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AMONG THE FARMERS.

"SPEED THE FLOW."

Correspondence on practical agricultural topics is

invited for this department by AGRICULTURAL

EDITOR, OXFORD DEMOCRAT, PARIS, ME.

A TRIP ACROSS THE COUNTRY,

AND SOME GOOD FARMERS FOUND ON

THE WAY.

On Monday, March 21st, we started

with a team for a trip across the country

for the purpose of visiting several sub-

stantiated granges, and purposely timed

our visit so as to take in the Pomona

meeting, to be held at Newry, April 1st.

Passing through the towns of Fryburg,

Bridgton, Harrison and Oldfield, we

were much pleased with the evidences

of prosperity that everywhere met the

eye. Truly, there are no more fertile

regions than those which we were visit-

ing, and many more were filled with what

is now a necessity to farmers. By this

start in a new direction we are led to be-

lieve that farmers are getting out of the

ruts, and are beginning to look at things

from a new point of view, and are now too

deep to be successfully fooled.

The first place that attracted special

attention was that of Mr. Daves, the

successful orchardist, who has acres in

fruit of all kinds that can be made to

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IN-AND-OUT BREEDING.

Do you think the system of in-breeding

is advisable for a dairyman to adopt

and how far can it be carried beneficially?

Do you think any of our breeds have

been improved without its aid?

H. C. G.

Ithaca, N. Y.

In-breeding is a subject upon which

there is a wide difference of opinion and

many volumes have been written in its

discussion. Many people have a reli-

gious horror of intermarriage of near

kin, some carrying it so far as to

enact laws against the marriage of hus-

band and wife's relations. There is no

doubt that nature favors what Darwin

terms cross-fertilization, and that the

races are strengthened and improved

through what is termed "out-breeding,"

or the introduction of fresh blood from

outside the family. But those who draw

conclusions from limited observation are

liable to error. It requires very broad

view to take in all of nature's laws, a

single glance almost surely gives a con-

sidered view.

"Like begets like" is a law of nature,

and in all higher animal life every living

being is the offspring of two previous

beings not exactly alike, so that along

with the law of like begetting like comes

in another law of variation, which there

can be no improvement or advancement

of races. It is through this law that

breeders look for the power of increas-

ing or lessening certain desirable

traits or qualities, such as the changing

ordinary shaped animals to forms hav-

ing a predominance of the choicer char-

acteristics, and the less possible amount of inferior

parts.

By continuous liberal feeding individ-

ual cows have their milk producing

power increased by increasing the feed-

ing from such well fed cows generation

after generation large producing fami-

lies and breeds have been established.

The successful breeder, who aims to pro-

duce, and he does this by bringing to-

gether males and females which most

nearly approach that ideal. Many of

the most successful breeders have been

able to find more satisfactory animals in

their own yards than elsewhere. In

such cases in-breeding to a greater or

less extent has seemed their only prac-

tical method.

The most noted breeds of cattle, sheep,

swine and poultry have been produced

by judicious selection from one original

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RAILROAD RATES.

ONE CAUSE OF THE "DECADENCE

OF NEW ENGLAND."

An Important Letter from an Oxford

County Boy, Who Has Made His

Fortune in the West.

H. C. G.

The Lewiston Journal publishes the following

letter from Mr. T. A. Chapman of Lewiston,

one of the largest of the good towns of Maine.

Mr. Chapman writes to the Lewiston Journal

from Chicago, Ill., where he is now residing.

The letter accompanying this communi-

cation is a most interesting and valuable

contribution to the discussion of the rail-

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STATE OF MAINE.
A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR.
In accordance with a beautiful custom duly established by the legislature of Maine, and rapidly becoming national, I hereby designate and set apart the 20th day of May next, for the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
Opening of C. W. Barker & Co.
New York Store.
Johnson's American Liniment.
The Best Place.
Kaiser's Furniture.
Wanted—Fitting.
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RAILROAD RATES.
A native of Oxford County, who has made his fortune in the West, and who needs no introduction to the readers of the Democrat, has written to the Lewiston Journal a letter in relation to the "decadence of New England," which is published on the first page of this paper. The matter of railroad freight rates has already attracted some attention in this State, and an attempt was made before the last legislature to secure some legislation in the matter. Whether the railroads are responsible for a large share of the "decadence" of agricultural New England, we advise our readers to read and consider.

