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Mr. and Mrs. Clary of Bethel went to Boston, where Mrs. Clary submitted to a surgical operation.

The dancing school for teaching the new dances was opened in Grange Hall last Tuesday evening.

Saturday Mrs. W. C. Curtis went to Auburn to spend a few days with her son, Dr. E. B. Curtis, and family. She returned Tuesday.

Tuesday the W. C. T. U. held an interesting meeting with Mrs. A. M. Chase, Peace and Arbitration was the subject.

Thursday Mrs. Frank Kendall attended the W. C. T. U. institute at West Paris. Owing to illness other members of the Union were unable to attend.

Mrs. John Howe and little Agnes of East Bethel have spent the past week with her mother, Mrs. B. W. Kimball.

Thursday evening the students of Grange Academy held a leap year party. Lyman Wheeler went to Portland Wednesday accompanied by his wife.

He will visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, in Yarmouth. Mr. Wheeler has sent to Portland a car of bark and a car of pigs.

Thursday afternoon the Ladies' Club of the Congregational Society met with Mrs. Hiram Bean. After an interesting hour of refreshment, Mrs. Kate Howe, Mrs. Bean's sister, read an original poem appropriate to the occasion, which was heartily applauded, and each one extended the heartiest congratulations and good wishes for many happy returns of this anniversary. It was a most pleasant occasion.

Remember that the Howard Thurston has purchased the mill (formerly the chair shop) from Charles Douglas.

The Camp Fire Girls with their leader, Mrs. Byron, spent Friday evening at the home of their schoolmate, Miss Godwin. The public schools will close Feb. 11th for the long vacation.

**Bryant's Pond.**  
The selectmen have been in session this week closing up the town's affairs for the year and arranging for the next year.

Fred Spear has sold his place at the head of the pond back to James M. Day and the family moved this week to the Charles H. Perham house, owned by Mrs. Lizzie Lane.

Miss May Goff of New Gloucester is visiting her grandmother Stevens at the home of Amanda Sherman.

Mrs. Eliza, widow of the late Isaac F. Lapham, died at her home in Litchfield, Maine, Jan. 28, aged 78. She was a native of Woodstock, but had been a resident of Litchfield for the past 35 years.

She was the daughter of the late Rev. David Lapham, and was married to Isaac F. Lapham in 1850. They had three children, two of whom are now living in Litchfield, and one in New Gloucester.

Charles H. Perham, who was a member of the Baptist church and the Relief Corps. The funeral was held at the home on Sunday afternoon, attended by Rev. H. Clark and Mr. W. G. Gelineau.

The first car of western hay arrived here Friday for L. W. Titus. The freight cost eight dollars per ton, and the lot is so in the heart that tells what we are. Harold Powers is the cook at the Carter camp here, and he has a good crew of men.

William O. Richardson of Portland, who made his first trip to customers on Tuesday morning, Charles B. Brooks has closed his house at the crossing, and is stopping through the winter with his son, A. S. Brooks, in Greenwood.

It is understood that the question of conveying the old school house and lot has been settled, and that the town has given a warranty deed of same to H. J. Bacon. The building will now be fitted up for tenements.

**North Buckfield.**  
O. W. Warren is at the Central Maine General Hospital for surgical treatment. Mrs. Florence Heald has a telephone on the Oxford County line.

Mrs. and Mr. Earl Holmes are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter born Sunday, Jan. 30th. The mother, Mrs. Helen, is sick at this writing.

Mrs. Minnie Keene, lecturer of Mount Grange, attended the lecturers' conference at Augusta.

The snow is so nearly gone that all lumbering is at a standstill. Extension School on Poultry at Mount Grange Hall, Feb. 8 and 10.

**North Waterford.**  
Mrs. E. H. Nelson is very sick. Mrs. Labrook is at home from Kilgus mill in Albany sick with a bad cold.

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**Mason.**  
School closed Thursday, Feb. 3, 1916. Miss Perham and her pupils gave a free entertainment Wednesday evening, at which quite a number were present.

Following was the program: School Recitation—Jimmy Brown's Sister's Wedding. Recitation—Wynne, Ryan and Nod. Recitation—A Snack in School. Arthur Buchanan Recitation—Kittens and Babies. Little Baker. Recitation—Receipt for Backus Arthur Buchanan. Mrs. Mary Watson.

