

ANNUAL MEETING OF MEN'S LEAGUE

Busy in the Kennebago Region---
Some Parties Enjoying
Camp Life.

(Special Correspondence.)

Rangeley, January 12.—Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Quimby are in Portland for a few days.

Mrs. Eugene Soule delightfully entertained a party at whist Thursday afternoon, 20 ladies being present. Refreshments of Oriental sundae and assorted cake were served. The prizes were won by Mrs. Ira D. Hoar, Mrs. A. M. Ross, Consolation, Mrs. W. F. Oakes.

Mrs. Emery Haley returned from Kennebago Tuesday, after a stay of nearly five weeks.

Mr. Cole of New York, who is engaged in the interests of the Pejepset Paper Company was at the Tavern Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. E. B. Herrick returned home from Osceola Farm Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Stewart leave Wednesday for Waterville, where they will visit relatives.

Mrs. H. A. Furbish left Tuesday for Boston for a few days' sight-seeing. Thursday Mr. Furbish and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Goodspeed of Wilton will join her, after which the entire party will proceed to enjoy a six weeks' trip to California. They expect to return home the latter part of February.

O. R. Rowe was in Farmington Tuesday on business.

The many friends of Miss Sarah M. Soule are sorry to learn of her illness from overwork. She is at Dr. Ross' private hospital being cared

for. All wish for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Marchetti are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a daughter, Monday, January 10.

Phil Huntoon has moved into the Agnes Morrison house which he recently purchased and Mrs. Morrison has moved to the Otto Wilbur house on Main street.

A young man was brought out from the woods Monday with a bad cut near his ankle. Dr. Colby dressed the wound and the young man returned to his home in Rumford.

Mrs. Saul Collins was operated on Wednesday by Drs. Ross and Brown. Mrs. Collins is quite comfortable at present. Mrs. M. W. Boulter and little daughter returned home from the hospital Monday.

A special meeting of the C. E. officers was held at the home of Rev. H. A. Childs last week.

At the annual meeting of the Men's League the ladies were invited as guests and 45 were present despite the high wind. Corn stew, cold ham, bread, cookies, pies, cheese and coffee were served by the efficient committee. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, J. A. Russell; First Vice President, Wm. Tomlinson; Second Vice President, Howard Herrick; Secretary, C. C. Murphy; Treasurer, H. B. McCard; Executive Committee, Saul Collins, H. A. Childs, Vid Hinkley, M. D. Tibbetts, Leon Robbins. After the business the following question was discussed: Resolved that United States is not sufficiently prepared for an invasion. Aff., H. A. Childs; neg., Dr. F. B. Colby. Dr. A. M. Ross, H. C. Riddle, E. I. Herrick, C. C. Murphy, J. S. Hoar and Dennis Nile took part in the discussion. The vote at the close was evenly divided. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, Jan-

uary 25. The ladies are invited. It is hoped to secure a speaker from out of town for the evening.

Damon and Pythias in moving pictures will be shown Saturday, Jan. 22. These pictures will doubtless prove very interesting as well as educational.

Much sickness prevails about town at present, being mostly confined to severe colds. Among those afflicted are Miss Bessie Huntoon, the family of Wm. Tomlinson and Beatrice Case.

The Kennebago region is a busy one these days with their winter preparations. D. E. Hinkley, Clarence Gile and Asher Dauphinee are engaged cutting logs for new docks, timber for new floats and wood for the Whitney-Lasell and Furbish camps respectively.

One thousand two hundred and seventy-five cakes of ice have been cut for Kennebago Lake House, Lasell-Whitney, Atwood, Converse camps, also for Camp Four. The ice is about 14 inches thick and of an unusually fine quality.

The regular winter helpers at Kennebago Lake House, assisted by Carroll and Arthur Gile have cut 75 cords of four-foot wood.

James Ross, Samuel Raymond, Rolla Pillsbury and Ray Smith each with good teams have unloaded three car loads of coal for use at the camps of Mr. Atwood and Mr. Converse; also the Kennebago Hotel Co.

Emery Haley and Axel Tibbetts, who are at work at the Atwood camp have cut 20 cords of wood; also have built a sun parlor which will add much to the already attractive camp, "Forestholme."

At York Camps, Lee Wilcox and Herbert Wilbur are assisting with the ice and wood.

The Lasell-Whitney party numbering five were at the Tavern Saturday night, en route for their camp where they will remain for a short time. John J. Wilbur, Victor Fuller and James Stewart, who serve as guides have everything in fine shape at the camp for the comfort of the party.

Wm. Tomlinson and crew have been busy the past week filling local ice houses with Rangeley Lake ice. The latter part of the week Tomlinson also moved a building recently purchased by Lee Mitchell from the Gilman property to the Dead River road. Mr. Mitchell will have it put in readiness for a residence.

PRETTY HOME WEDDING AT KENNEBUNK.

One of the prettiest home weddings that ever took place in Kennebunk occurred at the residence of Mrs. Annie L. Stevens on Saturday, January 1st. The occasion was the marriage of her daughter, Mina Estella Stevens, to Norman H. Worthley of Strong, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln A. Worthley. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Weston P. Holman, pastor of the School Street Methodist Episcopal church of Saco, in the presence of the immediate families and a few intimate friends.

The bride was beautifully attired in pussy-willow taffeta caught with orange blossoms. The bridesmaid was Marion Belle Stevens, a sister of the bride. The groom was attended by his sister, Lizzie Florence Worthley. The ring bearer was Olive Katherine Stevens, also a sister of the bride. The impressive double ring service was used. The bride carried a shower bouquet of pink carnations. The bridesmaid wore blue chiffon, the ring bearer pink messaline with white lace, while the attendant of the groom wore pink messaline trimmed with pink crepe-de-chine.

The parlor in which the ceremony was performed was beautifully decorated with green and white with a large wedding bell hung from the center of the ceiling. The arch was tastily decorated with evergreen and white roses. The ceremony was followed by an elegant wedding breakfast at which about thirty people partook.

The many and valuable wedding presents covering the center table

told in part of the esteem in which these people are held.

Mr. and Mrs. Worthley, after a short wedding trip, will be at home to their many friends in Strong, Maine. There were no cards.

HOLMAN DAY SELLS PICTURE RIGHTS.

Holman Day, the Maine author has just concluded a deal whereby the picture rights in his two novels "Squire Phin" and "The Red Lane" have been sold to one of the big producing companies of the country. Both these stories will be in five-reel feature films. Mr. Day has also had the scenario of the new play which he has been writing for Will T. Hodge accepted by that actor. Mr. Hodge wrote a very complimentary letter to Mr. Day about the play and the author will begin work on it within a week or so. Mr. Day is now engaged in a 60,000 word novel for the Popular magazine which will be completed the coming week and published before very long. Film producers are now negotiating with Mr. Day for the picture rights to "King Spruce," another one of his successful stories.

NEWCOMB'S VICTORY PLEASES PHILADELPHIA.

Quaker Shot's Capture of National Trapshooting Title Surpasses All Records.

When Charles H. Newcomb, the famous Philadelphia trapshooter, won the national amateur championship at the recent Grand American Handicap Tournament at Grant Park, Chicago, Ill., defeating a field composed of the champions of every State in the Union, he brought to this city the first great trapshooting honor it has ever had, says the Philadelphia Press.

No victory was ever more warmly welcomed by the local trapshooters than Newcomb's triumph. The Quaker shot's victory is deserved, as it comes as the climax to ten years of unremitting competition, in which he has gained virtually all of the other honors in the big tournaments in this city, State, and throughout the country at large.

No shooter with less experience than Newcomb could ever have won the national championship with such a marvelous score as 99 out of 100. Those shooters who attended the Grand American agree that the pointing, judgment and quickness of the Quaker amateur have never been excelled. On the day the championship event was shot, the wind was blowing fifty miles an hour, according to the weather bureau reports.

This young gale was flying directly in from the lake, lashing the faces and eyes of the shooters and causing the targets to take many queer flips, at the same time scattering the shot pattern in many cases before it could reach the target. Yet Newcomb smashed 91 straight targets, missed his ninety-second and then went out with 99 out of 100, when some of the best shots in America were missing the targets in bunches.

Newcomb admitted after the shoot that the various Pennsylvania championships which he has won, the New York A. C. amateur championship, the Mid-winter handicap and the Eastern handicap were nothing in comparison to the severity of the test at Grant Park. Newcomb, though, modestly says that as much credit for this record is due to the unflinching perfection of the Nitro Club speed shell used as to his pointing.

DEER REPORTED AS PLENTY AS EVER.

Three weeks ago an article appeared in the Journal written by a couple of men in Piscataquis county, which stated that the deer are being too rapidly killed off, and that legislation would be a necessity to prevent the thinning of their numbers. Several sorts of personal experiences were given to prove the statements made, and one of Augusta's hunters decided that he would look into the matter, not in Piscataquis county a-

PROP. BLACKWELL OFF FOR FLORIDA

Predicts Big Business for Season of 1916.

Mr. and Mrs. Dion O. Blackwell of Round Mountain Lake Camps passed through Phillips Wednesday en route for New York and Florida, where they intend to spend the winter.

Prop. Blackwell reports a very successful year with his camps filled practically all the season.

The past year, according to Mr. Blackwell, was especially successful during the hunting season. The number of his guests during the fall were more than double those of the previous year. The cause of this, he feels sure, is the reduction in the license fee from \$25 to \$15.

Mr. Blackwell predicts that 1916 will be the banner year for the sporting business in Maine.

With his camps already nearly all booked he looks forward to a pleasant winter in New York and Florida.

lone, but as a State-wide proposition.

He wrote to a number of well-known guides and other woodsmen, and practically every one of them stated that the conditions last fall were as favorable as they were 10 years ago. The figures for the year show that about 50 more were shipped this year than last, and the writer personally saw more than a dozen deer in one day in Somerset county this fall, which shows that there, at least, the deer are holding their own. It is the belief of most guides that in the best hunting grounds of the State, there are as many deer as the feed will take care of in the winter months, and they certainly do not believe that a close time on deer would be of use at the present time.—Kennebec Journal.

DEATH OF F. D. BARTLETT

Friends in town of Mr. F. D. Bartlett of Berlin, N. H., were pained to learn of his death which occurred at his home Sunday, from the effects of a shock. We understand that Mr. Bartlett had been in ill health for some months.

Mr. Bartlett and family lived in Phillips for some time where he was manager of the Berlin Mills Co., while they were operating in town. Mr. Bartlett had been with this company nearly all his life and they found him fully capable of filling the responsible position of superintendent of their various operations.

Mr. Bartlett was a very likable man and made many friends wherever he went. He was a man especially devoted and indulgent in his family who have the sincere sympathy of friends in their great loss.

The deceased leaves a widow, two sons and one daughter, Leon and Harry Bartlett who are both in Berlin and employed by the Berlin Mills Co., and Mrs. Nellie Bartlett Taylor who lives in Canada; also five little grandchildren who were the idols of his heart.

Mr. Bartlett was mayor of his town for several years and a member of the New Hampshire House of Representatives.

The funeral services were held Wednesday of this week.

TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE PHILLIPS WATER COMPANY.

The yearly meeting of the Stockholders of the Phillips Water Company will be held at the office of Timberlake & Noble, in Phillips, on Monday, the 17th day of January, 1916, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

First: Election of officers for the ensuing year.

Second: Transact any other business that may properly be considered at the yearly meeting.

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(REIGN FUR MEN AT HUNNEWELL'S

Present Sale Will Probably Involve
\$40,000 or More.

One of the choicest lots of furs ever owned by W. R. Hunnewell, is now being inspected by two foreign gentlemen, who arrived at the Hunnewell home, South Auburn, recently for the purpose of purchasing American furs, says the Lewiston Sun. For several weeks Mr. Hunnewell and his assistants have been collecting, sorting and arranging in order some 3,500 fox skins, 7,000 skunks, 15,000 muskrats, 1,500 mink, 1,000 coons, besides otter, fisher, sable, lynx, cats and other fur bearing animals. The lot includes choice skins from the whole eastern part of America, the New Brunswick and Ontario regions furnishing their share of the rarer skins.

For years Mr. Hunnewell has done an extensive business with firms abroad among whom has been the house of Goetze Brothers, Paris, furriers and dealers in raw skins. Thursday Auguste Goetze the senior member of that firm arrived at Mr. Hunnewell's in company with Paul Kurtze their representative in this country who at present is living in New York. This is Mr. Goetze's first trip to America and since his arrival three weeks ago he has travelled both west and south visiting fur centers. To entertain these gentlemen is a pleasure to Mr. Hunnewell as for a number of years they have made large transactions. Mr. Goetze's visit here was made partially for the purpose of getting acquainted with the American people he is dealing with and his entertainment at the Hunnewell home should be a delight as both Mr. and Mrs. Hunnewell are royal entertainers in their beautiful modern home.

Skunk Skin Popular in France

Soon after his arrival Mr. Goetze wished to begin an inspection of the entire lot of skins which covers two floors of Mr. Hunnewell's large fur house erected entirely for the purpose. "A beautiful lot," said he as he stepped into the building and we like the way they are arranged as it will be much easier to inspect

them. One lot of particular interest, was the skunk skins, which is the moderate priced and popular fur in France. Other skins even the foxes are colored to imitate the skunk. Muskrats also undergo a process to imitate seal skin. As a rule skunks there bring \$5 or \$6.

"Regarding furs in general our two great producing sections are America and Siberia," said Mr. Goetze. "The American silver fox is richer than the Siberian while their red fox is better. The sable from that country is also more valuable as some of them are worth as high as \$600 while here in general they bring from \$10 to \$80. In Russia there are millions of little grey squirrels which are also a popular fur in that country. The Siberian white fox is also quite common. There we also find the white, blue and sometimes silver otter."

Both the silver and black foxes are very valuable. Genuine black foxes sometimes bringing \$2,000. Cross foxes which are frequently found in Siberia are valued sometimes from \$500 to \$1,000. They are the mating of a black fox with a silver and are beautiful animals showing the colorings of both.

In France millions of rabbits are raised their fur being the common one worn there. Large shipments of them are also sent to China and other countries. These animals grow larger than they do here and are very tame. Besides being of various colors themselves they are colored into silver greys, mottled and dark shades. They are called coons or near seal on the market. No auctions of furs are held in Paris the big sales being in London. Last year on account of the war there was very little call for furs but this season the outlook is better.

