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Humus in the Soil.

FUNCTION, MAINTENANCE, UTILIZATION.

Three important points were brought out in the lecture given by Professor Simmons in the Farmers' Week Course at the University of Maine on Humus in the Soil. The following is an abstract of this very practical lecture:—

Humus is organic matter in the soil in an advanced stage of decay. Its dark color causes the darker color of the soil.

Peat is an accumulation of organic matter whose decomposition has been checked in a very early stage. Usually it is comprised of some form of moss.

Muck represents a more advanced stage of plant decay than peat, and usually contains quite a quantity of humus.

The composition of humus is quite variable. In some of its many carbon compounds it contains nitrogen and also all of the mineral elements necessary to plant and animal life. The elements are in their simplest and most available form. The average percent of humus in 237 types of soils in the United States shows an average content of 2.06 percent of humus and the sub-soil .83 percent. Clay soils contain more humus than sandy soils, because it is less readily leached from the clay soil.

Organic matter in the soil in the form of humus affects the soil as follows:

1. The particles of organic matter act as little sponges, and hold water in available form for plant growth even against periods of drought.

2. The mechanical condition of the soil is improved; in clay by the grouping of fine soil particles into groups, or clusters, allowing greater sized air spaces; in sandy soil it acts as a binding material, thus preventing loss of plant food by leaching.

3. In its process of decomposition it generates acids that assist in making available the mineral plant food.

4. By darkening the color of the soil it enables it to absorb more of the sun's rays, causing it to become better adapted to early crop growth.

5. It supplies material to support soil organisms that are so essential in the preparation of plant food.

To utilize the humus of the soil it is well to keep crops growing in the soil at all times, when the conditions for the active development and use of the humus material is the best. 75 percent F. and the above cause very rapid action of soil organisms, particularly if the moisture content is favorable. A moderate amount of moisture and some air produce the best condition for organisms to do their best work.

The supply of micro-organisms may be insufficient. Often, when turning under a heavy green manure crop, it would be an advantage to supply a small quantity of partially fermented manure, in order to increase the supply of the desirable bacteria. Lime, in this case, is valuable, in that it counteracts the free acids in the soil, which are harmful to the bacteria that are needed. Cultivation of the soil causes rapid decomposition, which allows the utilization of plant food by the plant to its greatest capacity.

To maintain the supply of humus in the soil, organic matter, vegetable or animal matter must be supplied faster than it is used. Chemical fertilizers cannot make up for lack of humus, while their effectiveness may be increased on account of an abundance of humus. The ordinary means of accomplishing this is to supply it in the following forms: 1. Application of muck; 2. Manure from animals in pastures; 3. Organic matter in commercial fertilizers; 4. Stubble, roots, etc. turned under by plowing; 5. Stable manures; 6. Green manures.

Muck or peat, when close at hand, may be profitably employed to increase the supply of humus. It should be allowed to drain, so as to free it from the water that it contains. They contain nitrogen, but it is slowly available. Manure dropped in the pasture gives far less return than if spread from the barn and incorporated into the soil. The organic matter in commercial fertilizers is not usually in sufficient abundance to be of any great help as a supply of humic material. Stubble and roots serve a good purpose, and if from leguminous plants increase the supply of nitrogen. Stable manures add greatly to the supply of humus, besides introducing desirable bacteria to work upon the organic matter turned under. The humic value of stable manure accounts to quite an extent for its high value in the soil.

Cornell University Station in New York secured the following results from experiments on hay: Twenty tons of manure per acre gave a yield of 7420 lbs., of hay per acre, while 10 tons gave 4350 lbs., and no manure gave 2230 lbs., showing an increase over no manure of 232 percent for the 20 tons per acre, and nearly 100 percent for the 10 tons per acre. Valuing the hay at $15.00 per ton, it would mean that the first year's increased crop would give an increased money value of $31.92 and $16.72 respectively, leaving improved physical conditions to affect future crops. Out of the $51.60 chemical value usually attributed to 20 tons of manure $31.92 return was secured for the first year, leaving less than $20.00 to be secured from later crops.

This first year yield might be attributed to the plant food supplied in the manure. This experiment should, however, be studied in connection with the following one at the Rothamstead Experiment Station. Land growing barley and wheat continuously for forty years was treated as follows: One-half had no manure; the other half manured every year for 20 years, and then not manured for the next twenty years. The first five year period after the first 20 years, the land gave an average increase yield of 26 bushels per acre, the unmanured land giving 13 bushels per acre. The second five year period gave an increase yield of 15 bushels, the third five years, 16 bushels, and the fourth 5 years, 11 bushels per acre, making in all for the 20 years a total of 340 bushels of gain on one acre after the application of manure had ceased.

With the Rothamstead experiment the later effects were due largely to the improved physical effect, as the original plant food in the soil had disappeared in increased yield as the manure decomposed.

One of the best methods of increasing the humus in the soil is by the use of green manures. Two classes of plants are used for green manuring. Buckwheat, rye and rape are crops that may be used for this purpose. These secure the soluble plant food, and store it in the soil, and besides, keep up the supply of organic matter. Buckwheat occupies the land during the growing seasons of our ordinary field plants, but it gives a good supply of material to turn under. Rye may be sown in the fall, and turned under in the spring. Rape is used as a fall catch-crop.

The legumes, such as clover, field beans and field peas, are preferred, because of their nitrogen gathering habits. The second crop of small red clover is the crop most often used.

In some experiments cited by Van Slyke of New York, red clover increased the yield of the following crops: of corn, 20. bushels; of oats, 10 bushels; and of potatoes, 30 bushels per acre.

Get your neighbor into the silo-building spirit, and begin to convert him now

Plan your work and then work your plans.

Work first, then rest.

Improving Potato Seed.

(From the Maine Bulletin.)

Seed selection has passed the stage of guess work, and while a great deal of it in the future will be experimental, we may look for greater results from fixed methods. Wonderful results have been obtained by selection with many kinds of plants, especially corn and oats.

A potato tuber is not a seed but a part of the plant from which it came, consequently the characteristics of the parent hill are more likely to be reproduced in the new plant than in plants that are grown from seed that comes from the union of two parent plants. Perhaps the scientific breeding of seed for our general farm crops may be left with our experiment stations and the raising of potatoes from the potato seed balls to those who have more time than the average farmer, but there is a chance for the farmers to do much for themselves by the selection of seed.

With corn or any kind of grain, select a few stalks with the best grain on them for planting, then select the best raised from that.

With potatoes, select a few hills of the right type, vigorous tops, large number of merchantable potatoes to the hill, and of good quality for planting, then select the best hills raised from those and follow several years. In a large majority of cases much improvement will be seen.

The cost of digging and taking care of these few hills would be considerable, but when we get the type established the cost of raising good seed will not be as much as the cost of raising poor seed, because of increased yield.

That there is need of improving the quality of the potatoes generally put on the market, no one will doubt, and here is where the farmers' associations can do a great work for their sections, by grading the potatoes according to quality, and marking them accordingly when they are shipped, thus inducing the farmers of those sections to raise only such potatoes as have proved of good quality. Any community which can establish a reputation for raising potatoes of high quality will always have a market for all they can raise at the top notch price.

There are some potatoes which are of fine quality when planted at the right season, but if planted late they would be inferior for table use, but for planting would be fully as good as the early planted.

Small-sized potatoes planted whole will produce the largest crop, but this plan if followed will decrease or run them out so that in a few years they will not be worth planting. Therefore, if you plant small potatoes, dispose of all you raise from them, and keep for seed only those raised from potatoes of fair size, good shape, and true to type.

There are freaks in nature, so when passing the potato field if you see a top which appears much better than those around it, mark it. It may be a freak, far better than the original stock, and the beginning of a much improved variety.

It is hard to estimate the loss sustained by the farmers of Maine from the use of inferior seed. Sometimes it may mean the loss of but a few bushels and at other times the entire failure of the crop.

To illustrate the difference between selected and unselected seed, I will quote the words of a leading grower of potatoes: "I thought I had some of the best seed that could be obtained, but found when I planted selected seed by the side of it, that the selected seed yielded 52 1-2 bushels per acre more than the unselected seed."

Medal for Composition on Roads.

A gold medal to the boy or girl between the ages of 10 and 15 who writes the best composition, not to exceed 800 words, on the repair and maintenance of earth roads, is to be awarded by Logan Waller Page, Director, Office of Public Roads, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. All compositions must be submitted to Mr. Page before May 15, 1913, and the medal will be awarded as soon thereafter as the compositions can be graded. The composition may be based on knowledge gained from books or other sources, but no quotations should be made.

After many years' experience in dealing with the public road situation of the country, it is Mr. Page's belief that ignorance on the subject of repair and maintenance of roads is as much the cause of their bad condition as any other one factor. It is expected that the competition will bring about a better understanding of the subject of repair and maintenance in the rural districts.

Many children living in the rural districts have experienced the disadvantages of roads made impassable through a lack of proper maintenance and it is expected that their interest in the competition will stimulate greater interest among the parents. Bad roads have prevented many children from obtaining a proper education and have even prevented doctors from reaching the side of rural patients in time to save their lives.

Any child between the ages mentioned attending a country school, may compete. Only one side of the paper must be written on; each page should be numbered; the name, age, and address of the writer, and the name and location of the school which he or she is attending must be plainly written at the top of the first page. The announcement of the competition has been sent to the superintendents of schools in the rural districts. No further information can be obtained from the Office of Public Roads. This announcement should be plain to everyone, and all children will thus start on a basis of equality.

Some Unnecessary Travel.

Time is money to the farmer, as well as to any one else. Time saved in doing chores, in going to and from the fields or in working the land can often be used for the purpose of improving the farm buildings, or in caring for crops or stock that will pay a good profit on labor. That time can be saved in doing the chores no one will dispute who is familiar with farming. A trip of ten rods three times a day across the farmstead will amount in a year to thirty-four miles of travel, and will require one and one-half days. On many farms the arrangement of the buildings may call for a number of such trips in different directions, and the distance traveled unnecessarily will easily reach several hundred miles in a year. No one would think of making such an arrangement of buildings if it called for the waste time in one stretch, but because the waste is spread out over the daily tasks or chores no attention is given the matter. The needless trips take energy and cause loss of time, nevertheless. Count your steps for a day or a week, and see how many miles of travel you can save in a year.

Long fields can be worked more economically than square ones. Three-cornered fields are especially expensive to handle. It is calculated that a diagonal ditch or road across a forty-acre tract will increase the cost of operating the land from 18 to 25 per cent.—Andrew Boss, in Farmers' Guide.

Don't let the stock, especially the dairy cows, sip their water supply from ditches and stagnant pools during the summer. The water-supply that serves very well during the early part of the grazing season, usually falls short during mid-summer. Be sure to make ample provisions for your water-supply beyon really need it.

A man can put his stocks and bonds into a deposit vault for safe keeping, but there's no place he can keep his reputation out of danger.

One reason why so many men fail is because they are unable to borrow any more money.

The only sure way to keep out of trouble is never to get into it.

Why Are Apples Low?

Up to March 22, the total export had been 2,835,360 barrels against 2,729,696 barrels last year. Has the much talked of middle man been getting rich on the business? Let those who have marketed their own apples answer this question. What have apples brought? I have figured out many of these sales and the average was $1.15 on board car at the loading station.

I asked a very practical, intelligent farmer from one of the best apple towns in this state where they have shipped large quantities of their own apples, if an estimate of an average net of $1.25 f. o. b. car would be too high and he replied that they had not received as much as that on an average and some lots had not paid the expenses. Some have received high prices, how does it happen? It is very simple, in most cases this is the reason. There are about twenty-eight weeks that we ship apples during the year. When the season is closed there will have been about eight weeks that nets have averaged fairly high for the simple reason that supplies in the market at that time were light, but it is very evident that we cannot all ship our apples when supplies are light. To get at the matter we must consider the average net, not the exceptional one, and we all know that the average has been so low that the apples have been grown at a loss.

In order to be understood from the start, to speak plainly and briefly, I will say that the low nets are due to systematic robbery. This robbery is in the transatlantic freights and it so curtails the use of our apples in foreign markets that our home markets are over supplied and prices consequently low.

Let us compare the ocean freight rates of February 10, 1910, with those of the present time. To make it plain I have figured them all upon a basis of 100 lbs. each.

	Feb. 10, 1910.	Sept., 1912.
Apples	34.3 c.	43.1 c.
Flour	7 c.	20 c.
Hay	11 c.	38 c.
Wheat	5 c.	28 c.
Cotton	10 c.	45 c.

Average, Feb. 10, 1910, $2 68 per ton; September, 1912, $6 98 per ton.

We are now paying $9.18 per ton upon apples or 70c per barrel, or practically 50c upon every barrel above the average rate in 1910. This 50c per barrel excessive charge takes $1,500,000 this year from the men of small means that grow and handle apples and puts it into the pockets of the multimillionaires that own the great steamship lines.

How have these lines been able to raise freights in this way? By combines, or as we commonly call them Trusts. These facts have all been brought out in the evidence in the investigation now going on before the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries—H. Res. 587.

In order to give a clear understanding of their methods and the results, I will go somewhat into details of two of these combines; the first from the testimony of Mr. W. G. Sickel, vice director in charge of the Hamburg American Line, Pages 831-852-853 H. Res. 587, given January 31, 1913, also from evidence in the possession of the committee which he admitted was correct.

Six great lines, The Hamburg American, Hamburg South American, German Steamship Company, C. Woerman, German East African Company, are in one combine or conference, they divide up business, regulate rates, pool their earnings, boycott the press that speaks against them, and give advertising to those that speak in their favor. They jointly own a separate line known as the Syndicate Rhederei, or fighting ships. This line is used for the especial purpose of killing out any competitor regardless of cost and when he is killed the expense is divided among the lines. On the other hand, if a competitor was rich and powerful and could spend millions and not be crippled, they would take him into their conference, give him a part of the business, all parties giving a heavy bond to conform to the established rates. The committee have indicated that they have evidence to show that the Hamburg American Line is earning a net dividend of 25 per cent.

The next is the International Mercantile Marine. This I. M. M. is a holding company or trust, its subsidiary companies are The White Star Line, The Red Star Line, The American Line, The Dominion Line, The Leyland Line, The Atlantic Transport Line and stock holdings in other lines.

This International Mercantile Marine is one of the New Jersey trusts, capitalized as follows:

Common stock	$ 60,000,000
Preferred stock	60,000,000
Bonds	75,000,000
Mortgages & Col Bonds	53,000,000
Total	$ 148,000,000

Through the subsidiary companies the I. M. M. owns one hundred twenty-six vessels, about 1,185,000 tons of shipping. They have their fighting ships to keep out competition and work in complete harmony with the German American combine. Is it any wonder that freights are high?

