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## LOCAL AFFAIRS.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS THIS WEEK.

George W. Bassett—Notices of foreclosure.  
Percy Musgrave—Bankrupt's petition for discharge.  
BROOKSVILLE:  
Non-resident tax notice.  
AUBURN:  
Union River Telephone Co.—Notice of annual meeting.  
BUCKSPORT:  
Non-resident tax notice.  
MARANACOOK, ME:  
Home Supply Co.—Premiums.

### SCHEDULE OF MAILS AT ELLSWORTH POSTOFFICE. In effect Sept. 30, 1912.

MAILS RECEIVED.  
FROM WEST—7.15 a.m.; 4.14, 6.25 p.m.  
FROM EAST—11.06, 11.57 a.m.; 5.47, 10.52 p.m.  
MAIL CLOSURE AT POSTOFFICE  
GOING WEST—10.30, 11.30 a.m.; 5.15, 9 p.m.  
GOING EAST—6.45 a.m.; 3.45, 6 p.m.

No Sunday mail after Nov 24; until that date mail arrives from west at 8.11 a.m.; closes for west at 4.30 p.m.  
Registered mail should be at postoffice half an hour before mail closes.

Miss Hannah F. Malone is home from Bates college for the holidays.

Norris Hodgkins is home from Roxbury Latin school for the Christmas recess.

Percy E. Higgins, who is practicing law in Limestone, is home for the holidays.

Percival Wescott is at home from Gray's business college, Portland, for the holidays.

Mrs. Henry E. Davis has gone to Massachusetts to spend the holidays with her daughters.

Wesley Sowie, a student at the University of Maine, is at home for the Christmas recess.

The tug Little Round Top has been hauled up for the winter, and Ellsworth port is closed.

Thomas P. Packard and wife left Friday for Mr. Packard's home at Orient for the holiday recess.

A. L. Witham and Charles W. Hurley are at home from St. Fereol, Que., for a week's vacation.

Capt. H. C. Ray caught a good-sized haddock in his smelt net at the mouth of the river recently.

William Frazier, of the battleship Virginia, is spending a short furlough with relatives in Ellsworth.

Judge Emery left Monday to spend Christmas week with his daughter, Mrs. F. G. Allison, in Providence, R. I.

A. C. Lyon, wife and little son, of Orono, are here to spend the holidays with Mrs. Lyon's father, L. H. Cushman.

Mrs. Clinton O. Ladd, with little son, of Newburyport, Mass., is visiting her parents, John W. Campbell and wife.

Arthur H. Parcher, from the Maine medical school, and Clarence Tapley, from Bowdoin, are home for the holidays.

Miss Jessie Nash, who has been employed at Caribou during the fall millinery season, is at home for the winter.

Ludike Hall is home from Phillips-Exeter academy to spend the holidays with his parents, Judge Henry M. Hall and wife.

Mrs. A. L. Bellatty and daughter Maude left Saturday for Boston, where they will spend the winter with Capt. Bellatty and son Harry.

George N. Black, of Boston, his secretary, Mr. Pitman, and Mr. Pitman's brother, are spending Christmas at "Woodlawn".

Miss Jessie Morang is home from Columbia university, New York, to spend the holidays with her parents, C. L. Morang and wife.

Members of Blanquefort commandery, K. T., will assemble at the asylum to-morrow (Wednesday) at 11 a. m., for the usual Christmas observance.

Harry E. Rowe and wife have gone to Portland to spend Christmas with Mrs. Rowe's relatives. Mr. Rowe will extend his trip to Boston on business.

Mrs. G. Porter Smith has closed her house here and gone to Carmel, where she will spend a part of the winter with her daughter, Mrs. E. S. Andrews.

Ralph M. Holmes, assistant in physics at Wesleyan university, Middletown, Conn., will spend his Christmas vacation with Mrs. Holmes in New York city.

The head of the buck deer presented to Lygonia lodge, F. and A. M., by J. Sherman Douglass, has been sent to Bangor to be mounted. It will be hung in the banquet hall.

Nokomis Rebekah lodge has elected officers as follows: Mrs. H. F. Wescott, N. G.; Miss Helen Nealey, V. G.; Mrs. Letitia Brown, treasurer; Mrs. E. E. Springer, secretary.

Walter E. Smith left last week for New York to resume his position as purser on one of the Peninsular and Occidental line of steamers which runs between Key West and Havana.

Miss Ella F. Jordan, who is teaching at Jamaica Plain, Mass., is spending the holiday recess with her brother, Harvard C. Jordan, in this city, and with relatives at Seal Harbor.

A slight fire around a chimney in the house on School street, near Hancock hall, occupied by Bloomfield Moon, called out the firemen last Thursday forenoon. The damage was small.

Miss Ida Brown, of Bangor, a pupil of H. Everett Hall, organist of the First Parish church, has been engaged as organist at the Congregational church here for the remainder of the church year.

The former Ellsworth schooner F. H. Odiorne, loaded with lumber from St. John, N. B., for New York, encountered

heavy gales in the Bay of Fundy last week and sprang a leak. She was towed to St. John for repairs.

Charles Peters, who submitted to an operation for appendicitis at Bangor three weeks ago, arrived home last Wednesday. He is making rapid recovery, and is now able to be out, though not yet able to put in long hours at his office.

The basket-ball game last Friday evening between the Ellsworth high school boys and the junior team of the Y. M. C. A., of Bangor, drew a good-sized crowd to Hancock hall. The visitors won by a score of 34-23. A dance followed, with music by the E. M. C. orchestra.

Irving C. Smith died Monday at the home of his parents, Ames Smith and wife, on the Surry road, after a long illness of consumption. He was in the thirty-first year of his age. He leaves a little daughter, whose home is with an aunt in Bucksport. Besides his parents, he leaves three sisters and three brothers.

It will doubtless interest many to know that a full report of the proceedings attending the centennial observance of the First Congregational church and parish, which took place last September, is being prepared and will shortly be printed. It will contain a description of the new organ, the addresses at all the services of the day and the musical programs.

Hugh R. Chaplin, grand scribe of the grand chapter of Maine, will pay an official visit to Acadia Royal Arch chapter next Tuesday evening. There will be work in the R. A. degree. Banquet at 6.30. This visit was originally scheduled for Dec. 10, but through missing of dates on the part of Mr. Chaplin, he did not appear. He assures the chapter there will be no mistake this time.

The semi-annual tax on Maine savings banks, trust companies and loan and building associations has been committed to the State treasurer for collection. The Ellsworth loan and building association pays the second largest tax of any such association in the State—\$71.66. The Sanford loan and building association pays \$90.15. The Dexter association, the third in the list, pays \$51.11.

Michael Shea, formerly of Ellsworth, died Monday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Charles Murray, in Bar Harbor. Mr. Shea was born in Ireland, and came to this country when a young man, settling in Ellsworth. He leaves ten children—Michael and Patrick, of Ellsworth; James and Charles, and Mrs. Murray, of Bar Harbor; Annie, of Bangor; John and Edward, of Woburn, Mass.; Joseph, of Portland, and Jeremiah, of Harpswell.

Capt. Edward Dodge, while boarding his schooner, the Julia Frances, at the wharf here last Wednesday, ready to tow out, fell, striking his chin on the rail. His chin was severely cut and bruised, and it was feared at first the jaw bone was fractured. The accident laid Capt. Dodge up, and deferred the sailing of the vessel, which is loaded with long lumber for Providence. The schooner was towed to the cove at Surry. Capt. Dodge expects to be able to sail this week.

The permanent road work on the Surry road is completed, and State Highway Commissioner Hardison, after a visit of inspection, has given his verbal approval of it, and it will undoubtedly be formally accepted by the State highway department. Commissioner Hardison expressed his surprise and gratification at the amount of work done with the money available. The road has been widened and straightened in places, grades lessened, nineteen metal culverts put in, and the surface gravelled for a distance of 8,000 feet. The work cost \$4,000, of which the State will pay \$2,000 from the automobile fund.

Mrs. J. D. Farrell, daughter of P. H. Bonzey, of this city, died Dec. 11 at her home in St. Cloud, Minn. She had been in delicate health since an operation last summer. Maude M. Bonzey was born in Ellsworth, in July, 1872. Twenty years ago she was married to Mr. Farrell and went to Minnesota, where Mr. Farrell was engaged in business at Aitkin. Their residence there continued until their removal to St. Cloud three years ago, at which time Mr. Farrell became interested in the wholesale grocery business of Freeman, Farrell & Co. She leaves, besides her husband, one son—Donald, her father, one brother—Charles Bonzey, of Boston.

Edmund E. Brady, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Brady, of this city, has received the coveted appointment as midshipman to the naval academy at Annapolis, the nomination being made by Congressman Gould. Mr. Brady is a member of the senior class of the Ellsworth high school, and leader of his class, as he has been throughout his high school course. He will take his entrance examinations for the naval academy in February, and if successful in these, will then have to go to Annapolis for the physical examination. His many Ellsworth friends are pleased at his appointment, and believe that he will worthily represent Ellsworth and the Ellsworth high school. Since 1890 Ellsworth has been represented in the navy by George D. B. Glidden and Newell Jordan, both of whom are deceased; in the army by the late Gen. Eugene Griffin and Lieut. Martyn Hall Shute, now in the Philippines.

### FOR DEPUTY SHERIFFS.

Sheriff-elect Silsby Announces First Batch of Appointments.  
Sheriff-elect F. O. Silsby announces today the first list of six deputy sheriffs whom he will appoint to assume office with him January 1. They are as follows: Maynard Paine and George E. Clark, Bar Harbor.  
Robie M. Rumill, Tremont.  
Cecil W. Crosby, Amherst.  
Ward W. Wescott, Bluehill.  
Paul W. Scott, Deer Isle.

## 1913

The year of 1912 has been the most prosperous this bank has ever had. In entering upon another year we express our appreciation to our depositors and patrons for the support they have given us and for the confidence they have placed in us during the years we have been in business. Our policy for the coming year will be followed the same as in the past—the principal one, safety for all money entrusted to our care. There are many reasons why every one who is not a customer of this bank should become one—the main reason, this bank is under the supervision of our directors, all well known in this community, all men of character, stability, business ability and good judgment, with a full realization of their duties and responsibilities. We place our services, knowledge of banking and knowledge of investments at your command. A perfect organization at your disposal. Our strength, security and experience at your service. We want your business, promising in return, safety, liberal treatment and courteous consideration.

## Union Trust Co., ELLSWORTH, MAINE.

### LYCEUM COURSE.

First of Four Entertainments Will be Given Next Week.

The first of the four entertainments in the lyceum course arranged for this winter in Ellsworth, will be given at Hancock hall Saturday evening of next week, Jan. 4. All the entertainments in this course are of a high class but selected with a view to meeting popular favor.

The first in the series is an entertainment of music and humor, by Rogers & Grilley. Mr. Rogers is a harpist of wide reputation, and has been upon the public platform for twenty years, making several tours as harp soloist with the Boston symphony orchestra. He plays the most difficult music upon the harp with ease, and as a novelty feature, plays two tunes at the same time, one with each hand.

Mr. Grilley is a humorist and author, and most of his selections are original. He is famous as an impersonator. He is a graduate of the Emerson school of oratory, and for seven years was a member of the faculty of the school.

The remaining entertainments of the course in Ellsworth are: Feb. 22, "The Ethiopian Serenaders;" March 22, "Kelllogg-Haines Singing Party;" April 5, George D. Alden, lecturer.

### GOVERNOR COMING.

Ellsworth Food Fair will be Opened by Governor Haines.

Governor Haines, has given his word to Secretary Haines, of the Ellsworth Merchants' association, that if urgent affairs of the State do not prevent, he will come to Ellsworth on Monday, Jan. 27, formally to open the fourth annual Ellsworth food fair.

The visit of the governor, one of the first, if not the first, visits of this kind that he will make after assuming office in January, will be a fitting opening of what promises to exceed all the food fair successes of previous years.

The food fair committee is booking many out-of-town firms which will make attractive exhibits.

The afternoon musical program will include, beside the selections by the food fair orchestra, solos by Miss Bertha Giles, soprano, and Max G. Cimbolek, violinist.

### MILEAGE REBATES.

Ellsworth Merchants Offer Inducements to Out-of-Town Buyers.

The mileage rebates offered to out-of-town shoppers by Ellsworth merchants on the plan suggested by the Ellsworth Merchants' association, will continue in force for the holiday shopping—Dec. 16 to 28. The rebates are graduated according to amount of goods purchased and number of miles traveled.

Below is the schedule, the towns listed after the different amounts being those from which round trip fare will be allowed on purchases to that amount. Rebates on the Washington county line from west of Franklin are for single fare only, except when special round-trip rates are granted by the railroad.