**Edwards.**  
Edward Hayes has returned to his home in Emmet, Idaho.

Dominic Wardwell, a native and former resident of Oxford, died at his home in Paris, Maine, Jan. 28, aged 78. He was a brother of Cyrus T. Wardwell and a member of the G. A. R. He leaves a wife, a son and a daughter.

Alberta Parris is visiting relatives in Boston.

Mr. Maxwell died Feb. 1st at an advanced age at the home of his daughter, Mrs. M. W. Abbott.

Mrs. and Mr. Edward Parrott were in Portland, Saturday, Jan. 29th, at the wedding of their daughter, Miss Lina Carr, to Mr. Alex. Boncka.

**Paris.**  
Wm. H. Bent died on the 30th, of heart failure from the effects of the grippe. He was 75 years and 4 months of age. He was a soldier of the Rebellion. Mr. Bent had been postmaster for a number of years. He leaves a widow and one brother, Warren, in New Hampshire. He was buried on Feb. 1st, Rev. R. E. Gilkey of Dixfield attending.

Our January thaw came very near ruining our sledding, and there is a lot of lumbering to be done yet.

There was a good crowd at the drama, "Cranberry Corners," played by the East Dixfield Dramatic Club on the 28th, and they reported it a good play.

**Albany.**  
Bert Brown has been very sick and attended by a doctor's care, but is better so he is out on a day's holiday.

Good and Archie Bane are cutting lumber for him.

Mrs. and Mr. Billy Ash have finished work for Bert Brown and gone to her father's in Waterford.

Mrs. and Mrs. Isaiah Haselton were at Barker's mill Tuesday, also called at S. D. H. Sawin, Sunday.

Mrs. O. J. Cross was at Bethel Tuesday.

S. G. Bean was at the home of his sister, Mrs. E. H. Sawin, Sunday.

School at the Town House is keeping this week.

**Buckfield.**  
There was no preaching service at the Baptist church Sunday, Jan. 30th, on account of the illness of the pastor.

Miss Mabel Lamb was at home from New Gloucester Sunday, and this week Mrs. Lamb has been sick with grippe.

The power of the Turner Electric Light Company have been setting new poles and wiring new places this week, and the power was turned on for the first time on Tuesday evening.

H. F. Rawson, Morrill & Cole, F. L. Warren & Co., and Mrs. S. B. Barlow have had lights already installed, and more are to be installed soon. The company has bought out the lighting plant of the local company, so that all the power now in use comes through the Turner plant.

Arthur Jacobs cut his hand while he was working on the buzz planer at the Irish Company's mill Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Gerrish returned Wednesday from Boston, where they have been visiting relatives.

There was a social at the Baptist vestry Wednesday evening under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor Society.

The picture show Thursday evening was well patronized.

Miss Jennie Record representing Buckfield Grange attended the convention of lecturers in Augusta this week.

R. P. Mitchell, state leader of boys' agricultural club, gave a lecture on "The Science of Farm Demonstration" work for Oxford County, were here Friday for the purpose of starting a boys' corn club in town.

W. H. Conant, who has charge of the club, and it is hoped to interest twenty-five or thirty boys in this most interesting and helpful work, and it should have the hearty support of all our citizens.

Buckfield Grange entertained the East Summer grange at an all-day meeting Saturday.

**East Brownfield.**  
Did you see the eclipse? The indications were in the morning that we should be disappointed, but at noon the clouds cleared and the clouds lifted in time to see its departure.

February promises to be a very interesting month for our studies. The planets Jupiter has been attractive, as well as Venus, for a long time.

Canadians may be all that could be desired if one can believe the old signs. Some of the working men of the town at West Baldwin Feb. 1, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Spring's father, Sylvester Yates. He was considerably past ninety years.

Wheels and autos have been in use for some days, but people are returning to runners, though the sleighing is not the best.

**Dickvale.**  
The Advent people met at Bernard Parris' last Tuesday evening. Mrs. Parris was not at home.

Ernest Andrews has finished hauling white birch to Stowell's mill.

