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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS THIS WEEK.

Shopping bag lost.
Ellsworth Greenhouse.
Bluehill, Me.
Hancock Co Agricultural Society—Annual meeting.
CASTING:
The Devereux Co.—Bonds.
BUCKSPORT, ME:
Bucksport Nat'l bank.
BANGOR, ME:
Eastern Trust & Banking Co.
BOSTON:
Tichnor Bros.—Cutwood picture puzzle.

SCHEDULE OF MAILS.

AT ELLSWORTH POSTOFFICE.
In effect Oct. 5, 1908.

MAILS RECEIVED.
FROM WEST—7.15 a m; 4.30 and 6.45 p m.
FROM EAST—11.07 a m; 12.05, 5.55 and 10.52 p m.
MAIL CLOSURE AT POSTOFFICE.
GOING WEST—10.45, 11.30 a m; 5.30 and 9 p m.
GOING EAST—4.30 a m; 4 and 5.30 p m.
No Sunday mail.

Herbert F. Monaghan was at home from Bangor for Christmas.

Arthur Murch, of Brooklin, N. Y., is at home for the holidays.

Miss Catherine Simonton is visiting her brother, Dr. F. F. Simonton.

Fifteen girls will give a dance at Odd Fellows hall Friday evening.

I. L. Halman came from Boston to spend Christmas with his family here.

Capt. Joseph M. Higgins is spending the holidays with his niece in Foxcroft.

A. W. Greely has been confined to his home the past few days with the grip.

Frank D. Rowe is at home from Warren, where he is teaching, for the holidays.

Frederick E. Doyle, of Millinocket, spent Christmas with his parents, Daniel E. Doyle and wife.

Willis E. Dunn, who has been employed on granite in Hardwick, Vt., is at home for the holidays.

Ruby J. Gurney, who is teaching school at East Sullivan, spent Christmas at her home in this city.

Lejok lodge, I. O. O. F., will work the first degree Friday evening. A large attendance is desired.

Archibald Hinckley and daughter Lizzie, of Bluehill, are guests of Mrs. Gott, at P. B. Day's.

Mrs. Elizabeth Grant, sister of Mrs. A. P. Echenagucia, of this city, died at Sandy Point Sunday, Dec. 20.

Monaghan's dancing school will be held next Monday evening instead of Friday evening as announced.

William Chapman cut his foot severely while at work in the woods for Ralph Cushman near Surry last week.

Miss Ella F. Jordan, of Jamaica Plain, Mass., is spending the holiday recess with her mother, Mrs. Lorenzo Jordan.

Capt. Perry Allex has hauled up his schooner, the James Boyce, at Bridgeport, Conn., and is home for the winter.

Howard W. Dunn, returned to Bates college, Lewiston, Monday, after four weeks' vacation spent at home here.

Dr. Arthur L. Gould and wife, of Freeport, spent Christmas with his parents, George Gould and wife, in Ellsworth.

Lygonia lodge, F. and A. M., will work the third degree on two candidates tomorrow evening. A banquet will follow.

Mrs. Grace C. Pease, of the Claremont hotel, Southwest Harbor, is the guest of O. W. Tapley and wife for the holidays.

Capt. A. W. Hutchings, of the schooner Melissa Trask, has hauled up his vessel at Newark, N. J., and is home for the winter.

H. A. M. Joy, of this city, was taken seriously ill with pneumonia while spending Christmas with his son, A. W. Joy, in Bangor.

Howard Adams, of Boston, and Martin Adams and wife, of Bangor, spent Christmas with their parents, Capt. John Q. Adams and wife.

The schooner Henrietta A. Whitney, Capt. W. P. Woodward, is hauled up for the winter at Newport, R. I. Capt. Woodward arrived Saturday.

Mrs. Clarence E. Chase, of Haverhill, Mass., with her infant son, is the guest of her sisters, Misses Carrie and Harriet Baker, on Central street.

Miss Mary G. Coombs and Howard C. Springer, both of Franklin, were married at the Baptist parsonage in Ellsworth last Thursday afternoon, by Rev. P. A. A. Killam.

Rev. W. F. Emery, of the Methodist church, has issued invitations to a dinner to be given to men of his parish and others at his home at Franklin and Pine streets this evening.

Ramon Garcia and Tito Rosello, Porto Ricans who are attending school in Ann Arbor, Mich., are spending the holidays here, the guests of Roy C. Haines, in whose school they were at San Juan.

Miss Eva L. Mayo, instructor of music at Bucksport seminary, and Donald Mayo, a student there, have returned to Bucksport after spending the Christmas vacation with their parents, Sheriff Byron H. Mayo and wife.

Dr. Walter L. Foster, of Portland, and Mrs. George B. Caldwell, of Boston, spent Christmas with their parents, L. D. Foster and wife. Dr. Foster returned to Portland Monday, but Mrs. Caldwell will remain for a short visit.

The high school and graded schools of the city, which have been closed for the holiday recess, will open next Monday. In the schools of the outlying districts, now open, there will be no session next Friday—New Year's Day.

The fourth and last of the series of private dancing assemblies will be held at

Society hall next Tuesday evening. The assemblies have proven so enjoyable that it is possible another series may be arranged.

The condition of Hoyt H. Harden, who was injured by a fall a few weeks ago, and who has been confined to the house since, is reported to be not quite so favorable.

The county commissioners are in session this week, closing up the year's accounts. County Treasurer Holmes will show another clean sheet in the collection of county taxes, for the second consecutive year, he having collected every cent of the tax.

The Tree C class of the Baptist Sunday school was pleasantly entertained by Miss Marion Rideout at her home on Birch avenue last evening. There was a good number present. Games were enjoyed, refreshments served, and the evening closed with a sing.

Among the Ellsworth boys at home from school and college for the holidays are Robert P. King and Arthur H. Farber, from Bowdoin; Clarence H. Tapley from Hebron academy, George Parcher and Charles C. Knowlton, from the Harvard medical school.

Frank H. Reynolds, with his moving picture, trick dog and vaudeville show, who has been occupying Mechanics hall the past few weeks, left Monday for a trip through northern Maine, making his first stands at Waltham, Amherst, Eddington, and thence up into Aroostook county.

Milton Beckwith, of Bangor theological seminary, will preach next Sunday morning and evening at the Congregational church at Milford. Mr. Beckwith has been elected chairman of the seminary lyceum, a member of the athletic and periodical committees of the seminary Y. M. C. A., and chairman of the class devotional committee.

Sheriff-elect Forrest O. Silsby has appointed one more deputy in addition to those named last week—Corydon A. Richardson, at Bar Harbor. Mr. and Mrs. Silsby will reach Ellsworth to-night, to take up their residence here during Mr. Silsby's term of office, which begins with the new year. Sheriff Mayo has about completed the removal of his household goods to Southwest Harbor, and Mr. Silsby has his furniture here.

The Sunday school of the Baptist church observed the Christmas season with suitable exercises and trees which were finely decorated, on Christmas eve. The matter was in the hands of a committee consisting of Mrs. J. G. Leighton, Mrs. Herman Robbins, Mrs. C. S. Donnell, Mrs. U. G. Hodgkins and Miss Cora Anderson. The following program was rendered: "Ring the Christmas Bells," Paul Killam; "Santa Claus and the Mouse," Muriel Byard; "The Tale of a Tart," Evelyn Bellamy; "The First Christmas," Keith Killam; "A Christmas Prayer," Iola Leighton; "Why Santa Claus Sneezed," Olive Morrison. The exercises closed with the appearance of Santa Claus and the distribution of gifts.

