

HEALTH MAXIMS

To spend two or three moments, on rising and retiring, in rapid friction of the whole surface of the body with the hand is a more rational treatment of the skin, and a more health-promoting operation, for most persons, than a daily cold water bath.

Nature is very much like a shiftless child, who, the more he is helped the more he looks for it. The more medicine people take, the more they will have to take, whether it be anodyne, tonic or alterative.

In going out into a colder air, keep the mouth resolutely closed, and walk briskly for a few minutes, thus preventing chilliness, which is always the precursor of a cold.

Cleanliness in all the surroundings of a family mansion pays richly in many ways, in good health, moral elevation, personal health, and dollars and cents besides.

The worst cold may be promptly cured in within twenty-four hours after it has been taken, the patient will keep warm in bed and eat little or nothing for a day or two.

Never sit or stand with the wind blowing on you for a single moment, for it tends to produce a chill, to be followed with a fever and then a bad cold.

Life is warmth, growth, repair, and power to labor, and all these are derived from the food we eat and the fluids we drink, and these should be good.

The thinnest veil or silk handkerchief thrown over the face while riding or walking against a cold wind is a remarkably comfortable protection.

Nine-tenths of the inmates of insane asylums who recover are those who are sent within a year after the first manifestation of their infirmity.

Chilliness of body dampens the spirits and sours the temper and renders the whole man unlovely.

The best anodyne in all nature is moderate, steady and continuous exercise in the open air.

A hearty meal, taken while excessively fatigued, has often destroyed life.

Exercise to the extent of great fatigue does more harm than good.

RECIPES

SCALLOPED OYSTERS.
Lard, onion, salt, tender, cut up, place a layer of bread or cracker crumbs in a dish, then oysters, so on until the dish is full. Season with pepper and salt, butter, moisten with milk and bake half an hour.

HERNIES.
Use cup butter, one and one-half cups sugar, three eggs, one-half teaspoonful salt, one teaspoonful each cloves, allspice, cinnamon, one and one-half cups chopped raisins or fruit currants; flour to roll. Cut out like cookies.

These will keep as long as fruit cake.

MOLASSES CAKE.
One-half cup molasses, one egg, one-half cup sugar, piece of butter the size of an egg, one-half cup of sour milk and salt to sweeten the milk, small teaspoonful each cloves, cinnamon, allspice, a little nutmeg, chopped raisins or currants. Bake in loaf or small cakes.

BROWN BUTTER OR POVERTY PUDDING.
Put in a layer of apple sauce in a buttered pudding dish, then a layer of bread crumbs, sprinkle with bits of butter and spices to taste, and so on till the dish is full—the last layer being crumbs with bits of butter on top. Bake and serve with cream.

LYONNAIS POTATOES.
Miss Parloa.
One quart boiled cold potatoes cut in dice, three tablespoonsful butter, one chopped onion, (parley,) salt and pepper. Fry the onions in the butter; when hot add potatoes and cook two minutes more. Serve at once on a hot dish.

CLAM PIE.
(Christian Union.)
Crust—two cups flour, one cup half butter half lard, one-half cup water, salt. Fifty grains of medium size.

Fill a deep dish with the crust, put in a layer of clams, sprinkle with butter, pepper, and powdered cracker. Put the dish in a water bath, pour over the clam liquor to mixture, cover with crust and bake.

A NICE BREAKFAST DISH.
Mashed potatoes made into a paste, with one or two well beaten eggs. Add a little flour if necessary and roll out. Take moist or lard, chop salt and pepper, cover each one with the potato paste, plucking the edges together and fry brown. Leave about an inch of the paste in sight. Any kind of cold or underdone meat may be prepared in this way.

CORN STARCH PUDDING.
Boil one quart of milk, when hot add three spoonfuls of corn starch mixed with a little cold milk, one-half cup sugar, three eggs well beaten, the whites of two saved for frosting. Flavor to the taste. When cooked, pour in a dish and cover the top with a frosting made of the two whites and one-half cup of sugar. Put in the oven until slightly brown. This is to be eaten cold.