\$5—Ellsworth Falls, Nicolin, Franklin Road, Hancock, Lamoine, Surry, Trenton, Waltham.  
\$7.50—Bluehill, Orland, Otis, Mt. Desert Ferry, Waukeag, Mariaville, Green Lake  
\$10—Mt. Desert, Amherst, Dedham, Eastbrook, Gouldsboro, Penobscot.  
\$15—Sullivan, Sorrento, Brooklin, Aurora, Brooksville, Sedgwick, Franklin, Holden.

\$20—Harrington, Columbia, Cherryfield, Castine, Cranberry Isles, Swan's Island, Plantations 5, 21, 33, Bangor, Bar Harbor, Unionville, Verona, Bucksport.

\$25—Columbia Falls, Jonesboro, Whitneyville, Machias, East Machias, Machiasport, Winter Harbor.

\$30—Dennysville, Ayer Junction, Pembroke, Perry, Deer Isle, Isle au Haut, Southwest Harbor, Northeast Harbor, Seal Harbor, Manset, Tremont.

\$40—Eastport, Milltown, Calais, Stonington, Long Island.

The merchants offering the rebates are: H. C. Austin & Co., Century Boot Shop, A. M. Connick, J. P. Eldridge, H. C. Jordan, E. G. Moore, C. L. Morang, H. W. Morang, George A. Parcher, W. R. Parker Clo. Co., Reliable Clo. Co., E. F. Robinson, Smith & Hagerthy, J. A. Thompson, H. F. Wescott.

### ELLSWORTH FALLS.

Eugene Carlisle has returned from Montreal, where he has been since early spring.

Mrs. Henry Lord left for Portland Tuesday to spend Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. Hubbard C. Newell.

Clifford Patten went to Waltham Sunday, expecting to go on Monday to Rocky pond where he will work this winter for Milton W. Haslam.

Almond G. Jellison and wife left Saturday for Lynn, Mass., where they will visit friends until to-day, when they go to Tarrytown, N. Y., for a month's visit with F. H. Lowell and family.

W. H. Brown was home from Cherryfield over Sunday. He expects to finish the mill of Ward & Wyman building there in a week or ten days, when he will return home with his crew.

The stereopticon lantern presented to the church by F. E. Hartsborn and family has arrived, and the necessary wiring was done at the vestry Monday. The lantern will be used to-night for the first time, showing some thirty pictures of the "Child Christ". This generous gift by Mr. Hartsborn and family is much appreciated. The Christmas tree follows the showing of the pictures, and every person in the community is urged to share in the tree.

### WEST ELLSWORTH.

A telephone has been installed in the home of Martha J. Barron.

Mrs. Walter Ingalls while at the Maine state grange in Portland, fell and broke her wrist.

C. J. Carter, with son Ira, spent Saturday night with his son Clarence at Ellsworth Falls.

Amy F. Astbury has closed her school in Jonesport, and is the guest of Robert Carlisle and wife.

### COMING EVENTS.

#### ELLSWORTH.

Thursday evening, Dec. 26, at Society hall—Dancing school and extra.

Saturday evening, Dec. 28, at Society hall—Dance.

Monday evening, Dec. 30, at Hancock hall—Way-back ball.

Saturday evening, Jan. 4, at Hancock hall—Rogers & Grilley, musical entertainers. First entertainment in Lyceum course. Tickets for course of five entertainments, \$2. The sale of course tickets is in charge of Miss Annie E. Gray.

Tuesday evening, Jan. 7, at Nicolin grange hall, North Ellsworth—Dance and supper.

Jan. 27 to Feb. 1, at Hancock hall—Ellsworth food fair.

### Advertisements.



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CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Prayer Meeting Topic For the Week Beginning Dec. 23, 1912.

Topic.—Missionary needs and how we may help to meet them.—I Cor. viii, 1-8. Edited by Rev. Sherman H. Doyle, D. D.

It requires no argument to convince us that there are missionary needs. This fact, so apparent to all, should inspire us with a desire to help missionaries meet their needs. If we were doubtful as to the existence of needs we might be negligent or indifferent, but being convinced that the needs exist there can be but one line of duty resting upon us.

1. The missionaries need our sympathy. Without experience it is impossible for us to fully realize what must be the loneliness and discouragement of the average missionary. In a far country, separated from loved ones and friends, surrounded by strange peoples and strange customs, how great must be the need of the missionary for sympathy!

2. The missionaries need our prayers. In no other field of Christian activity is there greater need of the grace and strength which come from the ever ascending prayers of God's people. We may not be able to give great gifts to the missionary cause, but there is no one so poor that he cannot bear the missionaries and their work to God's throne of grace in prayer.

3. The missionaries need our gifts. The material requirements of the missionary and his arduous work are many and great. He must live and can depend only on the church for his livelihood. Churches, schools and hospitals must be erected and their maintenance provided for.

BIBLE READINGS.

Isa. vi, 5-10; III, 1-7; Ps. cxxii, 6-9; Hab. ii, 1-3; Matt. ix, 35-38; x, 7, 8; xxviii, 19, 20; I Cor. xvi, 1-3; II Cor. ix, 6-11; John III, 3-8.

Christian Endeavor's Power in China.

In the spring of 1909, says the Central China Christian, some delegates from the society in Chuchow went with flying banners to the Nanking Christian Endeavor convention. Here they learned that only four societies were at work in their province, and they determined that they would wipe out that blot. They started at home. They opened a branch in the hospital and called it the Young Men's Christian Endeavor.

Making Ministers.

"One of the results of the Christian Endeavor meetings at Sagamore Beach, Mass., 1909," writes William M. Leach, president of the Progressive Christian Endeavor union, Massachusetts, "is that I am going to study for the ministry." Excellent! In these days, when the bitter cry of the church is the dearth of men entering the ministry, it is pleasing to note that Christian Endeavor is one of the influences that tend to direct the thoughts of men to that field of usefulness.

Mutual Benefit Column

EDITED BY "AUNT MADGE"

The purpose of this column is to provide a place for the mutual benefit, and also to be helpful and helpful being for the common good. It is for the common use—a public servant, a purveyor of information and suggestion, a medium for the interchange of ideas. In this respect it solicits communications, and it is especially dependent on the support given it in the past.

THE AMERICAN, Ellsworth, Me.

HE KNOWS.

In the times of trial and trouble, When the way was hard to find, And with tears that came unbidden My eyes were often blind, I have always found a comfort For all life's bitterest woes, In the thought that, what'er befalls me, My loving Father knows.

Our feet may miss the pathway That leads into happier land; Our backs may be bowed with burdens, And cares fill hearts and hands; But, though the way may be thorny, And the winds of sorrow blow, We've a Friend that will never fail us, For God will be sure to know.

So, in the shadow and sunshine That checkers this lower land, God always seems close beside me— I can reach and touch His hand, And a peace that is deep and lasting, The comforting thought bestows, No matter what may befall me, My loving Father knows.

—From Aunt Emma.

Dear Aunt Madge:

Dickens tells us that "there seems a magic in the very name of Christmas," and I think he is right, for unless one is as hard as the proverbial mill-stone, they must soften in memory of the birth of our risen Lord. May Copia give generously to all the sisters of the column, is the wish of the new arrival.

CUVERA.

Dear M. B. Friends:

It seemed most fitting that this greeting from our new niece should be placed directly after the poem. How nice it would have been if we could have had a score or more of similar messages for our Christmas number. But the air is full of holiday thoughts flying everywhere; some only from house to house, others reaching out "to the ends of the earth," and many who make no outward response feel the influence of the season which awakens goodwill among human kind.

I have just read a short poem with the title:

WHY NOT?

Christmas day is coming fast, The house is full of toys, Dolls and books and other gifts That please both girls and boys; Everybody hiding things Where no one else can see; All the youngsters wondering Just what their gifts will be! All the youngsters wondering? Nay, friend, that's hardly true; Some there are who'll get no gift Unless it comes from you; Children of the very poor, Whom fate seems to condemn; Why not try make Christmas day A merry one for them?

Quite likely many who read those two stanzas can say truly that, as far as they know, all the children in their vicinity have something of Christmas to enjoy, but after all, you may be able to think of some lone person whom you can recall who needs cheer.

Dear Aunt Madge:

You are kind enough to mention me among those from whom you would like to hear in regard to their outings, but if I do not send my account soon I shall not be able to say "this year's outing."

I went to Portland on October 12, meeting at the Union station there a friend from California who was visiting in Massachusetts, and who came to spend Sunday with me in Portland. Saturday was unpleasant, but Sunday was a glorious day, and we had a delightful trip about the city, walking through Deering Oaks park, with its many oak trees, to the Western promenade, where we had a beautiful view of Mount Washington and many other of the White mountains.

Then we took a car and went to the other end of the city, to Fort Allen park, where we had a fine view of the harbor and islands. My friend went back to Boston on Monday, and I remained in Portland for the music festival, the first in the new city hall. I wish I could describe the auditorium so that you could see it as I saw it—the soft, pleasant coloring of the walls, the electric chandeliers, the beautiful organ, the large chorus, the orchestra (from the Boston opera house) and the thousands of people, perfectly still, almost breathless, that they might not miss a note.

Nordica, "the queen of song and Maine's special pride," sang at the first concert. The audience went wild over her; she was very gracious and gave encore after encore, and as someone said, "seemed to enjoy singing to Maine people." Her last encore was "Home, Sweet Home," beautifully sung. The second concert, on Tuesday afternoon, was an orchestral one, with several fine soloists—a delightful concert. At the Tuesday evening concert the star singer was Chev. Giordano, an Italian, who was most enthusiastically received. The two concerts on Wednesday were also very enjoyable, and "the sixteenth Maine musical festival came to a great end," as one of the Portland papers expressed it. The memorial organ in city hall is a magnificent one, the fourth largest in the world, and it added much to the enjoyment of the concerts.

One morning I visited the public library—a fine building. I was particularly interested in the children's room—a long room well furnished for use by children of all ages. There were many cases of books, chairs and

Could Shout For Joy.

"I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart," wrote C. B. Rader, of Lewisburg, W. Va., "for the wonderful double benefit I got from Electric Bitters. In curing me of both a severe case of stomach trouble and of rheumatism, from which I had been an almost helpless sufferer for ten years. It suited my case as though made just for me." For dyspepsia, indigestion, jaundice, and to rid the system of kidney poisons that cause rheumatism, Electric Bitters have no superior. Try them. Every bottle is guaranteed to satisfy. Only 50 cents at all druggists.

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tables of different sizes and heights, beautiful pictures on the walls, and a lovely portrait of Louisa M. Alcott in bas-relief. I noticed also a sketch or map of the White mountains as seen from the Western promenade. The outlines of the mountains were given so plainly, together with the names, that I regretted that I had not had a similar map when looking at the mountains a few days before.

Oh! I must not forget to tell you that I saw a banana tree with a bunch of bananas growing on it. The leaves were like those we see in pictures, long and broad. The banana stalk was long, and at the end were four or more petals of a brownish red, as I remember them. The small, green bananas were growing on the end of the stalk nearest the plant, with a long space between them and the flower which in time, I suppose, will be filled with bananas. It was very interesting and curious.

Leaving Portland Thursday morning, I spent a day and a night in Bangor, reaching home Friday evening, having been away just a week—a week crowded full of things pleasant to remember during the long winter.

From Bangor I had the company of two Rebekahs, one of whom I know is an M. B. I hope that some of the nieces who enjoy music will try to attend the festival next year (the same concerts are given in Bangor as in Portland, and we can compare notes).

With good wishes to all for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I much appreciate this response to my suggestion for a report of the pleasant things connected with the trip H. took to Portland last fall. She favored me with a picture of the new organ, so with that and this description of the concerts, and a little imagination thrown in, I can almost hear the music which she, with so many others, enjoyed.

I send her holiday greetings to all and add a few recipes for Christmas candies which some may like to try. They are taken from the Household.

CHRISTMAS CANDIES.

To make peanut candy, take one cup sorghum molasses, butter size of a walnut, but until it will harden in water. Have ready one-half cup of fresh roasted peanuts with the brown hulls rubbed off, and spread out on a buttered pie tin. Pour the candy over them and set in a cool place for an hour. Break in chunks or cut in squares.—Mrs. Fred Davis, Limon, Col.

DIVINITY FUDGE—This is one of the most delicious candies made: Two cups of sugar, one-half cup water, one-half cup corn syrup. Boil until it forms a soft ball in cold water. Beat the whites of two eggs very stiff and pour the hot syrup onto them, beating until it turns to a creamy fondant. Add one cupful of chopped nuts and one teaspoon vanilla. Turn into a shallow pan to set. Back walnuts are best, but any nut is good.—Josie Carson, Blackburn, Okla.

