museum 15 years later. The vase is only ten inches high. In 1845 a man named Lloyd, employed at the museum, picked up a stone and hurled it in a fit of frenzy at the case which contained the precious relic. The vase was smashed into hundreds of pieces, but with great ingenuity they were all put together again, and as it now stands is said to be worth at the very least, \$75,000.

**INDIANS' THANKSGIVING.**

Red Men of Reservations Take Great Interest in White Man's Feast Day.

Even our reservation Indians take a great interest in Thanksgiving day. Of course they show their Indian nature in their gaming and feasting, but at their corn dance with which the day's celebration closes, they offer thanks to the Great Spirit for the harvest, and the resident priest is invited to bless the food provided for the feast.

The Cheyennes and Apaches sometimes give a pony smoke, other tribes are invited to a feast of their best

**YOUNG MEN WANTED**  
**FOR STREET RAILWAY SERVICE.**

Wages. The highest paid by any company. Permanency. No discharges except for misconduct or inefficiency. Increasing pay. Salary increases with length of service. Promotions. Competent men are promoted to official positions.

For further information apply or write to

**KARL S. BARNES,**  
82 Water Street, - - Boston, Mass  
Mention this paper.

game and vegetables, and on their departure for home, the head of each family is presented with a good pony. As there are sometimes several hundred families as guests, you can understand that only wealthy tribes can afford to give a pony smoke, but each tribe in their own way show that the spirit of thankfulness is not a stranger to them.

**Hard to Quench.**

Cholly—Do you think this champagne is very dry.

Jimmy—It must be. It makes me fearfully thirsty.—Detroit Free Press.

**MUST MURDER TO QUALIFY**

Club of Cut-Throats in Paris Composed of Youths Who Have Taken Life.

The "Five Points," the meaning of whose name is unexplained, are a cheerful gang of cutthroats just discovered. Their dark deeds read like gory stories of pirates of old.

A young fellow of 20, arrested for having shot down and half killed a woman whom he had never seen before in the boulevard de Clichy, told the police, "All I meant to do was to qualify."

On the further inquiry it was found that he was a probationary member of the "Five Points" gang. He had been accepted as a candidate for full honors five months ago, and had gone about with the gang on business. But he lacked the necessary qualification for complete membership.

The first rule of the cutthroats' club is that "every full member must have at least once killed or attempted to kill some man or woman." Robbery, burglary, arson and other minor crimes qualify you for only the probationary stage, that reached by our hero.

For five months he vainly tried to screw up his courage to the sticking place, and was despaired as being too full of the milk of human kindness by the band of brothers, for whom he acted as a mere tag, not on a footing of equality with them.

At last, taunted by them to desperation, he, he said: "I will bear it no longer; I will kill somebody this instant," and a woman passing by him as he spoke, he added: "Here goes!" and fired his revolver point blank at her temple.

The woman, who is in a hospital, may recover, but will lose one eye. The "Five Points" brothers, all of whom by the rules of their club have taken or attempted lives, are still at large.

**Children's Spring Tonic.**

After a long winter the children's blood flows sluggishly, the bowels are irregular and the channels of the body clogged. This is the chance for which disease has been lying in wait. No time should be lost in cleansing the blood and regulating the stomach with a good spring medicine. For children's ailments nothing equals Dr. Tru's Worm Expeller. A few doses will expel worms (any as one up the whole system). As other expellers cannot be found, twenty thousand bottles are sold in March alone. Price, 35c a six-months.

**Products of the Orient.**

We give greater values than any other importing house in the United States.

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We supply our customers with any amount desired; all orders regardless of size receive prompt and careful attention.

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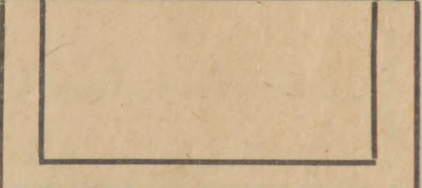
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MAINE WOODS and MAINE WOODSMAN respectfully announce, the arrival of the Latest and Best Type, for Wedding Cards and Invitations. Special Engravings are furnished to those who desire them. Your order would be appreciated.

At Home After March 19th, Phillips, Me.

**Dainty Birth Cards.**

Among many other things, we print birth cards like diagram below.



On the small card is given the babies' name and date of birth; on the large one, the parents' name and residence.

These cards are fastened together with a bow of ribbon, put into a small envelope, and present a very neat and dainty appearance.

Prices \$2.50 for fifty, and after the first fifty 2c a piece.

J. W. BRACKETT CO.,  
Phillips, - - Maine.

**CLUBBING OFFER.**

We have made arrangements whereby we can make the following offer:

The Tri Weekly Tribune,	\$1.50
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Maine Woodsman, 1 year,	\$1.50
Our price	\$3.00
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Maine Woods and	
Maine Woodsman, 1 year,	\$1.50
Our price,	\$4.00
	\$2.75
Address,	
MAINE WOODSMAN, Phillips, Maine.	

**Wedding Announcements.**

MAINE WOODSMAN has recently purchased a lot of new type especially for Wedding announcements and invitations.

This new outfit is of the best that is made, has increased our wedding business materially and we appreciate it.

To still further call the attention of the public to this department of our printing, we have decided to offer to all newly married couples who have their wedding announcements printed at the MAINE WOODSMAN office, a free subscription too MAINE WOODS and MAINE WOODSMAN for one year, free of charge.

We have a neat line of samples to show customers and invite them to call.

J. W. BRACKETT COMPANY,  
Phillips, Maine.



One Cent a Word.

Under this heading small, undisplayed advertisements, such as "Wants," "For Sale," "Situations Wanted," etc., will be inserted for 10 a word each week. The address will be charged as part of the advertisement, and each initial of name and combination of figures count as a word. Stamps or cash with order.

**COLUMBIA DISC GRAPHOPHONE** and 22 records, cost \$35, will sell for \$30. In perfect condition. Arthur Shepard.

**FOR SALE**—One pair of horses weighing about 2,500 p. unus; one colt about 5 years old weighing about 1,350 pounds. Apply to BERDY, Phillips Me.

Wanted

**WANTED**—Manuscript to typewrite at fair prices. E. W. GOODWIN, 51 Perham St., Farmington, Maine.

**BOYS** OR GIRLS or attractive young ladies wanted.—If you have only a few spare hours, you can employ them profitably and earn money for Xmas; if you want to give your entire time to the work you can earn a nice living. The best of it is, you don't need any money to start. A complete outfit free. F. O. DRAWER NO 999, Buffalo, N. Y.

**WANTED**—By Chicago wholesale and mail order house, assistant manager (man or woman) for this county and adjoining territory. Salary \$20 and expenses paid weekly; expense money advanced. Work pleasant; position permanent. No investment or experience required. Write at once for full particulars and enclose self addressed envelope. COOPER & CO., 132 Lake St., Chicago, Ill.

