

old air, a Highland call to action. It must have reached the dying man. A few minutes later Colonel Pitt came out. "It's over, boys," he said; "Zack Neely's gone—gone higher than I can follow. God help me!"

Oxford Democrat.

PARIS, MAINE, MARCH 11, 1879.

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Our subscribers responded so freely and promptly to their bills, last January, that we find ourselves in condition to do more and better for them than we promised. For some time we have contemplated putting a new dress of type upon the DEMOCRAT, but, owing to the stringency of the times, have been unable to do so until the present week. The improved appearance of this edition only serves to show how badly the change has been needed. We congratulate ourselves and our subscribers upon having, this week, as bright and fresh a paper, typographically speaking, as any in the State. The liberality of our subscribers, which has enabled us to make extensive improvements in our office, is also a subject for congratulation upon broader grounds. It indicates that farmers are finding relief from "hard times," and that the wheels of business are again revolving with ease. Not only do our returns tell this tale for Oxford County, but they bring the same report from all parts of this country. During our connection with the DEMOCRAT, we have never known so many subscribers to "pay up" in one season, as have paid since the middle of December last. Many delinquents, whose subscriptions were over due two years or more, have settled their bills, and nearly a hundred new names have been added to our list. All these things indicate a great revival of business.

We decided to print a special Oxford County edition of the DEMOCRAT, as a sort of jubilee, over the improved looks of our paper, and to make an especial note of an event so rare in the life of a country newspaper. Some newspapers have only one new dress during their lives, and some never have any—beginning with existing and dying on second-hand material. Our correspondents have kindly aided us in carrying out our design. As a result, we herewith present local items from 26 of the 33 towns composing this County. We also have returns from the elections in every town but Upton, and preliminary Court matter, these local affairs occupying nearly two entire pages of this edition.

THE LEGISLATURE of Maine undertook to adjourn on Saturday, March 1, but was unable, for two reasons, to do so. First, the reform, lobby printing office, to which the Legislature gave extra prices, was unable to do the engraving quickly enough; and second, because the Governor concluded not to sign a batch of bills without examining them. Many members had been excused and gone home, not leaving a quorum to transact business or, as one remarked, the House did not have life enough to die. Then they met with another pull-back. The Governor concluded to veto the pay roll, which gave members double mileage. This raised great confusion, as those members who had been excused drew pay under the bill, supposing it would be approved. The veto message was tabled, and the question of mileage was submitted to the Supreme Court. Whether or not Governor Garcelon's views are sustained by the Court, he is entitled to thanks for exposing the hypocrisy of this body. For weeks, the Legislature had been hacking and cutting salaries, in the interests of economy. They sold their jack knives, and turned the proceeds into the State Treasury. They slobbered about "economy and reform," but it was for everybody but themselves. At the first opportunity, they grabbed for themselves and for their party friends, voting to give the State printing to the highest bidder, and then put the most liberal construction upon a doubtful statute, that they might not be forced to retrench in their own affairs. Well, we are pleased to announce that the great hybrid at last gathered itself for a final effort, and died. The *Boston Journal* has the following brief review of its history:

Before the meeting of the Maine Legislature was announced by one of the leading papers of the reform combination, that by its action the people would be relieved of taxes to the amount of \$400,000. After a session prolonged two weeks beyond the average of the past five years, the loudly heralded reform body has adjourned, having barely more than a majority of the members present. Now one can tell how far that Legislature carried out the promises of its sponsors. The salaries of all officers and clerks were cut down an average of 25 per cent. Those of the Governor and Judges of the Supreme Court cannot be touched during their respective terms. The salaries of several clerks have been so reduced that no efficient man will accept the positions. By this means the tax-payers have been saved \$175,000 per annum. After the salaries, the reformers made the school system the second point of attack. They have simply succeeded in suspending the free High School act one year, thereby taking \$37,000 from about one hundred schools in the State of the higher grade. They have reduced the appropriations for the Normal Schools, Reform School and Orphan Asylum \$97,750, and saved \$81,000 by refusing appropriations to several local academies and the Agricultural College. By refusing to print the valuable report of the Board of Agriculture \$4000 more has been saved. The entire reductions amount to \$314,550, instead of \$400,000—a sum \$85,000 less than the average reduction of appropriations for the last two Republican Legislatures. In other words the reductions amount to less than two-fifths of a mill upon each dollar of the State valuation.

THE CHINESE QUESTION.—On the 4th page of this paper will be found Senator Blaine's letter, spoken of last week. It should be carefully read by all who wish to be informed concerning this important matter. The President refused to sign the Chinese bill, as passed by Congress, and returned it with a lengthy veto message. This message is a statesman-like paper, and deals with the matter principally as an international question. The *Boston Journal* gives the following summary of its points:

A large part of the message is devoted to the history of the treaty and the nature of its provisions, particularly those of the two sections which the Chinese bill abrogated. The President does not veto it because he is in favor of Chinese Immigration, but simply because it is imposed in an irregular if not unlawful manner to break a solemn contract without consulting the other contracting party. He is inclined to believe that both Governments desire a modification of the treaty, and he leaves that to be wiser to attempt to secure such changes by legitimate means as will relieve us of present annoyance and future danger without subjecting the country to the danger of the loss of our trade by hasty action which the Chinese Government might well interpret as an insult. One of the strongest points made by the President is that Congress or any other branch of the Government cannot abrogate a part of a treaty and leave the balance in force, since that would be equivalent to one power making a treaty which would be binding upon two nations. Another point which is of no little importance is that the proposed law would revoke the treaty and leave all of our citizens now in China without protection.

THE ELECTIONS in Maine, this spring, show a great falling off in the Greenback vote, when compared with that cast last September. The cities of Lewiston and Auburn both elected Republican officials, and in Portland, where Democrats and Greenbackers united, the Republicans have secured a majority in the city government, while the combination candidate for Mayor was elected by but forty majority. The same report is made all along the line, and indications are that the Greenback craze has run its course. The *Chronicle* says this is only a repulse to the skirmish line, and lays it to "juning drives" with Democrats. On the other hand, the *Age of Belfast* attributes it to lack of harmony and system in securing such union. This disagreement of the two leading Greenback organs, is but an exhibition of that division of counsel which prevails in the party, and which must result in its disruption. Republicans must not rely too much upon this victory, or they will suffer defeat, next fall. It is time now to begin discussing the question of finance, and to assist those who are asking for information concerning the affairs of the State.

THE SUCCESS OF THE REFUNDING SCHEME.

If any one had predicted a year ago that at this time there would be only \$97,000,000 of six per cent bonds which were not "called" in order to be exchanged for four per cents, he would have been considered an unreasonably sanguine individual. Indeed, when Secretary Sherman stated in December last that he expected to be able to exchange \$300,000,000 of six per cents for that amount of four per cents during the year 1879, there was a general feeling that he was expressing his hopes rather than his convictions. During the past two or three weeks the sales of four per cents have not been so large as during the month of January. Nevertheless the sales in February last Saturday aggregated \$75,272,100, and will, it is estimated, reach \$80,000,000 during the month. The sales at the present time average more than \$3,000,000 a day. If this average is continued during the month of March it will be seen that enough four per cents will have been sold to redeem every six per cent bond now outstanding. One may get some faint idea of the magnitude of the success of the refunding scheme when he remembers that on April 1, 1878, there was \$628,420,200 of the five-twenty or six per cent bonds outstanding. To have sold enough four per cents in a single year to convert those hundreds of millions of six per cents into fours may be regarded as one of the most remarkable financial achievements on record.

