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OUTLOOK.

Don't let your antipathies get away with your business judgment.

If a project to improve the town comes up, don't hoot—don't predict knowingly. Investigate.

Although a lumber town Brewer has few wooden sidewalks. On nearly all the principal streets concrete has been laid. * * * Another great object in favor of concrete is that the snow and ice melts much quicker on it than on wood as there is less frost under it. Along Main street where the concrete is down the snow and ice are all gone.—Brewer Echo.

Rain-making as a business is a novelty, but that fact, according to a telegram from California, has not deterred capitalists from going into it on a large scale. The Interstate Artificial Rain Company of Kansas has been organized to produce rain to order on any required area. California farmers are said to have the company bound to furnish them 40,000 acres of rain during the coming season. Rain-making seems to be regarded as a practicable thing by a good many hard-headed people. It is not explained, however, how rain is to be gotten out of a dry atmosphere.

A well known French writer has the following regarding alcoholism in Paris: After saying that all persons arrested during certain hours in the night are carried to the police station, where they are examined to see whether they are insane or not, by Dr. Garnier, who has been medical examiner for several years we quote from his article:

"Had indeed is the conclusion arrived at by his medical experience. His figures prove that during the last six years (from 1882 to 1888) lunacy has increased in Paris in the proportion of 30 per cent. This increase is due to the fact that two main types, general paralysis and alcoholic insanity, are spreading to an alarming extent. The progress of alcoholic insanity has been so rapid that the evil is now twice as prevalent as it was fifteen years ago. Almost a third of the lunacy cases observed at the Depot Infirmary are due to this disease, and every day it declares itself more violently, and with a more marked homicidal tendency.

According to commercial reports the lobster is rather an expensive luxury in these days, especially to the purchaser away from the immediate vicinity where they are caught. A pound of lobster meat retails in the interior cities at 60 cents and at wholesale at about 50 cents. What other fish or great costs so much? Certainly salmon does not. It takes four pounds of unshelled lobster to yield one pound of meat. The marketmen at Vinalhaven have charged but 12 cents per pound for clear meat for years past except in the winter months when the price goes higher if they are kept at all. We fancy that the average Vinalhaven householder would hardly feel like paying the large figures quoted above even if he had to go without the toothsome crustacean altogether. It is said that the Province fishermen are competing severely with our own on account of their law giving them the privilege of taking fish of any length from the first of January to the first of July, while we are not allowed by law to take them under 10-12 inches at this season of the year.

KNIGHTS OF LABOR.

Several years ago an assembly of the Knights of Labor was organized in Rockport and for some time grew rapidly until it became a powerful organization. It was of great benefit to the workingmen and did much to improve their condition but was allowed finally to weaken until as an organization it ceased to exist. While it lived its executive committee kept a sharp watch over the welfare and interests of its members and although in all its demands on our merchants and manufacturers and in all business matters that came up for adjustment between them harmony and good feeling prevailed and by their efforts the condition of its members was bettered in many ways, as in many other cases they became negligent one by one, forgot the duties they owed to the organization until the few faithful ones left became discouraged and gave up the fight. Attempts have been made once or twice since to reorganize but a sufficient number of members failed to respond to the call to insure a successful reorganization.

In many other towns the order is flourishing and increasing and no reason exists why such should not be the case in Rockport. The laboring men certainly have interests to guard and it can not be done as it should be done without organization. When it is taken into account the great benefit received by every workman from such a society, the small annual dues and attendance at

the meeting one evening each week are exceedingly small things. The present is a good time to make an effort to reorganize and we hope that the effort will be made and that success may be the result.

GRANITE CHIPS.

Interesting News from Various Busy Granite Centers.

F. M. Chandler of Rockland, N. H., is in this vicinity looking up his many friends.

The Union Granite Co. will resume work at Friendship as soon as the weather permits.

B. J. West at Atlantic, Swan's Island, will commence operations on stone quarry in the Spring.

The Maine Red Granite Company at Red Beach have quarried the stone for a soldiers' monument to be erected in Calais.

The \$6,000 monument of Bere granite that is to be erected on the grounds of the Columbian exposition in Chicago is sure to attract the attention of the civilized world.

About 100 marble and granite dealers of Chicago left that city March 1, for an excursion to the granite quarries and works at Concord, N. H., Quincy, Mass., Barre and Montpelier.

The special agency force of the Treasury Department seized, because of undervaluation, a car load of finished granite manufactured and shipped by F. T. C. Burpee of St. John, N. B., and consigned to the White Granite Company of New York.

The polishing mill is running at full blast now. They start at 7 a. m. and work till 12 m., and from 1 to 5 p. m., when they go to supper and start again at 5:30 and work until 9:30 p. m. The extra time is four hours, (considering 10 hours a day's work) for which they receive five hours pay. The company wishes to complete the contract as soon as possible.—Gloucester Breeze.

The New Brunswick Red Granite Company, whose quarries are at St. George, N. B., with extensive works at St. John at a recent meeting, elected the following directors: Messrs. Arthur Sewall of Bath, Me.; E. R. Burpee of Bangor; Payson Tucker of Portland, and F. T. C. Burpee of Bangor; J. W. Lawrence, B. H. Appleby and Geo. W. Ketchum of St. John.

Mr. A. H. Taylor of Swan's Island is at present employing about 70 men in his granite quarry, and has a million paving blocks ready for shipment to New York. Next summer he intends to increase his crew to about 200 men. Mr. Taylor is a quiet Scotchman, who has seen a good bit of life in all parts of this country, including 11 years of California mining, but he seems now to be well settled and quite contented with his opportunities on Swan's Island.

The polishing mills of McDonald & Buchanan, Barre, Vt., were destroyed by fire early Wednesday morning. Thirteen polishing machines were badly damaged, and several casks of granite were injured by smoke and heat. The stock and machinery was fully insured, as was the building for \$200. The cause of the fire is a mystery, and the damage is estimated at \$8,000.

Mr. J. F. Badwell, who is well known hereabouts, has left on an extended trip through the West and South, going to New Orleans by way of Chicago and St. Louis. While in the Crescent City he will be the guest of Mr. Charles Orleans, southern general agent of the Hallowell Granite Works, of Hallowell, and will remain there during carnival week, witnessing the famous Mardi Gras festivities. He will be gone over three weeks.

SEMI CENTENNIAL.

The Rockport Baptist Church will celebrate its semi-centennial May 17. It is hoped to have Dr. A. T. Dunn of Waterville present on that occasion. The following committee of arrangements has been appointed: R. V. F. A. Snow, C. F. Richards, P. C. Cousins, Mrs. C. F. Richards and Mrs. C. M. Knight.

A NEW WHARF.

Work will be commenced on a new wharf at Rockport early in the season, on the western side of the harbor, by Leach & Miller. Buildings will also be erected for the cooping business which will be carried on extensively here.

VINALHAVEN'S LOCAL EVENTS.

A Batch of Readable Notes from the Home of Granite.

Gossipy Bits of News Regarding Residents and Visitors—Occurrences Trivial and Important but None the Less of Great Interest.

Schools have closed.

Schools will begin again the last of March.

Four deaths in town is the record for February.

J. H. Sanborn cut about 600 tons of ice on old Harbor Pond.

Of late we hear nothing of the Memorial building association.

Our High School graduation will occur the middle of June. The graduating class will be small, only four.

The whistle on the Sands quarry now blows us to and from our labors. It looks good to see signs of life in that vicinity.

The old Rockland & Fox Island Steamboat Co. had a meeting Monday of last week. T. G. Libby attended from this place.

Tuesday's snow storm was a big, big brother to that of Feb. 11 so far as drifts were concerned. Never saw anything like it here.

High winds prevented the Pioneer from making the trip to Rockland Wednesday and Thursday, so that we were without mail for two days.

If the old adage proves true we shall have some lamb like weather the latter part of this month, for the beginning was like a roarer from the jungles. The Pioneer, on her trip off Tuesday, blew out a tube when at Hurricane, and was obliged to put back for repairs. The Emmeline took her passengers and mail.

We have no use at present for electric or other railroads, but it would be nice if in connection with the proposed new fast boat we could have telegraph or telephone connections with the main land.

Operations at the Sands quarry are again resumed, after being closed for two months. This is good news to quite a portion of our workmen who gain their livelihood by wielding the hammer and drill.

An accident to some part of the Pioneer's machinery, while on the way to Rockland, Tuesday prevented making the trip so that she had to return. The mail was transferred to the Emmeline.

The H. R. Brennan Theatrical Co. occupied the stage at the Opera house every evening last week, and considering the unfavorable weather, drew good houses. Brennan is first class and he has an excellent company for support.

School Committeemen Walls and Wooster had an accident recently. They were in a sleigh, which was upset, throwing them out. Mr. Walls was dragged some distance but succeeded in retaining his presence of mind and his horse. No damage, except a slight injury to the sleigh dasher.

An item to preserve: The first birth in town since the new vital statistics law went into operation, was a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Hopkins, born February 11. The first marriage was William S. Page and Eda B. Clayton, February 26. The first death was Mrs. Dollie E. Dushane, January 10.

Two old gentlemen, Mr. Isaac Tolman aged 83 and Mr. William Smith, aged 82 were in Luno & Libby's the other day and had themselves weighed. The former pulled the beam at 173 pounds and Mr. Smith at 148. Mr. Tolman after getting from the scale facetiously remarked, "Bill, I believe I could do you!" We think Uncle Bill would make quite a scurviage before allowing a fall.

Sunday morning of last week a very noticeable musical number was a quartet, "Consider the Lilies," Miss Alice Lane, soprano, Mrs. L. S. Copping contralto, Fred Grindle tenor and Oscar Lane bass were the singers, with Frank McNicol at the organ. It was highly appreciated. Mr. McNicol is giving excellent satisfaction at the organ. Miss Sachie Miller of Rockland also sang in a very artistic manner. Miss Miller sings very prettily and we hope to hear her here again. Her selection was "Over the Stars There is Rest," by Ahn. In the evening Mr. Lane sang a pretty bass solo with quartet choruses which was thoroughly enjoyed. In the morning the pastor, R. V. W. E. Gaskin preached on one of the "Beatitudes" and in the evening gave a discourse on Lent. Mr. Gaskin is giving the best of satisfaction and is very popular.

Miss E. F. Robert's has sold the bakery plant to J. W. P. Turner.

Mrs. Hartwell and son Howard moved last week to Montpelier, Vermont.

Three of our ice yachts were dismantled on Carver's Pond, Tuesday.

The stormy weather of last week interfered somewhat with the trips of our boats.

Miss Minnie Coughlin, representing E. B. Hastings of Rockland, had on sale last week, at Central Hotel, a nice display of ladies' clocks.