SQUASH BISCUITS.
One cup of warm milk, one cup sifted squash, one-half cup yeast, one-fourth cup sugar, four spoonfuls melted butter, mix stiff as bread with cold, at night. In the morning knead and make into biscuits. Put in the tin in a cool place until after dinner, then rise in a warm place until time to bake for tea.

Sometimes they have been made in the morning and baked for tea and as good as to rise over night.

FAIRY GINGERBREAD.
One cupful of butter, two of sugar, one of milk, four of flour, three-fourths of a teaspoonful of soda, one tablespoonful of ginger. Beat the butter to a cream. Add the sugar gradually, and when very light, the ginger, the milk, in which the soda has been dissolved, and finally the flour. Turn baking pans upside down and wipe the bottoms very clean. Butter them and spread the cake mixture very thin on them. Bake in a moderate oven till brown. While still hot, cut into squares with a case-knife and slip from the pan. Keep in a tin box. This is delicious. With the quantities given a large dish of gingerbread can be made. It must be spread on the bottom of the pan as thin as a wafer, and cut the moment it comes from the oven.

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For the Democrat.

PARIS JAIL.

BY MRS. GERTRUDE WHITMAN.

Outraged against the sunset sky.

Like some stern sentinel of right,

Grim-visaged, and unflinching.

Lifting the voice, in stern demand,

That justice may be done,

White clapping in thy chill embrace,

The captive's trembling form.

What tales of anguish and despair,

If thy cold lips could only speak,

Of one that bowed the graceful head,

And flung the headless cheek.

What tones of anguish and despair,

On thy cold bosom shed;

The muttered curse, which wrunged alive,

The living and the dead.

The nights of restless agony,

The days of brooding woe,

Of those who could not see the way,

Their weary feet must go.

But standing grim, and stern, and dark,

Guarding thy secrets well,

The mystery of thy granite heart,

Thou wilt never, never tell.

DORA'S TRIAL.

"I do wish," said Prudence Hall, holding her darning needle in mid air for a moment over the coarse blue sock she was mending. "I do wish you could see your way clear to marry Seth Hallett. He wants you the worst kind, and he'd be such a good provider."

"But I don't like him well enough, Prudy; and I want something beside meat and drink, and two calico dresses a year."

Mrs. Prudence Hall had sprained her ankle, and was forced much against her will to sit day after day in an upper chamber, with a terrible consciousness that everything about the farm was re-peating into chaos and old night, for want of her oversight. Her pretty sister Dora had come to stay with her; but she was only a child, you know.

"There are two kinds of love in this world," said Mrs. Hall, after a pause, in which she had been taking counsel with herself whether Dora was old enough to be talked to on such matters at all, and it flashed upon her that the child was nearly twenty years old. "Perhaps you love Seth well enough to marry him, only you don't know it."

"Tell me about the two kinds of love," said Dora innocently. "I thought love was love the world over."

"I have never known but one kind, I think, Dora. When I married David Hall, he was the most well to do young man in these parts, and we never had a quarrel while he lived. He was a good, practical sort of a man, and he never asked me to do anything unreasonable."

"What if he had?" asked Dora.

"Well, I guess I could have argued him out of it. But there is a kind of love that will draw women through fire and water. It makes them throw themselves away on poor, shiftless men that will never provide for them nor their children, and they know it as well as anybody else does. It is the greatest wonder to me why such a useless feeling should ever have been created."

Dora had bent low over her work to hide her rough smiles at her sister's discourse; but at this point she fixed her deep gray eyes on Prudence, not smiling, but simply earnest.

"Such love brings happiness, sometimes, I suppose," said Dora.

"Next to never," said Prudence, with great decision. "We ain't made to be happy, and anything that's too good always leaves a bad taste in the mouth. Comfort is a bird in the hand and you do not gain anything by letting it fly on the chance of happiness."

"Did you ever know anyone about here Prudence, that threw herself away for love? It seems to me they won't look at a man unless he has a house and farm all ready for them."