When the six per cents are disposed of there will remain \$291,560,000 of four per cents, and a loan of \$200,000 made in 1878, also bearing five per cent, to be refunded. If the Treasury shall succeed in changing these five per cents to fours, there will be no class of bonds which can be redeemed or paid until December 31, 1880. If the sale of four per cents should continue at the present rate, it is evident that a sum sufficient to redeem the five per cents will be disposed of in six months from the first of April. Should that measure of success be realized there would then be a period of more than a year when no four per cents will be offered for sale by the Government. This circumstance may have an important bearing upon the sales of the \$300,000,000 yet to be disposed of, particularly if there is no greater demand for money in other directions than there has already been for the past two or three years.

The impression has prevailed that the four per cents have been taken out of the shelves of late by the holders of the called six per cents. The fact that during January less than \$300,000,000 of the \$158,000,000 of four per cents subscribed were taken by the holders of six per cents will not sustain any such opinion. Later reports, however, show that more of the holders of six per cents as they are called are changing them for the fours. It is estimated that the holders of not over \$80,000,000 of six per cents have replaced them by purchases of fours. This would indicate that \$150,000,000 of capital invested in "called bonds" had not availed itself of redemption in Government securities. There is fresh evidence that the new Government securities are owned by many thousands more people than ever before. One of the banks in New York engaged in the sale of these bonds is reported to have taken 2700 distinct orders for registered bonds in one month, and as many more coupon bonds, the greater proportion of which were for bonds of low denominations. Heretofore, even in the case of registered bonds, the official records show that the holders were not of a very bloated variety, since, in his last report, the Treasurer of the United States shows that out of 11,357 holders of \$89,454,690 registered bonds then outstanding, 10,693 persons held less than \$10,000 each. When the recent transactions are taken into consideration, it is more than probable that twenty persons are now interested in the maintenance of the Government securities, whereas there was a public creditor a year since. In this connection it should be stated that since the beginning of the present year enough of the four per cents have been sold to take the place of the six per cents to the amount of \$1,000,000 a year, and that enough more will be sold during the balance of the year to increase the annual saving in interest to \$10,000,000.

A Paris wit remarked, the other day, that if a man was honest enough to sell his \$1.75 jack-knife and turn the proceeds into the State treasury, he ought to have the privilege of stealing a \$6 pencil as a reward for his honesty.

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT.

MARCH TERM, 1879.

JOSEPH W. SYMONDS, *Presiding Justice*.
JAMES S. WRIGHT, *Clerk*.
MRS. CROSBY, *Reporter*.
WILLIAM DOUGLASS, *Sheriff*.

GRAND JURY.

Albany, Amos G. Bean.
Andover, Wm. H. Hardin.
Bethel, Elias G. Bartlett, *Foreman*.
Buckfield, Wm. E. Swan.
Buckfield, David L. Farrar.
Canton, Charles F. Moulton.
Dixfield, Daniel Tucker.
Fryburg, Samuel O. Wiley.
Greenwood, Jacob P. Curtis.
Lovell, Joseph F. Stearns.
Norway, Ira Johnson, Jr.
Oxford, George F. Walker.
Paris, Ira Bartlett.
Porter, Hazen W. Harriman.
Rumford, John H. Barker.
Sumner, Elias A. Tucker.
Watford, David P. Bisbee.
Woodstock, G. A. Whitman.

The following traverse jurors have been drawn:
Andover, Stephen W. Richards.
Bethel, Enoch W. Woodbury.
Bethel, St. John Hastings.
Brownfield, James R. Hill.
Buckfield, N. T. Shaw.
Byron, A. S. Young.
Canton, Simon M. Coughlin.
Dixfield, Enos T. Gould.
Fryburg, Frank Locke.
Gilead, Samuel W. Potter.
Grafton, Geo. M. Brown.
Greenwood, D. W. Cole.
Hebron, Ezekiel Morrill.
Hiram, Scammon Hill.
Mexico, Hosea Austin.
Norway, Alonzo J. Nevers.
Oxford, Chas. B. Cummings.
Oxford, Wm. F. Caldwell.
Paris, Edmund Curtis.
Paris, Horatio Bradford.
Peru, Amos L. Harlow.
Rumford, John F. Elliott.
Sumner, John H. Robinson.
Watford, John N. Baker.
Woodstock, Greenleaf G. Dow.

Court convenes, Tuesday, March 11th. This is the first term held in Oxford County by Judge Symonds. Our attorneys are to have an early opportunity to test his patience and discover the cause of his popularity in Cumberland County.

CONGRESS.

AN EXTRA SESSION CALLED.

The Forty-fifth Congress expired from limitation, at noon, March 4th. Like many great men, it died with its last and greatest work unfinished. It was decided at a Democratic Congressional caucus, to repeal the national election laws, and to tack this repealing act to an appropriation bill so as to force its passage. The Republicans refused to submit to such partisan action, and the appropriation bills were refused a passage. This action has made necessary an extra session of Congress, and President Hayes has called it, to be assembled March 18th. The new Congress, then convened, will be Democratic in both branches—the first time for eighteen years—and can repeal the election laws and do any other partisan job it may see fit. The people will be likely to remember, however, that the Democratic House which spent millions upon investigations was itself a fraud, in that, for a partisan advantage it put the people to the expense of an extra session, and seized capital from investments, with tariff tinkering.

PENSIONING JEFF. DAVIS.

PATRIOTIC AND POINTED SPEECH OF HON. ZACH. CHANDLER IN OPPOSITION TO THE INQUISITIVE MEASURE.

The Democrats of the last Congress were Confederates, to the last moments of the session. A bill was introduced to pension veterans of the Mexican war, for the seeming purpose of extending government aid to Jeff. Davis, who served in that war. The opposition to this measure was very bitter, and called out many of those sectional feelings which have been so often raked up during the past year. Senator Chandler, one of the "stalwarts" (which means patriotic) Republican Senators, made a speech of about ten minutes' duration, which was one of the most scathing reviews of Davis's career that could have been presented. Mr. Chandler's association with Davis, and the different courses pursued by the two men, make his remarks of more than usual interest. He said:

Mr. President.—Twenty years ago, I, in company with Mr. Jefferson Davis, stood up in this chamber, and with him, swore by Almighty God that I would support the Constitution of the United States. Jefferson Davis came from the Cabinet of Franklin Pierce into the Senate of the United States and took the oath with me to be faithful to this Government. During four years I sat in this body with Jefferson Davis, and saw the preparations going on day by day for the overthrow of this Government. With treason in his heart and perjury upon his lips, he took the oath to sustain the Government that he meant to overthrow.

