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OXFORD, ss.—Sept. 26th, A. D. 1890.

This is to give Notice, that on the 26th day of Sept. A. D. 1890, a Warrant in Insolvency was issued out of the Court of Insolvency for said County of Oxford, against the estate of Lucius H. Jewett of Stoneham in said County adjudged to be an insolvent debtor, on petition of said debtor, which petition was filed on the 24th day of Sept. A. D. 1890, to which but named date interest on claims is to be computed; that the payment of any debts and the delivery and transfer of any property belonging to said debtor, to him or for his use, and the delivery and transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of said debtor, to prove their debts and choose one or more Assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Insolvency, to be holden at Paris, in said County, on the 22d day of Oct. A. D. 1890, at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

Given under my hand the date first above written.

A. F. BASSETT, Deputy Sheriff,
as Messenger of the Court of Insolvency, for said County of Oxford.

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STATE OF MAINE.

OXFORD ss:

County Commissioners' Court and Road Bills.

COUNTY OF OXFORD
To W. W. WHITMARSH, Dr.

For Service as County Commissioner from May 13th, 1890 to Sept. 5th, 1890.	
June 9, 10, 11, To 3 days on petition, Dixfield,	$ 7 50
125 miles travel from Norway to Dixfield and return,	10 00
June 17, 18, to 2 days C. C. Court adj. term,	5 00
10 miles travel from Norway to Paris and return,	80
June 23, 24, 25, 26, to 4 days inspecting roads, in unincorporated places,	10 00
150 miles travel from Norway to unincorporated Townships and return,	12 00
July 1, 2, to 2 days at Hebron on petition E. Merrill,	5 00
22 miles travel from Norway to Hebron and return,	1 76
July 29, to 1 day C. C. Court adj. term,	2 50
10 miles travel from Norway to Paris and return,	80
Aug. 20, 21, 22, to 3 days at Hebron on petition of E. S. Dunham,	7 50
42 miles travel from Norway to Minot and return,	3 36
Sept. 2, 3, 4, to 3 days C. C. Court,	7 50
10 miles travel from Norway to Paris and return,	80
	$74 32

W. W. WHITMARSH.

Paris, Sept. 4, 1890.

COUNTY OF OXFORD
To WM. WOODSUM, Dr.

June 10, on road hearing at Dixfield 1 day,	$ 2 50
To travel from West Peru to East Dixfield and return, 24 miles,	1 92
June 17, 18, at Paris adj. term, 2 days,	5 00
To travel from West Peru to Paris and return, 50 miles,	4 00
June 23, 24 and 25, on inspection of township roads, 3 days,	7 50
To travel on same, 110 miles,	8 80
June 30, and July 1, 2 and 3, on road hearing at Hebron, 4 days,	10 00
To travel from West Peru to Hebron and return, 75 miles,	6 00
July 29 and 30, at Paris adj. term 2 days,	5 00
To travel from West Peru to Paris and return, 50 miles,	4 00
Aug. 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23, at Hebron on road hearing, 5 days,	12 50
To travel from West Peru to Hebron and examining road and return, 80 miles,	6 40
Sept. 2 and 3, at Paris, Adj'd Term, 2 days,	5 00
To travel from West Peru to Paris and return, 50 miles,	4 00
	$92 62

WM. WOODSUM.

COUNTY OF OXFORD
To JOHN BARKER, Dr.

June 9, 10 and 11, 3 days at Dixfield on petition of Frank Stanley,	7 50
45 miles travel from West Bethel to East Dixfield and return,	6 80
June 17 and 18, 2 days at Paris June adjourned term,	5 00
66 miles travel from West Bethel to Paris and return,	4 80
June 24 and 25, 2 days at the Lake Road Inspection,	5 00
100 miles travel from West Bethel to Lake and return,	8 00
June 26, 1 day at Fryeburg Academy Grand Road Inspection,	2 50
10 miles travel from West Bethel to Grant and return,	80
July 1 and 2, 2 days at Hebron on petition of Ezekiel Merrill,	5 00
85 miles travel from West Bethel to Hebron and return,	6 80
July 29, 1 day at Paris, July adjourned term,	2 50
60 miles travel from West Bethel to Paris and return,	4 80
Aug. 20, 21, 22 and 23, 4 days at Hebron on petition of E. S. Dunham,	10 00
90 miles travel from West Bethel to West Minot and return,	7 20
Sept. 2, 3 and 4, 3 days at Paris, regular term,	7 50
60 miles travel from West Bethel to Paris and return,	4 80
	$89 00

JOHN BARKER.

September 3d, 1890.

OXFORD, ss.

Then personally appeared W. W. Whitmarsh, John Barker and William Woodsum, County Commissioners for the County of Oxford, and made oath that the foregoing accounts by them rendered and subscribed are true. Before me,

ALBERT S. AUSTIN,
Clerk Sup. Jud. Court.

September 3, 1890.

OXFORD ss.

Having examined and audited the foregoing accounts of W. W. Whitmarsh, John Barker and Wm. Woodsum, County Commissioners of the County of Oxford, we hereby certify that we allow thereon the following sums:

To W. W. Whitmarsh,	$74.32
John Barker,	$89.00
Wm. Woodsum,	$92.62

OSCAR H. HERSEY, County Attorney.
ALBERT S. AUSTIN, Clerk S. J. Court.

I certify the foregoing to be true copies.
Attest: ALBERT S. AUSTIN, Clerk.

NON RESIDENT TAXES

In the Plantation of Milton Plantation, in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, for the year 1889.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Plant. of Milton, for the year 1889, in bills committed to Jeff. Jackson, collector of said Plant. on the 31st day of July, 1889 has been returned by him to me as remaining unpaid on the 13th day of July, 1890, by his certificate of that date and now remains unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes, interest and charges are not paid into the treasury of said Plant. within eighteen months from the date of the commitment of said bills so much of the real estate taxed as will be sufficient to pay the amount due thereof, including interest and charges will without further notice be sold at public auction at the house of Henry Davis in said Plantation of Milton on the 11th day of Feb. 1891, at 10 o'clock, forenoon.

Description.	No. of Lot.	No. of Acres.	Value.	Tax on real estate.	Extra assessment.	Total amount of tax.
Bean, B. W., heirs of, land lying between J. H. Spofford's farm and M. L. Richard's,	85	$135	$2 93	15		$3 08
Curtis, Patrick, heirs, of pasture land,	34	100	100	2 35	12	2 47
Estes, Charles, timber land in west part of Milton Plantation,	56	100	100	2 23	12	2 35
Estes, Charles, timber land in west part of Milton Plantation,	59	100	125	2 78	15	2 93
Estes, Charles, timber land in west part of Milton Plantation,	60	100	150	3 35	18	3 52

GEO. H. DAVIS,
Treasurer of Milton Plantation.

Milton Plantation Sept 16th, 1890.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE.

WHEREAS Charles W. Rundlett of Byron on the County of Oxford and State of Maine did on the eighteenth day of May A. D. 1886, by his mortgage deed of that date, duly executed and recorded in the Oxford Registry of Deeds in Book 230, Page 331, convey in mortgage to John E. Shaw the following described real estate situated in the town of Byron aforesaid to wit: All of lot No. eleven (11) in the fourteenth (14) range of lots in said town of Byron which lies on the southwest side of Swift River, known as a part of the old Asa Green farm. Also all of the portions of the southwest corner of lot No. ten (10) in the fourteenth (14th) range of lots which was deeded by the proprietors of Byron to one Betsey Rand, reference being had to said deed for the bounds of the same, being the place which was deeded to Charles W. Rundlett by George F. Cooper by deed dated May 18, A. D. 1886, with the buildings thereon, containing by estimate 75 acres be the same more or less, it being all and the same land deeded to Rufus K. Bunker by Jonas Green by deed dated Nov. 17th, 1865. And whereas the said John E. Shaw thereafter rwards duly assigned and transferred to the subscriber said mortgage as will fully appear by said assignment on record in said Registry of Deeds in Book 236, Page 136, and whereas the condition of said mortgage has been broken now therefore I claim a foreclosure of the same according to the statute in such cases made and provided.

GEORGE B. STAPLES,
By H. A. Randall, his attorney.

Dixfield, September 25, 1890.

AMONG THE FARMERS.

"SPEED THE PLOW."

Correspondence on practical agricultural topics is solicited. Address all communications intended for this department to AGRICULTURAL EDITOR, Oxford Democrat, Paris, Me.

A VACATION TRIP.

It was with much pleasure that an invitation from C. F. Cobb, Esq., of South Vassalboro, to accompany him on a visit to several of the well known Jersey breeders in Oxford County, was accepted and it was with buoyant spirits that we started on the trip, for all nature seemed to be giving thanks for the refreshing showers of the previous night, and the ride to the "Herdsdale" farm in Canton, nearly twenty miles distant, was quickly made. This place is well known as having been the home of the late Warren Ward, where he sought rest and enjoyment away from the anxieties and cares of his extensive business in New York, and which is still retained by Mrs. Ward, her interest and zeal being increased from the fact that it was also the home of her parents and where her childhood days were spent. For many years Mr. Charles E. Vickery has enjoyed the full confidence of its owners, and the entire management is entrusted to his judgment and prudent foresight. The herd which has made the place famous in the Jersey world, has lost none of its previous value, and within its fertile enclosures are now found seventy animals, at the head of which stands at the present time, Sheldon of St. Lambert, and a large lot of heifers by Bijou's Hugo, give promise of a good showing in the near future, an improvement, possibly, on former strains of butter-producing stock.

A further twenty-mile ride found us, just as the sun was setting, on the summit of Streaked Mountain. A grand view is here given, the White Hills of our sister State being visible and well defined, and the intervening distance showing villages, hamlets, connective farm houses and isolated openings in the forest, all combined giving a most interesting panorama to the eye which will not soon be forgotten.

Our objective point for the night was "Kingleside," now near at hand, which is the charming home of S. M. King of South Paris. Upon reaching the place, we found the proprietor absent, but comfortable quarters for our weary animal seemed to be in waiting, in which he had barely been placed when our host arrived. The genial King had many times been met at the fairs, but to know him to the best advantage one must meet him in his own home. "Kingleside" shows but a small herd but the best of care is given in every particular class, and possibly small farms and small herds may be able to present greater worth than larger ones. Among the noted animals here are Temptress' Pogis Chief, a grandson of Stoke Pogis 3d and Tormentor, which stands at the head of the herd, Effie Pedro, a daughter of May's Pedro and Effie Jean, the latter being a fine five-year-old cow, winning first prizes at the Maine State fair as a two- and three-year-old, and in 1889, third as a cow in a ring of eighteen. Pedronella, a choice looking six-year-old, daughter of Pedro, Lilla Pogis, daughter of Glen Pogis, Baby Belle of P., a fine looking Coomassie cow, and Charline Sheldon, by Sheldon of St. Lambert, comprise the older ones, but with several young things, which give evidence of careful breeding, the value of this milking herd must be fully kept up. To take the place of the present head is Leon of Kingleside, by Maximum Rioter, a nice looking youngster from a choice breeding strain, and was selected by Mr. King after much careful study and personal examination from the herd of D. F. Appleton of Ipswich, Mass. This animal together with Fancy's Harry 7th, which C. F. Cobb has recently purchased in Tennessee, must give a fresh interest to the breeding of fine dairy stock, and with other representatives from noted and worthy strains in our State, convey to our fellow workers elsewhere the idea that Maine breeders are fully alive to the needs of the hour, and will not cease in well doing.

The hospitalities so cordially extended to us were highly enjoyed, and a more prolonged stay would have been very pleasant, but the early morning found us headed towards "High View" farm, the home of S. B. Locke of West Paris, another enthusiastic breeder of Jersey stock. On our way thither we made a tarry at Paris Hill, and through the courtesies of Albert S. Austin, Esq., the present efficient Clerk of the Courts, and who, by the way is a brother of Mrs. Ward of Herdsdale, we were shown many points of interest about this historic place.

Upon arriving at Mr. Locke's, we found him away on a fishing trip to the Magalloway region, but Mrs. Locke kindly entertained us, and also gave us items of interest concerning the stock. The farm proper being situated a mile or more distant, Nina Pogis is kept at home for the purpose of furnishing milk and butter for the family. We also noticed here, Nina of St. Lambert and her heifer calf, all promising animals. At the farm stands Columbine's John Bull, a son of Canada's John Bull and Columbine of St. Lambert, the dam producing 19 pounds, 14 ounces of butter. Mr. Locke, after making purchases at the Kellogg sales in New York, wishing for a St. Lambert bull, sought one from a noted herd in Canada, resulting in the sending of Columbine's John Bull to his farm, and it proved to be a most successful venture. Mr. Locke has made but one exhibit of his stock at the State fair which included not only those mentioned, but many other cows and heifers of great butter-producing strains, and was rewarded by bearing off valuable prizes, not only on herd but on individual animals. We trust our next visit will find Mr. Locke at home, and that our stay can be more extended.

We hoped to call at Norway, and examine the herd of J. L. & H. L. Horne, but this would require more time than we had at our command, so we directed our steps towards our homes. Notwithstanding the attractiveness of many farms found on our way, and the interesting features of travel that were continually greeting us, our chief thought was centered in the noble animals we had so gladly examined, and we separated for our respective homes with a strengthened interest and zeal in the breeding of choice Jersey stock.—C. E. W., in Maine Farmer.

DO NOT BE DECEIVED.

If one buys "show" stock at the great fairs it should be done with a deal of caution and with a full knowledge of what is being done. It must be remembered that the extremely fine show stock, that which is almost perfect in its make up and in its appearance, and which claims the attention of admirers of good stock and excites the admiration of those intending to purchase, is the selection from a large number of the breed, and possibly from a wide circuit, and, further, that it has been fitted and prepared for show. Such stock is worth much to the owner, and high prices are always set upon it. But the man looking for animals for breeding purposes, and to be kept for the money that can come from the stock bred, should remember that "show stock" seldom reproduces itself, and never transmits the fitting it has had in preparation for the show ring. So an inexperienced purchaser should not be led to invest extremely high prices for especially faultless animals found at the fair, expecting to breed therefrom a herd of like perfection, for he will surely meet disappointment. Good stock should always be selected to breed from, and none other should be purchased, but it is neither profitable nor necessary to select those which show to the best advantage at the time seen, in order to have good breeding stock.—Farmer.

CONDITION OF THE FARMER.