FARMINGTON NEWS.

Special correspondence to Maine Woodsman  
FARMINGTON, Dec. 26, 1905.

Geo. Purlington, Jr., principal of the Houlton High school is spending the holidays with his parents Prof. and Mrs. Geo. C. Purlington.

The college boys are home for their Christmas vacation.

Deputy W. B. Small of Kingfield was in town Thursday on official business.

Mr. Norton of Brookton, Mass. visited his friend, Miss Maude Preston through Christmas.

H. M. Pierce of King & Bartlett camps left home for the Boston Sportsmen's show Wednesday.

M. and Mrs. L. B. Bangs and family entertained the following guests at dinner Sunday: R. Hanley Smith and wife, Roger Smith, Lynwood Nelson and wife, Pearl Nelson, Ralph Nelson, Mrs. Wm. Tarbox, Mrs. Elizabeth W. Cothren, Roy Atkinson.

The past week has been filled with the glad spirit of Christmastide, the streets being filled with crowds of merry shoppers. Christmas eve and evening the various churches in town recognized the occasion with proper services. Altogether the holidays thus far have been of the pleasantest nature. The good sleighing we have had has brought out many sleighing parties in all kinds of rigs, from the old-time high backed sleighs to the most up to date livery turnout.

Deputy Lester D. Eaton has been quite busy of late. Last week he captured four boxes of whiskey at East Wilton, all of which has been libelled.

A hobo from Rumford Falls who gave his name as Samuel Speakman was arrested Tuesday week by Deputy Eaton and was given sixty days in jail by Judge Fenderson.

Rice & Paine deserve praise for the tasteful manner in which their show windows were trimmed through Christmas. It was the work of Mrs. George Thomas.

Mrs. Eugene McLain of New Vineyard was accidentally run over Saturday afternoon by a team belonging to Wilfred McLeary. The accident happened on the corner near the First National bank. Luckily Mrs. McLain came out of the affair with only a few bad bruises.

Varnum pond water is being talked more and more of late and it is now a foregone conclusion that the annual town meeting will be the theatre of water warfare next spring when those in favor of the present system and the gravity plan will array their forces.

This week W. C. York announces in our advertising columns his new livery, feed and boarding stable on Church street. It is the intention of Mr. York to conduct a thoroughly up to date stable.

The last days before Christmas the large windows of Arbo C. Norton presented a beautiful display of hankerchiefs. The window was dressed in a particularly attractive manner.

Among the places of business in town that had crowds of shoppers last week and this were: H. P. White & C., Gushoe Furniture Co., J. C. Metcalf, J. E. McLeary, Wilfred McLeary, J. F. Norton, Miss A. L. Turner and M. H. Blaisdell.

Easily Convinced.

It needs little argument to convince the woman that marriage is a failure when she is allowed to play ragtime tunes on a washboard five days a week to entertain some loafer who calls her wife.

No Room for Doubt.

Maude—I wonder if Elvira and young Greening are engaged? I'm sure he proposed to her.

Clara—Then it's a cinch they are engaged.—Chicago Daily News.

WOMEN AND THEIR JEWELS.

Nervousness Sometimes Causes Them to Create Unnecessary Alarm.

"Oh, Mr. Lecoq, my jewels, worth \$20,000, have been stolen. I suspect my maid."

"Calm yourself, madam," said the great detective. "In what places do you usually hide away these things?" The woman mentioned seven places, and Lecoq had them all searched, relates the Philadelphia Bulletin. In the last, a bandbox, the jewels lay intact. The lady had forgotten that she had put them there.

"And now," said Lecoq, "let this be a lesson to you. Don't, the next time you mislay a ring or a necklace, accuse somebody of theft. I don't believe there is a jewel-owning woman living who hasn't at one time or another declared herself robbed of some trinket which was later on turned up in a forgotten hiding place."

"It happens too often on Atlantic liners that some passenger declares a watch or a bracelet missing. She has all the stewards on board searching and her room steward feels uncomfortable. Sometimes, indeed, she roundly accuses the room steward of theft. And then, a day or two later, the lost article is found in the bottom of her steamer trunk, and the woman is sorry that she was so hasty."

"Men are more careful than women in throwing out reckless accusations of theft. I suppose it is because, living out in the world, men realize that they must always answer for their words. Women live at home, and in a crisis they say unanswerable things to and about people as recklessly as they say such things to and about their children."

MINISTER SAVED SITUATION

Gave the Congregation Something to Do While He Went Home for His Sermon.

The bishop of Llandaff at Newport mislaid his robes and had to preach without them, and elsewhere a clergyman forgot that he had undertaken to conduct the service which was consequently dispensed with.

But in neither case, says Modern Science, did the people suffer from clerical remissness like a Scottish congregation mentioned in his reminiscences by Sir Archibald Geikie, who tells how the minister neglected to bring the manuscript of his sermon and had to make time to go home, a mile off, and fetch it. Almost distracted, he gave out the one hundred and nineteenth Psalm, and directly the congregation began to sing the first of the 176 verses he rushed away to the manse, from which he by and by returned to the church breathless, finding the clerk waiting uneasily.

"How are you getting on?" he gasped.

"Oh, sir," said the clerk, "they've got to the end of the eighty-fourth verse, an' they're cheepin' like wee mice!"

The pious congregation was exhausted, but the situation was saved.

Saver and Miser.

The miser is the poorest of men, for, while he lives solely for self, he gets less out of life than any other man says the St. Louis Star-Chronicle. He has money, but denies himself the things that money can buy. In making money the end, instead of the means, of life he narrows his purposes and achievements down to nothingness. But the despicable example of one miser nor 1,000 can ever shake the firm foundation upon which rest wholesome saving and thrift. The soul of thrift is saving. Most men who have learned the trick of making millions at a single deal first learned how to double their pennies. To the man who would become rich the habit of saving, once firmly fixed, is his most important capital.

Profanity in Conversation.

Suppose some seemingly sanctified person should go around the streets uttering audible prayers in the hearing of other people and mixing them up with his conversation, says the Douglas (Kan.) Tribune. People would call him crazy and would look for an excuse for sending him to an asylum. The general opinion would be that he was daffy. And yet there are fellows by the dozen who in public and private mix senseless oaths and causeless profanity with their conversation. Why should the man whose seeming devotion to Divinity exceeds good sense and propriety be graded as a lunatic while the numerous fellow who is given to causeless cursing be regarded as all right, only a little rough in his talk?

Wire Wheels for Autos.

English automobile manufacturers are experimenting with wire wheels in the belief that, weight for weight, they are stronger than those of wood of the artillery variety. This would be a practical return to first principles, as all the early types of self-propelled vehicles were equipped with wire wheels.