RULE FOR FONDANT—Four cups granulated sugar, two cups hot water, one level teaspoon cream of tartar. Stir over a slow fire until thoroughly dissolved, but do not allow it to boil. As soon as it has dissolved take a damp cloth and wipe away any grains that appear around the sides of the pan. Then put the mixture over a quick fire and let it boil until it makes a soft ball when tried in cold water. Set aside to cool, but do not pour it from the pan in which it was cooked. As soon as it is cool, not cold, stir energetically with a spoon until it becomes a thick, creamy mass. When too stiff to stir take it in the hands and knead. When light and creamy, put in an earthen dish and cover with a slightly-dampened cloth, and let stand twenty-four hours before using. If in stirring it becomes grainy, cover with water, let it dissolve and cook it over again. Many kinds of candies can be made with this as a foundation. Color with vegetable coloring. Red will produce pink or rose; violet, any shade from lavender to dark blue; pistachio, green; egg yolk, pale yellow; chocolate, brown; use flavoring to correspond. For chocolates, dip balls of the fondant in melted chocolate. Make cocoanut candy by mixing shredded cocoanut with the fondant. Nut bars are made in the same way. Both cocoanut and nut bars may be covered with chocolate and so produce another variety. By varying the colorings, flavorings and filling, an almost unlimited variety of candies can be made.—Mrs. Clara Yost, Boise, Ida.

COCOANUT BISQUE—One egg beaten stiff, one cup granulated sugar rolled fine, one grated cocoanut, or more if this does not make the candy stiff enough to hold its shape, one teaspoon vanilla. Mix well, form into small biscuits, place the half of an English walnut on top of each, place on waxed or buttered paper and set in the oven to brown. This amount makes twenty-five bisques.—Fairra Whitworth, Gleason, Tenn.

CREAM TAFFY—Boil together one pound of powdered sugar, one cup water, one-half teaspoonful cream of tartar, two teaspoons each of vinegar and vanilla, and butter size of an egg. When the candy will harden upon being dropped into cold water, pour on buttered plates to cool. As the edges become cold, turn them into the middle, and as soon as the mass is cool enough to handle pull it until white and creamy.—Mrs. Cassie Craig, Lookout, Calif.

CRYSTALLIZED FRUIT—Take halves of preserves, peaches, quinces or pears, drain them and let stand in the sun till all moisture is absorbed. This takes time, and the first week in December is none too soon to prepare them for Christmas candies. Open and carefully quarter sweet oranges, and allow them to dry for a day or so. Wash white and pink grapes, dry them, and separate into small clusters. Then make a candy fondant, divide it, color some pink, and flavor to taste. Melt a large piece of this fondant, in a bowl over hot water, then dip the fruit into it and place on waxed or oiled paper to set. These candied fruits make lovely Christmas presents, put in dainty paper boxes or small fancy baskets, alone or mixed with candy. Cherries, raisins and nut meats are also delicious prepared this way.—Florence A. Richardson, Perry, Okla.

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LITTLE LOBSTERS.

Plants Made in Waters of Hancock County.

In a preliminary report of lobster fry planted during the year, James Donohue, commissioner of sea and shore fisheries, says 183,000,000 lobster fry were planted in Maine waters—the largest planting in the history of the department. These were hatched from 13,853 seed lobsters.

There are now stored in the pound at John's bay near the hatchery, nearly 16,000 seed lobsters, from which the eggs will be taken and hatched in 1913, which will yield more than 200,000,000 fry for distribution along the Maine coast next year.

The value of the lobster catch this year is over \$2,000,000. Following is a record of lobster fry planted in Hancock county waters: Mackerel Cove, Swan's Island, 2,000,000; Swain Cove, Deer Isle, 500,000; Southwest Harbor, Deer Isle, 250,000; Stonington harbor, 3,000,000; Minturn harbor, Swan's Island, 500,000; Old harbor, Swan's Island, 2,000,000; Frenchboro harbor, Long Island, 250,000; Bass Harbor, Mount Desert, 2,000,000; Islesford harbor, Cranberry Isles, 3,250,000; Seal Harbor, Seal Harbor, 500,000; Duck Harbor, Mount Desert, 500,000; Goose Rock passage, Stonington, 3,000,000; Prospect Harbor, Gouldsboro, 4,750,000; Gouldsboro Bay, Corea, 1,250,000; Frenchman's Bay, Sorrento, 125,000; Frenchman's Bay, South Hancock, 3,000,000; Gray's Cove, Brooklin, 1,000,000; Eggmoggin Reach, Brooklin, 1,000,000; Union River bay, Ellsworth, 1,000,000; Prospect Harbor, Gouldsboro, 300,000; Corea, Gouldsboro, 200,000.

There was also hatched and planted in the waters of the State in 1912 over 6,000,000 cod fry, nearly 12,000,000 haddock fry, and 490,000,000 flounder fry.

AUTOMOBILE ROUTE.

New Route for Tourists Through Ellsworth—Condition of Roads.

With the idea of laying out a route for automobile tourists embracing the central part of the State and covering the majority of the points of interest between the New Hampshire line and Washington county, a pathfinding car sent out under the auspices of the Maine Automobile association has recently completed a two weeks' trip covering 1,300 miles.

In addition, road information was taken and the discovery was made that while the main thoroughfares of the State are poor, there are hundreds of miles of highways which are as good as any country roads in the United States. The main traveled thoroughfares, the ones described in the Blue Book, and the only ones known to tourists outside of the State, are the roads which are in poor condition, due to the tremendous traffic which they are called upon to carry.

During the past summer, scores of tourists have written the information bureau of the Maine Automobile association at Portland and asked for a definite trip through Maine, covering a majority of the points of interest. These requests became so frequent that it was deemed wise to lay out a definite tour covering the points of interest most frequently asked about.

The material obtained by the pathfinding trip will be published in a road book which is to be given away free. This road book will be much larger and more complete than last year's, and will contain touring information compiled similar to that of the Blue Book.

The trip as laid out is easily one of the most beautiful that can be taken in this country, and combines seashore, mountain, lake and river scenery. It visits the principal cities and points of interest in the State, and covers the best dirt roads to be found in Maine, and in many cases better than are to be found in some other states.

East of Bangor, the route is over the mountains and through the beautiful lake district to Ellsworth, and thence on across the bridge to Mt. Desert island, two-thirds of which is already open to automobile tourists.

Retracing to Ellsworth, the tour was laid out by a new route through Surry to Bucksport, and thence across the Penobscot river to Bangor. Concerning the conditions of some of the roads in this section the report of the pathfinding car says: "From Bangor to Ellsworth, over the mountains, the road in the past has been decidedly rough. During the past summer, however, much work has been done by the various towns, blasting out the rock, removing blind turns, and the road would be still further improved if more of this work would be done another year."

"A poor piece of road, which should be fixed at the earliest opportunity, is that between Ellsworth and the bridge across to Mt. Desert island. With the opening of Bar Harbor to automobiles, this road will become one of the most traveled in the entire State, and undoubtedly will go to pieces rapidly, constructed as it is at the present time. The roads on Mt. Desert island are found to be good, or at least those roads now open to automobiles. Owing to the bad condition of the main road between Ellsworth and Bucksport, a new route was laid out via Surry, re-entering the old road in the town of Orland. This road is good.

The distribution of this book will doubtless result in bringing many more automobile tourists to this section next summer.

The greatest depth yet found in all the oceans was discovered recently by a surveying ship of the German navy about forty miles off the north coast of Mindanao, near the Philippines. Here soundings showed the amazing result of 9,780 meters, or a depth of six miles and 406 feet. The greatest depth heretofore known was a spot south of the island of Guam, discovered in 1901 by the U. S. cable steamer Nero. Here a depth of 9,635 meters, or less than six miles was found.

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VALUE OF BIRDS TO THE FARMER.

[Paper by Miss Hazel Cowing, delivered at meeting of Hancock Pomona grange in Dedham, Dec. 7.]

For a long time it has been known that birds are of use in agriculture, but as a rule the farmer notices the harm done by the birds and overlooks the good accomplished by them.

The birds have two important values, the first, or their working value, is given directly to the farm and, indirectly, to the farmer.

The farmer has enemies to contend with, such as weeds, bugs, grasshoppers, caterpillars and other kinds of insects, but he has friends helping him—the birds.

We have the food of birds divided into two classes, vegetable and animal. As a rule our common birds do not confine themselves entirely to one class, but eat both vegetable and animal food, although they usually rely more on one than on the other.

Some of our most common vegetable eating birds, or those that feed to some extent on seeds, are the robins, bluebirds, sparrows, juncos and juncos. The principal food of the junco is weed seed. About 61.8 per cent. of seed is eaten in every month and in September it amounts to 95 per cent. of his food. By destroying so many weed seeds they render a great service to agriculture and should be protected.

Birds eating animal food are the following: The robin, about 42 per cent. of whose food is animal, made up of grasshoppers, caterpillars, angleworms, beetles, spiders and snails. Although he does some damage to small fruits, yet he does so much good that he should be forgiven the fault of taking a few cherries or strawberries, when we ourselves can not resist the temptation of feasting.

The woodpeckers, two-thirds to three-fourths of whose food consists of insects, are helping to save our trees and forests by devouring wood-boring beetles, caterpillars and ants. The kingbird's food consists almost entirely of insects, nearly all being injurious. The kingbird is also useful in driving away hawks and crows. The swallows eat great numbers of beetles, mosquitoes and small insects that are of no use. Other birds destroying insects are the sparrows, bluebirds, hummingbirds, cuckoos, bobolinks, orioles, night hawks, bluejays and crows.

You may ask of what use are bluejays, crows and hawks. They surely have harmful traits, but if care is exercised they do little or no damage. And they kill a great many insects and mice that are detrimental to the farm.

Summing up the working value of birds we have all our common birds eating both weed seeds and insects. Destroying the hundreds of weed seeds is really making less plentiful the weeds, and killing the thousands of beetles, spiders, grasshoppers and caterpillars is merely saving the corn, vegetable and hay crops, and our apple trees and forests, from which the farmer receives his sustenance.

The second or esthetic value is imparted directly to the farmer through his senses of sight and hearing. How wonderful to the sight are the bright flashes of blue from the bluebird, yellow from the gold finch, red from the purple finch, and orange from the oriole, mixed with the more sombre colors of brown and gray from the sparrows and juncos. Also the steady flight of the crow compared with the darting swiftness of the hummingbird, the skimming of the swallow with the jerky flight of the grosbeak.

And think of the grand music poured forth from the throats of the song sparrow, robin and bluebird in the early morning hours, and the sweet song of the swamp robin at evening's dusk.

Are these not of value to the farmer, who hath eyes to see and ears to hear of the greatness of nature? Longfellow has taught us the value of birds in all these ways in this beautiful poem:

What! Would you rather see the incessant stir

Of insects in the windrows of the hay, And hear the locust and the grasshopper Their melancholy hurdy-gurdies play? Is it more pleasant to you than the whirr Of meadow-lark, and her sweet roundelay, Or twitter of little field-fares as you take Your nooning in the shade of bush and brake?

You call them thieves and pillagers; but know,

They are the winged wardens of your farms, Who from the cornfields drive the insidious foe. And from your harvests keep a hundred harms;

Even the blackest of them all, the crow, Renders good service as your man-at-arms, Crushing the beetle in his coat-of-mail, And crying havoc on the slug and snail.

You slay them all! And wherefore? for the gain

Of a scant handful more or less of wheat, Or rye, or barley, or some other grain. Scratched up at random by industrious feet, Searching for worm or weevil after rain!

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Think every morning when the sun peeps through

The dim, leaf-latticed windows of the grove How jubilant the happy birds renew Their old, melodious madrigals of love!

And when you think of this, remember too 'Tis always morning somewhere, and above The awakening continents, from shore to shore,

Some where the birds are singing evermore.

Hancock Co. Medical Ass'n.

The annual meeting of the Hancock County Medical association was held at Deer Harbor last Wednesday. Dr. Frank R. Ober, of Northeast Harbor, was elected president, and Dr. George A. Neal, of Southwest Harbor, secretary and treasurer.

The paper for the evening was by Dr. Webster, of Castine, on Morphism, followed by a general discussion of the subject. Dr. Webster, who has had experience on the Grenfell mission on the Labrador coast, is now employed by the Maine Sea Coast missionary society.

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Primarys for Postmasters? Senator Bristow, of Kansas, has introduced a bill in Congress which will put to the test as never before the real attitude of Congressmen towards public patronage.

Senator Bristow's bill provides for a preference primary for the appointment of postmasters, which would affect the appointment of every postmaster in the United States who receives \$300 or more a year.

The candidate receiving the largest number of votes cast in the nominating district would be appointed by the postmaster-general and would serve for a term of five years.

It will be interesting to watch the course of this bill. President Taft resents the charge that he was "playing politics" in his recent order placing all fourth-class postmasters under the civil service.

"Criticism has been made of this order on the ground that the motive was political. Nothing could be further from the truth. The order was made before election and in the interest of efficient public service."