George A. Dickey, who died at Greene, Dec. 20, aged seventy-three years, leaves a widow, who was Celia C. Black, of Ellsworth. Mr. Dickey was a native of Bangor, where as a young man he learned the printer's trade, and afterwards was employed as clerk in various dry goods stores, going from there to Houlton, where he was in business for himself. From there he went to Boston, where he was with the Chandlers for twenty-five years. He was a veteran of the Civil war. Besides the widow he leaves a daughter—Eva A., and a son—Charles B. Dickey, of Portland. For a few years he was a clerk in the dry goods store of Albert Robinson, whose store was on the site of the one now occupied by his son, E. F. Robinson.

The Congregational, Methodist and Baptist churches in the community are planning special union services for the week of prayer, which begins with the first Sunday of the New Year. The following schedule of places and preachers has been arranged by the pastors represented: Sunday evening, at the Methodist church, sermon by Rev. R. B. Mathews; Tuesday evening, Methodist church, Rev. P. A. A. Killam; Wednesday evening, Congregational church, Rev. W. F. Emery; Thursday evening, Congregational church, Rev. J. D. Prigmore; Friday evening, Baptist church, Mr. Mathews; Sunday evening, Baptist church, Mr. Emery. There will be no service on Monday evening. All are cordially invited to attend the meetings.

C. L. McParland and wife, of Trenton, visited here Saturday and Sunday.

Howard Rollins is here for the holidays, from Derry, N. H., where he is teaching.

Samuel Moore, of Bar Harbor, was here the past week on his way to the woods in New Hampshire.

Machias Vessel Lost.

Stripped of her sails and leaking, the Machias schooner Modoc, bound from Perth Amboy for Eastport with coal, was abandoned seventy-five miles off Cape Ann yesterday, and was burned and sank. The crew was taken off by a fisherman and landed at Boston.

The Modoc was a three-master of 180 tons net. She was built at Columbia Falls in 1882.

"Jack says I am the first woman he ever loved," said the fair maid with the new solitaire. "The best luck I can wish you," rejoined the young widow, "is that you may also be the last."

He—I hope you did not believe all they told about me. She—I never believe more than half I hear. He—Yes; but the trouble with you women is that you always believe the wrong half.

Business Notices.

PARKER PIANO CONTEST.

Following is the standing in the piano contest at W. R. Parker Clothing Co.'s store at noon to-day:

1. Miss Annie Emery, Ellsworth.
2. Bay-side grange, Bay-side.
3. Harvest Home grange, West Ellsworth.
4. Pamela grange, Hancock.
5. Arbutus grange, Surry.
6. Nicollin grange, Nicollin.
7. Mariaville grange, Mariaville.
8. Methodist church, Franklin.

CHURCH NOTES.

WEEK OF PRAYER.
Beginning Sunday evening, Jan. 3, and continuing during the week except on Monday and Saturday evenings, there will be union services. See local.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.
Rev. W. F. Emery, pastor.
Sunday, Jan. 3—Morning service at 10.30. Sunday school at 11.45. Junior league at 3. Union evening service at 7.30. Mr. Mathews.

BAPTIST.
Rev. P. A. A. Killam, pastor.
Sunday, Jan. 3—Morning service at 10.30. Sermon by pastor. Sunday school at 11.45. Christian Endeavor meeting at 7. Union evening service at Methodist church.

CONGREGATIONAL.
Rev. E. B. Mathews, pastor.
Sunday, Jan. 3—Morning service at 10.30. Sunday school at 11.45. Union evening service at Methodist church.

UNION CONG'L, ELLSWORTH FALLS.
Rev. J. D. Prigmore, pastor.
Sunday, Jan. 3—Morning service at 10.30. Sunday school at 11.45. Union evening service at Methodist church.

KILLED ON RAILROAD.

Hollis Leighton, of Franklin, One of Section Crew, the Victim.

Hollis Leighton, one of the section crew on the Washington County railroad, stationed at Franklin, was killed on the railroad near Eastbrook crossing on the forenoon of Christmas day.

Leighton reported to the section foreman on the morning of Christmas day, and was instructed to go over the western section of the track, from the Franklin station to a point a mile or two west of the mill pond, and to report again in the afternoon. He was struck by the morning train west-bound, which left Franklin about 10.30 o'clock, near the eastern entrance to the siding at Eastbrook crossing.

The body, terribly mangled, was brought to Washington Junction on the train, and Coroner F. F. Simonton, of Ellsworth, was summoned. Dr. Simonton empaneled the following jury: S. S. Scammon and H. P. Blaisdell, Franklin; J. A. Cunningham, E. G. Moore, F. H. McFarland and Charles H. Curtis, Ellsworth.

The coroner's jury held an inquest Saturday, and on Monday viewed the scene of the accident. The jury has not yet rendered its verdict, awaiting further evidence, particularly to account for the whereabouts of Leighton during the two or three hours between the time he was last seen, and the time he was struck.

The engineer and fireman of the train, the only eye-witnesses of the accident, both say the man was lying diagonally across the track when they first saw him.

Leighton was forty-four years of age. He had been employed on the section crew at Franklin about two years, coming to Franklin from Unionville. He leaves a widow and nine children.

JUICE LET LOOSE.

Two Men Who Felled Tree on Power Line Got a Scare.

In the upper end of the town of Eden two men, at least, now have an increased respect for the innocent looking wires which carry electric "juice" from the Ellsworth dam to Bar Harbor.

The power line runs through the pasture of one of the men, who sold the company a right of way for twenty-five feet each side of the line. One day last week the land owner and a helper were cutting timber in the pasture. Among other trees a big spruce close to the right of way was selected to be felled. Both thought that it would have plenty of room to fall into the clearing along the right of way without hitting the wire. But the spruce was longer than it appeared, and as it fell it struck the wires.

Both men when they saw that the falling tree would hit the wires, involuntarily started toward it. A blinding flash as the tree reached the wires caused them to change their minds. For a few minutes the air seemed to them full of red, green and blue blazes, and they did not linger in the vicinity.

The display did not last long. Up here in the power station at Ellsworth the almost human machinery performed the duty expected of it. At the moment of contact with the tree the circuit-breaker at the power station was thrown, and the power on the Bar Harbor line was automatically shut off. About three hours were required to repair the line, and then power was turned on again. As the accident occurred early in the afternoon before lights were needed, little inconvenience was caused.

WEST ELLSWORTH.

Mrs. Harriet Barron came home from Bangor Saturday.

George B. Floyd and wife had a family reunion on Christmas.

Roscoe Barron, with his wife and sons, visited his parents Sunday.

James Gibbons, of North Orland, was a guest of Asa Barron Sunday.

Miss Gracie Avis Carter is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Ruby Gibbons, at North Orland.

Mrs. Hannah Jordan, of Bar Harbor, was the guest of her grandniece, Mrs. Grace Barron, over Sunday.

Winfred Clark will hold a dancing school extra in Grange hall New Year's eve, with three pieces of music. Refreshments will be served.

There were Christmas trees at Walter Bonsey's and John Higgins' Christmas eve, and at Asa Barron's Christmas afternoon, and at Grange hall Christmas night.

COMING EVENTS.

ELLSWORTH.

Wednesday to Monday, April 7-12—Sixty-second annual session of East Maine Methodist conference, at Ellsworth.

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2 1/2 per cent. interest on balances of over \$500 on deposits subject to check.

SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES FOR RENT.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Prayer Meeting Topic For the Week Beginning Jan. 3, 1909.

By REV. S. H. DOYLE. Topic.—The duty of making good resolutions.—Acts xi, 19-23; Josh. xxiv, 14-25.

The advisability of making good resolutions, especially at the beginning of a new year, has for a long time been debated.

