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**Here and There.**  
A well-known paper is advertising to give every new subscriber a scale which will weigh up to twenty-five pounds. It is a curious thing that a paper which is so well known should be so easily deceived. It is a well-known fact that a paper which is so well known should be so easily deceived.

The question before the people of Maine is a question of changing the constitution of Maine. Yes, that is a favorite cry of the advocates of license—that they should not be disturbed by arguments or measures which do not pertain strictly to a question of "constitutional law." Yet the only organization which is openly advocating a change in the constitution does not limit itself to the question of constitution, but advocates "legislation"—that is, license. If you want to limit the discussion to the propriety or expediency of having prohibition in the constitution, it is up to the Long Name League to get together and repeat its declaration of principles as a starter.

It is really almost touching to see the resentment displayed by Boston papers at the "interference" in Maine affairs of those eminent foreigners who have expressed the hope that their constituents will be retained in the Maine constitution.

Terribly touchy the license advocates are with regard to any expression of opinion favoring prohibition. Their own outside of Maine. And their own campaign "literature" is largely made up of expressions from men who never lived in Maine or any other prohibition state.

One result of the overheated spell has been to call attention anew to the absurdity of the approved masculine but when costumes are being worn, it is strained to the limit, all rules have been disregarded, but when the first breath of relief comes, convention triumphs over comfort, and instead of trying to devise and adopt some sensible form of hot weather attire, men again smother themselves.

A recently published article on an unwritten law names several which have for those to whom they apply, the force of a moral even though not a statutory code. The first article is the law that a captain must go down with his ship, and the others are somewhat like that. Most of them involve a wholly needless waste of human life, and they ought to be not unwritten, but written out of existence.

**Oxford County Society.**  
In the very commendable effort being made this season to call attention to the diverse charms of Maine scenery, and to advertise the present and future possibilities of the old Pine Tree State, it is well to keep in mind that nature has been lavish in her gifts in Old Oxford County. She has her share of beautiful lakes and streams, and more than her share of grand old hills that form a striking feature of her grand natural scenery. Not only has she dotted the landscape with hills of her own, but she can look over the border and behold the famed White Mountains in New Hampshire so widely known and admired.

Despite its rough, rocky hillsides, there are many fine fertile farms, productive apple orchards and the most hospitable homes. The county has also the "hub" of western Maine and still a place of enduring, quiet, ideal home. What time honored associations, political, literary and otherwise have gathered about this beautiful spot. It is still honored in memory and for what it is to-day. It is still a popular quiet place affording to the weary rest.

Now there are the twin villages of South Paris and Norway each with its own business and educational world. Near the pretty residence and substantial business blocks around the places and the visitor is at once most favorably impressed with their up to date appearance. In Oxford, Fryeburg, Bethel, Waterville and other places are patronized by summer visitors, who delight in pleasant environment. In fact, nearly every town in the county can and does entertain summer guests who are always pleased to come again. The hill and mountain views are indeed grand and inspiring to all who love to commune with nature in its best garb. The people are noted for their generous hospitality and courtesy. A trip among the famous hills and valleys of Oxford is a most enjoyable and restful experience. Old Oxford has the goods and they never fade.

**Specifications in Order.**  
The Fairfield Journal makes this reminder, which is being quoted, especially by the license advocates.

It is significant of the change of public opinion regarding the prohibitory amendment, that the paper makes no mention of the amendment, but rather than any other class of papers, it is the only one that does not even gradually turning to a position favoring the amendment out of the constitution.

Now that is one of those vague general statements that are difficult to prove, and impossible to prove false. It is of interest and of some significance. When in a suit, the declaration is made that the defense can't answer to it, it is customary to move to have specifications filed, which would be a very proper motion in this case. No but the Fairfield Journal seems to have noticed this change of tone on the part of the country papers. To ask it to prove such a statement is to ask it to prove too much, but at least it ought to be able to produce an item or two in the line of specifications. Show us, in the parallel columns, extracts from different issues of some one paper, so we may discover a little of this gradual change.

## THE OXFORD BEARS.

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

**Paris Hill.**  
First Baptist Church, Rev. G. W. F. Hill, pastor. Preaching every Sunday at 10:30 A. M. Sunday school at 10:15. Sabbath evening service at 7:30. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. Communion Sunday, August 6th. All persons desiring to be members of the church are cordially invited. Universalist Church, Rev. J. H. Brown, pastor. Preaching services every Sunday at 10:30 A. M.

