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At a recent meeting of the Amherst, Mass., creamery association, for business and social purposes, Mr. A. M. Bancroft, President of the Ellington, Conn., creamery, gave an address on the organization of creamery interests, in which he made the statement that "the Babcock test exists only for the purpose of selling the Babcock machines."

It must be that Mr. Bancroft lost sight of the importance of this machine in testing the work of the operator of the factory, or he could not have made his sweeping statement. The Amherst association does business on the cream gathering, space measurement plan, and are doing some excellent work. If the statement had been made that the Babcock machine was not needed in apportioning the value of the cream made up at the factory, there could be found other strong evidence of the soundness of the position taken in cases where as methodic work is done as that at Amherst. But above and aside from this, the value of the Babcock test, it seems to us, must be conceded.

A GOOD FRUIT YEAR PROMISED.

The season to date has been remarkably favorable for all fruits and special investigations made by this journal point to a liberal yield, providing present good conditions are continued. No frost since blooming and the set is good. Apples promise large crop everywhere except in such orchards as were overloaded last year. Nowhere is there any prospect of scarcity. The outlook for peaches is the best for years. In every section where grown the season has been entirely favorable to date. The bloom and set of fruit is uniform, promising an exceptional yield. Frosts may yet injure the crop, but every day renders it safer and only the most severe weather could now cause any serious shortage. Cherries, plums and small fruits generally promise equally well. Berries are less flattering. Dry weather in Illinois and to a less extent in other parts of Ohio valley is working injury. The frosts of the past three weeks in California have seriously damaged the fruit prospects of that state. Peaches suffered badly and prunes more so. Early grapes will make but a limited crop. Everything now points to a good fruit year east of the Rocky Mountains and a partial cessation of the Pacific coast competition.—New England Homestead.

The outlook for grain crops in the west is materially better than a month ago. Special inquiry made by The Homestead reveals a promise of a liberal yield of winter wheat in all the great surplus states, with the possible exception of Ohio. In the northwestern states spring wheat seeding has been delayed, because of wet weather. During the opening days of May, however, conditions have been more favorable, and rapid advances made in putting in the crop. Providing the weather is propitious henceforward, there is promise of a liberal '96 yield of wheat. In Kansas, the outlook is the best in the history of the state, with the average condition nearly perfect. In '92 Kansas produced 70,000,000 bushels. Chinch bugs are prevalent in some states, yet up to the present time no damage of consequence has been done. The condition of winter wheat for the whole country May 1 is placed at 88.4, a slight gain over the previous month. Wheat in New York is 92 and winter rye 90, which is only a little above the average for the entire country.—New England Homestead.

The annual report of the New York state commissioner of agriculture, Mr. Schraub, consists of nearly 1400 pages. Who shall longer say that the lawyer cannot successfully fill an important agricultural position?

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Dyspep-

sia, and 3 years treatment by physicians did me no good. I could not eat half a cracker without distress. I fell off in weight from 180 to 149 pounds. I also suffered with rheumatism, and was pretty well used up. I heard about Hood's Sarsaparilla and began to take it. I soon noticed that it was helping me, and after taking several bottles found I could eat what I wanted without any distress. Later I had salt rheum or

Eczema

come on my ankles, and I again took Hood's Sarsaparilla. The swelling went down and the eruptions healed. Then I had the grip and it left me in bad shape, with catarrh and other troubles. The doctor said I was all worn out, but might be patched up and live a year or two. But I clung to my old friend Hood's Sarsaparilla and was soon in my better health. I am alive yet, more than three years having passed since the doctor's prediction, thanks to Hood's. I am 69 years old, weigh 170 pounds, am in good health and recommend Hood's Sarsaparilla to all my friends for dyspepsia, catarrh and rheumatism, and also for cleansing the blood." S. S. PHILLIPS, Wardsboro, Vermont.

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POTATO CULTURE.

A valuable Farmers' Bulletin, No. 35, has been issued from the Department of Agriculture, prepared by J. F. Duggard from data found in the work of the several experiment stations, giving this particular matter attention. We have room only for the following:

SUMMARY.

1. A rich, sandy loam, well drained and well supplied with vegetable matter is the best soil for the potato. Stiffer land may be improved as a potato soil by green manuring and drainage, and lighter soils can often be made sufficiently rich by the addition of green manures and fertilizers.

2. Potatoes should not, as a rule, be grown continuously on the same land, but should be alternated with other crops. Barnyard manure may be freely used, but should, as a rule, be applied to previous crops in the rotation.

3. If commercial fertilizers are used a mixture containing nitrogen in form of nitrate of soda, phosphoric acid as superphosphate, and potash as sulphate, and in which potash predominates, is recommended.

4. Preparation of the land should be deep and thorough.

5. Planting without ridging generally affords the larger yields, but a stiff soil and the desire for an extra early crop sometimes necessitate planting on ridges.

6. The best time for planting depends on the climate of each locality; the planting should be so timed as to bring the period when the tubers are rapidly forming at a date when the average rainfall is ample.

7. On mellow, well drained soil deep planting (3 to 5 inches) is best, especially when the season happens to be dry. For the early crop, or on stiff soil with a tendency to bake, the depth of planting may be decreased.

8. The use of the harrow before the plants are all up and frequent shallow cultivation afterwards until the vines shade the land are advisable.

9. Seed potatoes grown in New England in several tests proved superior to Maryland seed both in New England and in Maryland. However, the data seem insufficient to determine definitely the relative value of seed potatoes from different climates.

10. Cutting the seed pieces a few days before planting appears to exercise no injurious influence, provided, of course, that the cuttings are carefully stored in the interim.

11. The yield from planting the seed or bud is generally greater than from the stem or butt end of the tuber. The eyes on the seed end are the first to germinate, and hence are especially important when an early crop is desired.

12. Exposing unsprouted tubers in a warm place before planting hastens growth, but if continued until sprouts form (which are rubbed off) the yield may be considerably reduced.

13. Experiments indicate that it is more important to cut the tuber into compact pieces of nearly uniform size than to so shape the pieces as to have a definite number of eyes on each set. No piece should be entirely devoid of eyes, and the majority of the seed pieces should be large enough to support at least two eyes and better three or more.

14. At distances of 1 by 3 feet, and with seed tubers averaging 1 ounces, an acre requires of quarters about 15 bushels.

15. The total yield increases with every increase in the size of seed piece from the single eye to the whole potato; this increase occurs both in the large and in the small potatoes, but chiefly in the latter.

16. The gross yield of salable potatoes (large and medium) also increases with the size of the seed piece from one eye to the whole potato.

17. The net yield of salable potatoes (found by subtracting the amount of seed potatoes and the yield of small potatoes from the total yield) increases with every increase in the size of seed piece from one eye to the half potato. The half potato affords a larger net salable crop than the whole potato on account of the excessive amount of seed required in planting entire tubers. Taking the average of many experiments it was found that for every 100 bushels of net salable crop grown from single eyes there were 114 bushels from 2-eye pieces, 131 bushels from quarters, and 139 bushels from halves, but only 129 bushels from planting whole potatoes.

18. These results favor the use of halves as seed pieces if seed potatoes and crop are assumed to be of equal value per bushel, but when seed potatoes command a very high price quarters may be used to advantage.

19. Large seed pieces afford an earlier crop and are less liable to result in a deficient stand or entire failure, which, in unfavorable years and poorly prepared soil, is sometimes the fate of small pieces.

20. With judicious planting there is probably no necessity for reducing the number of stalks per hill by thinning.

21. It is better to place in a hill one large piece than several very small ones of the same aggregate weight.

22. Distance, variety, character of soil, and numerous other conditions are factors in determining the most profitable amount of seed. The distance allowed each piece should increase with the size of the piece and should be greater with varieties with rank growth of vines and numerous tubers than for less vigorous varieties.

23. Small potatoes can sometimes be used for seed with profit, in which case they should be planted whole. Leading growers are careful to select for seed medium to large tubers of good shape, and their example should be followed.

24. In harvesting it pays to handle potatoes carefully, and this is especially necessary for early potatoes dug before the vines are completely dead, and while the skin is tender. Removing the largest tubers by hand, before growth ceases, does not necessarily reduce the yield, but is practicable only on small areas.

25. Darkness and a low temperature are the primary requisites in the successful storing of potatoes.

26. In warm climates a second crop can be obtained within one year by planting sprouted whole potatoes in midsummer.

THE DEPTH OF SEEDING.

The Michigan experiment station has tested the different depths of seeding. The trial was made on sandy loam and clayey soils on depths of from one-half inch to twelve inches. Thirty seeds were planted. Of these twenty-six came that were put one-half inch deep for wheat, twenty-eight one inch deep, twenty-two two inches deep, twenty-one four inches deep and thirteen six inches deep germinated.

The best germination of flax was at one inch in depth and for corn the same, two seeds more coming at one inch in depth than one-half inch. At two inches in depth six seeds less germinated than at one, while at four inches ten seeds germinated.

The best germination of barley was at one-half inch in depth, and of clover at one inch, peas at four inches and buckwheat at three inches.

A great crop of corn makes lots of fat beeves, and usually correspondingly low prices. The Breeder's Gazette, Chicago, is authority for the statement that American farmers never sold so many well finished beeves at such low prices as are being marketed this spring. This is as the Farmer predicted last fall. Thousands of carloads of feeders went on to the corn farms last fall to be fed during the winter. These are now appearing on the market, and the supply is likely to continue for some months to come.—Maine Farmer.

The finest butter imported into the English and French markets is said to be made in northern France and is known as Normandy butter. Its quality is ascribed to the breed of cattle, pastures and method of manufacture.

THE LAST APPEARANCE OF MOLIERE.

[It is recorded of Moliere that on the night of his death he insisted on going to the theater, as usual, despite the entreaties of his friends, to play the "Malade Imaginarie" in order that the workmen might not lose their wages.]

Did you who sat that night to see
The wizard's hand complete its task
Guess at the face of Tragedy
Which lurked behind the comic mask?
Did you, whose plaudits wild and loud
Mixed fate and laughter in a breath,
Behold the actor as he bowed,
Crown'd with the cypress wreath of death?

Across the footlights of the years
That latest scene shines fresh and bright.
Only the lamps are blurred with tears,
Only the laughter fails tonight—
And, lo! before our startled eyes
Two centuries dwindle to a span,
And other silent plaudits rise
Not for the genius, but the man.

Actor, there gleams above thy tomb
No censor which the church can swing;
No incense, with its dim perfume,
Haunts thy dark rest with dreams of spring.
But surely blessings more divine
Upon that last appearance fell
And, with the latest bravos thine,
Mingled the angels' "It is well."

And, all unwitting, we today
Tread in thy footsteps, Moliere.
We laugh and wonder at the play
Or strut behind the footlights' glare.
The shouts of laughter grow more sparse,
The lamps burn dim, the players flee,
And Death takes up our petty farce
And solers it to tragedy.

—Nellie K. Blissett in Temple Bar.

A MOLE RANCHER.

Californian Who Makes Money by His Studies as a Naturalist.

"No, boys, it ain't money that makes my pockets bulge out that way, but it is the equivalent," remarked a gray haired, gray bearded rancher from Mendocino as he took in the slack of a hay rope that did service for a belt.

"To tell the truth, my breeches pockets and my coat pockets, too, are pretty well lined with moleskins. Within the last year I have developed into a mole hunter, and it pays. I have several acres in strawberries at Ukiah, and they need considerable water. I used to put in a lot of time digging little trenches and turning water this way and that, but it was disappointing to go out the next day and find that I had been irrigating a mole hole. I set a watch on the little pests, and I soon learned their habits. Since then it is no trouble at all to get them.

"In the first place, I found that a mole never comes straight up to the top of the ground, but always on a slant, and you will see the ground agitated for some time before he throws up his hill. If you step within 20 feet of him when he comes to the top, he will instantly stop work and run. It's no use to try to catch him then.

"But a mole is the victim of habit. If he is disturbed at his work at 2 o'clock today, he will not come back till exactly 2 o'clock tomorrow. You can set a watch by him and depend on its being right. Well, I watch around in my berry patch and take the time whenever I disturb Mr. Mole. The next day, when it is time for him to come back, I take my station near the hole. As soon as he throws up his little mound I plant my foot behind him and close up the hole. Then all I have to do is to scoop him out of the dirt and drop him into my pocket, kicking and scratching like a good fellow. I kill him, stretch his skin on a shingle, and a man here in the city pays me $1 apiece for them to make purses of."—San Francisco Post.

A Negro's Long Drink.

A western member of congress was recently with a party discussing the capacity of men to drink strong liquor. After listening to several stories along this line, he said:

"Well, I don't believe any class of men can beat these Washington negroes when it comes to drinking strong liquor. One Friday night as I came home after a night's session I thought I would stop in a little saloon near my house and get a stovepipe of lager to make me sleep sound. It is not a very swell place, but it was the only one convenient. While I was emptying the big glass of the frothy liquid a tough looking negro, with a big stick under his arm, walked in and demanded a pint of gin.

"'What price?' asked the young man behind the bar.

"'Twenty cents,' said the fellow, beginning to count out a lot of pennies.

"'All right,' said the bartender, 'where is your bottle?'

"'I don't want no bottle. Jest hand out a glass, huh.'

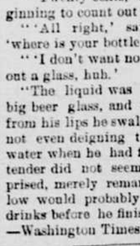
"The liquid was measured off in a big beer glass, and without taking it from his lips he swallowed the contents, not even deigning to take a drink of water when he had finished. The bartender did not seem to be at all surprised, merely remarking that the fellow would probably take several such drinks before he finished the evening."—Washington Times.

The honey of the snapdragon cannot be extracted by the common bee, which has not weight enough to pull down the lower jaw of this curious flower; only the humblebee has access to the interior.

Nothing is more silly than the pleasure some people take in "speaking their minds." A man of this make will say a rude thing for the mere pleasure of saying.

HEART DISEASE, like many other ailments when they have taken hold of the system, never gets better of its own accord, but *Constantly grows worse.* There are thousands who know they have a defective heart, but will not admit the fact. They don't want their friends to worry, and *Don't know what to take for it,* as they have been told time and again that heart disease was incurable. Such was the case of Mr. Silas Farley of Dyesville, Ohio who writes June 19, 1894, as follows:

"I had heart disease for 23 years, my heart hurting me almost continually. The first 15 years I doctored all the time, trying several physicians and remedies, until my last doctor told me it was only a question of time as I could not be cured. I gradually grew worse, very weak, and completely discouraged, until I lived, propped half up in bed, because I *couldn't lie down* nor sit up. Thinking my time had come I told my family what I wanted done when I was gone. But on the first day of March on the recommendation of Mrs. Fannie Jones, of Anderson, Ind., I commenced taking *Dr. Miles' New Cure for the Heart* and wonderful to tell, in ten days I was working at light work and on March 19 commenced framing a barn, which is heavy work, and I have not lost a day since. I am 56 years old, 6 ft. 4½ inches and weigh 250lbs. *I believe I am fully cured,* and I am now only anxious that everyone shall know of your wonderful remedies."



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AN IDYL OF "SINKIN' MOUNT'IN."

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CHAPTER III.