Sir, there was method in this madness. He in cooperation with other men from his section and in the Cabinet of Mr. Buchanan made a conspiracy for the overthrow of this Government. Your armies were scattered all over this broad land where they could not be used in an emergency. Your fleets were scattered wherever the winds blew and water was found to float them, where they could not be used to put down a rebellion. Your Treasury was depleted until your bonds bearing 6 per cent interest, payable in coin, were sold for 80 cents on the dollar for current expenses and no buyers were found. Preparations were carefully made. Your arms were sold under an apparently innocent clause in an army bill providing that the Secretary of War might in his discretion sell such arms as he deemed fit for the Government to use. Sir, eighteen years ago last month I sat in this hall and listened to Jefferson Davis delivering his farewell address, informing us what our constitutional duties to this Government were, and then he left and entered into a rebellion to overthrow the Government that he had sworn to serve. I remained here, sir, during the whole of that terrible rebellion. I saw our brave soldiers by thousands—I might almost say millions—as they passed out of the theatre of the war. I saw their shattered ranks returning. I saw steamboats after steamboats and railroad trains after railroad trains bringing back the wounded. I was with my friend (pointing to General Burnside) when he commanded the Army of the Potomac, and saw piles of legs and arms that would make humanity shudder. I saw the widows and orphans made by this war. Mr. President, I little thought at that time that I should live to hear in the Senate of the United States eulogies upon

Jefferson Davis living—a living rebel—on the floor of the Senate of the United States. Sir, I am amazed to hear it, and I can tell the gentlemen on the other side that they little know the spirit of the North when they come here at this day with bravado on their lips, uttering eulogies upon him whom every man, woman and child in the North believes to have been a double-dyed traitor.

TOWN ELECTIONS.

We publish below a list of town officers, elected in the towns of Oxford County, last Monday. The result is very encouraging to Republicans, as they have elected a very large majority of the officers. After the efforts that have been made by Greenbackers to organize and carry these towns, such a defeat must prove very discouraging to the cause, and tend to dishearten the party. If we spare no efforts between now and fall to disseminate information concerning financial affairs, these town elections promise us a rousing victory in September.

ALBANY.
Moderator, Geo. W. Beckler, rep.
Selectmen, George French, rep.; Wm. M. Robbins, dem.; George W. Beckler, rep.
Clerk, Dexter A. Cummings.
Treasurer, Jacob H. Loveloy.
Collector, Justice Aspinwall.
Constable, Justice Aspinwall.
School Com., D. A. Cummings.
All Republicans but 2d Selectman.

ANDOVER.
Andover does not hold its town meeting until a week later than the other towns in Oxford County.

BETHEL.
Moderator, Enoch Foster, Jr.
Selectmen, Daniel B. Grover; Gilman P. Bean; Wm. O. Holt.
Clerk, L. T. Barker.
Treasurer, O. H. Mason.
Collector, T. H. Chapman.
Constables, J. H. Chapman; T. H. Chapman; Sam'l K. Estes.
Supt. School Com., Wm. M. Hartorn.

BROWNFIELD.
Moderator, A. R. Eaton, g. b. dem.
Selectmen, Eli B. Bean, rep.; D. B. Seavey, g. b. dem.; W. S. Hayley, g. b.
Clerk, J. Harnden, dem.
Treasurer, S. B. Bean, rep.
Collector, Thomas Walker.
Constable, Thomas Walker, rep.
Supervisor of Schools, L. R. Giles, rep.

BUCKFIELD.
Moderator, T. S. Bridgman.
Selectmen, A. P. Bonney, Merritt Farrar, A. F. Mason.
Clerk, C. C. Spaulding.
Treasurer, A. P. Bonney.
Collector, M. R. Thomas.
Constable, M. B. Thomas.
Supervisor of Schools, A. F. Mason.

BYRON.
Moderator, John E. Shaw.
Selectmen, Stephen Taylor, Jotham Shaw, A. Young.
Clerk, Henry B. Richards.
Treasurer, John E. Shaw.
Collector, John E. Shaw.
Constable, John E. Shaw.
Supervisor of Schools, Stephen Taylor.

CANTON.
Moderator, J. P. Swasey.
Selectmen, H. A. Ellis, A. P. Hutchinson, C. M. Holland.
Clerk, M. Peabody.
Treasurer, M. Peabody.
Collector, John Frye.
Constable, John Frye.
Supervisor of Schools, Rev. C. T. D. Crockett.

DENMARK.
Moderator, E. P. Ingalls, dem.
Selectmen, E. P. Ingalls, dem.; L. A. Ingalls, dem.; James F. Lord, g. b.
Clerk, C. Berry, rep.
Treasurer, T. L. Pingree, g. b.
Collector, Wm. Fessenden.
Constable, D. F. Lord.
Supervisor of Schools, C. B. Smith, g. b.

DIXFIELD.
Moderator, Harrison Harvey.
Selectmen, Geo. H. Newman, C. D. Marble, J. M. Ludden.
Clerk, E. Wait.
Treasurer, L. H. Ludden.
Supt. School Com., S. B. Brackett.
Elected by a very small majority. All Greenbackers.

FRYBURG.
Moderator, E. C. Farrington.
Selectmen, S. C. Hobbs, T. S. Pike, Samuel Frye.
Clerk, T. S. McIntire.
Treasurer, John Locke.
Collector, Andrew Buzzell.
Supervisor, Fred W. Powers.
All Republicans but 3d Selectman.—Greenback vote was light, a falling off from last fall.

GILEAD.
Moderator, D. L. Austin.
Selectmen, James French, D. L. Austin, M. M. Mason.
Clerk, J. W. Kimball.
Treasurer, T. G. Lary.
Collector, M. P. Burbank.
Constable, J. W. Kimball.
Supt. School Com., H. P. Wheeler, J. W. Bennett.

GRAFTON.
Moderator, Otis W. Brooks.
Selectmen, G. M. Brown, A. F. Brooks, B. W. Brooks.
Clerk, Otis W. Brooks.
Treasurer, G. M. Brown.
Collector, J. O. Tenney.
Constable, J. O. Tenney.
Supervisor of Schools, Otis W. Brooks.

GREENWOOD.
Moderator, C. M. Buck.
Selectmen, Willard Herrick, E. W. Perry, A. H. Herrick.
Clerk, Geo. W. Patch.
Treasurer, W. G. Whittle.
Collector, William Richardson.
Constable, William Richardson.
Supervisor of Schools, H. J. Bean.

HANOVER.
Moderator, Isaac Bagnall.
Selectmen, J. D. Russell, W. S. Howe, J. R. Howard.
Clerk, J. B. Roberts.
Treasurer, Gilbert Howe.
Collector, H. N. Howe.
Constables, C. B. Frost, H. N. Howe.
Supervisor of Schools, Jesse D. Russell, down a rebellion.

HARTFORD.
Moderator, W. S. Robinson, rep.
Selectmen, Joseph S. Mendall, g. b.; Cornelius Thomas, dem.; James Russell, g. b.
Clerk, M. C. Osgood.
Treasurer, M. C. Osgood, rep.
Collector, C. C. Fletcher, rep.
Constable, C. C. Fletcher, rep.
Supt. School Com., W. S. Robinson, rep.

HEBRON.
Moderator, George Cobb.
Selectmen, Jacob Greenwood, S. P. Cushman, George Cobb.
Clerk, Z. D. Packard.
Treasurer, Z. D. Packard.
Collector, James S. Sturtevant.
Constable, James S. Sturtevant.
Supervisor of Schools, Rev. S. D. Richardson.