We shall ship 3,000,000 barrels this season. Will that three million barrels when sold at auction bring any more money because we have paid 50c per barrel more freight than we ought to? After the sale, freight and charges are deducted and what you got, if anything, was what was left, you paid the freight.

This investigation has made the facts so plain that there is no longer any room for doubt. Its purpose was to obtain evidence upon which to enact legislation. Think of the situation a moment. The people of this great and glorious country of ours allowing themselves to be robbed of one hundred million a year on our commerce by shipping combines that are about 90 percent foreign, when our own congress has undisputable right to control them and fix their rates. The only reason that rates did not go to 70c per barrel this year was because the efforts of a few people prevented it. They will be raised another fall unless there is a movement to prevent it.

What are we going to do about it? If you have any disposition to stand up for your rights as a man, and defend your own pocket book against the encroachment of others, come out to our next Oxford County Fruit Growers' meeting and we will try to have a man to show what action should be taken. Don't be a shirk and leave it all for the other man to do. Be there yourself, or it may not be done right.

R. L. CUMMINGS.

Writes a Skowhegan correspondent: Carleton Merrill of the Savings Bank has an interesting telephone directory which dates back to 1890. At that time in Skowhegan there were 16 telephones, and now there are about 600. At that time there were only about 40 in the whole county, and only one town in the county besides Skowhegan had more than one telephone. At that time there were only about 200 telephones in Maine. There have been about 150 telephones added in Skowhegan in the last two years.

Biddeford Record: "Jack," Chief Engineer Charles B. Bonser's educated parrot is dead. The bird became ill Sunday, and although everything possible was done in an attempt to prolong his life, grew steadily worse until Thursday morning, when he died. "Jack" was a very old parrot, a good talker and a pet of the family, and his death occasioned almost as much sorrow as that of a child would have done. He had been in the Bonser family for 46 years.

By the way, Maine muskrat hunters will be interested to learn that there is a market for the animal after the pelt has been removed, according to the Maine Woods. Heretofore the bodies have been thrown away as useless but now, the humble muskrat, served with sweet potatoes and garnished with candied sweet flags is the latest delicacy served to New York epicures.

A Busy Week of Maine Conference.

Time Well Filled with the Various Sessions of the Methodist Episcopal Governing Body.

In the list of public assemblies of various kinds, you may look far to find one that is livelier than Methodist conference. From the time it is called to order until the reading of the appointments is finished, there is something going on every moment. It is a tremendously earnest body of men, too. This is shown not only by the frequent "Amens" but in all the proceedings, even to the discussions in which these ministers sometimes engage over the business affairs of the organization. In short, it must be an exceedingly dull or utterly irreligious person who cannot find something of interest in a Methodist conference.

All of which is preliminary to a brief summary of the work done at the eighty-ninth session of the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, held last week in Deering Memorial Church, South Paris. There is no need to say that it was an interesting session, though that is intimated above. It may be briefly said that it brought into South Paris nearly a hundred ministers of the Methodist church, and the wives of many of them, together with some of the brightest and brainiest men connected with the General Conference of the church, to hear whom has been a pleasure and an inspiration. It was a notable occasion for Oxford County.

Preceding the opening of the conference proper, on Tuesday evening, came the anniversary of the Epworth League, with an address by the general secretary of the League, Rev. Wilbur F. Sheridan, D. D., of Chicago. Rev. Walter Canham was announced to preside at this, but Rev. I. A. Bean of Lewiston, a former pastor of the South Paris church, who presided, explained the absence of Mr. Canham by saying that he was engaged in business which to him and his son doubtless seemed of more importance than this anniversary. In short, Mr. Canham had gone to Philadelphia to marry his son. The announcement seemed to be pleasing to the audience, as it was greeted with applause.

The Cecilia girls' choir of the church, in vestments, sang for this service, with Mrs. Burnham at the organ, and received much praise from the chairman and the speaker of the evening.

Dr. Sheridan, the principal speaker, on being introduced immediately put the audience in the mood of a true devotional meeting by calling for the singing of a stirring hymn, saying, "I want to hear this crowd sing." Then, after congratulating the South Paris church on its possession of the beautiful church in which they were assembled, and calling attention briefly to some of the League literature, he began on his general theme.

A speaker who never tires his audience is Dr. Sheridan. His discourse is illuminated by frequent incidents, some new, some of more ancient date, but always to the point. Let no one think, however, that he is only a story teller, for his address is direct and well ordered and frequently eloquent in its declaration and appeal.

We need occasionally, said Dr. Sheridan, to hark back to the foundation principles of the League, and think what it stands for. First, it stands for a trained and disciplined host. It means a body of young people trained to serve with scientific efficiency. In the twenty-one different lines of service for which it is organized, it gives each one something to do. If it does not, it fails of fulfilling the plan of the League. Dr. Sheridan spoke particularly of the work done in training by the Epworth League institute, in increasing the efficiency of the workers, and especially in the social line, or the development of wholesome and entertaining forms of amusement.

The League also stands for a ministering host. It should have the world-vision. It should be a missionary league. It must fight evil, the evils of intemperance, impurity, corruption, wherever found. It must catch and hold the young people at that age between thirteen and seventeen when they so easily slip away from us. The speaker advocated appealing to the social and athletic instincts of the boys and girls of this age in order to hold them, summing up his plan in the words, "When you go fishing, you don't take the bait you like, you take the bait the fish like."

The League also stands for a spiritualized host. With an earnest appeal for the furtherance of the work of the League in bringing the young people to Christ, Dr. Sheridan closed an hour's address.

At 9 o'clock Wednesday morning devotional services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Sheridan, and having been requested by Bishop Henderson to take up some phase of the work of the preacher, he spoke of "The preacher as a prophet." The prophet's gain is that he sees deeply. A man once said to the great artist Turner, "I never saw such a sunset as that you have painted." "Ah," said Turner, "don't you wish you could?" Other men have seen deeply—sociological workers, great dramatists and novelists, Moliere, Zola, Ibsen, Hall Caine, Hardy—have seen the wounds and hurts of human society. Like them the prophet sees deeply, but he also, as they do not, sees high, sees the power of Christ to save the world.

The prophet's grief is, not homelessness, nor lack of this world's goods, nor the absence of emblems of great successes such as other men display, but the fact that men will not take his preaching to heart; that his work deals with invisible realities; in his own unrealized dreams, not of selfish preferment, but of bringing men to Christ, even though God works by illusion, and the accomplishment may come though we do not realize it.

The prophet's glory lies in the fact that the invisible forces with which he deals are in the long run the almighty forces, which must finally prevail.

Bishop Theodore S. Henderson, D. D., LL. D., of Chattanooga, Tenn., arrived on the forenoon train Wednesday just before 10 o'clock, and at that hour conducted the impressive sacrament of the Lord's supper. Following this came the formal organization of the conference.

The call of the roll was answered by seventy-one members of the conference.

Officers of the conference were chosen as follows:

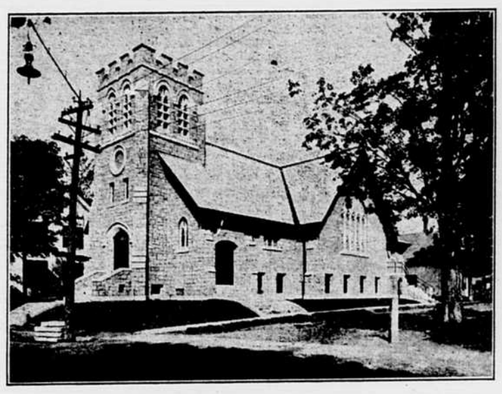
Secretary—R. A. Rich, Fairfield.
Assistant Secretaries—William Wood, Kent's Hill; Frank C. Potter, Cornish.
Statistician—C. I. Spear, Monmouth.
Assistants—C. O. Ferry, Gorham, N. H., W. P. Holman, Strong; C. E. Brooks, Mechanic Falls.
Treasurer—David F. Nelson, South Portland.
Assistants—J. M. Arters, Portland; Ernest F. Doughty, and John H. Roberts, Brunswick.

The conference then rose in respect to two members deceased during the year, C. A. Southard of St. Albans and C. A. Brooks of South Portland.

For the committee on moral reform, Rev. J. M. Arters of Portland presented a series of resolutions commending the action of Governor Haines in bringing to account certain sheriffs of the state, and complimenting the members of the legislature for their action in the same matter. The resolutions were passed with hearty applause, such as punctuated all remarks on the temperance question throughout the conference.

Several of the official visitors to the conference, some of whom had to leave early in the session, were introduced to give their messages at this time. Dr. Sheridan spoke in behalf of the Epworth League as that which was to feed the church and maintain its strength.

Rev. Clarence True Wilson, D. D., of Chicago, who is the field representative of the temperance society of the Methodist church, told of the work that is being done and the progress that is being made in the line of temperance and prohibition, with special note of conditions much improved in Maine over what they were a year ago, and gave credit to the governor. The frequent applause with which he was favored showed the zeal of his hearers in the temperance cause.



Deering Memorial Church, South Paris,
Where the Conference was held.

Dr. Dorion, editor of Zion's Herald, spoke in behalf of that publication, the official denominational organ.

Dr. Trimble of the commission on finance of the General Conference advocated a systematic and business like plan prepared by the commission for handling the current expenses and benevolences. The plan includes weekly subscriptions and a personal canvass, down to the poorest and youngest. According to his illustrations as given, such a plan has resulted in many places in great benefits, not the least of which are greater efficiency for the money expended, increased revenue, and enlarged churches.

Wednesday afternoon's session was devoted to "Conversation on the work of God"—reports of the work in the several charges of the conference. Before this part of the program was begun, Bishop Henderson introduced Rev. W. F. Sheldon of Wesleyan University, who spoke briefly in behalf of the parent Methodist college.

In preparation for the reception of reports, the following "co-operative program" had been posted in the front of the auditorium:

"An annual minimum gain of ten per cent in full membership.

"Renewed emphasis on the religious life of the home.

"Apportionments in full through the new financial plan, and Christian stewardship.

"Enlistment of young people in the Christian life and for Christian service.

"Utilization of men and boys in kingdom extension."

Nearly three hours was occupied with the reports from the members of the conference on their respective charges, with an occasional prayer or verse or two of a hymn, generally led by Bishop Henderson without other announcement than to start it, a strong chorus of voices immediately joining in.

In general the reports showed accessions to the membership of the church, and most of them net gains in membership, one as high as twenty-one per cent. The Sunday Schools generally were reported as increased, and the Epworth Leagues as stationary, while the Junior Leagues were almost all increased. In finances none reported the full adoption of the conference plan, though the larger part reported all obligations met, and most of them an improvement in finances.

The church was filled to the doors again on Wednesday evening by people anxious to hear the two addresses by notable speakers that were down on the program for that time. Rev. Mr. Kewley presided at the opening of the meeting, but soon gave way to Rev. F. A. Leitch of Auburn, who acted as chairman of the meeting and introduced the speakers. At the organ was Mr. E. L. Mohaffey of the Estey Organ Company, who was able to bring out the fine tones of the organ with telling effect.

Rev. Mr. Kewley explained that Rev. Franklin Hamilton, D. D., LL. D., President of the American University, Washington, D. C., was unable to speak as was expected, but in his place the address on Education would be given by Rev. Dr. A. C. McCrea, pastor of the Emery Church of Jersey City, N. J. After a hymn by the congregation, prayer was offered by Dr. Wilson and then Mr. Leitch introduced Dr. McCrea as the first speaker of the evening admonishing him to "Go at it and give them the best you've got."

After a few opening remarks, expressing his pleasure at being present, but regretting that it was necessary for him to take the place of another on the program, and stating that he had already received much good from the Conference, Dr. McCrea took up the subject of Education and the excellent work that was being done by the Board of Education. He was very optimistic over the present condition of affairs, but realized that education combined with the power of Jesus Christ in the hearts of men were the only forces capable of solving the mighty problems that we must face at the present time. The speaker was surprised to learn the large per cent of boys and girls that the state of Maine was able to keep in its institutions of learning and said that the result of this would be that Maine would go on producing the finest product of any state in the United States. Pennsylvania has its coal, California its gold, other states their rich minerals, but Maine produces men, men of the character that is so much needed in the world at the present time. Since the conference of 1866 when education was struck as the keynote of the Methodist religion, great things have been accomplished. Millions of dollars have been raised and expended in this work. It is the aim of the board to make possible the securing of an education by every boy or girl who could not otherwise obtain it. We have 25,000 in our institutions of learning at the present time and are graduating them at the rate of of 2000 each year.

We also undertake to assist other worthy institutions, and many of the poor struggling schools of the south and west have been kept in existence by the timely aid rendered them by our Board, said he: "There is no hope for the boy or girl who cannot read or write, and in the mountain districts of some of our southern states there are thousands of them in this condition." The Board is now turning its attention in that direction and great results are already being accomplished. The speaker then went on to tell of many personal cases he had known where education and the right influences had made highly respected and useful citizens out of many boys who seemed destined to occupy the criminal's cell.

After another hymn by the congregation Rev. Mr. Leitch introduced Rev. Clarence True Wilson, D. D., of Chicago, National Field Representative for the Temperance Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Wilson gave one of the most forcible and eloquent addresses for the cause of temperance and the work that should be done by the churches in this movement, ever given in this vicinity. He had no use for those who claimed that the church should stay out of politics, they had done that altogether too much in the past. Political leaders do not hesitate to say that they will give more for the support of one saloon in a political election than for the support of all the churches. Christian people led by the ministers of the gospel must make themselves felt in the fight for cleaner politics. The minister who simply preaches on Sunday and observes the forms of religion through the remainder of the week, ever holding himself aloof from politics and all reform movements is taking his money under false pretences. He has other duties to mankind besides those of a preacher. Since the birth and death of Jesus Christ one man can approach God as well as another, we no longer need ministers to perform the duties of the priest, but we need them to lead us in the fight to overcome the evils of the present century. They must agitate reforms and keep at it until the desired results are accomplished. Such action will necessarily make enemies among a certain class, but the good results in the end will more than repay the unpleasant experiences. This fight must be led by the Christian ministers, there is no one else. Nine-tenths of the daily press is against prohibition. Why? Because the brewers' money is behind the press. On the lecture platform we hear the brewers' agents tell people that the use of liquor is approved by the Scriptures.

In this civic movement we need fearless Christian men, more men and more man in the men. Why license the saloon? You might as well license a few men in each neighborhood to go out and rob people, if they will only pay the state a little revenue. The saloon is nothing but the sale of souls for revenue only. Every saloon makes of your boy a drunkard and of your girl a drunkard's wife.

