

TOMATOES.

The tomato is a native of South America, and though it was discovered at about the same time as its cousin—the potato—it is only within the last half-century that it has come into general use. Now it is rapidly growing in favor and taking the high place it deserves. Fifty years ago it was known by the name of love-apple, and was cultivated more as a curiosity than for use. Now it is used in many forms and especially since the art of canning has made it available at all seasons of the year, it is highly esteemed by skillful cooks for flavoring different dishes.

We have not time to discuss the merits of the many varieties of the fruit, which appear in all colors and shapes. The original plant may have been that, sometimes known as the strawberry tomato, where the small yellow fruit is enclosed in a husk. Then there are the current and plum tomatoes, both red and yellow, which are best for preserving, etc.

In general, the best tomatoes are those which are least indurated in shape and have the most solid substance. There is hardly a fruit or vegetable which can be served in so many ways. Its wholesomeness is probably due to the slight acidity—as is the case with other fruits.

We have the sauces, pickles, and preserves, of which it is so important a factor, for another time, as their manufacture usually comes a little later in the season, and often after a frost has stopped further ripening.

Now we will confine ourselves to ways of serving ripe tomatoes.

Tomatoes should never be served in their skins, as it is a long and awkward undertaking to peel them at the table; if they are perfectly ripe the skins will peel easily. It is said that scalding injures the flavor if they are to be eaten raw, but if it is done quickly enough and then they are thoroughly cooled no perceptible difference will be noticed. To scald them, place in a pan, pour boiling water directly from the kettle on them and cover closely for a moment or two to keep in the steam, then the skins will peel off easily.

The best way to serve raw tomatoes is to slice them in a dish without seasoning, but let each one do that for themselves; if the dish of tomatoes can stand on ice for a while before eating them, all the better. The common accompaniments are salt, pepper, vinegar and sugar, sometimes a salad dressing is preferred, and some will prefer milk and sugar.

Many like the combination of onions and tomatoes, either when raw or cooked; the onion should be a flavor for the tomato rather than the other way.

STEWED TOMATOES.
Wash, peel, and cut quite small so they will not be stringy when cooked. Season to the taste and let them simmer, but not too hard, for half or three-quarters of an hour. Bread crumbs may be added, when nearly done—about as much bread as tomato. Or the tomato when done may be poured over small squares of toast bread. Another preparation not so often seen as the above, but as pleasing to most palates is this:

SCALDED TOMATOES.
Wash tomatoes, and cut in slices. Put a layer in a pudding dish, sprinkle thickly with bread crumbs, season with pepper, salt, and a few thin slices of onion if liked—and a bit of sugar. Continue with alternate layers of tomatoes and bread until the dish is filled, sprinkle the top with crumbs and bits of butter. Bake an hour or until well cooked and brown. Slices of buttered bread may be used instead of crumbs.

BAKED TOMATOES.
Take large smooth tomatoes not peeled, cut a slice from the stem and take out as much of the pulp as possible without breaking the skin, chop with an equal amount of crumbs. Season with salt, pepper, cabbage, onion or any herbs liked. When well mixed fill the tomato skins, cut ends up. Put a bit of butter on each and pour a little water in the tin to keep from burning. Bake a half-hour or more until well done.

Tomatoes may also be fried, but the following method is rather preferable for delicate stomachs:

BROILED TOMATOES.
Cut medium-sized tomatoes in halves, and put them upon a gridiron, cut surface down. When the surface appears to be somewhat cooked, turn them, and finish the cooking with the skin toward the fire. The cooking should be gradual, so as not to break the skin. Place upon a dish, and put a little salt and a lump of butter on each half, and serve quite hot.

Meat pies can be much improved by the addition of tomatoes. Scalloped tomatoes may be made a more substantial dish by the addition of any kind of cold meat cut in small pieces; the layers of meat to alternate with tomatoes—both being sprinkled with bread. If the quantity of meat is greater than that of tomato, this might then be called scalloped meat.