Rev. W. E. Gaskin has commenced a series of devotional meetings through Lent. They are held Tuesday evenings, the first being held last Tuesday.

The R. S. Co. has a small contract of stone work for the head house and engine room of the new aqueduct now building for the city of New York. It is a portion of the same work which is being done at Spruce Head.

There will be a series of Lenten services held at the Union Church. A special service will be held on each successive Wednesday evening, beginning the evening of Mar. 2, and continuing until the close of Lent. The public are cordially invited. On Easter Sunday three services will be held commemorative of the events of the day.

ICE CUTS.

Ice Cutting Notes from Rockport—A New Project.

The gale and snow storm Thursday stopped work on the pond.

Capt. James S. Fries of New York has been here the past week purchasing and shipping ice. He is agent for E. S. White, Georgetown, Dennera.

The Rockport Ice Co. has been extremely fortunate in its operations, notwithstanding the lateness of the season when the harvest began, and the discouraging prospect all the first part of the winter. Thursday, when the storm stopped operations, they needed but one day's work to completely fill their houses. They will secure all the ice in the pond without doubt if the weather permits vessels to arrive that are expected.

Several of our prominent citizens are interested at the present time in a project of forming a new ice company. It is proposed to create a pond by flowing water known as Thorndike's Meadow, along the stream that flows from Hosmer's Pond. By building a dam above the Simonton's Corner road, 100 acres or more could be flowed to sufficient depths for the work of ice cutting. The quantity of ice secured in this way would be of the very best as the water flowing from the pond above is as pure as water can be and the ice could be brought the short distance required, to the wharf by the Linerock Railroad, easily, quickly and cheaply.

There is money in the scheme for some one and we understand that the parties who are talking the matter up are willing and ready to put in all the money that is necessary to insure success. As for storing the ice for summer shipment, houses could be built at the edge of the pond and any amount could be cut and stored, in addition to the large quantities that could be shipped from the water during the winter. From what we have learned in relation to the matter the plan appears perfectly feasible and nothing but a little energy and go-ahead is needed to make it a sure thing.

VINALHAVEN PEDAGOGUES.

Schools Have Closed and the Teachers Have Scattered.

Schools have all closed after a very satisfactory session of twelve weeks. The most of the teachers went home Saturday week on the Emmeline which made a special trip to Castine. The Misses Tapley, Miss Morgrago, Miss Noyes, Mrs. Strout took this method of conveyance. Miss Collins left Monday for her home in Massachusetts. Miss Robbins has gone to her home in Woburn, Mass. Miss Kelley is now in Belfast. Principal Perkins of the High School is busying himself in this vicinity issuing policies for the Etna Life & Accident Insurance Co. The most of these teachers will probably return. They have proved themselves very efficient instructors.

PEOPLE WANT 'EM.

The Rockport Collar Co. received several orders from Massachusetts parties last week for their collars for working horses. They are much liked by all that use them.

A perilled baby was found the other day near the Gila Hot Springs. Smithsonian Institute has obtained.

MATINICUS MATTERS.

Boat Building Business Booming—Fish and Fishing.

Capt. Otis H. Abbott visited Rockland last week.

Andrew Anderson visited Rockland last week for medical treatment.

Singing school under the instruction of J. H. Gushen is doing good work.

Capt. Preston Ames made a business trip to Rockland vicinity last week.

The lobster fishermen are doing finely. They have been capturing as many as 240 to a boat lately.

Will Young of this place is visiting his sister Mrs. John Knight and other relatives at Deer Isle.

Capt. Ambrose Philbrook of Lincolnville Beach visited Capt. W. B. Young and family last week.

Mrs. Charles Henry Ring returned from Rockland last week, where she has been for the past few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Condon of Rockland are visiting Mr. Condon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Seth M. Condon, this place.

The Matinicus Fishing Co. are packing their smoked herring, which are of excellent quality and properly cured. They smoked last Fall more than 4000 boxes.

John Gott and Ira Richardson of Green's Landing were in town last week plastering for Mrs. N. J. Norton, who the past season has had her residence enlarged.

School in district No. 1 closed Friday the 26th ult. after a successful term taught by Miss Julia Trask. Miss Trask has taught the schools in this district since April.

Capt. Fred Norton has nearly completed the boat he is building for Capt. Lewis Burgess and will soon engage in building another. Capt. Seth Condon is building an 8-foot boat for himself. James B. Thompson is building a double-ender for Fred N. Philbrook.

OWL'S HEAD.

Mrs. B. A. Emery is very sick with rheumatic fever.

Miss Mary Dyer of Rockland is visiting Miss Colia Madlocks.

Freeman Perry and wife of Boston have lately visited friends here.

B. A. Emery has finished the chimney in Charles G. Dyer's house and put a Queen Ann window in the roof of the ell.

Rev. J. H. Parsley of Rockland has rented Dr. A. T. Emery's cottage at Crescent Beach for the month of August next.

Leta Ryder is sick with scarlet fever.

Mr. Isaac Tolman came home from Vinal Haven last week cured of a cancer in one of his lips. He has been there under treatment for the same.

NORTH APPLETON.

Annie E. wife of U. N. Dyer, Jr., died at her home Feb. 22 of pneumonia. The funeral was held Thursday. Rev. Mr. Brigham of Seabrook officiating. Mrs. Dyer was a daughter of Geo. Dyer of Seabrook. She was a lady of the loveliest character, a devoted wife and a warm friend and neighbor. The expressions of sorrow at her departure are of the sincerest. She leaves a husband and father, two sisters and three brothers to mourn her loss. Her husband and a brother were very sick at the time of her death. She was about 37 years of age.

LONGFELLOWS DAY.

Following is the very interesting program presented on Longfellow's Day by the schools of Messrs. Collins and Tapley, Vinalhaven:

Singing, (both schools)	"Sleighing Song," both schools.
Longfellow rati call.	E. L. Laine Carver.
Recitation—"Daybreak."	"The Arrow and the Song."
Recitation—"The Open Window."	Myrtle Gough.
B. Geography.	Intermediate school.
"My Seven Friends."	Minnie Carver.
"Something left undone."	Clifton Cousins.
C. Arithmetic.	Grammar School.
"The Light house."	Intermediate school.
B. Geography.	Grammar School.
Song, "Afterwards."	Lizzie M. Urquhart.
Washington and Longfellow Memorial Song.	School.
History Class.	Grammar and Intermediate School.
A. and B. History.	Grammar School.
Recitation—"Longfellow's Birthday."	Miss Tapley's class.
Reading of school.	Miss Tapley's class.
"The Light house."	Miss Tapley's class.
B. Geography.	Grammar School.
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CURRENT NEWS FROM ROCKPORT.

Seasonable Happenings Served Up in Readable Form for Home Use.

Industrial News That Shows Business Activity—Local Notes Regarding Things of Interest—The Week's Record of Personals.

The bank expects to get into its new quarters May 1.

Rockport certainly needs a new High School building.

Two families occupy the Andrews house at Hartford's Corner.

What has become of the Rockport Public Library movement?

G. F. Burgess of Rockport took one-eighth of the stock in the new mill at Camden.

Alfonzo Corthell has a pair of draft horses bought of Williston Grinnell of Camden.

The contractor has completed his work on the Opera House and it is about ready for business.

The Linerock Railroad is running cars to the quarries at Simonton's Corner, and supplying two kilns.

Charles Morrill fell into the pond Wednesday but escaped with nothing more serious than a slight ducking.

Poleg Wiley of this town has been appointed aid-de-camp on the staff of Commander-in-Chief Palmer of the National G. A. R.

Venzle's Brass Band has hired a room in Carleton, Norwood & Co.'s new block and is to have it fitted up in the shape for use.

The Burgess store at the bridge is soon to be opened with a stock of groceries and provisions by Cyrus Richards.

A concert and sociable was held at the Baptist vestry Friday evening by the Young Ladies' Circle with satisfactory financial results.

The Home Laundry, W. R. Hill proprietor, has fine quarters in the basement of the Opera House, and is having a big rush of business.

The subject of Rev. J. R. Haughton's sermon last Sunday morning was "What do you do with your evenings?" In the evening he lectured on the "Art of Fiddling."

The Selectmen are going to have a post placed in the Lily pond some distance from the shore to mark an angle in the line between the towns of Rockport and Camden.

The workmen are engaged in putting up the woodwork of the interior of the Carleton Block, and are now working on the hall in the third story, which will be occupied by the Masons.

The funeral services of Mrs. Helen Wheeler were held at the family residence on Sunday afternoon, the 28th, Rev. M. G. Prescott officiating. The remains were interred in the family lot at Sea View Cemetery.

Willis Carleton has been decorating the dining room at the Carleton House, and has made a nice job of it, greatly improving its appearance. The hotel has been put in excellent order, and is looking as good as new.

The cool weather of last week was a blessing for the ice Co. The ice in the pond was improved to such an extent that the work of cutting and hauling was resumed the first of the week. On Monday they took out sixteen hundred tons and Tuesday eighteen hundred.

Beauchamp Circle, C. L. S. C., met on Monday, Feb. 29. The lesson for the evening was a summary of United States history from the beginning of the Revolution down to the present administration, and was well prepared, absent members sending written parts.

The study for March is "The Story of the Constitution," and it is valuable reading. Don't forget that Summer is coming, and with it hosts of visitors who would tarry with us if accommodations could be found. Do something towards keeping them with us instead of forcing them to go elsewhere. It is not too early to begin preparations. More accommodations are needed and something must be done to take care of the crowds that want to tarry here.

Rockport is going to see busy times the coming season. With the large amount of building that is going to be done, important improvements in other ways that are to be made, the building of the electric railroad, and last but not least a rush in the lime and ice business will furnish employment for all of our workmen so that some will need to go out of town for work. Things are going to boom.

The Selectmen of Rockport and Camden met Tuesday last and nearly completed the work of adjusting the old town debt. They met again on Friday for the same purpose. The debt of the old town was found to be something over \$50,000. Rockport's portion will be about \$22,000. We shall wipe out nearly one quarter of it the first year of our existence as the town of Rockport. Probably the coming year we shall cut it down one-half.