The speaker complimented Governor Haines on his work in the interest of the enforcement of the prohibitory law, and compared his work with the rum program carried on by the Plaisted administration. If the Governor continues his good work of making the sheriffs of the state make good or get out, he should have the support of every pulpit in the next election. The last national administration was also severely criticised by the speaker for its decided leaning toward the interest of the brewers, and the last effort of the president to help his friends by the veto of the Webb bill. Senators have found that they can discuss this question without dropping dead and now some desirable results may be obtained.

At the present time the temperance workers are uniting in an effort to secure an amendment to the constitution to prohibit the manufacture and sale of liquor, and there are twelve states that can be depended on to pass such a measure. What we need is the public spirited pulpit, one that will talk dirty politics to its men and have the men to talk to. No man can impress his hearers in a thing in which he does not believe. We must shake off the formalities and talk man-talk to the men. The speaker closed his address by quoting Scripture passages against the use of liquor. After another hymn Rev. Dr. McCrea dismissed the congregation with the benediction.

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Urges Enforcement of Attendance.

State Superintendent of Schools Payson Smith has issued the following circular to school superintendents throughout the state:

The United States Census Bureau reported in 1890 that there were 25,587 illiterates in Maine, 5.5 per cent of the total population. In 1900 the same Bureau reported that there were 29,060 illiterates representing 5.1 per cent of the total population. In the United States Census report just published for 1910 there are shown to be in Maine 24,554 illiterates representing 3.2 per cent of the population.

This reduction in illiteracy for the decade 1900 and 1910 is extremely gratifying. It would probably be too much to say that the public schools are alone to receive the credit

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NORWAY.

I. W. Waite has closed his store and gone to Lovell for the summer.

Fred Hartman is making marked changes at the Elm House stable.

Mell Sampson has his boats ready for the summer work on the lake.

Stated Convocation of Oxford Royal Arch Chapter No. 29, was held at Masons' Hall Wednesday evening. Work Mark degree.

Dr. Parmenter has closed out his business and will go on the road as salesman.

A. C. Lord, watch repairer, has moved his business into Hobbs' Variety store. He has very attractive arrangements for the public.

Judge W. F. Jones is having his two houses on Water Street painted.

Capt. M. P. Stiles after several days at home returned to his business in Portland the first of the week.

The Elm House is being painted and repaired. It is expected that it will be opened to the public the coming season by the present owners.

The Pratt house on Bridge Street is being repaired and improved for the present lessee, Mr. A. Richardson.

"When will the ice go out of the lake?" has been the question this week. The last of the ice is usually seen from the 16th of April to the end of the first week in May. It has been as late as May 10th, and again as early as April 10

Supt. of Schools, True C. Morrill has a new Ford runabout for use in his school work.

Frank H. Beck is finishing his garage. It will be one of the best in the state when completed.

Mrs. Phineas Curtis is at the Central Maine General Hospital at Lewiston with her three-month-old child. The child is receiving treatment.

May night the Veranda Club will give the 10th annual calico ball at the Opera House. Stearns' Orchestra. Refreshments, ice cream and cake at intermission.

Georgia A. Walker has been very sick at her home on lower Main Street. Edith M. Smith and Mrs. H. S. Perry cared for her.

Rev. Merrill C. Ward has been selected to preach the memorial sermon to the members of Norway Lodge, No. 18, I. O. O. F., and the Rebekah lodge, Sunday, April 27

S. J. Record has improved his store by increasing the floor space some twenty feet by the removal of the partition.

Prof. H. C. Libby of Colby made the high school a visit this week and spoke to the school on the value of education.

Leon Kimball, Thursday, fell some twenty feet to the ground. The ladder gave way on which he was at work. The ligaments of his right ankle were broken.

The following graduation parts Norway High School, have been announced:

Valedictory	Elizabeth Drew.
Salutatory	Katie Ward.
Class History	Eola Bicknell.
Class Prophecy	Harold Pollock.

Sara True, at the Interscholastic Prize Speaking Contest at the U. of M., May 23, will represent Norway High School, and at the Lyford Speaking Contest the same date, at Colby College, Theodore Frost will be the school representative.

Mrs. Albert Richardson after several months with a brother in Massachusetts, has returned to her home in Norway. She is in rather poor health but somewhat improved.

April 25th, there will be an exhibition of drawing in the eighth grade room, high school building, in the afternoon, also on Saturday, the 26th, from 2 to 5 o'clock. A program will be rendered Friday afternoon by the lower grade children.

Bertha Kenerson and sister, Ina Hilton, of Lovell, were the guests of their cousin, Martena Richardson, the past week.

The Millett land, corner of Main and Paris Streets will be sold. It has been plotted into house lots, some of the most desirable lots in town.

Harry Allen, James C. True and I. W. Waite are at Ben Brown's camp at Big Kezar Lake where they will serve the public as guides.

The corporation assessors George W. Holmes, William A. Bicknell and Stuart W. Goodwin, made a visit to Brunswick Wednesday, where they looked into the matter of sewer construction.

County Attorney Dyer of Buckfield, Hon. H. H. Hastings of Bethel, E. E Hastings of Fryeburg and Walter Perkins of Cornish were in town Tuesday.

At the Tuesday evening meeting of the Helping Hand Club at Elizabeth Foss', the following officers were elected:

Pres.—Elizabeth Foss.
Vice Pres.—Nora Haskell.
Sec. and Treas.—Marion Parmenter

Elmer H. Hussey, one of Norway's most promising high school boys, of Colby College '13, has been awarded a University appointment entitling him to a scholarship at Harvard College. He will enter in the fall and make a special study of political economy.

Institute at North Bridgton.

A People's Institute will be held in Academy Hall, North Bridgton, Wednesday, April 30, 1913. There will be two sessions commencing at 10:30 A. M. and 1:30 P. M. The subjects and speakers will be as follows:

A Short History of the Jerseys and Their Influence on Dairying, by F. S. Adams, State Dairy Instructor.

Advanced Methods in the Sweet Corn Industry, by J. A. Roberts, Commissioner of Agriculture.

The Importance of College Training to the Boy on the Farm, by Prof. W. L. Slate, Jr., University of Maine, Orono.

The Economic Distribution of Farm Products, by Dr. Leon S. Merrill, Dean of the College of Agriculture, Orono.

Education, by Prof. James L. McConaughy, Bowdoin College, Brunswick.

This Institute is held under the patronage of Lakeside Grange, Harrison, the Oxford and Cumberland Jersey Breeders' Association, and Bridgton Academy. Good music will be furnished by local talent and a dinner will be served by Lakeside Grange at a reasonable price.

This meeting is open to the public and will be of interest to every one. All are cordially invited.

Governor Haines has named as sheriff of Androscoggin County Ferd E. Stevens of Lewiston, appointment to take effect April 28. Mr. Stevens is at present a deputy United States marshal, and was a former head of the Sturgis deputies. He knows the liquor traffic, and is of proved courage.

There will be a referendum on the public utilities bill passed by the last legislature. The statement is made that this is not because of objections to the law, but because Governor Haines has named three lawyers for the commission.

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 10:45 A. M. Sunday School at 12. Sabbath evening service at 7:30. Prayer Meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. Covenant Meeting the last Friday before the 1st Sunday of the month at 2:30 P. M. All not otherwise connected are cordially invited.

Mrs. Ellen H. Jackson, who has been visiting her sisters in Boston and New York, returned to her home with her sister, Miss Mary Hubbard, last Wednesday.

Mrs. James P. Thompson and her daughter, Mrs. George Lunt, who have been spending the winter in Portland and Yarmouth, returned to Paris Hill Saturday and opened their home here for the summer.

Admiral H. W. Lyon and Mrs. Lyon, who have spent the winter at Newport, R. I., are expected to return to their home in this village during the present week.

Mrs. Lewis M. Brown is expected to open her summer home here about May first.

Edgar Farrar of Manchester, N. H., is the guest of relatives in this village.

Rev. Mr. Pressey, pastor of the M. E. church in Oakland, who was in attendance at the Maine Methodist Conference at South Paris, occupied the pulpit at the Baptist church last Sunday.

Wallace H. Cummings has purchased the farm of Frank Ryerson north of this village. It is understood that it is to be occupied by Mr. Cummings' son, Elmer Cummings, now of New York.

Ernest E. Noble, a Portland attorney, was at Paris Hill last week. Mr. Noble was formerly principal of Paris Hill Academy.

Ellsworth Thayer returned last week from the Central Maine Hospital in Lewiston, where he has been for treatment.

The date set for the presentation of the farce "Blighted Buds" is April 29th, at Academy Hall.

Greenwood.

The selectmen finished making taxes Friday afternoon, and the following evening Harry Swift and his first mate went over to the brook leading into Indian Pond to try their luck smelt fishing. On returning it was found that they had been fairly successful, and the next morning Mr. Swift returned home with his catch of smelts, which he took along with him. The following Saturday evening they came to the number of fifteen, some from Patch Mountain and others from South Bethel, but as bad luck would have it, the smelts for some reason failed to show up and they were obliged to return home as they came, with empty pails.

About a week ago our kids found some Mayflowers, or trailing arbutus, in the bud, which they planted in a dish of water, and now they are in full bloom, which pleases the children, since they are very fond of flowers.

"The trailing arbutus in bloom,
Sending forth its sweet perfume."

Our school commenced last Monday, being delayed one week on account of the bad traveling, taught by Miss Lula B. Cummings of Albany. So far the scholars are well pleased with her as a teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Brooks are slowly recovering, but recently one of their little grandchildren was taken sick, threatened with pneumonia, and is now in the hands of a physician.

Erastus Bryant is getting worse, and is now so violent as to require watching by day and night. There has been a large amount of sickness about here since last fall, and the end is not yet.

After it was decided to move the Patch Mountain school house a mile or more farther south, Fred Cole took the job, stipulating to have the work all completed by the middle of April, and the school to commence the first Monday in May. Nearly three weeks ago he started the building up the road, when something gave out, making it impossible to proceed, and there it stands waiting to be moved to its new location according to agreement.

There is but very little April fooling and playing practical jokes, compared to fifty years ago or more; at least about here, and now I will tell how one man thought to play a first day of April joke, and got the most of it back on himself:

Mr. Joker thought himself pretty smart for that kind of fun, so when the "all fools' day" came round, and Dr. Blank was living near by, he concluded to try his skill on extracting teeth; so procuring a short piece of rake head, containing a single tooth, he put it in his pocket, and taking a chum along with him to enjoy the fun he called on the doctor, his errand being as he said to have a tooth extracted, having no further use for it. The doctor then placed him in a proper position, and asked him to point out the troublesome tooth. Mr. Joker then took the rake tooth from his pocket, saying, "This, doctor, is the one I want extracted." "All right," said the doctor, taking in the joke at once, and in a few moments the tooth was out. Handing the two parts back to Mr. Joker, he called it a good job and asked for his bill. "I must have thirty dollars," was the answer, "for such a piece of work as that." "Cheap enough," said Mr. Joker, who knew better than to offer any protest. He proposed to keep it a secret, but it leaked out, and for years after about the first of April some one would ask Mr. Joker if he intended to have another tooth extracted on that day.

West Sumner.

Mr. Frank Scudder and Miss Theda M. Glover were united in marriage by the Rev. J. M. Atwood at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William R. Glover, on Sunday last. Mr. and Mrs. Scudder left the next day for Livermore Falls, where they will make their home, Mr. Scudder having a good position there.

G. A. Chandler has sold his place to Mrs. Fannie Adams of Paris Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Ford will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary in the vestry Tuesday evening, April 29th.

School will begin the 21st, with Miss Edith Barrett of Sumner Hill as teacher.

Rev. Chester Gore Miller of South Paris will deliver the Memorial Day address. Services in the Universalist church at 10 A. M

Mrs. Harriet Howe, who has been away for the winter, returned home tonight.

Mason.

Percy W. Martin is at his home in Harrison for a few days.

C. P. Hutchinson has returned home from Fred Wheeler's on Grover Hill.

D. R. Hastings was in town recently.

Miss Dorothy Morrill of West Bethel visited friends in town Sunday.

Ralph Cushing is going to Norway to work the last of this week.

Miss Mildred Morrill visited her aunt, Mrs. S. A. Grover, one day recently.

J. A. McKenzie has been working for Daniel Morrill for a few days.

North Paris.

Morris Tracy was at home over Sunday.

Alton C. Wheeler, Esq., of South Paris, was in town April 17.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Whitten and son Paul, who have been in California this winter, have returned to West Paris and will soon move to the place which they bought of Mrs. Emily Field.

Mrs. Emily Field is about moving to West Paris.

H. D McAllister is building a garage to accomodate his car and that of Mr. Hemingway.

East Waterford.

The fifteen days old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. McIntire passed away the night of the 12th. Rev. G. W. Sias offered a prayer at the house Monday afternoon.

Mrs. B. G. McIntire and daughter are in Augusta with Mr. McIntire this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Button of Waltham, Mass., have come to George Lovejoy's house on Temple Hill to live during the summer.

Mrs. Button's sister, Hazel Miller, is with her, ill with the measles. Another sister, Mrs. Bertha Davis, and five children, of Harrison, are all down. Mr. Davis is recovering from them.

Miss Georgia Miller, who has been so very ill with tuberculosis, is improved and able to sit up.

Bethel.

Miss S. Louise Rounds has been in town this week in the interest of the Children's Home at Augusta.

Judge and Mrs. A. E. Herrick are enjoying a trip to Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Eliza Chase, who has spent the winter with her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Herrick, has returned to the home of her son, Judge Chase, in Bluehill.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. F. S. Chandler Tuesday afternoon.

The village schools opened Monday, and the other schools in town will open Monday, April 21st.

E. C. Bowler returned from Augusta Sunday morning.

A number from the M. E. society have been in attendance upon the conference at South Paris.

Rev. B. F. Pickett resigned his pastorate at the Methodist church, as his health does not admit of his preaching, but he has purchased a residence here where he will reside.

Miss Eva Farwell is the new teacher in the brick building. Miss Mildred Hapgood resigned and Miss Mildred Brown was promoted to her room, Miss Farwell being given the grade formerly taught by Miss Brown.

Ray Crockett has purchased a fine moving picture machine and will run the business here, it is said.

Mrs. Mae A. Godwin went to Auburn Thursday to consult Dr. Pennell, who is treating her eyes.

Misses Grace and Daisy Dixon came from Augusta Friday to visit their aunt, Mrs. L. T. Barker.

Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Curtis, accompanied by Robert and Edward Hanscom and Eugene and Lewis Van Den Kerckhoven, went to South Paris Friday to hear Mr. Smith's address to the boys.

Mrs. Davis Lovejoy has been in Lewiston attending the convention of the Golden Cross.

Misses Hilda and Marjorie Chandler have returned to their home in Auburn.

MIDDLE INTERVALE.

Sap time about over.

Some repairing is being done on the Uncle Gorham house.

School here in session, with Mary Stanley teacher.

Eva Farwell has a graded school in the village.

Laforest Kimball of Locke's Mills is visiting his grandfather, S. B. Osgood.

The water in Maple and Pine Farm well is the highest we have ever known.

Mrs. Rose P. Houghtaling, who lives near the flooded region in the middle west, says "I am thankful to be living." Some good may come from events coming from a natural cause, as the God of Nature is our God and the God of the Bible.

The river bank here shows marks of high water.

"Consider the Lilies" is the heading of a souvenir card received from a friend. What a beautiful thought comes! So much meaning.

Joke to laugh at: "Must Have Been Crowded." An Irishman walking through a graveyard saw a tombstone on which was inscribed, "Here lies a lawyer and an honest man." "Be jabers!" said Pat, "I wonder how they came to bury both uv them fellers in wan grave?"

Scrub Lady's Family.—Mrs. O'Flarity is a scrub lady and she had been absent from her duties for several days, upon her return, her employer asked her the reason for her absence. "Sure, I've been carin' for wan of me sick children." "And how many children have you, Mrs. O'Flarity?" he asked. "Siven in all," she replied. "Four by the third wife of me second husband, three by the second wife of me first."

West Bethel.

We hear no step, but from her brown hands tossed
Green blades of grass and tender flowers are spread;
From soulless clods stung through with winter frost
New life comes forth divinely heralded.
—Benjamin F. Leggett.

"Come out and hear the robins sing,
And hear the blackbird's tale of spring,
And see the swallows on the wing.
Come out and listen, listen low,
And hear the grasses as they grow,
And lift the little winds that blow,
And learn to read their secret well—
The secret that they softly tell
To bird and bee in drowsy dell,
Of bud and blossom, flower and fruit
That quickens now in sap and root,
And now in tender springing shoot."

Potatoes are quite plentiful, and prices low.

Eggs at 18 cts. per dozen are cheaper food than fresh meats and fish.

Charles A. Dunham was with his mother and sister a part of last week.

William A. Bragg of the Grand Union Tea Co. was in this village Tuesday.

The spring term of our village school opens Monday, with Miss Emma Burke, teacher.

More water is needed for running pulp wood down Pleasant River from Mason to the Androscoggin.

Mrs. Ethel Cox and two youngest children are visiting in Norway, and may not return to West Bethel.

Frost is coming out of the ground, mud is fast drying up, and the roads are becoming quite dusty.

But little change is reported in the condition of Myles O'Reilly, who has long been confined to his home by illness.

John Carleton has been hired to run the ferry-boat this year, and has moved from his farm to the ferry-house on the north side of the river.

Mrs. Vienna Holt, who closed her house in November and went to Norway to spend the winter with her twin sister, Mrs. Volesta Kimball, returned to her home in this village on Monday last.

Locke's Mills.

Mrs. Ida Crooker is at West Bethel nursing.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Lapham are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter (Sylvia) April 12th.

J. F. Reed of West Paris was in town Thursday and bought a horse of Frank Brooks.

The Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. C. L. Swan Wednesday.

The True Blue Club met with Miss Elsie Herrick Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Lena Rand has opened her summer home here.

Miss Hazel Berthold of Lewiston is working for Mrs. C. B. Tebbets.

W. B. Rand is finishing a rent over his store.

C. B. Tebbets and Chris Bryant have been away on a business trip.

Landlord Tuttle is having the hotel hall shingled.

Elmer Fiske was called to North Waterford last week by the death of his father.

Mrs. Nellie Stowell called at L. C. Trask's Thursday.

Denmark.

Denmark Lodge, No. 50, I. O. O. F., are having their stable newly shingled and the buildings painted.

A. P. Cobb is repairing the old Berry work shop for a garage.

Surveyors are busily surveying the logs in the pond here.

Denmark Lodge, No. 50, I. O. O. F., conferred the 2d and 3d degrees upon two candidates Tuesday evening.

Fred Alexander is having his old chimney taken down and a new one put up. Messrs. Adams and Hodgdon of Brownfield are doing the work.

North Buckfield.

Ethel L. Waterman is teaching the school and boarding at Mrs. Isabelle Swallow's. Eola Swallow teaches in the Brock District.

E. L. Phinney has commenced work on W. C. Clapp's new house.

Mrs. M. A. Warren is in poor health.

Grover Keene is working for Harry Holmes.

A. F. Mason has purchased a horse of C. W. Shaw.

A crew of river drivers are at work on the logs. They board at Mrs. Isabelle Swallow's.

Mrs. D. R. Jack and David Record are on the sick list.

Eola Swallow has a new Huntington piano from F. E. Tainter's.

West Lovell.

Mrs. Ralph R. McAllister visited Amelia Barber last Wednesday.

Alonzo Lord is at W. S. Fox's for a few days.

D. E. McAllister and wife are settled at their home here.

W. S. Fox has a crew of men at work on the logs and pulp wood.

John K. Fox finished sawing birch the 16th. He has about 30 cords of barrel timber to saw.

West Paris.

There will be a supper followed by an entertainment, under the auspices of the Y. P. C. U., at Good Will Hall, Wednesday, April 30th.

The loan exhibit under the auspices of the Good Will Society at Good Will Hall, Wednesday afternoon and evening, was the most interesting and instructive social event held here for a long time. Ancient China and silver, mounted birds, rabbit, mouse, a bear's head and rug from the skin of the animal, ancient articles of all descriptions, modern and old-fashioned needle work, curios from other states and foreign countries, all went to swell the display which the committee had procured and tastefully arranged. The visitors during the afternoon to this newly opened museum were entertained by very excellent music on the trombone by J. X. Alliare, who was very generous with his number of selections. In the evening there was a pleasing program consisting of piano duets by Miss Hildreth and Miss Lane; readings by Miss Rose Murphy, Mrs. A. D. Swift, Mrs. E. J. Mann; piano solo, Miss Hildreth; duet, Leona Marston and Lula Day; solo, Mrs. C. H. Bates; recitations, Beatrice Davis and Myrtle Robinson; and lullaby song by chorus of little girls. There was a good sale of home-made candy.

Mrs. F. L. Wyman of Woodstock wishes to express her thanks for the large post card shower which she received from friends on her birthday. Mrs. Wyman has been ill, and the many cards received on her birthday and at Easter were very helpful to cheer the lonesome hours.

Mrs. Dora Emery and little daughter Irene have been visiting relatives in Bethel.

Mrs. F. S. Farnum and Beatrice Davis were recent guests of Mrs. Farnum's brother, Walter Emery, and family, at Island Pond.

Mrs. F. E. Wheeler went to Bath Thursday to hear Helen Keller. She was the guest of friends during her stay.

Mrs. G. A. Smith was in Lewiston Wednesday.

Rev. and Mrs. D. A. Ball went to Lewiston Friday night to hear Helen Keller, and were the guests of Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Temple.

Norway High School presented the drama, the King of the Philippines, Friday evening to a good sized audience. The play was well presented. A dance followed the play.

Mrs. Alice Ford, Mrs. C. H. Lane and Mrs. Abbott attended the conference at South Paris Saturday.

Buckfield.

Henry B. Forbes died at his home Saturday, April 12, at the age of 67 years. Mr. Forbes has been an invalid for many years, but able to be about much of the time. His last sickness lasted only a week. He was a veteran of the war, having served in the Twenty-ninth Maine Regiment. He is survived by a widow and two daughters, Mrs. C. E. Holmes and Miss Ida. The funeral was held from the home Monday, Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes, a cousin of the deceased, officiating. Interment was in the family lot in the village cemetery.

Mrs. Lila Rawson has been in Waterville for a visit with friends.

Radcliff Bridgham has been at home from Boston for a week, returning to his work Saturday morning.

Miss Mellie Austin returned to Boston Monday after a week at home.

Mrs. A. A. Mitchell had a fall Sunday morning, but fortunately was not seriously injured.

Miss Shirley Hall's new setter, Windmere Wanda, arrived here safely and is a fine animal.

Messrs. Scott & Teague have acquired the mill property of Heald & Lunt and took possession Friday.

Bryant's Pond.

The annual meeting of the Village Improvement Society was held April 14, and the following officers elected:

Pres.—James M. Day.
Vice Pres.—Harry H. Crockett.
Sec.—Mrs. Ada Swan.
Treas.—Mrs. Flora Cole.
Janitor—Fred Cole.
Executive Committee—H. A. Bacon, Floyd Morgan and Mrs. Emily Morse.

At the next regular meeting in two weeks, an effort will be made to raise money for the purpose of building a permanent sidewalk along the main street. The question of arranging for more street lights will also be brought up again.

A girls' club is the latest organization here. The meetings will be held twice a month at the village hall.

The smelts have had a seven days run up the brooks and people have been attracted far and near. They are of larger size than usual this season.

The ice in the pond is still solid, though the cove is clear. The west shore is still bound with no signs yet of breaking away. Last season the pond was clear of ice April 24th.

C. E. Hanson loaded a car Friday with heavy horses purchased near by. They were shipped to Presque Isle.

Hebron.

W. Scott Bearce, who has been in very poor health for some months, has gone to the Maine State Hospital for treatment.

At the circle supper Tuesday some over $21.00 was taken.

Mrs. Amanda Merrill is in South Paris for a few days with her niece, Mrs. George Davis.

Miss Martha Pratt is now at home.

Miss Nellie Whitman and Mrs. Sylvanus Bearce were called to South Paris Wednesday by the illness of their aged mother, Mrs. Nancy Whitman. We are glad to learn that Mrs. Whitman is better at present writing.

H. K. Stearns is at Rangeley for a few days this week.

West Buckfield.

Irving Smith has sold his place to Roy Buswell and moved his family to Sumner.

Roy Bradbury has cut his hand with an axe.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Bradbury are at home for a brief stay.

Blanche, little daughter of Willard Pearl, goes to the hospital Saturday for an operation of the eyes. Members of Mountain Grange bear the expenses.

Roy and Gerald Briggs are cutting wood on the Austin lot for C. E. Foster.

Mrs. Lillian Benson is kept busy cleaning house and papering for people.

Albany.

Mrs. C. G. Beckler is not gaining as fast as her friends wish she might.

Madie Hazelton stayed with her sister from Sunday till Tuesday.

William Chase has come to live with his niece, Mrs. Bruce.

Mrs. Mabel Bartlett is caring for her daughter, Mrs. C. D. Connor. They have a baby boy.

Roy Andrews is cutting wood for his father, L. J. Andrews.

Ross Cummings has finished work for Mr. Burke, and is at home now.

Smelts are running at Bryant's Pond.

Hanover.

The Hanover school, district number 2, opened April 7th with E. D. Hammon as teacher.

Charles Frost is in this place.

Mrs. Addie Saunders was the guest of Mrs. H. J. Stearns last Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Edward Warren of Upton spent a few days last week with her aunt, Mrs. Nancy Mayconnell.

E. W Stearns was in Bethel last Friday on business.

Hiram.

On April 15, 1852, it snowed 18 inches in Hiram. April 15, 1913, the land was bare, with heat at 67.

Mrs. Everett W. Lord of Porter was in town Friday.

Married in Hiram, April 12, by Llewellyn A. Wadsworth, Esq., Mr. Walter H. Sargent and Mrs. Belle Schegell, both of Porter.

Henry N. Burbank and his daughter Sevia visited his sister, Mrs. Nellie M. Benjamin of Auburn, last week.

Hiram Lodge, K. of P., is adding to its long list of members.

Mrs. Alice L. Goodwin is quite ill.

Austin Storer has sold his house to Walter W. Clemons, and will move to East Hiram.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kimball of Nashua, N. H., and Mr. and Mrs. George L. Young of Swampscott, Mass., were at Eli C. Wadsworth's Thursday.

Llewllyn A. Wadsworth went to Fryeburg Saturday.

Base Ball.

PARIS H. S. 9; NORWAY H. S. 4.

Paris High School opened its base ball season Saturday afternoon with a victory over Norway High in a game in which they clearly outclassed their most bitter rivals. The contest was played on the fair grounds under weather conditions that were about as disagreeable as it is possible to have them. Rain in the early part of the afternoon left the grass wet and made the ball hard to handle, while the cold wind that was blowing chilled both players and spectators to the bone. However, there was a good attendance of supporters from both schools present to cheer on their favorites.

Paris played a steady game, showing to advantage all the way except in the blow-up of the final inning, when Norway scored the only runs they were able to secure. Paris started with one run in the first, added another in the second, but failed to score in the third or fourth. After that they scored in every inning to the end of the game, having a final count of nine. There was not an inning during the game but saw some Paris runner on the bases. On the other hand Norway went out in order in six of the nine innings. They lost a fine opportunity to score in the second. McDaniels opened with a hit. Shepard reached first on an error by Brooks. Haskell struck out, but Thomas drew a pass, filling the bases with only one out. Newton then helped his team a whole lot by catching McDaniels off third by a quick throw to Bartlett, and Rich closed the inning by striking out. Norway was not dangerous again until the ninth, and at that time Paris had secured such a lead that there was little hope for them.

PARIS H. S.

	A.B.	R.	B.H.	P.O.	A.	E.
S. Davis, s.s.	5	1	2	0	1	0
Brooks, 1-b.	5	2	3	9	1	0
L. Davis, c.f.	4	2	1	0	0	0
Newton, c.	5	0	2	15	4	0
Bartlett, 3-b.	4	1	0	1	2	1
Bigelow, l.f.	5	0	2	0	0	1
Edwards, 2-b.	4	0	2	2	0	0
Shaw, r.f.	4	2	2	0	0	0
Penfold, p.	4	1	1	0	0	0
Totals	40	9	15	27	8	2

NORWAY H. S.

	A.B.	R.	B.H.	P.O.	A.	E.
Klain, 2-b.	3	1	0	1	0	0
Russell, s.s.	3	1	0	3	1	1
Monk, 1-b.	4	1	1	9	0	0
McDaniels, c.	4	1	2	7	4	0
Shepard, 3-b.	4	0	1	4	1	3
Haskell, l.f.	4	0	0	1	2	0
Thomas, c.f.	3	0	0	0	0	0
Rich, r.f.	2	0	0	0	0	0
Chandler, r.f.	1	0	0	1	0	0
Snow, p.	3	0	1	1	7	0
*Buck	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	4	5	27	15	4

*Batted for Haskell in the ninth.