"That's where they are right," said Prudence. "You are rather given to high flying notions, and it's time you found that bread don't grow battered. Yes I did know one girl who was pretty and smart, and had no end of chances to get married, (I think my David courted her a spell, but he never would own it,) and she would have that shiftless critter, Joe Raymond, who could never make one hand wash the other. Even when she was dying, she pretended that she had been happy, and wouldn't have done no other way if she had to do it over again."

"Was she our Joe's mother?" asked Dora quickly.

"Yes, to be sure; and when she died we took him to bring up and work on the farm. He's more than paid his way, but he's a rolling stone, like his father, and won't ever come to anything. I forgot to tell you he's going to-morrow."

"Going to-morrow?" cried Dora with a great start. "I thought his time wasn't out for another month?"

"Well, it ain't rightly till he's twenty-one; but he was in such a hurry to be off that I gave him the last month."

Then silence fell upon them.

The same women had the same father and mother, though a score of years lay between them. Prudence was born in the early married life of her parents, when they struggled with a stony New England farm and there was even work for baby hands. The lines of duty and patience were deep grooves in her rugged face, which yet beamed with common sense. But Dora had come to her mother's life in life, as old trees sometimes blossom into loveliness after every one had forgotten it. Her little feet had walked in easy paths, and Prudence yearned over her like a mother.

As she sat now by the open fire, bending her graceful head over some delicate

work that Prudence would never have found time for, her red dress and the flickering fire light made her a picture too lovely for that room.

"Prudence," she said suddenly, "as this is Joe's last night, I think I'll go down and say good bye to him."

"You might call him up here."

"No; I think I'll go by myself."

"I believe I haven't ever told you, Dora, how much you pleased me by giving up that childish way of going on with him, that you used to have. It did very well for you to be fond of one another when you were little, but of course it is out of the question, now."

It might have been the firelight and the red dress that brought such a vivid flash to Dora's cheek as she listened and turned away. She ran lightly down stairs, and opened the door of the great farm kitchen.

A young man sat by the fire looking into it as one looks into the eyes of an enemy before the fight—an overgrown farmer boy, in home made clothes, with nothing about him to fall in love with, least of all for the brilliant little figure that stood waiting for him to look up.

He was too intent on his own thoughts to notice her, till she went swiftly across the room, and taking his head between her soft hands, turned his face up to hers.

"Joe, had you, were you going away without letting me know?"

The hard lines of his face softened and brightened under her gaze till one would not have known him for the same man. "I thought that I would not see you to-night," he said.

"You know—you know I would have crept through the key hole for one little last minute with you."

"How long will you wait for me, Dora?"

"Till you come back."

"If it were seven years, think how long it would be."

"If you love me as you make me believe," said Dora, "you would not go at all, but would work here until you could build a little house, and then we could live together."

"No, little Dora, that is not my kind of love; my mother tried that and she lived a slave's life."

"Dora! Dora!" cried Prudence from upstairs; "what on earth are you doing down there?"

"I must go, now, I must truly," said Dora, as she felt herself locked in arms that would not give away. "If I live without you for seven years I shall be a homely old maid, and you will not thank me for waiting for you."

He put her away then, and looked at her curiously, as if he had never thought of her prettiness before. "Do you know what your name means?" he asked earnestly.

"I saw it in a paper that 'Theodore means 'Gift of God,' and I have been just that to me. If I had never seen you, I should never have had a notion beyond a day's work and a night's sleep. I will write whenever I have any luck, and come home on New Year's eve, when I do come; and if you wear this red dress I shall know you have waited for me."

"I think I shall live to wear it when you come home, if it is seven times seven years, Joe; for women are very hard to kill," said Dora, slowly disappearing from the kitchen.

"What have you been doing all this time?" asked Prudence, severely.

"I was only giving Joe some very good advice."

"Well, I hope he'll profit by it."

"So do I," said Dora heartily.