CURTAINS ON STREET CARS

Used on the Front End to Give the Motorman a Clearer View of the Track.

"Why do the motormen draw together the narrow green curtains that are on the front doors of their cars?" repeated a bright little conductor on a street car. "I am asked this question every day, and it is not because it shuts off the wind from the front of the car, as is generally supposed. When the electric lights are turned on in the interior of the cars at dusk, they have a tendency to throw a reflection from the glass in the doors and the front windows upon the glass of the vestibule. This reflection affects the motorman's eyes and interferes with a clear sight ahead. By drawing the curtains the reflection is shut off, and the front platform is placed in semiobscurity, after the fashion of the cab of a steam engine, which, as is well known, is in utter darkness except for the very small lights over the steam gauge and the clock. The curtains are a fine idea, for the darker the platform is the better the motorman can see his course."

"The motormen of this city are much gratified at the success of the movement for vestibules on motor cars. It was a long time coming, but, backed by public sentiment, the welcome vestibules have come to stay. We have had sufficient cold weather this fall to put the vestibules to a practical test. The men can perform much better service, as they used to become so benumbed by cold that they could work their brakes only with difficulty, and could not respond to the calls of the conductors as readily as when the blood freely circulates. While the vestibules are open on the sides, the front glasses are arched, and as satisfactory a protection is afforded as may be expected under the circumstances. In the old days the driving snow beating into the faces of the motormen blinded their eyes and rendered accidents possible, to say nothing of the physical suffering of the men."

IN NEED OF RATTLERS.

Man Who Wouldn't Drink Unless as a Remedy for Snake-Bite.

Recently a Portland firm that deals in fish and game received from a man in an Idaho town this startling order: "Gentlemen—Please ship me at once, COD, one dozen live rattlesnakes. Must be good biters."

Not having as many live rattlesnakes on hand as the order called for, says the Portland Oregonian, the firm could not make the shipment; but a letter was sent to the Idaho man inquiring as to why he wanted the rattlers. Here is an excerpt from the letter received in reply:

"Three months ago I swore off from drinking whisky. I was determined to quit, so I took a solemn oath never to drink another glass of whisky unless I should be bitten by a rattlesnake and need the liquor as an antidote. Rattlesnakes are mighty scarce in this part of the country. I have been out hunting for rattlers every day this month, but have found none. Now, I am a man of my word. I do not intend to violate my oath. Surely you can get some rattlesnakes for me. Never mind the cost! I'll pay it. Please ship at once. This is important."

BAYBERRIES FOR CANDLES.

Old-Time Custom of Making Aromatic Tapers Recently Revived.

The revival of many an old-time industry has brought into vogue the bayberry candle, beloved of our grandmothers, and here and there along country byways men and women may now be found garnering the aromatic berries, which some enterprising woman has engaged to make into candles, says the Providence Journal.

It requires a quart of berries to make one candle. They should be kept in a dry place till ready to use, then put into a preserve kettle, allowing two quarts of water to one of berries. They should be boiled for four hours, filling up the kettle with hot water as it boils away. Then set it back where it will simmer awhile, and at night set away to cool. In the morning the wax will have formed in a large cake on top of the water, and after melting and straining through a piece of fine lawn or cheese cloth, it is ready to pour into the candle molds. These candles give out a sweet, aromatic odor, which perfumes the room.

Man's Lifting Power.

The lifting power of a youth of 17 years is 280 pounds; in his twentieth year this increases to 320 pounds; in the thirtieth and thirty-first year it reaches its height, 365 pounds. At the end of the thirty-first year the strength begins to decline, very slowly at first. By the fortieth year it has decreased eight pounds, and this diminution con-

tinues at a slightly increasing rate until the fiftieth year is reached, when the figure is 330 pounds. After this period the strength fails more and more rapidly until the weakness of old age is reached. It is not possible to give statistics of the decline of strength after the fiftieth year, as it varies to a large extent in different individuals.—Chicago Journal.

Too Risky.

Occasionally a bachelor can be induced to kiss a baby girl, though he hasn't nerve enough to tackle one nearer his own size.

A Saving.

Redd—Do you play golf on Sunday? Greene—No, I go to church. "Doesn't it hurt your game, skipping a day that way?" "Oh, no; I think it helps it." "How so?" "I save a lot of balls."—Yonkers Statesman.

Furious Fighting.

"For seven years," writes Geo. W. Hoffman, of Harper, Wash., "I had a bitter battle, with chronic stomach and liver trouble, but at last I won, and cured my diseases, by the use of Electric Bitters. I unhesitatingly recommend them to all, and don't intend in the future to be without them in the house. They are certainly a wonderful medicine, to have cured such a bad case as mine." Sold, under guarantee to do the same for you, by W. A. D. Cragin, Phillips; C. E. Dyer, Strong; druggists, at 50c. a bottle. Try them today.

New Livery, Feed and Boarding Stable.

I am fully prepared to take care of boarding and transient horses and can also furnish anything in a fine double or single hitch. Please give my livery a trial.

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SLEIGHING IS FINE.

Why not take a drive one of these nice days? We can furnish you any kind of a hitch you want.

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The New Up To Date Lunch Room

Leroy E. Weeks, Prop., Farmington.

21 Breakfasts, \$3.00; 21 Dinners, \$3.50; Suppers, \$3.00; regular meals by week, \$3.00; regular meals and room by week, \$4.00; meals and room by day, \$1.00.

**DANA O. COOLIDGE,**  
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Farmington, Maine.

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Why send your laundry work out of the county when you can get it done here satisfactorily? Either gloss or domestic finish.

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Stratton, Jan. 1.  
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If you are in the market for an engine just drop in or drop me a card, and I am sure I can interest you.

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Farmington, - Maine.

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**Arbo C. Norton.**

**Happy New**

**Year to You.**

I wish to thank all my customers for their kind patronage through the past year and respectfully ask for a continuance of the same.

Come in and look over our line of New Year's gifts.

**Arbo C. Norton,**

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**NEW YEAR'S  
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You will find a good stock of new goods fresh from the markets, nothing carried over from years past.

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Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, Leg-gins and Overshoes for ladies, gents, girls, boys and children. Call and examine goods before buying elsewhere.

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In these days live merchants are looking for profit. They are placing their advertisements where, in their best judgement, they will do them the most good. Time was, we are told, when the store keeper used to give the newspaper man an advertisement, "just to help out the paper."

That would be considered a senseless performance now.

We want advertisements from people who want to get their money's worth out of their advertising.

We want advertisements from people who intend to give their advertisements some care and attention.

We want advertisements from business people who realize that they have something to say to the more than ten thousand readers of MAINE WOODSMAN, if they would make their business all that it should be.

To such people, the MAINE WOODSMAN advertising columns present indeed a rare bargain.