Albert E. Davies, who has been a summer resident at Paris Hill, was fatally injured in an automobile accident near his home in Concord, N. H. Wednesday night. In company with Dr. Ralph E. Gallinger of Concord, Mr. Davies had been for a ride in Dr. Gallinger's car. On the return Dr. Gallinger, who was driving, lost control of the car in a stretch of sandy road, and it turned turtle. Dr. Gallinger was instantly killed. Mr. Davies was thrown clear of the car, but was so badly injured that he died on Sunday. Mr. Davies was 51 years of age, and leaves a wife and one daughter.

James Thompson of Portland was the guest of his mother and sister at Elmhurst over Sunday. Miss Mary Pottle of Lewiston arrived at Elmhurst Monday.

Miss Adelaide Jones arrived at the summer home here Saturday. Mrs. James of South America is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. H. W. Lyndon, at Lyndon.

Mrs. Moulton of Chicago is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Lunt, at her summer home here. Mr. Lunt, at her summer home here the present week, coming from Pennsylvania where he is touring car.

Mrs. Sheehan and daughter of Brooklyn, N. Y., are the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hooper. A curiosity which attracts much attention is a pair of cats at Charles Milliken's. They are nine months old, and weigh half a pound each. Their mother died when they were two days old, and they were brought up by hand. They have always been well fed and had good appetites, are healthy and lively, but their growth seems to have stopped.

Mrs. Esther E. Royal and daughter Kathryn returned to their home in the Whittemore District Friday, July 14th, after an absence of over a year passed with relatives and friends in New York State, New Jersey and Michigan.

Leslie E. Newell and family, having sold their home in this village, are moving to a farm near Labrador Pond, in Sumner.

Miss Mary Burdfield, with a party of friends, left Pittsburg, Pa., last Wednesday with Miss Burdfield's automobile on route for Paris Hill, where they hope to arrive on Tuesday of this week. Homer N. Chase and family of Auburn were at the Hubbard House Sunday, coming in Mr. Chase's large touring car by way of Minot and Hebron, and returning by way of Canton and Livermore.

James Oswald has purchased a very nice motor car of P. F. Ripley. He will run as a public car here this summer. Mr. Oswald has had five years' experience as a driver and comes here with excellent recommendations.

Frank Nottage of South Paris, while working for P. S. Mason on Jarvis M. Thayer's new house, was seriously hurt by the breaking of a straining post while he was working. He fell to the ground from the gable of the house and a bone in the neck was broken. Although his injury was a bad one, it is expected that he will recover.

Recent arrivals at the Hubbard House: O. D. Stinchfield, Auburn; H. F. Atwood, West Sumner; M. E. Bolster, A. W. Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Chase, Chas. Briggs, Portland; Mrs. G. T. Haviland, Mrs. Truitt, New York; Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Ham, Bangor; John Scruton, Lewiston; Chas. S. Chase, H. B. Pennell, Portland; Miss C. Beaumont, Miss M. Beaumont, Hartford, Ct.; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Robert, Portland; N. J. Miss Dingley, Arthur G. Staples, Lewiston; Hartley L. Lord, Lewiston; C. J. Estes, Lewiston; Cyrus C. Marble, Portland; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Knickerbocker, Arlington, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Chase, Thos. E. Chase, Auburn; E. C. Cook, Portland.

There will be a social dance at Academy Hall, Paris Hill, Friday evening, July 21st. Music by Shaw's Orchestra. Ice cream and cake served at intermission. Everybody invited.

**West Sumner.**  
Mr. Horatio Chandler, who has been afflicted with a humor brought on by brown-tail moth poisoning, is able to be out.

**Bethel.**  
Sunday morning, Rev. Mr. Krowe of Providence, R. I., preached a very able sermon at the Congregational church. N. R. Springer and E. C. Bowler went to North Norway and Upton and held a temperance meeting Sunday.

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Mrs. Fannie Carter of Montclair, N. J., is also at her old home on a visit.

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A letter from our loved brother, contractor and builder, Elmer N. Y., gives us some interesting news. He is now at his native state of Maine after an absence, we think, of about thirty years. During all these years he has attended to his business and now his house of his own work to rest. Satan has had no occasion to find mischief for his hands, as they have not been idle.