"Lah, sakes, Ezekiel, what ails yuh, boy?" Again the shadow of the great mountain was deepening over the little cottage when, footsore, bruised, weary and disconsolate, Ezekiel Sykes dragged himself through the open gate and dropped his boots upon the floor of the porch, his coat beside them. His mother's salutation roused him, and he raised a quizzical face to hers—a face which surely only a mother could have recognized. A faint smile flittered among the few clearings upon it, a dim ghost of his old smile.

"Be'n ter th' yan side of the mount'in, ma." He sank upon the top step and rested his chin upon his hand. "An I hain't er-torkin much erbout hit ternight."

The woman checked her second exclamation. She was used to the young man's moods, and besides the results of the fist and skull fights were perfectly familiar to her in that rough country of green whisky and exciting elections. But for Ezekiel to come home in these piping days of peace bearing evidences of having figured on the losing side of a scrimmage was altogether novel.

"Ezekiel," she said, "tell yer ma how hit comer erbout?" Ezekiel ejected a stream of tobacco juice from between his swollen lips and wiped them gently with the back of his hand.

"Hit all come uv one subbinder un ner thet ar' ear; hit was lammed whe. I war er-pullin out er my coat an my arm hit war stickin ter th' sleeve. E th' mount'in hitse'f hed er fell thar hit 'u'd er be'n erbout ther size er thet ar' lick. But, ma, cook suthin quick. Hit's be'n nigh onter two mortul days sence I eat. I didn't want nobody er-langhin at Ezekiel Sykes, an so I come honggry all th' way back."

"Why, sakes erlive, the boy mus' be er-perishin. Sit right thar, Ezekiel, an don't yuh move a peg tell I git er pone er bread an er pot er coffee."

The good woman bustled off and disappeared. While this brief scene was enacting Dorinda stood within the shadows of her little room, her fingers clasped and eyes set eagerly upon the pair. Her mother's form had but disappeared in the kitchen when she glided out and sank upon her knees at the young man's side, her hand upon his shoulder.

"Oh, Zeke, Zeke!" she whispered. "Lemme do suthin fur yuh! Are yuh hurted bad, Zeke?"

He gazed at her with his one open eye a full minute before replying. The look was so comical, so utterly foreign to him, so pathetic withal, that she finally threw her head back and laughed until the valley seemed to swarm with silvery echoes. Ezekiel blinked wisely at her.

"D'rindy," he said, "yuh better laugh fur two. I ain' ekil ter any ternight."

And so she did. Her emotion, which was deeper than the occasion, ran off in laughter that approached the hysterical.

"Oh, Zeke!" she gasped. "S'posin thet ar' pictur' man hed er took yuh terday!" Zeke's queer smile came out again, gamboled pitifully in the small clearings of his countenance and went back with a suddenness that was grotesque. The girl was still holding her sides, but presently she wiped her eyes with her apron.

"Oh, Zeke!" she said. "I'm so sorry! What kin I do fur yuh?"

"Natur' is er-callin fur suthin ter go innards," he declared oracularly, "sech es ma gite up, an I reck'n as how natur' ought ter be callin fur suthin ter go outside. Git some water, D'rindy. Ef hit hadn'er be'n fur thet ar' leadin subbinder"— But the girl had glided into her room and caught up her crock. She sped out to the little rivulet, sparkling icy cold from the spring. Presently she came back with it full and placed it on the step.

"Now, Zeke," she said, "yuh jes' set down thar on th' nex' step an lay yer head in my lap—so! Now keep still." Her plump little hand cupped

"Lah sakes, Ezekiel, what ails-yuh, boy?"

water against the swollen places of his head, and as she bathed them thus the young man, soothed and quieted, ever and anon gazed up into her violet eyes and flushed face.

"I declar' ter goodness, D'rindy," he said, seeking for some way to express his gratitude, "yuh han's es sof' es er moss patch, an yuh es putty es th' sunset on th' mount'in."

"Shet yer jaw, Zeke. Yer pokin fun at me. An yer eyes can' see ternight nuther."

Still her heart beat fast and strong. It was the first compliment a man had ever paid to her looks. She might live out her lonely life unblessed here in the valley and the horizon of her daily existence be the long blue peaks and her simple household duties, but the memory of the words that she had heard would dwell with her always. Her soul could thrive upon a crust that other women would spurn.

Silence fell upon them, the gliding water lapping the bruised face and lullabying the perturbed spirit, the soft hand of the girl weaving a spell for the wounded warrior. Long time they sat thus, and ever and anon his single eye sought the face above it. Something of wonder was stirring within him. Hers was a beautiful face. He had never known it before. He had seen it a thousand times. How was it that the fact had escaped him? "She ar' putty as th' sunset on th' mount'in," he assented dreamily, indorsing his own compliment, "an er dern sight puttier." The remaining orb blinked at her dreamily and close beside its mate.

"What yuh sayin, Zeke?"

"I war er-sayin er durn sight puttier; thet's what I war er-sayin," he answered faintly.

"Who?" she asked softly. Then presently she added, "Sal Boler?" One of Ezekiel's eyes opened wide; the other struggled in vain beneath its thick blue curtain.

"Who said Sal Boler?"

She turned her face away and fixed her gaze upon the distant peaks. Her reply was just audible and full of pathos:

"Yuh went thar, Zeke. I didn' mean ter hyah hit, but th' parson talked so loud. War she trooly a widder, Zeke, an—an—did she trooly wanter come an be—Mistis Ezekiel Sykes down een Raccoon Holler?"

It was out at last, and the sentence seemed to end almost in a moan. One tear fell down from above him, but it splashed only the little hand that soothed his wounds.

"D'rindy," he answered after a long silence, "I had er mind ter keep my jaw shet, but hit hain't no use now. An I don' care noway. D'rindy, Sal Boler hes done j'ined ter er city feller, an hit war him what shet thet ar' eye! Hit makes yuh jump, an hit made me jump, too, at fust. D'rindy, ef any man hed er said ter me yestiddy mornin when I went out er thet gate, 'Ezekiel Sykes, Sal Boler is j'ined ter er city feller, an th' city feller is goin ter lick yuh afo' night,' I'd er said he war er dinged fool' of no worser, an ter es face. But them ar' is th' two things hes come erbout. An I mus' say thet, while I don' think no better er Sal Boler, but on the contrarywise do set her down fer er huzzy, hit mus' be 'lowed thet thar es suthin more in city fellers 'n I most generally have let on, only hit ain't er fair fight ter open up with subbinders on the ear when er man is hung een his coat sleeve."

"An did yuh see 'er, Zeke?"

"No. I seed whar she war said ter be livin, an then me an the city feller thet had gimme a lift got ter jawin, an hit come out that Sal Boler was done j'ined unter him two weeks or more. One word started ernuther," he added, "an ernuther started the subbinder."

Ezekiel was expanding under the humane treatment and could afford even to indulge in pleasantry.

Mrs. Sykes dissipated the charm that had been woven about them by appearing suddenly with a great quantity, though limited variety, of the physic that "natur'" had called for in behalf of Ezekiel, and to which the patient took kindly, not to say greedily. Dorinda watched him eat with a vague unrest in her heart. There is nothing at any time attractive to a woman in the sight of a hungry man at his meals.

But when Ezekiel went in to lie down upon his mother's bed, as he used to when a boy when tired or troubled—and was he not still her boy?—the deserted girl stood up gazing on the mountains veiled in their violet mists into which the blue sky of the ending day was melting, their depths shot with rosate rays. The scene was miniatured in her shadowy eyes, where a softer light was beaming.

"He's come back free, an he said my han war soft es er patch er moss, an I war es putty es the sunset on th' mount'ins; he said hit!" Her eyelids drooped over their orbs, and her chin sank upon her breast. Then, starting as from a dream, she followed into the house.

That night when Dorinda lay dreaming in the little shedroom so full of her own life there came down the valley a deep, booming, roaring volume of sound, and the house trembled responsive to its vibrations. Nearer it approached, and her room was filled with the fierce light of an electric flash, which seemed to explode there. Blinded, stunned, terrified, she groped toward the door and lifted the latch. She was almost thrown down by the storm that burst in upon her. The air seemed full of timbers, stones and flying drift, and the thunder was as the thunder of the waters that come down at Tallulah when the river is full.

Her voice when she called was beaten back as a feather in her throat. The timbers of the little room seemed about to fly apart. Gasping with fear, unable to close the door against the mighty blast, she gave herself up for lost. With her limbs benumbed, she tottered and fell. There, as she lay awaiting death, a man came, and in the screaming fury of the storm lifted her in his arms. There was a moment in which the deluge splashed her face, and the next instant she was drawn into the warm kitchen. She saw by the tremulous light of the mysterious flame the half blackened face of Ezekiel bent over her, and faintly as one calling afar off heard his mother's voice:

"He holds th' thunder een es han
An rides upon th' storm,"

just as the parson used to line it out at Zebulon. Then came darkness.

When Dorinda gained consciousness, her adopted mother was bathing her face. They were alone, Ezekiel having withdrawn at her command. The storm was now at its height, and the room was full of the sudden and fearful blazes. Dorinda struggled to her feet again. Her lips moved rapidly, but all sound was lost in the din of the battle waged about them. Suddenly she broke from the elder woman's clasp and rushed to the porch. For an instant her mother thought that, crazed with fear, she had thrown herself into the storm, but in the next back came the girl through the furious elements drenched and with her hair blown wildly over her half nude shoulders. The lightning trembled over and seemed to lick her form from head to foot, and by the sheen of its liquid, wavy flame she saw that the girl's hand clinched the little photograph of Ezekiel, torn from its frame of mica, while her face in its beautiful triumph seemed almost glorified. The secret was written there.

"D'rindy, D'rindy, child!" she cried. "Why hain't yuh tole me afo'?"

The words, screamed as they were in the night from the heart of the woman, did not reach the girl, who covered up the little picture in her chilled bosom and crouched shivering by the smoldering fire. Her companion gazed upon her piteously, then kneeled beside her and pointing upward moved her lips. Dorinda understood and followed her example. Still raged the storm. Such a one had never before burst upon Raccoon Hollow. Suddenly there was a noise as though the mountain itself had been riven asunder, and the house shook until the crockery danced upon the shelves. Then all grew still. Rising to her feet, the elder woman drew the shivering girl to the bed where the old man, deaf to the storm and oblivions of life, slept the sleep of second childhood, wrapped a blanket about her and thrust her under cover.

"Ma," she moaned, and the word sounded as it did when on that sad day years ago the kind hearted woman received her as a charge, "Ma, kiss me out, please," just the appeal made to the dead that lay unresponsive to its frightened offspring. It was the first time that she had used it since. With tears streaming from her eyes the woman bent and kissed her thrice, and her lips when she rose were wet with the tears of the girl.

"An him er-lovin nobody but ole Tom Boler's gal," she said. "Hit's more'n I kin make out."

CHAPTER IV.

In the morning, when Ezekiel looked forth from the doorway, an appalling spectacle met his gaze. The mountain had actually split asunder, and one-half had sunk far down below the other. So sharply was the line drawn that a great pine, yielding one half its trunk to the departed, upreared the other with the firmer rock, its white riven heart blazing the hillside like a monument. Pale with astonishment, Ezekiel gazed long upon the scene, but there was something yet more appalling reserved for him—not a stalk of corn was left in the valley! His mother came to him and was silent, too, in awe at the desolation apparent and the change in the familiar old mountain. "All gone, ma, all gone!" he groaned. The lips of the pale woman trembled. She was wont to say that her faith was like the mountain, but was not the mountain split at last? Her hand rested upon him as it had, oh, so many, many times when trouble oppressed them.

"Th' Lord'll pervide, Ezekiel. He kep' us in the night, an he kin keep us in the day."

"I be'n hyarin that, ma, all these years, an now look! Poorer an poorer year een an year out. Es fur me, I war whupped when pa got inter troubl' 'ith the law an we had ter sell all ter pay out. Th' Lord maybe did pervide, but hit's be'n mighty hard livin sence."

"Hush, Ezekiel!" the woman whispered. "Hit's blasphemy! Leave hit erlone. Th' righteous'll never beg bread. Leave hit alone. Th' han that kin split mount'ins kin pervide fur hits own."

The light had come back to the weary face, and it was almost beautiful in its new faith as she turned humbly and went about her household duties. But Dorinda, watching her, thought that her step was feebler than she had ever seen it.

"Aun' Betsey," she said, putting her arm upon her shoulder, "don't yuh give up."

"Give up? No, deary; I ain't er-givin up. But ef ther Lord hed er tuck us las' night I wouldn' er-lifted a finger ter hender him. Hit warn't his will, D'rindy, an I'm willin ter wait."

It was a gloomy day for Raccoon Hollow. Ezekiel, under the lingering pains of his old misfortune and the new, wandered about disconsolate, and when the morning dawned again the last of the Sykes' meal went into pones of bread.

The mystery of the mountain spread far and near. The day upon which the fortunes of the Sykes family seemed at their lowest ebb was signalized by the arrival of an excursion party from The Falls. Ten or twelve ladies and gentlemen on horseback and in vehicles rode over to see the wonder, bringing a well ordered lunch. They chatted over the catastrophe, climbed the mountain, and presently the ladies rendezvoused at the little house. Here the lunch was spread, and Dorinda brought water from the spring and rendered many little kindly services. After lunch the party swarmed unceremoniously over the premises, including Dorinda's little room, which delighted them as much probably as the mountain interested. Especial attention was devoted by the ladies to the delicate traceries upon the mica frame to which Ezekiel's photograph had been carefully resorted. A handsome, grave young gentleman was asked to examine it. He did so, and turning to Dorinda, whose cheeks flushed, perhaps by the praise already bestowed, asked:

"Where did that mica come from?"

"Well, now, isn't that just like Captain Moore!" exclaimed one of the ladies. "We were not talking about the mica, sir, but the tracings."

He smiled. "The tracings have great merit," he said, "but there is more money in mica that will split into such large clear sheets than in all the art that can be put upon it. You say that you found it near here?" This to Dorinda.

"Yes, sir."

"And will you go with me to see it in the morning, if I return?"

"Yes, sir, ef yuh wants me an th' mountain hain't sunk 'ith hit." The party began to prepare for departure. Presently there was a brief consultation among the gentlemen. Then as some were galloping away one of them approached Mrs. Sykes and poured a handful of small silver into her hand. "For your kind attentions," he said. Before she comprehended he mounted and galloped away, leaving her speechless with surprise and emotion. Ezekiel came out of the wood where he had concealed his disfigurement all day, and there on the porch he and Dorinda found her sitting. Tears were running down her cheeks, and she made no effort to restrain them. She held out the hand blessed with so much silver.

"Ezekiel," she said, and then her eyes lifted upward and finished the sentence. He comprehended.

"Yes, ma," he said gently, "yuh ar' right, an I ar' wrong, es ar' most commonly true." But the girl put her arms around her and kissed the wrinkled cheeks in silence.

Early the next day sensitive Ezekiel took to shelter again, for Captain Moore kept his promise. Ezekiel was hidden on the mountain, from which he beheld the gentleman and Dorinda pick their way across the rift to the far side. It was a difficult journey, and though the girl was as agile as a deer Ezekiel noticed with a queer pain at his heart that the stranger insisted upon extending his hand to her every time occasion offered, and that it was always accepted.