Nothing is better than this fruit as a flavoring for soups—and a very good soup has tomatoes for the foundation rather than any meat stock.

TOMATO SOUP OR TOMATO OYSTERS.
Five or six tomatoes cut fine, boil in a pint of water, add a little soda to prevent the pulp from curdling. When cooked, add a quart of milk, a little butter, pounded cracker, until thick as is liked, season to the taste.

Another without milk is made by taking a quart of stewed tomatoes, 1 pint water; let it boil. Rub two spoonfuls flour and oil of butter together, mix with the boiling tomatoes slowly. Season, cook until it thickens, strain and serve with toasted bread.

Pies may be made from tomatoes—if well flavored with lemon they much resemble lemon pies.

If one has cold meat for dinner, or wishes to warm it over but has no gravy to go with it, tomatoes can be used for a substitute. Stew a few tomatoes or use the canned fruit, add a few slices of onion if liked. Strain, thicken with flour as for gravy, add some cream or butter, season well.

Most of the above recipes can be used for canned tomatoes.

It is said that tomatoes will remove ink and other stains from the hands and from white cloth.

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HOPE.

For the Oxford Democrat.

The autumn leaves fall one by one;

They'll come no more—no more,

We start to hear their step

Upon the threshold of the open door!

Then mournfully a whisper comes—

They'll come no more—no more,

We meet them once again!

'Tis sweet to be where love and songs were

once.

Where they in life have been—

Two bright visions was to last.

Awakening whispers softly say—

They are not there—no more.

Time gives a soothing tale to aching hearts.

Earth's sorrows lighten 'gainst the weight of

years.

And why? It could not be were God not near

To banish all our fears.

Oh blessed hope! we'll meet again!

We'll look beyond these stormy skies,

White fields and hope, and love,

And love again—our hearts are true!

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ler had not interfered for Tom, because he knew the man's liking for the nurse, who, as a special favor, had been allowed him, instead of the usual hospital steward, and that he might reasonably expect to be heard with patience at least by his old master.

"You know what I would say, Colonel," Mrs. O'Halloran began, rising and clasping her wrinkled hands. "My heart has been breaking to say it this long day, but I could not leave Butler."

"Does Butler know anything of this affair?"

"No sir. Sure I could not trouble a dying man, who has been so good a friend to Tom, and his father before him, this many a day."

"I wish Tom had your sense of duty, Mrs. O'Halloran," cried the Colonel, with a sudden dimness in his keen eyes, as he thought of the mother's agony of suspense that she had concealed for the good of her patient.

"I knew that I could see you when you came to see Butler, as you always do, Colonel," she said simply. And then, while the slow tears of age crept down her face: "Colonel, it is good and kind you have been to my poor boy many and many a time, and surely he has tried your kindness! But his heart is set on going to this fighting, and if you turn him out of the regiment now, the regiment that has been his home since he was a little lad, sure, sir, you will ruin his life entirely, and he is so young. He is a brave boy, too, is my Tom, Colonel, and I have a feeling here (pressing a trembling hand against her heart) that if you take him with you, he will do something to make you and his regiment proud of him."

It was weak logic, but the brave, pathetic old eyes, the passionate pleading of the faltering voice, made it very eloquent, and though the Colonel told him preparing, yet each had a thought of pity for Tom's mother. They had, after a fashion, belonged to the regiment longer than any officer or soldier included in it, for Tom's father had been band-master from the early days of the war to his death, which occurred just after Tom was enrolled as a private, some years since; while Mrs. O'Halloran, whose patience and faithfulness as a nurse were beyond praise, was endeared to almost every officer's family by some battle with death which they had fought together. They had more than their share of Irish beauty, these two, and the gray eyes told very like those who looked at the world with such gentle kindness from beneath his mother's white hair. He was a strong, clever young Irishman, with an aptitude for doing well anything that he was set to do, from fighting to masonry, but with a passion for drink which his mother's prayers, his Colonel's warnings, and his own resolutions were powerless to overcome. Clever and handsome and brave as he was, and "Child of the Regiment," as he was jokingly called, his officers would scarcely have had such patience with his always recurring escapades if it had not been for his mother, whose love for him was so devoted, and whose faith in his promises of reform was so unswerving, that the hardest hearts (and soldiers' hearts are not very hard ones) always yielded to her entreaty for another chance for her boy.