G. T. Tyler is soon to move into the Elms near the bank of the brook. It is rumored that he is going to build an ark.

**Maine News Notes.**  
James N. Deasy of Houlton, a commercial traveler, 35 years of age, of Houlton, committed suicide by shooting at a Bangor hotel. Dependence over financial matters was supposed to have been the cause. He was unmarried.

Clyde Eastman, 27 years old, while at work at his home in East Buckport was killed. He slipped and fell on the ice while carrying a heavy piece of lumber on his shoulder, which struck him on the head and shoulders, breaking his neck. He leaves a family.

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When a blind stenographer is so efficient that his employer would not change him for a sighted stenographer, that fact speaks for his capability for his ability. And such a statement may be made in the case of William Lynch, stenographer to Millard W. Baldwin, superintendent of the Maine Institute for the blind. Mr. Lynch is more than a mere stenographer. He is a private secretary and general factotum. He writes his letters, makes out bills, vouchers, and other documents for him, keeps track of his accounts, answers the telephone, and in the bulk of the ordering and in the bulk of the practically runs the office.

Mr. Lynch provides a wonderful example of how the hands may be made to do the work of the feet. He is educated to a remarkable degree of cunning, and the tips of his fingers are so sensitive that they do a great many of the work of the eyes. His person's eyes are called upon to perform. He is a wizard for quickness. His rate of speed is just as great as that of the average sighted man. He can take a dictation of a letter and type it practically any make of typewriter with consummate ease.

Mr. Lynch can take in braille 70 words or more a minute, as many as the accomplished stenographer who has full possession of his faculties can take in shorthand. He manipulates the little machine which is manufactured for this purpose with amazing rapidity, and he maintains a speed equivalent to that of a sighted stenographer on the typewriter—between 60 and 70 words a minute.

Mr. Lynch has attained his proficiency at stenography within the last five years. He is a native of Maine, and he has, for that time, had but practically no knowledge of stenography.

# A WALL THAT HOLDS

FINANCIAL Worry  
BUSINESS LOSSES

## The Man or Woman That Banks Money Piles Up a Store of Comfort and Prosperity

We pay 2 per cent interest on check account of \$500 and over, on even hundreds. Interest credited to your account last of every month.

Savings Department Connected with  
**BRANCH BANK AT BUCKFIELD, MAINE.**

# PARIS TRUST COMPANY

SOUTH PARIS MAINE

## BLUE STORES

### War Prices Smashed

February Clearance Sale of Winter Clothing

is launched with just as liberal discounts on goods marked down as we ever gave you at this time of year.

**Will It Pay You To Buy NOW?**  
Let's Reason Together . . .

The newspapers have informed you the past year about the dyestuff shortage. Here is an instance. Recently a manufacturer paid \$400 for a keg of dye that before the war was worth \$120. A few months ago another paid \$1200 for a former \$12 barrel. The American Woolen Co. that practically establishes the prices of men's clothing, within a few days have made their prices for next winter's goods. They make quite an advance on everything; some goods almost 50 per cent.

There's a strong temptation not to mark goods down. Do you wonder? We've done it! NOW IS YOUR CHANCE!

\$22.00 Suits and Overcoats now \$16.00  
20.00 Suits and Overcoats now 15.00  
18.00 Suits and Overcoats now 14.00  
15.00 Suits and Overcoats now 12.00  
12.00 Suits and Overcoats now 10.00  
10.00 Suits and Overcoats now 7.50  
7.50 Suits and Overcoats now 6.00

Boys' Knee Suits and Overcoats Correspondingly Reduced.

## FUR COATS.

You absolutely will not get any better FUR COAT next year than this. Probably will not pay more for the same quality. If possible we are going to pay you liberally to buy one now.

## A Large Stock on Hand.

A Big Cut in Price.

Buy one, or swap your old for a new one. We'll trade.

Men's Trousers, Boys' Knee Pants are included in Sale.

We offer you liberal savings on Winter underwear, including Union Suits. 10c. to 50c. saved on each garment.

## MACKINAWs

will surely cost more money next year. Perhaps you have thought you could get along without a new one this year. Is it economy to do so? We think not! Take advantage of our mark down. You will save this discount and the extra over this year's prices that you will have to pay next year. Men's and Boys' Mackinaws marked down.