"I have several times requested Congress to give me authority to put first, second and third-class postmasters and all other local officers, including internal revenue officers, customs officers, United States marshals, and the local agents of other officials, under the classification of the civil service, by taking away the necessity for confirming such appointments by the Senate."

"I deeply regret the failure of Congress to follow these recommendations. The change would have taken out of politics practically every local officer and would have entirely cured the evils growing out of what, under the present law, and always remain a remnant of the spoils system."

Neither the fulminations of the Lewiston Journal nor the "inspired" predictions of the Eastern Argus during the past week changes our notion that the incoming legislature, a majority of which was elected as republicans, will be untrue to the results of the primary election in June and the State election in September.

Residents of West Franklin have petitioned the State railroad commissioners for a flag station on the Washington County railroad, two and one-half miles west of Franklin station.

Milton S. Arey, of Bar Harbor, whose forty birds exhibited at the Bangor poultry show secured about all the prizes they tried for, carried away, in addition the C. M. Conant Co. cup, offered for the best display, any breed or variety, to be won twice by the same person for final ownership.

There will be a tree at the grange hall Christmas night. Mrs. Levi Chatman is visiting her sister, Mrs. Fred B. Sadler.

Capt. W. L. Pratt and wife attended State grange in Portland. Augustus Jones left Thursday for a visit in Boston and New York.

Mrs. Sophia Dodge went to Bangor Saturday to see her son, who is ill. George York has gone to Brooksville to spend Christmas with his mother.

Walter Milliken, who is employed in Gouldsboro, spent a few days last week at home.

OBITUARY.

MRS. BYRON G. PETTENGILL. In last week's issue brief reference was made to the recent death of Mrs. Elizabeth Pettengill. The following facts relating to her were received at this office too late for publication in last week's paper.

Mrs. Pettengill was the fourth daughter, the eighth child and the last of ten children of the late Dr. Calvin and Susan Joy Peck; she was born in Ellsworth, June 27, 1827, and died at Rutherford (Burgess), N. J., Dec. 8. She was married to Capt. Byron G. Pettengill Sept. 24, 1850. They had four children—Henry, deceased, Calvin P., of Boulder, Colo.; Mrs. William Spelman, of New York city, and Mrs. E. Frank Barry, of Rutherford. She also leaves nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

As a girl she was regarded as precocious; at twelve she was reading Virgil; at sixteen she was teaching and taught for several years. She enjoyed sea voyages in early life; learned to navigate on the passage to Holland and Germany, and acquired a speaking and reading acquaintance with German in six weeks.

After her husband was lost with his crew and vessel off Hatteras, she bravely undertook the care of her young family, finally living in comfort and affluence before bodily weakness overcame mental powers. She was always an active and devoted member of the Congregational church, wherever located, as long as health permitted.

Her father, Dr. Calvin Peck, was born in Colrain, Mass., Nov. 1, 1791, the fifth generation from the Boston and Hingham Pecks. He attended Williams college two years and left with honorable dismissal. Later he was graduated from the Harvard medical school and first settled in Castine in 1814.

Col. John Black, it is said, offered him quite an inducement to go over to Ellsworth, there being no physician there at that time, and he accepted. He married Susan Joy, May 24, 1815. She was a daughter of Samuel Joy, a member of the first colony from Saco and Biddeford which settled at Ellsworth. Mrs. Peck was born June 11, 1792; died Nov. 15, 1879. Before her marriage she had been teaching a select school for the residents' and British officers' children in Castine.

MARY DEMING BLACK. Mary Deming, widow of Hollis C. Black, died at her home in Wollaston, Mass., last Saturday, Dec. 21, after a long illness.

Mrs. Black was born at Somerville, daughter of Dr. Harvey F. and Mary Lord Deming. When a child, upon the death of her father, the family moved to Ellsworth, where she grew to womanhood, and where she was married.

For twenty years they lived at the Black homestead on State street; one son was born to them. In 1889 the family moved to Massachusetts, and since the death of her husband she had continued to live there. The funeral was held at her late home Sunday, Dec. 22, Rev. Joseph Walther, pastor of the Wollaston Baptist church, of which she was a member, officiating.

Mrs. Black leaves one son—Harvey D., and two grandsons. The remains were brought to Ellsworth, accompanied by her son, and laid to rest in the family lot at Woodbine cemetery, where prayer was offered by Rev. P. A. A. Killam, of the Ellsworth Baptist church, of which the deceased was formerly a member.

A Tribute to Mrs. L. A. Emery. [By the editor of the Lewiston Journal.] Mrs. Emery was a woman of unusual culture and of unusual character. Gifted by nature and endowed with unusual symmetry of intellectual power, she was equipped, as wife and mother, to be of marked influence in the home, and for that reason of peculiar inspiration as a member of the Congregational church and of the greater congregation of the community in which she spent a large part of her life.

The writer speaks by the book of experience and observation. Judge Emery was a classmate of the writer, and it was the writer's good fortune often to meet the judge and Mrs. Emery in home life and to ascertain at close range the value of Mrs. Emery's mental and moral power.

It also fell to the writer's lot, some years ago, to cross the Atlantic and go down the Mediterranean with the judge and Mrs. Emery and Mrs. Emery's sister. And in that journey of several months we learned not only more highly to esteem a gifted classmate, but also the noble and gifted woman who has blessed many lives by her devotion and self-sacrifice.

In these necessarily hasty words, we cannot go at length into an appreciation of a woman who, as wife, mother and social factor, deserves and will receive at other hands more elaborate and suitable tribute. Mrs. Emery's part in the life of the State has been large. Her modesty has been as great as her merit. Our sympathy and that of hundreds of other warm friends will go out to the judge and to his family in this bereavement. Two famous children survive. A son is a famous professor at Yale. A daughter is the wife of a well-known educator of Providence, R. I. [Prof. F. G. Allinson, of Brown university], herself a specialist in education and well-versed in general culture. Prof. Emery, it will be recalled, was the chairman of the best tariff board this country ever had.

The Grange in Maine.

The annual meeting of the Maine State grange at Portland last week is a reminder that in the remarkable strength of this order in Maine is found one of the chief reasons why the progressive party movement took hold from the start in that state. True, the grange is not now so openly active in politics as it was a generation ago in the West when it nearly committed suicide by the political route, but the "grange vote" figures with special prominence in Maine, and the official attitude of the order on many public questions—direct legislation, popular election of senators, the recall, equal suffrage, conservation, etc.—has been for years frankly that which the new Roosevelt party recently adopted with loud acclaim.

This was not without its effect, for in Maine the grange has a standing and prestige that is surpassed nowhere in the country, and a membership that is equalled in but one other state, a membership of almost 60,000, or about one-twelfth of the whole population of the state.

This membership is splendidly organized into 450 subordinate bodies, each with its own hall which is the centre of the agricultural and social activity in every country town and village, and a factor always to be reckoned with in the industrial and political life of the state as a whole.

The term "granger", though improperly used, has long since ceased to carry any sneer or reproach in Maine. The leading cities eagerly compete for the honor of entertaining the annual state gathering. By an arrangement mutually advantageous to the favored convention city and the members of the order, the annual meeting is always held the week before Christmas. This week some 5,000 delegates, leading men and women of hundreds of communities all over Maine, are in Portland, and they manage to find time for shopping between their business sessions.

The grange was organized in Washington forty-seven years ago, and it is of interest to note that its founder, "Father" Kelley, who is still alive, was a Boston man then in the government employ. The original idea was a secret order based upon agriculture which should help to bring the North and South together again. From the modest beginnings of the early years, the order has accomplished an unmeasured work for good in the rural regions, and is to-day the most practical and efficient agency in the rural uplift movement of which so much is heard in city papers.

It tries hard, in Maine as elsewhere, to bring about legislation that will benefit agriculture and country life generally, without taking on the fetters of partisanship. It occasionally finds the problem too much for it, though in its attempt to keep the practical politicians out of its ranks it even goes so far as to bar all lawyers from membership.

Senator Gardner of Maine owes his rise in public life wholly to his work in grange circles, and there are many thousands in the order in Maine who feel that he worked them instead of working for the order. The present master of the Maine State grange, C. S. Stetson, on the other hand, recently refused with much emphasis to be a progressive candidate for the Senate, declaring himself a straight republican and in favor of the election of ex-Gov. Burleigh.

For Prevention of Colds. Colds are contagious. They are caused by germs. You catch cold just as you catch diphtheria. The germs of cold are spread from the nose and mouth of one person to another.

Draughts, wet feet, chilling of the body and sudden changes of temperature will not in themselves cause a cold (stiff neck and other muscular pains are not here included). These conditions may weaken the body, help the germs, favor the development of colds and make them worse. It is worth noting that arctic explorers never suffer from colds until they become infected from their fellowmen on their return to civilization.

Do not get close to others who have colds. Do not use handkerchiefs, towels and cups that have been used by people who have colds. Even though you do get your cold from your neighbor, don't pass it on.

Do not sneeze or cough except into your handkerchief. Do not spit on the floor; to do so may spread colds, tuberculosis and other diseases.

Do not neglect a cold. It may lead to serious complications. During the first few days, if you have fever, stay in bed. This will help you and protect others from getting your cold. Take a laxative and use simple household remedies. If these do not help you, call a doctor.

You will be able to resist the germs causing colds if you keep you body in good condition. Breathe pure air, avoid dust, take regular exercise, get plenty of sleep and rest, eat wholesome food and do not sit for long hours in a stuffy, close room.

Colds come from the bacteria in your mouth, teeth, nose and throat; therefore, keep these parts clean. You are charged with stealing Colonel Julep's chickens," said the justice. "Have you any witnesses?" "I heb not," replied Uncle Moses. "I don't steal chickens befo' witnesses."

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STORIES OF THE STAGE.

A Splendid Accident Averted and an Actor Who Dined Too Well.

Here is an incident that was related by the late Braum Stoker, for many years manager to Irving of the production of "Hamlet" at the Lyceum in London.

On the second night of the performance the Chinese ambassador and Sir Halliday Macartney came to see Irving in his dressing room, and presently the ambassador, who was wearing magnificent robes of mandarin yellow, wandered off in the direction of the stage. The ambassador was close to the edge of the arch at the back of the scene, where Ophelia had made her entrance and would make her exit. Mr. Stoker "jumped for him and just succeeded in catching him before he had passed into the blaze of the limelight. I could fancy the sudden amazement of the audience and the wild roar of laughter that would follow when in the midst of this most sad and pathetic of scenes would enter unheralded this gorgeous anachronism."

Mr. Stoker confessed that he was tempted to let the splendid accident occur. "Its unique grotesqueness would have insured a widespread publicity not to be acquired by ordinary forms of advertisement."

On another occasion a very different and very painful contretemps did occur. The actor who took the part of Polonius on entering gave his first line with so strange an intonation that Irving at once signed to the prompter to let fall the act drop, came forward and apologized to the audience and restarted the play with a new Polonius!—London Graphic.

WOMEN AND CARD GAMES.

In Chile Such a Combination Would Create a Sensation.

A woman who is a native of Chile was talking recently about the difficulty she had in accustoming herself to card playing among women when she came to this country. She said: "In Chile card playing among women is undreamed of. Perhaps it is not too much to say that a Chilean woman would no more play cards than a New York woman would enter a Broadway saloon. It isn't that it is exactly wholly a matter of morals with us. It just isn't the thing to do. It is not conventional."

"When I came to New York I brought my daughter-in-law with me, a Chilean girl. She and I were both horribly shocked to receive an invitation to a bridge party in the daytime. It was too much for us, and we declined. Other similar invitations came and kept coming. Finally our curiosity got the best of us, and we went to one of these affairs. Even after we got over our sense of outraged convention the whole thing seemed curious to us.

"The funniest sight of all was the women with little tags on them, as if marked 'by fast express,' or running up to another woman with a little card to be 'punched.' Finally we got sufficiently accustomed to 'take a hand,' but even yet I never do it without a covert feeling that I am putting myself beyond the pale."—New York Post.

Handicapped. "Ah tell yo'," said the negro who was working on the man's shoes, "woman is a peculiar thing. Yo' gotta know jest how to handle hub or yo' goin' to git the worst of it. Lots of times she'll git mad at yo' an' then yo' gotta talk to hub. Talk to hub—that's the way to mastah hub. She won't stand fo' no beatin' or nothin' lak that. Talk to hub. That's the way Ah handle ma wife."

Another negro working next to him looked up. "Whah did yo' git that black eye yo' got, Rufe?" he asked. "Well, ma wife done it, but—" "Why didn't yo' talk to hub?" "How could Ah?" came from the first. "She had me by the throat wif ma wind shet off."—New York Telegraph.