But this time things looked very serious for poor Tom. He had been drunk while on duty as a sentry, and being a quarrelsome humor, had been with difficulty prevented from knocking down the officer of the day who had ordered him under arrest. Within a week a large portion of the regiment was to start on an expedition of several months, and as Tom's company was among those which were to go, the Colonel had been heard to say that patience in his case had reached its limit, for a drunken sentry could endanger an army, and nobody could possibly rely on Tom's sobriety from one hour to another. Punishment and warnings had alike failed a hundred times and Tom must be left behind and discharged. I think the good Col., under whose bluff aspect there was hidden a very kindly heart, was quite conscious that he was in disfavor with the ladies, and many of the officers, that day, and it was even whispered that he had been repulsed with great disorder, in an attempt to prove to Mrs. Colonel that he was right in his resolution. At all events, he carried rather a gloomy countenance about his duties, and it was with lagging footsteps that toward evening he entered the little hospital. There was only one patient at present, but he was one who would never leave it alive, a man who had been a good soldier, and the Colonel's orderly for years.

A little woman with a white apron and a quaint cap rose from beside the bed where poor Butler lay—a pale little woman, with a look of patient trouble in her soft eyes that touched the Colonel more than vehement reproaches, for this was Mrs. O'Halloran, and to him, as to most of the officers, she was the old and tried friend of many an illness and anxiety, rather than merely the mother of a private soldier who was in a scrape. The room was neat and pleasant, the bed and the patient as well cared for as though the nurse had no thought but his welfare; and the sight of this also touched the Colonel, who would have done his duty under any circumstances, and who respected the evidence of such a character in others.

"Butler must not talk much, if you please, Colonel," Mrs. O'Halloran said, as she left the room and sat down on the lowest step of the hall stair, for she was trembling so that she could scarcely stand. After a few moments the Colonel came slowly out. He was surprised that But-

ler had not interfered for Tom, because he knew the man's liking for the nurse, who, as a special favor, had been allowed him, instead of the usual hospital steward, and that he might reasonably expect to be heard with patience at least by his old master.

"I will go, Colonel," cried Tom O'Halloran's cheery voice. "Friends who will help to bring water for those who have been so lucky as we have."

Soldiers only need a leader to do a gallant thing, and in two minutes eight men—the Colonel would not permit more to go—crept over the rampart, every second man carrying a tin bucket, and the others acting as guards. Very breathlessly their comrades waited the result, and the Colonel clinched his hands in helpless grief, when he heard the firing, telling that they had been attacked. But they came back presently—seven of them, wonderful to say—with water enough to give everybody a drink, and to keep the wounded supplied several hours, and the only missing man was Tom O'Halloran!

"His mother said that he would make the regiment proud of him," muttered the Colonel to the officer beside him, and neither was ashamed of the tears on his cheek.

It was not a night on which it was possible for a commanding officer, however tired, to sleep; and two hours later, when all had been quiet for over an hour, and in the dusky sky the stars were shining brilliantly and the Colonel moved noiselessly across the sleeping men to a sentry box for some five minutes had been fixedly watching something on the other side of the defence.

"What is it?" he asked in a sharp whisper.

"I think it is one of our men, Colonel, but I am not sure," answered the soldier, pointing to a dark form crawling on hands and knees, with many pauses near the top of the hill.

"Who goes there?" cried the Colonel.

"Tom," came a faint reply; and in an instant, forgetting that it was his duty as a commander not needlessly to expose his life, the Colonel was over the defence, and kneeling beside the bleeding, ghastly, but living Tom O'Halloran.