HIRAM.
Moderator, Almon Young.
Selectmen, James Edgecomb, James M. Young, Marshall Spring.
Clerk, A. K. P. Goggins.
Treasurer, R. G. Greene.
Collector, James H. Riddon.
Constable, James Evans.
Supervisor of Schools, Thomas B. Seavey.

All Republicans except Supervisor.

LOVELL.
Moderator, A. H. Walker.
Selectmen, E. T. Stearns, Albert Kimball, A. J. Eastman.
Clerk, Marshall Walker.
Treasurer, Sumner Kimball.
Collector, A. P. Bassett.
Constable, Henry Russell.
Supervisor of Schools, C. K. Chapman.
All hard money.

MASON.
Moderator, Geo. H. Brown.
Selectmen, Geo. H. Brown, J. Hastings Bean, Horace Hutchinson.
Clerk, D. E. Mills.
Treasurer, F. I. Bean.
Collector, E. K. Morrill.
Constable, E. K. Morrill.
Supervisor of Schools, J. Hastings Bean.

MEXICO.
Moderator, A. S. Austin.
Selectmen, O. F. Trask, G. H. Gleason, J. W. Richards.
Clerk, D. O. Gleason.
Treasurer, H. W. Park.
Collector, E. Hayes.
Constable, E. Hayes.
Supt. School Com., G. W. Roberts, A. W. Smith, C. B. Richards.

MILTON.
Moderator, Cyrus L. Hayward.
Selectmen, Virgil D. Cole, R. T. Allen, C. F. Chase.
Clerk, M. L. Richardson.
Treasurer, Henry Davis.
Collector, L. B. Farrum.
Constable, L. B. Farrum.
Supervisor of Schools, C. T. Allen.

NEWRY.
Moderator, L. R. Paine.
Selectmen, S. R. Widger, G. C. Atterton, Josh. Littlehale.
Clerk, C. Bisbee.
Treasurer, C. Bisbee.
Collector, E. Powers.
Constable, E. Powers.
Supervisor of Schools, A. F. Russell.

NORWAY.
Moderator, Geo. E. Gibson.
Selectmen, J. O. Crocker, J. L. Partidge, F. A. Danforth.
Clerk, W. W. Whitmarsh.
Treasurer, F. S. Oxnard.
Collector, C. F. Lord.
Constable, C. F. Lord.
Supt. School Com., C. F. Whitman.

OXFORD.
Moderator, George P. Whitney.
Selectmen, William N. Thomas, Walter E. Holmes, Sidney D. Edwards.
Clerk, Thomas Baker.
Treasurer, Geo. E. Hawkes.
Collector, Seth H. Faunce.
Constable, A. L. Faunce.
Supervisor of Schools, A. L. Hersey.

PARIS.
Moderator, H. E. Hammond.
Selectmen, G. H. Briggs, B. S. Doe, D. N. True.
Clerk, Geo. A. Wilson.
Treasurer, N. D. Bolster.
Collector, John Black.
Constable, John Black.
Supt. School Com., Seth Benson.

PERU.
Moderator, H. S. McIntire.
Selectmen, Noah Hall, Henry Rowe, Josiah Hall.
Clerk, Wm. S. Walker.
Treasurer, Wm. S. Walker.
Constable, Orville Robinson.
Supervisor of Schools, R. A. Knight.

PORTER.
Moderator, Geo. W. Towle.
Selectmen, Warren Libby, R. G. Heard, Joseph Stanley.
Clerk, William Chapman.
Treasurer, Geo. W. Towle.
Collector, Geo. W. Towle.
Constable, D. A. Fox.
Supt. School Com., Jacob A. Libby.

ROXBURY.
Moderator, W. H. Jenne, rep.
Selectmen, A. A. Jenne, dem.; H. F. Melmes, rep.; R. L. Taylor, rep.
Clerk, R. L. Taylor, rep.
Treasurer, S. M. Locke, rep.
Collector, A. A. Jenne, dem.
Constable, J. A. Jenne, dem.
Supervisor of Schools, R. L. Taylor.

RYMOND.
Moderator, A. H. Price.
Selectmen, M. N. Luffin, H. F. Abbott, F. A. Porter.
Clerk, William Frost.
Treasurer, Charles W. Kimball.
Collector, James S. Marr.
Constables, J. S. Marr, Wm. Frost.
Supt. School Com., Wallace C. Clark.

STONHAM.
Moderator, D. D. Merrill.
Selectmen, Jonathan Bartlett, Wm. L. Goodwin, Charles C. Flinders.
Clerk, Sumner Evans.
Treasurer, Noah H. Palmer.
Collector, Jonathan Bartlett.
Constable, Jonathan Bartlett.
Supervisor of Schools, E. S. Bartlett.

STOW.
Moderator, Daniel W. Wiley.
Selectmen, Daniel W. Wiley, Oscar Charles, Isaac W. Stevens.
Clerk, Isaac W. Stevens.
Treasurer, Josiah H. Abbott.
Collector, Stephen Chandler.
Constable, Amos H. Farrington.
Supervisor of Schools, Alfred Eaton.

SUMNER.
Moderator, Wm. R. Sewall.
Selectmen, S. F. Stetson, N. H. Stowe, M. D. Dow.
Clerk, H. S. Cohn.
Treasurer, L. B. Chandler.
Collector, L. B. Gardner.
Constable, L. B. Gardner.
Supt. School Com., S. Robinson, Jr.

SWEDEN.
Moderator, Benjamin Webber.
Selectmen, Geo. A. Holden, Geo. Haskell, Lewis Frost.
Clerk, J. P. Plummer.
Treasurer, John Bennett.
Collector, J. W. Perry.
Constable, J. W. Perry.
Supervisor of Schools, Chas. W. Flint.
All Republicans except second selectman and Treasurer.

WATERFORD.
Moderator, A. S. Kimball.
Selectmen, Waldo T. Brown, William W. Kilborn, Henry Sawin.
Clerk, C. L. Wilson.
Treasurer, A. S. Kimball.
Collector, J. O. Longley.
Constable, J. O. Longley.
Supervisor of Schools, A. S. Kimball.

WOODSTOCK.
Moderator, C. A. Jackson.
Selectmen, G. G. Dow, A. L. Rowe, O. S. Dingley.
Clerk, C. R. Houghton.
Treasurer, Jas. L. Bowker.
Supt. School Com., A. M. Chase, F. L. Wymam.

*Official returns furnished by town clerks have the word "clerk" in Italics.

BOWTOWN COLLEGE.—Three Bethel boys, members of the class of '80, have been assigned Junior Parts. Their names are Frank Winter, A. M. Edwards, and E. W. Bartlett. Only eight Juniors are awarded this honor—the eight who have maintained the highest rank in the class during their course.

VETERINARY.—As spring opens, with its enervating tendencies, upon man and beast, Mr. J. H. Rawson of Paris Hill finds the sale of his standard Veterinary Medicines rapidly increasing. He also receives a large number of testimonials, daily, telling of the virtue of his curatives. We are personally aware that his sales have reached very large figures during the past year, and that dealers speak in high terms of the goods.

OXFORD COUNTY LOCALS.