Lamb Lined Coats, Beach Coats, Reefers, Fur Caps, Fur Gloves, Flannel Shirts are in Sale.

Odd lots of Suits and Overcoats, 33 to 50 per cent discount.

# F. H. Noyes Co.

SOUTH PARIS, TWO STORES, NORWAY.

PLAIN SEWING and first class DRESSMAKING done at 37 High Street.

MRS. J. A. TUCKER, South Paris.

Post Office Boxes For Sale.

A good set of second-hand post office boxes consisting of fifty-five lock boxes and fifty call boxes, as well as mail room, is the post office at Paris, Maine. Oak frame and walnut and glass fronts. Inquire of

GEORGE M. ATWOOD, South Paris.

# Red Tag Sale

## SMILEY'S

### NOW IN PROGRESS

It is a record breaking sale. We have had larger crowds and sold more goods and they are still buying, many have come the second time, even the third and found many more values than they overlooked at the first visit. Come and look around, you will certainly find many values that you can't afford to let pass.

## COAT AND SUIT DEPARTMENT

One Lot of Ladies' and Misses' \$12.50 and \$10.00 Coats, \$1.98. Ladies' Suits, \$2.98 and \$3.98. A few left of last season's styles were \$18.00 and \$22.00.

CHILDREN'S COATS. A good assortment of coats in sizes 12 years, from \$1.38 to \$2.98. Several styles in sizes 8 to 14 years for \$2.98 and \$3.98.

LADIES' RAINCOATS. Two styles of \$7.50 coats for \$4.98.

## SHIRT WAISTS

Small Lot of 98c White Voile Waists, Red Tag Price, 49c. One Lot of \$1.98 White Waists, several styles, Red Tag Price, \$1.49. One Lot \$2.98 Silk Waists, Red Tag Price, \$1.79.

## SAMPLE LINENS

Bed Spreads, Napkins, Towels.

You who have attended these sales will remember the bargains we have had in sample Towels, Napkins and Bed Spreads. We were fortunate to secure a large lot this season, so we offer them at Red Tag Price. A good assortment to choose from.

## VALUABLE COLUMN FOR YOU

50c OUTING FLANNEL ROBES. Red Tag Price, 60c.

ONE LOT CHILDREN'S WHITE DRESSES at Half Price.

LARGE LOT FIGURED MUSLINS. Red Tag Price, 50c per yard.

ONE LOT CHILDREN'S HOSE at Half Price.

Children's Wool Vests and Pants, regular price 50c. Red Tag Price 29c.

Ladies' Wool Vests and Pants, regular price, \$1.00 and \$1.25. Red Tag Price, 39c.

One Lot Umbrellas at Half Price.

Large Lot Hamburgs at Red Tag Prices.

Blankets. Several lots at Red Tag Prices.

## MANY OTHER LOTS OF MERCHANDISE

In Red Tag Sale

Wool Dress Goods, Percales, Ginghams, Bath Robes and Kimono Cloth, Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Curtain Material, Corsets, Tam-o-Shantas, Children's Bath Robes, House Dresses and Muslin Underwear.

Norway, *Thomas Smiley* Maine

# The Gold Fish

## ARE HERE

Two fish and a 3-ounce globe given free with a purchase of any of the following 25c REXALL PREPARATIONS:

Cold Tablets  
Cherry Bark Cough Syrup  
Tooth Powder  
Headache Powders  
Liver Pills  
Corn Solvent  
Tooth Paste  
Baby Laxative  
Foot Powder  
Violet Talcum

Fish Food 10c a box. 2 large Gold Fish 25c.

# Clas H Howard Co

The Rexall Store

## South Paris, Maine

It's Safest to Pay by Check

Enjoy the satisfaction of knowing that with the simple mailing of a check an obligation has been positively met and the transaction definitely closed.

Written for an odd amount a check goes as easily into an envelope as one calling for even dollars. Possible robbery of the mails or dishonest collectors have no terrors. Each check acts as a positive receipt.

A cordial invitation is extended to open a checking account here.