Cracks in the Floor. There are several ways of stopping the cracks in a floor between boards that have shrunken apart. One is to tear newspapers into small bits and soak them in flour paste, having the paste warm. Stir this until thick and fill the crack with it, using a broad knife to smooth the paste down into the cracks. Or sawdust and glue may be used with the same result. To a pound of glue allow a gallon of water, and when melted stir into it fine sawdust until it is stiff paste. Fill the cracks with this, packing it as solidly as possible, smoothing even with a broad knife.

A Crusher. Cleveland once made a joke. An effusive politician burst in upon him and exclaimed loudly, "Mr. President, I owe you an apology." "What for?" said Cleveland. "For not having called upon you earlier, sir." "Well," said Cleveland, curtly, "I haven't been lonesome."

Fairy Stories. Mr. Bacon—When a woman tells a fairy story she always begins like this, "Once upon a time." Mrs. Bacon—Yes, and when a man tells a fairy story he always begins like this: "There, now, dear, don't be angry with me. You see, it was like this."—Yonkers Statesman.

Didn't Have to Make Her. "Well, I saw my wife off for the West Indies this morning." "Jamaica?" "No; she went of her own accord."—Princeton Tiger.

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RIVALS POMPEII. Finest Example of an Ancient City Ever Uncovered. The recent international archeological congress at Rome revived public interest in the excavations in progress in that portion of Italy known to archeologists as "Grecian Italy", so called from the traces of Greek settlements when Greece was still the foremost colonizing nation of the earth and had not yet come under the domination of Rome.

Help Wanted. NOTICE is hereby given as provided in chapter 2, section 36 of the revised statutes of Maine, of the intention of Hon. Staples, Barney A. Watson and others, of the towns of Sullivan, Hancock and Franklin, in the county of Hancock, to petition the seventy-sixth legislature to prohibit the selling or taking of smelts except by book or line, in Egypt bay, Franklin bay and the tributaries, and all that part of Tanton bay and its tributaries lying above Sullivan Falls, in the county of Hancock.

Special Notice. NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF UNION RIVER TELEPHONE CO. NOTICE is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the company will be held at the office of the clerk at Aurora, on Monday, the twentieth day of January, 1913, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors and of receiving and acting upon the reports of the officers, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

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## CHRISTMAS IN CHURCHES.

### Christmas Sermons and Concerts Last Sunday.

Sunday was observed as Christmas Sunday in the churches of Ellsworth. There were Christmas sermons, Christmas music, Christmas decorations and Christmas concerts.

The services at the Congregational church Sunday were of special interest, the musical program being of a high order. The regular choir was assisted by Miss Bertha Giles, soprano, Mrs. H. E. Rowe, contralto, John Blood, Jr., tenor, and H. L. Crabtree, bass. Miss Giles' solo followed the prayer, and a special anthem was sung in place of the closing hymn. The sermon by the pastor, as well as music, was of a high order, and appropriate to the Christmas season. Attendants at this church will learn with regret that Miss Giles, who has been the soloist for some weeks past, closed her engagement with this service.

At the Methodist church, in the morning, the pastor, Rev. E. D. Kizer, preached from the topic: "A New Christmas Message." In the evening there was a concert. There was a chorus of fifteen voices. Following was the program:

- Song and march
- Scripture reading and prayer
- "A Christmas Wish"..... Evelyn Lord
- Recitation..... Arthur Tower
- Dialogue, "Six Little Stockings."
- Phyllis Clement, Ray Martin, Jessie Higgins, Bernice Estey, Pauline Austin
- Song..... Chorus
- Recitation..... Percy Young
- ..... Madeline Burrill
- ..... Jessie Higgins
- Trio..... Choir
- Dialogue, "Three Little Candles," Velma Burrill, Arthur Boney, Evelyn Lord
- Recitation..... Pauline Austin
- Song..... Frances Sinclair
- Recitation..... Ralph Barron
- Trio..... Choir
- Recitation..... Lena Letters
- ..... Alonzo Young
- Song..... Julia Barron
- Recitation..... Florence Reed
- Dialogue and song, "What does it Mean?"
- Frances Sinclair, Thelma Fullerton
- Recitation..... Elwin Bridges
- Trio..... Choir
- Recitation..... Bernice Estey
- ..... Arthur Brady
- Remarks..... Pastor
- Collection
- Song..... Chorus

The services at the Baptist church were in keeping with the spirit of Christmastide. The auditorium was decorated for the occasion, and special music was rendered by the combined choirs of the church. The pastor took as his sermon topic, "The Significant Birth."

In the evening the Sunday school concert brought out a large congregation, which enjoyed the following program:

- Song, "Shout the Glad Tidings"..... Choir
- Scripture and Prayer..... Pastor
- Carol "While the Angels Sing"..... Choir
- "Ten days to Christmas" Katherine Spillane
- "Watching the Star"..... Doris Wardwell
- Solo, "Jesus is His Name"..... Doris Scribner
- A Christmas Acrostic, Eleanor Killam, Doris Wardwell and Doris Scribner
- "Listen to the Bells"..... Martha Royal
- Song, "Oh, Holy Night"..... Choir
- "Santa's Picture"..... Butler Dunn
- "The Two Mites"..... Ella May Johnson
- Solo, "The Christmas Bells," Mary Ann Morrison
- "What the Twins Expect"..... Madeline and Evelyn Dunn
- "The Christmas Postman"..... Oliver Killam
- Song, "Ruler of Creation"..... Choir
- "Hello, Santa!"..... Pollett Pickett
- "The Two Fir Trees"..... Lila Small
- Exercise, "Christmas Roses," Mary Ann Morrison, Marion Donnell, Martha Royal and Ella May Johnson
- Song, "Oh, Star of Glory"..... Choir
- "The Key to Christmas"..... Sylvia Grindie
- "The Little Prince"..... Roxanna Jones
- Solo, "Star of the East"..... Hazel Nevels
- "Glad Tidings"..... Marion Donnell
- "How we spent Christmas"..... Bertha Estey
- Exercise, "The Shining of the Star," Sylvia Grindie, Lila Small, Katherine Spillane, Louise Donnell, Roxanna Jones, Mary Ann Morrison
- Song, "Portals of Glory"..... Choir
- Reading "Christmas at the Crossing," Julia Estey
- Song "The Christmas Bells"..... Choir

At the Baptist and Methodist Sunday schools the Christmas tree exercises will be held this (Tuesday) evening. The Congregational Sunday school will have its Christmas exercises to-morrow (Wednesday) evening.

At St. Joseph's Catholic church there will be the usual special observance on Christmas day. Low mass will be cele-

brated at 7 and high-mass at 10, with vespers at 7.30. The children of the parish will have a tree at the vestry in the afternoon.

There will be a special service of holy communion at the Methodist church to-morrow (Christmas) morning at 9 o'clock.

## STONINGTON.

Mrs. E. E. Spofford is visiting in Boston.

Mrs. Merton Coombs has gone to Boston for the holidays.

Rev. S. C. Eaton, who has been so critically ill, is improving.

Joseph C. Harmon and wife have returned from a Boston trip.

Miss Annie McKenzie is home from Colby college for two weeks.

Mrs. Adrian Stanley and son have gone to Rockland for the winter.

Elden Davis, of Rockland, a former resident, is visiting friends here.

Capt. Samuel Goss' schooner, Fannie and Faye, is loading stone at Long Cove for New York.

Carpenters are at work repairing the cottage of C. P. Moon which was damaged by fire in October.

Norman Torrey, of Ashburnham, Mass., is spending the holidays with his parents, F. A. Torrey and wife.

The smelt fishermen are getting quite a large quantity of fish, which they are shipping to Boston.

Fred E. Webb and wife are entertaining their daughter, Miss Christie, who has been operator at the central telephone in Sedgwick.

Capt. Snow, of the schooner Wawenock, took from Benvenue Granite Co.'s yards a forty-ton locomotive on Tuesday. It will be sent to Roanoke, Va.

Dec. 23. Nihil.

## NORTH BROOKLIN.

Ralston Means cut his left hand badly Thursday.

Fred B. Hamilton and wife are visiting in Massachusetts.

C. S. Hamilton and wife went to Ellsworth Friday, returning Saturday.

Friends and neighbors of Benjamin Spear and family met at their new home Saturday evening for a house-warming. It was a most enjoyable time.

A social event of the week of importance was the marriage Dec. 20, by Rev. E. Saunderson, at Sedgwick, of Miss Jennie Young, oldest daughter of C. H. Young and wife and highly-esteemed here, to Harry Ford, of Sedgwick. Mr. Ford is the executive officer of E. H. Blake's steam yacht Aris, of Bangor. They left Saturday for Bangor, carrying with them the best wishes of a host of friends and relatives.

Dec. 23. Xenophon.

## EAST FRANKLIN.

Stephen B. Hulbert is visiting his son Charles in Lynn, Mass.

T. M. Blaisdell made a business trip to Bangor and Portland last week.

Miss Marcia Springer, who has been teaching in Searsport, is home.

Henry Woodworth and wife, of Bar Harbor, are week-end guests of S. R. Scammons and wife.

Leo W. Blaisdell, principal of the high school at Canton, and Miss Harriet Blaisdell, a teacher in Springfield, Mass., are at home for the holidays.

Dec. 23. B.

## FRENCHBORO.

Leonard Lunt, who has been ill, is better.

Bert Lunt is very ill. His daughter, Mrs. Lewis Simmons, of Rockland, arrived last night.

Emery McFarland, of Surry, is here to spend the winter with his daughter, Mrs. Charles Lunt.

School began Dec. 16. Miss Powell teaches the grammar, and Miss Vera Ross the primary.

Dec. 22. G.

## OTIS.

Mrs. Horace Grant, who has been very ill, is much better.

David Boody, of Bangor, was a guest at E. L. Grover's last week.

Mrs. Harley Grover was called to Ellsworth Falls Saturday by the severe illness of her aunt, Miss Belle Moore.

Dec. 23. DAVIS.

## PROTECTION OF WILD LIFE.

### American Game Protective and Propagation Association.

With the first bulletin, which has just been issued by the American Game Protective and Propagation association, comes the announcement that it has been decided to put out similar pamphlets at frequent intervals. These will deal with all the activities of the association, telling what has been accomplished by its special agents in the way of bringing to justice violators of the game laws; what has been done for better legislation in the different states; how many members have been enrolled, and the condition of the finances. It is intended that these bulletins shall serve as reports to members and all those who are interested in the problem of saving wild life from destruction, and increasing it through propagation captivity for the purpose of stocking wild covers.

The first booklet speaks of the conditions out of which the association grew, and sets forth the general policy of the organization. It comes out in favor of: Federal legislation to protect migratory wild fowl; modern forestry methods, and the establishment of game and food fish and the enforcement of laws designed to protect them; protective laws and laws encouraging game propagation along lines which shall be for the benefit of all sportsmen, the poor as well as the rich; hunters' license and bag limit laws; absolute protection for insectivorous birds; prohibition of the sale of native wild game; and all measures calculated to preserve, protect or increase the game supply.

This country stands to-day at the parting of the ways in the matter of field sports. It faces to-day the question whether free shooting shall continue or whether the European system of preserves and posted lands is to become universal. Needless to say the association believes in free shooting for all, and is working along the only lines which will make this possible for any length of time.

## Buttered Apples.

Carefully choose medium-sized and sound fruit, peel and core, but do not slice. Cut rounds of stale bread half an inch thick and a little larger than the apples and butter freely. Place an apple on each, fill up the hole where the core was with sugar, and put a heaping teaspoonful of butter on the top.

Stand them on a greased baking tin, and put in a moderate oven; in the course of 15 minutes you will have to refill the holes with sugar and a flavoring of cinnamon, putting another piece of butter on the top. Then bake, until the apples are done; the exact time depends on the quality of fruit.

Lift carefully onto a hot dish and send to the table, squeezing a few drops of lemon juice over each apple. Buttered apples are a revelation to those who taste them for the first time.

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## MARINE LIST.

Hancock County Ports. Southwest Harbor—Ar Dec 18, schs Pendleton Brothers, Weymouth, N. S., for Montville, Ct, cargo pulp; Neva (Br), Digby, N. S., for New York; Charles C Lister, bound east at Dec 22, schs Helen S Barnes. Sid Dec 17, schs Rodney Parker, Windsor, N. S., for New Bedford; Henry R Tilton, Windsor for N. Y.; William B Herrick, Hillsboro, N. B., for N. Y.; Laura and Marlon. Sid Dec 21, schs Charles C Lister for St. John, N. B.; Pendleton Brothers for Montville, Ct; Neva (Br) for New York; Arthur J Parker (Br) bound east. At Bass Harbor, Dec 21, schs Lucia Porter and Emma E Potter (Br), bound west.