"There is very little change in general behind the trenches," said Mr. Goetze, "but nearly all of the able-bodied men are at the front which has crippled our industries. Many of the German prisoners have been put to work however, and the women and children have also taken hold. The war might have been closed before but it would not have been for very long. Germany has some of our territory but we also have some of their's which they would not want to give up. Mr. Goetze does not look for much fighting during the winter but when spring opens

he thinks larger armies will be in the battle fields. There is no prospect of its closing right away," said he.

Hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of furs have been sold to the Goetze house through Mr. Kurtze who has been a guest at the Hunnewell home before and the present visit of these gentlemen will probably involve a deal of \$40,000 or more. On one of his visits Mr. Kurtze closed a deal with Mr. Hunnewell which amounted to over \$50,000. A cablegram to the Goetze house in France was forwarded at 2 o'clock in the morning from Mr. Hunnewell's after Mr. Kurtze had worked out during the night a code regarding the various furs. A few hours afterwards Mr. Hunnewell received a cablegram from France saying that the deal was accepted and the money on credit at the First National Bank in New York. Before noon Mr. Hunnewell was informed by the First National Bank, Auburn, that the money was at his disposal at that institution. Within a period of ten hours the deal was made, accepted in France, and the money at the disposal of Mr. Hunnewell in his own city which not only showed the business sagacity of the Paris concern but the promptness of modern service.

A Busy Place.

Incidentally it may be said the office in Mr. Hunnewell's fine residence at South Auburn, is a busy place the greater part of the year and especially during the fall and winter months. Since starting into the business 36 years ago with the purchase of a few skins his business has increased in the raw fur line and sporting goods to one of several hundred thousands of dollars yearly. Practically every make of guns and rifles are handled both at wholesale and retail by him. The correspondence sent out and coming to his office daily with other work keeps his secretary, Miss Grace Langmaide, bus at all seasons of the year. One file cabinet alone contains the names of 10,000 people to whom circulars and business cards are sent every few months. For the addressing of the envelopes an addressograph has been installed whereby 1,000 envelopes may be addressed in an hour by his secretary. The folding of the circulars and price lists is no small job and frequent folding parties are held when the whole neighborhood turns out and assists in the work after which the time is spent socially and dancing. Seven men are employed the greater part of the time on the road buying furs and thousands of miles are travelled by them.

Within a few months Mr. Hunnewell has come into the possession of four black foxes which he purchased in Elk Lake City, Northern Ontario where he is interested in some silver mines. On a visit there two years ago he found that the Indians sometimes caught them alive and one in that region had recently sold several. Mr. Hunnewell made arrangements to be notified whenever they had any more for sale and this fall he received word there were some. Arrangements were made for shipping them into this country and George Cobb, his foreman for many years, went after them. Iron pipe pens covered with heavy mesh wire were made and they are now comfortably situated far from their native haunts. While the inmates of the Hunnewell family can call them out of their houses which were carefully constructed for the purpose they are wary about appearing before strangers. The raising of them will be watched with interest.

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To the Editor of Maine Woods:

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Old Boreas struck us good and hard last week, with a temperature of four degrees above zero. Good sleighing all around except in the city near and along the coast. The ice companies are marking out their respective boundaries so as not to interfere with each other, with ice now about six inches thick. Skating on both of our lakes, right in the town, is good; so is pickerel fishing. Large strings are caught every day; also a few black bass and many yellow perch to fill the chinks.

Crystal lake is the source of our domestic water supply, and has not been fished in, by boat, for many years. By natural laws it is doubtless now full of edible food fish such as bass, white and yellow perch, pickerel, hornpout and eels. At present, the water is at almost its highest level, showing a depth in some places of 35 feet. There are high hills (high for us) on three sides, with only one small spring-brook at the southwest corner. There have been trout in this brook for very many years, and a few have been caught in the main part of the lake. Ice fishing on this lake is unlawful, by order of the local and Massachusetts Board of Health; but men go there, almost every day, and no one has yet said them nay.

But it is at Lake Quannapowitt, quite near the village green, that scores of fine pickerel have been landed lately. I dare say that more than 200 were taken away last week, with a day or two out because of water-logged snow and thin ice. The last few nights and days were very cold and the ice has been stiffened quite a bit. Ice boats are now the fad.

A request has been forwarded to the State Board of Health to allow ice fishing on Crystal lake for at least two or three days of each week. This lake is full of fish, too full, in fact, to the positive damage of the water, and we think it would be a good thing for all concerned to take out a large part of the fish now there, either by hand lines or by seining next summer or late in the fall. There are shoals of shiners in the brook and shallow water; and many of the perch and pickerel have lately been found to be full of them.

It may interest you personally, and perhaps a few of your readers a little to hear that we are about to sail for Bermuda again, on Saturday, the 15th inst., from New York by the S. S. Evangeline, of the Quebec S. S. Line, from pier No. 47, foot of West 10th street.

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censorship prevails, of course, now that the mother country is fighting for its National life. But no well-meaning American tourist, once landed, will find any onerous restrictions placed upon their movements, though not exactly as free as in their own country and among their own kindred. As for climate there now, the mercury probably stands today at 67 degrees or higher. February is often a little cooler, say 50 to 60 degrees for part of the time. Snow, frost and ice never strike there, and the soil is tilled the year round.

When we arrive (D. V.) then we'll try to tell you just how it is, if you wish it, and perhaps you, or some of your 6,000 readers, will put on their "cot and bunnit" and come on down. It can be done for a very reasonable figure. First-class steamer rates from \$25 up for round trip, including berth and meals en route. Boarding house and hotel rates are from \$10 upward; all steamship ticket agents have them at hand for your guidance. While looking for a place to go for the winter, don't fail to look up Bermuda.

The yearly range of temperature is from 50 to 85 degrees, with occasional variations of two or three degrees higher in mid-summer and one or two degrees lower in mid-winter (if such a high degree of cold can be properly called winter) though not for long nor often.

The normal rainfall, usually evenly distributed, is 60 inches; the nights cool and very damp; the dewfall heavy and very helpful to all vegetation. Cedar trees abound all over the land, with a great variety of tropical and semi-tropical bushes, plants, vines, fruit and shade trees between. Bermuda onions and lilacs are known and esteemed the world around. The agricultural interests are very large.

Bermuda is, as you know, a British Colony, and is strongly fortified. A large military force is constantly maintained and the Colony has already sent its full quota to the British army. Camp Prospect is one of the show places, and the band concerts given there, and on one of the parks of the city of Hamilton, are also great attractions. Hamilton is the port of entry and departure, and the steamship dock is very near all the principal hotels and some of the boarding houses. The population living on 19 square miles, must now be about 19,000, two-thirds of whom are colored people. They are the artisans, storekeepers, teachers, preachers, etc. As a rule, they live well, look well and do well, and some of them are members of the legislature.

Time and space would fail to fully set forth all the celebrated attractions of these charming islands far out in the sea. To me they are surpassingly lovely and very restful, but too brief a stay to show the visitor more than a few of the principal ones. The islands are easy of access, being only 700 miles southeast of New York, some 200 miles south of the wide Gulf Stream, and reached after a two days' run by either of two steamers now on the route. Full information may be had of any reputable steamship agent in either New York or Boston, or the principal cities of the world.

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J. C. Hartshorne.

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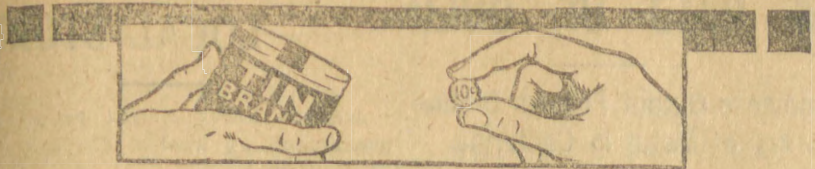


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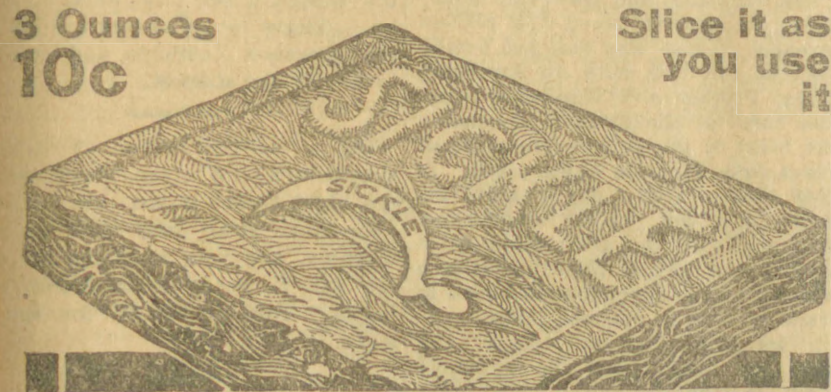
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FIRESIDE STORIES

Maine Snowstorm Has 'Em All Stopped.

By Eva M. Brickett.

(Written for the Maine Woods)

"Quite a snowstorm we're having," remarked Henry Rogers, as he stood by the window of his friend's house, looking out upon the softly falling flakes, and a leaden sky.

"Nothing but a flurry," answered Bill Atwood, comfortably seated by his morning fire in the living room, devouring the latest news with an after-breakfast interest.

"Well, it looks to me more like a blizzard than a flurry," Henry ventured crisply, "notwithstanding your usual good judgment, Bill."

"Say, you come from Pennsylvania, don't you Henry?" Bill said, smiling.

"Sure; what's that got to do with snowstorms I'd like to know?"

"Everything in the world; you Pennsylvania Dutchmen have no idea what snow really looks like. Take a good old-fashioned Maine snowstorm and let it sift down gently over this town for two or three days, and they would have to dig you out with a snow plough." Henry was already pulling up a chair to

the warm glow of a bright fire, hoping that Bill had got a-going on one of his old-time yarns.

"I remember when I was a boy—that when mother called up the back stairs in her gentle voice, 'Come boys, it's time to get up'—that we always felt perfectly safe in turning over an stealing one more snooze before the second gentle call would rouse us from our nap, and we would slowly get into our clothes and shuffle down into the warm kitchen where an appetizing breakfast would still be warm on the back of the stove, to tempt our hungry stomachs. I remember very distinctly, however, that when a deep bass voice yelled up those back stairs, 'Boys! Breakfast is ready!'—we jumped as we awoke, and piled out of bed in a twinkling, for well we knew that there was probably two feet of snow outside, and that we were expected to get right on the job and shovel paths as quickly as possible. If there is a boy who has never known the back-aching experience of shovelling snow for a couple of hours, then he has missed a rare treat. Why, Henry, we would often have to open the back door, and start shovelling the snow from the kitchen floor before we could get a start outside. If the snow was light, then our work was easier, if it was the heavy kind that packs down hard, well, we just had to puff and grunt and sniff and hurl the big masses to one side until we had a respectable walking path to the barn, or the well house, or the road."

"You didn't need gymnasium stunts to keep you boys in trim, those days, I take it, Bill?" laughed Henry.

"Not so you would notice it, old man; there was never any extra fles on my bones at that time, and every time I stooped you could hear my joints creak. We boys loved the snow in spite of hard work. You couldn't see anything but great drifts of snow for an endless distance; not a sound broke the early morning air except the crowing of a stray rooster or two—no factory whistles, no cars, no auto horns, nothing but intense silence everywhere, that you could almost feel."

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of such stern principled men now-a-days."

"Did you ever think what becomes of all the wild creatures, Bill, when such heavy snows fall all over the woods and pastures, making it almost impossible for any creature to move about to get food?"

"Of course, I've thought of it; any old hunter like me does not forget the wild creatures during the long cold months of winter, and wise nature has given them many a way to protect themselves from the cold, and to provide themselves with food. Do you know that wild creatures have a lot more real common sense than half our city folks? They have foresight, too, and look forward to winter days, laying by their stock of food, or hunting up a cozy burrow for their winter home. I used to like to wallow through the woods after the first deep snow fell, and look for tracks. There is something fascinating about 'tracks,' Henry; if you have any detective instinct in you, whatever, you will find great pleasure and interest in following up these woodland tracks in the snow—perhaps, a rabbit, mink, fox, or wild cat, stealing forth from his lair to seek his prey. Little tracks or big, they tell every real hunter a story which he likes to read, and the ending of which he likes to find out for himself. Maybe he will find a few scattered feathers; perhaps a wad of soft fur; or, possibly in the steel jaws of a cruel trap, the stiff body of a wild cat, mute evidence of the still life that goes on in the woods while men are sleeping."

"Snow is something like a blanket after all, soft, and warm, and fuzzy and the world creeps out from under it in the spring, in much the same way we human folks emerge on a cold winter's morning, eager for the sun's warming rays and cheerful activity to set the blood a tingling."

"You've caught the idea, Henry, even if you are a Pennsylvania Dutch man."

"Oh, we have snow out there, but what gets me, is, they talk of going 'sleigh-riding' when they refer to sliding on a sled, and the real glorious sleighing people know down in Maine, lasts a very brief time out there usually, at least where I live. I have been automobiling on New Year's Day out there, way up over the mountains, but of course, when you get up in the mountains very high, then you do find snow in plenty. One hunter friend of mine, told me how he came to a steep climb on a winter's night with his automobile. The hill was glare ice; the wheels just turn round and round but the machine would not climb an inch. He did not dare take the brake off for fear the car would slide down hill; he got out and thought the situation over. The heavy chains failed to give the car a grip, and what to do he did not know. It was dark and bitter cold, yet that hill must be climbed. Finally, he just let the wheels keep turning until he had made them wear a place through the ice, and get a grip again, making a last try for the hill and he won out."

"Well he got out of a bad fix in pretty good shape, I think. Many people do not want to locate in Maine for fear of the long, cold winters, but let me tell you, Henry, snow is healthy, and a good cold climate part of the year is bracing. The beautiful summer more than compensates anyone for the short winter months down there, for they are not really any too long, only they seem long, because of the quiet, and restful peace which follows when a busy world is 'shut in' for awhile, but I wish that every part of this mad world could know just such an enforced peace period; perhaps it would do us all good."