"Tis as easy to say seven years as to do, and we read of Jacob's seven years' service for Rachel, which seemed as one day for the love he bore her. Rachel's feeling are not thought worthy to be mentioned in Holy Writ, but if her love was like Dora's, every day seemed like seven years. And here in a nutshell lies the difference between a man's love and a woman's."

Jacob had the sheep to mind, and he did mind them, unconsciously well; Joe did mind them, unconsciously well; Joe did mind them, unconsciously well; Joe did mind them, unconsciously well.

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PARIS, MAINE, TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 1884.

office, three miles away, to ask for a letter, going in with a bright flash on either cheek, and coming out pale and dull-eyed after the stab of disappointment.

I wonder the people in the country are so anxious to be post-masters; if they only knew it, they are actors in more tragedies than any member of theatrical stock company. Much sealed happiness passes through their hands; but they have to refuse many a "Mariana in the Moated Grange"—weary women who reach a hand out of their dull lives and draw it back empty.

It was far into the second year before Joe's first letter came. It was a fanciful and foolish thing for a school mistress to do, but Dora carried it to her own little room and put on the red dress before she read Joe's letter.

Joe was working in the mines in Colorado. His luck had not yet come in nuggets at least, but hard work and sober living slowly giving him the advantage over the other miners. He was never so well and he loved her better than all the world.

Dora lived on this letter for many weeks, and she set "Colorado" for a copy so often to her scholars that they will write that word better than any other.

Letters came often as years drew on; sometimes Joe was up in the world, sometimes down; once his carefully hoarded gold was stolen from him, and he had to begin all over again; but this was nothing to a long illness, in which a friend wrote to Dora as soon as Joe was out of danger. Then she envied the doves their wings.

"New Year's day" was the hardest of all to bear. She could not help a strong pressure of excitement when she put on the red dress, which grew more and more old fashioned, and watched the sun go down on the road which Joe must travel when he should come home. The next morning she fitted her shoulders sadly to the burden of another year.

One young farmer after another found his way to the farm house on Sunday evenings, and Dora pushed them down an inclined plane of disappointment so gently that they scarcely knew whether they had meant to court her or not. It was not the least of her trials to meet the intreaties of mother, and the rough arguments of her father when one or two more persistent suitors would take nothing less than "no" for their answer.

Dora could give no reason for repeated refusals to marry, only she loved no one well enough—a reason which would be all sufficient if parents remained immortally young, but it loses its weight after sixty.

As the seventh year drew to a close, Dora's heart beat high within her. Joe had mentioned seven years, as if he meant to come home then as any rate. She wore out the first day of the "glad New Year" with busy care till late in the afternoon when an old man spent with much walking stopped to rest himself in the farmhouse kitchen. Prudence bethrilled herself to give him a hearty luncheon, and when he was warm and fed, he began to talk of his travels. He had been to seek his fortune all over the west, and never finding it returned to die at home. He mentioned Colorado and Denver, and when Dora found herself alone for a moment she said:

"Did you ever see Joseph Raymond in Denver?"

"Joe Raymond? Oh, yes! I knew him—lived with him right onto a month. His wife was a real good cook; couldn't be but nowhere in them parts."

"You say he was married?"

"To be sure; a right smart feller, and mighty fond of his wife. Women are scarce out there."

Prudence came in and the old man went on his way all unconscious of the great state he had cast into the still waters of Dora's heart.

"What's the matter?" said Prudence, "you're as white as a sheet."

Dora's only answer was to start out of the house, and run as for her life, down the frozen orchard path, by which she could gain upon and overtake this terrible old man. She might have said, with "holy Herbert":

"My thoughts are all a case of knives. Wounding my heart With scattered smart."

only misery must have time to crystallize into memory before it takes the form of poetry. She stood before the old man at the turning, bare-headed and breathless.

"How did the Joe Raymond look that you lived with?" gasped Dora.

"I never said Joe Raymond," said the old man previously; "I said Jim Raymond—who?" but Dora was off again before he could finish the sentence.