"Dad blast th' feller!" he said. "He'd better git her ter help him, stidder him er helpin her."

The girl was in a particularly merry mood. Did she suspect that the single eye of the disfigured doctor was upon

"Dad blast th' feller!"

her? She was a woman, and the curious can argue the conclusion. Her laughter rang out across the rift, and he found himself angry and uncomfortable generally. Heigh ho, Ezekiel Sykes! You cannot understand nature after all, can you? See that leap she has just made, her hair flying and poke bonnet waving. How beautifully done! The gentleman does not follow—ah, but he does, and she beams upon his success. Look out above your bowlder, Ezekiel, with your one capable eye and mutter, "Dad blast him!" as much as you please. They are not concerned about you.

The mica was found more than ever uncovered by the slide. A wonderful seam it was, hemmed in by quartz. The gentleman said little, but was evidently deeply interested. Finally he ascertained, by casual questions, that the ownership

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Paris Hill,	M. I. Mellen, Post Office.

COMING EVENTS.

May 22.—Field day of the Interscholastic Athletic Association, Riverside Park, Bethel.
May 26.—West Oxford Sunday School Association, Lovell Centre.
May 29-30.—Meeting of Oxford County Teachers' Association, Bethel.
June 2.—Republican Gubernatorial State Convention, Bangor.
June 2-3.—Oxford Congregational Conference, Oxford.
June 2-4.—Universalist State Convention, Auburn.
June 4.—East Oxford Local Union, Y. P. S. C. E., Oxford.
June 9.—Oxford Pomona Grange, Rumford Falls.
June 10.—Centennial Celebration, Bethel.
June 11.—Hearing of state assessors on wild lands, Rumford Falls.
June 11-12.—Union Conference of Congregational Churches, Albany.
June 16, 17.—Oxford Universalist Association, Paris Hill.
June 17.—Hearing by Appeal Committee in the "Number Four Hill" road matter, South Paris.
June 17.—Democratic state convention, Portland.
June 23.—Republican County Convention, South Paris.
June 30.—Democratic County Convention, South Paris.
Aug. 17-21.—New England Fair, Rigby Park.
Aug. 25-Sept. 4.—Maine State Fair, Lewiston.
Sept. 15, 16, 17.—Oxford County Fair, on the Society's grounds, between South Paris and Norway.
Sept. 23, 24.—Oxford North fair, Andover.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Now for the Boys.
Smiley Shoe Store.
Parasols and Sun Umbrellas.
H. L. Horne.
Wanted.
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Petition for Definition of Highway Boundaries in Canton.
Petition for Definition of Highway Boundaries in Mexico.
County Tax on Wild Lands.
State Tax on Wild Lands.
Parker's Ginger Tonic.
Parker's Hair Balsam.
Hindercorns.
Pennyroyal Pills.
Wanted.

A Republican State Convention

—WILL BE HELD IN—

CITY HALL, BANGOR,

TUESDAY, JUNE 2nd, 1896.

At 2 o'clock P. M.,

for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Governor to be supported at the September election; and transacting any other business that may properly come before it. The basis of representation will be as follows:

Each city, town and plantation will be entitled to one delegate, and for each seventy-five votes cast for the Republican candidate for Governor in 1894 an additional delegate, and for a fraction of forty votes in excess of seventy-five votes an additional delegate.

Vacancies in the delegation of any city, town or plantation can only be filled by residents of the county in which the vacancy exists.

The State Committee will be in session in the reception room of the hall at one o'clock, P. M. on the day of the Convention for the purpose of receiving the credentials of delegates. Delegates in order to participate in the Convention, must be elected subsequent to the date of the call for this convention.

We invite all Republicans and all electors of Maine, without regard to past political differences, who are in favor of restoring and maintaining a protective tariff; who are opposed to the free and unlimited coinage of silver, except by international agreement, and until such agreement can be obtained, believe that the present gold standard should be maintained; who believe in free popular education; in the promotion of the cause of temperance; in just and equal taxation; in the restriction of immigration; in a just administration of all pension legislation; in what ever legislation will restore American shipping to its former rank in the world; in the preservation of National honor at home and abroad; in an economical and efficient administration of State affairs, to unite with the Republicans in the selection of delegates to this Convention.

Per order, Republican State Committee.

J. H. MANLEY, Chairman.

BYRON BOYD, Secretary.

Augusta, Maine, April 21st, 1896.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION

The Republican voters of Oxford County are requested to meet in convention at the Court House, South Paris, on Tuesday, June 23, 1896, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of nominating candidates for the following county officers, viz: Two Senators, Judge of Probate, County Treasurer, County Attorney, Register of Probate, one County Commissioner, and Sheriff. Also to choose a Republican County Committee.

The basis of representation will be as follows: Each town and plantation organized for election purposes will be entitled to one delegate, and an additional delegate for every 25 votes cast for the Republican candidate for Governor in the election of 1894. A majority fraction of 40 votes will also entitle the town and plantation to an additional delegate.

The Republican County Committee will be in session at the Grand Jury room at the Court House at South Paris at 8 o'clock on the morning of the convention, to receive the credentials of the delegates.

Per order of the Republican County Committee.

EUGENE F. SMITH, Chairman.

The several towns and plantations will be entitled to delegates according to the following list, viz.:

Albany,	1	Norway,	5
Andover,	2	Oxford,	2
Bethel,	4	Paris,	7
Brownfield,	3	Peru,	2
Buckfield,	3	Porter,	3
Byron,	1	Roxbury,	1
Canton,	3	Rumford,	4
Denmark,	1	Stoneham,	2
Dixfield,	3	Stow,	1
Fryeburg,	3	Sumner,	3
Gilead,	1	Sweden,	1
Grafton,	1	Upton,	1
Greenwood,	1	Waterford,	2
Hanover,	1	Woodstock,	3
Hartford,	2	PLANTATIONS.	
Hebron,	1	Franklin,	1
Hiram,	2	Lincoln,	1
Lovell,	2	Magalloway,	1
Mason,	1	Milton,	1
Mexico,	2		
Newry,	1	Total,	80

HERE AND THERE.

It looks very much as if McKinley would be the next president of the United States; but that is by no means assured as yet, and his name may be Reed. However Mr. Reed comes out of the canvass, he will have the satisfaction of knowing that he stayed at his post and attended to his duty with faithfulness and fearlessness.

It is understood that Hon. D. J. McGillicuddy does not care again to take the thankless position of opponent to Hon. Nelson Dingley as candidate for representative to congress, and that Hon. Atwood Levensaler of Thomaston is willing to give him a rest. If he is willing there is little doubt that he can have the opportunity. The nomination is seeking the man, in that case.

Some ludicrous effects are produced when a great family newspaper has on its staff one bicycle crank, one man who takes a philosophic view of the matter and realizes the possibilities of the bicycle, and one man who is affected by the sight of a bicycle as a cat is affected by the sight of a dog. The reader can't always tell where he is at.

One can't help wondering, after reading the news dispatches from Bath in the daily papers for a year or so, whether a certain clergyman of that city has made a contract similar to that of some of the patent medicine men, for advertising in the telegraphic news dispatches. Certainly he has got most persistently advertised, whether he has paid for it or not.

TEACHERS' CONVENTION.

The Oxford County Teachers' Association will hold a convention at Bethel May 29th, opening at 10 o'clock A. M. Arrangements will be made so that teachers desiring to do so can leave on a train going south from Bethel about 11 o'clock at night. President Chase of Bates College will deliver the address in the evening. State Superintendent of Schools W. W. Stetson, and other leading educators, will be present. All teachers who wish entertainment Thursday night and Friday will please notify Principal A. G. Wiley at Norway or Principal F. O. Small at Bethel.

THE OXFORD BEARS.

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

PARIS HILL.

First Baptist Church, Rev. H. A. Roberts, Pastor. Preaching every Sunday at 11 A. M. Sunday School at 12 M. Sabbath Evening Service at 7:00 P. M. Prayer Meeting Thursday Evening at 7:00 P. M.

Universalist Church: Sunday School every Sunday at 11 A. M.

The road machine was put on the road from the "five corners" down to the guideboard corner Thursday morning, and work has continued since on the road from here down. George Proctor, H. P. Hammond and Ellsworth Thayer furnish each a pair of heavy horses for the team, and George Proctor handles the wheels. Hiram R. Hubbard is superintending operations.

Mr. A. P. Hutchinson of Auburn, Mr. Winfield S. Hutchinson and Mr. Harold Hutchinson of Newton, Mass., Mrs. P. C. Green of Athol, Mass., Mr. C. K. Hutchinson of New Haven, Conn., and Mrs. George Burnham of Gilead, attended the funeral of Mrs. Kate Willis last Tuesday.

Loren B. Merrill has added a good-sized woodshed to the village of buildings already standing on his lot. When the aforesaid village grows sufficiently to fill the lot, he will buy more land to build on. He says he is bound to do his part toward keeping up Paris Hill by carrying on building operations.

Mrs. S. P. Stearns has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. C. Park, at Bethel.

W. E. Perkins returned Saturday from his canvassing trip in Connecticut.

Isn't that a good piece of road from the Hill down to the guideboard? There is some carting yet to be done in places, but it isn't many pieces of road that are left by the machine in as good shape as that is.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis M. Brown arrived at the Hubbard House last Monday. The servants are expected at once and the "Old Brick" will be opened this week. The Brown family have spent the winter in Florida and Georgia. Their return to Paris Hill is welcomed by the entire community.

All who would like to help sew for the Ratcliffe family are invited and requested to meet at the Baptist parsonage Friday afternoon.

The Paris Hill Brass Band expects to take part in the exercises at Rumford Centre Memorial Day.

WHITTEMORE DISTRICT.

Herbert Record has moved to East Hebron on to what is known as the Noah Bicknell farm.

Jacob Briggs has moved into the rent that was occupied by Mr. Record.

The majority of the farmers in this district keep a one-horse team to do their work and hire their plowing done, although we can boast of three yoke of oxen in this district.

James L. Whittemore has several cows for sale, one being a full blooded Jersey, four years old, which he is ready to match against any cow of that age in Oxford County for butter. Any desirous of such a cow would do well to call and see her.

Jason Russell called on us the past week. He had Black Nathan with him. He is a beautiful horse and his performance at Rigby Park last June proved that he is very fast, being a close second in 2:13. Mr. Russell is one of the few successful horse breeders and as a man remarked to me the other day, I would not give a d—n to go to a horse trot unless Jase Russell is there. Well, he says he shall be there this year with a good list and he expects to make some of the westerners pick up.

NORWAY LAKE.

The L. S. C. will meet with Mrs. C. A. Stephens the 20th of May instead of the 23d, as reported last week.

Mrs. Ada Stiles and children are at Benj. Tucker's.

Victor Partridge has been having an abscess in his throat, but it is better, so he will go to school again next week.

EAST BETHEL.

J. S. Hutchins observed Arbor Day in the school here by setting out a number of shade trees in the school yard.

H. E. Bartlett is doing stone masonry at Andover.

Mr. Walker is canvassing this place for the Maine Benefit Association.

Mrs. Mary Darling is having her house painted.

Farmers are very busy sowing, planting, etc.

GREENWOOD.

E. E. Wentworth's famous snow drift is the only one now to be seen about here, and that puts in an appearance every spring, as constantly as the return of the robins and swallows. But as we have mentioned the fact several years in succession, it is thought best to say nothing about it this time.

The rains thus far this spring have been light, the nights, or many of them, cold and frosty, and consequently grass is backward. There are places in every field that hardly begin to look green as yet, and the prospect for an average hay crop is certainly not very promising at this writing.

The poke crop will be about as usual, and ready to cut in a few days. That will grow whether it blows hot or cold.

It is a busy time now on the farm, and several men living in the village, have expressed a wish that they were there so that they could be busy also. Well, it is rather nice to live where there is no rent nor fuel to pay for, and where you are not whistled in and whistled out, at the same time bossing your own business, and own what you have around you, even at the risk of being called old hayseed once in a while.

There is an old saying that a fisherman's luck is a wet pair of feet and a hungry stomach; but some of the boys are doing rather better than that at present, getting suckers weighing nearly five pounds.

Hen's eggs are hatching poorly this spring, in some cases a litter of one chicken being the result of a setting.

George Judkins bought a turkey, thinking to try his luck with that kind of poultry, but after laying four eggs she took a notion to die. The eggs are now under a hen together with enough more of hers for a setting; and when the turkeys hatch, which will be their mother, the turkey that laid the eggs, or the hen that hatched them?

The cold nights still continue at this writing, Thursday morning. The fields are white with frost and the ground crusted.

OXFORD.

Mrs. Clarinda, wife of the late Samuel Bumpus, died at the home of her son, Wm. Bumpus, May 6, aged 61 years. Her funeral was held on Friday, Rev. Mr. Richardson of Hebron officiating. Mrs. Bumpus lived about a week after the death of her husband. She was a devoted wife and mother and will be deeply mourned and missed by her children, who are called to suffer a double bereavement.

The semi-annual meeting of the Oxford Conference of Congregational Churches will be held at Oxford on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 2 and 3, to be followed by the East Oxford Local Union of Y. P. S. C. E. on Thursday. It is hoped that a good delegation will be present at both these meetings.

Mrs. Betsy Houghton is quite sick.

Miss Clara Carlton returned to Portland Friday.

EAST BROWNFIELD.

Mrs. Orin Allen of Alexandria, Virginia, was called here last week by the illness of her father, Mr. Jacob Colby.

Mr. Wesley Colby and wife have broken up housekeeping, and gone to Fryeburg to work for Dr. Allen this summer.

Harry Griggs, who has been at Westbrook for the past year, gave his parents a pleasant surprise last week by coming home for a short visit.

Miss Nellie Greeley, who has been ill at Conway for a long time, has so far recovered as to be able to return home.

Mr. E. D. Walker returned from Boston this week with eight nice horses.

Hon. L. R. Giles has purchased the land near his freight house, formerly owned by Mr. Nathaniel Hill.

The lecture—subject, "Save the Boys"—given at the Congregational church Wednesday evening by Mrs. Helen L. Bullock, was well attended, and much interest was shown. Thirteen new names were added to the W. C. T. U. in this place.

FRYEBURG.

Rev. C. S. Young gave his farewell sermon May 10th at the Congregational church. He leaves many warm friends who regret his leaving.

Mrs. Helen L. Bullock, the national organizer of the W. C. T. U., gave a very interesting lecture at the vestry May 12. "Save the Boys." A large attendance and good attention. The Fryeburg ladies are much interested, and Thursday Mrs. Bullock organized a union with twenty members.

Mr. Chas. Prince has sold out in the marble works, and is going to Massachusetts soon.

We are glad to welcome our city friends home again, Miss Eva Goodwin, Miss Barrows, Mrs. Bradley and her daughter.

The drama, "Michael Erle or The Maniac Lover," was played at the New Church vestry Friday, May 15th. The parts were well sustained, and all were well pleased with the entertainment. Music by Pike's Orchestra.

Rev. B. N. Stone, wife and son, attended the Swedenborgian convention at Washington last week, returning Friday afternoon.

The ball game of Saturday last, the Fryeburg Academys and the nine from Westbrook Seminary, was a very exciting game. Our boys were beaten 16 to 18.