The MAINE WOODSMAN has the readers—more than ten thousand of them—without which all advertising would be a failure—money thrown away.

But IT PAYS to advertise in MAINE WOODSMAN. If in doubt try it.

Classified advertisements only one cent a word.

**MAINE WOODSMAN,**  
Phillips Maine.



Phillips and Vicinity.

—Mrs. Hannah Mosher is visiting her son, George P. Ramsdell in Weld.

—Miss Everdene Sweetser went to Farmington Wednesday to visit her brother, Elgin Sweetser and family.

—Misses Lillian Sweetser and Everdene Shepard clerked for G. B. Sedgeley through the holidays.

—Miss Mabel Hescock is working at Norton's candy store in Farmington through the holidays.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Cushman of Cambridge, spent Christmas in Phillips with relatives.

—Mr. C. D. Campbell of Portland has been visiting his friend, Miss Ezma Springer.

—Roy Atkinson went to Boston Wednesday morning to attend the Sportsman's show in the interests of MAINE WOODS.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Austin and daughter, Ruth spent Christmas with Mr. Austin's mother, Mrs. A. F. Austin at Farmington.

—Mrs. Hattie Farmer and daughter, Ethel of Portland came to Phillips Saturday to spend a few days with her daughter, Mrs. John Lovejoy.

—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Greenwood spent Christmas with Deacon and Mrs. A. M. Greenwood at Farmington who had a family dinner party.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Ohandler had a dinner party last Sunday and included the families of C. E. Parker and W. B. Butler.

—The regular meeting of Phelan lodge, No. 30, D. of H., will be held this Thursday evening. A full attendance is desired.

—North Franklin Grange will hold an all day's meeting Saturday, Jan. 6, picnic dinner, third and fourth degrees to be worked in the forenoon.

—CLARA FRENCH Sec'y.

—A very pretty Christmas tree was at the home of Mrs. Nellie McKeen on Christmas night. It was well laden and much enjoyed by the various members of the family who were present.

—Mr. W. M. Nelson's family had a pretty tree at their home Christmas night. Santa Claus appeared and distributed the many pretty and useful presents in a satisfactory manner.

—Perley Phillips is gaining slowly after several weeks of serious illness. He is grateful to his friends who by words of sympathy and deeds of love help to while away the long hours.

—~~Frank~~ Phillips began harvesting ice on the mill pond Dec. 26. It is of good quality and twelve inches thick. He has recently built an ice house 18 feet square and 18 feet high. The walls are double with space of 18 inches filled with sawdust.

—A horse belonging to Chas. Wilbur, who drives a fish and grocery team, while standing in front of Wilbur's store munching his noonday oats, Tuesday, became frightened at something and dashed up Main street. When in front of H. F. Beedy's residence, the outfit collided with an electric light pole. It was here that the horse cleared himself from the harness and sled and ran with great speed toward the upper village where he was captured by someone soon after. The sled was badly damaged but no one was injured.

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ACHED IN EVERY BONE.

Chicago Society Woman Who Was So Sick She Could Not Sleep or Eat, Cured by Doan's Kidney Pills.

When a woman's kidneys go wrong, her back gives out and every little task becomes a burden. She is tired, nervous, sleepless, run down—suffers daily from headache, neurachia, dizzy spells, and bearing-down pains.

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A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Miss Knight will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sold by all druggists. Two fifty cents per box.

Phillips and Vicinity.

—Miss Blanche Presson, who is employed in this office, spent Christmas at her home in S rong.

—A merry sleighing party came to town Monday evening from Strong. The party consisted of Dr and Mrs. C. W. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Guild, Mr. P. Stubbs, Misses Grace Lamb, Mattie Bell, Bertha Frank, Mr. J. H. Bell. The party came with a pair of horses and on arrival were royally entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bell. An elaborate lunch was served during the evening and some fine vocal and instrumental music was rendered. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Beedy and Messrs Geo. D. Bangs and George Hennings were also guests of the evening, which was one of great pleasure.

STYLES IN PLAYING CARDS

Backs Are Decorated with Pictures in Keeping with the Seasons.

In the fall output of playing cards several new styles of decoration for the backs of the cards are shown. Some decks, which were apparently put upon the market at the beginning of horse show week, says the New York Sun, are ornamented with the pictured heads of hunters and jumpers; others represent gorgeous masses of chrysanthemums, while on still others the football hero holds forth.

In many houses in which cards form the chief amusement the scenes on the backs of the cards vary with the seasons. In summer the dawdler over whist and casino can acquire a reduced temperature by contemplating waterfalls and forest vistas on the cards in her opponent's hand, while in winter the blood may be quickened by the sight of a snowy landscape.

The various sports, too, are all represented in their season. Several years ago when the cycling craze was at its height it was the fashion to decorate playing cards with bicycles. In the last two years the wheels have been superseded by automobiles. Many clubs and societies have their cards made to order, in which case the badge of the order forms the decoration. So important is this phase of decorative art considered by the manufacturers of playing cards that they keep in their employ persons whose sole business it is to study out new designs appropriate to the time and season.

FIERCE AND DEADLY TIDES.

Phenomenal Rise and Fall of the Sea Along the Breton Coast of France.

A Philadelphia girl was recently overtaken and drowned by the incoming tide on the west coast of France. A transplanted Breton said of this fatality:

"Can you, who see your own tides crawl in at the rate of ten feet or so an hour, imagine tides racing like wild white horses up the flat sands at the rate of half a mile a minute?"

"The extraordinary flatness of our Breton coasts gives us these phenomenal tides. The sea does not rise and fall. It appears and disappears. You have a vast and flat plain of sand. At a set hour the sea rushes in, white, wild, submerging this vast plain. At a set hour an unseen hand sucks the water back—30, 40, 50 miles—and nothing is visible but the plain white sand again.

Woe unto such as walk on this desolate plain when the tide begins to rise, for they must drown! Nothing can save them."

Origin of "Lunch."

A "lunch" etymologically, is just a lump; in the sixteenth century a "lunch of bacon" meant merely a slice or hunk of it. So Burns speaks of bread and cheese "dealt about in lunches," and Scott records that "little Benjie was ramming a huge luncheon of pie-crust into his mouth." While in modern times "lunch" is an abbreviation from "luncheon," the latter was originally an elongation of "lunch." A philologist shows how the old "noon-shenk," noon-drink, came to mean noon-eating, and to appear as "nun-shoon;" and the development thereafter of "luncheon" from "lunch" was very natural.

Direct Information.

Neighbors—I say, Sloboy, when are you going to move?

Sloboy—Why, I have no intention of moving. What put that idea into your head?

"Your landlord."—Chicago Daily News.

A Fearful Fate.