Hon. George B. Loring, in his admirable address at the New England fair lately held at Worcester, gave an excellent review of the agricultural situation in New England at the present time. He showed by facts and figures that there is no decline in anything pertaining to agriculture which indicates prosperity and progress. If we look with a discriminating and unprejudiced eye, we note only change, and that from a lower to a higher condition. The New England farmer has accommodated himself to circumstances, and while he has abandoned the remote farm he has increased and improved his business by occupying lands better adapted to it. While the occupation of the farmer has changed materially, his social status has also changed. In the days of general agriculture, when the wants of the people were few and the accumulations of wealth small, when an isolated farm was the center of a profitable industry, and in the absence of cheap and rapid communication to remote regions, and traffic was confined to a narrow neighborhood, the farmer was content to lead a very different life from that which now occupies his time and attention. His crops were more immediately under his own control. The competition of new and cheap land was unknown. He fed his cattle with grain of his own growing, and he found a ready market for them in his own region. He conducted his farm with an economy wholly unknown to this period of high wages and expensive living; and while he received comparatively small reward for his toil the cost of production was also small. He found more profit in hay at ten dollars a ton than he now finds in hay at twenty dollars a ton. He lived in a time when the necessaries of life were easily reached and when the social temptations were few. He led a life of isolation, and as time went on he usually succeeded in creating a busy community on his own farm where his boys shared with him all the labor and none of the reward. It was a stern life which he led, and it developed strong and self reliant faculties. With us this is largely changed. In certain sections of the New England States we find this system still in existence, and the remote and isolated farm is still profitable. But in the busier regions this method has passed away, and with it has gone the old habit of life. In laying this aside we think we have secured a better. Isolation has its advantages, it is true. But the privileges of a more condensed community have attractions all men are now anxious to secure. As men draw near the great centers of active life, they find themselves brought within the influence of well-endowed schools, of more intelligent associations, of libraries with all their refinements, of comforts of life. That life is prolonged by these comforts there can be no doubt. The farmer is brought into association with the more active forces of the community, and his faculties are aroused to a keener understanding of the state of society about him. Compare the still life of early agriculture in New England with these days of agricultural societies and colleges, and boards, and clubs and institutes and you will comprehend the vast advantages which attend a condensed community engaged in special farming.—Mirror & Farmer.

TWO-CENT BOUNTY ON SUGAR.

The McKinley tariff bill, as amended by the Senate, provides for paying on all sugars manufactured in the United States, in quantity of not less than 500 pounds and testing 80 degrees by the polariscope, whether made from beets, sorghum, or sugar-cane grown in this country or from maple sap, a bounty of two cents per pound. But to obtain this bounty the producer must before July of each year file "with the Commissioner of Internal Revenue a notice of the place of production, with a general description of the machinery and methods to be employed by him with an estimate of the amount of sugar proposed to be produced in the current or next ensuing year, including the number of maple trees to be tapped and an application for a license to so produce, to be accompanied by a bond in penalty and with sureties to be approved by the Commissioner of Internal Regenue, conditioned that he will faithfully observe all rules and regulations that may be prescribed for such manufacture and production of sugar." On receipt of such application and bond, the commissioner shall issue to the applicant a license as specified. The same bill provides for the collection of a duty on imported sugars of three-tenths to six-tenths of one per cent per pound, and all machinery for the production of beet sugar in this country is to be admitted duty free. There appears to be a great deal of formality required in order to secure the bounty, but it will prove to be educational by making the farmer familiar with the red-tapism of government.—Mirror and Farmer.

THE APPLE CROP.

My advices from London, giving the condition of the apple crop of 1890 are just received. In England it is the worst known for many years. France (which had a bad crop last year) has nearly an average crop this year. These apples are now coming on the English market and are selling for thirty shillings per barrel and will be nearly all marketed before the end of October. Belgium has about one-half and Holland one-fourth of an average crop. Denmark has scarcely any apples this year. Germany and Austria have a very short supply. In America the United States has the smallest crop for many years. Canada, which at one time looked promising, now reckons its crop at one-third. Nova Scotia has a little over one-fourth, certainly not over one-third, of a usual crop. Very high prices will rule on all good, sound winter apples this year.—Mirror.

STRAWS.

The first sire impresses its character to some degree on all the subsequent offspring of the dam, although they may have another sire.

In upland pastures redtop does not do well, for the reason that stock will not eat the stalks which soon spring up and cover the surface.

When the color of butter indicates its quality it amounts to something; but artificial coloring only imposes upon the buyer closer inspection.

Crops are nourished by the water that passes through the soil, but not by that which stagnates in it, hence the advantage of good drainage.

The Jersey Bulletin says: Quality in butter depends on flavor, texture and color—three things that do not appear in a chemical analysis.

Haying is part of the preparation for winter, but much more is needed, and one may as well do a little job toward it as often as opportunity offers.

Plants like beets, that are poor feeders, require the presence in the soil of a larger amount of fertilizing material. They draw food from a smaller area.

It is hard to tell where leisure ends and laziness begins; but the farmer who does all that he sees to be done on his farm is not likely to have much spare time.

It is not necessary to weight your silo if it is otherwise right. A foot or so of straw or swale grass makes a good covering. A few loose boards may be laid on this.

Water charged with plant food is drawn up through the stalks of the plant by capillary attraction and the heat of the sun; the nutriment is taken up by the plant and the water evaporated.

Sell your butter on its merits, color included, if you do not wish to aid in perpetuating a fraud; but try to have such cows and to give them such care and feed that the natural color will be what is desired. Then color will generally indicate quality.—Mirror.

DEATH TO LOTTERIES.

The anti-lottery bill passed by Congress and signed by the President is very stringent in its provisions, and will be likely to put a check to the operations of the Louisiana Lottery Company, at which it is especially aimed, though it applies to any lottery or gift enterprise whatever. It forbids the carrying in the mail of letters, postal cards or circulars concerning any lottery, lottery tickets or parts thereof, and money, check or money order intended as payment for lottery tickets. Newspapers containing advertisements of lotteries or even lists of the drawings are also made unmailable, and sufficient penalties and means of enforcement are provided in the bill. There is no danger that the law will be a dead letter, as it was enacted at the suggestion of Postmaster General Wanamaker, and the bill was drawn up to embody the provisions which he desired. He will see that it is enforced, and it is likely to make life very wearisome for the lottery managers.

Written for the Oxford Democrat.

GIVING CREDIT.

There's enough financial credit heaven knows, and I am not going to recommend any more of that kind, but there is one kind of credit that the world never has too much of, and that is credit for *worth* in character.

While business credits are often ruinous, on the other hand, nothing so helps the world onward and upward as giving credit of the kind I refer to. Too many people are afraid of praise when it comes their turn to bestow it; and yet the approval of the public is the best encouragement a man can have to do well. "Just praise is a *debt*, but flattery is a *present*." Don't flatter. Never bestow a meaningless, hollow sort of praise. But when you see a worthy act, no matter how small, so it shows a clean spot, a true nobleness of spirit, don't be afraid to laud it. Don't be afraid of making some one else out better than you are. *Merited* praise is always in order. Conditions where *such* praise is not bestowed are far from perfect. Some men—and I get so out of patience with them—act as though they thought they would spoil a man in praising him, and lose their own worth in the bargain. Poor souls, some of them have so little worth I don't wonder they fear they will lose it! But sreiously, this is a keynote to the work of lifting up humanity, though it is a sadly neglected one except at the hands of the flatterers, who do more harm than good with their hypocrisy.

There are some things we praise a man for behind his back, that if said to his face, would make a mightier man of him. Put yourself in as humble a position as you please; belittle yourself all you choose, and by all means, avoid calling attention to yourself, but don't be afraid to encourage a good thing in others when you see it, if it is perfectly polite and proper that you should. No sensible man will be anything but benefitted by such usage, and I don't ask that it be lavished on those whom it would spoil, or injure. More praise nowadays seems to go to men in high positions. It is really not so much needed here as in the lowly walks of life where men have so much to achieve and so little to achieve it with.

A. P. REED.

ONE OF ARTEMUS WARD'S JOKES.

The Boston Transcript has resurrected this story of Artemus Ward and his friend Dan Setchell, the comedian. He used to visit Ward at the old homestead in Waterford, and on such occasions there was fun alive. One day the two drove from Portland to Waterford, and had, as they reported, a "solemn time of it." Ward had tied a great rope about Setchell, and represented that he was an insane man whom he was bringing home from the asylum at Augusta. He called at a number of houses for mixtures of pepper and vinegar and other condiments, which he purposed giving as medicine to the "insane" man. While taking these Setchell would affect a great aversion to them, and struggle as if resisting to the utmost, and roar and howl like wild beasts in a menagerie, which he could imitate most perfectly; all this to the fear and wonder of those who witnessed the performance.

The ideal magazine should be like a perfect dinner; seasonable, tempting, satisfying, never heavy, each course perfect in itself, with dainty entrees and entremets to give zest and piquancy, the whole affording such pleasure and satisfaction that it leaves a desire for a repetition of the feast. This is the case with Demorest's Family Magazine for October, just received; when one has read it all through (and everyone who takes it up will do so) there is a desire to begin at the beginning and enjoy it all over again.

But this month there is a special attraction; the new List of Club Premiums. Not only is there a host of handsome as well as useful articles offered, including material for an elegant silk dress, but the more than liberal offer is made that if this generous list does not include the thing or things desired, the prospective getter up of a club may write to the publisher stating what would be liked better, and special terms will be made for the coveted article. The offer is unprecedented, anything from a paper of needles to the complete furniture of a house being obtainable without paying out a cent! Published by W. Jennings Demorest, 15 East 14th Street, N. Y.

Peterson's Magazine for October is on our table. The steel engraving "Before the Battle" is a very handsome picture presenting the portraits of Minna Irving, the popular poetess, and her soldier husband. The fashion-plate and illustrations, present some new and effective fall styles. The needlework designs are varied and effective. The literary part of the number is excellent, and can only be equaled by the highest priced periodicals. Terms $2 a year. Address, Peterson's Magazine, 306 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

PORTLAND AND BOSTON STEAMERS.

The Portland Steam Packet Company has just finished laying a side track along their splendid freight sheds at Franklin Wharf, Portland, thus making their arrangements for handling freight from the railroads centering in Portland complete. The elegant new steamers Portland and Tremont now forming this line, are the largest on the eastern sea coast, powerful and staunch, and complete with all modern improvements, and give the company superior facilities for passenger and freight business. All freight is insured by the company against fire and marine risk thus giving patrons the fullest protection.

The wheels of the government machinery revolve slowly, but they "get there" after a time. Several people in Aroostook County have just received from the post office department the amount of money contained in registered letters addressed to them which were burned at the time of the railroad accident, last February, at Kingman. That shows that it is safe to send money in registered letters. In each case where sufficient proof of loss has been produced the government has settled with the interested persons.

The Kennebec Reporter thinks the population of Gardiner must be increased during the next ten years, and as a starter offers a year's subscription to the Reporter for every male child born in Gardiner between the date of the offer and July 1, 1891.

The purchasers of the Knox and Lincoln Railroad have examined the road to see what improvements can be made.

FAREWELL.

Farewell! God speed thee on thy way
Across the waste of waters blue;
From dangers guard thee night and day,
And keep thee gentle, kind and true.

Farewell! Though weary leagues apart,
On foreign land or alien sea,
We'll draw together heart to heart
In closest bonds of sympathy.

God keep thee in his tender care
Where'er on earth thy footsteps roam,
And under skies serene and fair
Return the wanderer to his home.

—Philadelphia Telephone.

THE UNLUCKY STONE.

From my earliest recollection we had traveled, traveled the world over, it seemed, my mother and I. We had no kith nor kin but one another, so can the world wonder that we were all in all to each other? My mother's face, although the sweetest and gentlest of faces, was always sad, even gloomy at times. She always wore the deepest of mourning for my father, although I could never get her to mention him. And after several inquiries I ceased to trouble her, for such a look of pain and agony would come over the dear features at the mention of Robert Radcliff. The only jewelry she ever wore consisted of two rings, a plain gold wedding ring and a beautiful opal set in a heavy band of gold. Through Asia, Europe, America, and even to Africa and Australia, we had made our way. And whenever in a crowd or conversing with a stranger I would notice my mother looking at her opal ring, which she wore on the third finger of the right hand.

One summer we had wandered through Russia, had spent some time on the Rhine, and finally brought up in a little town among the mountains of Switzerland. Here my mother was taken ill with a general decline of the heart, as the village doctor called it. I was very much frightened and wanted to telegraph for a celebrated man from Paris, but she said: "No, Carl, do nothing whatsoever. My time has come, and I must have you to myself for the few hours left me."

I would not believe it. It did not seem possible that God could take her from me.

"Mother," I said, controlling my emotions for fear of making her worse, "you imagine that you are much worse than you are. You are looking better than I have seen you for some time. Your cheeks are bright red."

Ah, what a fool I was! Death's very sign I took to be the hue of returning health.

"Carl, I have no time to waste in useless words," she said. "Come and sit by my side and learn why your mother's sad face has darkened your young life. No, do not interrupt, my boy. I know how much you think of your mother. Sixteen years ago, when you were a child of 4, we lived in a beautiful country home in the north of Ireland. Your father was of that country, you know." I did not know, for she had never told me anything about him; but I did not interrupt, and she continued: "Well, one night I waited and waited for Robert to return. He had gone to the neighboring village to buy new carriage horses. The wind blew a gale, and the rain fell in torrents. I walked the floor in an agony of fear till 12 o'clock, then called a faithful old servant and told him to harness and to go with me to look for his master. He thought me crazy, but did as I told him. Put another pillow under my head, Carl. There, now I can breathe easier.

"We found him, my son; found him all bloody and beaten to death. Foully murdered."

Her face was ghastly, and although shaking in every limb I managed to give her some drops the doctor had left so that she was able to continue. "I cannot tell you more of that dreadful time except that there never was the slightest clew to the assassin. We never knew that he had an enemy in the world. It was not robbery, for his watch and a large amount of money were not touched. You will find papers telling you all of that. My part is what I wish to tell you now. I lived with you alone in the old home for one year. One night I fell asleep in a chair by the hearth, and had the strangest of dreams. I dreamt a voice said to me:

"'Take thy child and the opal ring and travel the world over, and when thou dost find thy opal turnest a blood red then thou willst be in the presence of thine enemy and thine husband's murderer.

"When I awoke I pondered on it for a while, but came to the conclusion that it was the result of a fevered brain. The next night I had the same dream, and again the next. I then took it as my mission in life to find the man who had foully killed my Robert. I awoke from my apathy, sold the place, and taking you with me started on my pilgrimage. You know the result. Never has my ring changed color. Now, Carl, I am dying, and into your hands I consign this ring, and I ask you by the memory of your murdered father to find the person and bring his crime home to him."

Saying this she placed the opal, with its fine red lines, upon my finger, and then lay back exhausted.

"I promise, mother, never to give up the search while there is breath in my body," I said, intending to find the assassin by modern means instead of superstitious, but I would not pain her by doubting her dream.

Three days she lingered, during which time she told me of her financial standing, and that she did not know of a relative in the world. The third night she passed away, leaving me alone in the world with a terrible void in my life and an unutterable grief. I saw her buried in the little Swiss burial ground, and then returned to the inn and looked my future in the face. I had £50,000, no friends and a veritable vendetta. A week later I started for Paris, stated my trouble, and had the best detectives to work up a hopeless case. In London I did the same, and then crossed the ocean and followed the same course in New York. The opal ring I wore, but seldom looked at it. I made several pleasant traveling acquaintances, and had a number of invitations to visit in Washington, Baltimore and other cities in the States. I refused them all, and went west to San Francisco, staying there until Jan. 1, when I returned to Washington, where I ran across one of my traveling friends, Ray Carrington.