ANDOVER, March 5.—We have had very severe cold weather during the past month with a good deal of snow and wind. The snow is three feet deep in the woods. Logging operations are progressing finely, and some very good spruce and pine is being landed on the banks of the Ellis river and other streams.

Rev. Wm. N. Jordan preached a very fine sermon two weeks since in the Congregational Church. Mr. Jordan is past the age usually allotted to man, but still retains his powers of mind to a remarkable degree.

The Ladies' Circle met in the Town Hall last Wednesday evening. The hall was well filled, and the supper was excellent. A variety of articles belonging to the late Mrs. Hewey were exhibited, and several ladies dressed up in ancient costume and marched around the hall. The occasion was one of rare enjoyment.

BETHEL, March 6.—The uninterrupted cold weather since New Year's day, and the light snow fall, have been favorable for our lumbermen.

Eben Richardson & Son have a large amount of birch and poplar at their mill. The birch they are sawing into spool stiffs for the English market. They have a contract with the Berlin Mills Company for 300,000 feet of their lumber. The poplar they saw into staves and salt boxes. Their grist mill has all it can do, grinding about twenty bushels of corn an hour.

Bethel Steam Mill Co. (Wm. E. Skillings, president) are stocking their mill with spruce and hard wood lumber. They will start up their machinery for making boxes as soon as the spring opens. Charles W. Pierce, esq., runs the saw mill by contract.

About thirty couples from our village had a ride to Andover Tuesday and spent the night, and had a social hop; and Thursday about the same number from Andover are expected to return the compliment, and have a supper and dance at the Bethel House.

Gould's Academy is in a flourishing condition, with about seventy-five scholars, under the continued care of D. T. Timberlake, A. M.

Dr. True has delivered five of his course of six lectures on Ancient History, before the Ladies' Social Union, and gives the next and last at the parlors of Mrs. David Hammond, Monday evening, March 10, to be followed by Mr. Marshall Davis and Mr. Wm. E. Skillings, who have traveled much in Europe and enjoyed the advantages of their best schools. The time has not been designated for the last two lectures.

Rev. David Garland, pastor of the 2d Congregational Church for thirty years, had his annual social and dinner Wednesday. The cordial greetings of the pastor and his good wife serve to endear them to the people with whom they have so long labored.

John Pike & Co. have closed their store in Bethel, and taken their goods to Wilton, where they have long been in business.

Ceylon E. Rowe retires from the firm of C. E. Rowe & Co., and the business is continued in the old store, by Edwin Rowe.

March 5.—Saturday evening before town meeting the Greenbackers put on their best clothes and cleanest shirts and pulled away to Patten's Hall to hear one of their best speakers, Mr. Leo Miller of New York. The Bethel Cornet Band was called out and opened the exercises of the evening by a stirring march. Notwithstanding there was a good sprinkling of Greenbackers present the crowd did not electrify to the desired extent.

Monday

DIXFIELD, March 4.—The evidences of the benefit of Resumption are apparent, as may be noticed by the appearance of many teams in our streets loaded with hay, wood, lumber &c., all showing greater activity than has been manifested for years.

Many new and valuable improvements in the way of buildings are contemplated the coming season.

Hon. E. G. Harlow has a large number of men employed in preparing materials for his new hotel, the "Stanley House," which he proposes to erect as soon as the weather will permit. This, when finished and ready for occupancy, which it is promised will be by mid summer, will make a decided improvement in the appearance of our village.

Messrs. W. S. Chase & Co. and Frank Stanley & Co. have made many improvements in their stores in order to supply their constantly increasing trade.

Two or three dwelling houses will also be erected this summer by gentlemen of this village for their own occupancy.

The proprietors of the saw mill, Messrs. Austin & Chase, contemplate making extensive improvements upon that property, increasing their already large facilities for the manufacture of lumber to supply the increased demand.

It is also contemplated to construct an iron bridge of new and improved design across the outlet of Webb's River between this village and Mexico, to replace the wooden structure destroyed by the freshet of last fall. It is not doubted that great care will be taken to secure its permanency.

We have in this village a large and flourishing Masonic Lodge, viz: King Hiram Lodge, No. 37, L. C. Willoughby, esp., W. M. Also Tuscan Lodge, No. 22, I. O. O. F., instituted about two years ago, is adding largely to its membership at the present time. Frank Stanley, esp., N. G.

The Dixfield Reform Club, under the lead of one of the most ardent and efficient temperance reformers in this State, W. A. Abbott, esp., holds regular weekly meetings, and is a power for good in this community.

With the opening of the R. F. & B. R. R. to Canton we are placed in communication with the "settlements" more readily, and expect soon to be placed by electricity still nearer, as a company has been organized, charter obtained, and many of the poles for a telegraph line connecting at Canton with the line direct to Portland, already placed along the proposed route. This will also be pushed to completion as early as the ground will allow, it being in the hands of energetic business men, among whom are Hon. E. G. Harlow, Frank Stanley, esp., and others.

With the facilities afforded by the railroad and the new route to the Lakes by way of Mexico and Byron, we expect a large addition to the number of visitors to this the pleasantest village on the "Androscoggin."

The National House (B. L. Marble, proprietor) will sustain its reputation as a first class summer hotel, and its courteous proprietors have already projected many improvements which will materially add to its comforts.

With the advent of spring we reasonably expect a return of the good times, which in former years contributed so much to enhance the prosperity of our town.

SMITH.

FREYBURG.—Freyburg Village Water Supply Co. are looking for a suitable head for supply to open work as soon as the ground is in readiness.

Freyburg Steam Mill Co. are having some 800 cords of oak hauled, also nearly 1000 cords of wood for R. R. F. Shirley has had about 200 thousand feet of pine cut and hauled during the season.

Fellows is doing a good business at his stone, saw and grist mill, keeping 5 men at work all the time.

G. W. Abbott of the Freyburg House has done a heavy business lumbering, having kept some 10 men and 9 horses busy all through the winter.

The Corn Factory's help are making cuts for the coming season's use, and intend to do a good season's work.

GILMAN, March 7.—We have had a very favorable winter for all kinds of business, although there has not been an over abundance of snow; but enough to make good doing almost anywhere, and it is still well improved. The loggers are being well paid, and their roads were never better.

Bennett & Jewett are doing a good business in their mill. They have their yard well filled with birch and poplar, which they will manufacture into spool stock and saws.

Caleb Wight will put one hundred cords of birch into his mill to be cut during the spring opens.

The Union Church Building Committee have disposed of all the pews in the new church, and will hold a meeting next Saturday afternoon to settle up the business and to make arrangements for the dedication, which we expect will be soon.

B.

HASOVER, March 4.—Our mills and factories are all in operation. Isaac Bagnall, the first of last January bought all the interest that his late partner, Allen Garner, had in the woolen factory, and is now the sole proprietor. He is now running the factory at its full capacity, manufacturing stockings, with large orders ahead.

S. W. Holt, G. & J. B. Roberts, and C. W. Silver are all running their mills in manufacturing doors, sash, blinds, furniture and trunks. Moody E. Rolfe is manufacturing hand rakes; H. N. Howe, wheels.