THE PAN-AMERICANS.
The Pan-American Congress adjourned last week, after a session of several months. While no immediate definite results from the meeting will be seen, as the congress was only an advisory body, the final results can hardly be otherwise than beneficial. The Democratic papers, immediately after the adjournment of the congress, sought to make political capital out of an interview with a man who was reported to be one of the South American delegates. This man said that the delegates from the other countries had been offended by the protection talk which they had heard in Washington, and that instead of the congress being of any benefit, it had caused an estrangement of feeling which could never be healed. It appears, however, from a dispatch published by the same papers the next day, that the man interviewed resided in New York, and that his only connection with the Pan-American Congress was that he accompanied the delegates in their dyspepsia-producing tour through the country last fall. P.F. goes that bubble.

THE WEEK IN MAINE.
THE MOST IMPORTANT STATE NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD.

The Maine Grand Lodge of Good Templars met in Augusta last week.

The third party State committee have decided to hold a State convention at Portland in June.

Trial Justice Priest decided that he could not admit Norton, the North New Portland homicide, to bail.

The Lewiston city government is in favor of rebuilding only part of the burned city building.

An agent of the Maine Bible Society, who has canvassed Aroostook, says that that county leads the State in Sunday School work.

The Treasury Department has awarded to Dennis Tracy of Bangor, a life saving medal. In fourteen years Tracy has saved five lives.

The workshop of the Bangor jail was gutted by fire Saturday, the 19th. Seventy-three prisoners were employed in the workshop, and many of them escaped in the excitement.

Two boys and a revolver, at Deering, Carleton handling of the weapon. Preley Offen shot. In the temple and killed, and Samuel Hamilton, his half-brother, distracted with grief at the result of his carelessness.

E. B. Hall's opera, "Mignonette," the libretto of which is written by Ray Thompson, editor of the Richmond Bee, will be presented in June at the hall in Pittsfield. Mrs. Helen W. Potter will probably fill the title role.

Fire started Tuesday afternoon in one of the Gambo power mills in Windham. Several small buildings were burned. One of them contained a quantity of gun powder, which exploded. No one was killed, though several were more or less injured.

Bad blood between two workmen in a Portland shop led to the shooting of one by the other, with a revolver. Philip Cusker, who did the shooting, gave himself up. He is reported to have been in trouble in every place where he has worked during the last five or six years. The man who was shot is likely to recover.

The axe and scythe factories at Oakland, with one exception, have been absorbed by a trust. It is said that competition in the edge tool business has for several years been cutting off prices resulting in the manufacturers working at an actual loss, hence the formation of the trust. Emerson & Stevens of Oakland, who declined to sell, will, it is said, keep their prices up to those of the trust.

The Colby seniors have unanimously voted to petition the Faculty for the abolition of speaking exercises at commencement. They argue that however much apparent fairness there may be in the selection of the speakers, they are present at the exercises the parents and friends of the whole class and there is an inevitable feeling of disappointment among the friends of those members of the class who take no part.

The vote of the towns owning the Knox & Lincoln Railroad, in regard to the sale of the road to the syndicate, had rather a curious result. Five of the eight towns—Bath, Rockland, Wiscasset, Nuboro and Thomaston—were almost unanimously in favor of selling, while the other three—Newcastle, Damariscotta, and Waldoboro—were strongly opposed. As the towns which voted in the negative own only a small share in the road, it is probable that the sale will be consummated.

SOUTH PARIS.