It is a fearful fate to have to endure the terrible torture of Piles, "I can truthfully say," writes Harry Colson, of Masonville, Ia., "that for Blind, Bleeding, Itching and Protruding Piles, Bucklen's Arnica Salve, is the best cure made." Also best for cuts, burns and injuries 25c at W. A. D. Cragin, Phillips; C. E. Dyer, Strong; druggists.

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STRONG NEWS.

Special correspondence to Maine Woodsmen  
**STRONG, Dec. 26, 1905.**

Miss Nellie Porter of North Anson is visiting at J. W. Burbank's.

Mrs. Belle Knowlton has returned from a visit to Portland and vicinity.

Mrs. Ida Graffam of Phillips recently visited her sister, Mrs. L. A. Witham.

Tuesday evening, Dec. 19, the Eastern Star held a special meeting in Masonic hall, at which the degree was conferred on four candidates, after which a social good time was enjoyed by all. Then the people assembled to the dining hall, where was served a bountiful supper, which consisted of sandwiches, assorted cake and coffee.

W. H. Conant was home from Iowa City and spent Christmas with his family.

Mrs. John F. Norton and Mrs. H. N. Luce visited friends in New Vineyard last week.

Miss Freda Fogg was in Farmington recently.

Ralph Worthley is home from Portland for the holidays.

Miss Elizabeth True spent Christmas with friends in Phillips.

Frank Goldsmith was home from Dixfield last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Kingsley were in Farmington Saturday.

Miss June Harlow spent Christmas with her sister, Mrs. L. G. Kackliffe at Bigelow.

C. L. Farrar of Barberton, Ohio, has been visiting friends in town.

Robert Stubbs and Earle Richardson were home from Bowdoin college for Christmas.

There being no Christmas festivals in town the following ladies and gentlemen had trees for their Sunday school classes: Mrs. May Lewis, Emma Dickey, Annie Howard, Mrs. Eva Guild and Frank Worthley. W. A. Bradford and F. L. Dyer had trees in the evening.

Miss Nora Stevens was home from her school in Kingfield Christmas.

Miss Cora Small was in Farmington shopping Friday.

Ben Jones and Lawrence Winslow were home from Lewiston Christmas.

Mrs. Emily Nash of Auburn is visiting at W. H. Dyer's.

The cottage prayer meeting was held at Nelson Walker's Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Daisy Worthley spent Christmas with friends in North Buckfield.

Mrs. B. P. McKeen spent Christmas with her son, W. B. McKeen at Phillips.

George Porter of Brooklyn, N. Y., has been visiting friends in town for the past few days.

George Porter and wife of Auburn spent Christmas with the latter's sister, Mrs. Austin Gilman.

The Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. C. V. Starbird Wednesday afternoon. The subject for discussion was Charles Saigent.

Otis Witham of Phillips was a recent caller in town.

Mrs. B. H. Rickert and two children and Mrs. Chapman and child have returned to Gloucester, Mass.

Leon Dolbier of Salem spent Christmas at W. M. Valliers.

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Presents

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**STRONG, - - MAINE.**

Miss Ethel Farmer of Portland visited friends in town last week.

Wednesday evening, Dec. 20, occurred the Annual Reading Club supper at the home of George Will. The first part of evening was devoted to sociability etc. Then the guests adjourned to the dining room and partook of a baked-bean supper. Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Shaw and son Harold, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Starbird and Ray, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Mason, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bradford, L. L. Partridge and wife, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Will and son Donald, Mrs. Nelson Walker, Mrs. Henry Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. David Blechardson, Mrs. Ellen Kilkenny, Misses Caro Jacobs, Freda Fogg, Avis Welch, June Harlow, James Welch, Breyfus Clark, Leslie Vining, Verne and George Richardson, Harold Welch. A very pleasant evening was enjoyed by all present.

All are glad to see Mrs. Marie Harris on the streets once more.

Charles Witing is at work in the woods at Bigelow.

Mr. F. C. Worthley has been engaged to sing in the choir at the M. E. church Farmington.

Charles Gilman and Henry Mitchell were out from the woods at Carrabassett Christmas.

A very pretty home wedding was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Allen, when their second daughter Cora B. was united in marriage to Benj. Jones, one of Strong's popular young men and son of W. L. Jones, only the immediate families being present. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. H. Hall at 8 o'clock Monday afternoon. The happy pair will reside in Auburn where Mr. Jones is employed. Mr. Jones is a graduate from the Strong High School in the class of 1900; he is also a graduate of Bliss College, Lewiston.

Mr. Frank Mendall spent Christmas at New Vineyard.

Hammond Richardson was in Farmington Tuesday.

Miss Ella Winter spent Christmas at her home in New Portland.

Miss Blanche Boston is visiting friends in Jay, Maine.

Jeffrey Clinton has returned to his home in Livermore Falls.

Miss Dorothy McKeen of Phillips visited her grandmother, Mrs. B. P. McKeen, the first of the week.

Bert Hartwell has returned from his visit to Massachusetts.

Mrs. Emma Roberts of Wiscasset is visiting her sister, Mrs. Sherman Mitchell, during the holidays.

A pair of horses and load of ice belonging to Fred Flynt of South Strong broke through the ice on the river where they were standing Saturday and a bad accident was narrowly averted. Mr. Flynt was cutting ice at this point and had just finished loading his sled when without warning the ice gave way and the sled and horses were precipitated into the water, which was so deep at this place that it entirely covered the animals backs, only their heads remaining out. Assistance was hastily summoned and by cutting a lane through the ice from the place where the accident occurred to the shore the team was finally driven to the barn, apparently none the worse for their unexpected ducking.

Ephraim Johnson of South Strong is receiving a visit from his mother, Mrs. Bean of Colebrook, N. H.

LION FEARS THE OSTRICH.

King of Beasts Will Run Away from Bird Whose Kick He Is Afraid Of.

There is only one thing of which the lion is afraid, according to Schillings, the Young German African traveler, and that is the ostrich.

The bird is more fleet than the quadruped, and it can deliver its terrible kick with the precision and impact of a pugilist's blow and spring away till it gets another opening. Such tactics naturally disgust the superior being.

The lion has a weakness, however, for ostrich eggs and will make a meal of them whenever the vigilance of the parent bird is relaxed.

Schillings saw a lion once with the tempting pile of eggs before him, and he was about to regale himself when the owners of the property appeared and the beast slunk off like a whipped cur.

Schillings considers it is an open question whether the hunting of the lion, leopard, buffalo, elephant or rhinoceros is the most dangerous. On the whole, however, he thinks that if he were hunting without supporting rifles in the hands of really great hunters he would rather take his chances with any of them than with the rhinoceros.

This animal is remarkably fleet, considering its bulk, and when it makes a charge it is next to impossible to get away from it. Then is the time when a comrade with a good gun and steady nerve is needed to distract the animal's attention.