Score by Innings.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9—Total.
Paris H. S.	1	1	0	0	1	2	1	1	2—9
Norway H. S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4—4

Two-base-hits, S. Davis, Brooks, Newton 2, Edwards, McDaniels. First base on balls, off Penfold 2; off Snow 2. Struck out, by Penfold 16; by Snow 6. Stolen bases, Paris 8, Norway 0. Umpires, Anderson and Shaw. Scorer, C. Easson.

This week Paris plays two games, going to Hebron for a game against the first team at the Academy Wednesday afternoon, and playing Bridgton Academy on the high school grounds Saturday afternoon.

Oxford County Teachers' Association.

The Oxford County Teachers' Association will hold sessions, April 25-26, at Buckfield. The general sessions will be held in Odd Fellows' hall and the department sessions in the High school building. Program is as follows:

FRIDAY MORNING, 10:30.

GENERAL SESSION

Trombone solo, Mr. Luther Irish, Buckfield
Prayer, Rev. F. M. Lamb, Buckfield
Vocal solo, Miss F. Mildred Shaw, Buckfield
Business
"The Opportunity of the Rural School Teacher," Prof. Arthur J. Jones, Orono
"The School and Public Sentiment," Principal W. G. Mallett, Farmington.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30.

DEPARTMENT SESSIONS.

Rural School Department—Chairman, Superintendent Charles H. Abbott, Canton.
Address, Mr. H. L. Bryant, Hebron Academy
"Rural Schools," Superintendent W. S. McNamara, Mexico
"Some Possible Improvements in Rural School Work," Miss Lillian I. Lincoln, Farmington
Elementary School Department—Chairman, Superintendent W. H. S. Ellingwood, Rumford.
Paper, Miss Lida Hughes, Rumford
"A New Standard of Reading for Grammar Grades," Miss Maude Andrews, Portland
Secondary School Department—Chairman, Principal Wallace A. Clifford, South Paris.
"Vocational Guidance in the Secondary Schools," Principal Charles L. Smith, Rumford
Discussion opened by Principal Vernon K. Brackett, Buckfield, and Principal R. Edgar Fisher, Bryant Pond.
"Definite Aims in High School Work," Professor Jones

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 3:15.

GENERAL SESSION.

Business
"The Essentials of the Recitation," Principal A. F. Richardson, Castine
Question Box conducted by State Superintendent Payson Smith.

FRIDAY EVENING, 7:30.

GENERAL SESSION.

Music, Male Quartet
Reading, Miss Maude Andrews, Portland
"The Contact With Life," Payson Smith, LL. D., Litt. D., State Superintendent of Public Schools.
Music, Male Quartet
Informal reception.

SATURDAY MORNING, 9:00.

GENERAL SESSION.

"Forms of Manual Training Adapted to Village School Systems," E. H. Harlacher, State Director of Manual Training
"Household Economics in Rural Schools," Miss Marion C. Ricker, State Director of Household Arts.
"Some Tests of the Efficiency of a School," Miss Mary McSkimmon, Brookline, Mass.
Business.

For cruel and abusive treatment of her two step-children, Mrs. Susan Markee of Presque Isle was sentenced to serve two years at hard labor in the state prison. The six-year-old girl suffered a broken arm as the result of a beating and the boy, aged seven, was tortured with hunger and exposure to the cold. He was found with his feet so badly frost bitten that the toes were removed.

Bankrupt's Petition for Discharge.

In the matter of PATRICK MEEHAN, Bankrupt. } In Bankruptcy.

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

PATRICK MEEHAN of Rumford, in the County of Oxford, and State of Maine, in said District, respectfully represents, that on the 18th day of May, 1912, he was duly adjudged bankrupt, under the Acts of Congress relating to Bankruptcy; that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said Acts and of the orders of Court touching his bankruptcy.

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

Dated this 13th day of April, A. D. 1913.
PATRICK MEEHAN, Bankrupt.

ORDER OF NOTICE THEREON.

DISTRICT OF MAINE, ss.

On this 19th day of April, A. D. 1913, on reading the foregoing petition, it is—

Ordered by the Court, that a hearing be had upon the same on the 31st day of May, A. D. 1913, before said Court at Portland, in said District, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon; and that notice thereof be published in The Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed in said District, and that all known creditors, and other persons in interest, may appear at the said time and place, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted.

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

Witness the HON. CLARENCE HALE, Judge of the said Court, and the seal thereof, at Portland, in said District, on the 19th day of April, A. D. 1913.

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

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

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PROBATE NOTICES.

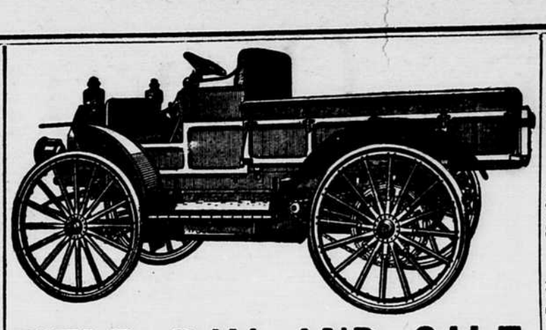
To all persons interested in either of the estates hereinafter named:

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

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper published at South Paris, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Rumford on the second Tuesday of May, A. D. 1913, at 9 of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

George F. Evans late of Newton Center, Massachusetts, deceased; copy of will and petition for probate thereof presented by Caroline E. Evans, executrix.

ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court.
A true copy—Attest:
16-18 ALBERT D. PARK, Register.



FIELD DAY AND SALE.

Farming Implements
—AND—
Machinery

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 1913.

We have a large stock of Sulky Plows, Walking Plows, Riding Cultivators, Disc Harrows and Tillage Implements.

10 Per Cent Discount on above goods for this day only.

The I. H. C. Gasoline Tractor and Auto Truck on exhibition.

A Four-bottom Gang Plow has just arrived and will be on exhibition.

HOT STEAMED CLAMS AT NOON.

See large posters describing sale in detail.

A. W. Walker & Son,
SOUTH PARIS, MAINE.

We have a large stock of Cement Blocks and Brick for building purposes. 15-16

YOU ought to look especially this Spring at our blue serge suits; we have a particularly good line of these goods; and no fabric ever made gives such general satisfaction as blue serge; always looks dressy; always looks and feels cool

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put the style and quality into them; tailored-to-fit.

A very great value here at $18; some for less, some for more.

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Notice of Sale of Right of Redeeming Mortgaged Real Estate.

STATE OF MAINE.

COUNTY OF OXFORD, ss. April 12, A. D. 1913.

Taken on execution, wherein Walter P. Perkins of Cornish in our County of York and State of Maine is Plaintiff and John B. Hadlock of Porter in said County of Oxford is defendant, and will be sold by Public Auction, on the twenty-fourth day of May A. D. 1913, at ten o'clock in the foren

The Oxford Democrat.

South Paris, Maine, April 22, 1913

SOUTH PARIS.

Mrs. Ada Richardson, who has been ill for some weeks, is now improving.

Miss Agnes Heald of Canton is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Dr. Snell.

Miss Roberts of Kennebunk has been a guest at E. F. Shaw's for a few days.

Dr. Rounds joined his wife in Malden and spent the holiday week-end there.

Mrs. Charlotte Howe, who has been quite ill for the past few weeks, is now improving.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Powers of Hanover are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. W. C. Thayer.

Irving O. Barrows spent the holiday week-end with his sister, Mrs. M. V. McAllister, at Eliot.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haskell of Auburn have been recent guests of Mrs. Rounds, Mr. Haskell's sister.

Charles Rawson has purchased the Tirrell house on High Street, and moved in there with his family last week.

It is announced that Paris Grange have decided to begin work at once on a large new hall that they are to build on the Billings lumber yard lot on Maple Street.

Miss Lura Morrill of Buckfield, who teaches in the Biscoe district, spent the week end with her aunt, Mrs. Theodore Thayer.

Mrs. Ordway, Mrs. Flemming and Miss Gray will entertain the Delta Alphas at Deering Memorial Church Thursday evening.

Mrs. Charles T. Merrill of Kennebunkport has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jenne, for the past week or more.

Be sure and save your money to attend the Village Post Office, which will be given at New Hall, May 2nd. Cast will be printed next week.

Charlie Bonney and wife of Sumner were here at J. D. Haynes' over Sunday to visit Mrs. Mary Newell, who is convalescing from a severe illness.

Hon. Waldo Pettengill and wife of Rumford spent Sunday with Mrs. Rounds, Mrs. Pettengill's friend, and attended the Methodist conference.

It is reported that a broken wheel was the cause of the recent freight smash-up on the Grand Trunk near West Bethel, as was the case in the wreck near Snow's Falls a few weeks since.

The ladies of Wm. K. Kimball circle of the G. A. R. are requested to meet at their room for a special meeting on Saturday evening, April 26th, to consider business of importance.

Members of the ladies' circle of the G. A. R. with their honorary members are invited by the members of Burnside circle to a campfire at Auburn on the afternoon of May 1st at half past 2 o'clock.

That joyous spring bird, the bullfrog, again with us, and has been making his voice heard now for a week. The sparrow's song is sweet, but it hasn't quite the same prophecy of summer that there is in the frog's cheerful tone.

At the next regular meeting of Mt. Pleasant Rebekah Lodge, April 25, gentlemen's night will be observed. Every brother is requested to be present. There will be a short entertainment, after which light refreshments will be served.

Hundreds of immigrants bound for Canada went through on the Grand Trunk the first of last week—four trains in one day, and one of them of fifteen cars. So heavy was this traffic that the road had to borrow a large part of the cars used from other roads.

The batters are up for a new bungalow which Mrs. George H. Davis will build this season, on the lot east of her residence on Maple Street. The bungalow will be 35x46 feet, with six rooms on the ground floor, and probably two finished on the second floor. The family will occupy it when it is completed.

Members of the Methodist Conference supplied at the several churches of the other denominations on Sunday. At the Congregational church Rev. William Wood; at the Baptist church Rev. J. E. Clancy, assisted by Rev. F. C. Rogers; at the Universalist church Rev. H. L. Nichols. Rev. Alexander Hamilton conducted services at the jail in the afternoon.

Mount Mica Lodge, I. O. O. F., will observe the 94th anniversary of the Order at their hall with appropriate exercises Tuesday evening, April 29. The annual sermon will be preached by Rev. C. G. Miller at the Universalist church, April 27th, at 2:30. Meet at Odd Fellows' Hall at 2 o'clock. All brothers and sisters of the order are cordially invited to attend.

The meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, which was postponed last week, will be held in the Congregationalist vestry, Wednesday at 2:30 P. M. It will be a mothers' meeting and the discussion of the subject, Teaching Boys and Girls to love Nature and Sunday School, will be led by Mrs. A. T. McWhorter. There will also be a memorial service for Mrs. Annie B. Swett. Everybody cordially invited.

The Seneca Club meets this Monday evening with the president, Mrs. P. E. Hathaway, at her home on High Street. This is the last program evening of the club for the season, and in the study of English history the period considered is Cromwell's protectorate. Mrs. Fernald has a paper on Oliver Cromwell, and Mrs. Hilton one on London, Old and New. Patriotic quotations are given by the club at roll call, and patriotic songs at the close of the program. The annual meeting of the club comes May 6th.

Everybody who wasn't a Methodist or a printer or a housekeeper or something took a vacation Saturday. Both the factories shut down for the day, the stores and banks were closed, and the place wore a general holiday air. Of course the base ball season opened, with some real games and some games that were for sport. At the high school grounds in the forenoon the single men beat the married men 7 to 4, six innings. There was also some trap shooting, and some other sports. The day was a little mixed as to weather, but generally endurable, and was on the whole quite well employed as a spring breathing spell.

Chester M. Merrill of this place was one of a class of fifteen from various sections of the country which graduated last Tuesday from the United States College of Veterinary Surgeons at Washington, D. C. Mr. Merrill was the only Maine man, the others coming from eight other of the states of the Union. Remarks were made at the commencement exercises in Odd Fellows' Hall Tuesday evening by Representative T. U. Sisson of Mississippi, B. Tilghman Woodward, dean of the faculty, and Dr. G. A. Provost, who conferred the diplomas. Dean Woodward told the graduates that veterinary surgery had its beginning in early antiquity, and that it is now, as it always has been, a noble, humane profession.

Smith Farm Buildings Burned.

The buildings on the farm of the late Sebastian S. Smith, on Fore Street, Oxford, now owned by his son, Howard D. Smith of Norway, were burned Saturday forenoon, the blaze starting from a grass fire set by the railroad. The wind was blowing fresh from the railroad toward the buildings. There was no one at the place, a family who had been there having moved out only a few days before. Mr. Smith, who used a portion of the house as a sort of vacation resort, had some furnishings there. Some of these were saved by neighbors who came to the place when the fire was discovered, but the larger part of them were lost. A small building used as a storehouse in connection with a cottage on the east side of the road was also burned. There was an insurance of about $2300 on the buildings and contents, including hay. The buildings were large and in good condition.

A Busy Week of Maine Conference.

(Continued from page 1.)

Devotional services at an early hour Thursday morning were conducted by Bishop Henderson, who inspired the brethren with his narrations of some of his personal work, and urged them to renewed endeavor in saving the lost.

At the business session following, there was quite a sharp discussion over the manner of distributing the conference minutes, and several votes were taken and decided by small margins, but the matter was finally left with the committee to report later. A number of visitors were then introduced by Bishop Henderson. Rev. Dr. McCrea of the Board of Education spoke especially in behalf of the student loan fund.

Rev. Dr. Daniel W. Howell, corresponding secretary of the General Deaconess Board, spoke of the general Deaconess work and movement, especially in its bearing upon the question of reaching the immigrants through the girls and boys. Theodore A. Hildreth, corresponding secretary of the New England Deaconess Association, told of the hospital and training school work of that association, and the home for aged Methodist women which would be opened in the fall. At the suggestion of District Superintendent Holt, Miss A. Maude King, superintendent of the Maine Conference Deaconess Home in Portland, was called forward and gave a brief talk regarding the work in that home. Enumerating and describing some of the lines of educational, industrial and personal work done, she mentioned as one item that in three years over four hundred children had been brought into Sunday School.

Rev. E. C. Clemans, D. D., representing the Board of Conference Claimants, was introduced by Bishop Henderson and spoke in behalf of the support of retired ministers. He said he was glad to say the honorable term "retired" is used now, not the old objectionable "superannuated," nor yet "worn out." They are not worn out, said he. One of our retired preachers in Pasadena, 96 years of age, graduated last year from the

Rev. Theodore S. Henderson, D. D., LL. D., Presiding Bishop.