SOME TROUT---FROM THE LETTER BOX

The following interesting letters are copied from the December edition of the National Sportsman:

Some two or three years ago on my return from Pleasant Pond, N. H., meeting my good friend, Charles A. Baldwin, and describing with much enthusiasm my impressions of this charming little sheet of water, among other things, I related the story which was told in one of the sportsmen's publications of the large brook trout that was taken the year before and referring to this article said that the largest trout that had ever been taken was caught in Ran-

geley Lakes in 1875 which weighed a trifle under ten pounds. The next largest was taken from Pleasant Pond the year before and weighed a little more than nine pounds, or a little less than the Rangeley trout.

After listening to me patiently Mr. Baldwin said, "Now, Mr. Clark, I shall tell you of a real trout that was taken from a stream in Mt. Vernon, Me., my boyhood home," and he proceeded to tell me the story, which he has kindly reproduced in a letter which is as follows:

"Winchester, Mass., Aug. 2, 1915.
"Dear Mr. Clark:

"On a recent visit to Belgrade Lakes, Me., at one of the many pleasant hotels there much frequented by fishermen, I listened to their talk about big fish and big catches with much interest—either assumed or genuine—and heard frequently mentioned the big salmon taken in Belgrade Great Lake in 1913 which was nineteen inches in circumference, 'over' thirty-one inches long, and weighed 'over' fourteen pounds, generally referred to as the record fish of that section of the state!

"This reminded me of the trout taken in my native village of Mt. Vernon, only a few miles from Belgrade, in 1849, by one of my schoolmates, which makes the catch in Belgrade seem commonplace indeed.

"It was the custom of the 'small boy' of those days to 'set his well-baited hook' over night and look for possible catch next day.

"Much of the fishing by both the big and the small boys was done at the discharge end of the mill stream where it flows into the beautiful 'Lower Pond' just below the village.

"The trout of which I am speaking was caught in the 'quick water' on a hook so set, some time during the night or early morning and was well tired out when landed.

"It was a 'square tail,' with the brilliant spots and markings of that species.

"I remember quite distinctly most of the circumstances of the catch and of the great event of those days—the dinner at the Blossom Tavern—which is referred to in the accompanying extract from the Maine Farmer of April 26, 1849.

"Mr. Blossom failed in his letter to give one dimension of this trout, that of circumference, which was twenty-four inches, and he might truly have said that the weight was over twenty-four pounds.

"While I was not a guest at the dinner, I was given a 'taste' with my chum and some other boys by the genial landlord.

"On my visit to Mt. Vernon the other day after an absence of twenty-three years, I met several of my schoolmates who remember this event and the particulars about the trout substantially as I do.

"Very truly yours,
"Chas. A. Baldwin."

Mr. Baldwin had told me of the article that appeared in the Maine paper of that time and I resolved to look over the files when an opportunity presented itself.

In connection with his story Mr. Baldwin had described the charming little village of Mt. Vernon where his father was "the old doctor" of the time and of the substantial granite house that had been built and occupied by his father.

During the past summer at Belgrade Lakes one of the guides persuaded a friend and myself to go over to Parker's Pond and have a try at the salmon. As we drew near a settlement, answering my inquiry, the guide said that we were approaching Mt. Vernon. Mr. Baldwin's description of the place flashed through my mind and I wanted to see this old granite house that had been built sixty or seventy-five years before. The guide said there was no such building in the town, but as we climbed the hill leading out of the crest of the hill stood the old granite house and I realized that I was in the place Mr. Baldwin had described. The boats on Parker's Pond were very small and we decided to each take a boat. I secured a young farmer to row me. During the day I told him the story of the great trout and after hearing me patiently he said, "The trout was caught at Mt. Vernon, the dinner took place at the hotel there, and there now lives in Mt. Vernon an old gentleman in the nineties who attended the dinner."

It was my pleasure some weeks later to drive Mr. Baldwin to Mt. Vernon and I was introduced to some of

his boyhood friends. Should there be any doubts in the minds of your readers, the facts can be substantiated thoroughly by referring to many of the old natives of that delightful little village. I might say that Mr. Baldwin secured a copy of the Maine Farmer, the article has been copied and has been certified to and I am sending it to you with this story.

Those of us who have fished for trout in the last thirty or forty years know that every once in a while in some favorite nook lies an old devil that snaps limes and rods, puts reels out of commission and is in truth the "daddy" of the whole flock. He is a wise gentleman. He must be to have survived so long. Some day perhaps you or I will be the lucky man to tie on to him with tackle that is built just right, may hook and land him. There is another twenty-four-pounder three feet one inch long and twenty-four inches around the shoulders somewhere, and if I don't get him I hope some good soul will.

RUFUS L. CLARK.

The following is taken from the first column of the editorial page of the Maine Farmer dated Augusta, Me., April 26, 1849:

A Large Trout

"We received the following invitation to 'come to dinner' in season to have accepted, but 'circumstances,' we are sorry to say, were such as to deprive us of the pleasure of being present and participating in the feast. Many thanks to the gentlemanly landlord of the Mt. Vernon House.

"Mt. Vernon, April 18th.

"Mr. Editor: Wednesday, 11 o'clock a. m., within a few rods of the Mt. Vernon Stage House, and in the pond at the outlet of the mill stream, a large salmon trout was taken, weighing twenty-four pounds and measuring three feet once inch in length. Beat this, who can.

"The thought has occurred to me that the trout would make a first-rate Editorial Dinner. I therefore invite a few gentlemen of that respectable and time-honored profession to be present on Saturday, at 2 o'clock p. m., April 21st, and if trout eating is not considered too hearty food for an editor's stomach, to "eat, drink and grow fat." You will, therefore, if possible be present, and dine at my house.

"Respectfully,

"W. A. BLOSSOM."

"Since the above was put in type we learn that the dinner 'came off in excellent style, the trout being very tastefully prepared, and the invited guests numerous."

I hereby certify that the above is the correct copy of the article mentioned above.

P. L. McLAUGHLIN,
Justice of the Peace,
Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
Boston, Mass., August 2, 1915.

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SANDY RIVER & RANGELEY LAKES RAILROAD TIME TABLE

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FARMINGTON Passenger Trains leave Farmington for Phillips, Rangeley and Bigelow at 6:15 P. M. and for Phillips at 12:07 P. M. Passenger trains arrive from Phillips at 6:55 A. M. and from Rangeley, Phillips and Bigelow at 2:10 P. M.

Mixed train arrives at 9:35 A. M. and leaves at 11:00 A. M.

STRONG Passenger trains arrive at Strong from Phillips at 6:23 A. M., and from Phillips and Rangeley at 1:34 P. M., and from Bigelow at 1:15 P. M., and from Farmington at 12:37 P. M. and 6:47 P. M. Passenger trains leave Strong for Farmington at 6:23 A. M. and 1:37 P. M. For Phillips at 12:37 P. M. For Phillips and Rangeley at 6:47 P. M. For Bigelow at 2:00 P. M. and for Kingfield at 5:50 P. M.

Mixed Train arrives from Phillips at 8:45 A. M. and from Kingfield at 8:25 A. M., and from Farmington at 11:45 A. M. Leaves for Phillips at 1:40 P. M. and for Farmington at 8:45 A. M.

PHILLIPS Passenger Trains leave for Farmington at 6:00 A. M. and 1:15 P. M. For Rangeley at 6:15 P. M. Passenger Trains arrive from Farmington at 12:55 P. M. and 6:10 P. M. From Rangeley at 12:20 P. M. Rangeley 10:15 A. M.

Mixed Train leaves for Farmington at 7:30 A. M., Rangeley 1:20 P. M. and arrives from Farmington at 2:15 P. M.

RANGELEY Passenger Train leaves for Farmington at 10:40 A. M. and arrives at 8:00 P. M.

Mixed Train arrives from Phillips at 3:45 P. M. and leaves at 7:30 A. M.

BALEM Passenger Train leaves for Strong at 12:30 P. M. and for Bigelow at 2:38 P. M.

KINGFIELD Mixed Train leaves for Bigelow at 7:15 A. M. Passenger train leaves for Bigelow at 1:30 P. M. Mixed train arrives from Bigelow at 1:30 A. M., and passenger train arrives from Bigelow at 4:50 P. M. Passenger train leaves for Farmington at 12:30.

BIGELOW Mixed train arrives from Kingfield at 9:15 A. M., and departs for Kingfield and Farmington at 10:00 A. M. Passenger train arrives from Farmington at 3:45 P. M. and departs for Kingfield at 4:00 P. M.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 1916.

WHEN IS A WILD DUCK?

The above question is asked in a
Washington dispatch to the Sun, N.
Y., September 9.

Professor T. Gilbert Pearson, in an
interview said: "When you go to
a hotel and look down the bill of
fare where it says \$6 and then order
'wild duck,' how are you going to
know it is wild?"

Professor Pearson says you can't
tell. He has got the gourmands
guessing by his declaration that half
the "canvasback ducks" for which
you pay from \$3 to \$6 are merely
'typographical errors' on the bill of
fare. He has confided to some of
the bird sharks that most of the wild
ducks on the hotel menus were raised
in a yard and a pond with a wire
fence around them. He positively de-
fies anybody to tell the difference
when the waiter brings them in.

Just because a wild duck is wild
is no reason, Professor Pearson says,
why it should taste any better than
a tame "wild duck" which has aban-
doned his wild ways and settled down
into a plain garden variety, business-
like duck. He says men are mak-
ing money raising "wild ducks" and
that the National Association of Au-
dubon Societies is encouraging the in-
dustry as a means of preserving the
game.

Anti-Girl Club Formed.

Kendallville, Ind.—Thirty-five young
bachelors of this city have organized
the "Anti-Girl" club. To be caught
taking a young woman to a theater,
dance or other social function, or
home from church, or even to make
a social call, will cost the member \$5.
The "high cost of entertainment" is
given as the cause for organizing.

Rests With Oneself.

Everyone has a fair turn to be as
great as he pleases.—Jeremy Collier.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE PHILLIPS NATIONAL BANK

At Phillips, in the State of Maine, at the close
of business, December 31st, 1915.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$218,448 77
Overdrafts, unsecured	42 49
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	50,000 00
Bonds, securities, etc., on hand, (other than stocks)	63,045 98
Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank	6000 00
Less amount unpaid	3,000 00
Banking House	4,884 00
Due from Federal Reserve Bank	5,610 00
Due from approved Reserve Agents in other Reserve Cities	74,094 79
Outside checks and other cash items	80 87
Fractional Currency	1 88
Notes of other National Banks	87 75
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	400 00
Total coin and certificates	5,337 90
Legal-tender notes	9,060 00
Rede- mption fund with U. S. Treasurer, (5 per cent of circulation)	2,500 00
Total	\$436,493 68

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000 00
Surplus fund	50,000 00
Total Capital and Surplus	100,000 00
Undivided Profits	10,891 83
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	152 94
Circulating notes, outstanding	10,618 89
Dividends Unpaid	49 40 00
Demand deposits	1,465 00
Individual deposits subject to check	104,043 09
Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days	373
Time Deposits	170,565 71
Total	\$436,493 68

State of Maine, County of Franklin, ss:
I, H. H. Field, cashier of the above named bank,
do solemnly swear that the above statement is
true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
H. H. FIELD, cashier,
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th
day of January, 1916.

Cony M. Hoyt, Justice of the Peace.
CORRECT—Attest:
G. H. Hamlin,
D. F. Field,
C. E. Parker, } Directors

IN AND ABOUT PHILLIPS

Miss Marjorie Cutler has been un-
able to attend to her school duties a
few days this week on account of ill-
ness.

The 1913 Club will meet with Mrs.
A. D. Graffam this week. Mrs. F.
S. Haley was the hostess last week.

A children's party will be held at
the Parish House Friday evening
for several of the older classes in
the Sunday school.

This week while E. H. Whitney wa
having some counters torn to pieces
to get some lumber, H. H. Vining as-
sisting him, they found nicely box-
ed in a pair of men's ice skates with
a long leather strap attached. The
counters were made about 35 years
ago by F. E. Beal who was a car-
penter and lived here at the time.
The skates are somewhat rusty but
would no doubt be all right with a
little work put on them. The count-
ers have always been used by the
various tenants of the block.

The Social Service Club held a
successful food sale at the Parish
House last Saturday afternoon. The
ladies assisting were Mrs. George B.
Dennison, Mrs. M. S. Kelley, Mrs.
L. G. Voter, Mrs. M. S. Kelley, Mrs.
Etta Taylor.

The annual business meeting and
supper of the Federated church will
be held at the Parish House this
(Thursday) evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Steward have
purchased a Chickering piano.

The King's Daughters met at the
home of Mrs. F. J. Toothaker last
Friday evening when Mrs. Toothaker
and daughter, Mrs. S. A. Blaisdell
were the hostesses, for a very pleas-
ant evening. Refreshments of pop-
corn and homemade candy were serv-
ed. The committee for the evening,
Mrs. A. G. Cronkhite, Mrs. Everett
Knapp and Mrs. Floyd Parker enter-
tained the members with a pleasing
program. The committee for the
next meeting with Mrs. Nathaniel
Toothaker will be Miss Carrie Toth-
aker and Mrs. Clifford Cushman.

The remains of Mr. George R. Per-
ry were taken to Concord, N. H., last
Saturday. Mr. Perry had been stop-
ping for some weeks at the home of
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sweetser where
he had been visiting his son, Walter
and also was assisting Mr. Steward
with the farm work. Mrs. Perry
died several years ago leaving three
small children. One of whom lives
at Weston Parker's, one at Mr. Swee-
ser's and a daughter in Concord, N.
H. The children have much sympa-
thy in their affliction.

The Bowdoin Glee and Mandolin
clubs of which J. Scott Brackett is a
member are on concert trips this
week, giving a concert at Bangor
Wednesday night, one at Gardiner
Thursday and at Hallowell Friday.