I refused all overtures to go into society or to visit Carrington, but when I was taken ill and threatened with pneumonia my friend had me removed, against my wishes, to his home, where a tall, stately lady smiled graciously upon me, and where I had all the care and devotion possible during a serious illness. This lady, who was Ray's mother, was an angel of mercy to me, a homeless wanderer. One day I was lying on the sofa deluged with shawls, wraps, etc., reading my correspondence from the foreign police offices. Nothing had really been done, although a man had been sent to Ireland. So many years had passed they could hold out little hope to me.

A rap at the door, and "May I come in?" from Ray.

"Of course," I replied. "Why do you ask?"

"Because I have brought you a visitor," he said, as he entered with his arm around a beautiful young girl, whom he introduced as his sister Lilian.

I told her she was very kind to visit an invalid, and wondered what they would think if they knew I was hunting down a murderer of sixteen years ago. Many happy days passed in spite of illness and vendettas. They insisted upon keeping me for a ball in honor of Lilian's twentieth birthday. I found resistance useless, so yielded with as good grace as possible, although I knew such gayeties were not for me, and my mother's death was too recent not to destroy any desire for such pleasures.

However I staid, and on the evening of the ball arrayed myself in my dress suit and descended to the ballroom, which was beautifully decorated with tropical plants and lovely ferns. Lilian was receiving her guests by her mother's side. She was dressed in a gown of silvery fabric, which made her look more than ever like the beautiful fairy she was. I easily mingled unnoticed in the crowd.

As I gazed on that brilliant scene I wondered what the dear mother was thinking as she locked down from her home on high. I thought of the little grave in the far away country, of the vendetta left me as a legacy. Ray broke in upon my meditations, and finding it impossible to persuade me to dance said: "Well, do take Miss Van Dyke into supper and relieve me."

I complied, and upon entering the supper room removed one glove, as my hand was warm. Upon doing so I glanced at the opal ring, and to my horror noticed that it had become a blood red. What could it mean? I glanced around

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THE RUMFORD FALLS BOOM.

The boom at Rumford Falls is assuming larger dimensions even than the first reports indicated. The company have gone at the business in true western style, and have laid out a city at the Falls, with thirty mill sites and their dams and canals, and a whole city, streets, avenues, parks, etc. Has a peculiar sound for Maine, hasn't it? That is a new way of doing things for this State. But there is something to build upon here, and there is no danger of this being one of the booms that bursts when it gets inflated. In the first place, there is a water power at Rumford Falls which is equal to the combined power at the three large manufacturing cities of Lowell, Lawrence and Manchester combined. In the near future, too, a railroad is to run to the Falls and aid in its development. The Rumford Falls Power Company has been incorporated with a capital stock of $500,000, $250,000 paid in. George N. Fletcherof Detroit, Mich., is president and Hugh J. Chisholm of Portland treasurer. Ex-Postmaster-General Dickinson is one of the directors. This company owns 1100 acres of land around the Falls, and will make the development of the place rapid.

Without indulging in any fanciful flights of prophecy, it is safe to say that Rumford Falls is going to be a big place and that the utilization of its immense water power will do more for Oxford County than any other thing that has been done for many years.

REDEEMED PLEDGES.

Congress adjourned last week, after a session in which more work has been done than in any previous session for many years. With a Democratic majority in the House of Representatives Congress had become notorious as a do-nothing body. Two years ago the people elected a Republican majority in the House. That majority has handsomely redeemed the pledges of its party platform in the session just closed, and points with pride at the record it has made. Among the important measures passed by this Congress may be mentioned the following:

The Tariff Bill.
The Silver Bill.
The Anti-Trust Bill.
The Customs Administrative Bill.
The Pension Bill.
The Anti-Lottery Bill.
The World's Fair Bill.
The Meat Inspection Bill.
The Bills for Admission of Wyoming and Idaho.
The Naval Bill Authorizing the New Battle Ships.
The "Original Package" Bill.

Moreover in this list there is hardly a measure which has not been passed in the face of the most stubborn opposition on the part of the Democrats, who have tried in every possible way to defeat legislation. Such filibustering never was known before, and it would have been impossible to do anything against it had it not been for the change in rules, and the adoption of what are sometimes called "Reed's rules." Certainly Reed deserves a large share of credit for their adoption. Had it not been for the vigorous efforts which he has made to have these rules adopted, the determined stand which he took in the early part of the session, and the masterly manner in which, without once losing his head, he has presided over the fiercest parliamentary battles ever known, it is improbable that such a record could have been made as is cited above. All honor to Speaker Reed!

THE PORTLAND COLLECTORSHIP.

The Bridgton News, though it is perhaps not entirely unprejudiced, gives the pith of the Portland Collectorship matter in the following paragraph:

Some of our esteemed contemporaries, in discussing the relative "rights" of Senators and Representatives in Congress as to the matter of dispensing federal patronage, seem to have entirely overlooked the tragic episode in the Garfield administration, when, after a bitter contest with Senator Conkling, the President decisively settled, and for all time, the matter as to the responsibility for public appointments. Either Senators or Representatives might advise, and even presistently urge the claims of candidates; but they were not to arbitrarily dictate appointments. The President is himself to decide, upon all the testimony presented in the case. A public office is no man's plunder; and neither Senators nor Representatives can claim any absolute control over any appointment. As to the matter of the Portland Collectorship President Harrison has felt bound to decide against Mr. Reed, not through any lack of resect for that distinguished gentleman, but rather because his cause was exceptionally weak as compared with that championed by the Maine Senators. It of course vastly strengthened the position of the Senators to be able to show that as to this particular office universal precedent was in accord with their urgently insisted upon claim to voice in the naming of the candidate; nevertheless this was by no means decisive of the controversy. The Sentorial cause prevailed not because the Senators had any "control" over the matter, but simply because their cause was the best.

The Republicans of Oxford County as well as in the entire State take great pride in the eminent ability as well as the recognized prominence in the country at large of the Maine delegation not only in the Senate but in the House of Representatives—to put it mildly, Maine is as ably represented in either branch as any State in the Union and our people are proud of their record and loyal to their interests. We trust that no factional feeling over any question of patronage will be allowed to endanger the harmony heretofore enjoyed not only by the leading Republicans but the rank and file of the party in Maine.

Rev. Newman Smyth, D. D., of New York, who visits Maine every year, has an entertaining article in the October number of Scribner's Magazine, upon "The Lake Country of New England." The article is illustrated, and descriptions are given of several of the lakes in the northern part of the State which are becoming the summer resort of large numbers of people from the large cities of the country.

SOUTH PARIS.

Beautiful autumnal days.
The foliage is elegant.
Would that winter would stay away.
Frost has done but little damage yet.

Constable Blood spoilt somebody's Sunday celebration this time.

About two months more on the Morse Brook bridge.

Cloaks that will suit everybody at Bowker's.

Mrs. S. Stowe is visiting in Portland.

There was quarterly meeting at the Baptist church Wednesday and Thursday.

There were five persons baptized at the Baptist church a week ago Sunday.

We saw Addison Parsons and wife at Canton last week. He was very poorly, suffering from rheumatism.

Sumner Tucker is relaying his water pipe.

List of advertised letters at the post office Oct. 1st:

Mr. Souterne L. Hopkins, R. F. Kelly, Mr. A. J. Stone, Miss Lillian A. Young.

Post Office Inspector Thomas J. Fuller of Boston visited this office last week.

Mrs. J. H. Martin and daughter Hattie are visiting friends in Boston and Waltham.

Rev. Mr. Adams, Presiding Elder, preached at the Methodist church Sunday.

Mrs. Oliver S. Andrews from Luverne, Minn., and her sister, Mrs. Miller of Lyndonville, Vt., are visiting Mrs. Levi Andrews.

A. M. Gerry, pharmacist, is selling the celebrated Knickerbocker shoulder brace and suspender combined, and a skirt supporter for ladies.

It is said that Hon. J. S. Wright is soon to become a citizen of our village.

Your correspondent visited Rumford Falls last week and found that everything was booming even greater than the papers state.

Hills the jeweler of Norway is doing more watch work than any other two jewelers in Oxford County combined,—facts!

Constable Blood gathered in two gallons of whiskey Thursday and one of rum Saturday.

J. A. Dowst of Brooklyn was here Wednesday. He has contracted with G. H. Porter for the product of his cider mill for vinegar stock. Mr. Porter is paying forty cents per hundred pounds for cider apples, and wishes to buy all he can.

Eben H. Marshall has moved into the Tarbox house which he has recently purchased.

Mrs. E. O. Jewell, the well-known writer, has returned to our village to spend the winter.

Paris Grange was finely represented at the Pomona Grange, West Sumner, last Tuesday.

Joseph Briggs is at work on the city building at Lewiston.

W. H. Swett has a fine lot of more than a hundred barrel of apples. Over twenty-five barrels of them are Nodheads. Mr. Swett lets his hogs run in the orchard during the summer.

Mrs. Sadie Smith is suffering from hemorrhage of the lungs.

Orders are coming in brisk at the sled factory, and they are running evenings.

We learn that there is a prospect for a new corn shop for next season.

A. T. Maxim traded a good carriage horse for a mare by Olympus with a gentleman from Eastport.

Rev. Mr. Churchill from Bates Theological School preached at the Congregational church Sunday.

Royal's steamer is a grand success.

Mabelle Cushman, who has taught several terms of school in No. 3, was married September 28th, to Mr. J. M. Pike, and will reside in Mrs. Ray's house.

G. H. Porter was in Portland Saturday to consult Dr. Holt, the oculist.

There are no loafers around our village; every man is busy.

All items of news wanted in box 229.

Remember Hills, the optician of Norway is the only optician in the county that has ever attended a "school of optics" or even studied with an M. D. He has not "picked it up" nor bought instruments like some competitor and set up for a wonderfully wise optician—not he.

JOHN'S LETTER.

I answered your question, Buck, before you asked it. And wherefore would you hear it again? "An even exchange is no robbery." Two neighbors may change milk to their mutual advantage if both have equal facilities to the pump. A fellow and girl may swap gum and get forehanded and take gobs of comfort right along regular, if the transaction is carried forward on an equitable basis. Is there no monopoly in a free-trade country? Is there no oppression there? No grinding the face of the poor? Are the hogs all herding in protective America? Buck's theory, as I understand it, reads about thus: "Were the tariff removed hog cholera would sweep over our land like a purifying fire and the millennium would appear just around the corner sing ta, ta, ta, ta, sing, sol, fa, me, sol." JOHN.

REV. ELIJAH KELLOGG.

The friends of Rev. Elijah Kellogg will meet at his house for the annual donation party, Monday, Sept. 29. Mr. Kellogg is one of the unique figures in American letters. Although he has written several series of books for boys, that will never lose their hold on the juvenile heart so long as America continues to produce live youngsters, yet it is as the author of "Spartacus to the Gladiators," and "Regulus to the Carthaginians," that he will be longest remembered. There is something in these two splendid orations that so embodidies the modern conception of what constituted ideal valor and strength of character in the days of ancient Rome, that they can never be forgotten. Mr. Kellogg has done literary work enough in his life to have earned several fortunes, but such is his sympathetic nature and liberal charity that he is to-day in quite straitened circumstances. He has a record behind him, however, which is rich in noble works.

Long live Rev. Elijah Kellogg! The world would be better, happier and vastly more charitable could the number of such men be increased.—Kennebec Journal.

Biddeford Journal: Considerable talk is made about deserted New England farms. How about deserted western farms? If the record could be correctly written of the Yankee pioneers who have been driven back from the prairie States by drought, by grasshoppers and chinch bugs, by cyclone and prairie fires and mortgages, the burden of "desertion" would be on the other fellow. Hardly a day passes that one does not hear of families moving back to New England who have no desire for any more "west" in theirs.

MOTHER'S BIRTHDAY.

AUGUST 5TH, 1890.

To-day, back fourscore years and four,
Our mother hooks o'er memory's store.
Vivit the pictures to her mind
Of scenes passed through and left behind.

First on the scroll are childhood's days,
Unconscious of life's rugged ways;
In happy innocence they glide
Swiftly (as now seen) on life's tide.

Then comes the time of youth's bright dreams,
With hope's inspiring radiant beams;
And very soon life's sterner cares
Are on the picture unawares.

But with a purpose true and strong,
In rugged paths she struggles on,
'Mid clouds and sunshine, hopes and fears,
Surviving all these many years.

Eighty-four "milestones" on the way
She counts with senses keen to-day;
And with a cheerful, hopeful view,
Patiently waits, life's journey through.

And when comparing all her crosses,
Grievous ill and seeming losses,
With rich experience of gain,
She does not of this life complain.

Companion, and four children gone,
Five others left to follow on;
Grandchildren and their children, too,
All can attest her work as true.

Seven brothers and three sisters rest
With parents in their homes more blest;
And three, herself included, bide
Their summons to the other side.

Yes, surely there's another side
Beyond this ever-changing tide,
Where friends will meet in union dear,
And see life's purposes more clear.

Blessings be on the aged brow
Of our dear mother, here and now,
And when earth's faithful ones are known,
Heaven in justice will claim its own.

BY A DAUGHTER.
E. L. G.

EAST BROWNFIELD, Aug. 5, 1890.

Lasts twice as long as cheap soap for laundry use—Brussels.

NORWAY.

The grounds about the Whitman house are being graded.

A. C. Greene who went to Berlin Falls with the intention of engaging in business changed his mind and is now at work for F. H. Lovejoy at West Medford, Mass.

The remains of Rev. L. H. Tabor were brought here Tuesday and interred in Pine Grove Cemetery. Mr. Tabor was for many years pastor of the Universalist church in this village.

F. Q. Elliott is making improvements on his buildings.

Dr. F. E. Drake has opened a branch office in New Hampshire. His dental rooms here will be closed for two weeks on that account.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Jones and family who have been spending the summer here returned to their home in Boston the first of the week.

Mattie Carter, teacher of the lower primary school, has resigned on account of sickness. Hattie Royal of Paris has been employed.