BEGINNING OF FOOTBALL.

Believed to Have Had Its Origin as Part of the Sun Worship of Celts.

A book published at Venice in 1555 by Antonio Coaino relates methods of play in a real football that was actually called by the same name. The field "was so large that no one, however strong, could quite throw a stone from one end to the other," and it was about half as wide. Twenty, 30 or 40 persons could participate on a side, the number being regulated by the size of the available field. Goals were set up at either end. No one was permitted to strike the ball with the outstretched arm or with anything he might carry in his hand. Nevertheless, he was permitted to "strike the ball with whatever part of his body that he pleased." If the ball came rolling toward him he was allowed to kick it, the inference being that if it were lying still he could not do so. The field was divided by a transverse line "into two equal parts, and in the middle lay the ball. The players, were chosen, those who were going to make up the opposing parties, by means of colors, by which, in the struggle of the contest, each could recognize his own side. When the signal was given by the roll of the drum or the blast of a trumpet a player rushed forward, one who had been chosen by lot to be the first to kick the ball with his foot. This action was understood to be the beginning of the contest, so that after it, it was permitted to no one from either party to seize it, to strike it, and to drive it as victor over the goal. It was perhaps from the method of the beginning of the game that it was called football.

These Italian games had their origin in the ancient pastimes of the Greeks and Romans, and in reality approach nearer to the modern idea of football than do the beginnings of the game in modern countries. Football is believed by some authorities to have been a portion of the worship of the Celtic sun god, one of the rites attendant on the celebrative ceremonies. Some also hold a strong belief that its original form was introduced into England by the Romans.

IMPOSITIONS IN EATABLES.

Various Articles Sold in France Are Not What They Are Represented to Be.

When you order truffles in France you are likely to get something you are not paying for. The French people know that the truffle is at times adulterated, and what is palmed off for truffle, says the New York Times, is often black rubber or black silk or softened leather or roasted potatoes, which are given a peculiar flavor by adding ether. It is said these substitutes sell well.

In Paris, where snails are very popular they are adulterated with lungs of cattle and horses. Even entire snails are manufactured. The discarded shells of snails which have been eaten are recoated with fat and slime and filled with lung tissue and then sold as Burgundy snails.

French fish dealers smear vaseline over stale fishes to give them a fresh appearance. To impart the correct color to the gills of fish which have been a long time out of the water they paint the gills with eosin, a coal tar product having a red color.

Even things made in Germany are not always what they seem to be. It is stated that an ordinary liver paty is made into fine Strasburger pate de foie gras by means of borax or salicylic acid, and finely chopped and cleverly distributed pieces of black silk to represent truffles.

DURING HOLY PILGRIMAGE.

Sacred Square of Mecca Presents a Picturesque and Impressive Sight.

Like a gigantic catafalque, somber, shrouded in mystery, the Kaaba rises out of the seething sea of white garbed humanity that crowds the great, sacred square of Mecca, says Everybody's Magazine. Its door is covered with plates of solid silver, studded with silver nails. From the exterior of the roof, above a stone marking the sepulcher of Ishmael, which lies at the base of the northern wall, there projects a horizontal, semi-circular rain spout, five yards long, 24 inches wide, made of massive gold. Within, the roof is supported by three columns of aloe wood; the walls are hung with red velvet alternating with white squares in which are written in Arabic the words, "Allah-Jal-Jelalah," Praise to God the Almighty. The building is packed with pilgrims, praying, weeping, beside themselves in an ecstasy of passionate devotion. Mingled with their voices there rises from outside the chant of the Talbih, the Song of the Winding Sheet, which every pilgrim must sing on entering the Mecca, on donning the sacred Ihram, on entering the haram and on starting for Mina, the Valley of Desire, and Arafat, the Mountain of Compassion.

Eustis.

There were two well filled trees at the schoolhouse, Dec. 23 and the people all seemed to go home satisfied with their presents.

Scott Lockyer is home on a vacation from the University of Maine.

Edison Sylvester is attending the sportsman's exposition at Boston.

Mrs. Bena Savage is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Andrew Douglass.

Saved Child's Life

Mrs. Osgood J. Swan, West Paris, Me., R. F. D., No. 2, writes:—

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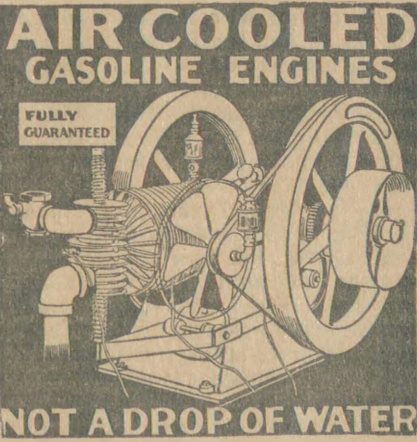
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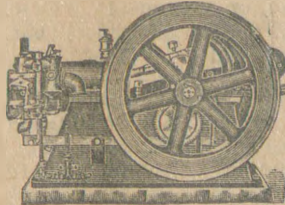
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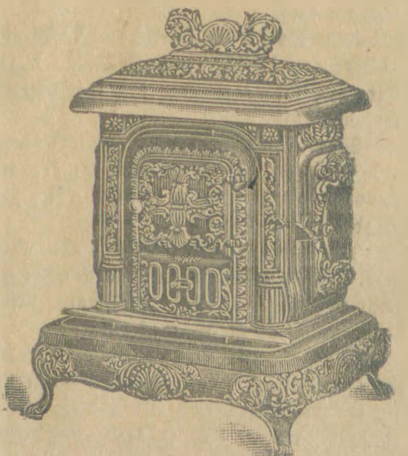
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They say he is a Jay.  
Sis and Ma go gadding,  
While he's out making hay.  
I take in the dances  
And so does brother Dan;  
Everybody up at our house,  
Works my old man!

—F. B. conference at 230 Saturday afternoon.

—Never was more delightful weather enjoyed in December than what we are now having.

—Mrs. Merry of Farmington has been for several weeks the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Greenwood.

—Kloy Kelley was absent from the MAINE WOODSMAN office a few days last week on account of illness.

—The degree was conferred on two candidates last Friday evening at the regular meeting of Hope Rebekah lodge.

—Miss Stella Bangs of Strong was in Phillips Friday night and attended the meeting of Hope Rebekah lodge.

—J. F. Hough and wife and Miss Blanche Kenniston are attending the Sportsmen's show in Boston this week.

—Guy Harden of the firm of Paul & Harden, lawyers, Boston, spent Christmas at his home in Phillips.

—Misses Annie Bean and Miriam Bracett are visiting their aunt, Mrs. W. E. Millett and family at Hallowell this week.