The young ladies gave a leap year ball at Wiley's Hall Friday evening, May 8. About fifty couples were present. The ladies did the honors gracefully.

An informal reception of the Fryeburg Academy Alumni Association of Boston was held in that city on the afternoon of Saturday, May 9th, at the editorial rooms of its secretary, Miss Anna Barrows, 485 Tremont Street. About 35 alumni were present.

WEST BETHEL

W. A. Farwell met with quite a serious accident last week, in being thrown from a loaded wagon by the horse starting suddenly. His collar bone was broken. No other very serious injuries; but after it had been set a few days he got it out of place again, and may yet have a bad time.

Mrs. Henry Goodnow, an aged lady, fell and broke her hip very badly, and now lies in a very critical condition, with no encouragement from the doctor that she will recover.

Mrs. Ed Bell is quite sick again, and her daughter Stella is at home with her.

Eben Scribner, a veteran of the late war, is at home from Massachusetts, and is calling on old friends.

Lewis Shaw is working for his brother, E. B. Shaw.

Mrs. Stiles, widow of Alanson Stiles, was buried yesterday. She died in Buckfield, where she was living with her granddaughter.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK.

Rev. S. S. York made us a short call the other morning, and we were glad to see his welcome face once more.

Geo. Cummings is at work for F. L. Wyman this summer.

Spraying fruit trees has been going on for some days past, and the battle with insects has commenced in good earnest. I have sometimes thought of the portion of that old hymn, "I must fight if I would win; increase my courage, Lord," and thought it was applicable to the fruit grower at the present time.

Farming is well under way, but not much planting has been done yet.

Mrs F. L. Wyman has put into the stores for sale over 200 Maybaskets, from Andover to Mechanic Falls.

EAST HEBRON.

Thursday morning the grass was white with frost. Transplanted potatoes received a good shower of water, were kept from the sun and are all right.

Charles Hodsdon and wife from Rumford Falls passed a few days with his parents. He left for Boston on Friday. His wife will not go with him at present, but will pass the time with her father, Dean Andrews, of Turner.

Sunday School Union convened on Wednesday with fourteen clergymen and twenty-one delegates. A goodly number were present, filling the church to repletion. The exercises were alike in interest in every department. It was thought to be one of the most interesting meetings of the union.

Our roads are in fine condition since their late work by the Keene Bros.

Mrs. Lillian Sawyer is the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. E. Robinson.

Dame Rumor reports a wedding in the near future, all things being prepared for the occasion.

Farmers are improving the time on the farms.

WILSON'S MILLS.

Rufe Brooks has so far recovered her usual health as to be able to ride out.

S. W. Bennett is at work for P. C. Ripley.

Arthur Flint is at home taking charge of the farming while Perley is on the R. F. P. Co.'s drive.

Edgar E. Bennett was in town the past week.

Addie Flint was at home for a brief visit.

Victor and Marshall Gilbert have been at work at N. K. Bennett's.

F. A. Flint has gone to Lewiston.

Monday morning Fred Taylor moved his family home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fox moved in the same day and went to housekeeping.

Married, May 10th, by R. A. Storey, Eq., Calvin T. Fox and Hortense J. Wilson.

EAST WATERFORD.

Arthur Chadbourne and family arrived at his father's from Massachusetts Tuesday. He has bought a farm on Bridgton ridge and will move there immediately. He has been engaged in school teaching since a very young man, but thinks farming will improve his health.

Mrs. Albert Holt is having a portico built over her front door.

Samuel Patterson has built another hen house.

The summer schools opened on May 4 Miss Ida Abott teaches in this district and Miss Helen Brown at Temple Hill.

SOUTH HIRAM.

Ice cream sociable at the vestry Wednesday evening, May 13th.

Wm. Ridlon is at work for E. F. Stanley.

The ball game Saturday between the Kezar Falls and Cornish clubs resulted in a victory for the Kezar Falls boys. Score 8 to 11.

We understand that the Good Templars have at last decided to give their entertainment on Saturday evening, May 16, at Meonian Hall.

ROXBURY.

Saturday, the 9th, the Keeman Brothers, with Mr. Locke as guide, looked over the timber lands belonging to the Berlin Mills Co., in the northeast corner of the town. They traveled over considerable snow, it being in places a foot deep. They saw quantities of deer tracks, and the tracks of one large bear. The Keeman Brothers report that in D Township, where they logged the past winter, there is still a good two feet of snow.

The snow that they found in this town was around Muskrat Pond, a little sheet of water which lies on the line between Roxbury and Byron, many hundreds of feet above Swift River, and it is the great elevation which explains the snow holding on so long.

Some twenty-eight years ago, while Mr. Locke and others were perambulating the line between Roxbury and Byron, when they got up on the crest of Broad Mountain, on the 4th day of May, they could look down into Hop City and see the farmers plowing. From there they went down to Muskrat Pond, and traveled over snow four feet deep, firm and solid. When they got to the pond, some of the party hesitated about going out on the ice, but after examining it, they decided it would be safe to drive an ox team over it.

On the shore of Muskrat Pond stands a hunter's cabin, which, though now considerably dilapidated, was originally quite an elaborate camp, considering its location. It was built of logs, and sheathed inside with birch bark. It was furnished with a stove, and all necessary comforts. The builders were Weld parties, but it was free to all hunters, who were only asked to be careful in their use of it. It is in as wild and rugged a place as can be found even in Northern Oxford.

CANTON.

The village improvement society have built a small park where the band stand used to be. They are talking of putting in a fountain. It will make a big improvement to the looks of the square.

C. O. Holt and family spent Saturday and Sunday at Crescent Cottage, Lakeside Colony.

Landlord Dresser is repairing Hotel Revere.

T. C. Lucas has shingled his stable.

F. E. Bicknell has enlarged his piazza on his house.

The streets are about all repaired and are better than before the flood.

Miss Ethel Hayford is teaching school at Locke's Mills.

G. W. Moore has built a new platform in front of his store.

Mrs. Emily Wright is expected home soon. She started from her brother's in California the 15th.

W. H. Brown has moved to Livermore Falls. He is at work there.

Simeon Bicknell is improving. Was so as to ride out one day last week.

O. B. Merrill has built a boat house at the outlet of the pond.

Postmaster Bicknell is doing some grading around his house on Main Street.

Quite a number went to Lewiston to see the ball game last week.

The Revere House is having some new water works put in.

EAST SUMNER.

Several from the vicinity attended the S. S. conference at East Hebron on Wednesday and reported a very interesting time.

Wm. Foye has been working for Ed Irish up in Byron.

Representatives of the clothing houses of Babbitt Bros. and Maines & Bonnallie of Lewiston have been advertising in the place.

Owing to cold nights, planting is done later than usual.

Do not put in your sweet corn too early. Wait till the ground gets warmer and frosty nights are over.

East Sumner class in Biblical History, Stand up. Who were the sons of Noah? Ans. Shem, Ham and Japheth. Which do you like best, Jo? Ans. Ham. Why? 'Cause I can eat that and it don't cost a darned cent.

EAST PERU.

George Smith of Hanover is down paying off for his birch.

PERU.

W. H. Conant of Rumford Falls has been round wholesaling tin.

There was a good turn out at the town meeting to see about the location of the school house and town house, and accepted the location laid out by the selectmen.

School has commenced in Districts Nos. 1 and 2. Miss May Crockett of Sumner is teaching in No. 1 and Miss Googins of this town in No. 2.

LOVELL.

The Congregational Circle was entertained at the town hall on Wednesday evening by Mrs. Manson and Mrs. Stanton. A baked bean supper was served.

The Christian Circle was entertained at the hall Tuesday evening.

Rev. Wm. G. Wade of Monmouth preached here Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Baker of the Christian church exchanged Sunday with Rev. Mr. McDonald of North Waterford.

E. W. Stanley is at work for Howard Charles.

E. McAlaster of Lewiston is in town on business.

Mrs. C. H. Brown is visiting in Norway.

Mrs. E. N. Fox has been on the sick list.

SUMNER.

Wm. Abbott and wife have returned from a visiting trip to Massachusetts bringing their daughter, Cora, and baby, home with them.

Nellie M. Foster has returned to her work in Auburn, after four weeks' vacation, much improved in health.

Frank J. Thompson of Rumford Centre was in town last week.

George Dyer has made quite an improvement on the outside of his house by putting in new windows and on new blinds, also a new double front door.

NORTH BUCKFIELD.

Albert T. Sloan and family of Salem, Mass., arrived in our place the 11th, and are to occupy the John Cressey stand for the summer.

Heald Brothers have commenced repairing the damage done by the March freshet.

D. L. Farrar has gone to Massachusetts.

A. G. Pearson has bought quite a large pasture adjoining his and his wife's land.

SWEDEN.

R. O. Moulton is to erect a new barn this season. Arthur Locklin and Charley Evans are at work there.

Wm. Saunders is to take down his barn and move it so as to have a barn cellar. George Douglass, who came there recently to assist him, is quite sick at present.

John Wilson, who is quite feeble, was visited by his brother, Dr. C. E. Wilson, of Hiram, a few days ago.

Mrs. Roland Woodbury has been at D. H. Woodbury's the past few weeks and has now returned to her home in Lewiston.

Larkin Woodbury is to stay at home this summer. His brother Francis is still to remain at Hartford, Conn.

WELCHVILLE.

The fair given by the Methodist Circle was a success. A very pleasing entertainment was given by the children. Ice cream and cake was served. At the present time they have about $50 in the treasury for repairs on the church.

J. F. Fuller is doing the stone work on the bridge near the depot.

Mr. and Mrs. George Payne of Bridgton are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bloomville Herrick.

Seth Ames and son Clifford are shingling the Andrews house.

John Rowe is grading up the ground around his new house.

Mrs. Fannie French of Oxford visited Mrs. G. M. Lane recently.

CANTON POINT.

Farmers are rushing their spring work.

We notice the ferry boat at Waite's ferry is running again.

C. M. Packard was out of town one day last week.

A. J. Huntington exchanged horses with E. L. Dailey.

Miss Fanny Foster, of Gloucester, has returned to her home after spending a few days with friends in this vicinity.

W. G. Magner is at work for A. K. Foster.

Elbridge Benson is the owner of the finest road horse in the county.

Our trader has put in a small line of tinware.

Capt. C. M. Holland shows us a hen's egg that measures 8x6 1-2 and B. B. Dailey a very small one whose actual weight is only 1-16 ounce and it is perfect in every respect.

F. E. Rowe is attending court at Paris this week.

DENMARK.

Miss Minnie Pingree, under the skillful care of Dr. Bennett of Bridgton, is slowly recovering her health.

Mr. Geo. W. Gray is at home for a few days.

Mr. L. A. Ingalls was successful in landing a six pound trout Wednesday, the 13th, from Peabody Pond.

Mr. A. H. Jones has purchased the cottage, house and land formerly owned by the late Geo. R. Bean, next to the Universalist church.

Dr. Dunn and wife have returned to Boston.

Mrs. Geo. W. Gray has returned from Boston.

Mr. A. W. Belcher is painting his house and putting in new windows.

NEWRY.

While fencing Saturday O. E. Baker cut his foot quite badly.

Will Small and a friend from Westbrook are in town a few days on a fishing trip.

Trout seem to be quite plenty now.

Margaret Spinney is very low.

J. S. Allen continues to be very ill.

Jo Spinney caught cold on the drive and has been poorly ever since.

David Vail has left the Stearns place in this town and moved to Grafton.

Genie Littlehale is at home from Berlin, N. H., visiting her parents at North Newry.

WEST PARIS.

CHURCHES.

Methodist.—Sunday service at 10:30 A. M., followed by Sabbath School; Young People's meeting followed by prayer and social meeting every alternate Sunday evening at 7 o'clock.

Free Baptist.—Sabbath School at 1:30 P. M., followed at 2:30 by preaching with Young People's and other services as above.

Universalist.—Sunday School at 10:30 A. M. The Y. L. L. A. meets every Monday evening.

Lodges.—Masonic.—Wednesday evening on or before full moon each month. Odd Fellows.—Every Saturday evening. Rebekahs.—The 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings each month. U. O. Golden Cross.—The 2nd and 4th Friday in each month.

West Paris Grange.—The 2nd and 4th Saturday.

Warm weather with drying winds, and although the ground is not as yet suffering, a warm rain would be acceptable.

Mr. Warren Brooks of Gorham, N. H., is at work for a short time for Mr. Shedd.

L. F. Willis is at home from Bolster's Mills, suffering from a cut in one of his hands from a circular saw.

The M. W. R. Co. have received their first carload of hard wood lumber.

Mr. Brown received a car of lumber last week for town bridges.

Mr. Hanford and wife returned from Massachusetts last week.

Mr. Levi Shedd spent Sunday with friends at Gorham, N. H.

Mr. P. B. Adkins and family of South Paris stopped over Sunday with friends in the village.

Mr. M. S. Davis, now teaching at East Milton, stopped over Sunday at Mr. N. Young's.

Mrs. Susan Claflin, who has been stopping for over a year with friends in Massachusetts, has returned to her home here.

D. H. Fifield, who has for two and a half years been at work in the sled factory at South Paris, has a position in Mr. Locke's mill.

Dr. F. H. Packard, W. C. Mooney, Benj. Davis and Isaac Andrews started early Saturday morning on a two weeks' fishing trip to the lake regions. We wish them good success and a happy time.

Mr. Jones, machinist, of South Paris, was here Saturday taking orders for a steam fitting job to be done in the factory.

The Y. P. S. C. E. held a business meeting Saturday evening in the Free-will Baptist church, and made satisfactory arrangements for their social meetings for the coming summer.

H. T. Heath and wife of Sumner visited at E. E. Tuell's on Saturday and Sunday.

A. R. Buckman got thrown from a load of hay, and had one bone in his ankle broken, and was badly bruised.

BETHEL.

The different committees on the centennial are busy perfecting plans.

Wednesday evening Lucier's Minstrels gave an entertainment in Odeon Hall. This company always draws a full house.

Thursday afternoon the Ladies' Club met in Garland Chapel. At 6 o'clock a picnic supper was served.

Dr. Haggett, chiropodist, has been working here very successfully the past week.

The W. C. T. U. will meet in Garland Chapel Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Gould Academy presents the following program for commencement week:

May 17. Baccalaureate Sermon.
May 21. 2 P. M. Graduation, Odeon Hall.
May 21. 7:45 P. M. Concert. 9:15. Reception, Odeon Hall.
May 22. Interscholastic Meet, Riverside Park, Bethel.

Sunday morning the Congregationalist church was filled to listen to the baccalaureate sermon preached by Rev. F. E. Barton, pastor of the Universalist church. Mr. Barton took for his text the words of St. Paul, "This one thing I do," and all present listened to a discourse full of deep thought. A very happy reference was made to the class motto, "We direct our steps upward toward the stars" and an appeal for an earnest purpose in life was made to the class just about to leave Gould Academy for fields of broader education.

Sunday morning and evening the M. E. society held very interesting services, it being the anniversary of the organization of the Epworth League.

The commencement concert promises to be a rare treat. Grimmer's orchestra will be assisted by Hoyt Conary, impersonator and reader, who was so favorably received here before.