Tuesday before the County Commissioners at the assessors' office a very interesting hearing was had on the petition for abatement of tax of S. D. Andrews. One of the important questions comes on the notice which the assessors are required to post. In his pleadings the petitioner said in compliance with the notice posted by the said assessors he did on the first day of April, to wit, on or prior to the twelfth day of April, 1890, the time appointed by the said assessors for the purpose, present, etc., true and perfect lists, etc., of his estate, real and personal. In the following section of chapter 6 (section 93) the Revised Statutes say that if the person after such notice does not bring in such list at the time so appointed, he is thereby barred of his right to make application to the County Commissioners for an abatement. The petitioner did not present his list until July 5th, 1890. The petitioner claimed that the notice was defective because it bore no date. He testified that he saw it in the post office April first and in the Advertiser April 4th, 1890, and said he understood it. If the notice is defective he had a right to make application and not otherwise. The tax was in part assessed upon Norway water stock. County Commissioner Whitmarsh was Clerk and Treasurer and S. D. Andrews Vice President of the company. Although objected to Mr. Whitmarsh acted on the board. Some interesting figures were brought to light. It appeared by Mr. Andrews' testimony that the bonded debt of the company is $50,000 interest on which is guaranteed to the company by the village corporations of Norway and South Paris for twenty consecutive years. The corporators invested in the enterprise $12,869 and in return $60,000 in stock was issued by the company. The net earnings of the company to January 1st, last, were $2900. $1293 have been expended in making extensions, $1200 for declaring a dividend of two per cent on the $60,000 stock and the balance in the treasury. The petitioner claimed that a two per cent stock has no appreciable value. The defence maintained that an investment of $12,869, which earned a net income in three years of $2900 should be taxed. The commissioners reserved the decision for two weeks. The taxation of this stock has always been the bone of contention in the town. Hon. A. S. Kimball, C. E. Holt for petitioners. E. F. Smith for the town of Norway.

The Ladies' Circle will meet at Concert Hall Tuesday evening. Supper at 6:30 o'clock. Promenade. Good music.

The remains of Joseph Danforth of North Stratford, N. H., formerly of this town, were interred in Pine Grove Cemetery Wednesday.

Paul H. Howe, who recently visited Denver, Colorado, has returned to this village. We understand that he accompanied a relative west.

John Barker, while unloading leather at the tannery recently, dislocated his ankle.

John Jackson, of Ashland, N. H., was in town this week.

Henry Morris of Turner is canvassing here.

Charles R. Meserve while at work this week met with a very painful and serious accident. A bord nail which he was driving broke off and struck him in the eye. The doctor says there is only a slight chance to save the eye.

The benefit concert tendered Mr. George W. Horne at the Opera House Friday evening was well attended. The exceptionally fine music was furnished by Norway Orchestra, 10 pieces, assisted by the 2d Congregational choir, Mr. George W. Horne tenor, Mr. A. E. Norseworthy cornet, Mr. F. P. Knapp cornet, Mrs. George A. Briggs and Mrs. H. L. Horne accompanists. The following programme was rendered:

1. Overture, From Ocean to Ocean, Orchestra. Sohlin.
2. Duet, When Life is Brightest, Mrs. Kimball, Miss Jordan. Pinsuti.
3. Quartette, Farewell, Choir. Choir.
4. Song, The Last Watch, Mr. Horne. Pinsuti.
5. Duet, The Swiss Boy, Messrs. Knapp and Norseworthy.
6. March, The Jolly Coppersmith, (Descriptive) Orchestra. Peters.
7. Duet, A Night in Venice, Mr. Horne, Mrs. Kimball.
8. Cornet Solo, Selected, Mr. Norseworthy.
9. Song, The Vagabond, Mr. Horne. Molloy.
10. Selection, Plantation Songs, Orchestra. Boettger.

The Abbott house is being shingled.

John Horne of Portland was in town on business Saturday.

C. B. Cummings & Sons gave their help a holiday Saturday and all enjoyed a picnic on Goat Island. Notwithstanding the disagreeable weather all hands went and a general good time was the result. Dinner was served at the cottage.

Before the Municipal Court Saturday the case Moses W. Abbott vs. Henry F. Morton was tried. Decision for plaintiff for $21. James S. Wright for defendant. Bearce & Stearns for plaintiff.

OBITUARY.

DR. WILLIAM H. GRAY.

BETHEL, Sept. 25, 1890.

The citizens of this place, last Tuesday were somewhat startled at the sudden decease of Dr. William H. Gray. Although he had been ailing for some ten years, still it was considered by his friends that he might live yet some months.

He was born in Andover, Mass., Nov. 20, 1820, and was a resident of a number of States for short periods. In 1861, he enlisted in Gen. Butler's regiment and went to New Orleans. After the city surrendered, he was appointed surgeon to a regiment, and served as such to the end of the war. He remained in Louisiana, and located at Morgan City, where he enjoyed a large practice for many years. When his health failed and the health of his wife became somewhat impaired, he came to Bethel, where he has resided since for the most of the time.

He was a social and companionable man, honest and correct in his dealings with his fellow men, and enjoyed the confidence and respect of his neighbors and acquaintances. Politically he was a firm Republican, still he was a white man. Having resided in Louisiana during the reconstruction period, when speaking to the writer of that period, he would remark: "I have no desire to live under a Negro government again."

Dr. Gray had great self-respect, which no doubt, in his earlier years, stood sentinel against low temptations and degrading or corrupting associations or habits. It never took the form of arrogance, or of aristocratic contempt for those around him. He recognized his neighbors and friends as his equals.

Although nature may prompt us, usually, to join in the prayer for deliverance from sudden death, yet there are cases when we can but feel that among the blessings of a good man's life, not the least may be the sudden summons which calls him away from suffering and misery, and from those years of protracted life which would give him no pleasure to live.

He was buried in the church yard at Middle Intervale, in this town.

R. A. F.

William Gilman, sentenced to State prison for five years for burglary, confesses to a long string of burglaries. He has also played crazy several times and has three times escaped from the insane hospital at Augusta. He says he shall never reform as he likes the business.

THE WEEK IN MAINE.

THE MOST IMPORTANT STATE NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD.

The corner-stone of Lewiston's new city building was laid Wednesday.

The infant child of Horace Kimball of Kennebunkport, fell from a high chair and broke its neck.

Hon. B. F. Chadbourne of Biddeford is to build a kite-shaped trotting track on his land at Standish.

Leon Tibbetts, a Readfield boy, was run over by a team at the Kennebec fair and died from his injuries.

Governor Burleigh has re-nominated Judge Emery of the Supreme Judicial Court, whose term expires soon.

Various improvements are to be made immediately on the Knox and Lincoln Road, now the Penobscot Shore Line.

Mrs. Burgess, who shot Titus on the street in Rockland, has been discharged, the grand jury not finding an indictment against her.

Thomaston will use the funds received from the sale of the Knox and Lincoln Railroad to redeem the bonds issued in aid of the road.

The Small Point prospectors report that they have found not only coal in small quantity, but also gold. They are getting excited.

Road Commissioner Priest of Waterville died from a fracture of the skull caused by being thrown from his carriage while exercising a colt.

The Bath Iron Works bid on the construction of one of the new battle ships, but there was a lower bid, and the ships will probably be built elsewhere.

A child of Nelson Rider of Mt. Chase was burned to death while playing with paper about the stove. Its clothes took fire and the child died in a short time.

Burglars recently entered the house of Hon. Arthur Sewall at Bath and carried off quite a quantity of silver ware. A reward has been offered for their detection.

Hon. R. S. Partridge of Whitefield is mentioned as a candidate for Insurance Commissioner. Archie Talbot of Lewiston is also spoken of as a possible candidate.

The trial of Micah Norton of New Portland for the murder of his housekeeper, Mrs. Cooley, is in progress at Skowhegan, and is attracting much attention.

Moses Lander of Kingfield, aged 65, fell from a train on the Franklin and Megantic Railroad, and was so fearfully mangled that he lived but an hour. He leaves a family.

Mr. S. T. Pickard who was the late Mr. Elwell's associate editor on the Portland Transcript, has assumed managing control of this paper since the lamented death of his former chief.

It is said that several middle-aged sea captains, who live in Searsport, cast their first ballots this year, it having happened in the past that they were in "foreign ports" on election days.

Among the candidates for the office of State Librarian are Gen. S. J. Gallagher, Arno Little, George Vickery and Frank Noble of Augusta, Dr. Twitchell of Fairfield, and A. E. Faught of Belgrade.

Two little girls in Wiscasset recently put the instructions given in their physiologies for restoring the drowning into practical operation, restoring one of their companions who had fallen into the water.

A discovery has been made which indicates that the derailing of the Bar Harbor express at Lewiston was not an accident. A coupling was found wedged into the track in a position which it could not have taken by accident.

The envelope trust is reported to be breaking up. Mr. E. C. Allen of Augusta is to be given considerable credit for aid in the matter. He has been fighting the trust, and for several years has refused to buy any envelopes of them.

Westerners are in love with the summer life of Portland harbor and many have already engaged rooms at the Ottawa House for another summer. During the season which has just closed this house registered about ten thousand guests.

The burglars, who have apparently been taking a summer vacation, have resumed operations. Gardiner and Farmingdale are among the places they have visited. A Portland police officer thinks a man be arrested the other night is a professional burglar.

The President last week nominated Col. Fred N. Dow of Portland Collector of the Portland Custom House. Col. Dow formerly held the office, but was removed in 1885 for political reasons. There were two candidates for the office this year—Col. Dow, who had the support of the Maine Senators, and W. F. Milliken of Portland, who had the support of Mr. Reed. The term of Col. Anderson, the present incumbent of the office, expired some months ago.

The coal fever at Small Point is rising to something like a fever heat just now. Already three thin layers of the fuel have been pierced, and it is thought that the great deposit for which they have so long been seeking is just below. New York and Boston capitalists have become interested in the place and are considering the matter of purchasing the whole property and developing it. The present corporation has been at work upon the Point for a year, has sent down there shafts and lost one drill, but they are still very confident and rather expect to realize on their long labor before many days. Meanwhile the broken coal continues to wash ashore as it has done for the past century.

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In South Paris, Sept. 29, to the wife of John C. Curtis, a son.
In Hartford, Sept. 28, to the wife of Addison Newton, a daughter.
In West Sumner, Sept. 23, to the wife of C. E. Handy, a son.
In West Sumner, Sept. 30, to the wife of Charles Newell, a son.
In North Paris, Oct. 14, to the wife of Albert Littlehale, a son.
In Buckfield, Sept. 25, to the wife of W. H. Dudley, a son.
In Milton Plantation, to the wife of Willie Hopkins, a son.
In Greenwood, Sept. 17, to the wife of C. Wesley Cole, a daughter.
In Hebron, Sept. 9, to the wife of Henry J. Scriven, a daughter.

MARRIED.

In South Paris, Oct. 4th, by Rev. T. J. Ramsdell, Mr. Harry L. Hall and Miss Edith L. Stearns, both of Paris.
In Lewiston, Sept. 24, by Rev. Father Wallace, Daniel Barrett of Lewiston and Maggie C. Gill of Greenwood.
In Paris, Sept 28, by Rev. J. C. Andrews, Mr. J. M. Pike and Miss Mabelle Cushman, both of Paris.
In Rumford, Oct. 2, at the home of the bride, by Rev. G. B. Hannaford, Mr. Asbury B. Hoyt and Miss Adelaide F. Wood, both of Rumford.
In Welchville, Sept. 29, by R. F. Staples, Esq., Charles A. Foster and Ida D. Heath, both of Welchville.
In Mc. Falls, Sept. 23, by Rev. F. Newport, Samuel W. Davis of Portland, and Lizzie M. Cummings of East Waterford.
In Portland, Sept. 24, George L. Sawyer of Hiram, and Carrie M. Robinson of Conway.
In Norway, Sept. 27, by Rev. F. W. Smith, Timothy F. Cohoon and Jennie K. Haskell, both of Norway.
In Milton Plantation, Sept. 20, Sumner Sessions and Leulla Coffin.
In Canton, Sept. 10, George S. Hall and Jennie R. Tibbetts.
In West Paris, Sept. 20, by Rev. J. W. Smith, Wm. I. Warren of Queenstown, P. E. I., and Ida J. Fuller of Upton.

DIED.

In Waterford, Sept. 27, Ella May, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Keen, aged 11 months and 10 days.
In Upton, Oct. 2, David C. Brooks, aged 84 years.
In West Paris, Sept. 29, Lillian Swan, aged 15 years.
In East Hiram, Sept. 25, Mrs. Charles Record.
In Norway, Sept. 26, Fremont E. Saunders, aged 20 years.
In East Denmark, Sept. 24, Frances A. Hilton, aged 39 years.
In Buckfield, Sept. 25, Deering Mayhew, aged 77 years.
In Bryant's Pond, Sept. 29, Mrs. Isabella Cushman.
In Denmark, Sept 27, infant daughter of Simon and Jane Tibbetts.

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COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.

The undersigned having been appointed by the Hon. Judge of Probate for the county of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of September, A. D. 1890, commissioners to receive and examine the claims of creditors against the estate of Hannah Goodwin late of Brownfield, in said county deceased, represented insolvent, hereby give notice that six months from the date of said appointment are allowed to said creditors, in which to present and prove their claims, and that they will be in session at the following places and times for the purpose of receiving the same, viz: at the office of S. R. Bean in Brownfield to wit: at his dwelling house, on Saturday the 25th day of October, 1890, and on the last Saturday of February, 1891, at ten o'clock A. M.

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NON RESIDENT TAXES.

In the the town of Fryeburg, in the County of Oxford and State of Maine for the year 1889.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the town of Fryeburg for the year 1889, in bills committed to Thomas S. McIntire, Collector of said town, on the 28th day of July, 1889, has been returned by him to me as remaining unpaid on the 9th day of July, 1890, by his certificate of that date and now remains unpaid, notice is hereby given that if the said taxes interest and charges are not paid in to the Treasury of said town within eighteen months from the date of the commitment of said bills, so much of the real estate taxed as will be sufficient to pay the amount due thereon including interest and charges will without further notice be sold at public auction at the treasurer's office in said town, on the 31st day of January, 1891 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Name.	Description.	Value.	Tax.
Barker, Charles,	10 acres meadow in 6 division,	$100	$1 63
Cotton, Granville,	16 acres meadow land bounded north by Charles Johnson's land, east by Saco river, west by J. H. Kimball's,	75	1 53
Coffin, John,	13 acres tillage land, reserved out of farm sold John Hall, at Harbor,	225	4 61
Eastman, Eliza P.,	2 acres land, on Chatham road, near the old J. Shirley farm,	10	20
Fessenden, Charles,	2 acres meadow on Brownfield line, bounded west by Atwood land, north by Little Saco River, east by Ames land,	20	41
Goodwin, James,	one cottage on Martha's camp ground, Circular Avenue,	50	1 03
Hilton, Alphonzo,	7 acres meadow land, Keazer Pond,	50	1 03
	30 acres meadow land, Keazer Pond,	200	4 10
Hill, Joseph,	49 acres tillage and wood land, bounded north by land of John Weston, east by land of D. R. Hastings, south by Hill's, west by land of Towle Pearle,	110	2 25
Hitchcock, Martha R.,	buildings and 53 acres tillage and wood land, balance,	1000	13 50
Johnson, Charles,	6 acres wood land near Towle Pearle's,	50	1 03
	5 acres meadow land, bounded north by Lovell's Pond, east by outlet of Lovell's Pond,	50	1 03
Kimball, Geo. L.,	one cottage on Martha's camp ground, on Haven Avenue,	50	1 03
Marston, John,	75 acres wood land, Coleman tract,	75	1 53
	60 acres woodland, the John Gray lot,	60	1 24
Nutter, Eben T.,	40 acres woodland, No. 9, A. McMillan,	50	1 03
	40 acres woodland, No. 1, J. Evans,	50	1 03
	One cottage on Martha's Grove Camp ground, Circular Avenue,	50	1 03
Parsons, Wm., heirs,	8 acres woodland in highway Dist. No. 16,	25	51
Powers, Fred W.,	25 acres timber land reserved out of farm sold D. H. Wiley,	300	6 15
Smith, Roscoe G.,	50 acres Codman land,	75	1 53
Whiting, James, heirs,	6 acres meadow, right of M. Day,	75	1 53
Walker, Albert,	Gorman meadow, Pleasant Pond,	50	1 03
Wiley, Mrs. Sarah J.,	1-6 of lot No. 18, T. Walker,	100	2 05
	1-3 of lot No. 6, right of A. Bradley,	100	2 05

Oct. 3, 1890.