"Great God! my dear boy, how did you get here? We thought you were dead."

"So did I, Colonel, twice," murmured Tom, with a gleam that was half-fan, half-tenderness, in his dim eyes. "But I promised my mother to go back to her and I was not going to break her heart just when I had done something at last to make her a little proud of her worthless fellow!"

You all know that they were rescued the next day, "all that was left of them," but I think you will be glad to hear that Tom O'Halloran kept his promise to his mother, and lived, though he lost a leg, and was otherwise so injured that he will never be a strong man again. But he is the hero of his regiment, and whether a desire to live up to his new place in man's esteem helped him, or whether the good in his nature would have triumphed sooner or later without assistance of his heroism is a question the Colonel is fond of arguing, always ending by inviting his auditor, if a stranger, to go with him to the regiment hospital, where Tom has become a model book-keeper and steward, and the best of sons to his proud old mother.

OLDEN TIMES.
The following reports of temperance meetings are furnished for publication by W. A. Smith, Esq., of Portland. They will interest some of our older readers and perhaps the descendants of some who are mentioned in the articles.

OXFORD COUNTY TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.
This society met according to adjournment in September, at Hebron Academy, February 23, 1849—Seth Sampson, Esq. of Turner in the Chair.

Opening prayer by Rev. Rufus Chase of Hebron.

Timothy Liden, Esq., Rev. Nathaniel Butler and John Smith, of Turner; and Whitney Cummings of Sumner, Committee on Resolutions.

Rev. R. Chase, Stephen Myrick and Gideon Cushman, of Hebron, Committee of Arrangements.

Voted to adjourn, on an amendment on the Committee of Arrangements, at half past three, in the afternoon, and adjourned to one o'clock.

Met according to adjournment. Prayer by Rev. N. Butler.

The following Resolutions were introduced, discussed and adopted.

Resolved—That Temperance people, notwithstanding they adhere faithfully to the Pledge, are in a great and lamentable degree instrumental in sustaining and prolonging the evils of Intemperance by giving countenance and patronage to public houses and stores where intoxicating liquors are sold. Remarks by T. Suden Esq., N. Butler and R. Chase.

Resolved—That Temperance is a cardinal virtue, and as such relies exclusively neither on politics or religion, in regard to sect or party, but for a full and perfect consummation, demands the aid of both. Discussed by T. Suden, Esq., N. Butler and R. Chase.

Resolved—That the character of those who now continue the sale of intoxicating liquors, in such that it will require unusual and most determined effort, by the friends of Temperance to restrain them, and that Temperance men are called upon renewably to put forth such effort. Remarks by S. Sampson, Esq., T. Suden, Esq., R. N. Butler, Rev. R. Chase and the Scribe.

Resolved—that—

Resolved—That the next meeting of this Society be held in Hebron Academy, on

the 4th of July next, at ten o'clock, A. M.

Voted—That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the citizens of Hebron, for their kind entertainment.

Voted—That the proceedings of this meeting be published in the *Cold Water Fountain*. Adjourned.

SETH SAMPSON, President.

LEVI H. SUMNER, Sec'y pro tem.

OXFORD COUNTY TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.
This Society held an adjourned meeting at Turner Village, Oct. 31, Seth Sampson, Esq. Vice President, in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Lawrence, Isaac Gross, Esq., Gen. Philo Clark, Richard Teague, Committee of Arrangements and on Resolutions.

ATTENDANCE.—THOS. CHASE, Vice President, in the chair. The Committee reported very excellent resolves that called out able and eloquent addresses from Mr. Dodd, Lawrence and Chase, Isaac Gross and Seth Sampson, Esq.

Rev. N. Butler appeared in the gallery, directing his juvenile choir, whose infant voices breathed "clear cold water" in strains of most delightful music.

Voted—To choose one man from each town within the bounds of the society, who shall be requested to give information to the Secretary of the state of our cause, and the doings of our friends in his vicinity.