1. Good resolutions are a duty because they are absolutely necessary to moral and spiritual advancement.

2. Good resolutions are a duty because God requires them of us.

BIBLE READINGS. I Kings xviii, 21; Prov. i, 10-19; II, 1-8; Ps. cxix, 9-16, 115; Isa. i, 16-20; Luke xv, 17-20; Matt. xvii, 21-26; Dan. i, 1-15; Acts v, 25-29.

"Doing Business." As I turned the corner on my way home from the office one night two prominent business men of the town passed down the street.

A Convention in Punjab. A Christian Endeavor convention was recently held at Gujranwala, Punjab, India, 400 people being present.

Christian Fellowship. Christian Endeavor has had great influence in shifting the emphasis from our denominational differences to the points in which we agree.

Mutual Benefit Column.

EDITED BY "AUNT MADGE." Its Motto: "Helpful and Helpful."

The purposes of this column are succinctly stated in the title and motto—it is for the mutual benefit, and also to be helpful and helpful.

To Aunt Madge and M. B. Sisters. Far and near, A Merry Christmas to you all, and a Happy New Year.

"Again the silent wheels of time, Their annual round have driven."

"Ring out, wild bells!" a peal to those Who know to-night the hand of grief, Who weep beneath the old year's blows

Like the Christmas, may the New Year Brightly dawn for thine and thee; Hope's bright light chase far all shadows, Causing every fear to flee.

Janet writes: "I have wanted to write the M. B.'s more than ever, but must wait for the New Year."

We know how busy you always are, and that your hands and heart are full, when sickness and loss and anxious care follow each other in quick succession.

Dear Mutuals: As I am writing and looking westward the sky and beautiful sunset remind me of Ego, as she loved the sunsets.

Now, Madge, wasn't I just glad to see the letter in the paper from you. It seemed good to see the name Madge once again and all will be glad to see you and your Lee back in Maine again at our reunion.

Dear M. B. Friends: I am tardy again, but trust Aunt Madge will pardon me, knowing how filled with urgent duties the days are for me.

ROMEO AND JULIETTE CAKE—Juliette—One cup of white sugar, whites of six eggs well beaten, one tablespoon of butter, one and one-half cups of flour, one heaping teaspoon of baking powder, four tablespoons of sweet milk.

CHERRY CAKE PIE—Two five-cent cream cheeses (not too quite one-half pound), yolks of three eggs, two and one-half cups of pulverized sugar, a pinch of salt, one small cup cream, one-eighth of a nutmeg, one tablespoon butter, grated rind and juice of a lemon. Put whites of three eggs in last.

Two more of our reunionists are heard from in to-day's issue, for which I am grateful, for how do we know these M. B.'s get safely home, especially when one can scarce see the way for smoke, unless they write us? Thanks to both and to all from

A Personal Appeal. If we could talk to you personally about the great merit of Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds and lung trouble, you never could be induced to experiment with unknown preparations that may contain some harmful drugs.

Among the Grangers.

This column is devoted to the Grange, especially to the granges of Hancock county. The column is open to all grangers for the discussion of topics of general interest, and for reports of grange meetings.

Friday, Jan. 8—Meeting of Hancock Pomona grange with Sedgwick grange.

Wednesday, Jan. 13—Meeting of Green Mountain Pomona grange with Bay View grange, Salisbury Cove.

HIGHLAND, NORTH PENOBSCOT. Highland grange held its regular meeting Dec. 25, with about twenty-five members present.

HARVEST HOME, WEST ELLSWORTH. Harvest Home grange held an enjoyable meeting Dec. 25, with thirty-nine members and visitors from Arbutus, Dracut, Lake View and Bayside granges present.

MARIVILLE. Mariaville grange met Saturday evening, with twenty-eight members present. The first and second degrees were conferred upon one candidate.

LAMOINE. At the regular meeting of Lamoine grange Dec. 25, the worthy lecturer, Sarah Young, filled the chair, the master and overseer being absent.

NEW CENTURY, DEDHAM. A class of four received instruction in the first and second degrees in the New Century grange Dec. 25. Visitors from East Edgerton grange were present.

MASAPPAQUA, SOUTH BLUEHILL. The regular meeting of Masappaqua grange was held Dec. 24, with a fair attendance. At recess supper was served by ladies of the circle.

SEDGWICK. Sedgwick grange held its regular meeting in Union hall Dec. 25, with a fair attendance. An unusual amount of business was attended to.

JOHN DORRITY, SULLIVAN. The newly-elected officers of John Dorrity grange are as follows: Herbert O. Johnson, master; Mrs. Cora E. Stover, overseer; Mrs. Grace M. Wilbur, lecturer; Seth A. Johnson, steward; E. Lamont Johnson, assistant steward; Mrs. Addie V. Orcutt, chaplain; Edwin W. Doyle, treasurer; Miss Clara O. Johnson, secretary; Hollis Bragdon, gatekeeper; Miss Mina B. Urann, Ceres; Mrs. Bertha L. Bean, Pomona; Mrs. Rebecca H. Doyle, Flora; Miss Rena L. Hooper, lady assistant steward.

CANTINE. The newly-elected officers of Cantine grange are as follows: Norris L. Leach, master; Paul Wescott, overseer; J. Y. Perkins, lecturer; E. E. Leach, steward; Bradley Mortgage, assistant steward; J. Wesley Bowden, chaplain; E. C. Bowden, treasurer; Emma A. Bowden, secretary; Maxwell Leach, gatekeeper; Eldora Clement, Ceres; Georgia Heath, Pomona; Annie Whitmore, Flora; Alberta Hanson, lady assistant steward.

GREENWOOD, EASTBROOK. Greenwood grange held its regular meeting at Eastbrook Dec. 25, with all officers present except gatekeeper. It being election of officers, the program laid over.

The newly-elected officers are as follows: Pearl Wilbur, master; Lyman Wilbur, overseer; Leonard Butler, lecturer; Percy Jordan, steward; Harold Kingman, assistant steward; Winfield Jordan, chaplain; Charles Hardison, treasurer; Lizzie Williams, secretary; H. H. Kingman, gatekeeper; Cora Kingman, Ceres; Effie Dinmore, Pomona; Bessie Wilbur, Flora; Vivian Lawrie, lady assistant steward.

Correspondence.

Memories of Eastbrook. EGYPT, Mass., Dec. 21, 1908.

In a recent issue of THE AMERICAN the writer noted an item entitled "Memories of Eastbrook," by R. S. Gerriah, and he feels that Mr. Gerriah cannot be conversant with all the facts relating to the subject he treats.

As a matter of fact, nearly every one of those men got their living by lumbering, and farmed when there was nothing to do in the "woods". They hewed their homes out of the forests and likewise their living.

That the successors of these pioneers are "half-interested" citizens is hardly true; that they are less earnest, hardy men or less intelligent is hardly true.

I remember only too well the homes of the families mentioned and something of their condition. I can see them as I write—low, one-story or one-and-a-half-story houses, guileless of any signs of paint.

Personally the writer has not noted that discouraged look mentioned, and has noted no overwhelming desire to leave their present homes on the part of the citizens.

Mrs. McRaney's Experience. Mrs. McRaney, Prantiss, Miss., writes: "I was confined to my bed for three months with kidney and bladder trouble, and was treated by two physicians, but failed to get relief."

It brings it into closer contact with the outside world. In the days mentioned by Mr. Gerrish the inhabitants had to go seven miles for their mail, daily papers were an impossibility; to-day the mail is delivered at the door of each house, and the daily paper, the one thing that does more to educate and unify the American public than any other, is to be found in most homes.

Eastbrook has a wealth of beautiful scenery. Her lakes furnish some of the best fishing in America. That in itself is proving a source of revenue. Those lakes have been visited by sportsmen from almost every state in the Union, and during the past year her waters have been visited by more fishermen than ever before, which augurs well for the future.