University of California, and has written a philosophical work with a title which I can't remember.

Head Master Gaylord William Douglass of Wilbraham, the oldest Methodist school in the country, told of the work of the "new Wilbraham."

Rev. J. M. Frost, D. D., superintendent of the Augusta District, gave a very full and cheering report of the year's work in the district, and the late comers of the pastors reported from their charges.

Especially a women's session was that of Thursday afternoon, the first part of which was the anniversary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Mrs. H. A. Clifford of Winthrop presiding. The address of the afternoon was by Miss Mabel Hartford, a native of New Hampshire, who has been for twenty-five years a missionary in China. At the outset Miss Hartford endeavored to give her hearers an understanding that China is not so much different from America as many suppose, and that the people of China are "just folks," after all. For nearly an hour she told very interestingly of the educational and religious work done there by the missions, in which she had a part.

The second part of the afternoon session was devoted to the anniversary of the Board of Conference Claimants, with an appeal in behalf of the fund for the aid of retired ministers, their widows and orphans, by Rev. E. C. Clemans, D. D., the field representative. Dr. Clemans has a vigorous and somewhat picturesque style of delivery, and held attention without difficulty. In plain fashion he set forth the impossibility of the average minister saving from his small salary the means with which to provide for old age, and the duty of pensioning those who have spent their life in the service of the church. While at present the funds are inadequate, he hopes that in about fonr years such an endowment may be available that all claimants shall be assured of a living pension.

At 4 o'clock Thursday a reception was given to the ministers' wives at the vestry of the Congregational church, and Bishop Henderson gave a short talk. There was music by the Cecilia Orchestra, and a short program of musical selections, with the reading of an original poem by Mrs. Julia E. Abbott.

If any one had an idea that foreign missions was necessarily a dry topic for the average man, he would have been disabused of that notion Thursday evening, when the anniversary of the Foreign Missionary Society was held, Rev. William Wood presiding. The address of the evening was by Rev. W. F. Oldham, D. D., corresponding secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, of New York, and was one of the rare treats of the conference.

Dr. Oldham has spent many years in missionary work in southern Asia, and understands the people and their needs well. He was for a time bishop of the Philippines, and (though he did not mention it himself) gave up that position for a much less remunerative one because he felt that he could do the cause more good. As a speaker he is of impressive delivery, and his mastery of the English language is a delight. But more than that, he is a man of intense devotion to his work, and a broad-minded man, who can see beyond the results of the day or the year, and see the bigger thing.

His description of the recent astounding awakening of China was highly illuminating and informing, even to the student of events, and hardly less so the presentation of the facts regarding the unrest in India. His appeal to the Christian world, and especially to the Methodist church, to meet the supreme crisis in these great countries, such as there has never been before nor may be again, was intense in its earnestness.

People asked, said he, whence came this sudden marvelous awakening and advance in old China, supposed to be the Rip Van Winkle of the nations; and he answered by saying that it was the result of the seed which for nearly a century the missionaries have been sowing, putting into the minds and hearts of these people the ideals of a Christian civilization. But no brief outline can do justice to this informing and powerful address.

At the devotional services of Friday morning, Bishop Henderson took as the keynote of his talk on soul-saving, "Begin at Jerusalem," and illustrated it with many instances of results accomplished in his own work and that of others by direct appeal among their own people.

In the business session of the forenoon the matter of the distribution of the minutes was taken up and threshed out. There was quite a lot of earnest discussion, and considerable time was occupied. The result was finally a sort of compromise, the distribution being ordered neither on the basis of the pastor's salary nor on the basis of the church membership, but on the dual basis of the two combined.

A recommendation to the program committee that two afternoons of next year's conference be devoted specially to Maine affairs was adopted, the motion to substitute one afternoon for the two being defeated. A commission of five was also appointed to consider consolidating the trust funds held by the various conference boards under one board and one treasurer.

Dr. Holt moved, in view of the inconvenience of a pastor whose charge is changed moving during the week following conference, that those whose charges are changed be not expected to be on their new field until the second Sunday after conference.

Bishop Henderson suggested that this motion should be passed only as expressing the judgment of the conference, not as an administrative proposition, and warned the members against misinterpretation of the scope of the motion, shaking his finger and saying, "Now if this passes, and any of you men go back to the old charge for the next week, don't forget that you are not the pastor there. Keep your hands off. Your pastoral relation there ceased when the appointment was read in conference," and he enlarged upon the subject of Christian courtesy between members.

After reports from a number of the members on the year's work, Principal J. O. Newton of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary at Kent's Hill presented the claims of that school, and Bishop Henderson told of his recent and first visit to the school, commended it highly, and urged strong support of it.

Reception of fraternal greetings was set for 11 o'clock, and soon after that hour such greetings, in earnest language, were given by Rev. A. T. McWhorter of the South Paris Congregational church, Rev. E. A. Davis of the South Paris Baptist church, and Rev. E. B. Tetley of the Free Baptist church.

Rev. Wilbur F. Berry, D. D., of Waterville, superintendent of the Maine Christian Civic League and a member of this conference, was received with applause when he was introduced and spoke briefly on the work of the league. In the mattter of liquor law enforcement, Dr Berry assured the audience that he considers that the end of the nullification period in Maine has come. From his own knowledge he said he was able to declare that nobody had to prod Governor Haines to get him to do what he had done; that the evidence furnished the governor was not only not forced upon him, but was secured at his request. There need be no fear that he will not carry the matter through. He will exercise his power to the utmost to secure the enforcement of the law.

Friday afternoon's session, Rev. T. C. Chapman presiding, was devoted to practical and concrete topics, the first part of it being "Conference Studies in Church Efficiency." Rev. A. A. Callaghan gave the assembly a brief statement of some comparative figures compiled by him, some of which he said surprised him, and they doubtless did some of his hearers. They were comparisons of the amounts contributed for various church purposes, and the increases in contributions and in membership as well, in certain groups of churches from the same conferences, comparing the smaller and the larger churches. In every case, these statistics showed that the small churches contributed much more per capita than the larger ones, for all purposes.

Rev. C. J. Brown of Bangor, speaking on the work of the Sunday School, urged a stronger and better support of the Sunday School by the church.

To discuss "The Church and Community Interests," there were on the program Rev. George E. Pickard, D. D., of Portland, and Jefferson C. Smith of Waterville, state secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Dr. Pickard briefly emphasized the point that the church serves the community interest best when it develops Christian character in the individual. The church is the parent and the supporter of all good institutions, and while they are necessary, it serves them best by developing the character of the individual.

Mr. Smith signified his full assent to the remarks of Dr. Pickard, but in speaking particularly of the relation of the country church to the country community, said that it is not sufficient that the church shall develop the spiritual nature, but that under modern conditions it must aid in a concrete way in solving the physical, economic, industrial and social problems of the country community. He did not go into any detailed discussion of means or methods.

"Surveys of Conference Field, with Recommendations," was the last topic of the afternoon, considered by the two

Rev. R. A. Rich, Secretary of the Conference.

district superintendents, Rev. Dr. Holt of the Portland District and Rev. Dr. Frost of the Augusta District. Any review of these plain-spoken and illuminating surveys of the large and scattered field of the Maine Conference in a limited space must necessarily be inadequate. Dr. Holt pithily remarked that we hear of over-churched communities, but he did not think any community was overchurched as long as fifty per cent of its people were not churched at all. Dr. Frost in speaking of some of the small charges in his field where the work is difficult to carry on, said that he heard about "giving up the work," but with the great revival possibilities in Methodism, he didn't believe in giving up anything.

A large audience assembled in the Baptist church Friday evening to hear the lecture by Bishop Henderson, which is entitled, "The House by the Road," and all were delighted and inspired by it.

Saturday was a day of a crowded program, the time from early morning till late evening being filled as full as it could hold. Some meeting was almost continuously in progress, and part of the time two meetings, and it was necessary to add a business session at 4 in the afternoon to the prepared program, and another in the evening, in order to complete the work.

An invitation to meet with Pine Street Church, Portland, in 1914, was accepted without discussion.

E. F. Doughty, Arthur L. Leech, and Frederick A. Sullivan were given their final examinations and admitted into the full fellowship of the conference.

Elmer A. Leslie was transferred to the New England Conference.

Among the visitors who spoke to the conference during its session were President Murlin of Boston University, Rev. L. O. Hartman, D. D., of the Sunday School Board, Rev. Ward Platt, D. D., of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, Rev. Benjamin F. Haywood, D. D., representing the Woman's Home Missionary Society, E. T. Garland of the Maine Bible Society, and others representing other organizations.

A. W. Pottle was transferred from the supernumerary to the retired list, and C. W. Bradlee from the active to the supernumerary list.

Rev. W. S. Jones, D. D., of Portland, gave his semi-centennial sermon at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. He joined the Maine Conference in April, 1863, after having been a local preacher for fifteen years in England, his native country, thus having been a Methodist preacher for sixty-five years. The work of these years was passed in review.

At 3 o'clock there were two meetings, one at Deering Memorial, the anniversary of the W. H. M. S. and Deaconess work, with addresses by Dr. Haywood and Miss King, the superintendent of the Deaconess Home in Portland. At the same hour a meeting of the Laymen's Association was held at the Baptist church, with an address by Dr. Frost on Laymen and Leadership. Hon. Waldo Pettengill of Rumford was re-elected president of the Laymen's Association, Mr. Strout of Portland and Dr. C. L. Buck of South Paris, vice-presidents, and H. A. Duncan of Bath secretary.

A portion of the session Saturday evening was devoted to the anniversary of the Board of Sunday Schools, with Rev. H. A. Clifford presiding, and an address was given by Rev. L. O. Hartman, D. D., superintendent of institute work—a man young in years, but tremendously in earnest in the work of improving and extending the Sunday Schools of the church. A conference session followed, at which the report of Rev. D. B. Holt, D. D., superintendent of the Portland District, was given, and most of the matters of business remaining for the conference were disposed of.

C. H. Young was transferred from the effective to the supernumerary list.

Sunday was also a day of a crowded program, of which only brief mention can be made. The forenoon services were held in Norway Opera House. A love feast at 9 o'clock was conducted by Rev. George E. Pickard, D. D., of Portland.

At 10 o'clock there was a service with sermon by Bishop Henderson, who spoke to a very large audience from the text, "Abide in me"—a sermon of great power.

The other services of the day were held in Memorial Church, which was filled to overflowing, and many were unable to get in at each service. At 2 o'clock there was a memorial service in charge of Rev. D F. Faulkner, and at 3 the ordination of deacons and elders by Bishop Henderson. In the evening the last of the anniversary sessions was that of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. Rev. J. L. Pinkerton presided, and the address was by Rev. Ward Platt, D. D., corresponding secretary of the board.

At the closing session of the conference Monday morning, the appointments were read, as follows:

AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

District Superintendent, J. M. Frost.
Augusta, H. E Dunnack.
Andover, to be supplied.
Auburn, W. R. Leslie.
Berlin, N. H., J. A. Betcher.
Berlin Mills, N. H., C. F. Nilsen.
Bethel and Locke's Mills, T. C. Chapman.
Bolster's Mills, W. S. Carne.
Bowdoinham, G. H. Grey.
Buckfield, to be supplied.
East Livermore, M. Gerry Plummer.
Fairfield and Center, C. O. Perry.
Farmington, Walter Canham.
Gardiner, I. F. Lusk.
Gorham, N. H., W. Greene.
Hallowell, H. L. Nichols.
Industry and Starks, E. G. Bigelow.
Kent's Hill, William Wood.
Leeds and Greene, supplied by Herbert Cooper.
Lewiston, Hammond Street, I. A. Bean.
Park Street, D. F. Faulkner.
Lisbon, supplied by H. M. Smith.
Lisbon Falls, M. L. McAllister.
Livermore Falls, F. H. Hall.
Livermore and Hartford, W. C. Beedy.
Madison, R. A. Rich.
Mercer, F. R. Welch.
Mechanic Falls, C. E. Brooks.
Monmouth, N. B. Cook.
Mt. Vernon, H. C. Glidden.
New Sharon, F. R. Welch.
Newry, to be supplied.
Norway, B. C. Wentworth.
N. Auburn, C. S. Cummings.
N. Augusta, George Ingram.
No. Pownal, C. E. Purinton.
Oakland and Sidney, Geo. L. Pressey.
Oxford and Welchville, E. L. Saxton.
Phillips, W. W. Laite.
Readfield, William Wood.
Readfield Depot and E. Readfield, to be supplied.
Richmond, A. A. Lewis.
Rumford Falls, W. T. Carter.
Rumford Center, A. E. Roberts.
Skowhegan, H. G. McGlauflin.
Solon, J. L. Pinkerton.
Strong, W. P. Holman.
So. Paris, C. I. Spear.
Stratton, H. Gilpatrick.
Turner, to be supplied.
Vienna, H. C. Glidden.
Waterville, H. C. Turner.
Wayne and N. Wayne, W. C. Baker.
West Durham, to be supplied.
West Paris, supplied by F. B. Pine.
Wilton and N. Sky, J. R. Clifford.
Winthrop, H. A. Clifford.
F. A. Leitch is transferred to the East Maine Conference.

PORTLAND DISTRICT.