J. A. Blake of Farmington has a
bay colt just about four months old,
says the Lewiston Journal, that is a-
bout as well-bred as any to be found
in that section, he being by Brayer,
a son of Bingara, and out of a
daughter of St. Croix, 2.14 3-4. Bin-
gara is owned by Allen Farm, Pitts-
field, Mass., and is one of the young-
est sires to have over 100 in the
2.30 list, while St. Croix, 2.14 3-4, wa
sire, among others, of Androsius,
2.05 1-4, the fastest Maine-bred per-
former, and St. Croix was by Wilkes
(Nelson's), who got two 2.10 perform-
ers, something not achieved by any
other sire that has been at service in
Maine. Mr. Blake's youngster is well
developed for his age, and should be
able to show his breeding in the way
of fast stepping, when he reaches a
proper age.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Toothaker hav
purchased for their daughter, Flor-
ence, a Marshall & Wendell piano of
Mr. Charles Norton, Farmington.

Miss Florence Toothaker, who has
been visiting her brother, Howard in
Portland since the holidays, returns
home today.

"VALUE"

is a much-abused word, especially in
some of its recent uses as applied to
JEWELRY

Webster's Dictionary says: "Value
means that which renders anything
useful or estimable." A thing is use-
ful only so long as it wears, especially
an article of jewelry. Our jewelry
possesses true values and lasting
quality.

A. G. CRONKHITE,
Phillips, Maine

Hon. J. Blaine Morrison went to
Augusta Thursday morning where he
is one of the counsel at the hearing
of the Phillips Electric Light and
Power Co. before the Public Utili-
ties Commission which is being held
today. O. H. Hersey was also one
of the counsel but he withdrew and
F. W. Butler, esq., of Farmington is
employed in his place.

Lew M. Noble who has been in
the Phillips Savings bank during the
absence of his father, Hon. N. P.
Noble, returned to Bowdoin today.

Mrs. Lester Sprague of Farming-
ton was called to Phillips this week
by the illness of her son's wife, Mrs.
Carroll Noyes.

L. C. Reed is sawyer for Charles
Hutchins & Son at their mill.

Miss Ethel Kershner of Wilton,
who has been visiting relatives and
friends in town returned home last
Saturday.

Mrs. L. C. Reed has been confined
to her home by illness for nearly
two weeks.

Miss Lulene A. Pillsbury of Ran-
geley, general secretary of the Wo-
men's Christian association, left Lew-
iston, Tuesday, for New York city,
where she will attend the annual con-
ference of the New England field
committee of the Y. W. C. A., Jan.
12-14.

At the regular stated meeting of
Sherburne Chapter O. E. S. Wednes-
day evening occurred the installation
of officers for the ensuing year, Rev.
M. S. Hutchins installing the follow-
ing officers in an impressive manner:
W. M., Mrs. Eva Haley; A. M., Mrs.
Alice Beedy; Sec., Mrs. Mildred
Cronkhite; Treas., Mrs. Floy Hoyt;
Cond., Mrs. Algie Knapp; A. Cond.,
Mrs. Pearl Field; Chap., Mrs. Ida
Hersey; Org., Mrs. Gladys Morrison;
Adah, Emma Russell; Ruth, Blanche
Kenniston; Esther, Kathleen Noble;
Martha, Daisy Davenport; Electa,
Mrs. Villa Parker; Warden, Mrs.
Flora Bell; Sentinel, M. Sewell Kel-
ley; Marshal, Elma Byron. The com-
mittees appointed were: Finance,
Miss Elma Byron, Mrs. Ida Hersey,
N. H. Harnden; examination, Mrs.
Lucy Brackett, Mrs. Emma Shepard,
Mrs. Maud Beedy; courtesy, Mrs.
Louise Beal, Mrs. Addie Parker, Mrs.
Josie Hammond; resolutions, Mrs. Ber-
tha Chandler, Mrs. Addie Parker,
Mrs. Mildred Cronkhite. After the
meeting the committee for the even-
ing, Blanche Kenniston, Mrs. Annie
Beedy and Daisy Davenport served a
delicious lunch of oyster patties, po-
tato chips, pickles, saltines, cake and
coffee. The committee for the next
meeting is Elma Byron, Floy Hoyt
and Ina Davenport.

Hon. N. P. Noble returned Wednes-
day night from a few weeks' visit
brother, Mr. D. C. Noble in Pitts-
burg, Pa. Mrs. Noble will remain
for a longer time and will also visit
her sister, Mrs. Julia Hinkley in
Brooklyn, N. Y.

There will be a box supper and en-
tertainment at the Calden school-
house January 21 and everyone is
cordially invited. Miss Lillian Dur-
rell is the teacher in this school.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Field went to
Augusta this morning for a few days

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Bessie F. Crowell, pastor.
Sunday, January 16—Morning wor-
ship, 10.45. Sermon, "What Consti-
tutes a Christian." Sunday school,
12. Junior League, 3. Epworth
League devotional meeting, 7. Sub-
ject, "Evangelists of the Home Land."
Gospel service of song and praise,
7.30.

Thursday, Jan. 20—Midweek prayer
meeting, 7.30.

FEDERATED CHURCH.

Melvin Sherburne Hutchins, pastor.
Calendar for week ending January
22.

Sunday, Jan. 16: 10.45—Morning
worship. Sermon, "The Blessed
Meek." 12.10—Sunday school, 7.30—
People's service. Music by Choral
Club. Address, "Silence."

Thursday, Jan. 20: 7.30—Prayer
meeting. Mark 1:5; Matthew 3: 7-
13; Luke 3: 10-18. "The Voice in
the Wilderness."

True Belief.

To hope and not to be impatient is
really to believe.—Meredith.

IN DAYS OF GOLD

Immense Output Follows Discov- ery of Metal in California.

For Eleven Years, From 1850 to 1861,
the Yield Was Prodigious, Amount-
ing in 1852 to Over
\$65,000,000.

Washington.—"The historically im-
portant discovery of gold in California
was made in January, 1848, at John
Sutter's mill on South Fork of Ameri-
can river, near Coloma, a point only
ten or fifteen miles southwest of the
town of Auburn," says a statement by
the geological survey.

"From 1850 to 1853 the greatest
yield was derived from the gravels,
and the largest annual output for
this period was more than \$65,000,000
in 1852. There was some reaction in
1854, due to previous wild speculation,
but a production of about \$50,000,000 a
year, chiefly from placer mines, was
maintained up to 1861.

"At first the gold was won chiefly
from the gravels along the present
streams. Those who first got posses-
sion of the rich bars on American,
Yuba, Feather and Stanislaus rivers
and some of the smaller streams in
the heart of the gold region made at
times from \$1,000 to \$5,000 a day. In
1848 \$500 to \$700 a day was not un-
usual luck; but, on the other hand,
the income of the great majority of
miners was far less than that of men
who seriously devoted themselves to
trade or even to common labor.

"The gold pan, the 'rocker,' the
'tom,' the sluice and the hydraulic
giant, or 'monitor,' named in the order
of increasing efficiency, were the tools
successively used by the miners. Into
the 'rocker' and the 'tom' the miner
shoveled gravel or 'dirt,' rocking the
machine as he poured in water and
catching the gold, often with the aid
of quicksilver, on riffles set across the
bottom of his box. Sometimes a stream
was diverted into a flume to lay bare
the gravel in its bed so that the miner
could get at it.

"In sluicing, the gravel was shove-
led into a similar but much longer
box through which a stream of water
was allowed to run.

"The hydraulic giant was employed
to wash into long riffle-set sluices im-
mense quantities of gravel, especially
from the higher (Tertiary) deposits,
much of which was too lean to work
out by hand. Water was brought for
many miles in ditches and flumes from
the high Sierra and conducted under
great head to a nozzle, from which it
was projected with tremendous force
against the gravel.

"It was the vast quantity of refuse
washed into the streams by these hy-
draulic operations that brought about
the conflict between mining and agri-
cultural interests, finally decided in
favor of the farmers."

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history of the Denver county court
the will of a man of whose death there
is no record has been lodged with
the clerk of the court. It may be-
come necessary to have the maker,
George T. Sheets, declared legally
dead before the instrument is offered
for probate.

Sheets, a contractor, made the will
in 1893. He was then seventy-two
years old. A year later he disap-
peared. The family did not know of
the existence of the will until a few
days ago, when Attorney Edwin Parke
discovered the document in his safe.
Parke turned it over to the clerk of
the court.

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beef at George Bean's.

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every 10 cents' worth and over of
goods that you purchase of Floyd E.
Parker. Get into the game and as-
sist some girls to win the prize.

Was Thinker, Not Talker.

Customer—"I've been cheated. I
thought you said this parrot was a
remarkable bird." Bird Fancier—
"Yes, sir. What I said was that he
had been brought up in the company
of learned men, and was full of phi-
losophy and scholarship. Of course,
he don't talk. Mere idle words have
no attraction for him. But he's a re-
markable parrot because he's a great
thinker."

STATE OF MAINE.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

By virtue of the authority confer-
red upon us by the provisions of
Chapter 32, R. S. Sec. 39, as amend-
ed by Chapter 222, of the Public
Laws of 1915, we, having received
written complaint from the owners
of the land that beaver are doing ac-
tual, substantial damage to their
property, hereby declare an open
season on beaver, from January 15, 1916,
to February 15, 1916, on the follow-
ing townships:

That part of Saddleback stream
which lies above the Rangeley Water
Company's Dam in Sandy River Plat-
tation, Franklin County.

During the open season herein pro-
vided for on the lands above spec-
ified, it shall be lawful for any licen-
sed hunter and trapper of fur bearing
animals to trap beaver thereon, but
no person shall set a trap within ten
feet of a beaver house.

Witness our hands this 7th day of
January, A. D., 1916.

Harry B. Austin,

Walter I. Neal,

F. E. Mace.

Commissioners of Inland Fisheries
and Game, State of Maine.

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FOR SALE—Second-hand two-seated pump. Address, Don Ross, Phillips, Maine.

RABBITS WANTED—Will pay fifteen cents each. Must be in good condition and non-poisonous, and dressed leaving skins on. Can use forty per week until April 1st. Tel. 64-15. M. F. Stevens, Dover, Me.

BIG ALLIGATOR TAKES A NAP

(Special to Maine Woods.)

Richmond, Virginia, January, 1916—These are days when Billy, the big alligator in the pool of the Hotel Jefferson court, pleads alike, to old friends and new, "Let me sleep," and thereby hangs a story.

"Had to fence him in," explains loquacious Sambo. "Disappeared several years ago and a maid found him under a radiator, dumb as an oyster. Next winter he picked a warm spot beneath a reception room sofa and came out between two ladies just as they were comparing silk hosiery!"

"Yessah! Perfectly harmless, sah, if you let him alone, but just a bit putchiky at this sason when he can't settle down nice and comfy to dream the winter days away."

"Them little fellers? No, sah, they never sleeps. Spry as crickets, ain't they? Tourists working northward leave them in the spring. Nov-ely all worn off by the time they reach here. Yessah—thanke-sah!"

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Fly Rod's Note Book

BY FLY ROD

Fish and Game Department,
State House, Augusta, Me.,
Jan. 4, 1916.

Happy New Year to everybody who reads the Maine Woods from the Atlantic to the Pacific!

It is my good fortune today to again be at the State House with old friends. As usual, the most interesting place is the Fish and Game Department and the State Museum connected therewith which ranks as one of the first in the country.

Just as I was coming down the corridor I was greeted by Curator Thomas A. James and Chief Warden Howard Wood of Piscataquis county, the latter since 3 o'clock this morning had been on the way from the Moosehead Hatchery in charge of some splendid specimens of Moosehead Lake toad caught specially for the new aquarium. These fish were taken with hook and line at Deer Island and arrived in splendid condition and soon seemed quite at home in their new quarters.

With others I watched the four and a half pounder as he swam around the tank and wished that I might tempt him with a Silver Doctor, or a Brown Hackle, but the law is on until next summer.

I am very proud that the Chairman of the Commission, Hon. Harry B. Austin, is a resident of my home town and a neighbor who lives just across the street. It was through his efforts that a special appropriation was made by the last Legislature for the building of the fine aquarium which has just been completed, work on it commencing the 14th of September.

I fancy that when the Maine Sportsmen's Fish and Game Association meets at the State House on January 14th the members will be surprised to see such a splendid collection of our beautiful Maine fish, all the way from fingerlings to four and five pounders, of the following varieties: The "speckled beauties"—square-tailed trout, also "silver beauties"—land-locked salmon, pickerel, white and yellow perch, black bass, brown trout, hornpouts, suckers, sunfish, chubs, a rare specimen of albino salmon and a generous supply of food fish—silver shiners.

It is not "feeding the elephant" but "feeding the fish" which is the daily attraction at the aquarium, the small fish being fed of ground liver while the shiners afford the necessary food supply for the larger ones. The small boys are already coming in with a few angle worms in their pockets to feed the fish with.

Everyone who enters the State House by the north entrance on the first floor is at once entranced by the beautiful case of sea birds at the opposite end of the building; the scene depicted is the one on the sea coast; the most charming background being the work of the brush of Curator James, who, by the way, is an artist as well as taxidermist and fish culturist. Fine specimens of geese, ducks and shore birds are perched on the rocks as well as swimming across the marsh, and the whole must be seen to be appreciated.

For an hour I wandered around the museum, noting the numerous specimens which had been added since my last visit. Stopping to admire the magnificent moose group, second to none in any museum in the United States, standing before it gazing at the beautiful winter scene which affords a most appropriate background for this group (another specimen of Curator James' handiwork) I could really almost believe I was once more in the great north woods where I was wont to wander, and thought how thankful we should be that there is a four-years close time on moose.

I was "brought back to earth" by a friend who accompanied me on my tour around the museum asking if this was a partridge, or if that was a loon, and where the beaver were, if I had ever seen any of them in the woods, were the black bears found in Maine, where did this case of granite come from, etc., etc., and as I left to call on my friends in the Fish and Game Department I felt

prouder than ever of the resources of my own State.

I then visited the Fish and Game Department and found the chief clerk, Miss Myrtle H. Hodgdon with five assistants as busy as busy could be attending to the enormous correspondence of the Department, issuing licenses to hunters and trappers and dealers in skins of fur-bearing animals and the multitude of duties devolving upon them at this season of the year.

As showing how much trapping is done in unorganized townships, I found by looking at the record, which I was courteously permitted to examine, that 202 persons took out licenses as hunters and trappers last year and to take care of their catch 133 persons procured licenses to buy the skins of fur-bearing animals.