Next Sunday morning memorial services will be held in the Congregational church under the auspices of Brown Post, G. A. R. Rev. Israel Jordan, the pastor, will preach the sermon.

ANDOVER.

Considerable excitement is aroused because the dog killer has shot several dogs, some of them valuable.

Farmers are busy on the land which in some localities needs rain.

The Methodist Circle was entertained by Mrs. Margaret Stevens last Wednesday evening.

Grass looks fairly well. Some low ground killed out but withal the average crop of hay may be harvested.

The shooting of young Philbrick cast a gloom over those who are sympathetic.

Rev. Mr. Norcross closed his labors with the Congregational church last Sabbath.

County Attorney Smith and Sheriff Porter were in town Tuesday in the Philbrick shooting case.

The carpenters are getting along fairly well on the house of Hon. H. V. Poor.

NORTH PARIS.

The great event of the year occurred here last week when Mr. William Bryant and Miss Alice Richmond were united in marriage. Rev. H. A. Roberts of Paris performed the ceremony. Rev. Mr. Bryant and Rev. Mr. Wheeler of Mechanic Falls were also present. Cake and ice cream were served to the large number present at the reception. The presents were numerous and valuable. Mr. Bryant and wife will continue to work for Dr. O. K. Yates.

A. D. Littlehale has been at work for F. L. Barrett on Sumner Hill for a few days.

A. J. Abbott's mother, Mrs. Lewis, died May 13, and was buried Thursday.

Chellis Page of Lewiston came up on a fishing trip to G. G. Fuller's May 9th, returning the 11th.

There was a wedding ceremony and reception at North Paris May 12th, the contracting parties being Will Bryant of West Paris, and Alice Richmond of this village.

Why couldn't we have a chance for the prisoners in our county jail to break stone to repair our highways, the same as they do in the Aroostook jail at Houlton?

WEST BUCKFIELD.

Augustus M. Bonney of this place died suddenly May 6th, after a short illness of only ten days, aged 52 years. He was a kind husband, an indulgent father and a good neighbor. He leaves a widow and six children to mourn his loss, also four brothers and many friends.

Mertie Bonney is at work for Ernest Damon.

Gertie Bonney is at work for Mr. Judkins of Turner.

Shirley Bonney has given up his job at Elmer Austin's and will carry on the farm.

Amanda Flagg is at work for E. D. Heald at North Buckfield.

Flossie Whitman is at work for Virgil DeCoster at East Buckfield.

Harry Buck is at work for A. F. Warren at Buckfield.

Mrs. L. J. Morse is to have a new house built by George Hammond. Mr. Hammond is to commence next week.

BROWNFIELD.

Dr. Smith of Cornish and Dr. Carroll of Brownfield removed a cancer from the neck of Henry Meserve of this village.

Mrs. Wm. Rowe has gone to Peabody, Mass.

Mrs. Dr. Fitch is visiting friends in Kezar Falls.

Quite a number of Brownfield Odd Fellows went to Eaton, N. H., Wednesday evening, and took supper with their odd brethren at that place. They report a good time.

Miss Lowell of Hiram attends school here and boards with Mrs. Adams.

Mrs. Bullock of New York gave a very instructive and interesting temperance lecture at the church Wednesday evening.

Maria Arkwright and her company are to play here three evenings, commencing May 18th.

BUCKFIELD.

Rev. B. F. Lawrence attended the dedicatory exercises at Tremont Temple last week.

Sunday, May 10th, was a scorcher for temperature in this town.

Mrs. B. A. Allen of Boston is visiting at the home of her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Atwood.

Farmers are very busy at this period in this vicinity.

Ex-Gov. Long made a flying visit to his country residence on North Hill this week.

The work of the road machines is sadly needed on the roads leading to the shire town.

O. H. Hersey, Esq., is doing an extensive job of repairs on his residence.

Benj. Spaulding is putting an extension on the rear of his dwelling.

Bank Examiner Hatch, Carlton Gardner and H. A. Irish have been grading up their grounds.

If some tiling were substituted for the unsightly plank crossings on High Street, the street and residences would be greatly improved in appearance.

The Baptist church is receiving a much needed coat of paint.

Landlord Coyle and wife have been visiting friends in Auburn and Lewiston.

HEBRON.

Rev. Dr. Pepper preached here Sunday and gave a lecture in Sturtevant Hall Monday evening.

Dr. Donham has been at home a few days this week.

A. M. Richardson was at home over Sunday.

Mrs. J. C. Whitney of Auburn, and her son, visited her sister, Mrs. J. D. Sturtevant, last week.

Rev. S. D. Richardson went to East Hebron to the Sunday School convention Wednesday.

H. K. Stearns milks eighteen cows and gets ten gallons of cream daily. He will have two more cows soon.

Early apple trees are in blossom and tent caterpillars plenty.

We were quite interested in the Journal of Medicine and Science for May. The two articles by Dr. Donham are especially interesting to Hebron people.

The view of Poland Spring House at sunset Tuesday evening was magnificent. The whole front was a blaze of light, and it was several minutes before one could decide whether the building was on fire or not. It was a rare treat.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The Little Androscoggin Valley Sunday School Association held their second convention of the year at the M. E. church, Gorham, N. H., Thursday, May 14. At 11 o'clock the convention was opened with the president in the chair. The devotional service was led by Rev. A. K. Bryant of West Paris.

Rev. G. I. Lowe of Gorham, N. H., gave the address of welcome. Response by Bro. C. H. Davis, the president, and singing "All Hail."

Rev. Frank C. Potter, of Berlin Falls, N. H., gave an address on The Advantages of a Teachers' Meeting. This subject was also discussed by the convention.

Instructive and interesting remarks were made by Rev. J. B. Carruthers of Berlin Falls, N. H., Rev. A. Hamilton of Bethel and others.

The following committee were appointed to consider the matter of changing the constitution in regard to the executive committee: A. Hamilton, J. B. Carruthers and I. A. Bean, after which the convention adjourned for dinner.

After an excellent dinner the convention was opened with a devotional service led by Bro. S. S. York, missionary, after which the following business was transacted. On account of the resignation of the secretary, A. K. Bryant of West Paris was elected to the office.

Voted, that the following committee, I. A. Bean, B. S. Rideout and Rev. Mr. Harding, arrange the next program and decide on the place of meeting.

The committee on resolutions presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That at our next meeting the constitution be so changed that the executive committee shall consist of three members to be elected annually and that the president and secretary shall be ex-officio members of the same.

A. HAMILTON,
J. B. CARRUTHERS, } Committee.
I. A. BEAN,

The closing exercise of the convention was an excellent address by Rev. I. A. Bean, of South Paris, subject, "The Qualifications of a successful S. S. Teacher." Among the qualifications mentioned by the speaker the following were especially emphasized: (a) Love for the Work; (b) Knowledge of the Bible; (c) Tact; (e) Patience; (f) Punctuality; (g) Perseverance and Spiritual Power and Christian Character. The address made a good impression on the convention.

Rev. A. Hamilton, in behalf of the association, presented resolutions of thanks to the G. T. Railway for reduced fare, and to the M. E. society for opening their church for the convention. Adjourned to meet at the call of the executive committee.

A. K. BRYANT, Secretary.

ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING AT ANDOVER.

HARRY MARSTON PULLED THE TRIGGER, AND FRED PHILBRICK IS DEAD.—THEY DIDN'T KNOW IT

The Oxford Democrat.

SOUTH PARIS.

SOUTH PARIS POST OFFICE.

Office Hours: 6:00 to 7:00 A. M.; 8:00 A. M. to 8:00 P. M.

Mails close. For Portland &c., 6:15 and 9:53 A. M., 2:45 P. M.; for Gorham &c., 9:17 A. M., 2:45 P. M.

Mails arrive at post office: From Portland, 9:47 A. M., 3:45 and 7:20 P. M.; from Gorham, 6:35 and 10:23 A. M.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

On and after Nov. 18, 1895, trains leave South Paris: Going east, 6:25 and 10:13 A. M., 4:08 P. M.; going west, 9:37 A. M., 3:35 and 7:10 P. M.

CHURCHES.

First Congregational Church, E. J. Haughton, Pastor. On Sunday, preaching services, 10:45 A. M. and 7:00 P. M.; Sabbath School 12 M.; prayer meeting Tuesday evening; Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday evening.

Methodist Church, Rev. W. T. Chapman, Pastor. On Sunday, morning prayer meeting, 9:30 A. M.; preaching service, 10:45 A. M.; Sabbath School 12 M.; Epworth League Meeting, 6 P. M.; evening prayer meeting 7 P. M.; prayer meeting Tuesday evening, class meeting, Friday evening.

Baptist Church. Rev. T. J. Ramsdell, Pastor. On Sunday, preaching service 10:45 A. M.; Sabbath School 12 M.; prayer meeting 7:00 P. M.; prayer meeting Tuesday evening.

STATED MEETINGS.

F. & A. M.—Regular meeting Tuesday evening on or before full moon.

I. O. O. F.—Mount Mica Lodge, regular meetings Thursday evening of each week.—Aurora Encampment, first and third Monday evenings of each month.

D. of R.—Mount Pleasant Rebekah Lodge, No. 38, meets second and fourth Fridays of each month in Odd Fellows' Hall.

P. of H.—Paris Grange, second Saturday of each month. The Grange store is open for trade Wednesday and Saturday afternoons.

U. O. G. C.—Second and fourth Mondays of each month.

I. O. G. T.—South Paris Lodge, No. 331, meets first and third Monday evenings of each month in the G. A. R. Hall.

G. A. R.—W. R. Kimball Post, No. 148, meets Saturday on or before full moon, in G. A. R. Hall.

W. R. Kimball Relief Corps meets first and third Tuesday evenings of each month, in G. A. R. Hall.

N. E. O. P.—Stony Brook Lodge, No. 182, meets in G. A. R. Hall first and third Wednesday evenings of each month.

K. of P.—Hamlin Lodge, No. 31, meets every Friday evening at Masonic Hall.

J. F. Plummer was laid up by sickness a few days last week.

Jason Russell of Buckfield was at South Paris last week.

Bank Examiner Timberlake of Phillips was in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Atwood of Buckfield were in town last Friday.

W. H. Eastman, Esq., the East Sumner sealsman, was in town last week.

Sanger Maxim and Arthur Holman made a bicycle trip to Lewiston Sunday.

C. S. Richardson is building a one-story addition to his house, back of the sitting room.

W. A. Porter is laying the branch pipe to connect his building with the new sewer put in last fall.

O. B. Merrill, of Gilbertville, who attended court here last week, called at the Democrat office Tuesday.

F. A. Thayer has been engaged as chorister at the Methodist church, and is organizing a good chorus choir.

Walter Jones is riding a new Warwick bicycle bought from the agency of Myron and Sanger Maxim. It came Saturday.

Miss Ollie Gerry went Saturday to Farmington, where she will work at millinery for Miss M. P. Libby, formerly of Norway.

Rev. A. G. Fitz and wife of North Bridgton visited in town last week. Mr. Fitz was for a number of years pastor of the Congregational church in this place.

Owing to the increase of business at the South Paris post office, the department have raised Postmaster Farrar's salary from twelve to thirteen hundred dollars.

The little house situated by the side of the railroad near the Norway Branch switch, and owned by the railroad company, has been torn down, and the lot cleared off.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Garland of Portland have been visiting Mrs. Garland's sister, Mrs. N. G. Elder. Mr. Garland is general secretary of the Portland Y. M. C. A.

Miss Eva Richardson was unable to teach school Friday on account of illness, and is a little uncertain whether she will be able to continue through the day Monday.

The Ladies' Relief Corps will elect their officers for the ensuing year next Thursday evening. Other business of importance is to come before the meeting, and all members are requested to be present.

Al. Crooker was up from Oxford last week. He thinks he has the oldest family in this section. There are living with him, his wife's mother who is 93 years old, his father who is 92, and his mother who is 89.

Don't leave your bicycle standing in the sun. Two riders who have left their wheels in a hot, sunny corner at the town house, have had this warning forcibly impressed upon them, by a split rim and a ruined tire.

Sanger Maxim and Harry Maxim braved the terrors of the unknown way Friday, and made a bicycle trip to Locke's Mills and return. They say the roads are terrible, but the road machine has began to improve them in spots.

The boys played a return game of ball at Hebron Saturday, and they came home feeling better than they did the week before. The score this time was 20 to 15 in favor of South Paris. There was a tremendous raid on Porter's soda fountain when the boys got home again.

The remains of Samuel M. Newhall, who died at Waterville, were brought here Wednesday and interred in Riverside Cemetery. Mr. Newhall removed to Waterville some thirty years ago from South Paris, where for years he ran the harness shop later occupied by J. D. Williams. He was postmaster at South Paris for some years and was also town treasurer for some time, and representative in the legislature for two terms.

Mr. S. M. Locke of Roxbury made the Democrat a pleasant call last week, while in attendance on court as a witness in the poplar case. Mr. Locke is the veteran and well-known bear hunter of the Swift River valley. He has been postmaster at Roxbury for twenty-five years. He is one of the most faithful and regular of the Democrat's corps of correspondents, and reports the local happenings in his vicinity every week with unfailing regularity.

Memorial Sunday services of Wm. K. Kimball Post and Wm. K. Kimball Ladies' Relief Corps will be held at the Methodist church on Sunday, May 24th, at 2:30 P. M. Sermon by the pastor of that church. Members of the post and of the ladies' relief corps are requested to assemble at G. A. R. Hall on that day at 2:30 P. M. White gloves and badges will be worn. A good turnout is requested.

Per order of
FRANK MAXIM, Commander.
H. N. BOLSTER, Adjt.

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Ellis, Wednesday afternoon, Rev. T. J. Ramsdell, pastor of the South Paris Baptist Church, and Miss Katherine M. Ellis were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. A. Roberts of Paris Hill. Only relatives of the parties were present. Mr. and Mrs. Ramsdell went immediately to their new home at No. 17 Park Street. The esteem in which the happy couple are held was testified to by a large number of wedding gifts, mostly in silver and glass ware, from parishioners and friends. It is needless to say that they have the best wishes of many friends.

The public library benefit concert which was given Wednesday evening, lostly by the male talent of the place, as announced last week, carried out the advertised programme. It was a fine affair—an entertainment which would do credit to the musical talent of a much larger place than South Paris—and it had a very small house. Aside from the object of benefiting the library, such an entertainment is one which is worthy in itself of patronage, and which people can not afford to miss on their own account; and the object is one the worthiness of which no one will question. It is to be regretted that it did not have the patronage it deserved, but such is the fact.

Advertised letters in the South Paris post office May 18:

Miss Ellen A. Estes.
Mr. Jack Addition.

Lucius A. Starr has completed his engagement as clerk at the Andrews House, and Douglass Farrar will take his place.

Lucier's Minstrels always draws a good audience on their merits. This was the case at South Paris Saturday evening. The show was never better.

J. H Turner of Thomaston, a former clerk at the Sturtevant drug store, is in town. Mr. Turner has just graduated from the College of Pharmacy in Boston.

A. G. Dudley is building the abutments for the Stony Brook bridge. A good face wall, largely of split granite, does make a better looking abutment than boulders.

Paris Manufacturing Co. have the land staked out for a large addition to their present storehouse, which will probably be built this season, though it is not definitely decided yet.