H. B. Smith is running his mill at its full capacity manufacturing dowels, with plenty of orders ahead; George A. Virgin is still running the saw mill. There has been more than the usual amount of lumber hauled to the mill this winter. This saw mill runs the whole year.

Jonathan A. Virgin repaired his grist mill very thoroughly the past summer, and put in a new Turbine wheel, and his custom grinding has increased very much. His son, Rufus J. Virgin, has the management of the mill, and keeps corn and meal for sale. He buys his corn by the ear load.

J. D. & W. B. Russell are still running their tannery, doing their usual amount of manufacturing hides and skins into leather. They are shipping large lots of their leather to the Boston market this winter.

James M. Brown, our blacksmith, has purchased a shop right to use Clark's patent horse shoe, which he is now using for all those who desire them. They are considered a great improvement by all those who have used them.

Oliver Stevens has sold his trade to Allen Garner and C. F. Hutchins, who

have formed a copartnership under the firm name of Garner & Hutchins. They are both young and active men, and are now doing a good business. Mr. Hutchins will continue to cut and manufacture custom clothing.

Mr. Oliver Stevens thinks he shall leave this town and locate himself in some other place, (the place not determined) which is very much regretted by his townsmen and neighbors. Mr. Stevens came here a stranger some three years ago, and his neighbors have become very much attached to him and his excellent family, and feel sad that they are to leave the place.

We held our annual town meeting, Monday, the 3d inst. All the officers were chosen nearly unanimously. Clark B. Frost has been our Town Clerk for the last ten years, but would not consent to keep it longer. Town voted to raise \$500, to be expended on the public highway, at 12 1/2 cents per hour. Voted to appropriate \$175 for schools out of money now in the town treasury, and voted to raise the amount that will be assessed against the town for State and County taxes the ensuing year, and ten dollars to pay town charges, and the remainder for town charges to be taken from money now in the town treasury.

K.

HARTFORD, March 4.—Isaac Sturdivant, Justice of the Peace, of Massachusetts, called the first town meeting of Hartford, Voters 21 years of age, town residence one year; freehold estate of \$200, or an estate of \$200. Meeting held at the dwelling house of Wm. Hayford (now Rufus Bryant's) at 10 o'clock, a. m., Aug. 13, 1798. Wm. Hayford, Moderator; Malicia Bartlett, Clerk and Treasurer; Freeman Ellis, Wm. Lord, Andrew Russell, Selectmen and Assessors; Arvilla Bartlett and Freeman Ellis, Bondsmen; John Pomplpy and John Elwell, Fence-viewers; Joseph Chandler, John Elwell, John Ames, Wm. Lord, Highway Surveyors; Davis Parsons, Bezer Soule, Tythmagmen; Andrew Cushman, Surveyor of Lumber; Saml Ellis and John Bartlett, Hog Reeds. The following April the town raised \$80 to defray town expenses and \$10 for schools. In June first school district formed, beginning at Anson Soule's (near B. F. Carey's) thence over Swan Pond hill to Richard Young's, now John Morgan's. The Line District, containing seventeen farms in Hartford and nine in Buckfield, includes a large part of the first district. The first school-house was built in 1809, near where Edmund Irish now lives. The first school in Hartford was taught in a log hut by Dolly Ricker, near where Dea. Cyrus Ricker now lives; it includes the land where the first settler, Wm. Lord, lived and died, the second settler, David Parsons, also of John Elwell, John Pomplpy, first town officers, of Simon and Roma Cary parents of my schoolmate, Dr. Nelson H. Cary, father of Miss Anna Louise Cary, the world renowned singer of Maine. The first birth in town, Gabriel Lord, 1790, (found dead near his father's residence; 18 years of age) was in this district; also the residence of the first ordained minister, Rev. Daniel Hutchinson, ordained June 8, 1816, in the barn of Dea. J. Banks, now S. McKenney's. The day was so cold great costs were worn. One of the pupils who attended Dolly Ricker's school, was Col. Danl. son of Davis Parsons, who died in 1876, aged 81 years, an excellent citizen, to whom the town owes much of her financial prosperity. With him died much of the history of Hartford. Wm. Hayford, who died in 1801, first one interested at old centre of Hartford, had six sons: Wm., Arvilla, Gustavus, Zerl, Albert, settled in town. Only two male descendants now remain—Saml Hayford, S. S. Committee, and a brother bearing his surname. They are his great great grandsons. Of Davis Parsons there are four grandsons, sons of Daniel Morrill. The eldest is often a worthy officer of Hartford, a live member of Forest Lake Lodge of I. O. G. T. Of John Bartlett two grandsons, Lysander and Harvey Bartlett are farmers in town. There are descendants bearing the surnames of Andrew, Russell and John Ames living in town. The first settlers of Hartford being of puritanic blood, her sons were early jealous of her rights, as the records of the town and courts will show.

HARTFORD.

HEBRON, March 5.—The Rev. Mr. Richardson commenced his sixth year with us at the first of this month.

II. A. Cushman has had a singing school here all winter. He is a good teacher and has had good success.

The Academy school numbers a little over 40.

TYNO.

KEAR FALLS.—The Democrats and Greenbackers had a union caucus Saturday evening, March 1st, choosing a committee of six to appoint town officers. A gentleman having a conversation with one of the committee, asked him why they went in together; replied that they wanted to make the Democratic party as strong as possible, and it proved that they elected a full Democratic board. They call themselves Greenbackers. The Republicans made no effort whatever after the Democrats elected the second selectmen. They retreated from the field when one distributor of votes for the Democratic party threatened to whip or clean out the whole Stacy tribe and Jim Garland threw in. The Republicans thought it too dangerous, with such threats as these to stay longer, so they went home. Some of our leading Greenbackers have had a great deal to say about dog eat a dog in the Governor question. What say about Porter eating dog? Some of the Republicans have sold out their birthright for office, but probably will want to come back into the old ranks before next spring election. One or two more road and Floyd cases would be a great help to this town.

Notice has been given that our new Clerk is to have an oyster supper at his house, Thursday, March 13th, and a good time is expected among his Democratic friends.

A large amount of timber has been hauled to the several mills at Kear Falls and vicinity to be sawed into boards and staves which makes business quite lively.

The next Circle is to be at Mrs. Moses Moulton's Tuesday evening, March 11.

LOCKE'S MILLS, March 4.—Monday night, March 3d, about half-past twelve, fire was discovered in an unoccupied building belonging to A. G. Tinkham, formerly used as a tailor shop. There being no fire engine of any description, the flames spread from that building to the Tinkham store and the building belonging to Mary E. Daniel and occupied by N. G. Bacon as a shoemaker's shop and our Station Agent,

A. Ducharme. All three buildings were burned to the ground. About everything was saved from the post office department in the store, but Mr. Tinkham lost a good portion of his furniture, also goods in store. A. Ducharme lost some of his household goods and a number of wagons stored in the barn belonging to F. P. Cole, and other persons were destroyed. The men worked hard, but could not stop the fire until it reached the dwelling belonging to D. A. Coffin, when the whole force went to work and only the utmost exertions of the boys saved the building. The building is charred on end next to the fire and caught on the roof twice. The boys and what few came from around, worked well, but the water-pail is not equal to the fire-engine in such cases. If the night had been windy, D. A. Coffin's house could not have been saved and probably the rest of the buildings on that side of the street. I understand Mr. Tinkham, Mary E. Daniel, and A. Ducharme were partially insured, but will remain heavy losers by the fire.