Not a small part of the work in this department is occasioned by the issuance of licenses to the various licensees. Last year 1,675 licenses were issued to resident guides, 13 to non-residents living in territory contiguous to the State of Maine, 68 to dealers in deer skins, 43 to taxidermists.

From reports which are daily being received at the department it appears that the game shipment record will not fall much below that of last year, particularly in view of the fact that a larger number of hunters transported game by automobile this season than ever before.

I am more proud than ever of Maine's fish and game resources which are our "gold mine" and the sooner the people generally realize this fact and the necessary appropriations are given the department to carry on its work more sure we shall be that the "goose that lays the golden egg" will be preserved by our posterity.

If time permitted I could give some interesting and laughable experiences which were related by wardens who called at the office during my stay to report results of several missions they had been sent on by the Commissioners.

The Commissioners are very busy putting the finishing touches on their Annual Report which will in the near future be printed for general distribution and will furnish much interesting information regarding the work of the office for the past year.

In a few days, if weather and courage holds good, I shall start for home, going via Oquossoc to Mountain View and have a sleighride after Landlord Bowley's handsome span "over the hills" to Rangeley, and again see "God's own country" covered with that stuff which many people call "beautiful snow."

Fly Rod.

Cheerfulness Above Levity.

Between levity and cheerfulness there is a wide distinction; the mind that is most open to the former is frequently a stranger to the latter. Levity may be the offspring of folly or vice; cheerfulness is the natural offspring of wisdom and virtue.—Blair.

Natural Query.

Addington Bruce says men are no naturally lazy. Then what artificial condition or influence is it that makes us long for a sharp knife, a piece of white pine and a nice seat in the shade?

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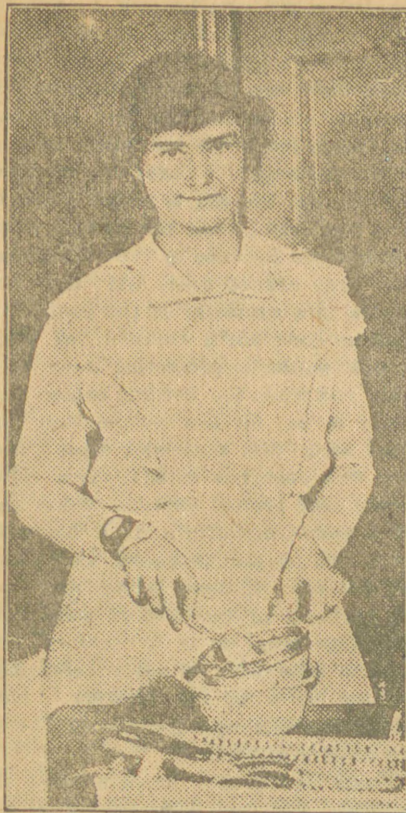
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Mrs. Jesse Hardy MacKaye of the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage, has been responsible for the thousands of articles explaining "the cause," sent out by the organization in the past two or three years. But she is not only known as a specialist in publicity. In suffrage circles she is famed as a cook. She explains: "I am my own cook, not only because I enjoy it, but because I believe that, as in the nation, conservation in the home is the corner stone of preparedness."

It's a Hummer.

Pine Grove, Ark.—Katherine Lucy boasts of being the possessor of the only brindle Bosco tomcat in these parts. A few days ago tabby brought in a black snake 39 inches long.

Too many Tongues.

A suffrage talk and loud rings on a cowbell put to flight two highwaymen who waylaid a party of women in New Jersey on a recent day. "What is this?" asked one highwayman of another, and the latter, not knowing, replied by flight precipitate, in which his colleague joined.—Springfield Republican.

THE LOS ANGELES TIMES' MID-WINTER NUMBER.

There is no more noted newspaper annual than the Midwinter Number of The Los Angeles Times, whose joyous issue for 1916 is just at hand. Southern California has so many unique fascinations that a newspaper which reflects them is in a class by itself, and the "Midwinter" is so classified by everyone who sees it. It is made up of five beautiful magazines in addition to the usual news sheets. Five magazines of thirty-two pages each, with art covers, all printed on fine book paper in bright colors. The art work is surpassingly fine and the text is illuminating. One can visualize the charms of the Southwest by looking through this pleasing publication. It tells one everything he wants to know about the resources, prosperity and delights of the Southland—the climate, the crops, the industries, the habits of life and cost of living, the peculiarities of each town and county, the financial conditions and business prospects, tourist accommodations and openings for settlers. It is truthful and sincere as well as dressed in beautiful garb. Gen. Otis does his State great service in issuing such a noble annual.

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CHANGES IN MASS. GAME LAWS

Some of the Proposed Changes Call to Mind Maine's Need for More Uniform Laws.

Lovers of sport with the rod and the gun are interested in the possible bills which will be placed before the Legislature for action governing the taking of game, says the Springfield Republican. There have been several conferences among the members of the Lee sportsmen's club and one meeting of delegates from all the clubs in the county. It has been proposed to change the law asking that the taking of trout be placed one month later, or May 1. In Berkshire there would be a good thing, but the fishermen raise the question that it would simply be saving up the good fishing for people of other counties who, taking their fishing on April 1, would then be at liberty to be in at the first fishing in Berkshire on May 1. If this law could be made state-wide all would be well. The counties east of Berkshire find trout fishing some 10 days earlier than in this county. After much debate the clubs of Berkshire have decided to support a bill calling for the open season on May 15 instead of April 1, but will oppose a bill naming May 1.

There seems to be a growing sentiment among the sportsmen's clubs of the county for a joint fisherman's and hunter's license. The experience of the Lee club illustrates why. The Lee club received more fish the past year than in any other season, by a large quantity. They combined, gave personal work in many cases and got by with an expenditure of \$84 for distributing fish and \$6 for liberating game. This money was paid by members who do not hunt or fish more than once or twice in a year, in many cases, and some of the members do not know what it is to pack a gun or wet a line, but cheerfully pay their money to produce the wild life. This provision for sport is enjoyed by the community at large, and one or two of the men who do the most hunting and fishing in Lee have never paid a dollar toward the club or its work in stocking brooks, lakes or forests. A fisherman's license would make them pay their share. The club seems to favor the exemption of women and boys under 15 from the obligations of the fisherman's license. If the 100 or more men in Lee who work for better sport were assisted by the 200 or more who enjoy it yet never give a hand, it would be a different question. It does not appear quite right to expend \$100 for fish betterment and then let everybody fish, and \$10 for game betterment and then tax the hunter. If a bill is brought before the Legislature this winter for a fisherman's license, meaning fresh-water fishermen, the clubs of Berkshire will do all they can to support it.

In one town the sportsmen are talking of getting a protection bill

on foxes and coons, or, in other words, on all fur-bearing animals. This would be hazardous to the average hunter's interests. In the first place there are too many foxes at the present time to suit the bird hunters, and these foxes are the worst enemy of the partridge. Foxes are increasing because the dog is going. Farmers who formerly owned fox hounds have killed them because of the complaint that they chased deer, and the fox hunter is a gamester of the past. Protecting coon until October, as suggested, would be protecting these animals just when the hunting season naturally is on, for few people want to hunt after that date and after the corn has been harvested. This law would also protect skunks, which are at present one of the best fur animals, and its pelt is known as "Alaskan sable." If there is anything that the majority of the hunters want in regard to foxes it is a bounty on them. The point is not a good one for the lover of fox hunting, but where there is one fox hunter there are 50 bird hunters.

There has been a great amount of criticism the past year regarding illegal hunting and fishing. This undoubtedly comes from the fact that there are more sportsmen to-day by double than there were 10 years ago and a greater interest is taken in these things, hence a greater publicity is given to the infringement of the law. There has been a sentiment brewing looking to a secret service in the game protection, that is, a suggestion that a bill provide for six secret wardens who shall have the run of the state and prosecute lawbreakers wherever found. It is claimed for this that an unknown warden would, by fear of his presence, alone prevent many infringements of the law. While this is true, it is feared that such a law would not be looked upon favorably because of the added expense. Then there comes a substitute suggestion that wardens now serving act in such capacity, that is, wardens in the eastern and western parts of the state exchange fields occasionally and thereby be given not only the advantage of being unknown, but have a sheet of instruction from the warden who has been covering the territory. Still another suggestion along this line is that a dozen of the best wardens be selected and the money now expended by the whole force of subordinate wardens be put into this new secret warden service. The game business of the state has not advanced to a position where a much larger expenditure for protection can be afforded; the laws and the workings of the commission are far from reaching a state of perfection, although Massachusetts is ahead of some of the other states in this matter. It is better to go slow in making game laws and let the situation determine the action, as it has in the proposed fishermen's license. When this was first suggested four years ago, very few sportsmen were found in favor of it, and now very few are found who look upon it unfavorably.

Lee has had some samples of deer shooting by farmers which seem the limit. There was one case in particular where a farmer shot three deer in one week and, while no damages were paid to him by the town or county, the three carcasses were given to him. When the state stops giving the carcass of the deer shot by a farmer to the farmer, there will be less than half the number of deer shot and nowhere near the amount of "damage" done to crops. It is an easy task to find farmers who mourn the loss of the deer more than the hunters, men who never shoot on and have never found fault with the animals, although they were on their premises almost every day. There are damages done by deer without a question, but a great proportion of the claims are pure buncombe.

Game is what you make game of. Sometimes it is deer, sometimes coon and now we are informed that it is something unusual. Two hunters claim to have run across a foreigner in the woods not long ago and as he was carrying something they asked him what he had. Holding up the bunch he said, "Three rabbey, one tommeycatta." They affirm that he had a large black tomcat. From another source comes the story that on a certain street in the town, near a foreign section, it is impossible to keep a house cat. The conclusion is natural that the cats are being used for food. If this story keeps up there will have to be a bill asking for a closed season on tomcats.

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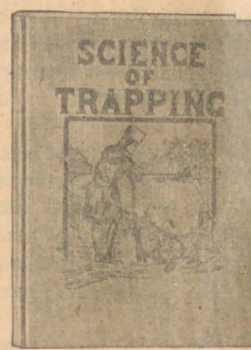
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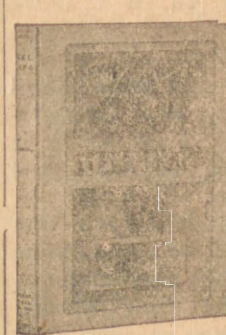
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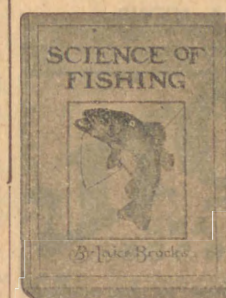
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The following letter was received in a little envelop measuring about two by three inches, proving that good things come in small packages! It is copied word for word.

"Dec. 1915.

"From a Northern Hunter:

"I have shot Deer and Bears and everything that runs the Woods and I believe I know more about hunting than you do or more about guns. Black powder is the worse thing in the World for guns. I spoiled more guns when I could not get any thing else but black powder than enough that powder burns right in the riflings you don't know any thing about what kind of a rifle to use your self you might as well learn fellows right as wrong for when they read your ans. they laugh at you and say 'that guy is a John'. Why your a fool before you try to learn any-body else anything learn yourself and don't have them spoiling there guns. I do as much target shooting yet as any one at the traps. Ans in your paper, what you think of this scripture."

Ans. After deep thought we have concluded that our correspondent may be more than half right. We will try our best to answer any specific question which he may care to submit.

G. T. B., Washington, D. C.

1. Why is the .22 high power Savage more powerful than the .303 Savage? The .22 high power having a 12 grain powder and a 70 grain lead bullet, and the .303 having a 27 grain powder, and a 195 grain lead bullet?

Ans. Your assumption is wrong. The .22 high power cartridge has a muzzle velocity of 2,700 feet per second, and a muzzle energy of 1,132 foot pounds. The .303 Savage has a muzzle velocity of 1,952 foot seconds and a muzzle energy of 1,658 foot pounds. The advantage of the .303 is about 500 foot pounds.

2. What is the velocity and piercing power of these rifles?

Ans. See answer to No. 1.

3. What big game is the .303 Savage suitable for?

The .303 Savage is used for big game such as found in this country.

G. H. S., Rochester, N. Y.

I have a new .22 caliber Remington. It shoots high. The rear sight slides sideways when it catches on my clothes or on branches. I have tightened the screw that holds it, but that is not entirely sufficient. There seems to be no place in town where I can have it sighted. Can it be done by putting in a frame or anything right?

Ans. There surely is something wrong with the sight. Since you are located near the Remington factory, I would suggest that you send it to them by parcel post and have them fix the sight and sight it in again.

2. What distance are these rifles generally set at?

Ans. Twenty-five yards.

3. What is the trajectory of 50 feet and 100 feet, and where does the highest point occur? Using either Lesmok or smokeless .22 long rifle, also .22 short? How far is either shell to shoot and how much would

they drop?

Ans. The trajectory at 50 feet is very flat. The .22 long rifle Lesmok cartridge has a trajectory when fired at 100 yards which is 5.28 inches high at 50 yards. The .22 long rifle smokeless when fired at 100 yards has a height at 50 yards of 7.04 inches. The .22 long rifle cartridges give accurate results at 200 yards and are used a great deal for target work at 100 yards. The .22 short will not do very accurate work over 25 yards.

4. What would make a good combination of sights for shooting squirrels, woodchucks and ducks?

Ans. Either ivory or gold bead front and a rear peep sight.

5. Do they make greased bullets in smokeless cartridges? If not, why?

Ans. They do, and I would certainly suggest that you use them in preference to the ungreased. If you want to get the best results with the least wear on the barrel, use .22 long rifle cartridges with the regular greased bullets and Lesmok or semi-smokeless powder. Next to that, use the smokeless powder with the greased bullets. I would not use the .22 smokeless, greaseless cartridge in any rifle that I had further use for.

6. What do you think of the Maxim Silencer?

Ans. Personally I have no particular need for one. It will give satisfactory results.

7. Would it have a tendency to raise or lower the bullet?

Ans. It will not necessarily raise or lower the point of impact on the target; it may be to the right or left, but it will certainly change it to some extent. The direction will usually vary with each particular rifle when silenced. Silencers need cleaning occasionally, and this can be done by allowing hot water to run through them for some time, or else boil them.