District Superintendent, D. B. Holt.
Alfred, B. W. Saunders.
Bath, Beacon Street, T. N. Kewley.
Wesley Church, H. A. Corey.
Berwick, W. F. Holmes.
Biddeford, Charles Pitman.
Bridgton and Denmark, A. A. Callaghan.
Brunswick, J. H. Roberts.
Buxton, A. L. Leech.
Cape Porpoise, T. P. Baker.
Chebeague, W. P. Merrill.
Clark's Mills, supplied by N. F. Atwood.
Conway, N. H., E. W. Kennison.
Conway Center, N. H., H. A. Peare.
Cornish, F. C. Potter.
Cumberland and Falmouth, G. R. Palmer.
Eliot, George B. Cornish.
Ferry Chapel, Alexander Hamilton.
Freeburn, Alfred Taylor.
Goodwin's Mills, supplied by N. F. Atwood.
Gorham, North Street, A. L. Leech.
School Street, B. C. Lipski.
Intervale, N. H., J. A. Corey.
Kennebunk, S. E. Leech.
Kennebunkport, T. P. Baker.
Kezar Falls, Cymbrid Hughes.
Kittery, First Church, supplied by C. C. Wischmirer.
Second Church, A. J. Hayes.
Maryland Ridge, J. E. Clancy.
Naples and Sebago, E. F. Doughty.
Newfield, to be supplied.
N. Conway, N. H., supplied by John Dunstan.
Ogunquit, J. E. Clancy.
Old Orchard, Alexander Hamilton.
Orr's Island, F. A. Sullivan.
Portland, Chestnut Street, George E. Pickard.
Clark Memorial, Frederick C. Rogers.
Congress Street, J. M. Arters.
Long Island, A. F. Leigh.
Peak's Island, W. F. Lord.
Pine Street, Gay C. White.
Washington Ave., W. H. Varney.
West End, to be supplied.
Saco, J. F. Haley.
Sanford, S. Hooper.
Shapleigh, to be supplied.
So. Berwick, supplied by L. S. Staples.
So. Biddeford, to be supplied.
So. Eliot, supplie by A. J. Hayes.
So. Portland, Elm Street, D. F. Nelson.
First Church, C. L. Banghart.
People's Church, Felix Powell.
Trinity, C. L. Banghart.
So. Windham, supplied by B. C. Lipski.
Sweden, supplied by Alfred Taylor.
West Baldwin and Hiram, R. E. Kimball.
West Bath, to be supplied.
West Cumberland and So. Gray, to be supplied.
West Harpswell, to be supplied.
West Kennebunk, S. E. Leech.
West Scarboro, H. D. Knowles.
Westbrook, E. L. Farnsworth.
Yarmouthville, C. W. Mock.
York, A. J. Price.

Special music was arranged for a number of the anniversary sessions, in addition to the choir. The conference was favored with fair and generally comfortable weather. Entertainment was provided on the "Harvard plan," dinners and suppers being served by the several churches in turn, as announced, and this assembling together around the board has added to the social enjoyment of the conference.

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NOTICE.

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In the matter of
ADOLPHE F. TALBOT } *In Bankruptcy.*
of Rumford, Bankrupt. }
To the creditors of Adolphe F. Talbot, in the County of Oxford and district aforesaid:
Notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of April, A. D. 1913, the said Adolphe F. Talbot was duly adjudicated bankrupt, and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the office of the Referee, No. 8 Market Square, South Paris, on the 7th day of May, A. D. 1913, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.
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In South Paris, April 11, to the wife of Lauri Kylionen, a son.
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In Sumner, to the wife of Fred Stetson, a son.
In Locke's Mills, April 19, to the wife of M. A. Lapham, a daughter.
In South Woodstock, April 11, to the wife of J. T. Bryant, a son.
In South Woodstock, March 30, to the wife of Nelson Parham, a son, Melford Nelson.
In Harbor, April 8, to the wife of Thomas Hall, a son.

Married.

In Dickvale, April 12, by Rev. Elmer Osborn, Mr. John Wicken of West Peru and Miss Stella Chase of Dickvale.
In West Sumner, April 13, by Rev. J. M. Atwood, Mr. Frank Scudder of Livermore Falls and Miss Theda M. Glover of West Sumner.
In Norway, April 16, by E. F. Smith, Esq., Mr. Adelbert D. Kilgore and Miss Etta May Jewell, both of Norway.
In Hiram, April 12, by Llewellyn A. Wadsworth, Esq., Mr. Walter H. Sargent and Mrs. Belle Schegell, both of Porter.

Died.

In Paris, April 10, Mrs. Adda S. Bennett, widow of Asa Bennett, aged 74 years.
In Buckfield, April 12, Henry B. Forbes, aged 67 years.
In Andover, April 15, Mrs. Deborah Berry, widow of Daniel Berry, aged 81 years.
In East Dixfield, April 8, Gustavus Smith.
In Lewiston, April 16, Mrs. Susan A. (Hayford), wife of Henry T. Tirrell, of Canton, aged 46 years.
In East Waterford, April 12, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. McIntire, aged 15 days.

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PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the estates hereinafter named:
At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the 3rd Tuesday of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, the following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:
That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper published at South Paris, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of May, A. D. 1913, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause:

Elijah Libby late of Greenwood, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by A. Mont Chase, the executor therein named.

Justina B. Drake late of Paris, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Sampson D. Whittemore, the executor therein named.

Phebe Philips late of Mexico, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Philetus W. Torrey, the executor therein named.

Ralph L. Hodgdon late of Sumner, deceased; petition that Asa Robinson or some other suitable person be appointed as administrator of the estate of said deceased, presented by Asa Robinson, heir.

James W. Libby late of Hartford, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Virgil P. DeCoster, administrator.

Eunice A. Newell late of Gilead, deceased; final account presented for allowance by John M. Newell, administrator.

Merton O. Walker et als., minor heirs of Daniel W. Walker, late of Peru, deceased; petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by Eva Walker, guardian.

Harrison Huntress late of Porter, deceased; petition for an allowance out of personal estate presented by Mary Huntress, widow.

George R. Hammond late of Paris, deceased; petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by Walter L. Gray, administrator.

Sidney Perham late of Paris, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Georgia S. Perham, administratrix.

Alfonso Hilton, late of Denmark, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Rosco C. Hilton, administrator.

Eugene A. Barker late of Rumford, deceased; second account presented for allowance by Julia K. Barker, ex-cutrix.

John W. Chaplin late of Paris, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Florence Chaplin Rowe, formerly Florence Chaplin, administratrix.

Lawrence Tucker late of Andover, deceased; petition for determination of collateral inheritance tax presented by Robert H. Gardiner and Alfred Bowditch, executors.

Alvin T.Ludden late of Canton, deceased; petition to scale down legacies and distribute balance remaining in his hands presented by Silas L. Wright, executor.

John W. Webber late of Paris, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Flora E. Webber, the executrix therein named.

Keith J. and Doris Field of Paris, minors; petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by Emily F. Field, guardian.

ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court.
A true copy—attest:
16-18 ALBERT D. PARK, Register

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of
MARTHA SANDS, late of Brownfield
in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.
April 15, 1913. EDWARD F. MESSENGER.
16-18 ERNEST E. NOBLE, Agent.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of
JESSIE M. FOGG, late of Paris,
in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.
April 15th, 1913. FRANK B. FOGG.
16-18

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of
LUELLA A. BILLINGS, late of Paris,
in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.
April 15th, 1913. ORINDA D. HERRICK.
16-18

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of
HANNAH B. BISHOP, late of Peru,
in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.
April 15th, 1913. MELVIN L. BISHOP.
16-18

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The subscribers hereby give notice that they have been duly appointed administrators of the estate of
ALFRED COLE, late of Buckfield,
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April 15th, 1913. MARY S. COLE.
16-18 ALFRED T. COLE.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of
CYRUS BRIGGS, late of Buckfield,
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at the late residence of John H. Jones, at Welchville, Oxford County, will be sold at Public Auction the real estate, consisting of large two-story house, ell and stable, with several acres of land; also a lot of household goods and household utensils, as well as farming tools, carriages, etc
16-17 JAMES S. WRIGHT, Admr.

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Young stock to pasture the coming season.
J. M. THAYER,
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NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of
LYDIA A. BAKER, late of Buckfield,
in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.
April 15th, 1913. ALVIN S. BESSEY.
16-18

Organized 1828
Annual Statement of the
Vermont Mutual Fire Insurance Co.
of Montpelier, Vermont
for the year ending December 31, 1912.

Insurance in force Jan. 1, 1912,	$ 95,194,681 00
Written in 1912,	30,722 688 00
	$125,917,369 00
Polices terminated during the year,	27,679,763 00
Insurance in force Dec. 31, 1912,	$ 98,237,606 00

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he sticks to Sickle plug and slices off each pipeful as he needs it, when he could get tobacco already cut up, in packages. He'll tell you, "because the Sickle way is the *only* way to get *fresh* tobacco, that smokes cool and sweet, and doesn't bite the tongue." He *knows*.

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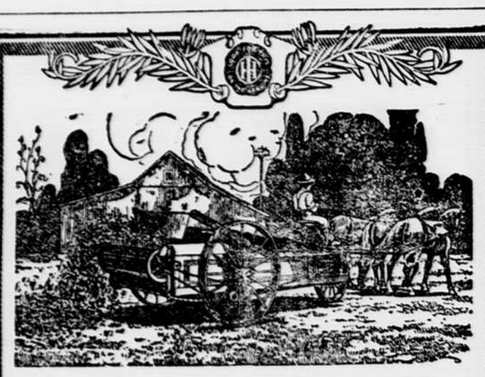

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EIGHT years ago the farmers in a central state averaged crops that ran three bushels less to the acre than they now get. Suppose each acre of farm land in the country were so tended that it produced an increase equal to that of this state. How much more money would you have with which to buy the luxuries of life that you earn and deserve? Your share in this prosperity depends entirely upon yourself. The first step is to fertilize your land properly with manure spread by an

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The spreader that does its work as it should must have many excellent mechanical features. The apron should move without jerking; the beater should meet the load at exactly the right point to pulverize the manure without too greatly increasing the draft of the machine; the speed changes of the apron should be positive. All these features are provided for in the construction of I H C spreaders.

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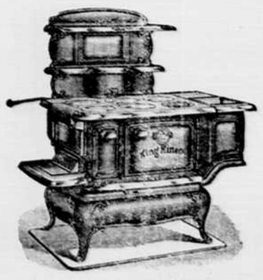

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CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

THE LAND OF PUZZLEDOM.

No. 2107.—Primal Acrostic.

The primal letters of the words defined below spell a favorite sport:

1. A rodent. 2. Not in. 3. Part of the mouth. 4. To allow. 5. To devour. 6. To smear. 7. To plant. 8. A barrel. 9. Devoured. 10. To endeavor. 11. Anger. 12. No. 13. Lively.

No. 2108.—Riddles.

I.

Nine kinds of boats are suggested by the following lines:

The first's the swiftest craft that sails
Though ne'er afloat is she.
The shipwrecked man on desert isle
The second would gladly see.
Handle the dangerous third with care,
The fourth with meats we use,
And if with dynamite you play
The fifth you're like to lose.
The sixth most college boys aspire
To do both well and fast;
The seventh's a guide through dangerous ways
And brings to port at last.
A narrow, winding watery way
Gives to the next its name.
The coarsest part of broken flax
Does for the last the same.

II.

With many a splash,
A flop and a dash
My white will turn to gold.
And then you will see
Men asking for me
When for your gold I am sold.

III.

All seek me, and all misuse me. All have me—some longer than others. I pass quickly, and yet I last forever. I am unseen, but you know when I pass. You need me for the smallest act.—Youth's Companion.

No. 2109.—Missing Words Puzzle.

Three — went sailing out into the west,
Out into the west as the sun sank low.
Each thought as she — of the lad she loved best,
For they all had — and each had a beau.
But seas will rise and spirits will sink,
And they all were too ill of — to think.
So these — — back moaning.

The missing words have the same six letters.

No. 2110.—Hidden Girls' Names.

The boy had a new suit and hat on.

The girl exclaimed, "I dare not go!"

The declaration of 1776 was signed in July.

I finished sewing the hem mamma asked me to.

On the lea heather and wild bushes grew.

Let's tell a story and see who can guess the plot.

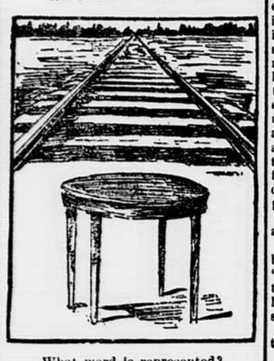
He lent me $5, and I bought a watch.

The poor sleep in his berth added to his former fatigue.

He made various propositions, but none was accepted.

In Persia a man dare not address a veiled lady.

No. 2111.—Pictured Word.



What word is represented?

No. 2112.—Charade.

When innocence first had its dwelling on earth
In my first's lovely form it alighted,
And still to this time from the hour of its birth
In my first it has greatly delighted.
My second's a part of a smart lady's dress,
Yet on age it may also be found;
Again 'tis a garb when the heart feels distress,
And my whole does with pleasure abound.

No. 2113.—Zigzag Puzzle.

This zigzag contains seven words of equal length. If they are rightly guessed and written one below another their zigzag letters, beginning with the upper left hand letter and ending with the lower left hand letter, will spell a great number. The crosswords are: 1. A place from which ore is taken. 2. Part of a chain. 3. To stop in one's progress. 4. A prison. 5. Menial labor. 6. A feature of the face. 7. A memorandum.

Key to Puzzledom.

No. 2099.—Transpositions: 1. United, untied; 2. towels, lowest; 3. Let this, thistle; 4. I pass on, passion; 5. not impart, important; 6. one cadet, anecdote.

No. 2100.—Buried Music: 1. Clef, note; 2. staff, tone; 3. solo, duet; 4. bass, treble; 5. pitch, piano.

No. 2101.—Riddle: Fowl, owl, wolf.

No. 2102.—Charade: Tack, ticks—tactics.

No. 2103.—Rebus Puzzle: John Greenleaf Whittier.

No. 2104.—Hidden Boys' Names: Milton, Edwin, Leo, Otto, Oscar, Thomas, Richard, Howard, Allen, Armand, Solomon, William, Carl, Adam.

No. 2105.—One Letter Change: De-ter, ma-t-in, br-o-ad.

No. 2106.—Riddle: The letter N.

No matter how long you suffered, or what other remedies have failed to cure, Foley Kidney Pills will surely help you. They are genuinely tonic, strengthening and curative, build up the kidneys and restore their regular action. John Velbert, Foster, Calif., says: "I suffered many years with kidney trouble and could never get relief until I tried Foley Kidney Pills which effected a complete cure." A. E. Shurtleff Co., South Paris; S. E. Newell & Co., Paris.

"Remember, Arthur, you are the son of a gentleman. Try to behave like one for just one day."

"All right, mother, but it will spoil the whole day for me."

A CARD.

This is to certify that all druggists are authorized to refund your money if Foley's Honey and Tar Compound fails to cure your cough or cold. John Bernett, Tell, Wis., states: "I used Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for five years, and it always gives the best of satisfaction and always cures a cough or cold." Refuse substitutes. A. E. Shurtleff Co., South Paris; S. E. Newell & Co., Paris.

"All men were created equal, were they not?" asked Mr. Meekton.

"Equal among themselves," replied his wife, "but as between themselves and us distinctly inferior."

"Is her hair a crown of glory!"

"Yes, and every night she abdicates."

There is no case on record of a cough, cold or la grippe developing into bronchitis, pneumonia or consumption after Foley's Honey and Tar Compound has been taken. The genuine is in a yellow package. Refuse substitutes. A. E. Shurtleff Co., South Paris; S. E. Newell & Co., Paris.

HOMEMAKERS' COLUMN.

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

Laundry Day Helps.