## BORN.

DORR—At Southwest Harbor, Dec 13, to Mr and Mrs Sylvester W Dorr, a daughter. HAGERTHY—At Sedgwick, Dec 19, to Dr and Mrs R E Hagerthy, a son. [Rufus Alexander.] KELLEY—At Southwest Harbor, Dec 16, to Mr and Mrs Harry Kelley, a daughter. PERKINS—At South Penobscot, Dec 19, to Mr and Mrs Arthur W Perkins, a son. STEWART—At West Brooksville, Dec 21, to Mr and Mrs L Allen Stewart, a daughter. [Ruth Elizabeth.]

## MARRIED.

GOODWIN—REED—At Franklin, Dec 21, by Rev G Mayo, Miss Della M Goodwin, of Franklin, to Elmer D Reed, of Tremont. HERRICK—PHILLIPS—At Sedgwick, Dec 21, by Rev E Sanderson, Miss Eva Herrick to Granville Phillips, both of Brooklin. SCAMMON—MADISON—At Franklin, Dec 18, by Rev G Mayo, Miss Myrtle E Scammon, of Franklin, to Arthur W Madison, of Rumford. WESCOTT—ROBERTS—At West Brooksville, Dec 18, by Rev Charles Field Atkins, Miss Jennie Lind Wescott, of Bluehill, to Ralph Llewellyn Roberts, of Brooksville. YOUNG—FORD—At Sedgwick, Dec 20, by Rev Elisha Sanderson, Miss Jennie T Young, of Brooklin, to Harry O Ford, of Sedgwick.

## DIED.

ABBOTT—At Verona, Dec 22, Mrs Decatur Abbot. BLAISDELL—At East Orland, Dec 19, Mrs Helen J Blaisdell, aged 88 years. BLACK—At Wollaston, Dec 21, Eliza Mary Deming, widow of Hollis C Black, aged 69 years, 3 months, 13 days. COOMBS—At South Brooksville, Dec 18, Samuel Coombs, aged 79 years, 11 months, 23 days. FARRELL—At St Cloud, Minn., Dec 11, Maudo Boney, wife of J D Farrell, formerly of Ellsworth, aged 40 years, 5 months. MCASLIN—At West Surry, Dec 20, Mrs Sarah Susan McCaslin, aged 90 years, 9 months, 19 days. PUFFER—At Indian Point, Dec 17, William H Puffer, aged 79 years, 5 months, 28 days. SHEA—At Bar Harbor, Dec 23, Michael Shea, formerly of Ellsworth, aged 84 years. SMITH—At Ellsworth, Dec 23, Irving C Smith, aged 30 years, 5 months. WEBSTER—At Castine, Dec 18, James A Webster, aged 91 years, 5 months, 18 days.

## SWAN'S ISLAND.

Mrs. O. L. Milan is ill of tonsillitis. Mrs. George Jellison has gone to the Maine general hospital, Portland, for an operation.

E. C. Withey has Leander Rich's house up, and expects to have it done in the early spring.

F. F. Morse and wife have gone to Kennebunkport for a few days with Mr. Morse's sister, Mrs. Hawkes. Their daughter Ruby will accompany them home for the holidays.

Dec. 23. S.

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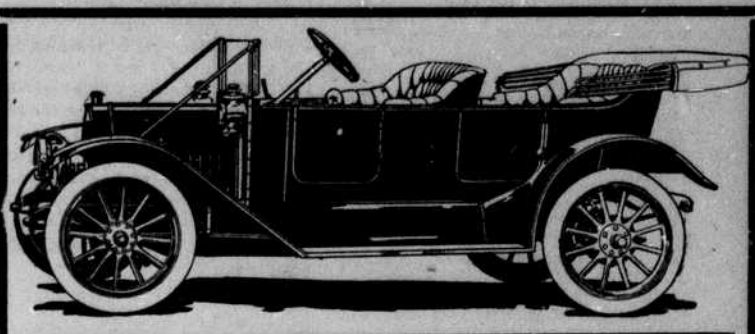
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COUNTY NEWS.

CRANBERRY ISLES.

Civil Engineer Edg. I. Lord, of Bar Harbor, and the county commissioners, have been spending some time at Cranberry Isles recently, fixing the bounds of the roads on the islands, which have been rather indefinite in the past. The county officials thought that these should be marked and made certain, and Mr. Lord has surveyed and set the bounds for all the angles and the limits of the roads to extent of a mile on Little Cranberry and two miles on Big Cranberry. The roads on the island are as a rule well kept.

Miss Lena Wedge, who has been in Belfast on a visit, returned home Monday.

There will be a concert and Christmas tree at the church Wednesday evening.

Perley Stanley, wife and son Sherwin left for Belfast recently, to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Frank A. Johnson left Monday for Somerville, Mass., where she will visit her parents.

Collins Morrill and wife have returned to Pittsfield, after a visit with Mrs. Morrill's parents.

Miss Esther Stanley, who has been attending school at Southwest Harbor, is home for three weeks.

Frederick Joy was home for a few days this week, returning Friday to Waterville, where he is attending college.

Gilbert Rosebrook, Seth Rice and Leslie Rice went to Rockland Monday on a business trip, returning Wednesday.

Capt. Will Bunker called on friends and relatives here last week. Capt. Bunker is in command of the four-master Pendleton Bros.

The remains of Samuel Stover, formerly of this place, recently a resident of Sorrento, were brought here Saturday, Dec. 14, accompanied by his wife. Funeral services were held at the church Sunday afternoon. Mr. Stover had been ill for some time but was able to be about most of the time. He leaves besides his wife, one daughter - Mrs. Ida Higgins, and one granddaughter.

GREAT POND.

J. R. Shuman, who has been quite ill of a cold, is better.

Lucy Colburn visited a few days in Bangor recently.

Edgar McIninch visited his family in Bangor this week.

Mrs. Ezra Williams was in Bangor and Ellsworth last week.

Hazel Avery is spending a few weeks with relatives in town.

Mathew and Robert Laughlin have a crew in the woods at Hardwood hill.

Harold Archer and Linwood Chick have gone to Franklin to work for Mr. Scammon.

The many friends of Mrs. Dorinda Clary were pained to learn of her death, which occurred in Bangor recently.

J. S. Archer and H. J. Archer made a business trip to Bangor Tuesday and Wednesday. It looks as if H. J. Archer was going to try farming. He has purchased of Arvill Jordan two mitch cows, a large pig, has a nice flock of white Plymouth Rock hens, and thinks, for health, farming better than being shut up in an office.

SENGWICK.

Foss Candage is in Bluehill Falls for a short visit.

Ralph Dority is clerking in John Paris' store for a few weeks.

Alfred Robbins lost his valuable horse, "Chumney," one day this week.

Capt. Willis Lane went to Boston this week to take command of a vessel.

J. A. Closson has purchased a fine four-year-old mare, Hattie Ward, of Belfast parties.

Mary Paris is home from Hebron, and Abby Sanderson from Waterville for the holidays.

The Sedgwick Lincoln school will have an entertainment and Christmas tree at the schoolhouse Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 24.

Harry Ford and Jennie Young were married at the parsonage Friday evening. They left Saturday for Bangor, where they will reside this winter. They have the best wishes of a host friends.

GOTT'S ISLAND.

Horace Harding is home from Hebron academy for the holidays.

Capt. Johnson, of Swan's Island, landed gasoline here Tuesday from his smack Crustacean.

Mrs. Mary Joyce, of Atlantic, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Vina Moore.

Miss Sarah Driscoll has been spending a few days with her parents, Dennis Driscoll and wife.

Capt. Ed. Beaker, of McKinley, was here calling on his many friends this week.

Mrs. Frank Babbidge is training the children for a Christmas concert, intending to have a Christmas tree next Tuesday evening.

Dr. Phillips' children, Lawrence and Elsie, of Southwest Harbor, are spending

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COUNTY NEWS.

WINTER HARBOR.

Considerable sickness prevails here. Hollis Joy is confined to the house with a very sore throat.

A Christmas concert will be given at the Baptist church Sunday evening, Dec. 22.

Mrs. J. E. Upham left last week to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Russell, in Brookline, Mass.

George Hamilton and Mrs. Edna Norris, who have been suffering with erysipelas, are improving slowly.

A burning chimney at Hotel Hanover last Tuesday morning created considerable excitement in the near vicinity, owing to high wind and flying sparks.

The first of a series of entertainments to be given by the Winter Harbor high school through the efforts of the principal, Mr. Adams, will take place Friday evening, Jan. 3, at the town hall, when Rogers and Gilley will appear. These two musical artists have delighted many audiences, and the public are assured of a delightful entertainment.

Dec. 21. S. Miss Dora Moore, of Bucksport, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Albert Willins.

Miss Flora Blaisdell is at Surry working in the family of D. J. Curtis for a short time.

Capt. G. F. Gray and wife are receiving congratulations on the birth of a great-grandson.

Susan, widow of Alexander McCalin, died Friday at the advanced age of eighty-nine years, eight months, and nineteen days. Mr. and Mrs. McCalin came here with the early settlers of Surry, and have lived here ever since. No children were born to them, but they have been tenderly cared for by Capt. G. F. Gray and wife. She leaves three nieces and one nephew.

Dec. 21. L. James Webster, Castine's oldest citizen, died Wednesday, Dec. 18, in the ninety-second year of his age. He was a native of Belfast, coming to Castine with his parents when nine years of age. He was a ship-builder by trade, having built over twenty vessels which sailed out of Castine harbor. After the ship-building work ceased, he had a shop connected with his home in Perkins street, where he built many boats and did jobbing of various kinds. He made, during the latter part of his life, fifteen violins, one of which is made out of 225 pieces and weighs fifteen ounces. He leaves five children - Albert, of Vinalhaven; William, of Castine; Mrs. Mrs. Lucy Tolman, of Vinalhaven; Mrs. Fannie Robinson and Miss Ava Webster, of Whittinsville, Mass.

Dec. 21. E. Miss May Duntor, who is attending Bar Harbor high school, is at home for the holidays.

Merle Linscott entertained several of his friends last Thursday evening, his seventeenth birthday.

James Tracy and son recently returned from a successful gunning trip, each bringing two deer.

Miss Emeline McFarland has closed another successful term of school at Hull's Cove, and is at home for two weeks.

Miss Gladys Higgins closed her school yesterday for a two-weeks' recess. She will spend her vacation with her parents at Indian Point.

Dec. 21. ELM. Rev. B. P. Judd has resigned as pastor of the Clark Memorial Methodist church, and will leave soon for Porto Rico, where he has accepted a pastorate.

The large white house on the Edward B. McLean estate, sold recently to C. A. Weaver, is being moved to the site of Mr. Weaver's old blacksmith shop at the corner of Main and South streets, where it will be placed on a new foundation and occupied by Mr. Weaver as a dwelling. The building adjoining, formerly the engine house, moved from its old location on Kennebec street, is used as a blacksmith shop.

Dec. 21. S. The ladies' aid society will meet with Mrs. Howard Pierce Wednesday.

Rev. Mr. Purdy, of Orrington, preached in the Methodist church Sunday.

Charles Bray, Ansel Stanley and Stephen Stanley caught a fine lot of fish Monday.

C. M. Pert went to Portland Monday as a delegate from Seagirt grange to the State grange.

Maynard Stinson has moved into Lyman Stinson's rent.

Mrs. Greely Small is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Charles Bryant.

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COUNTY NEWS.

BLUEHILL.

Miss Olive Bittel has gone to Midland Park, N. J., to spend the winter.

C. Eugene Leach and Parker G. Clough were in Bangor last week on business.

Norman P. Merrill and wife, of Detroit, Mich., are guests of Frank P. Merrill and wife.

Carl Hinckley is spending the holidays with his parents, O. Tyler Hinckley and wife.

Mrs. Belle O. Hinckley has gone to Campello, Mass., to spend the winter with her son Truman.

Frank B. Richards, of Cleveland, O., was in town last week on business connected with the erection of his new cottage.

Andrew M. Moore, of Ellsworth, was in town Friday on business. Mr. Moore will wire some of the cottages for electricity.

Miss Louisa McIntyre is home from Massachusetts to spend her Christmas with her parents, Frank McIntyre and wife.

Miss F. Estelle Hinckley, Mrs. Robin C. Hinckley and Miss Fanny Hinckley are spending the holidays in Melrose and Somerville, Mass.

Miss Clara McIntyre is home from Augusta, where she is teaching, to spend the holidays with her parents, H. H. McIntyre and wife.

E. Paul Nevin has returned to his home in New York. During his stay in town he did the surveying for the water supply connected with Mother Bush pond.

Winfield Hinckley and wife received the sad news that their daughter, Mrs. Clarence Nash, of Harrington, fell and injured her elbow. Mrs. Nash has the sympathy of her many friends. All hope for a speedy recovery.

The fall term of the academy closed for the Christmas recess Dec. 20. During the term fifty-six students registered, although two did not enter until school had been in session one week, and one was out for one week on account of illness. Prof. Boston states a daily average of fifty-four and one-half pupils, thus showing the interest the students are taking in their work.