S. S., Carthage, N. Y.

1. Would a rifle shooting a cartridge of the .30-30 class shoot much better with a 26-inch barrel than with a 22-inch one? If so, how much in regard to velocity and energy?

Ans. It will not shoot any better. The length of barrel does not determine the accuracy. There would be a theoretical difference in velocity, but it would not be sufficient to bother with if you desire the shorter barrel because of its handling qualities.

2. Does the Winchester .30, '06, require a different adjustment of sights when shooting the 150, the 180 and the 220 grain bullet?

Ans. At hunting ranges there is not enough difference to make it worth while to adjust the sights. At long ranges, say 500 to 1,000 yards, there is, of course, considerable difference.

R. R., Lodi, Wis.

Which has more recoil, a shell loaded with 3½ drams of powder and 1¼ ounces of shot or one loaded with 3 drams of powder and 1¼ ounces of shot?

Ans. The 3½ dram load most assuredly produces a heavier recoil, as anybody who has shot both of the

above loads can testify.

Jump Trap.

1. Will black powder harm a barrel of a gun any more than smokeless?

Ans. It will not. No matter what standard brand of powder you use, if the gun is cleaned thoroughly at the end of each day's shooting, you will have no trouble.

2. Will the ordinary crimper crimp brass shotgun shells satisfactorily?

Ans. Brass shells are not supposed to be crimped. The ordinary crimper would spoil the shell.

3. Does the length of a rifle barrel make a difference in the range of same?

Ans. No.

F. H. R., Lisbon, Maine.

1. What do you consider the best target revolver?

Ans. There isn't any such thing. There are a number of revolvers—all excellent weapons, and a choice between them is a good deal a matter of personal preference. If you buy a revolver made by a reliable maker, you will get satisfaction. The most popular size is a revolver to handle the .38 Special cartridge. I would suggest that you go into a well-stocked hardware store and try the balance and feel the weight of several different models. It is important to get a revolver which fits your hand and balances well.

2. What is the .22 Bekeart S&W capable of doing at 50 to 100 yds.?

Ans. When used with Lesmok or semi-smokeless ammunition it should give about 3-inch groups at 50 yds. At 100 yds. the groups would probably be between six and eight inches.

3. Regarding the .32 Winchester Spl. and .33 Winchester rifle cartridges (the .33 especially), I think there is too much powder as no two boxes of Winchester cartridges or UMC shoot the same. There is a foot or more variation at 150 yds. in a new rifle. I sighted it right for one box and with the other they are all over the target and this from a rest.

Ans. There is certainly something wrong somewhere. There are, of course, slight differences in the velocity produced by different kinds of ammunition, and also slight differences between different lots of cartridges. This variation is so small, however, that it should not be noticeable at ranges less than 300 to 500 yds. A foot or more difference at 150 yds. indicates either that your sight is loose or that your gun has become fouled. Make the test again, being extremely careful to see that the barrel is kept clean and is not allowed to stand over three or four hours without cleaning. No variation should be patterned due to difference in various makes of ammunition of over 1 inch at this range. A good test would be to take the two lots of ammunition which give the greatest variation and shoot one cartridge from each box alternately, and see if you get two distinct groups separated a foot or more from each other.

A. A. S., David, N. M.

1. As I am a great admirer of the 16 gauge gun, I would appreciate your information. Will this shotgun give a good account of itself in quail shooting where no shots can be had at less than 35 yds., using 2½ drams of powder and one ounce No. 7 shot?

Ans. If the ranges are to be over

35 yds., I am afraid that the 16 gauge will not be very effective.

2. How is the pattern of this gun at 40 yds., using one ounce No. 7 shot?

Ans. All full choke shotguns of whatever gauge should place at least 70% of their charge in a 30-inch circle at 40 yds.

3. What choke would you advise me to have in gun barrel?

Ans. For shooting under conditions such as you suggest, the only thing to use is a full choke barrel.

W. P. D., Grafton, Mass.

Being interested in guns and bird shooting, and seeing your talks, I write you to see if you can give me any help in selecting a gun for brush shooting. I have a Fox gun, B grade, 30-inch barrels—one modified, and the other choke, but it shoots too close, and I am sure it does not fit me, as I shoot under the bird. I want to change it for a 28-inch barrel and want to get it bored so as it will shoot more open. If you can write and tell me how I can get a good fit and how to have it bored for brush shooting, I shall be obliged.

Ans. For brush shooting at shorter ranges, a cylinder bore barrel and a modified barrel would be best. If you wish, you can get the Company who made your gun to re-bore the barrels so that you will have the combination I suggest. With regard to shooting under the birds, why not try using a leather pad on top of your stock. This will be a good thing to try, then you will be able to figure out what dimensions you need. These leather pads lace on and can be purchased from sporting goods or hardware stores.

Alfred P. Lane

TELL THEM SO.

[L. P. Evans in the Piscataquis Observer.]

I was told that when my family physician left me in a hospital several years ago unconscious after an operation, he charged the people to take good care of me, "because we need him up home." I had lived in Dover over thirty years at that time and had tried to be a useful citizen, but so far as I can recall that was the first acknowledgement (and last) that I had succeeded in any degree.

I could not complain for I, too, had failed in acknowledging the merits of others, and yet I was no worse than the average individual. Take the average family as an illustration. The husband gets the wood in 363 days during the year but the two times when he forgets it only receive notice. The wife makes good bread, or cake, or pies, or doughnuts 50 weeks in the year, but the two weeks when misfortune overtakes her are the ones that are mentioned. The children may be 90 percent perfect, but the 10 failures in behaviour receive more notice than the 90 successes.

And take it outside the home. It is the rare failure of your baker, your laundryman, your meatman or your grocer that receives attention; the good things they furnish are accepted as a matter of course. It is the minister's occasional "not as good as usual" sermon that gets the notice; the good ones are also taken as a matter of course. Your choir may practice ever so faithfully, yet the members do not know what you think of their work unless something goes wrong; comments on that generally reach them.

Your local paper (not the Observer only) publishes your church notices, your club notices, your various other notices without price, but the only recognition it gets, as a rule, is when some notice is left out or a mistake is made. It is the occasional mistake your postmaster or letter carrier makes that reminds him that you know he is living; he might be dead so far as any recognition of his good work goes.

What I have said applies to every public servant from a railroad down to a milkman; you complain when the train is late, or if the milk sours on a very hot day, forgetting the usual good train service and the usual good quality of the milk.

I know a man who has the reputation of publishing the best weekly paper in his State. He has always stood for civic righteousness and commercial advancement, and his good work has often been commended by

his brother editors, and yet he feels that he has not been appreciated. When he finally lays down his work, the people of his city will do him honor and many of his brother editors will journey there to assist, but a few words of appreciation from the people whom he has been serving all these years would do him more good than post-mortem honors.

What a wonderful change there would be in this world if we could bring ourselves to acknowledge the good we see in others. As I have said, a word of commendation means far more to a live person than elaborate floral tributes to a dead one.

WINTER SPORTS IN FULL SWING

Several City Parties Enjoying a Few Days Outing

(Special to Maine Woods.)

Rangeley Tavern, Rangeley, Jan. 11. —Winter sports are in full swing and every day there were seen skaters on the ice playing hockey and other games until the last snow fell and now there are the other sports of snowshoeing, skiing, coasting and sleighing parties. The bay of fox and rabbit dogs are heard echoing over the hills and through the woods.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. King and son of Stonington, Conn., are spending the winter here.

Mrs. F. B. Burns and son, Junior of the Mooselookmeguntic House have taken rooms here and are enjoying the ice racing on Haley Pond. At present Mrs. Burns' horse is the unbeaten champion.

Letters are coming daily expressing a desire to spend a few weeks in the heart of the Maine woods between now and spring.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lasell and Miss Hildagard Lasell of Whitinsville, Mass., Miss J. Foster Warner, Rochester, N. Y., and Miss Dorman of New York arrived Saturday night with snowshoes, skis, guns and all the winter paraphernalia necessary for a week's sport. They have John J. Wilbur, Victor Fuller and James Mathieson as guides.

C. P. Cowles of New York is spending several days here.

Dudley P. Rogers and friend of Boston will join Chester W. Alden, who is spending the winter in this section January 12th.

Mrs. W. R. Fronsfield of Moylan, Pa., recently registered here en route for camp at Dodge Pond, where she joined friends for a few weeks' outing.

CURATOR JAMES INVENTS

In the Boston aquarium air pumps are used to inject a sufficient quantity of water into the tanks in which the fish are kept. Curator James apparently has a method just as satisfactory in the new Maine aquarium and a much less expensive one. He is now experimenting with his invention—a most simple one—and if he considers it satisfactory he will install one in each tank. The invention is a pipe which extends down into the tank to within a few inches of the bottom; that's all there is to it. And the air? The pipe is attached to the main feed pipe over the tank from which, at first, the feed stream was allowed to pour noisily into the water a few inches below, making a very correct imitation of a woodland stream. This pipe is much larger than the small stream which runs through it into the tank and is attached loosely at the connection with the feed pipe so that a surprisingly large quantity of air is drawn down the pipe with the water and forced into the water of the tank near the bottom. Curator James needs no pump; give him a few feet of pipe and a wrench and he'll give his families of fish all the air they can eat.

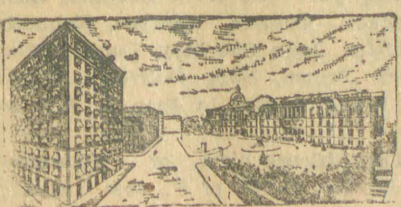
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(Special Correspondence.)

Kingfield, January 11.—The marriage of Gaston Collesolle and Bernadine Larrabee Austin took place on the evening of January 1st at the home of the bride's father, E. S. Larrabee, Rev. Irving Towsley, pastor of the Universalist church, officiating. It was a very quiet but happy wedding with only a cousin of the bride, Mrs. I. L. Eldridge and her husband present. Mr. Collesolle is a professor of French language and has resided in Redbank, New Jersey. He was born and educated in France but has been in the United States for ten years. Mrs. Collesolle is a graduate of Farmington Normal school and has taken a business education in New York. She was head clerk and correspondent of the Jersey Cattle Club of New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Collesolle will reside in Kingfield with the bride's father. They have many friends here who wish for them a long and happy wedded life.

The Kingfield Water Company held their annual meeting in the bank building Monday evening and the following officers were elected: President, E. E. Jenkins; Vice President, Dr. O. W. Simmons; Sec. and Treas., H. S. Wing; Directors, G. H. Winter, Dr. O. W. Simmons, E. E. Jenkins, H. S. Wing.

A parish supper of Grace Universalist church will be given Thursday evening, January 13, at 6 o'clock. In connection with the supper a reception will be tendered their new pastor, Rev. Irving Towsley and wife, in the church auditorium. A musical and literary program will be rendered at this time. The New Portland Universalist parish has been invited to be present and aside from the church and parish here, all members of the Sunday school and people interested in the church are invited to attend. The supper committee are Mrs. Kate Porter, Mrs. Charles Chamberlain, Mrs. Raymond Phillips, Mrs. Nellie Vaughan, Mrs. Augusta Parker, Mrs. I. L. Eldridge, Mrs. Geo. French, Miss Agnes Stanley. The reception committee are Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Woodard, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Voter, Dr. and Mrs. O. W. Simmons. The entertainment committee are Mrs. Herbert Walker, Mrs. L. P. Hps

ley, Mrs. M. D. P. Thompson, Mrs. R. L. Kimball.

The meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the F. B. church was held at the home of Mrs. F. B. Hutchins Tuesday afternoon. After the opening exercises they proceeded to elect the following officers: Secretary, Mrs. Rachel Lander; President, Mrs. A. G. Murray; Vice President, Mrs. Wallace Safford; Treasurer, Mrs. W. S. Safford. The following committees were chosen, look-out committee, Mrs. Lestina Sprague, Mrs. F. E. Boynton, Mrs. L. P. Hinds; to greet strangers, Mrs. F. B. Hutchins, Mrs. I. F. Durrell, Mrs. Chas. Cross, Mrs. L. A. Thomas; visiting sick and flower mission, Mrs. J. A. Jackson, Mrs. Leon Thomas, Mrs. R. Frank Cook; entertainment committee, Mrs. Arthur Jackson, Mrs. F. B. Hutchins, Mrs. H. G. Winter. Advertising committee, Mrs. F. B. Hutchins, Mrs. H. G. Winter, Mrs. Lestina Sprague, Mrs. Frank Cook. This society will meet with Mrs. Murray when she is able otherwise at the vestry.

A very pretty home wedding took place at the residence of Mrs. L. V. Gordon on New Year's eve, when her sister, Miss Ada Vose, was united in marriage with Roy Clifton Huse by Rev. C. J. Longley. Mr. Huse is one of our prominent and popular business men and the owner and proprietor of the R. C. Huse Bull Spool mill. Mrs. Huse is one of the highly esteemed town girls, a graduate of the Kingfield High school and has been for a number of years the clerk in I. L. Eldridge's store. The best wishes of the community are extended to the bridal couple.

The annual meeting and election of officers of the Kingfield Chamber of Commerce was held in their rooms Monday, January 3, at 8 p. m. The report of the secretary showed 17 active members. The matter of new members was discussed and it was proposed that more of the business men of the town be invited to join. The dues and admission fee remain the same as last year. The officers elected are: President, Dr. O. W. Simmons; Vice President, Leon Sanborn; Secretary, A. C. Woodard; Treasurer, L. L. Mitchell; executive committee, O. W. Simmons, L. A. Sanborn, E. Linne Strickland.

Marcus Johnson and Daniel O'Connell left Hutchins & Potter's camp and were arrested by Deputy Sheriff L. P. Hinds at Bigelow. They were brought before Trial Justice O. C. Dolbier Thursday p. m., on charge of deserting and fined \$5.00 and costs and in default of payment were committed to jail for 30 days. They

were taken to Farmington by L. P. Hinds.

The last of the week was the coldest of the season. Friday morning the thermometer registered 16 degrees below zero and Saturday morning at 4 o'clock the mercury stood at 40 degrees below at O. I. Landers'.