She ran back through the orchard giving thanks with all her heart that she had not suffered herself to be persuaded of Joe's faithlessness at one hearing.

Her feelings of grateful awe, as if she had escaped sudden death, kept her from mourning much over the passing away of the seventh anniversary of Joe's departure with no sign of his return.

His letters had wholly ceased and there was nothing left for Dora but to possess her soul with patience. When another New Year dawned upon her, she put on the old red dress, more from habit than any gleam of hope in her heart and did not care to look in the glass. In the twilight she walked slowly down the orchard path, and leaned on the gate that opened into the road.

Suddenly a man sprang from behind the wall. "Theodore, my gift of God!" he said; and Dora, though she recognized no mark of the lover who had left her eight years before, felt that no other knew the past word, and suffered herself to rest silently in his arms as the ineffable content that comes after long waiting.

When Joe and Dora went to the house and she looked at him by candle-light, her heart almost misgave her; his luxuriant beard and the manly assurance of his manners were not at all like Joe of beloved memory, and a terrible barrier seemed to rise up between them, while Prudence remained in the room with her company manners, which set more awkwardly when she than her Sunday dress.

When Dora tipped softly by her sister's door at a very late hour that night, Prudence was lying awake for her.

"Don't tell me," she said, "that you've been waiting all this time for that Joe Raymond?"

"I won't tell you if you don't want to hear it," said Dora.

"But you know whether he came home any better off than he went away?"

"I really haven't thought to ask him," said Dora carelessly. Prudence groaned and turned her face to the wall.

Joe waited only till the next day to tell Mrs. Hall the story of his success, which looked very moderate in his travelled eyes, but seemed a very noble fortune to her homely ideas.

"I never thought before," said Dora's father at the wedding, "that a woman who could keep a secret ain't much more common than snow in dog days."

"How long have you been waiting for me?" said Joe in Dora's ear.

"Forever," said Dora solemnly.

And Mrs. Prudence Hall as she overheard the word, thanked her lucky stars that Dora's foolish notions had not wrecked her at last on a poverty stricken marriage.

Bright to Catherine Tight. Joseph Bess advertises a stray man, William Wolcott of Rumford wanted an apprentice in the cloth dressing business, and three cows, the property of the town, to be sold at Thomas Crocker's store.

An account of a duel between Clay and Randolph is given. Thomas Clark, secretary, calls a special meeting of Oxford Lodge of Masons. Collectors of Paris, Ghisel, Norway and Peru publish delinquent notices. Russell Hubbard, M. A., gives notices that the mail for Backfield, South Hartford, Turner, Leeds, Weymouth, Hallowell, and Augusta, leaves Friday morning.

The number for May 11, 1826, opens with a Connecticut Legend entitled "The Devil" which occupies all the first page. James Hooper contributes an article "On the Moral Concerns of the United States." Levi Hubbard and Samuel Stephens present their fifth annual administration on the estate of Lemuel Jackson late of Paris; Paulina Robinson, Stephen Blake, Joseph Walker and Daniel Stowell, Jr., pray for a division of the real estate of Steven Robinson late of Paris.

The June 1, 1826, number has the death in Portsmouth, Mississippi, April 10th, of Dr. Levi Willis of Paris aged 24 years; also the death of Elijah Bates of Paris. "Harry Perry" sharply replies to Mr. Hooper's monistic article, and winds up by suggesting that "Mr. Hooper had better be proclaiming the glad tidings of salvation, alone to brighter worlds, and lead the way, rather than write about this business that has no relief of salvation in it."

The Observer for October 26, 1826, announces that Joseph G. Cole has taken the office lately occupied by Hon. Esch Lincoln. The proceedings of a meeting of "old soldiers" is given signed by Philip Owen, chairman, and John G. Owen, secretary, referring thanks to Hon. Esch Lincoln, and John Anderson and Hon. Edward Everett for their pleas before Congress in behalf of ex-soldiers. Jonathan Bemis announces that he will shortly leave for the south and west, and will transact any business that may be entrusted to him. It is stated that fall-grown and ripe strawberries were picked on the farms of Deacon Bump and Mr. Glover of Hebron on the first of October.