A singular accident happened to a sheep belonging to G. C. Cole. It appears it got its head into the pig pen and could not extricate it until the pig had eaten the head so as to allow the sheep to leave. When it escaped, it went into the flock and went to grazing as formerly, but the owner had to kill it, as the head was eaten to the bone in several places.

D. A. C.

MEXICO, March 5.—The people of Dixfield and Mexico are talking of building an iron bridge across Webb's river in the place of the old wooden bridge that was carried away by last fall's freshet.

The tooth-pick mill at Mexico has started up again, with its usual amount of help, which makes business quite lively for those who have plenty of poplar wood to dispose of.

T.

NEWRY, March 4.—The beautiful weather of the past few days encourages us to believe that our rough and boisterous winter is about taking its departure.

Business is quite lively both at the store of C. B. Biscoe and the steam mill of Wynnam & Trask. The latter are buying large quantities of birch, poplar, and ash timber which they work into dowels, staves, spool strips and shovel handles.

Our town meeting passed off quietly. All the old officers were re-elected with the exception of Collector and Constable. The financial condition of our town is, we think, considerably better than the average of towns throughout the County. The liabilities of the town are about \$1300, and the resources, including amount due from Collector, are fully equal that amount.

Messrs. Brown of Grafton are putting into Bear river in this town large quantities of spruce timber. Stearns & Kilgore of this town are also putting in considerable timber. This timber has to be driven in the waters of Bear river for the distance of nine miles, to the Androscoggin, and thence to Lewiston to be manufactured.

B.

NORWAY.—The schools of the village commenced on Tuesday with a good attendance of pupils.

A. J. Nevers and C. B. Cummings have been drawn as Jurymen for the March term.

The Old Fellows' Lodge is in fine condition. This term bids fair to be the most popular and prosperous of any. O. N. Bradbury, M. D., is the N. G.

March 6.—Business of all kinds is unusually lively in this village this winter. Large quantities of white ash and poplar and haw-saw lumber have been brought to the mills to be made into boxes and shovel handles, and both mills are running on full time. The shoe factory is driven with orders, and is running evenings a part of the time. The tannery is also busy.

Our grain mills are very busy grinding grain and wheat by the car load.

We have had Chandler's Band, of Portland, and the Germanias, of Boston, here twice each this winter.

Our socials have been fully attended. Our Literary Society is running nicely.

Our people have had many colds but little sickness of a serious nature.

Our farmers have more courage than for some years, and are getting a better living out of this month.

JOHN PAUL.

OXFORD, Mar. 6.—Rev. Addison Blanchard, general missionary of the Maine Missionary Society, is now assisting the pastor of the Congregational Church in a series of meetings. His labors are heartily appreciated by the people.

Mr. Edwards, who was injured by the late railroad accident at the station, has so far recovered as to be removed from the Lake House to his home in Otisfield, Sunday, the 23d ult.

The sickness which has prevailed so extensively among the children has subsided, and the village schools are again in operation with good attendance.

The farmers are improving the present good running, in hurrying their wood and timber into market.

PAIRS.—Mrs. Perkins lectured on temperance before the Reform Club, Saturday evening. She also spoke twice in the Universalist church on the Sabbath.

The Universalist Social Circle will meet with Mrs. E. Marble, on Tuesday evening. All are invited.

NORTH PAIRS.—O. P. Ellingwood & Co. are selling all the chairs they can make. They have lately manufactured two hundred per week. Nathaniel Young, the well-known carriage painter, now has charge of the paint-shop, which is a guarantee that all painting and ornamenting will be in the best manner.

S. W. Dunham recently received 1000 bushels of corn direct from the West. The freight bill was \$224.00. He is now selling corn or meal at 55 cents per bushel. His corn and flour trade extends to all the towns in this vicinity.

Cushman & Abbott are manufacturing butter tubs by their improved machinery at a rapid rate. Four men can set up turn inside and out, and make a tub complete ready for hooping in five minutes. They propose to make five hundred this spring. They will also saw about 200,000 spruce, fir, and cedar shingles. The improvements made during the past season about their mill were very extensive, and they are now able to turn off work in the fastest manner.

The meetings at the Union Church have been extended through the week, and have been well attended. Perfect union seems

to prevail, all denominations attending and taking active part in the meetings.

There will be a Gospel Temperance Meeting at the Union Church, North Paris, on Tuesday evening, March 11. Mr. Forrest Howe, of the Norway Reform Club, Mr. Rice of Auburn, and others, will be present to address the meeting. All reformers and temperance workers are invited to be present.

Stow, Mar. 5.—The total valuation of Stow, for the year 1878, was \$92,115; appropriated and assessed, about \$1,990, of which \$400 were for the support of schools, \$1000 for support of poor and to defray town charges; \$800 for the repair of roads and bridges; No. of taxable polls, 98; poll tax, \$3; percentage, \$1.70 per \$100; pauper expenses, nearly \$500; expenses of town officers, \$133; town liabilities, including the P. & O. Railroad Bonds, about \$1200. The supervisor of schools gives the teachers very generous commendations. Eight districts in town, one of which had no school.

R. F. Chandler cut a severe gash in his leg just below the knee, lengthwise of the leg, while on the mountain after logs. The gash requiring several stitches which he performed himself after getting home; the distance from home was three miles or more.

SWEDEN, March 3d.—Our citizens were prompt and in place at the appointed hour for the annual town meeting. For a rarity the weather was pleasant. We missed the presence of some of our reliable veterans who have heretofore assisted us by their counsels, notably, Mr. Ben. Nevers and Mr. Franklin Hosmer. Voted to dispense with school committee and choose supervisor, to which office Charles Flint was elected. Raised \$550 for the support of schools, about \$100 more than required by law. Our town is out of debt and holds State bonds to the amount of \$3,300. A proposition was introduced and after considerable discussion passed, to appropriate \$300 of the principal with all the interest towards payment of the State tax. Your correspondent made a speech on finance, which for clearness of thought and strength of argument entitles him to rank with the fifth rate Greenback orators as represented by the Republican press. While he doubtless made everything plain and clear to others he got sadly in the fog himself and when completely lost, to add to his confusion, he saw a clear-headed undisturbed quill-driver vigorously at work, making an interesting report for the *Bridgton News*, *New York Tribune*, or some other journal. No money was raised except for the support of schools as we are very fortunate in regard to poor helped by the town. We pay \$0.05 on \$1, to J. W. Perry, to collect the taxes.

We were pleased to see Charlie Jones looking first rate, home from California, where he has been for five years.

Mar. 5.—The friends of Rev. W. S. McIntire met at the M. E. church, Wednesday, March 5th, afternoon and evening, for a social gathering and donation party. Mr. McIntire is much liked by those who hear him.

The many friends of Mrs. Daniel Knight of Black Mt., are rejoiced at her convalescence from a severe illness.

Mrs. Hanscomb of North Sweden is one of the fortunate ones that get equalization or back pension money, without having demanded or expected it. She is told that \$900 is her just due. Thus the cloud so dark for the people, has a silver lining for the few.