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Miss Lillian Buck has closed a very successful term of school up Sunday. She is now at home, and has gone where she has employment for the summer. She is one of our best girls, and a best teacher.

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**Buckfield.**  
W. C. Spaulding of Caribou is the guest of his brother, Benjamin Spaulding.

Emma Davis was stricken with a shock Monday which quite seriously affected one side. She is reported as comfortable at the time.

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## THE LITTLE BLACK DUCK.

There was once an enchanted lake that should have been very lovely, but wicked elves dwelt in it day and night, and they bewitched all the grasses that grew near its sides and caused them to throw such poisonous gases from their green and silvery blades that no birds would live on or near the lake.

One day an old man who was a wizard walked to its sides and stood many moments gazing at the bewitched grasses. Then he drew up his hands, crying, "Swans, oh, beautiful swans! Come, oh, swans, oh!" And lo, in a few moments many snow white swans came fluttering from the fleecy clouds, and, resting on the blue waters of the enchanted lake, they commanded the wicked elves to depart.

Soon all kinds of birds would drink of its waters, and mortals would spend long hours seated near it, for now the grasses were no longer bewitched.

When the wizard commanded the snow swans to live on the lake he also commanded them to be ready for a fresh start.

Mrs. Smith and daughter Marguerite of Caribou are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Tuttle.

Mrs. and Mrs. Haskell of Vinahaven are with Mrs. Haskell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Record, on Elm Street.

Mrs. Margaret Brown of Dixfield has been at Mr. C. H. Tuttle's for a few days. Miss Ella Harlow is with her sister, Mrs. Minnie Gile.

Rev. B. F. Lawrence, a former pastor of the Baptist Church here, is visiting friends in this vicinity.

Quite a crowd from here attended the dance at the North Barn, Friday night.

**North Paris.**  
Mr. and Mrs. David Graves and daughter, Miss Melba, of Massachusetts, are occupying a cottage here on a vacation. C. C. Peterson has sold his farm to J. Finn. He will store his goods until after haying, when he will go to Addison, where his wife is staying.

Mrs. Pierce and children of Dorchester, Mass., are visiting Mrs. Ida Brown at her camp for a few days.

James Abbott is on the sick list, also L. J. Abbott, the doctor last week. He has many more will unless we have a change of weather soon.

E. Clark, who was working for L. J. Abbott, was taken to the central hospital Sunday, the 8th, for a bad case of appendicitis.

Walter Chase is working for L. J. Abbott.

Mrs. Anita Beck, returned home from Norway and will take a two months' vacation at her home here.

A citizens' meeting was recently held at the hanging of the doctor last week. The purpose of repairing and improving the East Bethel cemetery.

James Bridge of Sanford is one of the few men living in this country who fought throughout the Crimean war. He took part in the battles of Alma and Sebastopol. At Inkerman he received a bullet wound in the forehead, at Alma a bullet pierced his canteen and two men were killed near him by the same cannon ball. His arm was broken by a piece of shell before Sebastopol and at another time another shell struck a small water keg which he had used as a pillow, and which had rolled from under him and he came to America in 1868 and for the past 25 years has lived in Sanford.

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Unfortunate Inventors Who Antedated James Watt.

James Watt took out a patent on his steam engine in 1769, but as far back as 1645 there was a captain in Spain who constructed a vessel of 200 tons and propelled it at Barcelona in the presence of the Emperor Charles V. and his court by an engine, the construction of which he kept a secret. But an old document says that in it was a monster caldron of water and that there were two movable wheels on the outside of the vessel. The emperor was taken an interest in his invention, but the treasurer of the kingdom objected to it, and so no engine was given to the enterprise. The poor inventor, whose name was Blasco de Guereza, wearied and disgusted at the want of patronage, took the engine out of the water and hid it in his workshop. The incident was almost duplicated in France a century later. The famous Marquis de l'Orme, a celebrated Frenchman, who lived to be 134 years old, told a letter to an admirer, dated 1661, of a man coming from the workshop of Paris for urging that anything could be done by the force of steam. The man's name was Solomon de Coste, a native of Normandy, and it was because he had persistently followed Cardinal Richelieu, imploring the king to take an interest in his invention, that he was put behind bars—Kansas City Star.

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