In accordance with the above vote, the following were chosen:

Turner, S. Lidden; Livermore, R. Washburn, Esq.; Sumner, Z. Robinson, Esq.; Hartford, C. Thompson, Jr.; Hebron, Des. J. Barrows; Dixfield, L. Liden, Esq.; Buckfield, T. Chase, Esq.; Paris, Hon. S. Emery; Woodstock, S. Perham; Bethel, Rev. Mr. Frost; Rumford, P. C. Virgin, Esq.; Mexico, C. P. Howe, Esq.; Canton, A. Hayford, Esq.; Byron, R. Taylor; Andover, Des. S. Poor; Peru, J. Hall, Esq.

Voted—To adjourn to meet at the East Meeting House in Hebron, on the 22nd day of Feb. next.

TIMOTHY LIDEN, Sec'y.

NOTES OF A NEW ENGLAND TRIP.

NO. X.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., July 10, '84.

Mr. Editor:

Leaving Portland by B & M R. R. we first stop at Old Orchard, which is a popular summer resort as it has been for two hundred years. It has a hard, smooth beach, nine miles in extent, and wide enough for a dozen teams to drive abreast. Near here is Pine Point, Blue Point, Ocean Park, etc. A large number of cottages, summer hotels and the like have been built here, and there is quite a populous village. Fern Park near the Old Orchard House is a lovely spot. In it are beautiful arbors and rustic retreats, and also the "Oratory," the "Astronomer's Seat," the "Parson's Lodge," etc. The Methodists own at Old Orchard about fifty acres of land, finely situated and shaded, with an auditorium capable of seating 20,000 people.

About four miles south of Old Orchard are the flourishing cities of Biddeford and Saco with a population of about 12,000 and 8,000 respectively. They are situated on opposite banks of the Saco River at the last falls, nine miles from the mouth. The river is about 600 feet wide here and the two towns are connected by four bridges. There are some half dozen cotton mills here, producing about 8,000,000 yards of cloth yearly. There are many other manufactures; a superior quality of granite is exported; a good coasting trade is carried on.

This region was explored and settled by Richard Vines and a few others in 1616-17. At one time the county of York, or Yorkshire, comprised nearly the whole of what was then the "Province" or "District of Maine." Near here is Biddeford "Pool," Wood Island, etc., which are described as delightful spots with quiet nooks looking out upon the waters of the blue Atlantic or Saco Bay.

A few miles below here is Kennebunk, twenty-four miles from Portland. Granite is quarried in considerable quantities, and there are also mills and factories. A branch road takes one to the Port and Cape Arundel, the latter said to be one of the finest summer resorts on the Atlantic coast, and by many considered superior to Newport. There are three wide crescent-shaped beaches. Here also are bold headlands, volcanic beds and spouting rocks. The "Blowing Cave" with its watery explosions, the "Hermits' Retreat" and the old ruined fort are among the objects of interest. Near here also is Cape Porpoise, Ocean Bluff and the Goose Rocks, while the White Mountains loom up grandly in the distance.

Crossing Mousam River and proceeding a little way Wells Beach is reached, which is six miles long; it is much frequented, particularly by sportsmen. Along the coast, between here and Portsmouth, are said to be many favorite haunts of summer tourists. Near the site of the ancient city of York is Mount Agamenticus 670 feet high; and near that is York Beach, two miles long and 500 feet wide. Here is Bald head cliff, with the "Pulpit Rock" a hundred feet above the sea; and near here is "The Noble," Cape Neddock and Boons Island, while below Kittery are the Isles of Shoals, Appledore and Star Islands—all attractive places.

Passing through the thriving towns of North and South Berwick, we stop at Salmon Falls, a flourishing place on Salmon River, so named because the

salmon used to come up here in considerable numbers from the ocean. Near here it empties into the Piscataqua River; the latter forms for nearly eighty miles, the boundary between Maine and New Hampshire.