M. M. H.

SOUTH WATERFORD, Mar. 6.—The Band benefit, Friday, 28th ult., was a success in every way, netting about forty dollars, for which the members of the band were very thankful. Those taking parts in the drama and farce, sustained them very nicely.

"Mother's Fool" was recited by Rev. H. H. Osmond, and a song by L. Barton was encored, but owing to illness, Mr. B. was unable to respond. The Band, led by A. O. B. Corbett, played the best we ever knew them to. After the entertainment, the Band with their ladies and others, in all about thirty couples, partook of an oyster supper in the dining hall. Mr. Eugene Nelson "boiled" the oysters in an acceptable manner. Mr. Nelson is an expert caterer, and knows how to cook an oyster or a goose.

About forty couples attended the invitation ball, Tuesday evening, and it is safe to say that if it was not the largest dance of the season, it was one of the jolliest ever held in Village Hall. Everybody seemed to enjoy it. The Bridgton Brass Band was in attendance and gave a concert of an hour, in the early evening. Then came the concert by Chandler's of nearly an hour. At 9 o'clock the first dance was led by Mr. Nelson and wife. Dancing was indulged in till 12, when the company went to the dining hall for an oyster supper, prepared by John Fitz of Norway. While at supper, the Bridgton Band rendered some very fine music. After this, the dance was kept up till two o'clock in the morning. All those who heard the music, declare that the "snap end" of Chandler's Band, led by Bob Richardson, can play quite as well as some other small concerns imported from Cumberland County.

Mr. P. N. Haskell's dry house at East Waterford, was burned, Tuesday, the 4th inst. He had about thirteen thousand staves in it, drying, six thousand of which were a total loss.

We are having a nice little snow storm, as I write—looks fair for foxing tomorrow.

TRAMP.

WOODSTOCK.—The house and barn of Dr. Bradbury of Woodstock, were burned Thursday morning. They were insured I understand. The Dr. was away at the time to a Directors' meeting of the "Lone Star Gold and Silver Mining Co.," which is situated on the doctor's farm—labor is at present suspended in the mines.

H.

A CORRESPONDENT, writing of our State Legislature, says: "Our recent reform Legislature reminds us of Arctemias Ward's patriotism during the war. Arctemias was willing to shed in defense of his bleeding country the last drop of blood that flowed in the veins of any able-bodied relative; and our reformers at Augusta felt it a patriotic duty to cut down and curtail the salaries of everybody from Governor to backstreet to ante-war figures while their own pay remains untouched, and they voted themselves double mileage and cried themselves hoarse for reform in depriving the unfortunate lunatics inside and outside of the asylums of those remedies and physical comforts which the Constitution guarantees to these wards of humanity and then tried to put their hands into the pocket of the State to take an extra pile of the people's money."

FARMERS' CLUB.—The Union Farmers' Club will meet at Grange Hall, So. Paris, Thursday, March 13, at one o'clock p. m. Subject for consideration, "Orcharding." Essay by M. J. Rowe.

MARRIED.

In West Paris, March 5, at the residence of L. D. Stacy, by Rev. C. T. D. Crockett, Mr. Harry Johnson and Miss A. M. Livingston. (Boston papers please copy)

In Worcester, Mass., March 4, by Rev. Wm. T. Steyer, Mr. Herman W. Gilford, formerly of So. Paris, and Miss Mary C. Sprague, both of Worcester, Mass.

In Oxford, Feb. 28, by Rev. S. A. Lockwood, Geo. E. Sawyer of Poland, and Miss Ida M. Libby of Pigeon Hill, Oxford. Mar. 2, by same, Oliver Holt and Miss Nellie Hall, both of Oxford.

Weather Report.

Temperatures last week at 7 A. M.: Sunday, 32° clear; Monday, 32° clear; Tuesday, 42° clear; Wednesday, 39° clear; Thursday, 32° clear; Friday, 42° clear; Saturday, 42° clear.

Thousands of living grave-robbing witnesses protest against the vilest of *Adamson's Balaam* as a speedy cure for coughs, colds, asthma and consumption. Sample bottles free. Large bottles, 35 and 75 cts.

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The most marked peculiarity that will impress the American traveler when he walks the streets of London for the first time, is the great number of excessively fat people whom he everywhere meets. He at first supposes these persons to belong to the nobility, on the name principle that the wealthier and more luxurious the people, the more they eat. In brief, he labors under the popular though mistaken impression, that obesity is invariably the consequence of laziness and high living; while in reality it is a constitutional disease. Until very recently there was no remedy for this most formidable disease, and its victims were obliged to submit to the operation and not infrequently to the amputation of limbs. Allen's Anti-Fat is the only remedy for this disease, and removes the abnormal condition by purely natural means. Ask your druggist for it.

The most popular and fragrant perfume of the day "SHAKMETACK" is for sale. Sold by A. M. GERRY, South Paris, and all other druggists.

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That in this town there are scores of persons passing our store every day whose lives are made miserable by Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Sour and distended Stomach, Liver Complaint, Constipation, when for 75 cts. we will sell them Shilo's Vitalizer, guaranteed to cure them. Sold by A. M. GERRY, So. Paris, and all other druggists.

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New Advertisements.

Notice of Appointment of Assignee. At Paris, in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, the eleventh day of February, A. D. 1879, THE undersigned hereby gives notice that he is appointed Assignee of A. E. Stearns of Oxford, in said County of Oxford, Insolvent Debtor, who has been declared an Insolvent upon his own petition, by the Court of Insolvency for said County of Oxford.

J. ORRIN FOSTER, Assignee.

Messenger's Notice.

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF OF OXFORD COUNTY, STATE OF MAINE.

THIS is to give Notice, That on the 5th day of March, A. D. 1879, a Warrant in Insolvency was issued out of the Court of Insolvency for said County of Oxford, against the estate of Hiram Perry, adjudged to be an Insolvent Debtor, on petition of said Debtor which petition was filed on the 5th day of March, A. D. 1879, to such last named date interest on claims is to be computed; that the payment of any debts and the delivery and transfer of any property is hereby enjoined upon him or for his use, and the delivery and transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; and the Court of Insolvency has ordered that the Debtor's estate and choose one or more assignees of his estate, who will be held at a Court of Insolvency to be held at Paris, in said County of Oxford, on the nineteenth day of March, A. D. 1879, at one o'clock in the forenoon.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 11th day of February, A. D. 1879.

JOSEPH W. WHITE, Deputy Sheriff, as Messenger of the Court of Insolvency for said County of Oxford.

No Misrepresentation. THE weak suffering to which Wm. Greer resorted for relief in his last demonstration, has been a most successful one, resulting in a complete cure of his ailment, and a permanent cure of his ailment. I know the facts. From what has been said, I can see that it is not a general statement of the whole case, or an argument, but a statement of the facts, and it is right to say—When my father's estate was settled, I and my brother, of our own free will, allowed our mother the use and care of our portion and some future property, to be held in trust for her, and the delivery and transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; and the Court of Insolvency has ordered that the Debtor's estate and choose one or more assignees of his estate, who will be held at a Court of Insolvency to be held at Paris, in said County of Oxford, on the nineteenth day of March, A. D. 1879, at one o'clock in the forenoon.

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