—Miss Mellie Timberlake of Wellesley college and Leon Timberlake of Fryeburg academy are home for the Christmas holidays.

—Several days since Mr. Sam Calden was thrown from a load of lumber injuring one leg so badly that he is yet unable to be at work.

—The Social union will meet with Mrs. C. E. Parker next Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock. Important business, including election of officers.

—Chas. E. Dill with three men and one horse team is cutting sapling pine on his farm and landing it on the railroad near his house. Berlin Mills company buy this lumber.

—The paragrapher, who is the recipient of many pleasant reminders of Christmas days, sends thanks here for a year's subscription to Everybody's Magazine, the kind remembrance of H. P. Dill, Esq., of Port Hope, Ontario.

—Mr. W. D. Buchanan, who has charge of a portable sawmill in this town, spent Christmas at his home in Athol, Mass. The sawmill of which Mr. Buchanan is superintendent was written up in a recent number of MAINE WOODSMAN.

—Charles Cushman, son of Mr. G. M. Cushman of Phillips, who has been in the employ of the Swift Packing and Provision company in Somerville, is to be removed to Chicago. Mrs. Cushman and little child are now visiting relatives at Rangeley.

—There was a Merry Christmas at Norman Calden's on the evening of the 25th, there were over twenty present. Mrs. Calden set out a table or rather two of them, loaded with tempting food. The big boiler of oyster stew was taxed to its full capacity but it held out. Cake, confectionery, apples and other good things added to the treat. Everybody had presents good and useful. The Hodges family being the recipients of a large list from L. H. Tobie, Esq., and other Portland relatives. Everybody present were happy especially the little folks.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Blanket sale, Jan. 1-6 at G. B. Sedgely's.

Who gets the music box at the Corner store on New Year's day.

Seasonable goods, S. J. Wyman, Kingfield.

New Year's gifts at Mitchell's, Kingfield.

R. F. Cook, Kingfield, has a new line of furniture.

Big line of articles for New Year's gifts at L. L. Eldridge's, Kingfield.

All the latest novelties at the store of Mrs. F. E. York, Kingfield.

Bargains for New Year's gifts, C. E. Dyer, Strong.

At the jewelry store of O. J. Bickmore, Kingfield, is a good display of New Year's gifts.

The International Red Cross Cream separator.

Frank Austin, Farmington, furnishes any kind of a hitch wanted.

Dr. J. R. Kittridge gives dates for his customers.

Remember the Phillips Hardware have lots of useful articles.

G. D. Bangs has various articles for the harness room.

Arbo C. Norton wishes his customers a Happy New Year.

New livery, feed and boarding stable. Wanted.—Manuscript to typewrite.

Estate of Hiram A. Barker.

Estate of Emma L. Kinney.

Estate of Mary Jane Dill.

Phillips and Vicinity.

—We wish our many readers a Happy New Year.

—H. F. Beedy, Esq., was in Skowhegan Tuesday on business connected with the supreme court in that town.

—Miss Cornelia T. Crosby took dinner Christmas day in Lewiston the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford on College street.

—Guy Hunter who has been dangerously ill with pneumonia at the Sisters hospital, Lewiston is now able to sit up and will be dressed in a few days.

—Elias Field of Harvard Law school and friends, Daniel Hurley, captain of the Harvard foot ball team and Wm. F. Murray, Jr., are spending a few days in town with Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Field.

—A delightful hop was enjoyed at Wilbur's hall last Wednesday given by W. H. Avery of Farmington. Music was furnished on the pianola, played by Miss Jean Cragin of Farmington and Mr. Avery, cornet.

—The installation of the new officers of Sherburne chapter O. E. S. will take place at the next regular meeting, which will be on Wednesday evening Jan. 3. Refreshments will be served and members are requested to bring anything they please.

—Mrs. Alfred McCausland, nee Leffie Kempton, who recently underwent a surgical operation for appendicitis, at her home in Gardiner is reported to be comfortable and likely to recover rapidly. Her sister, Gustie Kempton who has been with her the last five weeks is expected home this week.

—The friends of Rev. Mr. Ranney former pastor of the Congregational society will be pleased to learn that his parish in Hartford, Conn., have granted him a year's vacation, on account of a much needed rest. In company with his wife, Mr. Ranney soon sails for an extended trip abroad going to Egypt and the Holy Land.

—Mr. Leon Bartlett of Phillips and Miss Mae Jones of Medford, Mass., were married at Portland last Saturday afternoon at the Congregational parsonage on State street. They took dinner on Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Bartlett, parents of the groom in Berlin, N. H., leaving there for a trip to Montreal. There will be hearty congratulations from many friends on their return to Phillips.

INVENTS NEW EXPLOSIVE.

Railway Employe in Mexico Produces a Compound to Be Used in Mining.

An employe of the Mexican Central railway has recently applied for a Mexican patent to cover a new explosive. The claim is made that this explosive has about the same breaking strength as ordinary 40 per cent. dynamite, that used in mining. In addition to this it will do away with the usual bad effects of smoke, and it offers the advantage of being best exploded by a fuse or an electric spark, thus making the caps unnecessary. It is said that the cost of manufacturing will be very small, owing to the cheapness of the ingredients and to the simplicity of the plant that will be required. Experiments have been made with it at the mines of a metal company in Asientos, and from the report made by the company it would seem that the discovery gives promise of being worked into considerable importance. Successful tests have also been made with firearms. If the patent is allowed, a more complete series of experiments will be made with the explosive, and if successful, the parties holding an option on the patent will endeavor to establish it commercially.

Florid Language.

In the far east language has always been more florid and ambiguous than in the west. The king of Ava, in Burma, called himself the "regulator of the seasons, the absolute master of the ebb and flow of the sea, brother of the sun and lord of the four and 20 umbrellas." The king of Arracan, lower Burma, was "possessor of the white elephant and the two earrings," as well as "lord of the 12 kings who placed their heads under his feet." In the Mozambique-Zambesi region of Africa the king of Monomtopa was not only "lord of the sun and moon," but "great magician and great thief."

Royal Author.

The duchess of Buckingham and Chandos is publishing a book of stories for children which are a tradition in her family history. The tales are real children's stories which have been handed down from generation to generation. The author, who says she can remember them word by word, has written them down as they were told, first to her grandmother, then by her to the duchess' mother, who in turn passed them on to her children and grandchildren.

Hard to Tell.

Mrs. Dewtell—What is that piece that Kitty is singing?  
Mr. Dewtell—It's either an aria from "Parsifal" or she has seen a mouse and is scared.—San Francisco Call.

JAPANESE FAMINE SCENES.

Natives So Destitute That Children Are Sold to Procure Necessaries of Life.