Dec. 23. H. Hugh T. Blodgett is home from Cornell for the holidays.

Mrs. Oscar Haraden and sons, of Bar Harbor, are at George Chandler's.

The Young Men's club will give a grand ball Christmas eve, and plan to entertain many from out of town.

Frank D. Hamm and wife, of Everett, Mass., arrived Saturday to spend Christmas with Mrs. Hamm's parents, H. F. Dorr and wife.

Hervey R. Emery, who is attending the St. John's military school at Manlius, N. Y., arrived Saturday to spend Christmas vacation with his parents, J. Robert Emery and wife.

Among the young people home for the holidays are Royce McAlister and Raymond Cohen, from the U. of M., Maurice and Roy Ames, from Bangor; Celia Smith and May Pitman, from the conservatory of music, Boston; Florence Homer, from Boston.

Genn's White Orpington Farm, Rodney S. Genn, proprietor, was awarded the silver cup offered at the Bangor poultry show for the best display of Orpingtons, all varieties competing. Mr. Genn also won the following prizes: For single comb white Orpington, first for cock, hen and pullet; second in pen and display; third in cockerel and hen, and fourth in cockerel.

Dec. 21. J. NORTH SULLIVAN. G. G. Pettie visited relatives at Unionville last week.

Mrs. Bruce is spending the winter with Mrs. Stephen Lindsey.

Mrs. Elsie Petrie still remains very ill, to the anxiety of her friends.

Miss Dorothy E. Taylor, who has been visiting her sister at West Ellsworth, is at home.

Mrs. Lillian Hopkins is at home from Sutton Island, where she has been employed.

Friends here of Guy Sargent, of West Gouldsboro, are grieved to learn of his critical illness.

Miss Nora Butler, who has been employed at Sorrento some time, is at home for the winter.

Miss Lizzie Tracy, of Sullivan Harbor, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. George Bunker, last week.

Friends of Miss Genevieve Butler will be interested to know that she is doing finely with her studies for a trained nurse at the children's hospital at Portland. She is soon to go to New York for the completion of her training and is to graduate in June.

Dec. 23. M. SEAL COVE. Herbert L. Sawyer attended State grange in Portland this week.

Albert Ober was called to Rockland Thursday by the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. Rackliff.

Edwin J. Reed, of Center, is the local scallop buyer. The boats are doing a good business. Boat fishermen are doing finely with trawls. The fish are well up in the bay.

The Palmer Show Co., which has been

Invalids and children should be given Magee's Emulsion to strengthen the body. Never fails. All druggists

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Advertisements. CHEER UP! You won't be bothered by the blues if you keep your liver active, your bowels regular, and your stomach in good tone by timely use of the time-tested, beneficial, and always effective family remedy BEECHAM'S PILLS. Sold everywhere in boxes 10c., 25c.

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Advertisements. Metcalf's Fox Decoy \$1.00 a Bottle prepaid. A reliable fox scent used extensively by old trappers. Either land or water trapping. Cash with order. H. C. METCALF & CO., Alstead, N. H. Sixteen ounces of performance to every pound of promise in the advertisements of THE AMERICAN.

Advertisements. Verdict for Castine Hotel. In the United States district court, at the completion of the testimony for the defendant in the case of Caroline R. Clarke, of East Orange, N. J., against the Acoadian Hotel Co., of Castine, in which plaintiff sued for \$7,500 for personal injuries received by falling down the stairs of the hotel, Judge Putnam directed a verdict in favor of the defendant. In directing this verdict, Judge Putnam pointed out that the plaintiff admitted having nothing to compel her to go about the hotel in the darkness; that she knew of the danger of the stairway, and that she had neglected to take precaution of feeling her way along by the wall while passing through the hallway. Attorneys for the plaintiff in the case filed exceptions to the instructions given to the jury by the Court and the directing of the verdict.

Advertisements. No "Marriage of the Seas". "When the waters of the two oceans are blended in the soil of Panama," exclaimed Secretary Knox, in the speech inaugurating his notable mission to the Central American republics - and proceeded to develop with much eloquence the commercial and political transformation that are bound to follow the opening of the canal. "At no distant time," ran the answering phrase of the Panama cabinet minister who spoke on the occasion, "the deep blue waters of the Atlantic and the Pacific will be united for all eternity!" The cold, unimaginative fact is that the waters of the Atlantic and the Pacific will not meet nor be blended in the Panama canal. The Panama canal is a water bridge over the Isthmus - not a channel through it. A ship steams into Limon bay, on the Atlantic side, and comes to a stop in a lock the first of three locks, by which she is lifted to the level of a fresh-water lake eighty-five feet above the sea. She leaves the water of the Atlantic behind her and she sails through the lake. Then three locks more lower her to the level of the Pacific and to the salt water. - William Bayard Hale, in World's Work.

Advertisements. BLUEHILL FALLS. Eben McFarland is ill. Millie Eaton is in Bangor for a few days. There will be a Christmas tree in the schoolhouse. The school children are having a week's recess. Work is progressing finely on the Nevin cottage. Cecil Gray is much improved in health, though still confined to his bed. Work has been suspended on the Haskell cottage until spring. Fred Dunham is much better, but is still confined to the house.

Advertisements. CRUMBS. HANCOCK POINT. Andy Partridge attended the poultry show in Bangor Thursday and Friday. Mrs. Henry Ball has returned from a visit with her daughter in Bar Harbor. Frank Crowley, assistant light-keeper, has returned from a trip to New York and Boston. Albert Tribou has been appointed assistant light-keeper at Petit Menan light, and will leave soon to take up his new work. Arthur Louder, wife and little Leslie went to Ellsworth Friday. Mrs. Louder and Leslie visited Mrs. Chester Louder until Sunday.

Advertisements. KITTERY TO CARIBOU. Mrs. Mary Nadeau died at Hampden Thursday, aged 104 years. The Bangor port closed Sunday, the Boston boats now making Bucksport the eastern terminus. James Nickerson, aged twenty-four years, of Fairfield, was drowned Sunday while skating on the Kennebec river. Lawrence Alden Crosby, of Bangor, class of 1913, Bowdoin, has been chosen by the State board of selection as the next Rhodes scholar from Maine. Charles E. Tilton, of Skowhegan, aged fifty years, committed suicide Saturday afternoon by shooting. Mr. Tilton was for eleven years superintendent of schools at Bangor, resigning last summer, and moving to the Tilton homestead at Skowhegan. His wife was for several years supervisor of music in the Bangor schools, resigning at the same time as her husband. Maine Legislature Opens Jan. 1. This winter at the Maine capital is likely to be one of the most eventful and interesting in the State's history. With the legislature divided as it is politically and important legislation to be urged and demanded, it behooves all of us to follow developments closely. This can best be done beyond the limits of the Capitol city by careful reading of the old reliable and modern equipped Kennebec Journal, a Maine daily that is commanding attention and respect among the country's best newspapers. This winter the Journal will not only publish daily the entire stenographic reports of the legislative proceedings, but will maintain a staff of trained newspaper men at the capitol to cover committee hearings and to bring out in detail and in meaning every incident of importance. With one of the strongest editorial and reporter organizations ever brought together on a Maine newspaper, the Journal is prepared to handle this winter's proceedings as has never been done before. Advance notices of all the committee hearings are published in the Journal, a matter of the greatest importance to those who are



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# THE MISSING RING

### A Dramatic Incident at a Dinner Party

By MOLLIE K. WETHERELL

At a dinner consisting of a dozen persons or thereabouts a lady who had recently returned from abroad wore on her finger a ring she had brought from Rome. It had been found in digging the foundation for a house to be erected on the Via Cavour, and, considering the depth at which it lay and its workmanship, archaeologists placed it as belonging to the time of Augustus Caesar. The ring having been noticed by some one sitting near her, the lady took it off her finger, and it was passed around the table for inspection.

The curiosity that had belonged to so distant a period and probably the most interesting to modern European races in history led to a spirited dialogue on the conditions existing at the Eternal City under Augustus, and the ring was forgotten. Later its owner asked for it. Each person who had held it looked at some one else at the table, but no one produced the ring. Several minutes passed, during which a search was being made among the tableware, the brow of the lady who had submitted it for inspection meanwhile darkening. The host, who also looked anxious, arose and, asking the guests to push their chairs back from the table, looked carefully under it, but without success.

There had been no waiters in the room while the ring had been circulated, for the dinner was over and the coffee served. A suspicion therefore arose among those present that it had been stolen by one of their number. This suspicion showed itself to a marked degree in the expressions of those who held it. The host, who sat at one end of the table, and the hostess, who sat at the other, looked at each other in dismay. There was in the incident material for a first class scandal. Then the host, evidently much moved, said:

"It looks as though we had in our midst a thief, and yet I have perfect confidence that such is not the case. Nevertheless every person present is under suspicion. That every one may be cleared of that suspicion I propose that we each and all submit to be searched. I will call in some one who has not been in the room to do the searching, one of my own family, who will have no reason in screening or convicting any individual. You have heard my proposition. Let those who are willing to submit to it say 'Aye.'"

Every one at the table rose except Earle Huxford, a young artist who had passed his novitiate in Florence, Italy, and had returned to America for a short stay. Those present looked at the young man in astonishment.

"Mr. Huxford," said the host with dilated nostrils and flashing eyes, "do you confess yourself a thief?"

"No."

"Then why do you object to clearing this matter up?"

"I do not care to state my reasons." Huxford sat toy with the stem of a wineglass. Outwardly at least he was cool. He did not meet the gaze of those whose eyes were fixed upon him, some with indignation, some with surprise and some with contempt. There was a short silence, after which the host said to the others:

"I presume we shall be obliged to take Mr. Huxford's action as proof of his guilt, though he virtually pleads not guilty." Then, turning to the lady who had lost the ring, he added, "I cannot replace your property, but I shall send to a friend in Rome, an archaeologist, to procure me the best substitute he can find that is purchasable at any price."

The lady replied that she did not hold her host responsible for her loss, but he insisted that he was responsible and would make it good.

Huxford arose from the table and, looking at the host, said:

"Under the circumstances I must ask your permission to withdraw."

"Madame," said the host to the loser of the ring, "is it your wish to call upon the police to regain your ring?"

"Certainly not; I would not think of such a thing."

"Very well, Mr. Huxford. You may withdraw."

All eyes were fixed on Huxford, who left the room without turning his back to the company, making a slight inclination just before passing through the door. He left a roomful of persons influenced by different emotions. Some blamed the host for permitting him to depart without attempting to secure the ring; some felt that he had acted wisely, but no one expressed an opinion. The episode was discussed in general terms by the company all taking part except Miss Louise Trover, who seemed to have been stunned by it, and Miss Kate Sheldon, who, though she made no comment, showed in her expression that she was much moved.

The question, "Do you believe him guilty?" passed around the table. Miss Trover's reply was, "I can't understand it." Miss Sheldon's was, "I have no opinion to express in the matter."

Nothing else than Huxford's guilt—his motives for taking the ring, his consent to stand in the position of a thief if innocent—was discussed for the rest of the evening. One gentleman, a lawyer by profession, proposed a theory that met with more favor than any other. He suggested that Huxford,

being an artist, poor and having lived in Rome, knowing the value of the ring, had yielded to a temptation to possess it, then had relied on the character of the company not to push the matter to a disclosure.

The next afternoon while Miss Trover was preparing to go out she was surprised to receive a card bearing the name of Earle Huxford. She was about to send an indignant "no" at home" when she abruptly changed her mind and went down to receive the visitor. She walked into the room with a look on her face to indicate that Mr. Huxford under a cloud was not an acceptable acquaintance.

"Louise"— he was beginning when she stopped him.

"Miss Trover, please."

Huxford's face changed. "I came here for an explanation. From your manner I infer that you consider me a thief. Such being the case, I will not attempt to remove the impression. I bid you good morning."

The composed manner that accompanied the words changed that of the lady. With a voice that trembled slightly she said:

"Heaven knows how glad I would be to hear proof of your innocence."

She had not asked him to be seated, and when he spoke again he continued standing. She, too, remained on her feet.

"Do you remember when we first met in Florence, while I was copying a picture in the Pitti gallery?" he asked.

"I do."

"A young American lady had just left me. You did not notice her, but she noticed you. I do not relish speaking of favors I have received from women, but in this case it is necessary. That girl wished me for herself—why I know not, for I certainly had no reciprocal desire on my part. She watched you and me during your stay in Florence and when you were gone reproached me for what she called deserting her for you. I declared that, far from deserting her, I had never expressed any other except a friendly feeling for her."

"I was not aware I had a rival."

"Have I not just said that you had not? Certainly not in the woman I have mentioned."

"Go on."

"Then when I was able to do so, after our correspondence, I followed you here."

He paused, seeming to debate in his mind just what to say next; then he said abruptly:

"You wish to know where that ring is?"