A double basket ball game was held at French hall Friday evening, January 8, when the Wilton Academy quintet met the Kingfield High school team and the Farmington High school girls after the boys game. There was an especially large and enthusiastic audience and the receipts of the evening were about \$50. Not only was there a good representation from Wilton and Farmington but New Portland furnished a number of spectators. Following the games there was a social dance with music by Peerless orchestra. Farmington High school girls 12, K. H. S. girls 6; Wilton Academy 51, K. H. S. boys 6.

Fred Crocker has bought out the ice and trucking business of J. M. Dolbier.

The installation of officers of Carabasset Rebekah Lodge No. 123, took place at the lodge hall Thursday evening, January 6 and were installed by District Deputy President Mrs. Adie Norton of Farmington, assisted by Grand Marshal Mrs. Della W. Luce of Farmington. There was a good attendance, 46 members being present. Refreshments of oyster stew, cake and coffee were served following the ceremonies. The supper committee were Mrs. Annie Page, Mrs. Mae Berry, Mrs. Hortense Savage, Mrs. Bessie Vance, Mrs. Evelyn Taylor. The officers for the ensuing year are: P. G., Mrs. Vesta Dolbier; N. G., Mrs. Alice Myers; V. G., Mrs. Bertha Taylor; R. S. N. G., Mrs. Della Savage; L. S. N. G., Mrs. Mina Landers; R. S. V. G., Mrs. Bessie Vance; L. S. V. G., Mrs. Evelyn Wilber; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Hortense Atwood; Fin. Sec., Miss Esther Savage; Con., Mrs. Kitty Batchelder; Ward., Mrs. Edna Taylor; Treas., Mrs. Alma Dolbier; Chap., Mrs. Jeanette Hosley; I. G., Miss Florence Weymouth; O. G., Miss Agnes Checkley.

Chas. E. Chamberlain has been drawn traverse jurymen to serve at the February term of S. J. court.

M. D. P. Thompson is to rebuild his cottage on the island which was burned two or three weeks ago, and will begin work at once.

The officers of Pilgrim Temple No. 61, Pythian Sisters were installed Wednesday evening, January 5, by Mrs. E. E. Jenkins as installing officer, assisted by Mrs. Carrie Durrell as Grand Senior and Mrs. Alice Durrell as Grand Manager. All of the officers were installed except Mrs. Edna McKenney who was ill and unable to attend. The report of the auditing committee, Mrs. Josephine Jenkins, Mrs. Blanche Duntion, Mrs. Susie Norton, showed the total number of members to be 59. Of this number 16 are Knights and 43 Sisters. There are fifteen Past Chiefs recorded. The officers for the new year are: E. C., Mrs. Alma Dolbier; E. S., Mrs. Mina Landers; E. J., Mrs. Alice Myers; M., Mrs. Susie Hodgman; M. of F., Mrs. Edna McKenney; M. of R. and C., Mrs. Margaret Witham; Protector, Mrs. Lura Hutchins; Guard, Mrs. Blanche Duntion.

The Freshman class is rehearsing for the drama, "My Brother's Keeper," to be given before long. Those taking part are Irvin Stevens, Geo. Crocker, Charles Whitten, Kenneth Whitten, John Checkley, Lucille Vose, Doris Brown, Nyra Dolbier. They are being coached by Prin. L. P. Hsley.

The officers elect of Alhambra Lodge No. 93, K. of P., are: C. C., J. E. Voter; V. C., Ruel Williams; Prelate, L. A. Thomas; M. of E., L. F. Hutchins; K. of R. and S., O. W. Gilbert; M. at A., Guy McVoy; M. of W., Alfred Moores; I. G., Emery Streeter; O. G., Frank Pinkham; Delegate to Grand Lodge, Herbert Walker; Alternate, C. R. Vose. The installation will take place soon.

Rocks Had to Be Cooled.

When engineers have been boring tunnels through the Alps they have found rocks inside so hot that it has been necessary to cool them with water before the men could continue their work.

Daily Thought.

Those who bring sunshine into the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves.—Barrie.

LOCAL SHOTS WERE BEATEN

Mail Match Shot Tuesday Night Created Much Interest

Androscoggin shooters were captured by the Livermore Falls team in the first shoot of the Lewiston club. The match was shot "through the mails," that is, Livermore shot at home as did the Andro club and the results obtained by telephone directly after the match. The range was 50 feet and scores were made offhand. The scores were Livermore, 1201, Androscoggin 1,148.

Whitney with 43 nosed out Stetson by one point for high gun for the Lewiston club.

The Livermore scores were higher than Lewiston by two or three points to a man from Pushard, who with 45 was high man to Wendall last man with 34.

Androscoggin Rifle Club.

Whitney,	5 5 5 5 4 4 4 4 4 3—43
Stetson,	5 5 5 5 4 4 4 4 3 3—42
Kroon,	5 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4—41
Edwards,	5 5 5 5 4 4 4 4 3 2—41
Turgeon,	5 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 3—41
Kincaid,	5 5 5 5 4 4 4 3 3 3—41
Hammond,	5 5 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 3—41
Pendleton,	5 5 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 3—41
Whitehouse,	5 5 4 4 4 4 4 4 3 3—40
Chase,	5 5 4 4 4 4 4 4 3 2—40
Julia,	5 5 5 4 4 4 4 4 3 3—40
J. White,	5 5 5 4 4 4 4 3 3 3—40
Hosmer,	5 5 5 4 4 4 4 3 3 3—40
Pottle,	5 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 3 3—39
Abbott,	5 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 3 2—39
Bly,	5 4 4 4 4 4 4 3 2 3—38
H. Coombs,	5 4 4 4 4 4 4 3 3 3—38
Hibbert,	5 4 4 4 4 4 4 3 3 3—38
Woodhouse,	5 4 4 4 4 4 4 3 3 3—38
Wallingford,	5 4 4 4 4 4 3 3 3 2—37
Haskell,	5 4 4 4 4 4 3 3 3 3—37
Pelley,	5 5 5 4 4 4 3 3 3 0—36
Elliott,	5 5 4 4 4 3 3 3 3 2—36
Delano,	5 4 4 4 4 3 3 3 3 3—36
Randall,	5 4 4 4 4 4 3 3 3 2—36
Jordan,	4 4 4 4 4 3 3 3 3 3—35
Cushman,	4 4 4 4 4 3 3 3 3 3—35
Curley,	4 4 4 4 4 3 3 3 3 3—35
Getchell,	4 4 4 4 4 3 3 3 3 2—34
Alden,	4 4 4 3 3 3 3 3 2 2—31

Total, 1143

Livermore Falls Club.

Pushard,	45
Coolidge,	43
Dalton,	43
Bartlett,	43
Buck,	42
Adkins,	42
Larkin,	42
Cloutier,	42
Winter,	41
Armistead,	41
Robinson,	41
Ray,	41
Waite,	40
Allen,	40
Hall,	40
Sawtelle,	40
Newberg,	40
Roy, Jr.,	39
Hatch,	39
Smith,	39
Martel,	39
O. Jewell,	39
Gilbert,	39
Bradford,	38
F. Jewell,	38
King,	38
Libby,	37
Small,	37
Pomeroy,	34
Wendall,	34

Total, 1201

Other members of the local club shot the following scores Tuesday night:—

Blagden,	5 4 4 4 4 4 3 3 0 0—31
R. Coombs,	5 4 3 3 3 2 2 2 2 2—28
Whittum,	4 4 3 3 3 2 2 2 2 2—27
Bates,	4 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 2 0—27

MAKING MEAT SAFE

Sixty Per Cent Killed Under Federal Inspection.

Hundred Million Meat Animals Slaughtered Each Year in United States —Tuberculosis Is Chief Cause of Condemnation.

Washington.—More than 58,000,000 meat animals were slaughtered in establishments under federal inspection

during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915. Since approximately from 58 to 60 per cent of the animals killed in the country are slaughtered in establishments where federal inspection is maintained, it appears that about 100,000,000 meat animals are now being killed each year in the United States.

Of the animals subjected to federal inspection, 299,958 were condemned as unfit for human use, and 644,688 were condemned in part. Thus a little more than 1½ per cent of all the animals inspected were condemned either in whole or in part. These figures include only cattle, calves, sheep, goats and swine.

Tuberculosis was the chief cause of the condemnations. More than 32,644 carcasses of cattle and 66,000 carcasses of swine were entirely rejected on account of this disease, and in addition, parts of 48,000 cattle and 40,000 swine. Hog cholera was responsible for the next largest loss, nearly 102,000 swine being condemned entirely on this account.

The annual appropriation for the federal meat inspection service is now about \$3,375,000, so that the cost to the people would be between 5 and 6 cents per animal and carcasses. In addition, however, great quantities of the meat and products are re-inspected. In this item there was a very considerable increase during the last fiscal year, the re-inspection resulting in the condemnation of a total of nearly 19,000,000 pounds of products of one kind or another. Furthermore 245,000,000 pounds of imported meat or meat products were inspected, and more than 2,000,000 pounds condemned or refused entry.

In the course of its work, the bureau of animal industry, which is in charge of the meat inspection service, has discovered a new method of destroying trichinae in pork, which is an additional safeguard to human health. Refrigeration at a temperature of 5 degrees, F., or lower, for a period of 20 days, will destroy these parasites which occasionally give rise in human beings to the serious disease known as trichinosis. Hitherto the only known safeguard against this disease has been thorough cooking of all pork and pork products, and those persons who neglect this precaution have always been more or less exposed to the danger. Unless pork is known to have been subjected to refrigeration as above indicated, it should be thoroughly cooked. The microscopic examination of pork for the detection of trichinae has been abandoned as the usual methods have proved inefficient.

In this connection it is interesting to note that more swine were slaughtered in the past year in establishments under federal inspection than ever before. A total of 36,247,953 were inspected at the time of slaughter, and approximately 35,900,000 passed for food.

CHILD SMOTHERS IN COTTON

Little Oklahoma Girl Digs Hole in Pile and Then Accidentally Tumbles In.

Guthrie, Okla.—The nine-year-old daughter of Paul Richey, a farmer living near Prague, thirty miles east of here, was "drowned" in a pile of cotton in her father's field.

When the little girl was missed, her parents started out to search for her. Her father finally saw her shoes on top of the huge mound of cotton, and closer examination disclosed her body buried, head first, in the fluffy mass. She evidently had dug a hole in the pile and then accidentally fallen into it, the loose cotton packing about her and smothering her.

More property is sold through classified advertising every year than is sold through agents.

Compare the cost of a want ad with the customary commission charged.

The agent has many properties among which to divide his selling efforts

A want ad finds the party who wants your property in a few days.

Where To Go In Maine

OTTER POND CAMPS

Are open to accommodate sportsmen for fishing and hunting. Send for circular. GEORGE H. MCKENNEY, Prop., Caratunk, Me.

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John Carville's Camps at Spring Lake

Salmon, square tailed and lake trout. My camps are most charmingly situated on the shores of Spring Lake, well furnished, excellent beds, purest of spring water and the table is first-class, elevation 1,800 feet above sea level, grandest scenery and pure mountain air. Hay fever and malaria unknown. Spring Lake furnishes excellent lake trout and salmon fishing and in the neighboring streams and ponds are abundance of brook trout. Buckboard roads only 2-12 miles. An ideal family summer resort. Telephone communications with village and doctor. References furnished. Terms reasonable. Address for full particulars, JOHN CARVILLE, Flagstaff, Me.

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Round Mountain Lake Camps. Write for free booklet. DION O. BLACKWELL, Proprietor, Round Mountain, Maine

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Heart of the Rangeleys. Best fishing region. Special June and September rates. Booklet. MRS. F. B. BURNS.

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September fly fishing for Big Trout. Plenty of partridges and deer. P. O. address Ox Bow, Maine.

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RANGELEY LAKES

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GIRLS GIVE LEAP YEAR PARTY

Mr. Dunstan Gives Subjects for a Series of Meetings.

(Special Correspondence.)

Strong, January 12.—Miss Percie Hackett has been a recent guest of relatives in town.

Carroll Rounds, Vincent Pottle and Berchard Look spent last Saturday on Day Mountain, where they enjoyed a good campfire dinner after a snow-shoe hike.

Mrs. Ralph Starbird returned Saturday noon from a week's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Willis of Topsham.

Charles Richards spent the week-end in town with his family.

Sunday morning, Rev. John Dunstan preached a most helpful and inspiring sermon to young and old. In each pew was a program of the subjects for morning 10.45 and evening 7.00, from January 16 to April 9, 1916, which is as follows: January 16, "Honor"; evening, "Work and its Value." Jan. 23, "Seeing the Invisible"; evening, "Our New Hymnal." Jan. 30, "What is Methodism?" evening, "Is it Wrong to have a good Time?" February 6, "Life Work Service"; evening, "God's Call to Service." Feb. 13, "Abraham Lincoln" evening, "How Many Persons Live Under Your Hat?" Feb. 20, "Goodness"; evening, "What Makes a Home?" Feb. 27, "The Mission of the Church"; evening, "They All Do It." March 5, "Angels"; evening, "Can a Square Deal be One-sided?" March 12 to 19, "A Week's Campaign." March 19, Rev. D. B. Holt, D. D., and evening, March 26, "The Great Commission"; evening, "Christ's Remedy for the World's Poverty." April 2, "Loved Unto the End"; evening, "Why Does Christ Appeal to Men?" April 9, "The Communion Life"; evening, "What Satisfies the Appetite?"

Roland Hinds of Phillips was the recent guest of his cousin, Raymond Starbird.

Walter Bradford, who is working at Redington, spent a few days last week at home.

Clarence Tash went to Lewiston last Wednesday to consult an oculist. He returned Thursday noon.

Last Friday the High school girls gave a Leap Year party in Luce's hall. This was in charge of their teacher, Miss Clarissa Flint, who is an ideal helper for a good time, as everyone surely had that night. The girls called for their gents and did everything possible for their comfort and entertainment during the evening even to fanning them. After games of different kinds were enjoyed cakes and ice cream were served, after which the young ladies escorted their gents home. Miss Frankie Keen furnished excellent music during the evening. Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Lock were chaperones.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lewis of South Paris were recent guests of his mother, Mrs. May Lewis and brother, Ray Lewis.

Miss Florence C. Luce returned to

her school at Farmington Falls Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Taylor spent last week with her son, Fred Taylor and wife.