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Eastbrook has suffered with all other country towns in this respect, but to say that she has gone backward would be making an unwarranted statement.

THE TELEPHONE.

Its Value to Business—A Necessity Now, Not a Luxury.

The business man of to-day need not be told the value of the telephone, for he already knows this. What he does want to know is: Will he be assured of good telephone service?

The telephone has long passed the stage when it was a luxury to be enjoyed by the well-to-do, and has become a necessity not only to public institutions and private enterprises but to the home as well.

The average citizen, too, finds it just as essential to his welfare. This is evidenced by the large number of phones which have been installed during the past year in private homes.

A few years ago if we found it necessary to call a physician it meant often a walk of miles through all conditions of weather only to be told on our arrival at his home that "the doctor was out, but perhaps Mr. Smith, who lives only a mile below, might be in".

It frequently happens that when a man calls up his wife unexpectedly and informs her that he is bringing some one home to dinner or lunch, his wife finds herself unprepared and needs various little things from the store.

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Greenwood grange held its regular meeting at Eastbrook Dec. 25, with all officers present except gatekeeper. It being election of officers, the program laid over.

ELLSWORTH MARKETS.

Eggs are coming in more plentifully, the retail price dropping within the past week from 45 cents to 35 and 40. Sugar in cheaper, 5 1/2 to 6 cents retail, with some dealers offering it at 5 cents in 100-pound lots.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Country Produce, Butter, Creamery per lb., Dairy, Eggs, Fresh laid, per doz., Poultry, Chickens, Fowl, Best loon, per ton, Bacon, Lard, etc.

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LAW REGARDING WEIGHTS AND MEASURES. A bushel of Liverpool salt shall weigh 56 pounds, and a bushel of Turk's Island salt shall weigh 76 pounds.

Success is full of promise till men get it; and then it last year's nest from which the bird has flown.—H. W. Beecher.

Advertisement for True's Elixir. Includes a portrait of a man and text: "Get Health & Keep It. When you're feeling out of tune with the world; suffering from sour stomach, have no appetite, no ambition, take TRUE'S ELIXIR."

Advertisement for Patents. Text: "We promptly obtain U. S. and Foreign PATENTS. Send model, sketch or photo of invention for free report on patentability. For free book, How to Secure TRADE-MARKS, write Patents and GASNOW & CO. OPPOSITE U. S. PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C."

Large advertisement for Gold Medal Flour. Text: "Don't Discharge the Cook. Use GOLD MEDAL FLOUR. The better the flour, the better the bread. The better the bread, the better the baker." Includes an illustration of a woman in a kitchen.

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SULLIVAN HARBOR.

Margaret Dunbar is visiting in Bar Harbor. High school commenced to-day, after a short recess. Walworth Simpson is at home from Boston for the holidays. Linwood Gray is spending the holidays with his parents, A. S. Gray and wife. Richard Martin spent Christmas with his daughter Elizabeth, at C. H. Preble's. Sorosis meets Friday, with Mrs. C. A. Stimson and Mrs. Charles Simpson as matrons. Misses Irene and Hattie Connors spent Sunday in Bar Harbor, the guests of their aunt, Mrs. Ida Boynton. News has been received of the engagement of Rev. Henry Ives and Miss Susie Whiting, of Newton, Mass. Both are well remembered here, as they were here one summer a few years ago. Sullivan friends extend congratulations and best wishes. A most enjoyable concert was given at the church Christmas eve., by the teachers and pupils of the Sunday school, ably assisted by Misses Louise Hawkins, Lena Wilson and George Noyes and Hal Meynell. Miss Bartlett gave a solo, and Mrs. Wilson a most appropriate reading. The pupils all acquitted themselves very nicely in their several parts. Rev. Mr. Purdy made a few appropriate remarks, and then came the crowning glory (to the children at least) of the evening's pleasure—the distribution of gifts which were heaped about the beautifully decorated tree. Everybody was remembered, and all seemed happy. Much credit is due those by whose efforts the concert was given.

WEST TREMONT.

Ashbury Lopaus is home for the winter. The new K. of P. hall will be dedicated Tuesday. The ladies of the place are talking of forming a Pythian sisterhood. Andrew Norton is at home. He will board with his aunt, Mrs. Elzada Rich. Miss Emma Thurston, who has been at work in Pittsfield, came home Thursday. Walter Lunt is home for the holidays; also W. E. Dow, who has been employed at Seal Harbor. Mrs. Mildred Lopaus had quite an ill turn the past week, but is much improved. Her sister, Mrs. Annie Ober, is with her. Capt. Ashton Lunt, W. D. Walls, Capt. William A. Murphy and son Reginald and Harry Latty came Thursday to spend the remainder of the winter at home. F. W. Lunt and wife are planning on a much-needed vacation trip for the next two months, either to Southern California or Florida. Ashbury Lopaus and wife will keep house for them. Many of the scollap fishermen came from Rockland last week for the holidays. Capt. George W. Lunt, Capt. Gardner Lawson and Capt. George Walls were among the number. Mrs. George Walls, with daughter Ethlyn, came on the boat from Rockland to visit her parents, Charles D. Thurston and wife.

THELMA.

Ross Hall is smelting in Sedgwick. Ross Cain spent Christmas with his wife and sister here. Irving Collins is at work for Rufus Chatto on wood. Wiley C. Conary and wife, of Bucksport, spent Christmas here. Uzial Candage, Jr., who has been working for Irving Candage, left for Bucksport Monday to work for Fred Bridges. Wilfred Conary, of the law school at Bangor, spent Christmas with his parents, A. R. Conary and wife. Alden Conary is getting out timber for a motor boat twenty-eight feet long. He will build it himself. Mrs. Angie Bray and daughter Grace have returned from Bluehill, after a stay of a month at Sewall Snowman's. A Christmas tree was enjoyed at the schoolhouse. There was speaking by the children and distribution of gifts.

CRUMBS.

S. Watson Cousins came from Redstone, N. H., Friday. H. F. Strout is the guest of W. M. Wardwell and wife. Lester Grindle and Warren York have gone to Buck's Harbor to work. Luther W. Bridges and Pearl Cooper spent Friday and Saturday with their families, returning to Buck's Harbor Sunday. W. F. Chapman, Luther W. Bridges, A. J. Grindle and Leon Chapman, with their families, have moved home from Stonington. Capt. B. B. Long has taken the schooner Ben Hur to Rockland for repairs. L. N. Bridges, H. P. Long and Willis Witham accompanied him. Mrs. John Charnley and daughter Agnes, Mrs. William Farnworth and little daughter Nellie are spending a few weeks in North Dighton, Mass.

R.

A. A. Murphy killed a hog last week, which weighed 500 pounds. School begins Monday, Dec. 28, taught by Miss Nellie Whitmore, of Seal Harbor. A home Christmas tree at E. M. Higgins' Friday evening was greatly enjoyed by the children and grandchildren. Charles Tracy, wife and children, of Seal Harbor, and George Danton and wife, of Southwest Harbor, spent Christmas with their parents. A Christmas festival was held Saturday evening at St. James chapel. Rev. E. J. Baird held service, during which a number of those coughs and colds which may develop into pneumonia are quickly relieved by Foley's Kidney and Bladder Remedy. It soothes inflamed membranes, relaxes the lungs, and expels the cold from the system. G. A. PARSONS.

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CASTINE.