David B. Woodbury and his mother have moved from the farm on the crest of Woodbury Hill to the Crockett house on Crockett Lane in this village, which Mr. Woodbury purchased some years since.

The jurors on duty at this term will earn their money without any doubt. Out till 4 o'clock Tuesday night, and till 3 o'clock Friday night, and full-length days every day between whiles. They ought to call for a bonus.

The Rev. H. E. Foss of Bangor will lecture at the M. E. church Tuesday evening, May 19th. Subject, The Chattanooga Convention. Admission free. Mr. Foss is a former pastor of this church and ought to draw a good house.

Apple trees everywhere are blossoming very full this year. The whiteness of blossoms is only exceeded by the whiteness of caterpillar nests, which, especially on pasture and scrub trees, are so plenty as to arouse fears of another plague of the "varmints."

There was a good attendance at the K. P. service at the Baptist church Sunday afternoon. Rev. H. A. Roberts of Paris Hill preached an excellent sermon from James 1:27: "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

S. F. Briggs has sold house lots on the new street in the pines to E. O. Millett and C. A. Walker, both of whom expect to build this season. The town accepted the location at the annual meeting, but owing to necessarily large highway expenditures made no appropriation for building the road. Mr. Briggs proposes to make some arrangement with the selectmen so that he can build the road and have it open the present season. He is also preparing to build a fence across just east of the shoe factory, from the new street across to Pleasant, along one side of the location where it is anticipated that a street will ultimately be put through.

Mrs. Fannie Tucker, widow of the late Levi P. Tucker, died very suddenly last Wednesday morning, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gowell, with whom she was living. Mrs. Tucker came out to breakfast as usual and as it was not quite ready she sat down and asked Mrs. Gowell to bring her a drink of water. While Mrs. Gowell was getting the water Mrs. Tucker threw up her hands and fell back in the chair. Dr. Woodbury was called at once but Mrs. Tucker lived only about half an hour. Mrs. Tucker leaves one son and two daughters, all of whom reside in Massachusetts and were present at the funeral. The deceased was 72 years old.

ELM HILL.

Mr. Hazeltine is moving to North Paris.

The apple trees give promise of a bountiful harvest.

Teacher and pupils are enjoying a clean school house.

John Penley is doing considerable grafting in this vicinity.

H. L. Swift furnished Landlord Gee a twenty-pound turkey court week.

Ethel Robinson of Stearns Hill visited relatives here Thursday and Friday.

Dexter Lowell and daughter Beatrice of Auburn were at E. E. Lowell's Sunday.

S. R. and H. P. Ellis are sending their porkers to Berlin where they find a ready market.

The county commissioners were here recently and looked over the grounds for the new road near F. H. DeCoster's. We hear they laid out the road as petitioned.

Last Wednesday afternoon Katherine Ellis and Rev. T. J. Ramsdell were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. H. A. Roberts performing the marriage ceremony.

BISCOE DISTRICT.

Mark Matt has returned from Roxbury.

Mary Swan has gone home, her sister being sick.

McIntire Bros. were here looking for cows this week.

Mrs. A. H. Andrews has the agency for Bon Ami for cleaning purposes.

As Adna Bucknam of West Paris was driving away from Fred Farrar's with a load of hay, the rack tipped over, burying Mr. Bucknam under the load, breaking one leg badly, and hurting his face. He was carried to West Paris immediately.

HAS STRUCK IT RICH.

The following was clipped from the Gilpin County (Colo.) Observer, May 1st, 1896:

One of the best strikes made of late was that of Dr. W. Moore, who recently located a claim in Lake gulch and one in Fall River district. At a depth of six feet in the Lake gulch prospect quartz has been taken out that assays $18.50 to the ton and the indications are better as depth is gained. The Fall River prospect is a tunnel site and two experienced miners are at work there. The first of the week, only fourteen feet from the mouth of the tunnel, a body of ore was encountered and an assay made. The assay showed $110.50 to the ton. The doctor has already had several good propositions from parties who want to lease and bond, but he will probably work the claim or sell. Either of the prospects, if located in the Cripple Creek district, would bring thousands of dollars. We have the gold in Gilpin but have not been extensively advertised.

Dr. Moore was formerly from Norway. It will be remembered that his wife, Mrs. Will Moore, was in the millinery business there only a few years ago. She sold out her business to Miss G. M. Packard, and went to Denver, Colo., for her health, where she died with consumption and was taken to North Auburn, Maine, for burial.

The doctor returned to Denver and later went to Central City, a gold mining camp, a city of 10,000 or more.

Only a little over a month ago he discovered some fine gold leads. For one of them he has an offer of $15,000. He owns some six other gold leads which may prove very valuable.

PURE ⓘ SEED.

L. K. Stone of Paris recently bought several bushels of "specially pure" western seed oats. When he investigated them he found them so full of foreign material of one kind and another that he did not dare to use them until at the expense of a day or two of time he had sifted and picked them over by hand. As a matter of curiosity and perhaps warning he weighed out from the middle of the lot one pound, and sorted it carefully. Besides oats, this is what he found in the pound:

1432 grains of barley.
1296 grains of rye and wheat.
1160 grains of mustard seed.
28 grains of flax seed.
4 thistle heads.

Fifteen other kinds of seeds, which he can not name, the numbers of the different kinds being respectively 563, 97, 73, 16, 12, 10, 9, 9, 4, 3, and five of 1 each.

A quantity of chaff, straw, etc.

That makes a total of 4,671 seeds other than oats in a pound.

In sorting over the rest of the lot he picked out 13 varieties of large seeds, peas, etc., of which he found none in the pound reported above.

The Democrat has already published a circular from Professor Harvey of the State College relative to weed seeds in western oats, and would advise the farmers to examine their seed before sowing.

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT.

MAY TERM, 1896.

COURT OFFICERS.

Wm. P. Whitehouse, Justice Presiding.
Chas. F. Whitman, Clerk.
Fred A. Porter, Sheriff.
H. E. Hammond, Crier.
E. F. Smith, County Attorney.
J. S. Estes, Stenographer.
W. A. Barrows, Messenger.
H. C. Davis, Librarian.

TRAVERSE JURY.

Wm. J. Wheeler, Paris, Foreman.
Wm. Richardson, Greenwood.
E. L. Burns, Oxford.
Wm. H. Farnum, Rumford.
George M. Bennett, Sweden.
Wm. R. Peabody, Gilead.
Hiram H. Bean, Bethel.
C. H. Prince, Buckfield.
Walter C. Bickford, Brownfield.
Henry C. Smith, Dixfield.
Samuel Stanley, Porter.

SUPERNUMERARIES.

D. A. Gorham, Norway.
Wm. O. Frothingham, Paris.
O. B. Upton, Norway.

THE JURY DISAGREED.

The flowage case of Sarah H. Wardwell vs. Robinson Manufacturing Co. took up the time of the court for just a week. It was opened Wednesday morning, May 6, and the case was given to the jury about 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, May 12. The jury remained out till 12 o'clock, when, having failed to agree, they came into the court room again, and a midnight session of court was held, Judge Whitehouse coming in and giving them further instructions. They then retired again and remained until 4 o'clock, when they were released according to the order of the court.

At the opening of the court Wednesday morning, the disagreement was reported, and the jury was excused from further consideration of the case.

Judge Whitehouse then said that there had been brought to his attention a matter which had created a suspicion that an attempt had been made to

INFLUENCE THE JURY

by means of evidence which had not been introduced in this trial. He held in his hand a pamphlet containing a portion of the testimony given by Joseph Robinson in a former trial, which was inadmissible in this case, and asked if any member of the jury had seen anything of a copy of this pamphlet.

W. O. Frothingham of South Paris, a member of the jury, stated that a copy of the pamphlet was given to his father with the request that he read, it at his store Tuesday morning, by a lady who proved to be Mrs. Spurr of Otisfield.

Mr. Andrews of Oxford, of counsel for plaintiff, was interrogated with regard to his knowledge of the pamphlet. He knew of its existence, but denied having circulated it in Paris, or having known that Mrs. Spurr had done so.

Mr. Spurr, being called, testified that the pamphlet was prepared and printed a year ago under his direction as town agent of Otisfield for distribution in that town. He did not know of his wife having distributed any in Paris.

W. A. Porter of South Paris testified that Mr. Andrews gave him a copy of the pamphlet in his store a few days previous.

W. W. Farrar of South Paris testified that the plaintiff's husband gave him a few of the pamphlets at Oxford, and told him to take them up to Paris and give them to people who he thought would like to see them.

The matter was investigated somewhat further and discussed by court and counsel. Judge Whitehouse finally said that if he heard anything more of the matter he should instruct the county attorney to refer it to the grand jury, and thus closed this rather sensational incident.

DUDLEY VS. POLAND PAPER CO.

Ansel Dudley vs. Poland Paper Co. This was an action brought to recover balance claimed by plaintiff on a contract to furnish defendant company with several hundred cords of poplar pulp wood during the season of 1895. The poplar was to be cut mostly on Ellis River, Swift River and Spear Stream, and by the terms of the contract between the parties was to be delivered in the Androscoggin River. The big freshet of April 15th started some of the piers at Canton, and the Poland Paper Co. at once instructed Mr. Dudley not to allow any of the poplar to come into the main river then, as the boom could not be strung, and it would be throwing it away. Some of the poplar was not got out that season, but remained on Swift River and Spear Stream. Plaintiff includes this poplar in his bill against the company, asserting that the wood had been measured by the company's surveyor and would have been driven out if it could have been done on the high water of the freshet; that those streams hold at a good driving pitch only a very short time in the spring, and that after the time when he was allowed to put this poplar in, it was impossible to get the poplar out during the season, but it was not his fault that it was not done. The defendant company asserts that it was not reasonable in the plaintiff to expect that he should be allowed to put the poplar in when the boom could not be strung to hold it, and that the plaintiff had all reasonable opportunity to drive his poplar out and deliver it in the Androscoggin.

The case was cumbered with a mass of correspondence and detailed testimony, and some side issues, and dragged its length along for three days, going to the jury Friday night. The jury stayed out until about 3 o'clock in the morning, then sealed their verdict, and in the morning returned a verdict for the plaintiff for $969.

Wright and Swasey for plaintiff; Virgin and Hersey for defendant.

HAZELTON VS. EDGECOMB.

Clara A. Hazelton vs. L. D. Edgecomb and trustee. This action was brought by the plaintiff against the defendant, who is her father, to recover for support for a certain length of time. It seems that the old people came to live with the plaintiff under some kind of an arrangement which according to the plaintiff's claim was to bring the property eventually into her possession, while according to the defendant's claim it was simply to give the plaintiff the use of the place while she was taking care of the old people. Verdict for defendant. M. L. Kimball for plaintiff; Wright for defendant.

THE DIVORCES.

These divorces have been granted during the term:

Marta C. Heald of Stow from Calvin S. Heald of Newton, Mass. Non-support. Custody of minor children to libelant.

Nellie B. Bosworth of Hartford from Arthur B. Bosworth of Hull, Mass. Non-support, &c.

C. Freeland Penley of Paris from Roxanna Penley. Cruel and abusive treatment.

Lillian A. Sawyer of Hebron from Frank S. Sawyer. Cruel and abusive treatment.

Cornelius Lonergan of Byron from Salome M. Lonergan of Berwick, Nova Scotia. Cruel and abusive treatment.

Nettie F. Harlow of Mexico from Leslie H. Harlow. Desertion. Custody of minor children to libelant.

Obed Wilson of Byron from Hattie E. Wilson. Adultery. Custody of Eugene and John A. Wilson given to libelant.

Frank B. Fogg of Paris from Emily Fogg of Lewiston. Desertion.

NOTES.

The case for trial Monday afternoon is Sidney D. Edwards vs. Amos Smith, and concerns a right of way. Wright for plaintiff; Hazen for defendant.

Gangloff, who was bound over on the charge of common seller, and has already served a sixty days' sentence on a nuisance complaint, has been admitted to bail and released.

The next trial will begin at 1:30 Monday afternoon. There are either four or five more cases to be tried, and the term will probably last through this week if not longer. The general opinion is however that it will wind up the last of the week.

Some of the jurors having been excused, venires were issued the last of the week for four more, and the following were returned:

Frank T. Bartlett, Norway.
Walter L. Bonney, Paris.
Wm. G. Hammond, Paris.
Eugene N. Swett, Norway.

George Poland, of considerable notoriety in court circles, who was recently released from jail under bonds, has not so far appeared at this term, and the report is current that he is in parts unknown to the anthorities. His bondsmen are the chief mourners over his disappearance.

NORWAY.

CHURCHES.

Universalist Church, Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Pastor. Preaching service on Sunday, at 10:30 A. M.; Sabbath School, 11:45 A. M.; Y. P. C. U. meeting, 7:00 P. M.

Second Congregational Church, Rev. B. S. Rideout, Pastor. Preaching service Sunday, 10:30 A. M.; Sabbath School, 11:45 A. M.; Social Meeting, 7:00 P. M.; regular weekly Prayer Meeting, Wednesday evening; Young People's Meeting Friday evening.

Methodist Church, Rev. F. Grosvenor, Pastor. Preaching service, 10:30 A. M.; Sabbath School, 12:00 M.; Social Evening Meeting, 7:00 P. M.; prayer meeting, Tuesday evening; class meeting, Friday evening.

Baptist Church, J. L. Harding, Pastor. Preaching service, 2:00 P. M; Sabbath School, 3:00 P. M. Prayer Meeting, Saturday evening.

STATED MEETINGS.

F. & A. M.—Union R. A. C., No. 36, assembles Wednesday Evening, on or before full moon, at Masonic Hall. Regular meeting of Oxford Lodge, No. 18, in Masonic Hall, Monday Evening on or before full moon. Oxford Council, R. & S. M., Friday evening, on or after full moon.

Norway Division, Sons of Temperance, in Ryerson Hall every Saturday evening.

I. O. O. F.—Regular meeting in Odd Fellows' Hall, every Tuesday Evening. Wildey Encampment, No. 21, meets in Odd Fellows' Hall, second and fourth Friday Evenings of each month. Mt. Hope Rebekah Lodge, No. 58, meets on first and third Friday of each month.

K. of P.—Regular meeting in Hathaway Block, every Thursday Evening. U. R., A. O. Noyes Division, No. 12, meets third Friday of each month.

G. A. R.—Harry Rust Post, No. 54, meets in Ryerson Hall on the third Friday Evening of each month.

S. of V.—Wellington Hobbs Camp meets the second and fourth Friday Evenings of each month.

W. R. C.—Meets in Grange Hall third Friday evening in each month.

U. O. G. C.—Meets the 2d and 4th Thursday evenings of each month in Ryerson Hall.

P. of H.—Norway Grange meets second and fourth Saturdays of each month at Grange Hall.

N. E. O. P.—Lakeside Lodge, No. 177, meets in Ryerson Hall, on the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month.

John F. Devine is stopping at home. He has been at Peabody, Mass., for several years.

W. H. Harley is visiting in town. He will be here several weeks.

"The Outlook for Christianity" was the subject of Rev. C. E. Angell's address before the Maine Universalist convention at Auburn Tuesday evening.