Lewis Monk is preparing to build on Pleasant Street.
Two of our elderly citizens passed away quite suddenly last week.
Marion Jones is to teach in No. 1.
Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Bonney spent Wednesday in Portland.
Albert Andrews, one of the enterprising farmers in the Biscoe neighborhood, has bought the Maine farm of Wm. E. Cushman. This addition makes him one of the best farmers in the State.
Our primary school closed Wednesday night. Measures are being taken to prevent the spread of scarlet fever.
Several are at Bath attending conference.

Apples are very high. Good russets will readily bring \$1.00 per barrel. Pears are high and of a very poor quality.
Boston Sunday papers can be secured at Gerry's at 3 P. M. Sunday.
R. E. Martin of Bangor, visited his brother last week. Mr. Martin has specimens of diamond from the Byron gold mine.
Dora Curtis will teach the Biscoe school this summer.
Samuel R. Carter of Paris Hill, agent of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, was notified that parties to a large party in the Biscoe neighborhood had been practicing to fill a barrel with gunpowder, and that they were about to explode it. Mr. Carter immediately proceeded to the place and found the barrel empty.

Miss Whinnie Harlow of Hebron is spending a week with Mrs. Leonard Whitcomb. Friday she was joined by her sister for a few days.
South Paris will have a local ball team this summer. They wish to arrange a game with the West Paris team for next Saturday.

Preparations are being made for prize declamation in the high school. There will be graduation exercises in June.
Mrs. L. A. Wilson, the able assistant at the bank, is taking her vacation.
W. J. Wheeler sold a horse to E. K. Porter last week.

William Deering, Esq., of Chicago, has been here this week visiting his parents. April 25th Mr. Deering was sixty-four years old, and his mother was eighty-one at the time of his arrival.

Eva Richardson teaches the summer term on Elm Hill.
Preparations are being made to have a school in our schools.

Dr. J. W. Davis was elected one of the trustees of the Grand Commandery in Bath last week.
Our primary school will commence again May 5th.

The business men are making arrangements to have a sidewalk to extend from Wheeler's insurance rooms to the Andrews House—a much needed improvement.

Last week was Old Fells' week in our village. Aurora Encampment held an interesting meeting Monday evening. Mr. Mica Lodge on Thursday, Mr. Pleasant Robekah Lodge Friday, and Saturday evening the anniversary of the order was appropriately observed. Music, speaking, etc., made up the program. About 200 partook of a fine supper. H. C. Davis and J. S. Wright were among the speakers.

This week opened another chapter of accidents. Monday as Mr. Merrill was carrying a load of hay to the depot, the hay was displaced, Mr. Merrill and the load were precipitated on to the horse, which was frightened and ran. Mr. Merrill's left ankle was sprained and badly bruised. Fortunately his injuries were not more serious. Mr. Hervey, the foreman, has a large number at work at the foundry, and orders are being promptly shipped.

D. N. True has bought a pair of solid work horses for his farm.
Mrs. Edmund Curtis has moved from Norway on to her farm on Elm Hill.

These Thayer has been to Colebrook this week after horses.
A large delegation went to Norway to the circle Thursday evening.

The hand stand now ornaments Highland Street.
J. B. Cole of Paris Hill is to lay the new sidewalk.

Now for some spring weather.
South Paris Male Quartette sang at Norway this week.

Mr. Merrill says "Those are remarkably good horses just the same."
Honorable to him honor is due! Simon Walton introduced the business building into Oxford County and his apprentice, Samuel Richards, has continued it. By study and practice he is up with the times.

HORSE TALK.
E. W. Harris of North Turner has a valuable brood mare got by Robert Bonney Jr., that has a large weanling filly after Franklin Prince. She is now in foal to Eyedown son of Redwood.

Barrett Bros., proprietors of Fair View Stock Farm, Summer, issue a forty-page catalogue of stallions on the farm for 1900. The noted Westland heads the list, with a service fee of \$75, and the others are Col. West, Arden, Jr., Sir Julius, West, and Don B. Wilkes. Complete pedigrees are given of all the stallions.