Mr. Joy, of Deer Isle, spent several days here last week. Miss Annette Robinson is home for her Christmas vacation. Will Vogell, of Bangor, spent Christmas with his brother, J. M. Vogell. The town schools opened to-day, with the usual number of pupils and the same teachers. Harry Hopkins, who worked for Frank Hooper the past summer, is attending the normal school. Mrs. Lewis Staples, who has been away several weeks, returned to her home on Christmas Day. Miss Amanda Warren is here for several days in the home of her brother, G. M. Warren, who is quite ill. Frank Bowden, who has been employed in Orland the past two months, spent Christmas with his parents. M. Gilmore and wife, of Boston, spent the past week here with Mrs. Gilmore's father, John McLaughlin. Miss Virginia Foster, of Penobscot, has returned to the home of F. N. Stover. She will attend the winter term of the grammar school. The normal school has opened its winter term, with a good attendance. Christmas afternoon the principal gave the entering class a sleigh ride, which was much enjoyed. Saturday evening a basket ball game was played in Emerson hall between the Castine fraternity and the Deer Isle team. The game proved very interesting, and was won by Deer Isle. The Unitarian society held its Christmas on Christmas eve in Emerson hall. A large audience was present. The Congregational society had a tree for the children Christmas night in the vestry, which was enjoyed by all present.

G.

Prospect Harbor. Miss Genevieve Cole spent the week-end at the Guphill farm in Gouldsboro. Mrs. Lucy E. Coombs has gone to Portland to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. N. H. Cole. Miss Gertrude Bickford, a student of Higgins classical institute, and Miss Genevieve Cole, a senior of Coburn classical institute, are spending the Christmas vacation at home. C. C. Hutchings, who was operated on for gall stones on Dec. 18 by Dr. Simmons, of Bangor, is doing well. Mrs. Stephen Kingsley, of Ber Harbor, has been spending a few days with her brother. Miss Jennie Sowle and Lyman Gray were married on Christmas day at the Methodist Episcopal parsonage, by Rev. G. W. M. Keyes. Mrs. R. E. Robinson, an aunt of the bride, accompanied them. Cards were received Saturday announcing the marriage at Norway of Charles Stuart Colwell and Miss Emma Sybil McCrellis, of Norway, on Dec. 24. Mr. Colwell is a young man of marked ability, and his many friends here wish him much happiness. The young couple will reside in Norway.

C.

South Surry. Mrs. Gage Grindle and sons Harold and George are visiting Mrs. Sarah Young. Miss Mary Treworgy and Mrs. Earl Long with her son Forrest, are spending a few days with their parents, Capt. Albert Treworgy and wife. The sale and supper given by the ladies of the Helping Hand society at the church, Christmas eve was very successful. Proceeds nearly \$19. The grab basket attracted much attention, and all enjoyed the bountiful supper. The Christmas tree was a source of much pleasure. All were remembered with gifts.

TRAMP.

WEST SULLIVAN. K. OF P. ANNIVERSARY. M. L. Stevens lodge, No. 110, K. of P., will celebrate its twelfth anniversary Wednesday evening, Dec. 30, by a past chancellors' night. All of the offices will be filled by past chancellors, who will be assisted in working the rank of knight by the regular degree team. Supper will be served at 6 o'clock, followed by a smoke talk. Refreshments will be served at 10.30, and this will be followed by the presentation of diploma to the lodge by State officers.

MARLBORO.

Miss Audrey Hodgkins, who is teaching in Trenton, spent Christmas at home. Mrs. Addie Jellison, of East Hampden, is visiting her sister, Mrs. S. H. Kemick. Mrs. Willis Hodgkins, with son Winfield, of Bar Harbor, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Albert Hodgkins. John Wright, wife and little son Hugh, of Ellsworth, spent Christmas with Mrs. Wright's parents, F. T. Hodgkins and wife.

ARE.

NORTH HANCOCK. Merle Googins is in Bar Harbor for a few days with his aunt, Bertha Wilbur. David Springer and wife were week-end guests of George Butler and wife in Franklin. Mrs. Clara Ford and son Maynard, of Marlboro, visited Wesley Ford and wife Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. Mattie Kenniston, of Guilford, is here, called by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Nelson Stewart.

ANON.

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CHRISTMAS TREE HARVEST.

Forest Service Says It Is Not Harmful to Forests.

The country's forests again have been called upon to supply about 4,000,000 Christmas trees, and again many persons have asked themselves and have asked the United States forest service: "Is the custom a menace to the movement for forest preservation?" In the millions of happy homes over the country where the younger generation has made the Christmas tree the centre of play since early Friday morning, there are many mothers and fathers who have given the question more or less thought. From Sunday schools and other organizations also, which hold an annual celebration around a gaily-trimmed evergreen for the benefit of the little ones, has come the question whether it is consistent to urge conservation of forest resources and then to cut millions of young trees every year to afford a little joy in the passing holiday season. "Yes, it is consistent and proper that the custom should be maintained," has been the answer of United States Forester Gifford Pinchot in every case. "Trees are for use, and there is no other use to which they could be put which would contribute so much to the joy of man as their use by the children on this one great holiday of the year. "The number of trees cut for this use each year is utterly insignificant when compared to the consumption for other purposes for which timber is demanded. Not more than 4,000,000 Christmas trees are used each year—one in every fourth family. If planted four feet apart they could be grown on less than 1,500 acres. This clearing of an area equal to a good-sized farm each Christmas should not be a subject of much worry, when it is remembered that for lumber alone it is necessary to take timber from an area of more than 100,000 acres every day of the year. "It is true that there has been serious damage to forest growth in the cutting of Christmas trees in various sections of the country, particularly in the Adirondacks and parts of New England, but in these very sections the damage through the cutting of young evergreens for use at Christmas is infinitesimal when compared with the loss of forest resources through fires and careless methods of lumbering. The proper remedy is not to stop using trees, but to adopt wiser methods of use. "It is generally realized that a certain proportion of land must always be used for forest growth, just as for other crops. Christmas trees are one form of this crop. There is no more reason for an outcry against using land to grow Christmas trees than to grow flowers. "The forest service upholds the Christmas tree custom, but recognizes at the same time that the indiscriminate cutting of evergreens to supply the holiday trade has produced a bad effect upon many stands of merchantable kinds of trees in different sections of the country. Waste and destruction usually result when woodlands are not under a proper system of forest management. Foresters say that it is not by denying ourselves the wholesome pleasure of having a bit of nature in the home at Christmas that the problem of conserving the forests will be solved, but by learning how to use the forests wisely and properly. The ravages through forest fires must be checked, the many avenues of waste of timber in its travel from the woods to the mill and thence to the market must be closed, and almost numberless important problems demand attention before the Christmas tree. Germany is conceded to have the highest developed system of forest management of any country, yet its per capita use of Christmas trees is greatest. The cutting of small trees for Christmas is not there considered in the least as a menace to the forest, but, on the contrary, as a means of improving the forest by thinning and as a source of revenue. It is therefore constantly encouraged. There is little doubt but that the time will come when the Christmas tree business will become a recognized industry in this country, and that as much attention will be given to it as will be given to the growing of crops of timber for other uses. This time may not be far off, for it is already understood that only through the practice of forestry, which means both the conservation of the timber which remains and carefully planned systems of reforestation, will it be possible to supply the country with its forty billion feet of lumber needed each year, as well as the few million little trees used at Christmas time.

KITTELY TO CARIBOU.

Joseph H. Jacobs, formerly of Thomaston, where he was engaged in the ship-building business, died at Philadelphia Thursday, aged seventy-eight years.