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CASTORIA For infants and children. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Ayer*

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915		ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915	
Real Estate	\$5,214.74	Real Estate	\$5,214.74
Loans	65,389.00	Loans	65,389.00
Stocks and Bonds	1,231,115.00	Stocks and Bonds	1,231,115.00
Cash in Office and Bank	32,200.00	Cash in Office and Bank	32,200.00
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Mrs. Lillie Mason is nursing at Charles Buck in Buckfield.

William Mason has sold his oxen to Ira Harriman of Oxford, and purchased a pair of steers of Frank Whitman of Woodstock.

Will Parlin. Elmer Cummings is chopping wood for Will Parlin.

Mrs. and Mr. Elmer Cummings have adopted a little boy.

**Wilson's Mills.**  
January seems to have been an unfortunate month for the lumbermen and woodmen. The numerous thaws have been doing much to ruin the season.

Elwyn Storey cut his foot a week since, and Robert Storey, who works on the landing at the Gilbert place, cut his foot quite badly.

C. I. Wilson in attempting to cross the river on the ice, got his horses into the river, the second time this winter.

He and his men were rescued by the bridge.

Frank Kesar from Colebrook has been up to the camps with a load of fresh beef for sale.

The Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. Greta Wilson. A fair number present, and one new member, Mrs. Ray Linnell.

Many are suffering from the grippe at present.

**Hebron.**  
Secretary Mower of the Baptist convention gave a very interesting discourse Sunday. A vesper service was held at 5 P. M.

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Beginning Sept. 13, 1915.  
Trains leave South Paris  
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Cyrus P. Berryhill at his home as the result of a shock.

Street lights off again Saturday night, third time within six weeks.

The Philanthropists will meet with Mrs. Laurin Whitman on High Street Tuesday afternoon at 2:30.

Music lovers of South Paris are looking forward with much pleasure to the Margaret Abbott concert, scheduled for Thursday evening, Feb. 24.

Mrs. Raymond B. Farrar, who accompanied her father, George A. Chapman, to Haverhill, Mass., a few weeks since, has returned home.

Fred V. Abbott, who came home 111 two days since from the Magalloway region where he was working at a lumber camp, is improving and is out.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Wheeler of Wakefield, Mass., arrived here Sunday morning, and have gone to their camp at Shag Pond for a stay of a few days.

Mrs. Henry L. Cummings underwent a surgical operation at the Central Maine General Hospital in Lewiston Saturday, and is reported as making a good recovery.

The Ladies' Social Union will please meet at the church Wednesday at 2:30 P. M. The Ladies' Social Union will please meet at the church Wednesday at 2:30 P. M.

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The younger matrons of the Congregational church will serve a patriotic supper, followed by a social, on Thursday evening, February 10. This is expected to be a very pleasing occasion. Supper and social, 25 cents.

Miss Jeanne M. Towle, on completing her service as assistant in the high school, will leave for her home in New York on Friday. Miss Jeanne M. Towle, on completing her service as assistant in the high school, will leave for her home in New York on Friday.

Work will attend the February meeting of the New England Water Works Association which will be held at Hotel Brunswick, Boston, on Wednesday, Feb. 9. Mr. Bowler will inspect one of the water works in the city.

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**Some Prices Ninety Years Ago.**

Economists, we believe, have never been able to give satisfactory explanation of the waves of ascending prices which sweep over the world at times.

At the time when prices were comparatively on a level is followed by another period when prices of everything go mounting, as they have been doing for decades.

The dollar, or other artificial unit of value by whatever name, represents in purchasing power as regards general commodities, and the increase of production is named as a cause, and it doubtless has influence, but it doesn't fully explain the phenomenon.

Prices that have been going on over the world for some centuries.

All this comment is preliminary to a citation of some prices obtained at an auction sale in Paris ninety years ago.

The document from which these are taken is furnished the Democrat by Silas P. Maxim of this town, and the heading is:

"Account of Sales of the personal estate of Stephen Robinson, late of Paris, in the County of Oxford, yeoman, deceased, at auction, pursuant to the order of the Honorable Benjamin Chandler, Esq. Judge of the Probate of Will, etc. for said County, dated the 10th day of March, 1826, and the local sales being made on the 13th October at Paris aforesaid."