Since our last issue we learn that the prospect for a steam railroad through the back towns to Augusta is brighter than it has ever yet been. We feel assured that it is the earnest wish of every citizen of this town that the subject may be agitated and not be allowed to be crowded to the rear by anything else until we have secured the railroad connection that every person in this town and Camden so much desire and hope for. Such a road running into Rockport would give the company the very best harbor on the coast of Maine, for a line of steamers to connect of any size from the smallest passenger boats to the big ocean steamships. Our harbor is one that is never closed by ice even in the coldest winter and along our shores a sufficient depth of water is found to float the largest ships. We have no need of expensive breakwaters as nature has provided for that and has given us the safest harbor that can be found anywhere. At Beauchamp Point wharves could be built at a small expense where any steamer or any other vessel but a few times their length from Penobscot Bay could load or unload in the heaviest storm without danger or hindrance. This locality will be an immense fortune to any railroad company that secures it, and connects it to the rest of the world by rail. May the time soon come when this may be done and Rockport and Camden secure the facilities for sending and receiving the large amount of freight that now comes and goes to and from each town daily.

ROCKPORT PERSONALS.

Miss Frances C. Barstow is visiting in Hopedale, Mass.

Mrs. A. D. Sprague has been in Belfast for some time visiting relatives and friends.

Hon. H. L. Shepherd who has been in Boston for some time on business returned last week.

Dr. H. B. Eaton has been confining to the house for the past week threatened with rheumatic fever.

Miss Minnie Shepherd arrived home last week from a visit among friends in Fairfield, Skowhegan and other places.

Charles A. Carleton, marketman, has been sick at home for a long time; he is now improving, but is not yet able to attend to his business.

W. A. Luce and bride arrived here Tuesday evening and are stopping at the Carleton House, while their house is being prepared for occupancy.

H. J. Tibbets went to Bangor by boat last Tuesday with his horse Joe Howe. He is expected home in a few days with another fine piece of horse flesh.

Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Havenor of Kannah Falls, West Virginia accompanied by Mrs. Belinda Griffin of Danville, N. H., arrived Feb. 29 to attend the funeral services of Mrs. C. D. Wheeler.

* * * With plans for new wharves, new stores, new marine railway, new steamers, new coal sheds, new boat-building shop, new grist mill and enlarged sawdust factory, all to be in motion with the return of Spring, the little island village of Green's Landing promises to be one of the most bustling villages in Maine, this season.

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The reports of elections are responsible for the omission of several interesting news letters.

Chill says she is too poor to make an appropriation for the World's Fair. Poor excuse!

Supreme Judicial Court is now in session. During Court Day C. G. will be a Court reporter and publish a detailed account of court proceedings.

Joseph Cook condemns the proposed sale of liquor at the World's Fair and the opening of the same on Sunday. There are lots of men who can say amen to this statement.

We have received a copy of the Time and Tide, an interesting publication issued by the Tremont Temple Baptist Church, Boston. Eben Creighton, formerly of Thomaston, is business manager.

Ex-Senator Blair's reputation for long speeches and double-barreled documents threatens to kill his boom for president. When the newspaper men think of a Blair presidential message they immediately resolve to support some one else. The Gardiner Journal agrees.

The announcement that work will begin at an early day on the Tilden cement factory on Tilden wharf will be graciously received, being, as it were, the beginning of the 1892 boom for our city. Mr. Tilden and his enterprise are very welcome, and we hope a full measure of prosperity may attend the new factory.

State Bank Examiner Hulse reports Maine's savings institutions and trust companies in excellent condition. The total amount of deposits is \$30,638,452.44. Knox County's share being \$1,222,859.81. The gain in deposits the past year is \$2,497,285.54, and considering the monetary conditions in the latter part of 1890 and the early part of the present year, this is very gratifying. The total number of depositors was 146,668, an increase of 6,147, and the average rate of dividend paid by the banks was \$4.69. Twelve trust and banking companies have completed their organizations and are now transacting business with a capital stock paid in of \$1,008,900. Certificates of authorization have been issued for four loan and building associations during the year, and one having ceased to do business, makes a total of thirty now in operation, and a net gain of three the past year.

Our Thomaston and Camden contemporaries stamp the proposition to build a new jail as a Rockland grab scheme. The County Commissioners after reckoning the expense of caring for county prisoners under the present existing state of affairs decided that it would be a good business investment to construct a jail. They are capable business men, none of them living in or owning property in Rockland, and have as far as we have been able to learn given the county an economical and commendable administration. We think our contemporaries, which are usually pretty clear-headed and progressive, have been perhaps a little hasty in their action on this matter. Certainly the opinion of the Board of Commissioners, who can have no selfish end to gain and whose standing and reputation do not warrant a suspicion of the sort, should have some weight. The subject should be carefully discussed. The C-G after carefully looking over the ground and discussing the matter with the commissioners, is convinced that good business judgment calls for a new jail of the sort outlined by the Commissioners, and we hope the county will so vote.

If by any chance the Rockland Opinion of last week should fall into the hands of readers who did not know its standing and consequently might be inclined to take some little stock in its statements, they would think that we had in this city a class of bunnies who had organized themselves into a ring to rob everybody and were committing all sorts of flagrant thievery, unbeknownst to the community. As regards the so-called ring and their status in the community we find that the ring is composed of business men of our city, both Republicans and Democrats, who would be considered a very respectable class of citizens anywhere else, and who certainly have been instrumental in giving us many of the improvements to which we owe our prosperity. When the Opinion thus bitterly denounces these men one is led naturally to inquire what they have done and what the Opinion has done.

Who built the water works which give Rockland, Camden, Hunkport and Thomaston their supply of the purest water that ever flowed through a city main? This ring? Who supplies Knox County with the flintless saws for home consumption that ever digressed the columns of a paper? The Opinion? Who is building up Bay Point and developing a business that yields profits to every trader and every workman in the town? This ring? Who is building up a reputation for staid and cool play that makes its name the contemptuous by-word of all respectable people? The Opinion? Who built the Lime-rock Railroad, that relieved our streets of the heavy teaming and put our city in the far front of enterprising communities? This ring? Who stood in the way of the city's progress, drove off our shoe factory and has been the direct means of preventing other industries locating here? The Opinion!

Who will erect the new block on the corner of Main and Myrtle streets, which will cost \$50,000, furnish employment to our carpenters, masons, teamsters, boot-carriers, and will make a handsome addition to our business blocks and to our city's relation? This ring? Who instead of building up is constantly trying to tear down and injure, and whose evil results are insignificant only because its influence is so much less than its mischievousness? The Opinion!

Who have been instrumental in giving our city its first permanent improvement? This ring? Who showed their great faith in our city's future by investing their money here and who have given Rockland the well deserved title of the most enterprising city in the state? This ring? Who has won a reputation for never doing a handsome or decent thing, of never being true to anyone or anything but his own inherent tendency to evil and slander? The Opinion! Who knows that these comparisons are just and not overdrawn in the slightest degree? All thinking and reading people in this section!

THEATRICALS IN YEARS AGONE.

When Old Atlantic Hall Was Early In Its Prime.

The Wilson & Clarke Combination—Jossie Booth and Other Old Favorites—Vernalhaven and Dix Island in the Seventies—Silly Notes.

Harry Irving of the H. R. Brennan Star Co., which showed in this city a week ago, is not a stranger to Rockland, although he has not been here since 1872. Mr. Irving was here in days of yore with Wilson & Clarke and afterwards with the Flora Myers Co. In an interview with a reporter of the T. G. G., Mr. Irving detailed some interesting reminiscences regarding those early theatrical performances in Rockland which the reporter's lead pencil and note-book recalled.

"I came here first in 1868 with Wilson & Clarke, playing in Atlantic Hall, corner of Main and Sea streets. We made a stand of three or four weeks, and did a fine business. Jossie Booth was the star. She was a beautiful woman in those days and a good actress, though rather dissipated. She had many admirers in town. We put on the French Spy, Colleen Bawn, Uncle Tom's Cabin, Ten Nights in a Bar-Room, Still Waters Run Deep, King Charles II and other old times.

"Of that party many are dead. Clarke is proprietor of a boarding house on 13th street, New York City, and is playing with Hoyt's Hole-in-the-Ground Co. Wilson married a minister's daughter and is settled down in Ontario, N. Y. Jossie Booth, after leaving here, reformed and became a very popular star. She died in Cincinnati seventeen years ago while starting there. She will be well remembered here.

"James T. Panning, another of the company, is dead. He became insane and died at Deer Island, Boston, six or seven years ago. I think he is still in the business, playing a western circuit with E. W. Beattie located in Boston as a teacher of elocution. Anna Bryce died in the west and what became of Lena Warner I don't know. Tom Hogan is running a barber shop in Yarmouth, N. S.

"I next visited Rockland in 1872, coming with the Flora Myers Co. Flora Myers, as you know, was a Rockland girl, Pillsbury by name, who was adopted by the actor John Myers. She was a good actress, and her husband, A. W. Purcell, was manager of the company. Flora Myers was sick at this time and Marietta Ravell was the star. We opened in July in Farwell & Ames Hall. The play presented were the French Spy, Justice, Wild Cat, Angel of Midnight, The Vept of the Whistling, Dutch Girl of Genoa, Dutch Boy of Manchester, Wizard of the Nile, etc. Ravell is still living and is the wife of Martin W. Hanley, now manager of Harrigan's Theater, 33th street, N. Y., a biography and picture of whom appeared in a recent Police News. The company was under the management of A. W. Purcell, who no doubt is well remembered about here. Ravell was a capable actress and proved a favorite. She was also a light rope walker, and crossed Main street on a rope from the upper story of Farwell & Ames Hall to the building opposite.

"From Rockland we went into the Province with Ravell. We returned to Rockland November, opening with Potts Bissell as a star, making a two weeks stand. Dollie Bidwell was the wife of Charlie Bidwell, who died some years ago. Dollie is yet alive, and is the wife of a bank cashier in New York City. With Bidwell we put on Leah the Forsaken, Olney Queen, Jack Shepherd, Pretty Panther, No-Nobby's Daughter and Lady Andley's Secret. We did a fine business.

"After Bidwell John Murray was the star for two weeks, putting on Rip Van Winkle, Ned of Ice, Moll Pitcher, Chinney Corner, Oliver Twist, the Porter's Knot, Irish Emigrant, Ten Nights in a Bar-Room and The Man Without a Country, written by Mr. Murray and in which he did the work. We must not forget Richelle which Mr. Murray also presented in his two weeks stand. Murray was told succeeded by James Lanagan, and between these two powerful actors there existed the bitterest enmity. No when it was announced that Lanagan was to open with his creation of the great French Cardinal, Murray announced his intention of playing Richelle. Manager Purcell's entreaties were of no avail and Murray played Richelle, not very well it is true, but played it in such a fashion that Lanagan did not open with it, but made the air blue on his arrival. Murray in later years made money starring his wife, Grace Curdland, but died a wreck two years ago in Marshalltown, Ia. His widow, now known as Grace Hawthorne, has the management of the Princess Theatre, London.