"Well, you don't look a bit as if you believed in blue Monday or blue Tuesday or any other blue work day!"

The remark was directed to Mrs. Ford by her nearest neighbor who had "dropped in" to have a few minutes' chat on her way home from the post office. Mrs. Ford was standing in her bright, sunny kitchen before the ironing board, skimming the surface of all sizes and styles of garments—showing that hers was the task of caring for a very sizable family. The capacity of the clothes basket indicated, no less, that ironing day was a busy season.

"Why should the work of Monday and Tuesday be regarded as hopeless drudgery?" she queried brightly. To my way of thinking, the woman who adopts a washing and ironing day philosophy may lessen her burden."

"A washing and ironing day philosophy?" the other echoed.

"I mean just this," responded Mrs. Ford. "In no other kind of labor do women resort to so many makeshifts as in this. O, yes, I know all about it. I've done those things myself. Put up with sagging or soiled clothes-lines, split pins, rusty irons, dirty ironing board covers and all the rest of it, and then, when clothes were stained or soiled and had to be done over, blamed the hard necessity that made me do washing and ironing in the first place. One day I woke up and resolved that in so far as attention to small details would make my work easier and more effective and save my temper, I was going to turn over a new leaf."

"Won't you give me a pointer or two?" asked the neighbor meekly.

"Surely. First, after you finished your wash yesterday did you loosen your wringer rolls?"

A negative shake of the head.

"Did you wipe the rolls dry or cover the wringer?"

A similar silent answer.

"How, then can you expect that the two rubber rolls, screwed tightly together, will retain their perfectly round shape or be kept clean?" Each time I use my wringer, before covering it up until the following week, I dry it thoroughly and wipe it lightly with a cloth moistened with kerosene. The latter is a splendid stain and dirt remover."

"What kind of clothes-pins do you use?"

"Lately, I've taken to experimenting with the spring type—those that clasp the clothes firmly and withstand the severest wind. They are guaranteed not to rust and seem durable and practical. The very best obtainable are none too good to use. If you throw the ordinary wooden pins into boiling water before used at all, they are far less likely to "yellow" than if not treated in this way. My clothes-pin apron has become a necessity to me and I wonder I ever used a clumsy bag in place of it. The apron is made of strong ticking turned up at the bottom to form two wide but not very deep pockets.

"Did you ever see my clothes-line holder?"

"No."

"Well, if ever a dime was spent to good advantage, it was when I invested in this little device. One tenet of this philosophy I speak of is that the line must never be left out of doors when not in use. We have all offended more or less, in this regard, due to the trouble of constantly tying and untying knots, especially in cold weather. This little invention does away with all that bother; it both holds and tightens the line at the same time. You see it is in two parts, riveted together. To one of them, the line is fastened permanently; through the other, the free end of the rope is slipped and pulled tight. It stays so under ordinary circumstances, for the appliance is so constructed as to counteract any tendency to slip back. Should the line, however, stretch or slacken from too heavy a weight, or some other cause, it can again be made taut by a pull."

"And nextly, teacher?" Mrs. Heath asked mischievously.

"O, I want to speak about my clothes-basket in passing," was the answer. "You notice I have it cleated on the bottom to withstand hard knocks. This has doubtless lengthened its term of service two-fold."

"Have you any more sensible ideas in the back of that fertile brain of yours?"

"I wonder if you have discovered the value of a brush for sprinkling clothes," replied Mrs. Ford. "It is far from being a novel idea, but few women of my acquaintance appear to put it into practice. For this purpose, I always buy a whisk broom or brush so constructed that instead of coming to a head, it is elongated much like a dust-pan brush. Irons must be kept perfectly clean to give the best service. This means that they must be scraped clean of starch frequently, even perhaps rubbed over fine salt or washed in soap and water and dried. A plentiful use of wax is another important requirement, though care must be taken that this is wiped off with cloth or paper before it touches the clothes."

"What is this sort of arrangement you have for keeping your ironing cover on?" the caller next inquired.

"Nothing but a set of strong steel hooks and a piece of cord. I bought the whole equipment for ten cents! This constant tacking on of board covers and removal of tacks tried my patience completely, so I looked about for a better means of accomplishing this task. I found it, as you see. One end of each of these hooks is bent so that it is secured strongly to the cover after being inserted. When all are in place along the four sides of the cloth, I lace them up criss-cross as I would a shoe and the cover is stretched as perfectly as one could wish."

"But don't you use old sheets for covering your board?" said Mrs. Heath.

"By no means," answered the other emphatically. "To withstand wear, tear, and heat, the strongest and newest of cotton cloth is none too good. Do you realize that the best covering of this sort is a most inexpensive item? I purchase the material double width (seventy-two inches) and then use the width for the length of the board. Even making allowance for deep hems on four sides where the hooks are inserted, only three-quarters of a yard is required."

"Do you find you have to wash the cloth frequently?"

"No, because I made a smooth fitting cover of denim which serves as an excellent protection. It is never off the board except when the latter is in use. Another thing. My ironing stand, you notice, is clamped firmly to the board. No danger of its slipping or the irons falling to the floor. And, by the way, my sleeve-board is fitted with a clamp, too, so that when I am doing fine work like the baby's clothes, I am not annoyed by having it shift about."

"There can't be anything left, can there?" Mrs. Heath ventured.

"I have reached my lastly," laughed Mrs. Ford. "It is simply the settle you are sitting on. The seat forms the top of a box—the most convenient, out-of-the-way spot imaginable for wax, holders, iron stand, and similar accessories. When I let down the back to a horizontal position, it forms a fine laundry table, and this comes into play in the work of both Monday and Tuesday.—Ex.

Quick Pies.

When baking pies bake also some shells by covering the outer side of pie pans with crust, prick with fork and bake carefully. When done slip off on plates, or if your pans are granite place on inside of pans. These are then ready to fill at any time, and one can have delicious pies on short notice and without heating the oven, which will be quite an item in the summer time.

Put a layer of fruit in bottom of crust, sprinkling with sugar in proportion needed by the fruit used, over this spread whipped cream, flavored and sweetened. Do not prepare long before using and keep cool until ready to serve.

Bananas are extra nice for this purpose, and a combination of bananas, sliced, and shredded oranges, the cream flavored with orange, is also fine. When one has the prepared crusts or shells, company coming in unexpectedly can be served with the unusually good and quickly made pies.

Strive to make the home the most attractive and pleasant spot on earth, and our boys and men will be loth to leave it.

The Future of the Tropics.

Are the tropics, which were for ages the seat of powerful civilizations and of mighty empires, once more going to become favored and desirable spots for civilized man? Col. Gorgas thinks they will. In a recent address at Johns Hopkins University after describing the wonderful reduction in disease under the sanitary precautions established, Col. Gorgas speculates on the effect of this demonstration on our ideas of the tropics as a place of residence. He says that it is an established fact that always in the past the Caucasian has wilted and died in the tropics. He has found it almost impossible to rear his children under these conditions, and when he has survived, a degenerate race has resulted. But here at Panama a force of 10,000 Caucasians has lived for the past six years in as good health as similar people live in the healthful parts of the United States. Not only is Panama located in the most tropical portion of the tropics, but it has been the most unhealthful location in all the tropics for the past four hundred years. The Caucasian has tried to live here and use Panama as a crossing place; but he has found it impossible to do so. The toll in life has been very heavy when he spent in the jungle of the isthmus even the few days that were necessary for the crossing; and when he attempted to stay longer, as with the French under De Lesseps, the loss was appalling. What has made the difference between invalidism and death in the one period, and robust and vigorous health in the other period? It is due solely to the fact that the American authorities have protected the workers and their families from disease, especially from yellow fever and malaria. The effects of this experiment will be far-reaching. The tropics at present contain much the largest and most productive portions of the earth's surface. A man's labor in the tropics will bring him in many times the returns that the same amount of labor will produce in the temperate zone. Heretofore he has been kept out of these regions on account of the health conditions. Panama has been known as the most unhealthful place in the world, and also as having had carried into execution within its borders the greatest construction feat man has ever undertaken. If the white man can live, work and rear a family under these conditions at Panama, he can do so in any other part of the tropics. The tendency will be for man to emigrate to those parts of the world where he can get the largest return for his labor. The great centers of civilization will develop in these regions, where man's labor applied to natural opportunities produces the greatest return.

Our sanitary work at Panama, says Col. Gorgas, in a recent issue of The Journal of the American Medical Association, will be remembered as the event which demonstrated to the white man that he could live in perfectly good health in the tropics; that from this period will be dated the beginning of the great white civilizations in these regions; and that again great tropical empires will be known, such as existed in the early history of man—such as Egypt, Babylon and Nineveh.

River Water Used Eight Times.

Power can be developed upon many surface streams and applied to the recovery of the water of the streams after it has sunk into the earth in the lower lands of the valleys. An instance of this character according to the United States Geological Survey is to be found along Santa Ana River in southern California. A part of the water of this river is stored in a reservoir in the San Bernardino Mountains and the flow of the stream is thereby regulated. After it escapes from the reservoir it is diverted through a power plant and electric power is generated. Below this power plant it is rediverted and passed through a second power plant. Below this it is all distributed and used for municipal purposes and irrigation about Redlands and Highlands. The waters that return from the irrigation are recovered in springs and flowing wells and by pumping plants, a portion of the power developed higher up on the stream being used for the pumping. This recovered water is used for irrigation about San Bernardino and Riverside. A part of it reappears in the river above Riverside Narrows, where it is again taken out into a power ditch whose waters are returned to the river above Corona. A few miles below it is picked up by canals and distributed to the orange and deciduous groves about Anaheim and Santa Ana. The portion of it that returns there, by irrigation, to the ground water is once more recovered by the many pumping plants and flowing wells west of Santa Ana.

A single drop of water in its progress from the mountains to the sea, a distance of only 100 miles, may thus be used as many as eight times for power and irrigation.

Sensational.

"He has written a new play."

"Original?"

"Yes. The heroine is a married woman."

"Oh, I know. And falls in love with another man."

"No. That's the original part of it. The play shows marriage to be a sacred relation that some people take seriously, and get a good deal of happiness out of."

The Female of the Species.

"Marie," said Mr. Jones to his wife.

"Yes, John."

"I have something on my mind that I must tell you before I can ever be happy."

"I shall be glad to hear anything you have to say, John."

"It is hard to tell you, but I can't hide the truth any longer. Marie, I married you under false pretenses."

"You did?"

"Do you remember what it was that brought us together?"

"Can I ever forget it, John? We were at the seaside. I was drowning, and you saved me after I had given myself up for lost."

"And afterward in gratitude you married me."

"Yes, I felt that I owed my life to you."

"Marie, I deluded you about that rescue business. Where you believed yourself drowning the water was only waist deep. You were never in danger."

"I knew it, John," she answered. "I had one foot on the ground all the time."

"And before we were married you said you would be willing to die for me."

"I know it."

"And yet you refuse to beat the rugs!"

"Sure. Dying is my limit."

RECOMMENDED FOR A GOOD REASON.

C. H. Grant, 220 Waverly St., Peoria, Ill., says: "Backache and congested kidneys made me suffer intense pains. Was always tired and floating specks bothered me. Took Foley Kidney Pills and saw big improvement after third day. I kept on until entirely freed of all trouble and suffering. That's why I recommend Foley Kidney Pills. They cured me." A. E. Shurtleff Co., South Paris; S. E. Newell & Co., Paris.

"Are you the same man who ate my mince pie last week?"

"No, mum. I'll never be the same man again!"

HEED THE COUGH THAT HANGS ON.

The seeds of consumption may be the cause, and a cough that hangs on weakens the system. Foley's Honey and Tar Compound checks the cough, heals the inflamed membranes and strengthens the lungs. E D. Rountree, Stillmore, Ga., says: "La grippe left me a deep seated, hacking, painful cough which Foley's Honey and Tar completely cured." A. E. Shurtleff Co., South Paris; S. E Newell & Co., Paris.

"Yes," said Mrs. Twickembury, "the Browns have gone away for the summer. I understand they've hired a cupola down in Maine."

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By Dr. True

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Signs of worms are:

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Don't delay! Delays are dangerous. Give the children at once some of Dr. True's Elixir. Directions on the bottle. Sold by all dealers at 35c, 50c and $1.00. Thousands of grateful mothers have given my Dr. True's Elixir to sick children and restored them to health.

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Bankrupt's Petition for Discharge.

In the matter of ALLEN J. REED, Bankrupt. } In Bankruptcy.

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

ALLEN J. REED, of Rumford, in the County of Oxford, and State of Maine, in said District, respectfully represents that on the 11th day of January, last past, he was duly adjudged bankrupt under the Acts of Congress relating to Bankruptcy; that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said Acts and of the orders of Court touching his bankruptcy.

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

Dated this 9th day of April, A. D. 1913.

ALLEN J. REED, Bankrupt.

ORDER OF NOTICE THEREON.

DISTRICT OF MAINE, ss.

On this 12th day of April, A. D. 1913 on reading the foregoing petition, it is

Ordered by the Court, That a hearing be had upon the same on the 23rd day of May, A. D. 1913, before said Court at Portland, in said District, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon; and that notice thereof be published in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed in said District, and that all known creditors, and other persons in interest, may appear at the said time and place, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted.

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

Witness the HON. CLARENCE HALE, Judge of the said Court, and the seal thereof, at Portland, in said District, on the 12th day of April, A. D. 1913.

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

A true copy of petition and order thereon.

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Notice of First Meeting of Creditors.

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

In the matter of The partnership of E. L. COBB & CO., the individual co-partners in which are Edward L. Cobb and Gardner H. Cobb and they individually, Bankrupts. } In Bankruptcy.

To the creditors of the partnership of E. L. Cobb & Co., the individual co-partners in which are Edward L. Cobb and Gardner H. Cobb and they individually of Rumford, in the County of Oxford and district aforesaid.

Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of April, A. D. 1913, said partnership of E. L. Cobb & Co., the individual co-partners in which are Edward L. Cobb and Gardner H. Cobb and they individually were duly adjudicated bankrupts, and that the first meeting of their creditors will be held at the Court House at South Paris, Maine, at 10:30 A. M., May 5, 1913, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupts, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

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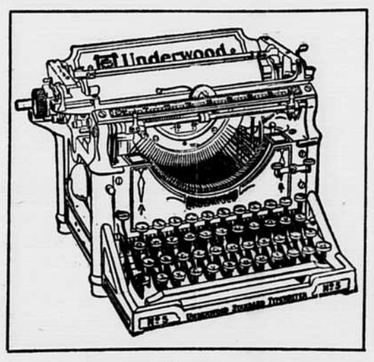

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