The department store of H. R. Bascombe & Co., at Wilton, was burned Wednesday. The loss is estimated at \$30,000. An explosion of acetylene gas used for illumination purposes started the fire. Francis D. Parsons, one of the proprietors of the White Star laundry in Bangor, and for many years prior to engaging in the laundry business employed in the railway mail service, died Friday, aged seventy years. The body of Daniel McRae, aged forty-two years, engineer of the steamer Governor Bodwell, running between Vinalhaven and Rockland, was found Friday in the dock at Vinalhaven. McRae is supposed to have fallen into the water in attempting to return to the steamer from his home in Vinalhaven Thursday night. He leaves a widow. Last Friday the new clock in the tower of Sturtevant hall at Hebron academy was set going. This clock is a memorial to the late Mrs. Fannie Donham Stearns by her husband, Henry K. Stearns, of Hebron. Both were graduates of the academy, and Mr. Stearns is a trustee of the school. The clock has a six foot dial, and strikes the hour. It faces the campus and is easily seen from nearly every place where students assemble. According to a statement of game shipments over the various railroads of Maine in the season just ended, the number of deer transported was the greatest in the history of the State. During the season 6,944 deer were handled by the railroads. The next previous highest year was 1902, when the total shipments were 6,855. These figures do not include the many deer killed by residents, but only the number which were handled by the railroads. The number killed was probably about 10,000 to 12,000. Moose and bears fell off very materially, the number of the former shipped this year being 175, and bears 29. The Oxford Paper Co., which is building a large addition to its plant at Rumford Falls for the manufacture of bleach liquor and caustic soda by a new electrolytic process invented and developed by Jasper Whiting, of Boston, has just closed a contract for the electric machinery. This apparatus is to be built by the Western Electric Co., and includes five motor-generator sets, each consisting of a 500-horsepower, 2,300-volt induction motor, direct connected to a 330-kilowatt, 220-volt, direct current generator, the power to be taken from the Rumford Falls Power Co. It is said this discovery and its application will result in a great saving in the cost of manufacturing paper. Edward E. O'Brien, one of Maine's richest citizens, died Monday at his home in Thomaston, aged seventy-nine years. He was the only son of Edward O'Brien, who was reputed to be the wealthiest shipowner and builder of his time. For many years he was president of the Georges national bank of Thomaston, succeeding his father, and was for years a member of the ship chandlery firm of Gilchrist & O'Brien, of New York, and afterwards in the firm of R. G. Morse & Co., Boston, coal and building materials, later becoming sole owner. Still later he was a member of the firm of Burgess, O'Brien & Co., lime manufacturers, in Thomaston, which was dissolved and the business has since been conducted under Mr. O'Brien name. Landlady—Mr. Star, now that we are seated about the board to partake of our Christmas turkey, does it not occur to you that there were only two turkeys on the ark with Noah? Mr. Star—Indeed, it is forcibly brought to mind. I sincerely hope that this one is the last of the two.—Circle Magazine.

Advertisement.

There is a certain Congressman from New England, a self-made man, who is noted in Washington for two things—his quick wit and pride in his Celtic origin. He was walking down Pennsylvania avenue one fine evening, with a westerner, looking at the sky, remarked: "How bright Orion is to-night?" "A-r-r-r," replied the New Englander, "so that is O'Ryan, is it? Well, thank the Lord, there is one Irishman in heaven, anyhow!"

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COUNTY GOSSIP.

A \$3,000 pearl necklace, lost by a visitor at Northeast Harbor four years ago during a mountain climb, was found in an unusual manner last week.

Horace W. Herrick, of Bluehill, has in Hardwick, Mass., a brother, H. L. Herrick, to whom and his wife was recently born a male child who weighed at birth twenty-seven pounds.

After a close time on deer for several years on Swan's Island, and after the general law prohibits deer hunting elsewhere in the State, the Swan's Island hunters are swarming the woods of the island, and so far have killed twenty-five deer this season.

The Bar Island bridge proposition, which divided honors with the automobile exclusion act at the last town meeting in Bar Harbor, is again to the fore.

State Finances Under Gov. Cobb. During the four years of Gov. Cobb's administration—from January, 1905, to January, 1909, about \$700,000 has been paid on Maine's public debt, and over \$500,000 is in the treasury of the State.

Even now, nine weeks before the special session can be called, the tariff question dominates all others. The belief is growing that Congress at the special session will pass a tariff bill materially reducing the duty on many commodities.

Our Navy and Others. During the present session of Congress it seems probable that an effort will be made by the advocates of a powerful navy to secure the appropriations for additional big battleships, but unusual outlay in this direction will be opposed by the conservative element in both the House and Senate.

Germany is making great progress, and it is not unlikely will soon surpass the United States. Until recently France has been ahead of Germany, but the latter country has added two new battleships, while France has stood still.

Representative-elect Howard Davis, of Yarmouth, has announced his withdrawal from the contest for speaker of the Maine house of representatives. This leaves the field clear to Representative-elect George G. Weeks, of Fairfield.

SPLIT-LOG DRAG.

D. W. King, of Missouri, Explains Its Work.

Some new and interesting ideas upon the subject of good roads were expounded by D. Ward King, of Maitland, Mo., the inventor of the split-log drag, during his recent visit to Maine.

The lectures by Mr. King in this State were held under the auspices of the State highway department. Mr. King stated that three characteristics must be present in a good earth road, and no one of them could be taken away and the road be good.

"By the old system it has been entirely too expensive an operation to maintain these three essentials, nor has the road machine been capable of producing these three characteristics in their most satisfactory form, no matter how much it is used, but the King drag, cheap in itself and inexpensive and simple in operation, brings about this condition of the road so easily and naturally that the man who does the work is amazed at his success and astonished that this method has not been in vogue before.

The manner of building the drag has been explained at considerable length in print. It should be made very light. I have been told that there are drags in your neighboring town of Sidney to which are hitched four and six horses. These are two heavy, and they overshoot the mark.

I lay it down as a law that whenever a road machine places so much earth or any other kind of road material in the center of the highway that the people avoid it and drive to one side of the center, too much earth is being moved, and the man who tries to build a road in this way has made a serious mistake.

I have on record a very remarkable instance in your own State of what can be done by careful and proper use of the King drag. F. B. Sanborn, of Standish, Cumberland county, built his first drag in April, 1906.

The change produced resulted in his being put in charge of eleven miles of road the next year. In his report of the work done on the eleven miles of road in 1907, he declares that with the split-log drag he put the eleven miles of road in better condition than it had ever been known to be for twenty-five years at the same season of the year.

Mr. Sanborn's success with this piece of road so impressed the neighborhood that they requested him to take charge of an adjoining piece of road, which he did. The change produced resulted in his being put in charge of eleven miles of road the next year.

This road building by Mr. Sanborn with the split-log drag cost \$1.50 per mile for the cheapest up to \$3 per mile for the most expensive. The remarkable fact about it was that the cheapest miles are, in Mr. Sanborn's opinion, the best, and he is confident that the entire mileage can be managed the second year for much less cost than the first year, while at the same time it will be in vastly improved condition as compared with the first year.

Hancock County Crops. The December bulletin of the Maine board of agriculture contains the following summary of crop conditions in Hancock county:

Per cent. of cows to be wintered, 99. Yield of sweet corn as compared with average, 100 per cent. Farmers in most sections are increasing their average of field corn. Conditions of oats, good. Acreage yield of potatoes, sixty-five barrels. Condition of grass fields, fair in most parts.

A pretty school teacher, noticing one of her little charges idle, said sharply: "John, the devil always finds something for idle hands to do. Come up here and let me give you some work."

A MAINE WOODS TRAGEDY.

Man Froze to Death Though Surrounded by Companions.

William Moran, aged thirty years, of Buffalo, N. Y., a woodsman, was frozen to death last Wednesday. Moran worked at one of Butterfield's camps, near Pittston farm. Wednesday five other men in the camp started to walk to Birch Point, thirty miles distant.

The road led through drifted snow. A bitter wind was blowing and the temperature was twenty below zero. Moran struggled on and when he finally overtook the other men they noticed his condition with alarm.