"James Lanagan succeeded John Murray and he also was here two weeks. Lanagan at that time was proprietor and manager of the Lyceum, St. John, N. B., and had a theatre in Detroit, Mich. He was a fine actor and was well received in Rockland. He opened with Ingomar, and then played the Orator, Still Waters Run Deep, Hamlet, Don Cesar de Bazan, the Hunchback and Othello. In the last W. C. Pope played Othello and Lanagan played one of his strongest roles. He also played Richard III and Willow Copse. Lanagan afterwards managed the new opera house in Lawrence, Mass. He has been dead eight years.

"We then formed a stock company and remained in this section till February, 1873. During this time we played in Rockland, Vernalhaven and Dix Island—three nights in Rockland, two at Vernalhaven and one at Dix Island. At Dix Island we played in a hall over the store. The granite business was brisk in those days and there were about 2000 men at work at Dix Island. As all lights were put out at nine the performance began at six o'clock. There were no reserved seats, but all admissions were fifty cents each. Doors were opened at past five o'clock and at quarter of six the hall would be packed full of men and working clothes, fresh from the quarries and sheds, without a woman among them. We played as high as \$2500 a night there. Our hotel was the Shamrock House, a big boarding-house. I think there was another boarding-house there called the Rose. Flora Myers was with us in the stock company at this time, I remember rightly. From Rockland we journeyed to Westfield, Mass., where we were again joined by Marietta Ravell for a trip West. I have not visited Rockland from that time to this.

"The members of the old stock company are widely scattered or dead. Flora Myers died in Rochester, N. Y., last summer. Her husband, A. W. Purcell, is now paymaster of the Rochester, N. Y., Street Railway Co. Their

daughter, Emma Purcell, is playing with Fannie Harrigan at Doris' Museum, 8th Ave., New York City. Emma Koss has been dead sixteen years. Mrs. Connelley is living in New York city and the whereabouts of Mrs. Pope I do not know. Edwina Gray is the wife of H. Price Weber, who was our agent and general manager, but who is now making money with a company of his own in the Provinces and Maine, with his wife as the star.

"W. C. Pope is still in the business. P. J. Connelley died seventeen years ago in New York City. C. B. Rhoades is in the bakery business in Lawrence, Mass. George A. Hill, the popular comedian of the company, who has won and lost several fortunes, is now running a repertoire company of his own, and making money. Frank Budworth, who was very popular here with his Dutch songs and other specialties, died in New York City six years ago. In 1875 and 1876 he was in a stock company at the Jersey City Opera House with H. R. Brennan, of the company with which I am now connected.

"J. K. McElroy, one of the comedians, is with one of Lathrop's Stock Companies, playing comedy parts and managing the stage. J. H. Holmes is now property man at the Boston Theatre. Our orchestra was composed of Messrs. Hallam, Leach and Quigley. The two last named are dead."

MEN AND WOMEN

Personal Paragraphs of More or Less Interest to Our Readers.

C. F. Kittredge is in New York.

A. J. F. Ingraham is on a trip West.

Samuel Bryant was in Boston last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Butler are in St. Louis.

E. K. Gould and wife were in Boston last week.

M. A. Rice arrived home from New York Thursday.

Ralph Ayers is home from Boston for a short visit.

Mrs. Kate Foye has returned from a trip to Steele, Dakota.

C. A. Benner of the Union Granite Co. was in town last week.

H. D. Ames of Crosby Inn, Belfast, visited in this city last week.

Bolwin Mullen of Somerville, Mass., is visiting his home in this city.

Miss Helen Park of Providence has been visiting Mrs. H. S. Flint.

Mrs. H. E. Wilson is visiting in Bangor, the guest of Mrs. Mary Crosby.

F. A. Thordmelle returned yesterday from a brief business trip to Portland.

Miss Helen Weeks of Danverscott was the guest last week of Miss Jennie Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Rice and Mrs. E. C. Dudley left for Boston Tuesday noon.

Miss Emma Clark has gone to Auburn where she will visit her sister Mrs. James Sprague.

C. E. Littlefield, esq., was called to Vinalhaven last week by the severe sickness of his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Rose entertained friends with five-banded supper at their residence Friday evening.

Dr. Rhen Chase, dentist, formerly of this city, was here yesterday, visiting old friends at Ingraham's Hill.

Miss Adelaide M. Crocker returned to Boston yesterday to resume her studies in the Emerson School of Oratory.

C. K. Perkins, the efficient and popular principal of the Vinalhaven High School, spent the greater portion of last week in town, inspecting our city schools.

Dr. George Clark of this city has been laid up with inflammation and a slight trouble at Danverscott the past fifteen days. He is improving.

Mrs. E. K. Glover returned Thursday night from a three weeks visit in Boston. Mr. Glover, who was in the city last week on business, returned with her.

A telegram was received in this city yesterday announcing the illness of New Orleans of John Bird, who with his wife, is the guest of Pearl Wicket at that place. Mr. Bird is suffering from a combined attack of a gripe and heart disease. W. H. Bird, who was on his way to Boston when the news was received, was in town telegraphed, and he is now on his way South.

An event in which many of our people had an interest was the wedding yesterday of Thomas C. Fales and Elizabeth Tillson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Davis, at the home of the bride's parents. The wedding was a very quiet but none the less happy affair, and the wedding party took the train for Dorchester, Mass., where as the card informs they will be "at home Thursdays in March at 25 Devon Ave." Mrs. Fales is a young lady who has many friends and deserves them, as she is a most estimable young lady. Mr. Fales is a native of Thomaston, afterwards residing in this city, but is at present messenger for the United States Express Co., between Boston and New York. He is a fine young man and a true friend of good wishes follow him, and his bride to their new home in Dorchester. Rev. C. S. Cummings performed the ceremony. When the bridal party arrived at the depot a large party of the friends of the happy pair were on hand, and as the train rolled out the air was heavy with a commingled shower of old adios and adieus.

It is not generally known that the rules of the postoffice department empower inspectors to open suspicious letters at discretion. The public appear to be very much astonished at this, but it is carried to a greater extent even than those who know all about it suppose. "In fact," says a government official, "under the rules of the postoffice department almost any private letter can be opened and read. This will surprise some people, I presume, but it is nevertheless true and a reference to the private instructions to postoffice inspectors, which are in printed form, will convince anybody of it. Whether such secret privileges are ever used illegitimately would be difficult to find out. It is a good deal like arresting a man on suspicion. As a matter of fact, therefore, you will see that the United States mails are not more sacred than the mails of Russia or of any other country so far as government espionage is concerned."

The Louisa, Maine, has left for New York, where it will make a stop at Washington, where it will make a stop at Washington, where it will make a stop at Washington.

CHURCHES AND THEIR INTERESTS

The Coming Sessions of the Old East Maine Conference.

Rockland Will Show Her Usual Hospitality—To Be An Important Session—The Revival Meetings at the First Baptist Church.

The next session of the East Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church will open in Rockland April 20, and continue until the following Monday morning. All the Methodist preachers east of the Kennebec and many of their wives will be present, besides a long list of distinguished visitors from various parts of the country. Friday of that week the Laymen's Conference will also meet here to elect delegates to the General Conference that meets in Omaha May 1. This will bring a large number of strangers to our city. The presence of this body of Christian men is eagerly sought by the different towns and cities in this Conference. It gives the people unusual interest and the readers always get a large share of patronage. Moreover they bring good cheer and blessing to many a home. Their presence is morally and socially uplifting. We feel sure the people of Rockland, always noted for hospitality, will cheerfully entertain the pastors and their wives. We shall print from time to time such items of interest as will keep our readers well informed about this religious gathering.

Rev. J. W. Jenkins baptized one candidate at the Congl Church, Sunday.

The Epworth League held their regular monthly meeting Tuesday evening of this week at the Methodist vestry.

Rev. C. S. Cummings will give an address to the ladies of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society next Sunday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock all invited.

Rev. Arthur Crane, of the Free Baptist Church, of Hudson, Mass., has accepted the call to the Free Baptist Church of Saco.

Services at the Free Baptist church next Sunday. Preaching at 10.30 Subject of sermon, "Nobis and the Ark." This will be the first of a series of sermons upon, "Some Old Testament Pictures and New Testament Truths." Sunday School at 12, evening service at 7.

The Methodist, Universalist and Congregational Ladies Societies have circle suppers and entertainments at their respective churches tomorrow night. At the Congregational Church the program prepared for last week, and which was prevented from being carried out by the storm, will be presented.

Alvin and Jones, the revivalists are laboring at the First Baptist Church with great success. Many conversions being reported. Meetings are to be held every afternoon and evening this week. Mr. Allen preached at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning and Mr. Jones at the Cedar Street Church. Several members were received into the First Baptist Church, Sunday afternoon.

Two Fires.

Wednesday noon fire broke out in the second story of Mr. Frank Donahue's carriage-house adjoining his stable at the corner of Park and Union streets, and though the fire department in response to an alarm was prompt in getting in the scene and quick to get to work, the interior was completely destroyed, together with a large number of Mr. Donahue's best sleighs and light carriages.

M. Frank Donahue's loss by fire on Wednesday Mar. 3, was settled Friday Mar. 4, as follows: Loss and damage on carriages, sleighs, etc., \$818.50; on harnesses, damaged by heavy removal, \$25.00; damage on carriage house was appraised by E. K. Glover, and N. Jones, \$170.41. The insurance was with Cochran, Baker & Cross.

About 7 o'clock this morning fire was discovered in the old Frye Block on Main street. The department responded promptly to a general alarm, and found not much but a difficult one to fight. The building was an old-fashioned complicated affair, with a double roof, and between this and the back partitions the flames had worked their way. Just where the fire originated is uncertain. The damage to the block is considerable. The Frye heirs, who own it, have \$35,000 insurance with Cochran, Baker & Cross. The stock in the several stores is insured. C. A. Haskell, fruit dealer, had his stock covered with insurance in Cochran, Baker & Cross; W. H. Kenne's variety store had \$4000 insurance with Cochran, Baker & Cross; Alfred Murray had just laid in considerable stock in his factory and is not quite covered by insurance. He has \$1700 with Cochran, Baker & Cross, and \$500 with A. J. Erskine. John W. Anderson & Co., who had the clear factory in the upper part of the building, suffer the heaviest loss. They had \$3000 worth of stock, one-half being insured. They had \$2,000 with Cochran, Baker & Cross and \$1,000 with A. J. Erskine.

A SENSATION.

Belfast the Scene of a Strange Marriage—Great Excitement.

The principal Maine sensation of the past week comes from Belfast, where a young man of 25 named Herbert C. Penny, a resident of Amherst, Me., weds Ann French of Belfast, nearly ninety years of age. Saturday, Feb. 27, was the date of the ceremony.