JOHN LOCKE,
Treasurer of Fryeburg.

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LOT NO. 4,—
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We are now opening the Fall season with a determination to do more business than ever. We know no concern in the United States can undersell us. They may sell trashy goods at less prices, but what is the good of buying Parlor Suits and chamber sets that will only last a short time; better by far pay a dollar or two more for a good article that will give you satisfaction and last half a life time.

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Universalist Church: Sunday School every Sunday at 12 M.

Briggs & Farrar are running a meat cart to the Hill.

Miss Mary Shaw of Turner is visiting Miss Hattie Crocker.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Waldron of Buckfield were in the place Thursday.

Charles H. Stearns, from Wakefield, Mass., is visiting friends in Paris.

Deputy Sheriff Warren and wife of Buckfield were at the Hill last Thursday.

If arrangements can be made, there will be a dance at the hall Friday evening.

T. L. Webb, Esq., the proprietor of the Norway "Blue Store" was in town last Friday.

Mrs. William Stearns, past 92, has spent a few days with her daughter, Mrs. J. K. Hammond.

F. E. Carpenter of Bethel was last week committed to jail to serve a sentence of twenty-three days imposed by Trial Justice Rich for assault and battery.

Rev. Mr. Hamilton preached a good sermon at the Universalist church Sunday afternoon. He will also preach next Sunday at the same hour, three o'clock, and Sunday School will be held at two.

Comical Brown had a full house Friday evening. Our dancing people could not resist the temptation presented by the offer of two hours' music, so after the entertainment they danced till twelve o'clock.

Mrs. H. E. Prentiss, Mr. H. M. Prentiss and Mrs. G. F. Godfrey of Bangor, Lieut. and Mrs. W. W. Kimball of New York, and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Guyer of Rock Island, Ill., were here last week to attend the funeral of Mrs. Kimball.

The Oxford County Agricultural Society can appreciate the sarcasm of fate this year. The regular time of holding the fair has been the first of October, and for some years the fair has had to be postponed one or two days on account of bad weather. This year the fair was held two weeks earlier and run into the worst week of the season, while the past week has been the best week for fairs ever known.

The water power at Snow's Falls has been bought by Boston parties, who announce their intention of putting in an electric plant there, to furnish light for South Paris, West Paris and Paris Hill. They think they can furnish the lights on Paris Hill so cheaply that every family in the place will use them. This will not give Snow's Falls the manufacturing establishment that the citizens would like to see, but it will be vastly better than having the power run to waste.

Comical Brown sang and "made up faces" for a large audience at Academy Hall last Friday evening. Say what you will, the public like Brown, else they would not patronize him year after year as they do. He makes good faces (and badnoss sings good songs and tells good stories and occasionally a good story is told of Comical Brown. Here is one. Some years since the story goes that Brown arrived at Carmel, (Maine) on a Saturday night and having decided to try a new "business dodge", he had advertised a free show for Saturday evening in Carmel. His free show was a great success; the hall was jammed and some were turned away for want of room. Now just here is where the "business dodge" came in. At the close of the entertainment Brown announced that he would give a sacred concert in that place on the following evening, (Sunday) the admission to which would be twenty-five cents and intimated that he hoped to see all present. Sunday evening came and so did Brown but as for the audience only four persons with their wives. Evidently the free show for advertising purposes had failed of connection somewhere, but Brown is not the man to see a dollar go away from him. He went through the entire program to the audience of four and then dropping to the front made the following startling announcement: "Ladies and gentlemen, there will be no more sacred concerts in Carmel! No, not a d——d one!" the last end of the remark being emphasized by bringing down his clenched fist upon the organ with a resounding blow.

LOVELL FAIR.

"Wella! wella! wella! you buy one, you buy two, you buy two, you buy three, you buy three, you buy four, you buy four, and take six for a quarter of a dollar." "Who takes the next chance and is the lucky man?" and so the cries come from every corner, while the band plays and the people talk and eat the festive peanut.

Wednesday was a beautiful day and a good crowd was out. East Fryeburg band played some fine music in good style, and everything was enjoyable.

In the hall was a choice but not large display of fancy work and household goods contributed by the ladies. We notice among others the following:

Pillow, Mrs. E. A. Kimball.
Banner, Mrs. Miranda Wiley.
Fancy pincushion, Mrs. Geo. Smith.
Decorated jug, Cora Bemis.
Work bag, Mrs. J. H. Walker.
Stand cover, Carrie G. Pitcher.
Decorated jars, Mrs. Geo. Smith.
Handkerchief case, Mrs. E. C. Walker.
Crazy work and table scarf, Mrs. Ellen F. Pace.
Silk quilt, Mrs. Carrie H. Sandbrook.
Knit lap robe, Mrs. Albert Kimball.
Sofa pillow, Cora Bemis.
Fancy work bag, Mrs. H. G. Walker.
Paintings, Miss Evelyn R. Lord, aged 7.
Patchwork quilt, Mrs. Otis Pike.
Oil paintings, Mrs. Frank Harmon.
Rugs, Mrs. Stephen Chandler, Mrs. Nelson Grange, Mrs. M. A. Pray.
Canned fruit, Mrs. Zaccheus McAllister.
Jelly, E. S. Cole.
Fried and pop corn, C. L. Ames.
Beets, cabbage, onions and cheese, from the town farm.
Apples and onions, from Freeman Andrews.

The show of cattle was small but the quality was excellent.

Quite an interest centered at the horse trot at two o'clock. The following is the summary:

E. L. Bell, b. g. Edgar, Jr.,	1	1	1
E. C. Walker, b. m. Kitty,	3	3	3
D. McAllister, b. s. Rocket,	2	2	2
Geo. Marston, bl. s. Black Morrill,	4	4	4

E. S. Hutchins' gray stallion, Smut, trotted for exhibition, but was barred from the race.

These are all fine young horses and though the track is poor and the horses in no condition for racing, they made a good showing and are a credit to the town.

FIELD DAY, OCTOBER 18.

Delegates from Bridgton Academy, Hebron Academy, Gould Academy and Norway High School have organized a league of the different athletic associations of these institutions with the following officers:

President, Prof. Small of Norway High School.
Vice Presidents, E. P. Hamlin of Bridgton Academy, A. G. Wiley of Gould Academy, H. L. Swazey of Hebron Academy, H. D. Cole of Norway High School.
Secretary and Treasurer, W. L. Gray of Hebron Academy.

It was voted to hold a Field Day at the Fair Grounds between Norway and South Paris on the 18th of October when the following program will be carried out:

1. 100 Yards Dash.
2. Standing Broad Jump.
3. Running Broad Jump.
4. Sack Race.
5. Standing High Jump.
6. Running High Jump.
7. Three Legged Race.
8. Parallel Bar Drill.
9. Half Mile Walk.
10. Half Mile Run.
11. High Kick.
12. Putting Shot.
13. Dumb Bell Drill.
14. Obstacle Race.
15. Throwing Hammer.
16. Hop, Skip and Jump.
17. Throwing Base Ball.
18. Consolation Race (220 yards).
19. Professors' Race.

The contests will take place in the afternoon.

THE OXFORD BEARS.

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

FRYEBURG.

Mr. Ross' brother was here Sunday and preached for him at the Congregational church.

Mr. Ross left for Andover Seminary on Monday to resume his studies for the closing year of his course, supplying his pulpit here on Sundays.

Mrs. Fife went Saturday to get her fall stock.

Miss Hattie Pike has returned to Waltham as teacher of music in the Swedenborgian school at that place.

The horse car has suspended its trips, and Mr. Dresser of the Walker House will look after its patrons.

Wallace Robinson of Portland, a student at the academy, went to Portland on his bicycle in twelve hours.

Mrs. Barker has gone to Boston for fall goods. Miss Ann Thoms is at her store.

Miss Leah Barker went to Boston on Friday to learn kindergarten. She will have rooms with Miss Lizzie Shirley at 10 Union Park St.

Mr. W. H. Tarbox was at home over Sunday.

Mr. B. T. Newman, the artist, has gone to New York with his family for the winter.

John Wadsworth of Hiram, F. A. '90, was in the village this week, and is going soon to Dartmouth College.

Mr. Wm. Pingree is moving from the Wm. Locke house into the late Mrs. Buzzell's.

Rev. W. F. Livingston and Miss M. V. Farrington were at the Fryeburg House this week en route for the camp at Kezar to meet Mr. and Mrs. Farrington.

Mrs. M. P. Crocker, Mrs. E. S. Frost and Miss Elder of Portland are at the Fryeburg House.

Mr. Robert Harriman has moved into the Eaton house.

Mrs. Dinsmore's mother, Mrs. Varney of Hallowell, and her daughter, visited Mrs. Dinsmore last week.

WEST PERU.

Your correspondent has been taking a vacation while there has been the usual amount of going and coming. There has not been anything of great interest to the public.

Mrs. Lydia Tucker, widow of the late William Tucker, died after a long illness on the 23d of September. The funeral was on the 25th, attended by Rev. G. B. Hannaford. The text, "They do rest from their labors and their works do follow them," was very appropriate, for her life was full of good works. She established and superintended a Sunday School more than fifty years ago and at the funeral there were those present who were members of that school and recalled the fact, and how their lives had been shaped largely by the influence of those days.

Joseph Arnold has the largest yield of potatoes on record. He planted ten pounds of Sunlit Star potatoes bought from a seedsman in New York and raised sixteen bushels of nice potatoes showing no sign of rot. Who can beat that? They resemble the Early Rose and are a good table potato.

Business is booming up at Rumford Falls. We are not like John; we like to take part in our neighbor's affairs especially when they help us a great deal more than they do them. The prospect of a railroad is good. With a railroad the length of Peru, two stations, and a bridge between Peru and Dixfield, I think we ought to help Rumford in her jubilee.

There will be a convention of Christian Workers beginning the 14th of October and closing the 15th. There will be a missionary to take the lead of the meetings. All Christian Workers are invited to attend. Ample accommodations for all.

Maurice Burgess of Lewiston got bit by a dog in the arm so that the doctor had to be called to dress the wound.

EAST WATERFORD.

Samuel W. Davis and bride, (Lizzie M. Cummings) gave a reception the evening of the 25th while making a short visit at G. F. Ames'. They will make their home in Portland.

Miss Clara Saunders of Lowell, Mass., has visited at James Chadbourne's a few days.

Ella May, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Keen, died September 27th after an illness of several months, aged 11 months and 10 days. Funeral services, conducted by Rev. C. L. Skinner, were held at the house at 2 P. M. Monday. Much sympathy is felt for the family in the loss of this their only daughter.

George Stevens and wife have moved to Norway where he has work in the finishing room in the tannery.

Mrs. L. E. McIntire has been quite sick but is now improving.

Ira Johnson has been buying potatoes of the farmers about here. He sent a carload to Marblehead the first of the week.

Charles L. Kilgore is in town a week.

Four ladies from North Bridgton called on Mrs. Norwood Saturday.

WEST SUMNER.

The closing lines from the pen of our Dixfield correspondent fall like a benediction on our sorrowing heart. We that are left without a mother must take up life's duties cheerfully, knowing that our blessed mother is beyond all care and pain. "Earth hath no sorrows that Heaven cannot heal."

We were surprised that your Roxbury correspondent should have the mistaken idea that John is in the least skeptical. Slight differences of opinion are permissible so long as one has the bright hope beyond of life eternal.

The many friends of Rev. W. W. Cochrane welcomed him in brief calls a few days since prior to his sailing the 4th inst. with his bride as missionary to Burmah. Mr. C. preached for the Baptist people here before commencing his theological studies at Rochester, N. Y., from which he graduated in June.

Mrs. John Heald is visited by a friend, a Mrs. Ricker from Boston.

Mr. Nathaniel Warren of Stoughton, Mass., is making his annual visit to his sister, Mrs. Lothrop and family.

Miss Marcella Heald, of Sumner Hill, is visiting relatives about the village before going for the winter to a sister's at Dover, N. H.

Mrs. Mayhew and Mrs. Emeline Bisbee of North Buckfield, who formerly lived in our village, have recently visited friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Doble have returned from their daughter's at South Paris.

Mrs. Pinkham, of Lincoln, is visiting her brothers, G. H. and H. L. Ryerson.

Mr. Kinsman Gurney and daughter of Lynn have visited Mrs. E. S. Tuell, his daughter, recently.

The West Sumner fair will be held at that place, Saturday, October 11th. If stormy the following Tuesday.

ALBANY.

W. W. Bird and Abel Andrews report a big crop of potatoes, "White Elephant," Andrews says four hundred bushels per acre. Mr. Bird had on fifteen square rods twenty-four bushels.

The coons have troubled Mr. Bird's corn very much. His dog recently engaged with a large coon and the coon was more than a match for him but the boy gave him a charge of cold lead which laid him out. He seemed to be an old veteran having lost one foot.

The large crops of potatoes are rotting to some extent.

Several of our people are attending the fair at Lovell.

Abel Andrews has sold $400 worth of neat stock and horses this season from his farm.

Lemuel Dunham, of Greenwood, who writes so many interesting items for the Democrat, with his wife, recently spent a few days with her brother, J. W. Cummings, who has been in feeble health nearly two years. Mr. Dunham kindly gave me a pleasant call. He has learned to respect old age and gray hairs. May he live many years and his years be filled with usefulness as in the past.

Our forests are putting on a sombre hue quite fast reminding us that the autumn of life will soon be upon us. How many are cut down in the springtime of life. "The Reaper takes not only the ripe and yellow grain, but the flowers that grow between."

Hon. W. W. Cross of Bridgton is out after stock. This is his fifteenth year in the business.

J. J. Cole has sold his oxen to Hutchinson and Carter and his brown mare to Ellery Wheeler and son.

BETHEL.