Arthur Swan, who is engaged in business at Bridgton, enjoyed the Sabbath at his home in this village.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Q. Elliott went to Rumford Saturday for a short visit.

Judge Whitehouse visited Norway Sunday and climbed Pike's Hill.

Two new foundations are being put in on the tannery lot for dwelling houses. George Carter is also building a foundation for a new house on Deering and Summer Streets.

County Attorney Smith and Sheriff Porter were at Andover Monday and Tuesday of this week to investigate the shooting affair.

Hon. F. E. Timberlake, Bank Examiner, was in town Wednesday and made the Norway Savings Bank an official visit.

Mrs. James Pledge fell in her wood shed Friday and broke her left arm.

W. H. Whitcomb has sold and shipped several carloads of sweet corn this week.

C. B. Cummings & Sons have about 500,000 feet of logs in the lake near the saw mill.

Charles S. Cummings has gone to his camp, "Camp Bruin" at Hanover, for a few weeks for his health.

Jesse K. Brown has his barn up and boarded.

A. L. Cook has taken a rent in the Mixer house on Water Street. He moved in the last of the week.

Sheriff Fred A. Porter and James R. Tucker, deputy, were in town Thursday.

Mrs. Otis Jones and her daughter, Mary, of Boston, are stopping in town for the summer months.

Rev. B. S. Rideout has arranged with some of the business men of the place to give ten minute talks to the members of the Congregational Sunday School.

Mell Sampson and James True captured nearly one hundred trout from the Lombard Brook one day this week.

Henry J. Bangs is papering and painting at his home on Main Street.

The Noyes drug store and F. P. Stone have each put in an excellent ice cream cabinet, to be used in connection with the soda fountain.

The memorial sermon this year, May 24th, will be preached to Harry Rust Post, No. 54, G. A. R., at the Methodist church.

May Hennessey, well remembered by the public as the lady who took the leading part in Kathleen Mavourneen some time since, will appear at the Opera House next week with her own company. The Marion Gerald Company next week.

Frank P. Knapp, who has played in the Broad Street Theatre Orchestra and later in the Chestnut Street Theatre Orchestra in Philadelphia, will spend his vacation at his home in this village.

W. F. Jones and company visited Concord Pond recently for fish. They met with fair success.

At the annual meeting of the Norway Pine Grove Association at the Elm House Saturday the following officers were elected:

Moderator, Gen. Geo. L. Beal.
Secretary, W. W. Whitmarsh.
Treasurer, John L. Horne.
Trustees, Geo. L. Beal, J. L. Horne, Jonathan Blake, S. A. Bennett, M. D., and I. N. Small.

Dr. Bennett was elected president of the board of trustees.

Mrs. Fred W. Sanborn of the Advertiser is enjoying a week with her mother, Mrs. Eliza A. Hill, of Strafford Bow Lake, N. H.

The Universalist choir was assisted by James Hobbs of Buffalo, N. Y. Mr. Hobbs is an excellent baritone singer.

Norway citizens are now thinking that it is about time for the town to have another Fourth of July celebration. They will get together at the Engine House Tuesday evening next and discuss the matter. It will of course be a good one if any because Norway never goes in to fail in anything.

It is reported that E. F. Bicknell is looking for a fellow who hired a bike of him some days ago and has left town with the wheel and behind him an unpaid board bill and a few garments. He worked in the cutting room of the shoe factory.

On complaint of Merritt Welch, Deputy Sheriff A. P. Bassett arrested Geo. A. York and Geo. W. Mitchell of Portland, Thursday. Before the municipal court they pleaded not guilty to the allegations in the warrant charging them with violating the "itinerant vendor" law of 1893. The matter was continued until Friday morning, with C. L. Hathaway and F. W. Sanborn as their securities. It appeared that they were acting as salesmen for J. R. Libby of Portland and were conducting what they termed "parlor sales" at the Beal's Hotel. They advertised their sales at the hotel for Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week and opened up Thursday in good style. When requested to show the licenses required by law they were unable to comply with the request, hence the prosecution. Friday morning there was no trial and it was currently reported that the affair had been settled between the parties on payment of costs and the salesmen had packed up their goods and left town.

At the Republican caucus held at the Opera House, Saturday afternoon, E. E. Andrews was selected as chairman and M. P. Stiles secretary. The following delegates were elected to the county convention at South Paris, June 23d:

A. F. Andrews, C. W. Ryerson, L. B. Andrews, E. E. Witt and Moses Stiles.

To the state convention:

C. F. Whitman, Geo. L. Beal, J. A. Roberts, E. F. Smith, W. W. Whitmarsh.

The state delegates were instructed for Llewellyn Powers. The following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That the recognized ability of S. S. Stearns, Esq., coupled with his long and faithful service in behalf of Republican principles entitles him to recognition by the Republican party in this county and that his nomination for the office of Judge of Probate would be highly creditable to the party and especially gratifying to the Republicans of the town of Norway.

NORWAY GRANGE.

The members of Norway Grange held their regular meeting Saturday, May 9th. There were quite a large number present, and the following program was carried out:

Music by Choir.	
Recitation,	Ella Farnum.
Reading,	Mrs. Hattie Merrill.
Song,	Mrs. Alvin Brown.
Reading,	Mrs. Lizzie Howe.
Music.	Minnie Cox.
Recitation,	Ina French.
Song,	Nathan Noble.
Reading,	Leila Watson.
Essay,	Mrs. Harlen Brown.
Song,	Isele Cox.
Reading,	Florence Grover.
Reading,	Mrs. George Crooker.
Music by Choir.	
Reading,	Algie Crooker.

The next meeting will be held in two weeks. Program to be prepared by Noble's Corner members.

MAINE HAPPENINGS.

A Brunswick lad with two artificial feet is a bicycle expert.

The electric road between Lewiston and Bath won't materialize this year.

The Maine Division, L. A. W., has accepted the invitation of the Massachusetts Division to meet with them at Boston Memorial Day.

Two children by the name of Cote, aged 10 and 8 years, were drowned in the Back Bay at Portland, Saturday, the 9th, while playing in a boat.

The Augusta Bicycle Club has voted unanimously not to hold the wheelmen's meet in that city Memorial Day. Probably there will be no spring meet held.

Engineer Straw is surveying for the railroad between Jay and Gilbertville and it is reported by good authority that work is soon to commence on the dam at Peterson's Falls.

Hervey Nelson, while confined in jail at Portland serving a sentence for intoxication and vagrancy, had an attack of delirium tremens, and hung himself with a cord used to hang clothes on.

Three burglars, one named Bradley, and the other two Flaherty, were captured by Deputy Sands and Officer Scamel of Lewiston in their room in Continental Block, Lewiston, Monday night.

Six gentlemen in Augusta have contributed $100 apiece for a 4th of July celebration. They are J. H. Manley, P. O. Vickery, E. C. Burleigh, J. F. Hill, Lendall Titcomb and Geo. E. Macomber.

Two boys at Gorham didn't know it was loaded. They were playing with an old pistol, when it went off, the bullet striking Simon Fifield behind the ear. He is not expected to live. His age is 15 years.

Two men were arrested at Buxton Tuesday night for working the "flimflam" game, whom the officers believe to be New York crooks working their way into the state preparatory to doing business at the summer resorts and fairs.

The partial shutting down of the woolen mill at Lisbon Falls is a bad blow to that lively place. The reduction in help will go into effect next Monday. All unmarried men and female operatives are to go out, reducing the working force about one-half.

As Mrs. Eunice Farwell and Mrs. George W. Adams were out riding at Cumberland Junction Tuesday, while in the act of changing the reins from one hand to the other, the horse started and ran, throwing both out and breaking Mrs. Farwell's neck. She lived but a few moments. Mrs. Adams was uninjured.

A syndicate has made a proposition to build and equip a narrow gauge railroad from the tide water at Boothbay Harbor to Wiscasset, the road to be completed for travel by Nov. 1. As surveyed, the road is about fifteen miles long, and passes through the towns of Boothbay Harbor, Boothbay and Edgecomb to Wiscasset.

Leroy Pike, an employe of the Umbagog pulp mill at Livermore Falls, miraculously escaped being killed Sunday night. He was caught by the counter shaft and his arm was broken in two places and his leg dislocated. The body was badly bruised. He made sixty revolutions around the shaft before he was released.

The electric saw mill of the Willimantic Linen Company is now in successful operation after having encountered several set-backs. The mill is situated five miles from the power plant, and was first started up last fall, but did not run successfully, owing to insufficient power. A larger motor has been put in and now the mill runs smoothly as clock work. The concern has over 800 cords of spool stock to saw this spring.

The Linn Woolen Co. of Hartland, will ship in a few days to New York samples of shawls and make a bid for the government contract to manufacture 18,080 shawls, 420 less than they manufactured last year. The shawls to be manufactured this year will be of drab and other dark colors, and look very much different from the high colors called for a few years ago. It is fair to presume by this that the Indians have different tastes now than formerly.

The thunder shower of Sunday evening, the 10th, was accompanied by a terrific hurricane which swept through Strong, Mt. Vernon, Belgrade, Sidney, Augusta, and other Franklin and Kennebec County towns. The number of barns blown down is well towards a hundred, a number of head of stock were killed, and some people were injured, though none seriously. The entire damage done will reach pretty far up among the tens of thousands. It was the worst hurricane known since Maine was settled.

ORCHARD FIELD MEETING

OF MAINE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

Arrangements are now completed for the holding of a Field Day in the orchard of Mr. Charles S. Pope of Manchester, on Tuesday, May 26th.

The exercises will be held in the orchard unless the weather is unfavorable, in which case they will be held in the town hall. They will consist of lectures by Prof. W. H. Jordan, Mr. Phineas Whittier and others. Mr. Pope will also give a full illustration of different methods of spraying, both for insects and fungus growths. It is expected that at that time this orchard, which consists of more than twenty acres, will be in full bloom, and will present a beautiful sight. All citizens are cordially invited to be present.

B. WALKER MCKEEN, Secretary.
Augusta, May 11, 1896.

CARD.

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To the state convention:

C. F. Whitman, Geo. L. Beal, J. A. Roberts, E. F. Smith, W. W. Whitmarsh.

BORN.

In West Lovell, May 8, to the wife of Oscar Kimball, a son.

In Rumford Falls, May 5, to the wife of Matthew McLeod, a son.

In Dixfield, April 23, to the wife of J. B. Dailey, a son.

MARRIED

In Wilson's Mills, May 10, by R. A. Storey, Esq., Mr. Calvin T. Fox and Miss Hortense J. Wilson.

In South Paris, May 13, by Rev. H. A. Roberts, Rev. T. J. Ramsdell and Miss Katherine M. Ellis, both of South Paris.

In Bridgton, May 5, by Rev. George M. Woodwell, Samuel R. Allen of Bridgton and Linnie McKeen of Stoneham.

In Waterford, May 9, by Rev. Charles Cleaves, George Kneeland and Lillian Rice, both of Waterford.

In North Paris, May 12, Mr. William Bryant and Miss Alice Richmond, both of Paris.

In East Sumner, May 12, by W. H. Eastman, Esq., Mr. Edgar C. Irish and Miss Lena M. Robbins, both of Hartford.

In Brownfield, May 11, by Rev. N. Clough, Mr. Angus Brien of Denmark and Miss Bertha Thorn of Brownfield.

In East Sumner, May 9, by W. H. Eastman, Esq., Mr. Stanley M. Benson and Miss Elizabeth G. Wright, both of Hartford.

DIED.

In North Paris, May 13, Mrs. Deacon Lewis, aged 89 years.

In South Paris, May 11, Mrs. Fannie Tucker, aged 72 years.

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He only possesses a father,
Who gave him a penny to last him his life.
That won't last him out any farther.

When he's born at evening, he comes at morn,
And at morn our friend shall expire.
Ah, then he may wish he had never been born,
For I'll burn him to death in the fire.

No. 110.—For Sharp Eyes.

Here is Bluebeard. Find Fatima.

No. 111.—Satisfactions.
Satisfy each blank with the name or the nom de plume of an author.
The —— (author of "The Ship In the Desert") lives near the —— (author of "System of Logic") on the creek at the —— (editor of Blackwood's Magazine) end of the —— (author of "Haps and Mishaps of a Tour In Europe") where you discovered that rare —— (Mrs. Parton).
There is a —— (author of "Commentary on the Constitution of the United States") that he —— (author of "The Constitution of the Human Soul" and many eloquent sermons) his —— ("Ella") and —— (author of "The Proud Miss MacBride") in sundry —— (editor of United States history).
His boat is very —— (author of "Gulliver's Travels"). His —— (author of "Letters From Under a Bridge") made.

No. 112.—Rhomboids.
Across: 1. Dishonor. 2. To eat into or away. 3. Heroic poems. 4. A long, pliable strip of leather. 5. An important vegetable product.
Downward: 1. In furnish. 2. A pronoun. 3. A verb. 4. Kitchen implements. 5. Prepares for publication. 6. Having the color of unbleached stuff. 7. To settle from a vertical position. 8. A childish name for a parent. 9. In furnish.
Across: 1. Cavities. 2. A large bird. 3. Plunged. 4. A masculine name. 5. A Shakespearean character.
Downward: 1. In rhomboid. 2. A conjunction. 3. A young boy. 4. Wicked. 5. To separate. 6. A Roman emperor. 7. A Portuguese title. 8. A pronoun. 9. In rhomboid.

No. 113.—A Trip.
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Start from a city of South America, situated directly under the equator; proceed to a city in Ohio; thence to a city in Delaware; from there across the ocean to visit a city in France. The last syllable of one name is the first syllable of the next.

No. 114.—How Will They Do It?
Two men, weighing 150 pounds each, and two boys, weighing 75 pounds each, wish to cross a river in a boat which will only hold 200 pounds. How many trips is the boat obliged to take?

No. 115.—In the Dining Room.
Anagrams: 1. E. C. S. Coe's hopes. 2. Son Ben one rib. 3. Bad car lanes. 4. Raise ten rats. 5. Eve D; stored but riches. 6. Look! ticket caves fleet. 7. K's last share. 8. Steep as under stone. 9. N. B. N. go Boston. 10. From seat K. 11. R. V. seeks race. 12. O. Ross camp row. 13. For O. K. lives. 14. So, lands of soda pranks. 15. Cuts for pink kite Ev. 16. C. E. his sly deer. 17. P. D. Clun's riches. 18. D. scent pear hills. 19. T. ceases crime. 20. Pat's tours M. D. 21. Bella sat. 22. Teetee tastes T. 23. Say on ports. 24. Rob brew sly. 25. Chew trap rites.

Traps For the Tongue.
"Here's a sentence that will puzzle you to read correctly at the first trial," remarked the commercial man as he wrote these words on the back of an old envelope, "She stood at the gate welcoming him in." The hotel clerk glanced at it and confidently began. "She stood at the gate welcom"— Then there was a confused murmur that sounded like "mingmingming." The newspaper man then tackled the sentence, with no better success. "Here is another hard nut," said the commercial man as he wrote, "The rain ceaseth; then it ceaseth to rain."