The bride is said to be worth \$100,000. She is the widow of Capt. Jeremiah French, for so many years in the employ of Capt. Hugh Rose of Bangor in charge of his large, after retiring from the sea. She is a woman of marked piety, and was, indeed, regarded as "cranky" by those who knew her. She was a great collector of curiosities and has a collection of almanacs for one hundred years past and her house was a perfect museum of curios and antiquities.

The groom is a barber by trade and has varied his calling by peddling various novelties in the way of face powder and the like. It was on one of his peddling trips that he met his bride.

Monday evening a mob visited the house and perpetrated a number of depredations and indignities on Penny, who threatens legal proceedings. It is to be hoped for the credit of Belfast and the State of Maine that the mob's leaders may be brought to punishment.

FARWELL OPERA HOUSE.

The Opening Night Will Be March the 10th.

We will not have the "County Fair" this year, but instead Mr. Chas. Barnard, author of this world renowned comedy, has made arrangements to open the new house with his latest success entitled "Cynthia's Lover." It is a story of quiet rural life in this section of the country, replete with pathos and humor with a beautiful love story told through it, the same as has occurred to many of Rockland's gentle sex—the lover at sea, the ship lost, hearts broken for awhile, then marriage and the lover's return. The cast is strong and the company carry all the scenery and mechanical effects used in the production.

The opening night has been delayed in order to secure a suitable attraction and the old adage "more haste less speed" holds good in this instance, as the management by waiting have secured the latest and greatest success.

QUARRY AND SHED.

Mr. M. J. Kennedy of Brooklyn, N. Y., Manager of the Union Granite Company was in Waldoboro last week.

The Union Granite Company operating at Friendship Long Island has received the contract to furnish the granite for the Grant monument. It is expected that it will be a five years' job, and will furnish employment for a large number of men. Work will begin at an early day.

The works of the company at Long Island Friendship, which have been shut down about six weeks, will start up in a week or ten days. The work on the Brooklyn soldiers' monument is nearly completed but the company has other large contracts in view which will employ a large force at their works this summer. This granite is rapidly working its way into public favor. It was recently tested by the College of Mines in New York City and pronounced one of the superior granites of the country. It is of every light color and entirely free from iron and other impurities. The company has on Long Island shed capacity of three hundred feet, a blacksmith shop running nine fires, and engines for running the grinders, derricks and steam drills. There is also a large lodging house and dining hall. The company has one of the best stone wharves on the coast of Maine, where a vessel can lie in perfect safety through the most severe storms. Mr. Charles A. Benner will be retained as book-keeper and Fred K. Trowbridge will serve as boarding master. This is evidently one of the thriving industries of this vicinity.—Waldoboro News.

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THOMASTON TOPICS.

Mrs. Ada Delano has gone to Haverhill.
Orrin Newbert has entered the employ of F. P. Pease.

The High School held one session Thursday on account of the storm.

Mrs. William Harrington and Mrs. Hollis Harrington arrived home Tuesday last.
Capt. William Leonard and family and William Brown arrived home from sea Saturday.

An account of the Y. P. U. entertainment at Water Hall last Wednesday evening is given in another column.

Among the latest appointments by the Governor are: Fish and Game Warden, Jesse W. Peabody, Thomaston; Notary Public, and Sheriff, John C. Pease, John C. Levenson, Thomaston.

A new departure in the meat business at Thomaston has been advanced the past week with good results. A large number of these fish have been caught with hook and line through the ice at Mill Creek.

E. G. Weston, for several years an energetic clerk in the store of T. S. Andrews, is soon to go on the road introducing excursions for the wholesale trade of John Bird Co., Rockland. William Conery will be Mr. Weston's successor.

The young people's services at the Congregational church last Sabbath evening completed the list of meetings laid out in their program, and now the question arises, have the meetings been a success, shall they be continued?

Next Friday evening Mrs. Helen G. Rice of Boston, National Superintendent of the Loyal Temperance Legion, will deliver a lecture in the Methodist church on the subject of "Our Responsibility to the Child in the Midst." To commence at 7:30 o'clock. A collection will be taken at the close to meet expenses and for the benefit of the Loyal Legion.

Puritan Lodge I. O. G. T. will hold its 33rd annual anniversary on Monday evening, March 22. On Monday evening of last week the male members of the lodge were happily surprised by the presentation of a leap year lunch at the close of the meeting, by the ladies of the lodge to whom many thanks are extended and much appreciation expressed.

At the annual meeting of the Seagarth Club the following officers were elected: President, James A. Greighton; Vice President, Joseph E. Moore; Secretary, E. M. O'Brien; Treasurer, C. S. Smith. The Seagarth are in a flourishing condition and are justly proud of the elegant addition recently made to their rooms. The limit of membership is now filled.

The ones of Lucretia Hutchins and Charles C. Tewksbury for killing Mrs. Mary Hutchins at Arkonkton last October were disposed of in the Penitentiary at Concord, N. H. Whitehouse sentenced Lucretia to seven years in the State Prison for manslaughter. Tewksbury goes to the Insane Hospital in Augusta. The mental condition of these persons has created a great deal of interest as to what would or would be done with them. Mrs. Hutchins was brought to Thomaston Wednesday.

SOUTH THOMASTON.

A First-Class Entertainment by Local Talent Promised.

Miss Belle Sampson of the Intermediate School will pass her vacation in New York.

The Zucche Club is having some very enjoyable Saturday meetings. The club met Saturday evening with Henry Wiggin.

The Dramatic Club have secured the services of Mr. James McNamara for the entertainment tomorrow. Mr. McNamara will sing several popular songs.

Some of the town's best dramatic talent, and South Thomaston has always had talent, have been putting in some telling work on a very interesting three-act drama entitled "Measles," and will present it in Knox Hall tomorrow evening for the benefit of the M. E. Church. Following is the cast of characters: Alvah Morgan, a speculator, is H. Allen; Richard Carter, owner of the Slaughter, D. A. Harriman; Nat Taylor, Capt. of the Slaughter, Capt. Fred Hayden; Teddy Morgan, a runaway, Leonard Trip; Wolf, a stowaway, A. W. Butler; Crumb, the steward, (colorful), A. T. Snow; Grace Morgan, Alvah's daughter, Miss Lou Ingram; Polly Taylor, the captain's pet, Miss Belle Sampson; Arabella Carey, Alvah's sister, Mrs. Maria S. Hayden; Phillis, Grace's maid, Miss Kate Sweetland. After the play, refreshments will be served, and a social time enjoyed. Between the acts there will be solos by Dr. Horn and other local singers. Admission, twenty-five cents, children 15 cents. Doors open at 7 o'clock. Commence at 7:30 o'clock. If stormy, postponed to first pleasant evening.

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CAMDEN CHAT.

The News of the Week Served up for C.-G. Readers.

Dr. Pearson is having his office rejuvenated.
At March comes in we see signs of grippa going out.

The old steamboat house will soon be ready for a tenant.

Mrs. H. L. Mather has a monthly roach-bush, in full bloom.

C. E. Elliott is home from New York, greatly improved in health.

Heirloom talk is just a little quiet at present, but "things are working."

The machinery for the new ash and hilled factory has been received.

Abner Knight is suffering from severe injuries sustained by a fall from a step ladder.

F. J. Wiley will have a very fine tailor shop, when C. P. Brown finishes his work on it.

H. H. Blishe has returned from Ipswich, where he has been at work for Robert Davis.

H. L. Mather and others from here are at work finishing on the new Carleton Block, Rockport.

One of the signs of the times is the new one swung out by E. E. Boynton, druggist. A. L. Hurton was the artist.

Geo. H. Cobb Relief Corps is indebted to Mrs. C. L. Pascal of Rockport, President of the Corps, for a beautiful richly trimmed picture.

Friends of Augustus Young and wife are congratulating them on their 25th wedding anniversary and wishing many happy returns.

There was plenty of water for the fire Thursday morning. The C. & R. Water Co. saved the town from a big fire that time, sure.

The re-election of Mayor Lane is deserved recognition of his public services. Mr. Lane has made the corporation a very efficient municipal body.

F. O. Clark was called to Boston last week by the severe illness of his brother. He returned Friday and reports the sick one doing as well as could be expected.

Tuesday evening of last week the Epworth League, connected with the M. E. Church, held a very interesting social and literary meeting, a large company being present.

The Industrial Conference which met at St. Louis, Feb. 22, and adjourned by the Associated Presses "Haystack" and "Dirly Laborer," has caused a change in come over the spirit of their dreams, and their merit has changed in alarm. There seems to be a political earthquake that is shaking up the western States.

Stated communication of Amity Lodge Friday night. There will be work on Third Degree. The District Deputy will make his official visit on that night and a large attendance is expected. Refreshments will be served after Lodge.

F. Fuller, formerly of this place, died suddenly in Walworth, Mass., Wednesday of last week. The remains were brought to Camden for interment. Deceased was a member of Amity Lodge, F. and A. M., under whose direction the funeral was conducted, Saturday afternoon.

The following letters remain unclaimed in the postoffice at Camden, for the week ending March 3: Ladies—Miss Bertha Barnard, Mrs. Julia Gray, Mrs. Melvin Martin, Mrs. H. A. Small, Mrs. Chas. N. Thomas; Gentlemen—F. Copeland, Jake Connell, Wm. Nelson, Master Bert P. Richards, Thomas A. Thompson.

Two fires last week—one Wednesday morning in Bay View Market, damage slight; the other at 6:30 Thursday morning in the store of J. H. Curtis & Son, Elm street. A fierce gale was blowing at the time and it looked as if we were doomed to a great conflagration, but the prompt arrival of the fire ladders soon put the fire under control and no doubt saved a large portion of our town. Curtis & Son's loss by fire and water is roughly estimated at \$3000, covered by insurance.

Prof. L. A. Lee's lecture on "A Summer in Labrador" in Megantic Hall, Wednesday evening, was a very interesting and instructive event. The audience, tho' not as large as it should have been, was of very good size, and all were delighted with the lecture and the illustrations. Ralph Hunt of Bangor, one of the exploring party and a son of Hon. Abel Hunt, formerly of this place, manipulated the views. The lecture was given under the auspices of the Old Ladies Home Association.

Corporation meeting Tuesday. W. V. Lane, W. R. Gill and L. M. Keniston were elected for first, second and third assessors, respectively. J. P. Stetson was Moderator, and G. T. Holden, Clerk. S. L. Aron was chosen Treasurer. C. K. Miller Collector and S. M. P. G. Carrier and T. A. Atwick, Fire Wardens. Voted to raise \$1250 by assessment for electric lights for the ensuing year. It was also voted to appoint a committee of three to see that the electric lights were run properly, and J. H. Montgomery, Anna Cooper and W. H. Huse were appointed on that committee.