A week of fair weather at Bethel has decided the farmers and horsemen to have an exhibition and fair Tuesday, the 7th inst. They have an excellent track on the land of Moses A. Mason, where the horses, sheep and cattle will be exhibited, and the dairy and fancy work will be exhibited in Pattee's Hall.

The Grand Trunk Railway commenced taking water from the Bethel Water Company Friday.

A meeting of the village corporation is called for Saturday afternoon, to provide for hose, carriages and other implements for fire purposes. The water company have the hydrants all in place, and a few more fair days will see the mains all completed.

The Grand Trunk officials visited the reservoir and examined the works, and pronounce the system the best they have ever seen, and the water incomparable.

The pleasant weather has enabled the farmers to finish their harvesting. They find their potatoes badly rotted and the oat crop generally light. Their sweet corn cut heavy, but was not well filled at the top. They are now bringing in their common apples for canning. Wyman Bros. propose to can all that are brought in.

E. S. Kilborn is putting in the foundation for a dwelling house on Chapman Street. He purchased of the Chapman heirs some eight acres, which he is offering for building lots.

Ira Jordan has put a piazza on the front of the store he purchased, and treated the buildings to a coat of paint, and is putting in a stock of general merchandise.

The Methodist society are painting their church.

The popular drama, "The Woven Web," was presented at Ideal Hall Friday evening under the auspices of the ladies of the Universalist society, with the following cast of characters:

Walter Hastings,	O'N. W. R. Hastings.
Joseph Leamington,	George R. Hall.
Harry Falconer,	F. H. Young.
Uncle Toby,	E. C. Park.
Mr. Parkhurst,	W. F. Kendall.
Tim,	J. F. Young.
Moses,	Frank Frost.
Bertha Danvers,	Miss Katherine Phillips.
Louise Falconer,	Mrs. E. C. Rowe.
Aunt Judy,	Miss Fannie Mason.

The house was well filled. The parts were well sustained throughout, and everything passed off successfully. Fine vocal and instrumental music was furnished during the evening. After the entertainment cake and ice cream were served, following which was a social dance, in which a good company joined. Much praise is due the ladies who contributed so much time and labor to the preparation of this play, and certainly all who were in any way interested must be highly gratified with the success of the affair. The music of the evening was certainly an attractive feature of the entertainment, and elicited much favorable comment from the audience.

OXFORD.

Mr. and Mrs. Hinds of Portland were in town last week.

Mrs. Flood and little son of Massachusetts are visiting her sister, Mrs. Edwards.

Mrs. Morey, who has been at the insane hospital at Augusta, died of consumption last week.

Mr. Pillsbury of Lisbon lectured at the M. E. church Wednesday evening.

The masquerade ball at Bumpus Hall was well attended.

Franklin Sargent of East Oxford was arrested on the charge of selling liquor. He was found guilty and was fined $30 and costs.

The new postmaster, Mr. C. F. Durell, took charge of the post office on Wednesday, the commencement of the quarter.

Mrs. and Miss Corning have returned to their home in Boston.

HIRAM.

Mrs. Francis H. Tibbetts has received a pension as the late widow of James Osgood of the 8th Maine Regiment. She is repairing her house.

Isaac S. Lowell is working at the corn shop at Brownfield.

The Congregational circle met Wednesday at Hon. Almon Young's.

John E. Wadsworth, a son of Hon. S. D. Wadsworth, having graduated at Fryeburg Academy, will enter Dartmouth College.

Miss Lizzie Chadbourne is teaching on Hiram Hill.

Miss Celia Stuart is at North Bridgton Academy.

The Sunday evening prayer meeting in the Spring District is held at Erastus Storer's at 7 P. M.

Levi R. Robbins has removed to Limerick.

The Congregational society are repairing their church, painting, papering and carpeting.

On Tuesday evening Rev. Milton Pratt of Gorham preached an eloquent missionary sermon at the Methodist church.

On Friday evening Dr. C. H. Brown of Boston and Joseph Y. Miller of Connecticut organized a lodge of New England Order of Protection consisting of forty of our best ladies and gentlemen.

Solomon B. Babb has removed to Barre, Vt.

J. Davis Wilder has received a pension of $22 per month.

MASON.

The weather is just delightful.

Harvesting is well along.

Good time to dry corn and beans.

Potatoes continue to rot—not more than half the crop can be saved.

Mrs. Thomas Morrill is much improved in health. She is now about the house.

Mr. J. C. Bean continues to gain strength some.

N. H. Tyler is poorly, hardly able to do his chores.

A. G. Lovejoy hopes to finish haying this week. He can haul it in on a sled soon or put it in windrows, let it freeze and log it in.

W. G. Mills, wife and wife's sister started for the eastern part of the State on a visit last week.

Lyman G. Brown of Haverhill, Mass., was at C. F. Brown's last week. He was looking after his uncle George H., whom he never saw.

ROXBURY.

School has commenced in district No. 2 under the instruction of Walter Corson, brother of M. F. Corson who taught here last year.

Mrs. Locke has gone to visit friends in Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

Lewis Reed of Mexico is looking over the white birch land in this town. He thinks of putting in a steam mill to work up the birch.

Milo Mitchell is at work for John Reed.

This town claims to beat the county on a "phat phellow." Johnny Houston is only fifteen and weighs 220 pounds.

Our many forest hillsides are now painted by a hand possessed of far more cunning than the hand of man. There is a class who believe there is "no power beyond the power of man." Such are to be pitied for not seeing when they have eyes to see.

The weather is delightful.

I hear that the surveyors are locating a route for a railroad up our river. Will wonders ever cease?

NORTH ALBANY.

Mrs. Anna Bean is in feeble health.

Mrs. Fred Clark has gone to Lynn, Mass., to visit friends, and hoping the change and rest will prove beneficial to her health.

Report says a bear was seen crossing the road near Libby's mill.

War, peace or a famine, which? As there are a half dozen girl babies come to claim residence in this vicinity the past few months.

Potatoes are rotting badly in some places where the grub worm is generous enough to leave any.

School in district No. 7 is being taught by Miss Alma Johnson.

WILSON'S MILLS.

J. L. Parker of the Berlin Mills was in town the past week.

Mrs. E. H. Wilson of Newton Lower Falls is visiting her sister, Mrs. John Olson.

E. C. Rowe of Bethel has been making calls on the river.

Mrs. D. C. Bennett still continues very feeble.

M. C. Linnell has returned from Parmacheenee where he has been through the summer season.

J. W. Clark is repairing and making improvements on his buildings.

A number of sportsmen have left for home the past week.

BUCKFIELD.

Mrs. Persis S. Bartlett, sister of Ex-Gov. John D. Long, who has recently arrived from Europe, is visiting friends here.

Mr. Horace B. Sturgis and niece, Miss Marion Haynes, daughter of J. Manchester Haynes, Mr. Percy Brooks and sister, Miss Florence Brooks, all of Augusta, were in town recently visiting the Ingrahams who are at Hon. A. P. Bonney's.

Rev. B. F. Lawrence delivered a lecture on temperance Sunday evening at the Baptist church, September 28th, growing out of a series of discourses on the Christian virtues.

Mrs. Lawrence, wife of pastor Lawrence, is visiting her daughter in New Hampshire.

Mrs. Laurin A. Bumpus of Boston is at her aunt's, Mrs. Lincoln's, East Buckfield.

Miss Rosie Tilton, of Floral Park, N. Y., made a very brief visit to friends here before leaving for home.

Benjamin Spaulding and family returned from their visit to Aroostook County last week.

Miss Mary A. Bacon has returned from Massachusetts and expects to remain at home the coming winter.

Mrs. T. S. Bridgham of Portland is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Henry Nulty.

Rev. B. F. Lawrence left Monday for New Hampshire for a vacation of two or three weeks.

The Portland Packing Company, Mr. Henry Nulty, agent, have packed 250,000 cans of sweet corn and will can about 4000 bushels of apples, employing fifty to sixty operatives.

A decided and marked improvement has been made in the grade of the street in Market Square, costing about one hundred dollars and no money has been better expended this year than that.

Carlton Gardner has commenced an extensive job of rebuilding the stand recently purchased of J. Roscoe Fuller of Floral Park, N. Y., Edward G. Cole has the contract to put on a new roof.

The forests of Oxford County are putting on their gala day attire of green and gold and crimson and nothing more bewitchingly beautiful in landscape scenery can be seen in all the land than a view from any of its prominent points during this month.

GREENWOOD.

Who ever saw better hay weather at this time of the year? and we are improving it for that purpose on a small scale getting some second crop.

Your scribe took a few notes on paper and in his knowledge box while on a visit in the west part of the town and Albany last week with his better half and here you have them. The frost on the 25th was much heavier there than here, freezing pumpkins on their upper surface and water standing in vessels to the thickness of window glass. We well knew the season had been wet and backward, but did not expect to see so much hay and grain still uncut. Many acres of the former are still standing and probably will be till another year, so far as the scythe has anything to do with it. Many farmers were losing a part of their potatoes by rot and worms the same as here.

October 1st. This forenoon we hewed timber in the woods and found flies and mosquitoes enough for all practical purposes. In the afternoon raked and got in a load of hay nice and well made and it is believed to be the first having we ever did in the month of October.

SOUTH BUCKFIELD.

Picking apples is the order of the day.

Wes Waldron is at work for Homer N. Chase.

Franc Bicknell thinks we overlooked one of the best colts at North Buckfield when we paid that place a visit early in the season. Franc has the 4-year-old Lowell Baby Dean gelding and he is confident that he will develop considerable speed.

Neighbor Jason returned safe and sound from the Canton fair.

We received a call the other day from a Mr. Rolfe of Rumford, representing the Eclipse Fruit Picker Co. of Dixfield. We believe it is a practicable, common sense fruit picker.

We were told the other day, "You are prepared to discuss any question at a moment's notice." Well, we hardly claim to be a walking encyclopedia.

How sudden seems the transition from the fervent heat of summer to the chill and frosts of autumn. The snows of winter are almost here.

We have an old orchard on a rich piece of ground and are thinking of removing them, roots and all, plowing the ground and setting out again to young trees.

Abel Irish is paying $2.50 per barrel for fall fruit.

Passing through Turner the other day after the burning of the Walter B. Beals buildings, we could but observe the strange fatality of four sets of farm buildings all destroyed by fire on land that is all connected. Is the fire fiend becoming an epidemic?

It does not augur well for farming to see such a preponderance of gray haired men upon our farms and the absence of the young men.

Mr. Horace Morrill is buying new milch cows.

The writer has "slathers" of pigs for sale.

EAST HEBRON.

We are enjoying some fine weather for town fairs and Pomona Grange meeting.

H. R. Keene and Willie Keene are camping out and yarding bark.

D. E. Keene is drawing wood to town for J. L. H. Cobb.

Edwin F. Bradbury has moved into the Frank Gilbert house.

The Widow Brown of Byron and her sister, Widow Charles Wood of Buckfield, are visiting their relatives in this place.

PORTER.

Nice warm weather for harvesting.

The late heavy rain raised Ossipee River to a higher pitch than it has been at this time of year since the great October freshet of some twenty years ago. The Woolen Factory Co. of Kezar Falls lost some 30,000 feet of logs by the breaking of their boom.

The first frost for the season was on the 25th, but crops were mostly secured so but little damage was done.

Potatoes are rotting some, but there will be a fair crop for what was planted. Farmers of late are not planting as many as heretofore.

Corn is good on most of the farms.

Beans got injured by the late storms.

A fair crop of apples in this vicinity.

EAST SUMNER.

On Monday and Tuesday of last week Frank L. Barrett loaded 2200 bushels of apples at Sumner station, and will take in many more later. He pays from 20 to 25c for natural fruit, according to size and condition.

Several from this place attended the Sabbath school convention at Mechanic Falls on Friday.

The Oxford District Lodge of Good Templars hold their next session with the lodge at East Hebron on Wednesday, Oct. 8th.

Rev. C. T. Keen of East Hebron was at East Sumner on Saturday, the 27th, and made a few brief calls.

The school house at this place is undergoing thorough repairs and will be no disgrace to the place when finished.

Wm. Foye filled a bushel basket from 11 hills of potatoes of Eastman's "Fillbasket" variety. They are rightly named. From 1-2 pound of seed of the same variety Dea. W. F. Berry of Canton raised 188 3-4 pounds.

J. L. Hodgdon and wife visited South Paris on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week. The Baptist Quarterly meeting was held there at that time.

SLOCUM.

NORTH BUCKFIELD.

Mrs. Joseph Bicknell has returned to her home in Boston.

James E. Bicknell is threshing. Chas. Flagg is at work for him.

Om Warren is threshing with his brother Charles.

Africa Farrar is on the mend slowly.

J. F. Bicknell is at work for Elijah Turner repairing his house.

J. H. Carey and Charles Rogers of Salem, Mass., are at John Cressey's.

Mrs. Corry Bonney of West Sumner is at her father's, J. C. Heald's, for a few days.

Lucius Record has been to Rumford Falls. Reports business lively there.

Benjamin Record, Clint Mason and Ed Damon have returned to their work in the South Paris corn shop.

The apple and potato crops are coming in better than was expected.

CANTON.

N. G. Hollis has moved into the Marston house.

Mr. A. R. Parsons and wife are visiting at F. A. Parsons'.

C. H. Lucas has rented his store to Griffith & Libby. They will use the front part for a clothing department and the rear for a meat market.

M. C. Delano has gone to California.

R. Swett fell from a building and hurt himself quite badly last week.

The party that went to the Four Ponds report a good time.

EAST BROWNFIELD.

The heavy frost has closed the cucumber season. The station agent gives the following as the result of the season's work, which has been very successful: There have been shipped 1,562 barrels, weight 350,000 lbs., making 18 full car loads. This brings the farmers $2,937.50, averaging $45 per acre. This, with the corn packing and apple canning may yet give the people some support besides sale work.

Circle at W. H. Stickney,s on the 1st. The bag sale and oyster supper which the circle is arranging for will be held about the 15th.

Mr. Eastman's family are nearly settled in the parsonage.

LOVELL.

On Friday last Miss Diana Swain went to the house of Isaac Eastman on a visit. She was taken sick and died there Sunday morning. Her age was 78 years.

B. W. Andrews has had his pension increased.

UPTON.

A large delegation has gone from this place to the Andover fair.

There was a service of song at the church Saturday evening under the direction of Prof. Bagley of Holland, Mass.

Miss Clara Goodwin read a very interesting sermon Sunday morning, which was appreciated by those present.

Mrs. J. I. Bragg is dangerously ill.

Ellen Douglass, a former resident of Upton, arrived in town Tuesday. She will teach on East Hill.

There are invitations out for a wedding reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Judkins Thursday evening.

ANDOVER.

The fair takes all the attention this week and is a big success. On Thursday, the closing day, the crowd on the grounds was the largest ever seen together in Andover.

Dr. Twitchell has sold his place to J. L. Ripley and will move away. A good physician seems to be one of the unsupplied needs of our place.