Stephen Robinson was the grandfather of the late George A. Chapman, and the personal property sold was at the home, which is still occupied by the family.

On account of some blindness of handwriting in the account, and a system of making the entries which were doubtless understood by the maker but not fully by the reader, it is not possible to make out accurately all the items, but some of them are plain enough.

First on the list were some horses and colts, and as compared with other things sold at the same time, they were very cheap.

Article No. 1 was a 3-year-old gray colt, and the price was \$50. Other horses of ages which are not clear from the list, but the prices were \$31, and \$32.50.

The last being sold to Stephen Robinson, son of the decedent, and the price paid is the largest item which appears in the list.

One ox of oxen sold for \$41, a yoke of 3-year-old steers for \$17, and apparently an old ox and an old 3-year-old steer for \$20 and \$10.75 respectively.

Two 2-year-old bulls for \$10.35 and \$8 respectively. Six or eight cows and heifers ranged from \$10 to \$13.15.

Sheep sold for \$2.35 each (twelve for \$28.20), and for \$1.30 each (a "swine, large hog," brought \$7, and a "24 do." the same price. "1 do, large pig," brought \$3.50, and others \$2.50 and \$3.00.

A large quantity of grain was sold in two-bushel and twenty-bushel lots, prices on corn being 50 and 60 cents, oats 30 and 40 cents, and wheat 80 and 90 cents.

Some lumber was disposed of, and the entries are somewhat mixed. As nearly as can be made out, some clear boards at \$10 per thousand, "underlaid," presumably meaning merchantable at \$4, refuse boards at \$1.50.

Merchantable plank brought \$5 per thousand, refuse plank \$3, and refuse joist 20 cents per hundred. Ash plank \$5 per thousand. Heading 30 cents per hundred, slaves 75 cents per thousand.

Quantity of iron, on the amount of 212 pounds, was sold to Silas Robinson, who was a blacksmith, at 6 cents per pound—and that is about the only price named in the list which looks large for these days.

Two morocco axes brought 67 cents. It would be natural to infer that a hammer mill was run at the place, but the barrel of vinegar and thirty-one barrels of cider were sold.

The vinegar brought \$1.35, and the cider, which was sold in lots of from one barrel to ten per cent, brought prices ranging from 65 to 70 cents per barrel. It may be noted as a fact of some interest that in the list of purchasers of the cider are names which appear elsewhere also on the list, one of them buying ten bushels of corn, one a sleigh, and the third the older purchasers bought nothing but cider.

It may also be of interest to note some of the names which appear in the list of purchasers at the auction. Some of them are familiar in the history of this and adjoining towns. They include Thos. Clark, Esq., Charles Porter, Leonard Shattell, Lemuel Jackson, Willis Sampson, Simon Cummings, Jacob Bartlett, Dan. Stowell, Jr., Jairo S. Keith, Esq., Rufus K. Goodenow, David Bicknell, Jr., Ralph Bates, Saml. Rawson, John L. Smith, Esq., John C. Whitney, Joseph Jackson, Jr., David Bolster, James O'Leary, Cyprian Stearns, Esq., Luther Linnell, Joseph Bates, Alva Shurtliff, Thos. Webster, L. Whitman, Moses Hammond, Daniel Stowell, Esq., Enoch S. Sawyer, John Butterfield, Joshua Merrill, Wm. Hutchins, Josiah Jordan, John Porter, Wm. Young, Stephen Emery, Isaac Cummings, Miss Hattie E. Noble.

After a period of falling health, which terminated in quite a rapid decline, Charles S. Noble died early Saturday morning at his home in the southeast part of Paris, at a little less than 79 years of age.

Mrs. Noble had been for many years a resident of Paris, coming from Franklin County. He served during the civil war in Co. F, Second Maine Cavalry, on the quota of Wilton, and was a member of the K. G. O. of Paris, Maine.

He leaves a widow, three children by a former wife, Wm. H. Noble, a lawyer in Boston, Mr. O. J. Kitch and Mrs. D. R. Kitch, who live in Paris, and one daughter of the surviving wife, Clara, a student in Paris High School. He is also survived by one brother, N. P. Noble of Phillips.