Camden of old contained six grave-yards and four heaves. The action of dividing the town gave Rockport four grave-yards and three heaves. The largest, oldest and most beautiful Mountain Cemetery, nestling at the base of Mt. Battie and situated in the southern extremity of the new town, near the shore and adjoining the Indian farm, came into the new town of Camden. It is not known precisely how remote were the first interments in the cemetery, but more than 100 years is certain. Strange as it may seem there are 141 graves that are unknown by the oldest citizen according to the record here, which is without date, but was made more than a generation ago. There are a few grave stones dated nearly a century ago and a history of this old cemetery would be very interesting, and efforts are being made to ascertain the correct date of what records we have.

Burd & Homer are having some much needed improvements made on their new Main street. S. Mero and crew are rubbing things there and will complete work in another week.

Camden's business men, with their customary sagacity, have anticipated the needs of this busy, growing town, and by the formation of the Camden Loan & Building Association, have possessed themselves of a factor in the development of the place more powerful for good to the town, we believe, than anything short of a steam road. The building of factories and mills and the bringing in of operatives and working people necessarily lead to the building of houses and the establishment of homes, and the Loan & Building Associations under such circumstances furnish the very means by which the houses may be built, the happy homes established and the vast number of operatives converted from mere tenants and boarders into property owners, home owners and tax payers, and made better citizens thereby. Such associations have been very aptly called the "poor man's bank," and wherever established have proved of most inestimable benefit by enabling people of limited means to become possessed of homes of their own, and to pay for them by small monthly payments. For non-borrowers also, the incentive to begin to save small sums systematically for local real estate investment stimulates thrift, industry and sobriety among a large class of would-be economists, who, of their own accord, find it difficult to accumulate enough money to start a Savings Bank account. The Granite State Provident Association of Manchester, N. H., a powerful association with other branches in various parts of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, and the officers and directors elected Friday evening are as follows: Hon. Isaac W. Sherman, Pres.; B. C. Adams, Vice Pres.; W. H. Pascal, Secretary; M. T. Crawford, Treas.; and Atty.: Directors, Hon. Isaac W. Sherman, B. C. Adams, Joshua Adams, H. L. Alden, W. G. Allen, G. L. Follansbee, C. W. Follansbee, M. T. Crawford, D. H. Blishe, E. C. Fletcher, J. F. Stetson, Geo. Hunt, W. H. Pascal, W. R. Gill, C. C. Wood, W. H. Farwell, C. W. Bach, Hecol Robinson, W. V. Lane, Executive Committee, I. W. Sherman, E. G. Fletcher, Geo. Hunt, W. H. Gill, Hecol Robinson. About 400 shares have been sold and great enthusiasm is manifested by the business men, as well as all classes of the people to whom a knowledge of the practical working of such associations have been brought.

WARREN.

The Christian Endeavor Society furnished dinner at Glover Hall, Monday, for the people at town meeting, at 10 cents.

Personal—Elmer Walter of Massachusetts is at home—Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Fowler left last week for a visit to relatives in Massachusetts.

Mr. Marcus Starrett, who, on the fourth of this month passed his four-score years, is still smart and active, having during the winter walked out and back to his wood lot chopping wood.

Mr. Ripley of Union came here last week with a pungent load of meat for the market. Before unloading, the horse started and ran down between the wooden mill and engine house, smashing up the pungent bling generally also injuring his horse by several cuts.

About four o'clock Sunday morning our people were startled from their slumber by the fire alarm bell of the George's River Mills. A jump in the club room under Hotel Warren, which is closed night at ten o'clock, had heated the plastering so much that the wood work caught fire during the night and the smoke in the rooms awakened the inmates. It was some time before they could locate the fire, but by the busy retreat of some, they in walking on the floor, found it was hot and by the use of axes the place was soon found and the fire extinguished.

NORTH UNION.

Amariah Davis has returned to his home in Haverhill.

R. Stone and wife visited relatives in Freedom recently.

A. M. Fossett has purchased a fine colt of Henry Simmons.

Miss Lena Messer is attending High School at Union Common.

Sukerorth & Co. have hired the stage mill and are running at full blast.

The snow storm of last week drifted badly and Stage Driver Jones did not get through Friday.

Lewis Hackliff has returned from Rockland and has moved to James Baker's whom he will care for and own the property.

George Carter came near a serious accident Friday evening near the residence of S. C. Bryant. It being quite dark and the roads badly drifted he stepped outside of the road and fell in a hole, the depth of several feet. He managed to get out alone, as he could make no one hear, and finally reached Chandler Brackley's in an exhausted condition, but was kindly cared for through the night. He was taken to his home the next morning by his brother and at this writing is improving a little.

GREEN'S LANDING.

We have a very enterprising reading club. C. A. Huse who has been so seriously ill is slowly improving.

The Green's Landing Union Society of Christian Endeavor has just filled and sent in a petition relating to the closing of the World's Fair on the Sabbath day.

A Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was organized here in Wednesday evening, with following officers: President, H. G. Gerrish; Vice President, Mrs. Will Levee Greenlaw; Secretary, Mrs. Violet Goss; Treasurer, Mrs. Courtney Small. The next step is to select an agent and send his name on to the Governor for appointment. Also agents are being obtained for the Junior society to be known as the "Epworth Club of Mercy."

MARTINSVILLE.

Mr. Stephen Gardiner has lost his horse.

Mr. Thomas Butler has killed his icebox.

Mr. F. W. Hart is putting a piazza on his house.

Miss Maggie Williams is teaching a private school in district No. 10.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle held an entertainment at the church vestry last Monday week, consisting of reading, music, etc. Chowder, ice cream, cakes and pies were sold, amounting to \$18 which will go toward paying for repairs on the vestry.

TENANT'S HARBOR.

Miss Joshua Maxwell is very sick.
A. S. Newman was in town Saturday.
Town meeting next Monday, March 14.

Neither sleighing nor wheeling at present in this town.
W. L. Allen has been at South Bristol on business.

Davis Bros. have made preparations to build an ice house preparatory to cutting some ice.

Rob. Brilliant arrived from Portland last Saturday with freight for the different stores.

G. E. Allen was in town last week and purchased his spring and summer stock of clothing.

Town reports will soon be in circulation and everybody will know the condition of the town's affairs.

Llewellyn Smalley has opened a grocery store in District No. 2 and has put a cart on the road with groceries.

Capt. Orris Hathorn has gone to sea with Coast Steamer in the four masted sch. Chas. I. Davenport as mate.

A few men have started to work at the Wild Cat quarry but owing to the stormy weather not much headway has been made.

A committee was chosen at the Sunday School Sunday to recover the books and get the library in trim for circulation once more.

Loon Cove Notes—About ninety stone cutters are at work on the new job at present. Several of the cutters worked Friday and Saturday nights in order to get the stone ready for shipment. Sch. Charlie May was at the Cove Friday and Saturday with coal and freight for the quarry and store.

Joshua Martin went to Lynn, Mass., last week and will purchase a house and move his family there, providing he finds one that suits him, having sold his place in Frank M. Rawley's newly finished building. We are sorry to have them leave the place but feel sure that wherever they may go they will be in the many friends as they leave behind them.

The town warrant this year is a document about two feet long and contains articles enough to do the town good if they are dealt with justly. To see if the town will purchase a road machine is one of the articles. That the town needs better roads and have the road tax expended more evenly can be seen by anyone with half an eye. It is also contained an article concerning the building of a bridge at Clark's Island. What matter is laid out to that so-called bridge in ten years would build a good substantial bridge. The condition that it is at the present time is awful. If you don't believe it take a ride over it and I'll guarantee it to cure the worst case of the grip that ever was in this town.

The public schools in our village closed Friday, Feb. 26, after a very successful term of twelve weeks. The Grammar School has been under the instruction of Chas. N. Perkins. Mr. Perkins proved himself a very efficient teacher and worked hard for the advancement of the school. The term closed with an exhibition which was a credit to the school. The Primary School during the year has been taught by Mrs. W. H. Matthews. Mrs. Matthews has been very diligent in her labors and has endeavored to make the school a model one in every particular. The following scholars have not been absent during the term: Alice Wall, Harriet Matthews, Helen Barrows, Nora Alley, Edie Alley, Harry Hart, Alfred Watts, Fred Smith, John Matthews, Harry Gatchell, Hans Smith; absent one half day, Hattie Gardner, Lois Hart; absent one day, Gertrude Watts, Leslie Watts, George Watts, Horace Robinson, LeRoy Hart.

UNION.

J. C. Pillsbury is home for a short time.
J. A. Gleason, who has been improving of late, is no so well.

The Knitting Bee meets this week with Mrs. F. E. Varney. All are invited.

Writing school closed Monday night last week after a successful term of thirteen evenings.

Miss Bowen of Clark's Island is stopping with Mrs. E. Lovett and attending the High School.

Mrs. Helen G. Rice of Massachusetts will give a lecture at the Cong'l Church, Tuesday evening, Mar. 16.

The concert at the Cong'l Church by the young people to place Wednesday evening according to notice. Quite a good time.

The drama which is being rehearsed by the Hall Association is called "Woodcock's Little Game," and will probably be put before the public in about three weeks.

Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, who has spoken here twice before and who was so much enjoyed, comes to us again on March 18 with her lecture "The Joy of Today." The place where she will speak is yet in doubt but will be unannounced next week.

The Democratic caucus took place Wednesday evening and resulted in the following nominations: Selection, Warren Hills, O. N. Butler and G. W. Payson; Treasurer, A. B. Shuman; Clerk, A. M. Wingate; Supervisor of Schools, W. C. Moreton.

The temperance meeting Sunday was conducted by Mrs. A. L. Jones. The attendance was unusually large. It was sixteen years the fourth of this month since the reform work started here, largely through the influence and work of Rev. P. V. Norcross, who was instrumental in getting some returned men here from Auburn, and a great temperance work was the result. The meeting Sunday naturally took a turn in that way, and as Mr. Norcross was present he made it very interesting.

ROCKPORT.

The political pot hasn't begun to boil here at all. It must be that everybody is satisfied with the last year's administration.

The Congregational Sewing Circle meets Wednesday with Mrs. G. E. Hennessey—Congregational society Friday evening at Mrs. H. H. Merriam's. Refreshments will be served.

A pleasant evening's entertainment is assured all who attend.

NORTH HAVEN.

On account of the storm and high winds packet Greyhound did not make her regular trip to Rockland Wednesday.

Hiram Stone and Howard Dean went to Rockland Tuesday in ship Jupiter. She is now frozen in there, at the Brook.