The 1800 catalogue of the Oxford County Trotting Horse Breeders' Association is issued from the press of the Oxford County Advertiser. It is a very pretty printed pamphlet of fifty-six pages, containing besides the association motto, description and pedigree of 21 stallions, 30 brood mares, and 27 colts and fillies. A brief look at the catalogue shows that the quality of the horse stock within the limits of the association is steadily improving. No back tracks have been taken.

At the stable of Mr. A. E. Robinson, East Hebron, we lately saw the black horse, Franklin Prince. Franklin Prince stands 16 hands and weighs over 1100 pounds, is in size, style and carriage compares favorably with the stock horses of the county. On the side, his side he represents the popular Knox and Winthrop Morril blood while his hind represents also the Knox stock combined with a great deal more, which is reason enough to regard him as a valuable horse. Franklin Prince was bred by John Woodman, North Leeds, got by Dr. Franklin, 23rd, sire of Knox, 23rd dam by Riddle's horse. His colts are large and promising and seem to be just what the market demands.

Mr. Robinson has a good reputation as a judge of horses and has several in the course of a year. Among those he sold the past year was the fast mare Mollie Boone of Daffield.

In another column will be found the advertisement of the standard bred young stallion Prior, owned by Mr. W. R. Young of North Abington, Mass., and handled by his brother, Mr. Charles A. Young, of South Paris. We recently had the pleasure of a ride behind this colt and we unhesitatingly pronounce him a trotting colt of the first class we ever saw. He was bred in Kentucky and brought from there one year ago. As will be seen by his pedigree, Prior is a half brother to the famous Jay Eye See, 2:19. He will make the season at South Paris in charge of Mr. Charles A. Young where he will be allowed to serve a limited number of mares. Oxford County horse breeders will find in this colt a valuable acquisition for the improvement of their horse stock.

Like pure water, the soap known as Brussels will stand the severest test.

If quality and price are what you seek, call for Brussels soap, best in use.

Until you try the experiment you will never know that Brussels soap leads the whole catalogue.

100 Ladies Wanted.
We are looking for a few more ladies for a free trial package of Lane's Family Medicine, the great root and herb remedy, discovered by Dr. J. C. Lane, who has been curing thousands of cases of the blood, liver and kidneys, and is a positive cure for all these troubles. The medicine is sold in small packages, and is the best medicine for the blood, liver and kidneys. Large trial package, 10 cents. All at drug stores.

NORWAY.

Dr. George H. Hareton after a few weeks' visit in the West has returned much improved in health. He was well entertained in Denver, Col., by a classmate and favorably impressed with the prospects of the West.
The Norwegians were pleased to greet Samuel Favor once more on Main Street Thursday afternoon. He is not as strong as usual yet but is on the gain.
Mrs. Samuel L. Crockett and Al J. Rowe were in Auburn this week and made a contract with A. J. Verill & Co. for a beautiful marble monument to be erected upon their lot in Pine Grove Cemetery. The design is entirely new and will be the prettiest in the cemetery.

Our accomplished musician, Arthur E. Norworthy, is studying music in Portland with Prof. Frank Burnham.

Herbert H. Hosmer of this village started for Moncton Wednesday in company with a friend. He took his saddle, traps, rifle, revolver and the few other necessities for a complete outfit for a "cow boy." He has long contemplated the trip.

Rev. I. G. Ross delivered his farewell sermon Sunday. It was earnest and suggestive.

S. S. Tubb's mother is very low and slight hopes for her recovery are entertained by the family.

The annual meeting of the Norway Public Library Association will be held at the rooms of the association Monday evening, May 3th. Election of officers, etc.

Miss Maud Williams is visiting her sister, Mrs. Wallace Dargis, in Brighton, Mass. this week.