Notice is given by Ezra Smith of Paris of a meeting to decide upon laying out a road between Andover and the lake region; a road from John Shaw's in Hartford to the east line of Hartford, through Chandler's Gate. Notices are published for administration of the estates of Joseph Buehler, esq., of Fryeburg, John Osgood of Lowell, Ephraim Wright of Gilchrist and Daniel Merrill of Backfield.

NOTES FROM OLD PAPERS.
Recently there came into my possession a few numbers of the *Oxford Observer* of 1823 and 1826. The paper was then published in Paris. Local news were by no means a prominent feature of the paper as they are now, and yet some incidents are recorded which may be of interest to those whose memories date back to near sixty years. The paper has four columns to the page, is well printed but somewhat out of proportion in being too long for its width.

The first number is for August 23, 1825. The first page has an original poem entitled "The Christian's Hope," an article of two columns entitled "The Graveyard," and a selected story.

The second page is devoted to foreign and domestic intelligence but contains nothing of startling importance. These happenings are something more than a month old. It is announced on the third page that the Supreme Judicial Court for this county met in this village on Tuesday last. Present Chief Justice Melles and Justices Weston and Preble. Several criminal cases were to be disposed of. At this term James S. Keith and William Frye were admitted to practice as attorneys. The house of Mr. Esch Crocker of Backfield was broken open on the Friday night previous, the sleeping room entered and a box containing about \$130 taken therefrom, carried to a lower room, broken open and the contents taken away.

"At an election in Waterford on Monday last, Col. Daniel Ben of Brownfield, was elected Brigadier General of the Second Brigade in place of General Burry promoted."

The single marriage announcement in this issue is as follows: "In Waterville, Me., after a long and tedious courtship of three years, Nathaniel Cole aged 29 to Miss Elizabeth Gardner aged 12." Among the advertisements, it is stated that David R. Straw has opened a law office at Bethel; that Asa Harton is again at the Oxford Bookstore; several probate notices signed by Benjamin Chandler, Judge, and Thomas Webster, Register; an order of notice signed by R. K. Goodenow, Clerk of Courts; Cyrus B. Norris announces a blacksmith shop at Paris; and a notice of William Morse, collector of Waterford.

The number for September 8, 1825, contains the revised constitution of the Oxford County Society for the Improvement of Moral and Religious Education. The first meeting would be held at Paris meeting house on the third Wednesday of September. The following

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OXFORD COUNTY LOCALS.

ANDOVER, April 4.—Lost Sunday was one of the roughest days of the season. The wind blew a gale.

April opens with good sleighing, and everybody seems determined to make the most of it. Never so much driving and teaming on a day on Andover roads as now, is a common remark.

A Mr. Fisher from Union, has taken the vacant seat in the Windsor stand near the Methodist church.

The Congregational society held at the parsonage Wednesday evening of this week. Select readings were furnished by Mrs. C. A. Andrews, Mrs. C. H. O'Connell, Miss Katie Abbott and others.

Fred J. Rife of Rumford, has contracted to drive out most of the lumber landed on Rife river this season, the price ranging from thirty-five to sixty cents per thousand, according to the locality of the landing.

J. L. Ripley, esq., has enlarged his law mill to make room for shingle machinery.

R. A. Grover has finished sawing birch for the present and is sawing boards and shingles; he also runs a planing machine.

H. S. Philbrick has been chosen agent in school district No. 3 for the ensuing year.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Sessions have gone to the lake to take a vacation. Captain Farrar's boat at the South Arm.

Mrs. Frank Dwyer sold her furniture and other goods at auction yesterday.

S. Post, esq., is quite sick; but we trust he will get again soon.

Mrs. C. H. O'Connell offers her millinery establishment for sale, wishing to make a change in business. It is a good chance for some well awake milliner or dress-maker.

One hundred and fifteen, or more, letters, were registered at the Andover post office during the first quarter of 1884.