Five hundred thousand people are starving in the famine-stricken districts of Japan, according to Tokio newspapers. An observer says: "I traveled through miles of country covered with green rice, unripened and unreaped. Only eight per cent. will pay for harvesting. There are cases where parents are selling their children. One typical case is as follows: A girl, nine years old, was offered as a servant for about one dollar, but the purchaser, on seeing the wretched condition of her dress, would only pay 36 cents. With this small sum the parents started for Hokkaido to find work, leaving an old grandmother in the house.

"This district has sent many soldiers to the front," the same writer says. "One man who recently returned, instead of being welcomed with 'Banzais!' found all his family gone, to other provinces to seek work. He eventually left, declaring that after the Manchurian fare he was unable to eat the scanty and miserable food offered him at home. Wholesale emigration to other provinces is going on. The unhappy people leave stealthily at night, to avoid their creditors, taking small bundles of their earthly belongings."

In 1902 there was a famine which is held partly responsible for the present trouble. In addition, when the Japanese soldiers left for the front the people spent their savings in enthusiastic send-offs. The soil of the mountains and hills has been turned up, owing to the search for roots, ferns and weeds, which are made into cakes.

THE SENTRY CHEWS A RAG

Some of the Odd Materials Used to Keep the World's Jaws Going.

Gum chicle, which forms the basis of most American chewing gums, is by no means the only chewing material, though chewing gum has spread over a large portion of the world.

Among the old fashioned the gum of the spruce tree is still in greater favor, and druggists near the great spruce belts drive a thriving trade in the brown lumps.

Although the chicle comes from the tropics, it is seldom used as a chewing gum there, uncured rubber being the fashion.

In Peru "cuca," or cocoa leaves, form the staple chew, the plant being a powerful stimulant, since from its leaves cocaine is extracted.

In the east the betel nut is chewed in preference, the nut being prepared with lime. To it might be accorded the place of first prominence, since because of the congestion of population practically one-tenth of the human race give it their preference.

One of the oddest chews is the leaden bullet which the English soldier used to chew before the introduction of the jacketed bullets now in use. They declared that it lessened their thirst and to some extent deadened their hunger on long marches.

Even now the soldiers chew on one of the old bullets when they are being flogged, and every soldier on sentry-go chews on a rag, although he cannot explain his action on other grounds than custom.

Births.

Weld, Dec. 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Boylston.

Marriages.

Auburn, Dec. 23, by Rev. J. True, Luther F. Turner of North Freeman and Bertha A. Gordon of Starks.

Madrid, Dec. 24, by Rev. F. E. Free, Alton Dunham of Rangeley and Sadie Voter of Madrid.

Rangeley, Dec. 25, by Rev. E. H. Prescott, Mr. George Waldo Bridgman and Miss Florence Dora Carleton, both of Rangeley.

Rangeley, Dec. 25, by Rev. E. H. Prescott, Mr. Albert Leslie Abbott of Caribou and Miss Susie Crosby of Rangeley.

Weld, Nov. 15, by Orletus Phillips, Esq., Oscar L. Chandler and Miss Louise M. Steadman, both of Washington plantation.

Perkins plantation, Dec. 23, by Orletus Phillips, Esq., Melvin T. Dill of Weld and Miss Blanche E. Topin of Perkins plantation.

Deaths.

Weld, Dec. 17, Mrs. Clara, wife of Leo Brown.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 19 Chas W. Keyes, M. D., aged 50 years, 6 mos., 2 days.

Chesterfield, Dec. 25, S. Warren Keyes, aged 83 years, 3 mos., 25 days.

Farmington, Falls Dec. 22, Mrs. Elizabeth C. Rich Crosswell, aged 71 years, 4 mos., 20 days.

Farmington, Dec. 23, Mrs. Aura A. Perham, wife of Frank P. Ladd, aged 51 years, 1 mo.  
Auburn, Dec. 23, Elwin M. Hutchins, aged 63 years, 3 mos.

Cut Flowers

And floral designs for weddings, receptions and funerals direct from the greenhouses of John Burr, florist, Freeport, Maine. Flowers of any kind in the season will be promptly furnished and the best of their kind guaranteed in every case. Especial attention given to orders for flowers of our own selection and elegant assortment given when so ordered.  
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Office at The Willows. George L. Lakin is agent for Life, Accident and Sickness Insurance.

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GEO. L. LAKIN - Phillips, Maine

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Cups, Vases, Mugs, Images; Toys and Games for the Children, 5c and up; Stationery, Wall Paper, Shades, Brass Rods, Gloves, Mittens, Braces, Hose Supporters, Hosiery for whole family; Underwear, Towels, Christmas Jewelry, Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, Candy and Nuts.

C. E. COULD, Phillips, Me.

HARDWARE.

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Remember the Phillips Hardware Company have lots of useful articles for New Year's presents, Meat Choppers, Copper-Nickel Plated Teakettles, Tea and Coffee Pots, Reed's Four-Coated Enamel Ware, Carving Sets, Sad Irons, Lamps, Skates, Razors for both Young and Old Men, Pocket Knives, all styles, Shears and Scissors, Carpenters' Tools of all kinds, Thermometers and lots of other useful things.

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Lash Whips, Sweat Pads, Sleigh Bells, Team Bells, Snaps, Brushes, Curry Combs, and a multitude of other seasonable articles for the horse owner.

A complete line of white oak goods, tough and pliable.

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I carry Sewing Machines and Pianos and invite inspection of my stock and comparison with other makes.

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One 27-inch Victor water wheel, with cylinder gate; nearly new and in first class condition; vents 250 inches and will develop horse power vents: 82 1/2 feet head; 66 1/4 feet head; 81 1/2 feet head; 97 1/8 feet head; 113 20 feet head.

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I am offering extraordinary bargains this week in China, Crockery and Glassware.

A big display on the 5 cent counter and bargains never before duplicated in town on the 10 cent counter.

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Candies and Nuts for New Year's.

I have a rare assortment and invite everybody to ask for prices.

I carry the best meats of all kinds, including Beef, Pork, Sausages and Ham,

WILLIS HARDY,

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New Year's China.

Has it ever occurred to you that a gift of China, from one to many articles, makes the kind of

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that is thoroughly appreciated? A dainty cup and saucer or an entire set of dishes makes a long to be remembered gift.

We have just received a new and complete line of China in beautiful designs, which will be sold at remarkably low prices considering the quality of the goods. An early call will ensure a good selection.

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with every pound of Formosa Oolong Tea or Pure Food Baking Powder sold at 50c per pound.

We also give pitchers, jardinières, etc., in fact, anything to suit your taste with tea at 50c per pound. You will notice that we make a free gift of the table set and the tea.

We shall carry water sets and table sets through New Year's as well as a 10 and 15-cent counter.

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A full line of Watches and Clocks that always make nice Holiday gifts. Fine Watch and Clock repairing done at short notice.

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