The President of the Maine Women's Christian Temperance Union, Mrs. L. M. Stevens of Portland, attended the ladies' convocation at the association Monday evening, May 3th. Election of officers, etc.

The German steamship Martha, from Hamburg, stranded at Vore Cross, and she will be a total loss. She carries a cargo.

The schooner Blanche, at Gloucester from Grand Banks, reports that Nelson Cohen of Chader, N. S., was drowned by the capsizing of a dory.

The appropriation in Hawaii to the ratification of the treaty with the United States is explained as due to the interference of British and German interests.

Silver men have obtained another concession from the house Republican caucus committee, which they regard as of value.

Another movement without a strike. William F. Miles, a Boston lawyer, has been missing for a month, and is charged with irregularities in connection with a small estate in New York.

John F. O'Sullivan of Boston was elected president, Hugh McGee of New York secretary and William Van Den Elder of New York treasurer of the Sailors and Firemen's union at New York.

Thursday, April 19.
Citizens at McCormick, S. C., indulged in a general fight.

A Boston dealer of gold worth several thousand dollars.

Gran's birthday will be observed in Brooklyn and New York.

German. Marcus are not to be fraternized with in the city of Columbia.

Several passengers were injured by the derailing of a train at Des Moines, Ia.

Battleground, the handsome son-in-law of George Victoria, is in disgrace again.

New York carpenters hope to carry their eight-hour movement without a strike.

The Laborers party is organizing a vigorous opposition to the Irish land bill.

Three men were killed and six others injured by a boiler explosion in Newcastle, Pa.

The American army, it is rumored, is to be depended on to put down the Socialists.

It is thought Mr. Parnell advanced his land scheme without consulting his associates.

The Maine third party committee has voted to hold a state convention at Portland, June 25.

Wood growers and carpet manufacturers are having a lively struggle over the tariff question.

A fire in a Michigan powder mill was followed by two explosions, which were felt many miles.

Doubt is thrown on the reported accident to James G. Bennett's yacht, Nanamou, in the China Sea.

CONDENSED NEWS.

Wednesday, April 18.
McPherson, the milled at Vore Cross, and she will be a total loss. She carries a cargo.

The New York and New England railroad is negotiating for valuable water property at Fall River.

The corporation of Boston insisted on eight hours a day at a public meeting in Tremont Temple last night.

The Louisiana Lottery company will offer to pay the state \$500,000 a year for a renewal of its charter.

David A. Tappan, president of the New Hampshire legislature, has assumed the duties of acting governor.

All the book makers in the northern and northwestern parts of Chicago, to the number of 1200 men, have struck.

The adjutant general of Ohio promptly knocked down a colonel who forgot the respect due to a superior officer.

Many persons were probably fatally injured by the collapse of part of the amphitheatre at a ball in Guadalajara.

Judge Pittsford of Maine has begun an official inquiry as to the cause of the death of Mrs. W. M. Murray of Everett, Mass.

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The Maine third party committee has voted to hold a state convention at Portland, June 25.

Wood growers and carpet manufacturers are having a lively struggle over the tariff question.

A fire in a Michigan powder mill was followed by two explosions, which were felt many miles.

Until you have tried Brussels soap you have no right to pronounce anything in the soap line an imposition.

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DIED.
In South Paris, April 18, Joseph Tufts, aged 72 years, 8 months and 10 days.

In South Paris, April 18, Nathan Chase, aged 73 years, 2 months and 10 days.

In East Berlin, April 16, Mrs. Maria Stiles, aged 87 years.

In Denmark, April 17, Mrs. Susan Freeman, aged 70 years.

In South Paris, April 18, Mrs. Susan May, aged 70 years.

In East Berlin, April 17, Mrs. Nancy Hutchins, aged 70 years.

In Bethel, April 17, Jonathan Chapman, of Newry, aged 80 years.

In East Berlin, April 17, Mrs. Sewell Thompson, aged 92 years.

In Bethel, April 17, Stephen Adams, aged 68 years.

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