Mr. Melville Alexander has gone to Portland.

SUCCESSFUL FAIR AND CONCERT.

By The Congregational Young People's Union of Thomaston.

They Occupy Watts Hall and Have a Big Time—Nice Articles Offered for Sale—An Entertaining Entertainment—Want Them Again.

The fair and supper given by the Young People's Union of the Thomaston Congregational Church at Watts Hall, Wednesday last, was well attended and a success in all respects. The sale of fancy work began at two p. m. The tables were heavily laden with beautiful articles of handwork, among which we noticed a lunch cloth, with palm design, done in white with a charming center piece of white linen whose heavy silk embroidery was cut with Japanese gilt thread, lovely finger bowl dusters in various designs and colors; sofa pillows, butterfly lamp shades, a dainty pair of slippers whose ribbons and trimmings made them a delicate bit of color among their surroundings, etc., etc. A small revolving bookcase of cherry and of the finest workmanship was quickly sold. Aside from the useful household, kitchen aprons, etc., there were delicate, dainty socks for wet babies, tray cloths, tidies, a lovely dolly for cake basket, of linen drawn work, a hand-painted thermometer case, silk-lined baskets, glove menders, a laundry bag of linen with bright orange trimmings, and scattered along the table were some bits of hand painted china, so dainty and finely done that everyone regretted that many pieces promised for the sale and done by the same lady failed to arrive from the kiln where they had been sent for drying.

Fine house-ware can only be sold from one of the tables. The supper, which was served in the banquet hall from 6 to 6 o'clock, was well patronized and consisted of the following palatable articles: Hot rolls, potato and lobster salad, cold tongue and ham, cake, tarts, tea and coffee, the price being 25 cents and the receipts amounting to \$20.35.

In the evening the doors were open at 7:30 and a good sized audience appeared to greet the celebrated Ladies' Cecilia Quartet of Portland, who appeared on the stage in becoming costumes at 8:30 and were heartily applauded. The quartet is composed of Lizzie M. Brown, Georgia A. Knight, Nettie M. Munroe and a wife, counselor. Mrs. Eliza Thordike of this city is a sister of deceased and Mrs. Joseph Ames of South Thomaston a half sister.

Hannah T. Keating, widow of William McLean of Rockland, died in Boston Sunday of last week. The remains were brought to this city and the funeral services held at the home of S. W. McLean, a son, Sunday noon, Rev. J. H. Parsley officiating, music being furnished by the Ariel Ladies Quartet. Deceased was a daughter of Capt. William Keating of South Thomaston. In 1826 she was married to the Hon. William McLean, who was a prominent shipbuilder and owner, and was at one time state senator. Of a family of eleven children but three survive, Mary A., widow of Horace Williams, Mrs. F. W. Bird of Boston and Miss W. McLean of this city. Mrs. McLean was a faithful, affectionate parent, a lady of great strength of character, a warm friend and a wise counselor. Mrs. Eliza Thordike of this city is a sister of deceased and Mrs. Joseph Ames of South Thomaston a half sister.

Capt. Samuel Blanchard died at his home in Rockland, Me., Sunday of last week, of a brief illness resulting from the infirmities of age. He was born in Duxbury, Jan. 31, 1808, and was one of a family of ten children. As was often the case with boys in those days he was thrown upon his own resources at an early age. Following the example of an elder brother he went to sea. Later he was for a short time conductor between Portland and Portland Railroad, when Richmond was the terminus, being the first man to run a train over the road between Richmond and Portland. But he was better known known as a steamboat man. Few men have been more widely known among steamboat men than Capt. Blanchard. He began as pilot of the Hiram's running between Hallowell and Portland, and later succeeded his brother, Capt. David Blanchard, in command of the steamer. After leaving the Hiram, Capt. Blanchard took command of the Daniel Webster in 1833 and ran eight years on the Boston and Bangor route, and subsequently was master of the Eastern Queen out of the Kennebec. He was a cool, clear headed man of modest mien. No one ever saw him excited or out of temper. Capt. Blanchard was a man of exemplary habits. He never used tobacco, liquor or profane language. No law was ever allowed on his boat. He always had an understanding with owners that no liquor should be sold on any boat that he commanded. About 20 years ago he retired from active life and has since led a quiet life at home. He is very unassuming disposition. His wife, who survives him, is in very feeble health. Capt. Orris Ingraham of this city was mate of the Daniel Webster under Capt. Blanchard.

VINALBURG—SO. WALDOBORO.

Andrew Kaler entertained a party of young people Saturday evening.

About 75 enjoyed a box social at W. A. Wells', last week, for the benefit of the Sabbath School.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Vinal and Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Picher of Port Clyde have been visiting relatives in town.

Harvey C. Heyer visited North Waldboro Saturday and enjoyed a supper held by the Methodist Society to secure an advance fund and to procure a bell.

WALDOBORO DRAMATICS.

The Dixie Dramatic Club, at their annual meeting last Friday evening, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: F. H. Miller, President; M. and Mary, Vice Pres.; Don't, George L. Bates, Secretary; Dana L. Gay, Treasurer; Will S. Winslow, Stage Manager; Percy B. Storer, Property Man; J. H. Bunker, Asst. Property Man; Gardner J. Reed, Musical Director. The Club has just completed the first year of its organization and has been well supported by the people of Waldboro. The "Dixie" promises to become one of our permanent institutions.—Waldoboro News.

CLARK'S ISLAND.

The apostrophe and "s" is to be dropped from our postoffice address, and hereafter it will be Clark Island.

C. F. Peniston, who has been in charge of the Company store, has been paid master, superintendent, and has held other positions, left here Saturday for New York. He leaves many friends here.

VINALHAVEN.

Schooner Harvester arrived Saturday from Boston.

The Library will be open again to the public next Saturday at 6 p. m.

The annual meeting of the Union Church Society will be held at the vestry Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Steamer Elmholm left yesterday at 6 a. m. to accommodate passengers who wished to leave on the early train from Rockland.

TO END THIS AWFUL MORTALITY AMONG CHILDREN

From DIPHTHERIA, CROUP and SCARLET FEVER.

TO STOP CRUEL LOSS OF LIFE AMONG ADULTS

From TYPHOID FEVER, PNEUMONIA and CONSUMPTION.

To help and cure invalids sinking and perishing under

ASTHMA, RHEUMATISM, BRIGHT'S DISEASE, CATARRH, and all poison of our climate, it is time this community knew the truth concerning

Wm. RADAM'S MICROBE KILLER

THE GREATEST CURATIVE OF THE AGE.

Enlightened Science admits that all sickness is caused by living Germs, or Microbes, in food and water, in the air, in the blood, and in the vital organs. Radam's Microbe Killer, by reducing the number of these, is a life saver. It kills the Microbes of the blood and the vital organs, and the Microbes of the air and water, and the Microbes of the food and drink, and the Microbes of the clothing and the bedding, and the Microbes of the house and the street, and the Microbes of the city and the world. It is the greatest curative of the age, and it is the only one that is safe and sure. It is the only one that is cheap and easy to use. It is the only one that is sold in every drug store and in every grocery store. It is the only one that is sold in every hotel and in every boarding house. It is the only one that is sold in every public place and in every private place. It is the only one that is sold in every country and in every city. It is the only one that is sold in every house and in every room. It is the only one that is sold in every bed and in every chair. It is the only one that is sold in every table and in every desk. It is the only one that is sold in every book and in every paper

AN ANCIENT WARREN VILLAGE.

The Scotch Settlers Who Came Here to Found a City.

Bonny Brig Dolphin and Her Cargo of Colonists—They Land at Pleasant Point—Gen. Waldo and His Circulars—The City of Stirling.

Warren has lost another of its aged and worthy citizens. Gilbert Anderson, who departed this life Feb. 15, aged 88 years, 6 months, 11 days. Mr. Anderson was one of Warren's respected and wealthy farmers, who looked well to the interest of his household. He was a son of Samuel Anderson and grandson of Archibald Anderson of Bannockburn, and with about 70 others embarked in 1753 on the Brig Dolphin, of Glasgow, Scotland, for America and landed at Pleasant Point, Cashier, whence the colony traveled to what is now known as Stirling, Warren, where by a contract made with Gen. Waldo, they were to be provided with a suitable tenement house where to quarter till they built a city, which they anticipated doing.

On their arrival the house had not been completed. On the site where Benj. Libby now resides they found the walls of a large log-house partitioned into 14 rooms, but roofless. Therefore the colonists had to scatter round and live with the earlier citizens till the winter, provisions being supplied them by Waldo. We are informed that an original circular, which Waldo circulated in Scotland, and a plan of the contemplated city have been till the present time in possession of the late Oliver Anderson.

In the spring of 1751 these emigrants took possession of the lots assigned them between the late Mr. Anderson's and the school-house to the west, where they built log houses on a direct street, outlining a city. Their farms were to the west of the South Pond.

To this forest city they gave the name of Stirling, to commemorate that from which most of them came.

VALUABLE RELIC.

G. W. Cochran has left with us for inspection a very valuable document—the appointment of James Cochran, Gentleman, as Surgeon of the Second Regiment, in the First Brigade and Eighth Division of the Militia of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts by His Excellency, Commander in Chief, E. B. E. Governor and Commander in Chief of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

ROCKPORT MARINE.

Sch. Mail was at E. Light on last week bound for Bath with coal.

G. E. Carleton loaded sch. Cora Louise, Greenlaw, last week with lime for New York.

Bark P. J. Carleton, Crosby, gets 6d on lumber from Puget Sound to Australia.

Capt. E. T. Amsbury left Wednesday for Philadelphia to join his ship the S. D. Carleton.

Sch. Mazurka is expected here with a cargo of grain and flour for S. E. & H. L. Shepherd.

Sch. Antelope sailed the first of last week with a cargo of lime for Boston from S. E. & H. L. Shepherd.

The schooner fleet that left here the 27th are in different ports, delayed by the north-easterly gale that has been prevailing. The new schooner Adella T. Carleton, bound for Charleston, S. C., is in Gloucester; Annie Shepherd for New York, is in Boothbay; Ripley, and Chester Lawrence for Boston; Hannah F. Kimball for Providence, R. I., are in Portland.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Interesting Facts and Figures from Rockport's Books.

Town Clerk Paul of Rockport reports 17 marriage publications from Mar. 10, 1891, to Feb. 27, 1892 and 19 marriages recorded in that time. The first marriage recorded in the new books under the new vital statistics law was that of Ann A. Howe of Belfast and Hattie E. Burry of Rockport. Up to Feb. 27 five intentions and four marriages were recorded in the new books.