BETHEL.—The Bethel Library Association which have been very successful the first year, will close with a sale of their stock Thursday evening, April 10th, at Farrow's hall. For entertainment there will be music, reading, &c. There will be also a refreshment table and ice cream. Come and assist with your presence and your money, and have a good time.

There will be a grand concert given by the Bowdoin college Quartette, C. W. Longren, 1st tenor, L. Barton, 2nd tenor, F. W. Alexander, 1st bass, W. B. Butler, 2nd bass, assisted by Mrs. Ada Cary Sturgis, contralto soloist. The programme to consist of songs, duets, trios and quartettes, classical and humorous selections by the rollicking college boys. It is to be given in the Congregational church, Monday, April 17th. Doors open at 7 o'clock; concert at 8. The proceeds are for the benefit of Gould's Academy.

There is strong probability of a material advance in potatoes at Boston by the middle of April. The steamboat authorities have information to that effect. John Snow has now shipped some fifty car loads of potatoes from this station. Mr. S. thinks there are now forty more held back by farmers, to ship.

A young man by the name of A. Swift, a brother of the wife of G. H. Wiley, died at Boston last week. His remains were brought home last Wednesday on the 11 o'clock, a. m. train. Funeral, Thursday, at 1 o'clock, p. m., at the residence of Mr. Wiley, on Church street.

The estimate of the cost of logs on the Androscoggin river this year, is thirty million feet against forty-five millions last year.

Col. C. S. Edwards owns a full blooded Durham bull, eleven months old which weighs five feet and six inches. It was purchased last fall from the White Mountain stock farm, Shelburne, New Hampshire.

Jeff Foster has a full blooded Jersey calf one year old, which he has refaced one hundred and fifty dollars for.

John Snow has had about one hundred cords of birch, for spool strips, hauled to his mill the past winter. They will put the rest to work this week.

Charles Grover, who resides on Church street, has been very sick. Thursday he was reported to be beginning slowly.

E. C. Rowe, one of our leading merchants, and H. B. Gidwin took a trip to the lakes last week, and spent several days. On their return they brought a nice string of trout, one tipping the scale at four pounds.

Our correspondent writes: Chapman Brothers, Bethel, have recently repaired their mill on the railway station, at Bethel Hill. The water wheel is the Perry Turbine of 30-horse power. They have a boiler and stripper for sawing spool strips from the machine shop of T. H. Ricker & Son, Harrison. They intend, during the present season, to put in board and shingle saws. The Messrs. Chapman have about 300 acres of spruce timber in the immediate vicinity of their mill.—Mr. Fisher.

FARMINGTON.—Mrs. Geo. H. Bradley left town last Tuesday for New York City, where she will remain until the return of her husband from abroad. Miss Carrie E. McKinnon accompanied Mrs. Bradley as far as Boston, where she will remain a few days, thence to her home in Minneapolis, Minn.

Mr. Warren W. Towne, of the Boston Law School, is at home on a short vacation.

Remor has it that there is to be a wedding on Main Street, in the near future.—We don't mean the P. M. nor the harness maker, either.

Miss Lillian Ward, is at home on a sport vacation.

Miss Ruth Atwood, a respected lady, who was buried here Thursday, died quite suddenly, with pneumonia. She was sick only a few days. Mr. Levi Johnson, who has been very sick, is out again. Mr. Wm. Evans who has been sick with pneumonia, is convalescing. He is nearly 90 years old and bids fair to live many years yet. We hope so, at least.

The Academy has 124 scholars.

It is hoped that the crowd that has been seen at a certain place of late will be cleaned out hereafter. We mean where hustling (which means gambling) has been carried on openly, and where such a place ought to be respectable.

GREENWOOD.—The school in the Howe Hill district closed last Friday. Rev. Seth Benson, who commenced it, lamed himself so that he was obliged to leave it for some time; soon after resuming it, his wife was taken sick, which obliged him to go home again, when he hired Mr. Andrews to finish it.