Connected by branch from Rollinsford is Great Falls, a large manufacturing village of some 5,000 inhabitants, having many cotton mills, employing several thousand persons; also woolen and other manufactures. Five miles south of Great Falls is Dover, the oldest town in New Hampshire, founded in 1623. It is handsomely situated on the Cocheco River, two miles above the Piscataqua, and has many fine residences. Population 12,000. At Dover are large and extensive print works, also cotton and woolen mills, iron, brass and other manufactures.

From Dover we go twelve miles, on a branch of the Eastern R. R., to Portsmouth, passing one or two manufacturing places along the Piscataqua. Portsmouth is at the mouth of the river; opposite, connected by bridge, is Kittery, "the last town," as it is the oldest, or one of the oldest, in Maine. Both towns are much engaged in ship-building and the fisheries. The U. S. Navy-Yard here has a balance dock 350 feet long, with two engines and twenty-four pumps, costing \$800,000. Some of the war ships used in the Revolution were built here. Near the navy-yard, in Kitter

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OXFORD COUNTY LOCALS.

ANNIVERSARY. Aug. 8th.—Rev. W. J. Jordan and wife are visiting their friends here. Mr. Jordan was formerly pastor of the Congl. Church at this place.

Rev. Mr. Jackson of Providence, R. I., preached at the Congl. church, Sunday A. M., Aug. 3.

J. L. Bailey saw three bears on Lone Mountain, Wednesday of this week.

Mr. Olin of White Cap Farm, No. Hamford, has the finest piece of growing wheat we have seen this season.

BRYAN'S POND. Aug. 5.—The barn of Mr. Isaac S. Curtis, situated about three miles from the village was struck by lightning about eight o'clock on the evening of Aug. 4, and burned with about twenty-five tons of hay, and some farming tools. Loss \$1500; insured in the Farmers of Hingham for about \$400. The barn had been newly shingled at a cost of about one hundred dollars.

Freeman Farrar, of North Woodstock, died Friday, Aug. 10, from the result of a fall received a short time ago. He was about 90 years of age.

Some farmers will obtain about the same amount of hay they did last year, while others will get very much less. Grain, corn and potatoes are looking well.

Wool and eggs bring about the same price—18c; hay is about \$12.

Alonso Dimmock, shoemaker, has moved in over E. Stephens's store.

BUCKFIELD. August 7.—Since our last writing the Democrats have raised a Cleveland and Hendricks flag, Col. Bradbury of Portland delivering the address.

A. St. John and Daniel Bag is suspended under Dr. C. B. Brigham's plan; the Dr. has always been a Democrat.

Edward Cole has bought the house lately occupied by Mrs. August Holmes.

"Aunt" Jerusha Shaw has obtained a pension on account of the death of a son in the army.

A party of nearly fifty what Josiah Allen's wife would call "A Pleasure Excursion," to Streator M. Tuesday.

Rev. Dr. Weston of Westbrook Seminary, is expected to preach to-morrow in the Methodist church.

It is some years since a photographer has designed to pick his best within our precincts—two rival artists are at work here.

FREYBURG. Aug. 2.—The principal event of the week has been the Chautauque meeting at Martha's Grove Camp-ground. This was the first meeting of the kind in Maine and has proved a successful experiment.

The weather was quite favorable and the attendance good. Among the speakers present were Rev. Thomas H. D. D. L. L. of Portland, formerly President of Harvard College; Rev. Asa Dalton of Portland; Rev. B. P. Snow, a former Principal of Freyburg Academy; Mrs. McLaughlin of Boston; Rev. A. K. P. Small, Portland; and others. Miss Kate F. Stone of the Academy, read an original poem.

F. A. Wiley has opened a skating rink over his store. Everything is in good shape and it seems to be well patronized.

Tuesday brought in large numbers from adjoining towns to attend the circus.

The Academy Hall is being thoroughly repaired. There is prospect of a full school this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Ford of Columbus, O., are visiting Miss Sarah Evans.

Mr. E. P. Weston has moved into the house formerly Mr. Perry's, now owned by Eben Weeks, etc.