"I'm cold," complained Moran. "Can't one of you fellows lend me a stocking cap?" One of the party did, and the little group went on. Mile after mile, they plowed doggedly along the almost unbroken road.

The others left him, for there was nothing else they could do, and they finally arrived at Birch Point in a pitiable condition. Thursday morning a searching party went back over the route, finding the body near Baker brook.

NORTH ELLSWORTH. RICHARDSON-BICKFORD. A pretty wedding was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Richardson, of this place, on the morning before Christmas.

The bride was charming in a dress of voile over white silk, trimmed with silk medallions, and carried a bouquet of carnations. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Frances A. Richardson, while Bertrand T. Bickford, brother of the groom, was best man.

Immediately after the service a wedding breakfast was served by Mrs. Freeman Maddocks, Mrs. James McGowan and Mrs. Howard Hooper. The young couple were the recipients of many pretty and useful gifts showing the high esteem of their friends.

Restaurant Stories. "I don't care for the vulgar type of restaurant story," said a New York hotel keeper. "I refer to that type where the guest shouts angrily to the waiter: 'Ugh, this steak is not fresh! What a horrible smell! Here, waiter, judge for yourself!'"

"But, shaking his head, the waiter points to the next table and answers grimly: 'Beg pardon, sir, you're quite wrong. It's the other gentleman's fish.'"

Youngful Logic. Mrs. L., a young and inexperienced Sunday school teacher, was at times sorely perplexed how to answer the questions put to her by some of her unusually bright pupils.

Curious Book Titles. Curious book titles are always being rediscovered, mostly from that prolific period the commonwealth, when sanctimony was supreme. Thus: "John Dances Better Than Peter; Peter Dances Better Than John; Both Dance Well" (a vicious attack on the Jesuits, in five volumes). "A Sign For the Sinners of Zion. Coming From a Hole in the Wall, by an Earthen Vessel, Known Among Men as Samuel Fisher" (was this how taverns came to take the sign of the "hole in the wall")—London Scraps.

Correspondents.

A Mathematical Problem. Mr. DANIEL FRAY, Dec. 28, 1908.

The following simple mathematical problem is given to the readers of THE AMERICAN:

Give weight in pounds of a rainfall of one inch on a town ten miles square. Give the number of teams and length of road that would be required to haul the water, allowing each team to haul one ton and occupy a space of twenty feet in length.

To avoid the annoyance that might come to the editor from many answers to this problem, I will assign the problem to P. G. Wooster, of Pasadena, Cal., to be answered through the columns of THE AMERICAN.

The question is given by a subscriber of THE AMERICAN, who was also privileged to be a pupil in the same "little red schoolhouse" where Mr. Wooster became proficient in knowledge many years ago.

The Servant Girl in Germany. In most German households there is no such thing as the strict division of labor insisted on here.

When a girl has had luck and engages with a bad herrschaft she is worse off than in England because she is more in the power of her employers and of the police than she would be here.

BUCKSPORT WATER COMPANY. THE annual meeting of the Bucksport Water Company for the choice of officers and such other business as shall properly come before said meeting, will be held at the office of Parker Spofford, in Bucksport, on Saturday, January second, a. d. 1909, at two o'clock p. m.

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Advertisements. \$50,000.

The Devereux Company, CASTINE and BUCKSPORT, MAINE. First Mortgage Six Per Cent. Ten Year Gold Bonds, DENOMINATION \$500. Dated November 2, 1908. Callable at 103 on any interest date after three years.

International Trust Co., Trustee, Boston, Mass. Price Par and Accrued Interest. Incorporated under the Laws of the State of Maine. Capital Stock, \$50,000. \$25,000 Common. \$25,000 Preferred.

Coal will be received at Castine and Bucksport which are open deep water ports in the largest barges and sailing vessels, applying retail trade at both places, coaling yachts at Castine, applying coal at wholesale from Castine to retail dealers at coast points in eastern Maine by small barges fitted with discharging elevators.

Coal is steadily giving way to barges and large sailing vessels which operate the entire year with lower and more uniform rates and quick despatch, but which must be discharged at all the year round, open deep water ports from which the coal can be distributed in quantities and at times as desired.

At Castine, the capacity will be from 1,000 to 1,500 tons per day unloaded from barges and large vessels and stored in pockets, and one ton a minute drawn from pockets, weighed and put into yachts or into small barges for distribution to coast ports.

Health's Theatre, Boston. Will Crosby and Blanche Payne come to Keith's next week as headliners in a funny sketch, written by Mr. Crosby, entitled "Town Hall To-night". Another headline feature is Bernardi, the Italian problem actor, who puts on an entire drama with many characters, all taken by himself.

Also on the bill is Griff, the English juggler, who caused so much comment last year. Others are Willie Weston in a monologue; Smith and Heagney in a dancing and singing turn, and the Raven trio, equilibrista, making one of the most varied and interesting shows announced in a long time.

Lost. B and Central, between Morrill's store and Central, containing papers, will finder please return to G. L. Morrill's store.

Special Notice. THE annual meeting of the stockholders of the Hancock County Agricultural Society will be held at Merrill & Hinckley's store at Bluehill, on Saturday, Jan. 2, 1909, at 2 o'clock p. m. to act upon the following business: To elect officers for the year ending Dec. 31, 1909. To elect a board of directors and to transact any other business legally brought before said meeting.

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Gold Medal Flour makes baking easy.

The Phantom Train.

I was standing beside the railroad track on a desolate prairie of Manitoba waiting for a train. There was no station agent, baggage agent, nothing except myself, unsheltered, the wind driving the loose snow past me in sheets. I had twenty minutes to wait for the train, which I must flag myself. The engineer, however, in so sparsely a settled country would have no objection to stopping for the purpose of taking on a single passenger.

VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT PARTY.

Enjoyable Social Event at Hancock Hall—The Decorations. The leading social event of the season thus far was the concert and ball at Hancock hall last evening under the auspices of the Village Improvement Society. Special efforts were made to have the affair a success in every way, and those in charge had the satisfaction of seeing everything work to a charm.

COUNTY NEWS.

EDEN. Edward Lally, of Otis, was in town last week. John L. Hodgkins, of this place, has employment at Kineo. Mrs. Effie Reed is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Sereno Higgins, at Hull's Cove.

COUNTY NEWS.

BROOKLIN. Harry Bridges came home from Boston Saturday. Mrs. F. W. Cole returned from Boston Thursday. High school opened to-day, after two weeks' vacation.

SEAL COVE.

Arthur Rumill has moved his family to Owl's Head, where he is scalloping. Miss Josie Reed, formerly of Boston, was married to Frank Rumill, of this place, Dec. 8. Friends wish the young people many years of happy wedded life.

WEST HANCOCK.

George W. Young spent the holidays at home. Boyd Tracy is attending high school at Hancock. Mrs. Melville Smith made a short visit to friends in Bangor last week.

SEDGWICK.

Mrs. Annie Andrews is visiting relatives in Boston. Miss Annie Means has gone to Boston for the holidays. Miss Frances Greenlaw has gone to Haven to work for R. Stewart.

NORTH BLUEHILL.

The academy students are enjoying a vacation. W. W. Wescott spent a few days with his parents recently. A social dance at the hall Christmas night was greatly enjoyed.

OTTER CREEK.

Mrs. Susan Alley and daughter Myra, of Oak Point, are visiting relatives here. Misses Jennie Davis and Eliza Stanley, who are employed at Bar Harbor, spent Christmas at home.

GOULDSBORO.

Many guests from out of town spent Christmas here. Mrs. Lizzie Perry, who has been very ill, is improving rapidly. There was a large crowd at the hall at Bay View hall Christmas night.

WEST BROOKSVILLE.