T. A. Cushman, who for five years has had charge of Camp Whitney at the lakes, has given up the position and returned to Andover.

BROWNFIELD.

Apples are being canned in the corn shop.

Miss Z. McDonnal has had her house painted in colors. It looks very fine.

Mr. Orrin Wakefield and family from California are visiting friends in town.

Dr. Clark of Boston is staying a few days at the Pequawket House.

Charles and Frank Eaton of Boston are visiting his mother and sisters in this village.

Rev. Mr. Eastman and family have moved into the parsonage.

HEBRON.

Arthur George moved to the Bartlett place last Saturday. People are heartily glad to have them back again.

J. D. Startevant and wife are visiting friends in Dixfield and Temple.

Prof. Moody and little Frank spent Sunday with Mrs. Dea. Moody.

Mrs. Veren Bumpus is very feeble with but little hope of recovery. She had a paralytic stroke a few weeks ago.

Mrs. L. S. Bumpus is failing. Her sister, Mrs. Merrow, and Mr. Bumpus' daughter, Mrs. Phebe A. Littlefield of Auburn, are helping care for her.

A handsome granite tablet has been placed at the grave of Mrs. Thompson of Boston, who was buried here last winter.

Lila Harden returned to school last week. Her little brother, Harlin, is so he goes out.

The days are almost perfect now—a fine time for harvesting.

C.

DENMARK.

Burnham & Morrill closed corn canning here, Sept. 28th after a very successful run. The shop was run by Geo. T. Dealey, who has been superintendent since the business was started, ten years ago. About 455,000 cans were put up, the largest pack of any shop in the State.

The machinery is being put in for canning apples and apples are coming in in large quantities.. The price paid is 30c. for 44 pounds.

The children and friends of Moses H. Bradbury met at his residence Oct. 1, to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of his marriage to Ann Colby. All their children and all their grandchildren except one were present, also one sister and other friends and relatives to the number of fifty. A bountiful dinner was served, after which C. B. Smith, in a feeling manner, presented the couple with the presents, which were valuable and numerous, consisting of tea set, easy chair, gold coin and many other useful presents.

PERU.

Pit Gammon has moved out of the William H. Bent stand. He has moved his furniture up to Roscoe Roberts'.

Green Hodsdon has moved into the Bent stand. He has his goods moved into the Wyman store, and James Gowell has commenced work on Hodsdon's new house.

Mrs. Jackson of Auburn has been visiting at her daughter's, Mrs. Howard Turner's.

The ladies' sewing circle met at Mrs. Lizzie Bent's on the 1st of October.

NORWAY LAKE.

Osgood Perry and wife and Mrs. S. A. Stevens have been visiting Edmund Frost at Mechanic Falls this week.

Georgie Walker is visiting her sister, Mrs. James Smith.

Mrs. C. W. Partridge is quite ill.

Maude Partridge has had to leave school on account of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Bragdon have been visiting her sister, Mrs. L. D. Hobbs.

Mrs. G. W. Hazelton and child have returned home.

EAST BETHEL.

A large company from this place attended the fair at Andover Wednesday and Thursday last.

Mrs. Susie Perkins and Miss Lillian Moody, from Boston, are visiting this place.

Mr. Ned Roper, from Revere, Mass., spent a short vacation at Z. C. Perry's last week.

Z. C. Estes recently had a nice cow accidentally shot in the pasture by gunners.

Bad colds with severe coughs are now prevailing.

Farmers are filling their silos, digging potatoes, etc.

Bethel Fair Tuesday, Oct. 7th.

SWEDEN.

Several apple buyers are in town and start the price at $3 for best, $1.50 for seconds. The farmers think they will advance somewhat.

We think there was a lack of interest among our people in taking of their first fruits to the West Oxford fair, as the display was rather poor in that line, but those who made entries from Sweden were well paid for their trouble. O. P. Saunders received $7.50, premium on apples. All the cattle that were taken received premiums—Samuel Plummer's oxen and S. L. Plummer's oxen and calf. We hope there will be more interest in the fair another year, among the members of the society at least.

GILEAD.

We are having some very fine weather for harvesting.

The parsonage is up and boarded in.

The parties who bought the large tract of land in the Wild River valley are making preparations to build a steam mill and will cut out about seven million this winter and spring.

Eben Chapman has caught a bear.

George has got the bee on the brain.

Mrs. E. E. Kimball has gone to New York to visit her parents.

John Wight is attending the academy at Bethel.

WEST PARIS.

D. P. Curtis has his barn up, boarded and shingled.

E. M. Emery is having his house shingled.

Henry Reed has rented E. Willis' stand.

Mrs. Bragdon of Portland is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. W. Kimball.

Mrs. Frances Dunham of Malden, Mass., is visiting friends in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Small of Portland are visiting their daughter, Mrs. H. Reed.

Miss Mabel Clark, who has been stopping with her cousin, Mrs. Perry, has returned to her home in Portland.

Golden Rule Lodge, I. O. G. T., chose delegates Thursday evening to attend the District Lodge to be held at East Hebron next Thursday, Oct. 9th.

There was good interest and attendance at the four days meetings held in the chapel this week. The clergymen present were Rev. Messrs. Springer of Mechanic Falls, Whiteside of South Paris, F. W. Smith of Norway and W. J. Smith of this place.

The choral society commences rehearsals again Monday evening.

Miss Lillie Swan, daughter of Nathan Swan, who was reported very sick last week, passed away Saturday forenoon. Funeral services were held at the house, attended by Rev. G. B. Hannaford of Rumford. This is a hard blow to Mr. Swan, she being his only daughter. Less than one year ago he lost his only son, and but a few years ago he lost his wife, who had been in poor health for a number of years before her death. Mr. Swan has the heartfelt sympathy of the community.

WEST BETHEL.

The schools in the village and on the Flat commenced last Monday. Teacher for the former is Bert Bryant of Bethel, and for the latter is Miss Day of Lewiston.

Mrs. Horace Walker died of consumption last Wednesday.

A shameful disturbance occurred last Saturday evening in the church here during the session of a religious meeting by three drunken roughs entering. They contradicted the preacher and otherwise disturbed the meeting. They were requested to leave and refused, but promised to make no further disturbance, which promise they did not fully keep. They were very bloodthirsty after getting upon the street, and coming in contact with Charles F. Brown and Milford Brown of Mason, they made an assault and Charles F. received a brutal beating. The assaulting party here consisted of seven. They are foreigners and in the employ of A. S. Bean. Sheriff Wormell is away and no arrests have been made. It is reported that two of the leaders left the place last Monday. There is great indignation over the affair, that foreigners should come among us and disturb the usual quietness of our village. This affair was the culmination of weekly (Saturday nights) drunken rows for nearly a whole year past, and we hope it will be the means of keeping the reins of justice drawn with a firmer hand hereafter. A temperance lecturer spoke in the place last evening. That is a step in the right direction, but next should come an officer who not only feels it his duty but enjoys to enforce the temperance law.

RUMFORD CENTRE.

Mr. A. B. Hoyt returned from Waltham, Mass., last Thursday and was married to Miss Addie Wood by Rev. G. B. Hannaford. They are excellent young people and we wish them much happiness. Several other pretty Rumford girls are reported as on the matrimonial road; some who have held good positions as teachers and among Rumford's best.

We are much pleased with the action taken by the citizens of South Paris to suppress the rum traffic; success to you gentleman and ladies for you are in the right.

Many attended the Andover fair from this section and had a splendid time; only one thing marred the occasion and that was gambling upon the grounds. We trust the officers will stop such work another year although it may seem but a single game.

Mr. C. H. Abbott's little child is very sick.

BRYANT'S POND.

Farmers are selling their potatoes for forty cents.

Mrs. Dianthe H. Edwards was the recipient last week of a magnificent invalid chair, the gracious gift of Rev. L. E. Pease.

Died in Woodstock, Sept. 29, Mrs. Isabelle Cushman, widow of the late Geo. W. Cushman. She had been suffering for several months with consumption. Mrs. Cushman was an estimable woman, respected by a large number of friends and neighbors. Her funeral occurred Wednesday, conducted by Rev. F. A. Barton of Bethel.

Business is lively in the square, with potatoes, apples and wood coming in.

LOCKE'S MILLS.

Seven new members were taken into the Good Templars lodge last week.

Potatoes are selling at 40 cents delivered at the cars.

School commenced in this district last Tuesday, under the instruction of Mrs. Wilber.

L. C. Trask is shingling, clapboarding and putting a piazza on the front of his house.

F.

HARTFORD.

Henry Young is sick at Lot Keene's.

Benjamin Benson plays base ball. The ball got in the way of Bennie's eye. The eye was somewhat damaged. We don't know whether the ball was hurt or not. Never mind your eye, Ben, base ball must be attended to.

Born, Sept. 28th, to the wife of Addison Newton, a daughter.

Cider apples are worth 25c. per bushel at Buckfield.

NEWRY.

Mrs. Louisa Burbank, a sister of L. R. Paine of this town, died last week at Bethel. The remains were brought to her brother's at the old homestead where the funeral was held last Sunday.

A little daughter was added to the family of M. L. Thurston one day last week.

A good many of the Newryites have gone to Andover to the fair. The weather is fine for it.

N. S. Baker is to serve as grand juror from Newry.

NORTH-WEST BETHEL.

Mrs. Alice Morse is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Sarah Bean.

Mrs. Fred Chapman has gone to Portland.

Mrs. Reuben Penley came from Massachusetts last week to visit her son Milton. It has been a number of years since she went away.

Mrs. Olive Bennett was down from Berlin Falls and made a short call at her sister's, Mrs. Seth Mason's, last week.

DICKVALE.

Farmers are digging their potatoes. They find them rotting badly on moist ground.

Thomas Wyman and wife are on a visit to Lewiston and Auburn.

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THE PUZZLE

No. 274.—Numerical Enigma.

The whole composed of 33 letters is a well known proverb.

The 12, 32, 14, 13, 27 is an article of food; the 14, 10, 29, 8, 1 that of which it is made, and 21, 22, 26, 20, 32, 13 is generally eaten with it and is usually kept in 20, 22, 25, 28 at stores.

The 30, 32, 31, 3, 14, 13 is used for seasoning.

The 28, 20, 4, 24, 16 is a slice of meat.

The 17, 9, 2, 27, 7, 33, 31, 32, 18, 19, 14, 6 hunger.

The 23, 4, 26 is a beverage.

The 17, 5, 8 is a fruit.

No. 275.—Biblical Diagonal.

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The diagonal of six represents the name of a ruler mentioned in the New Testament. The first horizontal a survivor of the forty years' wandering in the wilderness. The second was taken to Babylon and trained for the king's service. He interpreted dreams for Nebuchadnezzar. The third an evangelist; one of the seven appointed to superintend the daily distribution of food and alms. The fourth a mountain famous in the history of the flood. The fifth a king of Persia. The sixth the disciple of doubting mind.

No. 276.—Letter Puzzle.

L C N M P N. What one letter will turn these consonants into a famous enterprise?

No. 277.—Cross Word Enigma.

In helot not in maid.
In hinder not in aid.
In hemp not in flax.
In glue not in wax.
In noise not in quiet.
In crowd not in riot.
In crooked not in slant.
Whole is a poisonous plant.

No. 278.—Charade.

I am composed of five divisions.
My first is a female name.
My second is part of a verb.
My third is a personal pronoun.
My fourth is an adjective.
My fifth is also an adjective.
My whole is a division of a great nationality.

No. 279.—Double Acrostic.

In the accompanying illustration eight objects are shown. All of these may be described by words containing the same number of letters. When these have been found and placed one below the other in the order in which they are numbered the initials will spell the name of a famous general and the final letters the name of an island always associated with him.—St. Nicholas.

No. 280.—Pi.

Beist eh hotes saftse hwit mepiln plyent wedcron,
Whoser lal eth durdy yalmif drouan.
Gluba ta teh jetas ro kraspn halt evers laif,
Ilo sihg thiw pyti ta mess furhmon tela.

No. 281.—Hidden Birds.

1. Those who lived on the land railed against the poll tax.
2. A knowledge of shorthand is indispensable nowadays.
3. However low rent is there many farms are unoccupied.
4. But little is known of the music of the ancients.
5. The burglar knew, evidently, where the plate was kept.
6. He read over the terms of the agreement.

A Few Serious Reflections.

What is the exact sensation of a gentleman who finds out that he has nourished a scorpion in his bosom for years?

If a pair of stockings are hose, is a single stocking a hoe?

If you "cut" an acquaintance are you liable for assault?

In selling a Newfoundland dog do you know if it is valued for what it will fetch or what it will bring?

Whether a sweeping change is the amount exacted for cleaning one's doorstep?

State the number of toes on a pedestrian's feet.

Key to the Puzzler.

No. 264.—Charade: Housewife.

No. 265.—Tricks with Numbers: To make one-half of twelve equal seven, draw a line horizontally through XII.

To add two numbers to 19 and make it still less than 20 add Nos. 1 and 2 and make it 19¼.

No. 266.—Six Kinds of Timber: Tamarack, walnut, chestnut, larch, hemlock, basswood.

No. 267.—Enigma: A kiss.

No. 268.—Tangled verse:

Sunshine over the meadows wide
Where the bees hummed in the clover
And sunshine filling the lily cups
Till every one brimmed over.
Sunshine over the hazy hills,
And over the dimpling river,
And I wished the sun and the summer day
Might shine and last forever.

No. 269.—Diamond and Rhomboid:

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    T H R O W     N O T E D
  W A R R I O R     E C L A T
    P O I S E       H I D E S
      W O E         C O N I C
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No. 270.—Numerical Enigma: "There's many a slip 'twixt the cup and the lip."

No. 271.—Excellent Anagrams:

1. Funeral.
2. Telegraphs.
3. Infidels.
4. Immediate.
5. Argument.
6. Goldenland.
7. Transmission.
8. Religion.

No. 272.—A Reversion: Yam—May.

No. 273.—Bight—fight—hight—light—might—night—right—slight—tight—wight.

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There are some politicians who have to be snowed under before they learn the drift of public opinion.

Queen Victoria has a remarkably fine head of hair, for a lady of her age; but her son, the Prince of Wales, is quite bald. Had he used Ayer's Hair Vigor earlier in life, his head might, to-day, have been as well covered as that of his royal mother. It's not too late yet.

A Connecticut man has recently died from eating too many griddle cakes. He literally frittered away his existence.

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THE TULIP AND ITS CULTURE.

The amateur florist whose cultivation of tulips has been limited to the planting of a few bulbs which have been taken up every autumn and re-planted in the spring following, and borne a few moderate-sized blooms either in stripes or solid colors, has little idea of the beauty and charm of a permanent bed of these gorgeous flowers, or the deep and delightful interest felt in an effort to raise a seedling novelty. Year after year the enthusiastic grower waits and watches, until at last comes the reward of patience and intelligent endeavor, in a flower of exquisite shading and striping, which is at once claimed as a bloom worthy of a name which may be regularly registered, and is the property of the originator of the new variety.