Deacon Dustin Bryant has a flock of thirty-five nice lambs, thirty of which are twins; by way of variety one sheep has triplets, another twins, one of which was, as white as snow, and the other as black as a crow.

A. D. Ryans is still in very poor health, and the prospect is that he will do but little labor during the coming season.

Charles B. Brooks, who was burned out last spring, has rebuilt and moved back in to his new house.

The Cummings brothers are busily engaged sawing birch, and their stock of one hundred and forty cords will soon be worked up. Joseph Paine is hauling the

PARIS.—Mr. O. A. Thayer of Paris Hill, has just received two patents, one for his folding table, and one for a sled brace. The table attachment makes one of the neatest folding tables in the market, and his sled brace will save much time in setting up children's sleds.

Mr. J. C. Martin has gone to Canada. He reports a splendid winter's work, he having put in their full contract of wood called for in their contract, viz: 15,000 cords.

On the evening of the 19th ult. the drama "Our People," was creditably presented by the Club of Dix's No. 10, at Academy Hall, to a large audience. The opening farce, "Poison," was well characterized, and on the whole, the entertainment was a success all through.

An Easter Concert at the Baptist church Sabbath evening next, is the appointment. The Sabbath-school connected with this Society, is prospering, and doing a good work.

Rev. Mr. Gurvey gave an interesting and profitable discourse Sunday morning, from the text, "Come with us and we will do thee good, for the Lord hath spoken good concerning Israel." Num. x. 29.

The residents of this village and vicinity will be in sympathy with the editor of the *Houlton Times* when they read this item from its columns:

"We regret to learn that Horatio Austin, Esq., suffered a partial paralysis on Friday last, which, followed by a severe attack on Sunday morning. In view of his advanced age of seventy-four years, his friends feel much anxiety over his situation, though all serious indications have passed, and his condition is quite comfortable."

SOUTH PARIS.—Fred Bonney has lately put a handsome capota with gilded wreath or vane, on his stable. With other improvements made during the past year, makes his stand one of the best and neatest in the village.

We understand that Sylvan Shurtell has given the contract for the erection of his house beyond the depot on the Norway road, to Portland parties. The workmen are to commence excavating for the cellar Wednesday of the present week.

Benjamin Sweet from Paris Hill, has moved into the brick house lately vacated by John C. Cummings, who has moved to Auburn.

Carpentering will evidently be brisk here the coming summer.

ST. LOUIS.—John McArthur, freight conductor on the Grand Trunk, who has been living for several years in Portland, is soon to move back into his home here. This puts Charles A. Young, who has been living in the house in a tight spot, as he is unable as yet to find a vacant room.

Joseph Stuart, who bought the Benoit stable some time since, is now to move to the house at once; and Elroy Abbott will have to move out and go to boarding until there are more houses built.

Thayer & Fletcher have moved their meat business across the street into the True store. Walter Farrar also has his fish market in the same store, and has moved his family into the vacant room overhead. Besides which, it is said, partly from Auburn, is to put a stock of groceries into the store; so that there will be three firms doing business in the same store. We hope they all have loving dispositions.

Misses Brock & Griswold have sold their millinery business to Miss Nellie Dean of Wells, daughter of Sylvester Dean of this town. Miss Dean took possession the past week.

Last Saturday evening on the occasion of Mr. Walker's birthday at the rink, the sheet and pillow case party drew a good house. Not as many were dressed in the "ghostly costume" as was expected, and owing to the novelty of the thing, many did not understand how they were to be worn; but some very excellent and fanciful costumes were displayed, and when the next entertainment of the kind is given we predict that few skaters will put in an appearance without the regular garment. At 9 o'clock the happy throng of skaters were called to order, and F. B. Maxim in behalf of the band and employees of the rink, presented Mr. Walker with a purse of twenty-five dollars, as a slight token of their appreciation of his skillful skating and liberal dealings with them, and the entertainment of the kind is given we predict that few skaters will put in an appearance without the regular garment. At 9 o'clock the happy throng of skaters were called to order, and F. B. 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