Mrs. George H. Tapley is at home from Rockland. Mrs. Ivan Farnham is visiting her sister, Mrs. Herman Tapley. Lewis Farnham has purchased a 1,300-pound horse to replace one he recently lost.

BUCKSPORT.

Col. Samuel J. Menard, a native of Bucksport, who left here in 1899, died in Boston Monday, aged fifty-six years. He was an old-time Boston newspaper man, private secretary to Governor Robinson and Governor Brackett, and a member of the staff of Governor Ames, and for some years past chief clerk for the superintendent of schools.

INDIAN POINT.

John Abram and wife spent Christmas week in Ellsworth. Capt. L. E. Walls spent Sunday at Oak Point with J. H. Burr and wife. Frank E. Higgins, wife and son Ermond spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Nettie B. Higgins.

AURORA.

Mrs. Bernice Jordan is in Bangor for a few days. Mrs. S. E. Crosby is visiting her daughter in Amherst. Ed. Treadwell, of Ellsworth, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Howard Crosby. Bert Scheppe, of Beddington, was in

COUNTY NEWS.

WEST STONINGTON. A Christmas tree and basket supper was held in the hall Thursday evening. Mrs. Irvin Thurston arrived Friday from Bucksport, where she has spent several weeks.

MT. DESEET.

Miss Nora Daly has gone to Boston for a visit of a few weeks. Everett Hodgdon, who is employed in Stonington, spent Christmas with his family. Schooner John B. Norris, Capt. Holmes, arrived Christmas Day with freight for the merchants.

BORN.

DALZELL—At Stonington, Dec 21, to Mr and Mrs Alex M Dalzell, a son. [Olyde Eugene.] DAVIS—At Trenton, Dec 21, to Mr and Mrs Harry L Davis, a daughter. [Eva May.] GREENLAW—At Oceanville, Dec 14, to Mr and Mrs Leroy H Greenlaw, a son. [Lawrence Pearl.]

MARRIED.

COOMBS-SPRINGER—At Ellsworth, Dec 24, by Rev P A Killam, Miss Mary G Coombs to Howard C Springer, both of Franklin. HARRINGTON-MAYO—At Winter Harbor, Dec 21, by Rev G Mayo, of Ellsworth, Miss Sarah F Harrington to Alvah H Mayo, both of Winter Harbor.

DIED.

AUSTIN—At Bar Harbor, Dec 24, Caroline, widow of Lewis A Austin, aged 77 years, 8 months, 25 days. CHATTO—At Freeport, Dec 28, George W Chatto, formerly of Bluehill, aged 72 years, 5 months, 3 days. DALZELL—At Stonington, Dec 21, Clyde Eugene, infant son of Mr and Mrs Alex M Dalzell.

Advertisements.

CROUP QUICKLY CURED. Don't Let the Child Choke to Death While Waiting for the Doctor. Hyomei, the miraculous, antiseptic, dry air treatment, will cure croup in either the first or second stages. Easily inhaled, even when the breathing is irregular, it reaches more promptly than any other remedy the terribly inflamed membrane of the windpipe. Its soothing balsams act immediately, the inflammation is allayed and the swelling reduced.

NORTH DEER ISLE.

E. W. Hardy is repairing his home on the farm. Capt. F. A. Haskell and crew are home for the winter. Frank Leighton and family went from Bangorville last week. Mrs. Mary Haskell, who has blood poisoning in her hand, is improving.

NORTH BROOKSVILLE.

Mrs. John Hawes is quite ill. Mrs. Irene Foster and children have gone to West Penobscot for a week's visit with her parents. Effie Young is attending the normal school at Castine. Loring Young, of Bar Harbor, is visiting relatives here.

Advertisements.

For that Dandruff. There is one thing that will cure it—Ayer's Hair Vigor. It is a regular scalp-medicine. It quickly destroys the germs which cause this disease. The unhealthy scalp becomes healthy. The dandruff disappears, had to disappear. A healthy scalp means a great deal to you—healthy hair, no dandruff, no pimples, no eruptions.

Commonwealth Hotel.

Offers rooms with hot and cold water for \$1.00 per day and up, which includes use of public shower baths. Nothing to equal this in New England. Rooms with private baths for \$1.50 per day and up; suites of two rooms and bath for \$1.00 per day and up. Dining room and cafe first-class. European Plan. ABSOLUTELY FIREPROOF. Stone floors, nothing wood but the doors. Equipped with its own Sanitary Vacuum cleaning plant. Long distance telephone in every room. Strictly a Temperance Hotel. Send for booklet. STORER F. CRAFTS, Manager.

THE CLARION.

Whether it's a range or a furnace—if it is a "Clarion", it is sure to meet every requirement. Made by the Wood Bishop Co., Bangor. Sold by J. P. ELDRIDGE, Main Street, ELLSWORTH.

WINDSOR HOTEL.

W. T. BRUBAKER, Manager. Midway between Broad St. Station and Reading Terminal on Filbert St. European, \$1 per day and up. American, \$2.50 per day and up. The only moderate priced hotel of reputation and consequence in PHILADELPHIA.

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Full Lines of ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES AND FIXTURES. Estimates for Wiring and Supplies Cheerfully Given. ANDREW M. MOOR, Main St., (under Dirigo Club) Ellsworth. ELLSWORTH Steam Laundry and Bath Rooms. "NO FAT, NO WASTE." All kinds of laundry work done at short notice. Goods called for and delivered. H. E. ESTEY & CO., WEST END BUILDING, ELLSWORTH ME.

COUNTY NEWS.

Amos G. Stover, of Boston, visited his parents, Rufus Stover and wife, last week. George W. Parker came home from Brockton, Mass., to spend Christmas with his family. Forrest Snow, of the law school, and Norman Mayo, U. of M., are home for the holidays. H. S. Sweet and wife are spending the winter in the home of their son, H. S. Sweet, Jr. The Christmas celebrations of the two Sunday schools were enjoyed as usual by those who attended. Miss Allie Osgood, who closed her school at South Bluehill Dec. 23, has gone to normal school at Castine. The ladies of the Congregational circle have purchased a new piano, and it was placed in the vestry last week. John C. Ralph, of Southwest Harbor, and Isaac E. Ralph, of Northeast Harbor, visited their old home here last week. Prof. Fowler, of Brown university, with his wife, is spending the holiday vacation at their cottage at Parker Point. A memorial service was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William McCall Sunday afternoon, Dec. 27, in memory of Paris Tenney. The annual business meeting and roll-call of the Congregational church will be held in the vestry Wednesday evening, Jan. 6. There will be a supper at 6 o'clock. It is hoped there will be a large attendance of the church members. Dec. 28. M. EGYPT. Misses Effie Clark and Helen and Stella West spent Sunday at their homes here. Raymond Clark, of the M. C. L. Pittsfield, spent his Christmas vacation with his parents, J. W. Clark and wife. O. W. Bragdon, wife and children went to Waltham Thursday to visit Mrs. Bragdon's parents, Arvid Jordan and wife. Frank Jordan and Miss Lela West spent Sunday at Lamona Point, the guests of Mr. Jordan's uncle, Capt. Frank Winterbotham. The Christmas tree at the home of Barney Mullan on Christmas eve was a decided success. A large number of neighbors and friends were present. After a program which included a solo by Mrs. George Linscott, prayer by C. J. Smith, reading by Mrs. Frank Goodwin, solo by Miss Julia Sawyer, duet by Mrs. Hodgkins and Mrs. Mullan, a reading by Mr. Mullan, Santa Claus made a short call and presents were distributed. All present extend thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Mullan for so kindly opening their home to a public tree. Dec. 28. W. Doan's Regulax care constipation without gripping, nausea, nor any weakening effect. Ask your druggist for them. 25 cents per box. -Advt.

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