Those who purchase really fine bulbs for thirty to fifty cents per dozen, and look upon them merely as lovely, but unimportant, accessories to the flower garden, can form but little idea of the tulip mania which at one time affected all Europe, and raised the price of single bulbs to many thousands of dollars. Any accident to the few specimens possessed at that time by a dealer or grower might mean financial ruin; and the loutish servant who with his black bread ate up half a dozen choice bulbs, thinking them a new variety of onion, had a banquet the cost of which was doubtless never surpassed save by Cleopatra's goblet of dissolved pearls.

The tulip possesses one peculiarity which, it is said, is found in no other plant. When grown from seed it is usually the case that the seedlings produce flowers in solid colors with a yellow base; the upper portion of the flower may be of any color ordinarily seen in these plants, rose, brown, dahlia, crimson, or purple being the usual colors. Planted year after year, they continue to produce the same sort of blooms and are then called "mother tulips," or breeders. After a time—even the most experienced florist can never predict just when,—the colors "break," as it is called, and come out in markings and pencilings exceedingly beautiful and varied. While there may be scores of blooms which bear a general resemblance to each other, as to colors there are no two exactly alike; and in a bed containing a thousand plants, each will have its distinctive characteristics just as clearly defined as are the features of a thousand persons in an assembly or on a promenade. Whoever has grown a bed of seedlings and awaited their development and "breaking," will never willingly forego the pleasure of watching for this most interesting event. An added interest attaches to this change in the fact that having once "broken," the tulip remains ever the same.

The London Horticultural Society rules, by which perfect tulips are judged, are quite as stringent as those governing bench or other shows, and consist of eleven points or properties, covering shape and number of petals, their arrangement, consistency, uniformity, and the arrangement and character of the markings.

There are three classes of show tulips: Bybloemens, or Byblooms, those having a white ground variegated with purple, the edges well feathered and the leaflets erect, the whole forming a perfect cup; Bizarres, those with a yellow ground variegated with scarlet, purple, rose or violet; Roses, those with white ground variegated with rose-color, scarlet or crimson. Horticultural societies do not as a rule consider Parrot tulips as worthy of judging by points; but to those who love flowers for their beauty and eccentricities of color, the Parrot tulip has an ever present charm.

Double tulips are grown in great variety, and are among the most popular of bulbs. An admirable effect is produced by bedding the various single, parrot, and double tulips in rows or a block pattern. Beds are also made in circular form, with each quarter of the circle set in a distinct color, or one-eighth may be so set, the design resembling a huge pie cut in pieces.

Tulips grow best in a rich, well-drained loam containing a fair proportion of clean sand. On no account should they be put into wet soil, as they are almost certain to rot. The ground should be deep, well drained, and thoroughly pulverized to the depth of at least twelve inches, and mixed with a little well-rotted stable manure. Set the bulbs six inches apart each way, press the earth closely around them, then scatter over them sifted earth to the depth of three or four inches at the outer edges, and five or six inches at the center. This is done that there may be no danger of depressions where water may stand. It is a good plan to round the bed a little before putting in the bulbs, as if rounded afterward those set very deep will not come up as quickly as those near the edges where there is less depth of earth and where the warmth of the sun more readily penetrates.

Tulips are usually grown in the open garden exposed to the direct rays of the sun. When a succession of blooms is desired, it may be well to make the tulip bed on the north or east side of a building, or in some situation where it will be slightly protected from the midday sun, which, if the day be very warm, may so scorch and dry the flowers that they will last but a single day.

A tulip bed that was the marvel of an entire community was made between two large shade trees on a lawn. The trunks of the trees were bare of limbs for some twenty-five feet from the ground, and merely shaded the ground at midday. Here a permanent bed was made. The tulips were set out in the latter part of May, and arranged in masses of color and in rows about ten inches apart. Two weeks after the first planting, another lot of the bulbs was put in, and two weeks later, another lot. By the time the first planting had bloomed and the leaves had become dry, others were ready to take their place. In this way a succession of blooms was kept up for weeks.

When the flowers have faded, they must be cut at once. When the stems of the tulip have withered and become yellow, and the leaves have shriveled up, the bulbs may be taken up, thoroughly cleaned of dirt and husks, and put away in paper bags in some dry place, ready for planting out again in autumn. October is considered the best month, although they are sometimes put out late in September. All small bulbs and the tiny bulblets should be removed and planted out at once in nursery beds to grow to full size. Tulips may remain in the earth for years without injury. Indeed, it is well, if there is an abundance of room, to have beds made in both ways. The permanent bed will furnish many admirable bulbs, and, when required, may be drawn upon for filling out other beds or for forcing.

WAY TO WASH WINDOWS.

Two servants employed in adjoining houses were talking recently about the methods of cleaning windows. The one whose windows always looked the brightest said she selected a dull day for the work, or a day when the sun was not shining on them, because when the sun shines it causes them to be dry-streaked, no matter how much one rubs. The painter's brush is the best article for this purpose; then wash all the woodwork before the glass is touched. To cleanse the glass, simply use warm water diluted with ammonia; don't use soap. A small stick will get the dust out of the corners; then wipe dry with a piece of cloth—do not use linen, as the lint sticks to the glass. The best way to polish is with tissue paper or newspaper. To clean windows in this way takes much less time than when soap is used.

LIGHT ROLLS.—Dissolve one tablespoonful of butter in a pint of hot milk; when cool, stir in a quart of flour, one beaten egg, a little salt and a teacup of yeast. Set to rise, roll thin, cut in biscuit, let rise again and bake in a quick oven.

Face veils of pearl gray, brown, crimson, and dark blue net or tulle, are very stylish and becoming. A black net veil is also becoming; but black tulle, some think, adds ten years to the apparent age of the wearer.

Silver kid shoes like those worn by Mrs. H. M. Stanley at her wedding, will be a great deal worn at dancing-parties during the winter.

BREATHED UNDER WATER.

Fenimore Cooper, in his stories of hair breadth escapes from Indians, never hit upon a more extraordinary device for eluding pursuit than one which was related to President Carnot during a recent tour in Corsica. A French traveler, so the story went, ventured some years ago to pass through a mountainous district of Corsica without escort or any means of protection, and, in crossing a particularly rough and craggy region, found himself pursued by a band of brigands.

As the traveler had some money on his person, and feared that besides being robbed, he would be held in captivity for ransom, even if he were not put to death, he took to flight.

Knowing little of the country, he soon stumbled upon the border of a lake in the mountains. There was no path around it; it was impossible to swim across, and the brigands were behind him, though he was hidden from them as yet by the rocks.

Whatever he did must be done in an instant. Necessity quickened his wits; he saw at once a way out of the difficulty and availed himself of it.

He hastily cut with his knife one of the long hollow reeds that grow on the shore of the lake. Then he stopped up his ears and nostrils with wet clay from the margin, took the reed in his mouth, and waded out into deep water, where he remained submerged, with upturned face, just allowing the upper end of the reed to project above the surface.

On came the brigands, following the traveler's tracks to the water's edge. But what had become of him? Had he flown across? Certainly he could not have swum. There was no other way of escape, and the surface had by this time stilled to a perfect calm.

The brigands remained waiting on the shore for some time, but no sign of the traveler appeared. They concluded at last that he was a sorcerer, who had caused himself to vanish into thin air.

Then they disappeared, and the Frenchman, who had been under water all this time, breathing through his tube, came out. He managed to keep under cover and make his way to Ajaccio; and there he declared that he had been under water four hours.

It is possible that his distress and alarm may have caused this period to appear many times longer than it really was; but in conformation with the main part of his story the Frenchman brought with him a waterproofed section of a hollow reed.

NOT HARD TO LEARN.

"I s'pose if I should try to ride that machine I'd break my blamed neck," said a gawky looking fellow sitting on the box in front of a country store, as he looked at the bicycle against the hitching rack, preparatory to inquiring for a bottle of soda pop.

"No, you wouldn't," replied the bicycler, winking at the bystanders. "It's the easiest thing in the world to do. Anybody can ride one of these machines if he only thinks so."

"I want to know!" exclaimed the gawky-looking youth. "Dy'e think I could stay on it if I got on?"

"I know you could."

"An' make er go?"

"Of course."

"Sho! You're trying to fool me."

"Don't you want to try it?"

And the tourist in knickerbockers winked slyly once more at the interested spectators.

"How do you keep from falling off the durned thing?"

"All you've to do is to climb on, start it going and keep going. Take it out and get on."

The gawky chap climbed down from the dry goods box, shut up his jackknife and put it in his pocket, took hold of the bicycle awkwardly, and trundled it out to the middle of the road.

"It isn't quite as good a one as I've got at home," he said, as he mounted it and started down the road at a rattling pace, "but I can follow directions on it. I can start and keep it going. It's only four miles to the next town. I'll be waiting for you at the pump. Good-by."

And the smart young tourist in his knickerbockers trudged after him on foot.

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"Waldo can," spoke up the little fellow.

"Well, Waldo you may stand in front and tell us all you know."

And Waldo rising proudly, steamed away with these lines:

"How doth the little busy bee
Delight to bark and bite,
To gather honey all the day
And eat it up at night!"

Trying to suppress a smile the teacher asked:

"Did your mother teach you that?"

"No, my Uncle Arthur did!"

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THE subscriber hereby gives public notice that he has been duly appointed by the Honorable Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford, and assumed the trust of Administrator with the will annexed of the estate of

MARGARET M. DUNN, late of Paris,

in said County, deceased, by giving bond as the law directs; he therefore requests all persons indebted to the estate of said deceased to make immediate payment, and those who have any demands thereon to exhibit the same to

Sept. 16th, 1890. HORACE N. BOLSTER.

THE subscriber hereby gives public notice that he has been duly appointed by the Honorable Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford and assumed the trust of Administrator of the estate of

BENJAMIN F. WALTON, late of Peru,

in said County, deceased, by giving bond as the law directs; he therefore requests all persons indebted to the estate of said deceased to make immediate payment, and those who have any demands thereon to exhibit the same to

Sept. 16, 1890. WILLIAM WOODSUM.

THE subscriber hereby gives public notice that he has been duly appointed by the Honorable Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford, and assumed the trust of Administrator of the estate of

SHELDON H. WALKER, late of Brownfield,

in said County, deceased, by giving bond as the law directs; he therefore requests all persons indebted to the estate of said deceased to make immediate payment, and those who have any demands thereon to exhibit the same to

Sept. 16, 1890. JAY L. FRINK.

OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Sept. A. D. 1890.

ESTELLA R. PERRY, widow of Nathan H. Perry, late of Paris deceased, having presented her petition for an allowance out of the Personal Estate of said deceased:

ORDERED, That the said petitioner give notice to all persons interested, by publishing this order three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed at Paris, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of Oct. next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, against the same.

GEORGE A. WILSON, Judge.
A true copy—Attest:—H. C. DAVIS, Register.

OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Sept. A. D. 1890.

Charles S. Hamlin Administrator on the estate of Charles W. Perry late of Waterford, in said County, deceased, having presented his account of administration of the estate of said deceased, for allowance:

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

GEORGE A. WILSON, Judge.
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OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Sept. A. D. 1890.

DORA A. STURTEVANT, widow of Joseph L. Sturtevant, late of Buckfield, deceased, having presented her petition for an allowance out of the Personal Estate of said deceased:

ORDERED, That said Petitioner give notice of the same to all persons interested therein, by publishing a copy of this order three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat a newspaper printed at Paris, in said county, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be holden at Paris, on the third Tuesday of Oct. next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be allowed.

GEORGE A. WILSON, Judge.
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OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Sept. A. D. 1890.

SIMEON B. CURTIS, Admr. on the estate of Levi L. Curtis, late of Paris, in said County, deceased, having presented his account of administration of the estate of said deceased for allowance:

ORDERED, That said Admr. give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, printed at Paris, that they may appear at a Court of Probate to be held at Paris in said County, on the third Tuesday of Oct. next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be allowed.

GEORGE A. WILSON, Judge.
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OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate, held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Sept., A. D. 1890.

On the petition of Alvan B. Godwin, Administrator of the estate of Louisa Cummings, late of Albany in said County, deceased, praying for license to sell and convey so much of the real estate of said deceased as is necessary to pay debts estimated two hundred dollars and incidental charges.

ORDERED, That the said petitioner give notice to all persons interested, by causing an abstract of his petition, with this order thereon, to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, printed at Paris, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be holden at Paris, in said County, on the third Tuesday of October next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be granted.

GEORGE A. WILSON, Judge.
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OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Sept. A. D. 1890.

On the petition of Elisha F. Stone, Administrator of the estate of Joshua B. Crockett, late of Paris, in said County, deceased, praying for license to sell and convey certain real estate described in his petition on file in the Probate Office at an advantageous offer of eighty-eight dollars for the payment of debts, funeral charges and expense of administration.

ORDERED, That the said petitioner give notice to all persons interested, by causing an abstract of his petition, with this order thereon, to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed at Paris, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of Oct. next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause if any they have why the same should not be granted.

GEORGE A. WILSON, Judge.
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OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Sept. A. D. 1890.

GEORGE S. HOLMAN Administrator on the estate of John J. Holman late of Dixfield, in said County, deceased, having presented his account of administration of the estate of said deceased for allowance:

ORDERED, That the said Administrator give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, printed at Paris, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be holden at Paris, in said County, on the third Tuesday of Oct. next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be allowed.

GEORGE A. WILSON, Judge.
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OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Sept., A. D. 1890.

Charles M. Griffith Executor on the estate of Rufus N. Griffith, late of Peru, in said County, deceased, having presented his account of administration of the estate of said deceased, for allowance:

ORDERED, That the said Executor give notice to all persons interested therein, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, printed at Paris, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, in said County, on the third Tuesday of Oct. next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be allowed.

GEORGE A. WILSON, Judge.
A true copy, attest:—H. C. DAVIS, Register.

OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate, held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Sept. A. D. 1890.

On the petition of Isaac M. Wellington, Guardian of Charles and Arthur Wellington minors of Muskegon, Michigan, praying for license to sell and convey certain real estate of said wards situated in Fryeburg in said County and fully described in his petition on file in the Probate Office at public or private sale, the proceeds to be put out at interest for the benefit of said minors.

ORDERED, That the said petitioner give notice to all persons interested, by causing an abstract of his petition, with this order thereon, to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed at Paris, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of Oct. next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be granted.

GEORGE A. WILSON, Judge.
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STATE OF MAINE.

OXFORD, ss.—Probate Court, Term A. D. 189 .

On the petition of Mary Thomas, a daughter and heir at law of Nathaniel Thomas, late of Hartford in said County deceased, praying that Hiram A. Kilts of Canton in said county may be appointed administrator on the estate of said deceased.

ORDERED, That notice of the foregoing petition be published for three weeks successively, prior to the third Tuesday of Oct., A. D. 1890, in the Oxford Democrat printed at Paris, in said County.

GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.
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