Mrs. I. M. Wellington of Detroit, is coming soon to occupy her old home for a year.

Miss Nellie Fales of Thompson High School, is visiting Miss Anna Mason.

Miss A. C. South, a Worcester teacher, is at Mr. Barrows's.

Dr. Nelson Page of Chelsea, Mass., is visiting his native town; also Messrs. C. and Edw. Fossenden.

Mr. W. F. Ward of Orange, N. J., is here, as usual, for his summer vacation.

Mr. Cullen C. Chapman and family of Portland, and the Messrs. Baker also of P. are at Mrs. Randall's.

Among the boarders at the Oxford House—Mrs. Walter Baker and Mrs. Caswell, well known in philanthropic work in Boston, Messrs. Parker of Lowell, Mrs. Emery and daughter of Portland, Mr. Houghton and family, F. W. Kaler of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Kelly of Chicago, and many others. Highland Park has been full for some weeks.

Dr. Mason and Mr. Hamilton of Gorham, Me., exchanged pupils, Aug. 2.

Aug. 2.—Isaac Walker, A. M., Principal of Falmouth, N. H., Academy, has been in town for some weeks, visiting his relatives.

Rev. B. B. Stone, D. D., of Detroit, and A. P. Stone, LL. D., of Springfield, Mass., are visiting their sister, Mrs. Harrison McNeil.

W. H. B. Frye, formerly of this town, now of Kansas City, is in town.

Quite a party went "down river" this week. This excursion is one of the peculiar advantages of Freyburg.

Thursday evening, Aug. 14th, the ladies of the Congregational Society will hold their annual fair.

Mr. Jacob Kelley has secured the services of Mr. J. N. Page as a nurse for his invalid son, now in the Adirondack region of N. Y. Mr. Page left this week.

Hon. Eugene Hale speaks here, Aug. 14.

GREENWOOD. Mrs. Eliza, wife of Mr. D. D. Cross, died very suddenly while visiting her sister, Mrs. Cora Clark in Albion, on the 21st inst. The funeral services were held at the school house on Howe Hill, the following Monday; the sermon preached by Rev. Seth Benson, from the words, "And his disciples came and took up the body, and buried it, and went and laid Jesus"—Matt. XIV: 12. Mrs. C. had been in feeble health from heart disease and other troubles for some time. She gave her heart to the Savior, and was one of the twelve who were baptized by Mr. B. and joined the Greenwood Baptist Church; and was the first one removed by death.

The baptism took place the first day of June, 1879, it being her 25th birthday. About a year ago she said to Mr. Benson at a conference meeting: "You led me to the Savior, and into the baptismal waters, and I want you to preach my funeral sermon." He replied by reminding her that he was wiser years ago, and would preach the funeral sermon for the other shore first.

She said she, "you will not; I am well aware that my days on earth are few." Her prophecy proved only too true. A kind husband and two little girls, aged about two and four years, are left to mourn their loss.

About two weeks ago, Mrs. Anjanette Hicks fell while crossing a brook on the stones, breaking and dislocating her left wrist; it has been very painful, and badly swollen, until within a few days, when it has been getting somewhat better.

Apples are about one-half their usual size and badly scarred by the hail. Corn two weeks late.

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Raspberries are more than plenty. Bushes have been picked in Newell Horv's pasture. Raspberries are scarce.

So, Waterford personals: Mrs. Annie St. Clair Haynes and husband arrived in town the past week. Mrs. Haynes remained five days longer before sailing for London.

Mrs. Frances Haggood and Miss Ella Ford of Boston, are guests of Mrs. C. M. Loring.

George Haggood and family are visiting at his father's, Joel Haggood.

Reby and Ada Longley of Haverhill, Mass., are spending their vacation with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Longley.

Master Arthur M. Hamlin of Boston spends his vacation with Mrs. Calvin Loring.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Snow are vacationing at Old Orchard.

The Water-Cure is well filled.

Joe L. Loring and wife are visiting friends.