Key to the Puzzler.
No. 103.—Astronomical Puzzle:
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T H U B A N
P O L L U X
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No. 104.—Double Acrostic: Primals, California. Finals, Sacramento. Crosswords: 1. Cross. 2. Alpha. 3. Lyric. 4. Inter. 5. Flora. 6. Odium. 7. Raise. 8. Nisan. 9. Inert. 10. Anglo.
No. 105.—Arithmetical Puzzles: 1. Sixty. 2. Fifteen and sixty. 3. Eight children. 4. Twenty-four.
No. 106.—Charade: Thou-sand.
No. 107.—Illustrated Zigzag: Charles Lamb: 1. Can. 2. The. 3. Tea. 4. Arc. 5. Leg. 6. Pen. 7. Yes. 8. Ell. 9. Alb. 10. Emu. 11. Hub.
No. 108.—Buried Trees and Plants: 1. Syringa. 2. Teak. 3. Larch. 4. Almond. 5. Lime. 6. Thorn. 7. Fern.

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SPRING RENOVATING.
Are you going to have a room papered and painted? Then remove all the furnishings, and sweep, dust and clean thoroughly. Wash off around door knobs, because if the least greasy the paint will not dry or stick.
Do not leave furniture in the room unless too cumbersome to remove. It takes the workman's time to get around it, and it is liable to be soiled or scratched.
Clean the windows thoroughly. Require the painter to remove all paint from the glass, and paint spots from the floor. If the walls have been papered, remove the old paper before the workmen come.

HOW TO REMOVE WALL PAPER.
To remove wall paper easily, make a hot paste of flour and spread over the old paper. The paste remains damp longer than clear water would, giving more chance for the paper to become soft. This is one of the secrets of the paper-hangers.
Paper that has been varnished should be sandpapered with very coarse paper, and then softened with the paste water. It is hard to remove. So also is felt or ingrain paper.
Use a broad scraping knife, and be careful not to dig into the plaster. All holes may be filled up with plaster of Paris, moistened with vinegar, which keeps it from setting too quickly, but does not prevent hard drying.
Sandpaper all rough places. Wash the walls off clean after scraping. Do not "size" them. Paper on the bare walls. Be careful to have all corners and parts next to woodwork clean and sound.
Kalsomine the ceiling. Put on two coats, both same tint. Brush it on criss-cross fashion, and not straightwise as in whitewashing.

HOW TO HANG PAPER.
In matching edges, see that the edges lap away from the light, as then they will not show so conspicuously. Ceiling paper should lap away from the main or hall entrance point, so that it will look smooth to the visitor. A better way is have the paper "butted" instead of "lapped." It makes a neater finish.
Examine the work as it progresses, and see that all edges and joinings are fast and neat. If these are loose, then the paper will soon begin to come off.
Have the painting done before the papering.
It is well, if one can afford to do so, to have one room renovated each year. An ordinary room should be painted and papered for about ten dollars, including materials.

TO RENOVATE FURNITURE.
Old chairs, bedsteads, and other furniture may be renovated by household talent and thrift. Solid wood may be brightened with crude petroleum, rubbing hard with a woolen rag, and afterwards rubbing dry. Bare spots and scratches should be filled with varnish.
If re-varnishing is necessary, first clean off well, touch up the bare spots, and then put on a coat of fresh copal varnish, applied thinly, evenly and quickly.
Do this in a warm, dustless room. Dry over night. If the surface is in good shape, simply rub with polish of linseed oil and turpentine, half and half, or with crude oil, which is not excelled for renovating by anything known.
Old furniture may be painted and stained to imitate hard woods, or may be enameled by painting and finishing with enamel paint. The painted groundwork should be of the same tint as the enamel paint. Buy the enamel first, and match the paint to that. Sandpaper the painted groundwork well before applying the enamel.
Reseat worn out cane seat chairs with perforated wooden seats. These cost from seven to ten cents each, according to size.
For re-upholstering stuffed chairs and lounges, use shredded palm-leaf, which costs fifteen cents a pound. About five pounds will do for a large lounge, using a layer of good curled hair on top. Shredded palm is the next best thing to the curled hair, is tough, elastic and durable.
A good quality of curled hair costs about forty cents a pound, and from two to three pounds will be required for a large lounge.

THE KITCHEN FLOOR AND WALLS.
For staining the kitchen floor use boiled linseed oil toned with burnt or raw sienna for medium or light oak color, and with burnt umber for dark oak or walnut. Stain it some evening, and next morning it may be walked upon.
Kitchen walls are better painted. It costs about ten dollars to paint a room of ordinary size, the walls and ceiling, with two coats, and about six dollars to paper them, but the paint is the cheaper because it is more lasting.
Clean off in the spring and fall with very weak ammonia or soda water, rinsing off immediately with clear water. Do a small space at a time. Use a light color, and make walls and ceiling identical in color, employing no ornamentation or bordering. Use good linseed oil paint containing no turpentine. A yellowish tone is good as it makes the room lighter.

THE BATH ROOM.
Bath rooms should not be papered, even with "sanitary" paper, which is simply paper varnished or coated with a preparation of wax. Paint and finish walls with enamel paint. Sea-green, turquoise blue, primrose yellow, and similar tints are desirable for the bath-room.—Household.

BITS OF EXPERIENCE.
There is time even in a few years of housekeeping for one to learn a great deal that is not laid down in the books, but which may be of value not only to one's self, but to others.
In my six years of housekeeping, I have learned, among other things, to save time and strength by covering my kitchen table and pantry shelves with white or marbled enamel cloth, neatly tacked in position.
Among other things which experience has taught me, is the use of small brushes about the every day work in the kitchen. They are especially good for dish washing when for any reason the dishes have been allowed to stand a little after using.
They are excellent for washing glass ware having uneven surfaces, and are useful in numberless ways, which will suggest themselves to each individual according to her needs.
I have found, too, that bread will toast much more quickly and evenly if laid on the oven grate two minutes (not longer) previous to the toasting process.
I have learned that a tablespoonful of ginger in the lard for frying doughnuts will prevent the cakes from soaking fat and is not discernible to the taste.
That if cracker crumbs designed for the top of a dish of escalloped oysters are first mixed with a little melted butter, one can always be sure that they will come out of the oven beautifully brown.
With the remembrance of certain embarrassing occasions still in mind, when I found myself quite unprepared for unexpected company and not quite equal to the situation, I always keep a good suet pudding on hand which may be steamed and made ready for the table at short notice, and I try never to be without a few cans of a simple, but delicious salad dressing, which I learned to make some years ago, and which often helps me out of a difficulty amazingly.
Quite by accident, I discovered that a piece of bread kept in the cake box prevented the cake from becoming dry as soon as it otherwise would, and in the same way, I found that a refrigerator was the best place for cake of any kind.
I have come to the conclusion that to avoid nicks in my company china, it is better for me to go back to the old-fashioned custom of washing it myself the next morning.
After repeated experiments, I have proved to my entire satisfaction that one-half an egg will clear a pot of coffee for a family of six or eight quite as well as a whole one, and thus one egg is made to do the work of two.
In like manner, I have found that I can make better frosting for three cakes by adding water to the beaten white of one egg, and using confectioners' sugar, than I used to do when I allowed an egg or two for each cake and used powdered sugar instead.—Household.

USES OF COLLEGE TRAINING.

NOT TO MAKE EXPERTS, BUT TO FIT MEN FOR LARGE, INTELLIGENT WORK.

"It is not entirely safe to claim that every kind of success, even of legitimate success, will be promoted by a college training," writes Rev. Charles H. Parkhurst, D. D., in May Ladies' Home Journal. "If I had a boy for whom it was my supreme ambition that he should become rich I should not send him to college. So far from helping his prospects in that direction it would probably damage them. Money making is a trick. The easy acquisition of it is a knack. It involves the condensation of interest and faculty along a particular line, and that a narrow line. There is nothing to hinder a very small man from being a very wealthy one. Shrewdness does not imply big-mindedness. I might say with a good deal of assurance that it implies the contrary. And shrewdness has more than anything else to do with the acquisition of gain. * * There are a great many things that can be best done by the man who does not know too much, or, at least, by the man whose intelligence is concentrated at a single point or along a single line. The mechanic who has come to become known among us as the 'Wizard' would perhaps, have been more of a man if he had gone to Harvard, but it would probably have spoiled him as a 'wizard.' Genius is presumably always a species of mania, and liable to become something very ordinary if successfully subjected to the processes of the asylum. They had better be kept away from college if the design is to make them experts. College will be able to give them a character of 'all-roundness,' but a knife cannot be round and sharp at the same time; neither can a boy. * * If we are going to do large intelligent work the prime condition is the possession of an intellect trained and stocked in the same general and comprehensive way. College training is simply the process of intellectually getting ready, not getting ready for this, that or the other specific mental service, but simply getting ready—planting down a broad foundation of preliminary big enough to support any breadth or height of superstructure that there may be need or opportunity to put upon it. The college course and the requisite preparatory training costs about seven years of the best and most possible period of a man's life. But if a young man hopes to do a large, solid work in the world, a work in which intelligence of a broad kind is to play any considerable part, and there is no antecedent obstacle in the way, he makes an irreversible mistake if he considers seven years too much to pay for a liberal education."

NEW FLIM FLAM!
Sleight of hand performers have resorted to another scheme for making money besides appearing on the stage before the public, and the fact can be attested to by a clerk in the furnishing goods establishment of G. S. Rosenberg.
Last Monday evening a man entered the store and said he desired to purchase a collar button. He was a young man with a splendid appearance and spoke fluently. The button was priced at ten cents, but the clerk said he hadn't the change in the house for a $10 bill, and the man left without the button.
Last evening at about 7 o'clock the same person called again and purchased a necktie. He was about to leave the store, ostensibly, when he suddenly turned and laughingly asked the clerk if he thought he was trying to "work" him the other day when he offered him the $10 bill, and whether he thought the bill was a counterfeit. The clerk remarked that he had no such idea. The man appeared satisfied at the answer. Incidentally he then suggested that it would be well for all clerks to know a counterfeit bill when he saw one, and leaning against the counter with a confidential and confiding air remarked that he would show him a way to detect the "queer." The clerk said he would be delighted with this information, and the man asked for a $2 and a $5 bill.
He then took a five-cent piece from his pocket and moistened both sides. The coin was, so the clerk thought, placed between the two bills, and the whole was wrapped in a piece of paper and tightly tied. Explanations were then in order. The key to the solution was, the stranger explained, that the impressions of a nickel would appear on both bills.
"On a counterfeit bill," he said, "the impression will not appear." The man said he would step across the way to get a drink, and on his return would open the package. It would require that long for the impression to be made.
The clerk waited for about half an hour, but seeing nothing of the stranger his suspicions became aroused. He opened the package, and lo! the nickel was there, but the bills were gone. The stranger had slipped them up his sleeve and was away with the $7.
This scheme is being worked systematically in the city, and two or three other persons have been made the victims.—Courier-Journal.

STRATEGIC MOVEMENTS.
First Boy—See here! Didn't I see you running down street yesterday with Bill Bounce after you, wanting to lick you?
Second Boy—Y-e-s.
What did you run for?
I was only running so as to get him away from home, so his mother couldn't see him fighting; but by the time he was out of sight of his house we got in sight of our house; and then, as my mother would see me if I stopped to hit him, I went in, so as to be out of the way of temptation.

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Old Bachelor—Now that your sister has married, it is your turn. Young Lody—"Is that meant as an offer?"

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HERNIA (Breach), or Rupture, no matter of how long standing, or of what size, is promptly and permanently cured without the knife and without pain. Another **Triumph in Conservative Surgery** is the cure, of
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To the citizens of Paris who are about to build or repair their buildings we wish to make the following suggestions:
1st. To see that the chimney foundations are much broader than the size of chimneys; and also that they are in every case put below the action of frost.
2nd. To be sure chimneys are not too small and also that the flues are not reduced in size at or near the top.
3rd. To plaster both upon the inside and outside and keep all studs and other woodwork at least one half inch from the chimney; or build the chimney double putting the inside course edgewise, which is much the safer and best way, and will be required in all cases where furnaces and steam and hot water boilers are used for heating.
4th. To see that no wood work comes nearer than three inches to smoke pipes and at least four inches upon the top side.
We refer you to "Chapter 101" of the acts passed by the legislature of 1895.
South Paris, May 9th, 1896.
E. WILLIS, Inspector of Buildings.

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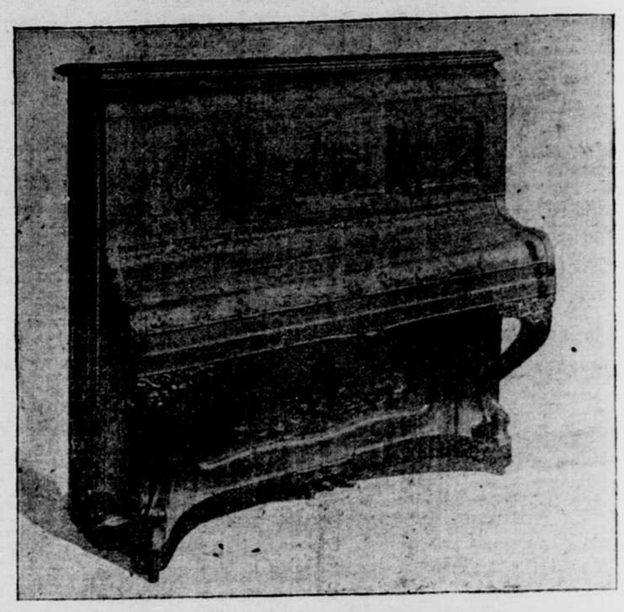

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NOTICE.
The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the will of STEPHEN RICHARDSON, late of Paris, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.
J. PERCIVAL RICHARDSON.
April 21, 1896.

NOTICE.
To all Persons and Corporations:—
It appearing that upon the petition of W. S. Stanbird, Frank Porter and H. D. Hammond, selectmen of Paris, and of O. F. Bradford, William B. DeCoster and W. H. Allen, selectmen of Hebron, all in the County of Oxford, to the County Commissioners of said County, praying that the road or highway located by said commissioners in the fall of A. D. 1893, commencing at or near the four corners near S. M. King's in said Paris, and running thence in a southerly course through part of said town of Paris, to the town line between said Paris and Hebron; thence over land in Hebron to the highway near the foot of Number Four Hill, so called, in said Hebron, be discontinued, the said Commissioners adjudged and determined that the prayer of said petitioners be denied, and it further appearing that said selectmen of Paris and of Hebron, at a term of the Supreme Judicial Court begun and holden at Paris, within and for said County of Oxford, on the second Tuesday of February, A. D. 1896, duly entered their appeal from the said decision and adjudication, and that the Justice of said Supreme Judicial Court, holden as aforesaid, duly appointed the undersigned a committee to act upon the subject matter of said appeal and to affirm or reverse in part or in whole said decision and adjudication, notice is hereby given to all persons and corporations interested in the subject matter of said original petition of the selectmen of Paris and Hebron aforesaid, that Wednesday, the seventeenth day of June, A. D. 1896, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and the Andrews House in South Paris Village, in said Paris, have been appointed by said committee the time and place to act upon said subject matter, and for the performance of the service authorized and directed under a commission to said committee duly issued in the premises by said Supreme Judicial Court on the eighth day of April, A. D. 1896.
ADDISON E. BERRICK, ALBION P. GORDON, WILLIAM DOUGLASS, } Committee.