The following births appear in the new book: Jan. 3, to John and Georgia Upham Caut, a son; Jan. 7, to Andrews and Jennie Cleveland Mitchell, a son; Feb. 2, to Charles P. and Louise Dailey Tolman, a son.

There have been 14 deaths in town since Mar. 10. Of these 14 have occurred since Jan. 1.

ST. PAUL'S LODGE.

Something Slightly Historical—An Argument Ended.

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The records of the treasurer of the lodge in its early history, P. J. Carleton, show that the lodge did occupy quarters there. They afterwards moved into Mrs. McAllister's building, then into the Martin building, and then into the Burgess building, where they now are, and from which they will soon move into the new block.

Sup. Fred Gould who has charge of the Randolph House at Randolph has made a record place the operation of the mill on the river, which probably has not been made by a single chain and goes far ahead of the best record ever made in this line. Since the season opened he has run 25,000 tons into the house with a single chain, a piece of work regarded as almost phenomenal by the local farmers.

TIMELY TOPICS.

It was not the famous "great Paul" but the hour bell in the clock tower of St. Paul's cathedral, which announced the death of the Duke of Clarence. "Great Paul" has only been rung once since it was removed to the southern belfry, and that was on the occasion of Queen Victoria's death. It weighs seven tons, and the hour bell between five and seven tons. It is customary to toll the cathedral bell on the death of those in the direct succession to the throne—sovereigns, royal consorts, the prince, the bishop, and occasionally on the death of some great general or divine.

"Typewriter's stub finger" is the name of the newest affliction on the books of the doctors, and it threatens to become one of the formidable evils of modern civilization. The deformity has gradually been introducing itself among its unconscious victims, until now suddenly a host of typewriters, fair and otherwise, have awakened to the startling discovery that their constant playing upon the little piano like machines has utterly destroyed the shapeliness of their hands and transformed their fingers into thumbs. Probably 600 typewriters in Philadelphia have become thus unhappily afflicted, and the rest are growing rapidly in number. The public in general must feel an interest in wondering whether the affliction is likely to spread, and with the use of typewriters themselves given rise to a future generation which shall be all thumbs and no fingers.

The New play at Palmer's theater, New York, presents as its central figure a priest of the Roman Catholic church who has received in confessional the secret of a murder, and who, by the action of the play, is brought into circumstances where it becomes a matter of conscience with him whether he shall reveal the secrets of the confession, and thus violate his priestly vows, or permit a innocent man to suffer the penalty of an heinous crime. As Frederic Robinson plays the part of the priest, it is not strange that this situation is made a powerful one. It involves a delicate theme, however, and the decision of the priest to reveal the secret and abandon the church, whose rules he has in this manner violated, may offend the religious sensibilities of many. The plot, though powerful, is sordid in coloring and tone, but is in the hands of a remarkable company of players, including not only Mr. Robinson, but Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. D. P. Bowers, Maud Harrison, Agnes Booth, Mr. Phillips and others of almost equal note.

A special feature of a successful bazaar of the Winter was the dinner served every day from 5 to 10. One day a French dinner was served, the next day a German dinner, and the day after a New England dinner were served on other days of the week. The large hall where the entertainment was held was decorated in yellow and white, and the tables were covered with white cloths, and lighted by lanterns from every land where they are made. Over each booth was a large Japanese umbrella hung with lanterns. Booths that women could patronize economically were those containing table and bed linen and towels, and where hold-ers of all kinds, and tea, coffee and egg cosies were sold. Among the holders for kitchen use were those of asbestos.

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THE REGENSBURG BRIDGE.

An Interesting Medieval Legend.

Few towns, I fancy, combine within their walls so many buildings of interest, and so many memories dear to mankind, as Regensburg. We sat down upon the pavement in the market-place to muse of these things, our backs to a church wall, and our hats full of freshly picked strawberries, from the baskets of an equally fresh peasant lassie, who delighted in seeing us eat her fruit. But the monument most interesting to a connoisseur is the stone bridge, claimed by Regensburg to be the strongest in the world, at any rate, the span between the piers is no wider than the battlements, and the river rushes through so turbulently as to create very risky-looking whirl pools and rapids below. The engineer troops of England, have to take pilots when they pass this town, and we were strongly urged to do the same; but we had no room, and consequently determined to try for ourselves. We succeeded by choosing the right-hand arch, and our success was in spite of the devil, for his share in its construction was very great, as every Danube sailor will attest.

The story runs that while the cathedral was in course of construction, the chief architect intrusted to a very clever carpenter the task of making this bridge. The young man felt so confident that he offered to span the Danube before his master had finished the cathedral. But he finally found that he had undertaken too much, for the sacred pile went up with great steadiness, while the bridge moved with great difficulty. The younger man finally vented his discouragement in blasphemous wishes that the devil might take over the job.

No sooner spoken than a venerable monk appeared and offered to do the work. In his hands were cloven hoofs, and a tail whisked under the sacred garb; but nevertheless a bargain was made, and it was agreed that when the bridge was done, the devil was to have the first three living things that crossed.

The devil kept his word. All the material came to hand with such despatch that the morning broke upon a completed bridge. It was May day, and of course a great crowd was present, each eager to be first in crossing so new and magnificent a thoroughfare. The devil, delighted with his bargain, rubbed his hands under the second arch, and then the shore, and waited for his victims.

"Stop!" said the architect to the crowd. "Stand back! In the opening of this bridge we have a solemn ceremony to perform before it can be properly dedicated. At each arch, I wish a wink to his foreman, 'let the stranger take precedence.'"

At these words a rough wolf-dog, followed by a cock and a hen, was set at large, and crossed the first arch of the bridge. At the second arch a dreadful noise was heard under the piers. The mangled remains of the three animals flew in all directions, and the devil was seen to disappear, screaming, "Cheated! cheated of my fee!"

The second arch of the Regensburg Bridge as it proved the legend, is still saggingly bent upon destroying the butterns venturing beneath it; and as we have no desire to measure the strength of our paddle with that of the devil's pitchfork, we carefully avoided it and advise all others to do the same.

The Great Opera-House of Paris.

Everyone knows the outside of the present bridge Paris Opera; those who have been to Paris saw it there, and they could not help seeing it, if they tried—and those who have not been there know it from photographs. It has for some years rather occupied the position once held by St. Peter's in Rome, as the most familiar feature in the world. It is a singularly ugly building, this "Mausoleum, as it is sometimes called. A worse sky line were hard to imagine, and one would be tempted to say, as the architect of the opera house, that the exterior gives one some clue to the arrangement of the interior; you distinguish plainly enough the flattened dome, or lantern, that forms the roof of the auditorium, and you see with equal ease that the cubic behind it marks the position of the proscenium arch. So far there is certain honesty about its ugliness. As you cross the boulevard des Capucines, and come near enough to the bridge to see the opera house, you are struck by the proportions of the main facade not unimpressing—were only the hideous splashing out of the way; but even this facade, with its galleries and loggias, is a little unbecomingly suggestive of a piece of furniture. It all lacks dignity. And yet, with and in spite of all this, the eye rests upon it not without pleasure; it is all so sumptuous, so gorgeous, so variegated and rich in color and material; there is no element of meanness or flimsiness in it. It is vicious, but like many another vicious thing, not altogether unlovely. It seems to me that a man might easily get fond of it to the point of feeling homesick for it. But, if the exterior has its compensations, the interior is hardly less so. The auditorium, here there is abundant opportunity of gold-bronze tones, but all else is irredeemable.

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DIGNITY OF SEX.

A Chicago Road Carrier Drew the Line at Being Put in Order by a Woman.

One of the road carriers at work on a brick building out in the suburbs limbed up to the first story Thursday. When he fell and the bricks and he ladder fell on him. When the debris had been pulled away the road carrier was lying face downward on the pavement stones senseless. There wasn't a drug store or a doctor within half a mile. A bricklayer put on his coat and tore for the nearest patrol box. Meantime the road carrier was lying there in a pool of blood, apparently thinking about nothing in particular.

The boss was fuming about, kicking blocks of wood into the street and swearing at the laziness of the police. The big plasterers who could drive a spike with their fists were standing around as helpless as children. At this time a young woman in a blue coat came across the street. She was pretty and rosy, with a lot of yellow hair drawn up tightly from her temples, and she had a most decided look in her bright blue eyes. She brushed the big fellows aside and asked briskly, "What's the trouble here, men?"

"One of the boys has busted himself wide open," said the boss politely. "Let me see," said the pretty girl, dropping on her knees beside the road carrier. She took off a dainty kid glove and with her little white hand felt the man's skull.

"No bones fractured here," she said, looking up at the group around her. Then she noticed the pool of blood lying beside the man's right arm, and she picked up a pair of scissors and ripped up the coat sleeve and the sleeve of the flannel shirt.

"Goodness!" she said. "An artery has been cut. Give me a piece of twine, quick."

The boss pulled a piece of coarse string from his coat pocket and handed it to the girl. She drew it around the man's arm, made a loop knot, thrust a pencil into the loop and twisted it until the cord sank deep into the flesh.

"You hold this," she said to the boss, and the big man knelt down and grabbed the twine. Then she had some water brought and she washed the scalp wound in a jiffy. Then she cut among the loose flesh with the scissors and with plaster and a strip of linen from a bag she carried she made a neat bandage. Then she arose and viewed a pretty job of emergency surgery with reasonable complacency. The patrol wagon and the road carrier came around at the same time. As the wagon backed up the road carrier opened his eyes and saw the girl in the blue cloak.

"Are you hurt, Mike?" said the boss.

"Naw," said the road carrier. "Take me somewhere that I can get a doctor. I don't want no women monkeying 'round me!"

The girl doctor in blue looked at him quizzically and laughed as she washed his gore from her hands in the bucket of water.—Chicago Herald.

Knocking Ties with His Feet. One of the oldest features in the process of making glass is the construction of the "jots" or crucibles in which the raw materials are fused into glass ready for the blowpipe. These pots, which are dome shaped, about four feet high and six inches in diameter, are made of clay, which is principally imported from Germany, although an article has been discovered in the state of Missouri which serves the purpose measurably well. Men are at work constantly making these pots, for a supply of well-seasoned ones must be kept on hand ready for immediate use.

One of the workmen—and a very important one—is constantly employed in kneading the moistened clay to bring it into a condition of requisite tenacity, and this work oddly enough he does with his bare feet, treading the yielding mass back and forth with peculiar sidelong steps all day long for a period of three weeks to each "batch." No machinery has ever been devised which can supplant this primitive process of working the clay into proper condition, and the old man I saw at work will doubtless tread backward and forward in his clay as long as he performs any earthly labor.—Alfred Matthews in Pittsburgh Dispatch.

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