Mrs. Maria Bent of Boston is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. William Monro.

Mrs. Malvina Saunders is visiting her father, Moses H. Mason.—News.

FOR THE DEMOCRAT.
LETTER FROM FREYBURG.

MARTHA'S GROVE, Aug. 7.
This charming spot is more beautiful than ever, this season.

Mr. Watter has expended one thousand to fifteen hundred dollars in improvements. Twenty-five sleeping-rooms have been added, a new restaurant, on the European plan, built, the dining-room enlarged, settees placed on the piazzas, and the walks and flower-beds put in perfect order. A fine vegetable garden furnishes the kitchen with fresh vegetables, and four mild-eyed Jerseys tethered about the outlying districts are surety for plenty of rich fresh milk.

The first meeting was the Chautauque Assembly, July 28-August 1, Rev. C. J. Clarke, P. E., presiding. Portland, Saco, Biddeford, Auburn, Bridgton, Norway, Brunswick, Ferry Village, and Conway, N. H., were represented.

A course of eight lectures was given. There were very interesting reports of the recent circuit, music, readings, question-box and information as to the aims and benefits of the C. L. S. C.

The exercises were of a high degree of literary merit. A permanent organization was formed under the name of the Maine Chautauque Union. President, W. F. Bragdon, Conway Corner; Vice President, Rev. C. J. Clark, Old Orchard; Rev. B. P. Snow, Biddeford; Miss Emily Jordan, Alfred; Secretary, Miss Ada Cole, Ferry Village. Much enthusiasm was manifested by several new names. Any one desiring information or blanks for application or admission can obtain them by addressing either of the above named officers.

The Temperance Convention, August 4-7, closed today. The attendance has been small, owing to the harvesting season. Those who have attended have enjoyed some excellent speaking. R. W. Dunn, Esq., Revs. W. S. McIntyre, C. C. Corey, John Collins, S. L. Gracey, D. D., and Mr. Gracey have been among the speakers. Today has been Woman's Day. Mrs. L. M. Stevens, presided. Mrs. Emily Pitt of St. Francis, Miss Lucia Kimball of Chicago, and Gen. Dow have been the speakers; Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Bent and Mrs. S. W. Pile, concertists; Miss Lelia Waterhouse, organist.

An interesting children's meeting was held this morning, by Mrs. Wm. H. Stickney.

The Constitutional Amendment has been thoroughly discussed. The reasons for its adoption have been very clearly stated, and all objections fairly met and answered. The duty of women to go to the polls on election day for the purpose of distributing affirmative votes has been emphatically urged. It is declared that if the women of Maine will do this, as the women of other States have, it will make a difference of 20,000 in the majority.

The regular District Meeting will occur Aug. 14-15.

A DESERVED TRIBUTE.
About two weeks since your paper contained the notice of the death of Mrs. Hannah Hathaway, wife of Simon Shurtliff, whom the writer has known intimately for the past fifteen years, and whose friendship and many acts of kindness to me and my family will ever be among the most pleasant memories of life. A visit to her home was always enjoyed by relatives and friends, and who tried to relieve her suffering by the children, whose right to play and have a good time she fully recognized and whose happiness she sought in every way.

Her only anxiety was that she should be an unpleasant word to them escaped her lips, but expressions of interest, sympathy and love often cheered the hearts of the little ones. During the few years of her life she was unable to stand, the result of a severe spinal trouble from which she suffered greatly for many years; yet she bore it all with Christian resignation. Her only anxiety was that she should be an unpleasant word to them escaped her lips, but expressions of interest, sympathy and love often cheered the hearts of the little ones.

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The catalogue for 1884 of the long established and well known Hibernia Academy is at hand, giving a large amount of information which is of great value to any contemplating a course of study in this part of the country. It has been established for more than twenty years. It is well known that many of the prominent men of our country in the various walks of life have availed themselves of its instruction. It is with confidence that the faculty offer another year's course under the present instructors of which W. W. Mayo is the competent Principal.

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