"If it has not been lost on the way you will find it in one of the folds of the gown you wore at the dinner last evening."

"In my costume?"

"Yes, in yours."

"Why do you say that?"

"Because I saw it dropped there."

The girl stood as if stunned for a time, then suddenly ran out of the room and upstairs. In a few minutes she returned with the ring. On her face were many thoughts and emotions in confusion, but the one that was growing predominant was a consciousness of a sacrifice having been made to save her from a very trying position.

"What did you mean," she exclaimed almost indignantly, "by admitting that you were a thief when you were—were—what were you trying to do anyway?"

"There were several things for me to do. The first was to prevent your being found with the ring in your dress. You didn't know it was there. Since I saw it placed there I should have had to accuse the person who put it there, and I question if I would have been believed. At any rate, the motives of the person who sought to vent her vindictiveness upon you would have necessarily come out."

"Who was she?"

"Miss Sheldon."

"Miss Sheldon! What object had she to injure me?"

"Your dinner companion had sat between you and her, but had moved to speak to another lady. Our host was telling of an adventure he had had in the Coliseum in Rome. All eyes were turned on him. The ring was on the table near Miss Sheldon. Though I appeared to be watching the speaker, half my glance was upon her. She, too, pretended to be interested in what was said. Presently she let fall her hand on the ring, then lowered both beneath the table. When she raised her hand the ring was not in it. The dress you wore, full of folds as it was, was a convenient receptacle for stolen property."

"Who is Miss Sheldon?"

"One you have dignified with the name of rival."

There were a few moments of silence between Huxford and Miss Trover. The explanation had appalled her. Two emotions struggled within her—horror at the act of the woman who had sought to ruin her and wonder and appreciation for the sacrifice that had been made in her behalf. Silently she moved toward the artist, and he clasped her in his arms.

"I have heard of such women," said Miss Trover presently, "but I did not believe that they existed."

"You have proof in this that they do."

"What is the next step in the drama?"

"To return the ring without an explanation."

"Without an explanation? In that case you will not be vindicated."

"I never can be vindicated. When a man is attacked by an unscrupulous woman his only defense is silence."

Then, after a pause, she said: "One thing I am glad of. I shall partake of your disgrace before the world."

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## COUNTY NEWS.

### BROOKLIN.

Mrs. T. C. Stanley is quite ill. Warren Ford is home from Lawrence, Mass.

H. S. Kane and wife have returned from Addison.

Walter Crockett is building a bungalow near his house.

Miss Harriet Kane spent several days in Rockland last week.

Mrs. J. J. Bridges and Miss Etta spent the week-end in Rockland.

Charles Herrick, of Camden, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Emery Bracy.

Albert Kane has returned from North Sedgwick, where he has been employed.

The Brooklin library circle held a sale in Masonic hall Tuesday afternoon and evening; net proceeds, \$85.

Mrs. J. B. Babson is spending the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Charles W. West, in Roxbury, Mass.

J. R. Davis and wife, of Sunshine, spent Sunday with Mrs. Davis's sisters, Mrs. F. A. Stewart and Mrs. Warren Ford.

Miss Eva Herrick and Granville Phillips, both of this town, were married Saturday evening at Sedgwick by Rev. E. Sanderson. Their many friends wish them much happiness.

### UNE FEMME.

### NORTHEAST HARBOR.

The kindergarten has closed for the winter.

Miss Mary Gilpatrick leaves to-day for Boston.

Frederick Frazier and Harold Beal returned from school Saturday.

Miss Rachel Manchester, who has been attending Wheaton seminary, is home for Christmas.

James Butler and wife have moved into their house recently purchased of John Adams.

The Boy Scouts will eat Christmas dinner at their new camp on Brown mountain.

### AMATEUR DRAMA.

The Neighborhood house dramatic club presented the four-act comedy drama, "The Girl from the Circus," to a large and pleased audience Saturday evening. Cast of characters:

Joshua Gordon, a king of finance and a religious fanatic.....Albert O Jacobson

Robert Gordon, his adopted son, a young clergyman.....Parker W Fenelly

Bingley Bates, the village oracle, R Wallace Dyer

Amasa Spencer, his nephew.....Ray L Foster

Dane Finch, a circus clown.....Charles E Lord

Con Connor.....George E Turner

Amy, "The Girl From the Circus," Miss Marion C Smallidge

Diane, of the Arena.....Miss Lurline F Stanley

Sarah Chiffie, the parson's housekeeper, Mrs Georgia A Tracy

Jane Marvin, Joshua Gordon's ward, Miss Mary A Gilpatrick

### NORTH BROOKSVILLE.

Alice Perkins is home from Skowhegan for the holidays.

Mrs. Clarence Nevells and daughter, of Islesboro, are visiting at William Cain's.

Anna Perkins, of U. of M., Joe, Bessie and Francis Dow, of Coburn, are home for the holidays.

The evening school taught by Elsie Kench closed Saturday. The pupils will attend Bluehill academy commencing Dec. 30.

At a regular meeting of Bagaduce lodge, F. and A. M., the following officers were elected: W. M., Elwin E. Steele, S. W.; Neal F. Dow; J. W., Harry Saunders; treasurer, Frank Perkins; secretary, Ira Cousins; S. D., Ernest E. Babson; J. D., Lawrence Varnum.

### NORTH SEDGWICK.

Harry Thurston went to Boston to-day. The factory has closed after a successful season.

Preparations are being made for a Mother Goose drama.

John Thurston bought a fine pair of horses one day last week.

Roy Allen, who has been ill of grip and bronchitis, is rapidly gaining.

Mrs. Clara Clapp is keeping house for her brother David, in the absence of Mabel Thurston, who is visiting in Attleboro, Mass.

A fine Christmas sermon was preached by the pastor at the church Dec. 22. Ray Thurston sang "The Holy, City," and Florence Allen sang a solo at the evening service.

Virginia Allen was severely hurt Saturday by an iron flying from the bottom of

the churn while the churn was being rapidly turned. The iron weighed six pounds. It struck her squarely on the forehead, knocking her down. A rusty screw in the iron cut a deep gash just above her eye.

Dec. 23. A.

### PROSPECT HARBOR.

Leon Orcutt, of the Pond district, was a week-end visitor of Allison Colwell.

Guy Whitten and John W. Stinson, jr. are home from Coburn for the holidays.

Miss Hattie Martin, of South Gouldsboro, was a recent guest of Miss Selma Noonan.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hamilton left Monday for Waterville, to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Cole.

Clarence Colwell, a student at Gray's business college, Portland, is home on an enforced vacation to benefit his eyes.

The following item from a Boston paper will be of interest to many in this vicinity who know Mr. Gillander, the genial manager of the E. T. Russell Co. plant here: "On the eve of his departure for a trip to his old home in Scotland, a large number of the business associates and friends of James Gillander gave a farewell dinner in his honor at the Hotel Brunswick last night. 'Jim,' as he is popularly called, is one of the trusted employees of the E. T. Russell Co."

Dec. 23. C.

### LAMOINE.

A five-cent social will be given at the grange hall Friday evening, Dec. 27.

Mrs. J. L. Chamberlain and Mr. Clarence King are at home for the holidays.

Miss Edith Rice has returned from a visit to North Livermore and Waterville.

Prof. A. W. Reynolds and family will spend the Christmas vacation with Mrs. Reynolds' mother, Mrs. W. F. Hutchings.

Miss Clara Hodgkins, of Brockton, Mass., is at home for Christmas week. Dr. N. W. Hodgkins, of Lynn, will join the family party to-day.

Lamoine grange voted to have a public installation, each member to have the privilege of inviting one friend, for which purpose tickets will be provided.

Dec. 23. R. H.

### WEST BROOKSVILLE.

Jerome O. Tapley has moved into his new house on the Mills road.

Allen Stewart and wife are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

Capt. James H. Tapley has changed ships. He is now in command of the steamer Westmoreland, out of New London, Conn.

Mrs. Ada Grindle was in Belfast Friday to see her sister-in-law, Miss Alice Grindle, who is a patient in Waldo county hospital.

Mrs. Herman Tapley left for Belfast this morning to accompany home her mother, Mrs. Clara Condon, who has been visiting in Stockton.

Dec. 23. TOMSON.

### ISLESFORD.

Daniel Ham, wife and son left last week for Boston for the winter.

Miss Vincie Bunker, of Cranberry Isles, is employed at Clarence Spurling's.

Mrs. F. W. Tingley and sons Roger and Ralph left for Boston Monday, for the winter.

Burton and Helen Stanley left for Portland Monday to spend Christmas with relatives.

Capt. Benjamin Spurling, of Boothbay, a former resident here, called on relatives here last week.

Kenneth Farnsworth is home from school at Winterport and Maynard Jordan from Orono for the holidays.

Dec. 23. S.

### EAST ORLAND.

Cards announcing the safe arrival of Thomas Mason and wife at Savannah, Ga., have been received. They report a rough voyage.

Arcie Haney was in town Saturday, called here by the death of Mrs. Helen Blaisdell. He left for Waterville Saturday accompanied by Mrs. Haney, who has been here the past two months caring for her mother.

Dec. 23. M.

### NORTH LAMOINE.

Robie Norwood and family, of South-west Harbor, came Friday to visit relatives. Mr. Norwood returned on Saturday, but the family remains for the holidays.

Dec. 23. Y.

## COUNTY NEWS.

### WEST SULLIVAN.

The high school closed Friday for two weeks.

Miss Florence Hysom has returned home from Presque Isle.

Miss Vera Gordon is home from the normal school at Gorham.

Harvey W. Dunbar and H. H. Havey are in New York on business.

Miss Bessie Gordon has returned to Corinna, where she is teaching.

Duncan McDonald and wife have gone to Bangor to spend Christmas with friends.

M. L. Stevens lodge, K. of P., worked the first rank on one candidate last Thursday evening.

Miss Edna Havey is home from Farmington normal school for the Christmas vacation.

A large delegation from Navajo council went to Bangor to attend the pow-wow Thursday.

David A. Hooper lodge, F. and A. M., worked the second degree on one candidate Saturday evening.

Hon. A. P. Havey and wife and Mrs. Harvard B. Havey spent a few days in Bangor last week.

Alec Dalzell and son Alec, jr., and wife, have gone to Stonington to spend Christmas with friends.

The teachers and pupils of the Sunday school are making preparations for a Christmas tree and concert.

Mrs. Olive Rutter, of East Franklin, who lost her home recently by fire, is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Nancy Ash.

David A. Hooper lodge, and Oasis chapter, O. E. S., were invited to attend the Christmas services, Sunday evening, Dec. 22.

### DURIGO.

### FRANKLIN.

Harris Bunker is home from Northeast Harbor.

Miss Addie Bunker is home from Boston for Christmas.

Miss Muriel DeBeck is home from Orono for the holidays.

Percy Hanscom and wife have returned from Glen, N. H.

Dr. H. F. Collins will spend Christmas with his family here.

Miss Alice V. Bunker is home from Augusta for a short time.

Miss Lola Dyer is home from Eastbrook, where she has been teaching.

Mrs. Murchie Gordon is with her parents, C. E. Dyer and wife, for Christmas.

The Christmas music at the Methodist church Sunday was particularly bright and pleasing.

Master Merie Springer, of Foxcroft, is spending the holidays with his grandmother, Mrs. Susan Bunker.

The marriage of Arthur Madison and Miss Myrtle Scammon took place at East Franklin Dec. 18. Friends extend congratulations.

### B.

### SALISBURY COVE.

Mrs. Cora Karst is visiting her sister, Miss Alta Emery.

A. R. McFarland has returned from a business trip to New York.

Miss Florence Pettingill is home from Ellsworth for her Christmas vacation.

Clarence and Charles Emery and Harry Fogg are home from U. of M. for the holidays.

S. N. Rich, Julien Emery and L. L. Smith and wife attended State grange at Portland.

The Salisbury Cove school closed Friday. Perfect in attendance during the term: Harlan, Eleanor, Philip, Gertrude and Hilda Emery, Pauline Johnson, Georgia McFarland and Wilson Smith. The children gave an interesting Christmas concert on Friday afternoon. The winter term will begin January 6, with the same teacher, Miss Sadie McFarland.

Dec. 23. SPEC.

### PARTRIDGE COVE.

Arthur Eaton is visiting in Brooklin.

Leander Smith has returned from Bangor, where he has been employed.

Mrs. Henry Bartlett is spending a few days with her son Reuel in Ellsworth.

Clarence Young and wife, who have been away the past summer, have returned to their home here.

Mrs. Lydia Springer and daughter, Mrs. Laura Mears, and Berle Springer visited Mrs. Howard Lord at East Surry over Sunday.

Dec. 23. HUBBARD.

## 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. Make letters short and concise. All communications must be signed, but names will not be printed except by permission of the writer. All communications will be subject to approval by the editor, but none will be rejected without good reason.

### DATES