Holman Daggett was in Farmington Saturday on business.

David Richardson, who met with a painful accident last week by crushing his foot under a log has been a great sufferer, but is, however, gaining slowly.

Recently, word was received from George B. Ninde of Maderia Island, that he is enjoying good health and wishes to be remembered to his many friends, all of whom are glad to hear from him.

Austin Gilman of Wilton is working for Elford Winslow for a few weeks with Mrs. Sam Gilman and visiting relatives and friends.

Maurice Leighton returned Monday noon from a week's visit with friends in Lewiston.

Mrs. Olive Dodge has returned from a visit with Dr. F. H. Badger and family at Winthrop.

Mrs. Lee Peary was a business caller in Farmington recently.

The Ladies' Aid met this week, Wednesday afternoon, with Mrs. Clara Smith. The annual election of officers was held.

Benjamin Dodge and daughter, Miss Wilma Dodge, who have been very ill are slowly gaining their friends are glad to know.

Miss Verlena Winslow has returned from Farmington, where she has worked the past few weeks.

Dr. J. W. Nichols of Farmington was a recent professional caller in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Fernando Dow of New Vineyard have moved into their winter home and are working in the toothpick mill.

Charles Gilman has recently had a Farmers' telephone installed in his house.

Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Worthley will give a reception next Saturday evening to their son, Norman Worthley and wife to which their friends are invited.

Mrs. E. S. Kingsley was called to Livermore Falls Tuesday to attend the funeral of her niece.

WEST FARMINGTON

Jan. 10.

Hazle Hardy is boarding at Ralph Ellsworth's and attending school in the Briggs district.

Carroll and Francis Ellsworth have been quite sick with bad colds.

Mr. and Mrs. N. K. Whittemore recently spent a day at Wilton making arrangements for rental of the other tenement of their house.

Edith Welch is keeping house for Wilson Hayden during the absence of his parents.

Mrs. Mary Parker, who is ill with grip is somewhat better.

Hardy & Wing have engaged 400 cords of wood to saw.

A telegram was received by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Davis from their son, Mac Davis of New York, stating that his wife had died from the effects of an accident. Mr. and Mrs. Davis were married only last summer.

Mrs. Carroll Thompson, who was

COLD WEATHER ACHES AND PAINS.

Many aches and pains, sore muscles, stiff joints and much rheumatism attributed to cold weather have their first cause in failure of the kidneys to properly eliminate waste matter from the system. Foley Kidney Pills tone up weak and diseased kidneys, giving prompt relief from aches and pains. Floyd E. Parker.

recently operated on in a hospital at Portland is making good progress toward recovery.

EUSTIS

Jan. 10.

We have been having some fine weather for the past week.

Mrs. Merrit Gould is ill at "The Sargent." Mrs. Clinton Meader is caring for her days.

J. P. Sylvester has gone to Albion on business.

Horace Potter has returned home from Lewiston, where he left his father at the Sister's hospital.

Coughs and colds are prevalent in town.

Mrs. Ziba Davis has come out from King & Bartlett where she has been working.

George Ricker is working for A. L. Taylor, hauling wood from the Ridge.

Some of the electric lights are already installed on the streets and they are putting them in to A. L. Taylor's house.

EAST DIXFIELD.

Jan. 10.

Annie Hall, Verna Whittemore, Beatrice Casey, Mildred Robbins and Lewis Brown resumed their studies at Wilton Academy Tuesday, January 4th.

Hon. Frank N. Blanchard of Farmington was dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Holt Thursday.

Miss Marion Beedy resumed her duties as teacher of the Grammar school after spending the Christmas vacation with relatives in Phillips.

Chester Mosher has moved his family back to the village. Mr. Mosher will work for Mr. Wilder during the winter.

Mildred Look has been a guest of her mother, Mrs. P. W. Torrey for the past week.

The Willing Workers elected the following officers at their last meeting which was held with the Misses

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To kill the nerve pains of Sciatica can always depend on Sloan's Liniment. It penetrates to the seat of pain and brings ease as soon as it is applied. A great comfort too with Sloan's is that no rubbing is required. Sloan's Liniment is invaluable for stopping muscular or nerve pain of any kind. Try it at once if you suffer with Rheumatism, Lumbago, Sore Throat, Pain in Chest, Sprains, Bruises, etc. It is excellent for Neuralgia and Headache. 25¢. at all Druggists.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Margaret H. Murphy, late of Rangeley in the County of Franklin, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

Charles C. Murphy.
December 21, 1915.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Warren Stevens, late of Rangeley, in the County of Franklin, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

Charles L. Harnden.
November 16, 1915.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed Administrator of the estate of Edwin A. Spencer, late of Rangeley in the County of Franklin, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

Atherton M. Ross.
November 16, 1915.

Butterfield January 7: President, Norma Hall; Vice President, Clara Butterfield; Secretary, Florence Snowman; Treasurer, Hildred Holt; Superintendent of work, Edith Butterfield.

Harriette Farrar is the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Butterfield.

Mabel Dugas has returned to Rumford after spending the Christmas recess with relatives in town.

FREEMAN VALLEY

Jan. 4.

A Christmas entertainment consisting of two trees and a short program was held at the home of Mr. Wm. Welch and son, Hervey, December 25th, which all enjoyed.

Miss Gelia Weymouth is working at Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Dana Newell and little daughter of Strong recently visited their sister, Mrs. Hervey Welch.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Fitch and daughter have moved to Strong for the winter.

Master Clinton Weymouth, although but 14 years of age takes the lead in this vicinity this year for game. He shot one large 12-point buck and a doe and has his share of smaller game.

R. D. Vining and F. M. Weymouth have each killed a 300-pound hog recently.

EAST WELD

Jan. 10.

Mrs. Rebecca Foster is visiting at I. H. Buker's. Mrs. Foster is 83 years old and sews very nicely without the use of glasses.

There were about 65 cords of pulp-

PROBATE NOTICES.

At a Probate Court held at Farmington, in and for the County of Franklin, in vacation, December 27, 1915, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, the following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ordered: That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Maine Woods, a newspaper published at Phillips, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Farmington, on the third Tuesday of January, A. D. 1916, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon or if they see cause.

Anne Hutchins, late of Eustis, deceased. First and final account of Frank B. Hutchins, administrator.

Anne Hutchins, late of Eustis, deceased. Petition for distribution presented by Frank B. Hutchins, administrator.

Louisa F. Dill, late of Phillips, deceased. Petition for administrator presented by Orrin Pray.

Levi J. Blaisdell, late of Weld, deceased. First account of administration of Orlean McLaughlin, administrator.

Amos F. Breed, late of Lynn, Massachusetts. Final account of Eugene H. Mather, administrator.

Julia M. Hinkley, late of Weld, deceased. Petition for distribution presented by Josephine Scammon, administratrix.

Levi J. Blaisdell, late of Weld, deceased. Petition for license to sell real estate presented by Orlean McLaughlin, administrator.

J. Dexter Huntoon, late of Rangeley, deceased. Petition for license to sell real estate presented by Olin R. Rowe, administrator.

Wesley N. Hoar, late of Phillips, deceased. Petition for confirmation of trustee presented by Willis A. Hoar.

Charles O. Dill, late of Phillips, deceased. Petition for probate of will presented by Mary N. Dill, the executrix named therein.

Bion P. Stevens, late of Kingfield, deceased. First and final account of Lillian E. Stevens, administratrix.

Ada L. Hunter, late of Phillips, deceased. First and final account of Edith M. Hunter, executrix.

Sarah E. Hoar, late of Rangeley, deceased. Final account of Linton E. Hoar, administrator.

Sarah E. Hoar, late of Rangeley, deceased. Petition for distribution presented by Linton E. Hoar, administrator.

J. H. Thompson, Judge of said Court. Attest: Daniel B. Belcher, Register.
A true copy.

CATARRH LEADS TO CONSUMPTION

Catarrh is as much a blood disease as scrofula or rheumatism. It may be relieved, but it cannot be removed by simply local treatment. It causes headache and dizziness, impairs the taste, smell and hearing, affects the voice, deranges the digestion, and breaks down the general health. It weakens the delicate lung tissues and leads to consumption.

Hood's Sarsaparilla goes to the seat of the trouble, purifies the blood, and is so successful that it is known as the best remedy for catarrh.

Hood's Sarsaparilla strengthens and tones the whole system. It builds up. Ask your druggist for Hood's, and insist on having it. There is no real substitute.

wood landed on the brook last week by the teams working for Ezra Noyes.

George Coburn, who has been quite ill, is improving.

Oscar Conant, who lives below the village is very poorly.

We are sorry to learn that Eben Harnden, who has been on the sick list for some time is gradually failing.

I. H. Buker is selling his pressed hay at Dixfield and Rumford. He hauled two loads last week and reports the roads in fine condition.

Elbridge Masterman stopped Saturday night and Sunday with Newton Masterman.

NEW PORTLAND

Jan. 10.

A large crowd from North New Portland attended the basket ball games at Kingfield Friday night of last week.

Several in town are ill with influenza.

Lee Holbrook is at home with a cut foot.

Dwight Boynton has gone to Soule's Mills to work as cookee for Libby & Wood in their boarding house.

Delmore Adams is working for Albion Edwards.

The school at "The Pines" at East New Portland will hold an entertainment and box supper at the school-house on Friday evening, January 21.

F. O. Dunlap recently made a trip to New Hampshire, bringing home with him a wife. They will reside at Mr. Dunlap's home in New Portland.

Chas. Gordon recently lost two fingers while employed in C. H. Bartlett's mill.

Mrs. Abbie Hutchins is at her home Mrs. Lora Safford is stopping with her at present.

Sanborn Moulton had the misfortune to lose three fingers while employed in the Newcastle mill at North Anson.

Miss Hattie Emery is spending the winter with her brother and family in Auburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Granville Lisherness were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jones Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Smith visited relatives on New Portland Hill Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Butts are in the woods this winter.

Mrs. S. Jones and daughter, Gertrude and Miss Ida Gowell were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jones, Sunday.

A. H. Adams recently had a Farmers' phone installed.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Atwood spent the Sabbath at Earl Atwood's camp.

SIX-YEAR-OLD HAD CROUP

"I have a little girl six years old who has a good deal of trouble with croup," writes W. E. Curry, Evansville, Ind. "I have used Foley's Honey and Tar, obtaining instant relief for her. My wife and I also use it and will say it is the best cure for a bad cold, cough, throat trouble and croup that I ever saw." Floyd E. Parker.

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WORDS FROM HOME

Statements That May Be Investigated Testimony of Phillips Citizens.

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Henry W. True, tailor, Main St., Phillips, says: "I have used Doan's Kidney Pills at different times and they have never failed to give relief. I know of no other medicine that is so effective. When I have slight attacks of kidney trouble, I get a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at Preble's Drug Store and a few doses make my kidneys all right again."

OVER THREE YEARS LATER Mr True said: "I never use any other medicine but Doan's Kidney Pills for they answer my purpose."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. True had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

RUSSELL'S MILLS

Jan. 10.
W. L. Vetter has finished cutting and hauling wood for A. L. French.
Ralph Stevens has been working in the mill at Temple.

W. C. Upham and Wm. E. Leadbetter were in Chesterville looking for cows recently.

Arthur E. Thompson is hauling and loading his pulpwood at West Farmington.

A. L. Collins called on old friends in Russell's Mills last week.

EAST MADRID

Jan. 10.
Miss Ferne Gould, who has been teaching school on Tory Hill has returned home for the winter vacation.
Milford True has finished cutting birch for Ezra Wheeler and is stopping at his farm for the present.
Earl Harnden was a caller in the place Sunday.

Russell King has finished cutting birch for S. L. Mechem.

Conant & Bean had the misfortune to get a horse hurt in the woods so they had to have it carried out and get another to take its place hauling lumber.

SALEM

Jan. 4.
Mrs. Nellie Willis has been visiting at Jay.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Willis have been visiting relatives in North Anson.

E. C. and Elmer Brackett have gone to Wilton to work this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sawyer and son, Kenneth of Kingfield have been visiting here.

Rev. G. A. Woodcock, who has been quite ill with tonsillitis is somewhat improved.

Miss Flora Hunt, who is teaching a Lisbon was the guest of Lullie Heath a few days.

Mrs. Fred Collins is spending a few weeks with relatives in Wilton.

Lindwood and Frank Reed on the last

WORMS--A DANGER TO CHILDREN

No gain in a child's health and strength is possible until all worms are removed.

Signs of worms are: Deranged stomach, swollen upper lip, sour stomach, offensive breath, hard and full belly with occasional gripings about the navel, pale face of leaden tint, Trade Mark eyes heavy and dull, twitching eyelids, itching of the nose, itching of the rectum, short dry cough, grinding of the teeth, little red points sticking out on tongue, starting during sleep, slow fever. If you see any of these symptoms in your child don't lose another minute, but get a bottle of Dr. True's Elixir, the Family Laxative and Worm Expeller.

Mrs. Norrat of Houston, Texas, writes: "I would not be without Dr. True's Elixir in my home." Good for adults also. At your dealer's, 35c, 50c and \$1.00.

AUBURN, MAINE

Dr. True

day of the open season for hunting, secured three deer and a nice fox.

Several different ones have been quite lucky in trapping foxes and smaller animals this fall.

Mr. John Malcolm is visiting his sister, Mrs. Frank Rowe.

Quite a number are cutting ice on the mill pond; it is about 16 inches thick.

REED'S MILL.

Jan. 11.
There was a good attendance at church Sunday, and we had the pleasure of listening to an exceptionally fine sermon by our pastor, Miss Leathers from the subject, "If."

Fred Hathaway recently sold a grade Holstein yearling heifer for \$50. Gilbert Voter also sold two heifers one year old of the same breed for a good price.

The Ladies' Circle was entertained by Mrs. H. E. Dunham last week. The next meeting of the circle will be the 19th, with Mrs. Bert Kinney.

Miss Edith Sargent is working in the family of Ed White.

DOWN ON HIS BACK

"About two years ago I got down on my back," writes Solomon Bequette, Flat River, Mo. "I got a 50¢ box of Foley Kidney Pills and they straightened me right up. I recommend them to all who have kidney trouble." Rheumatic aches and pains, soreness and stiffness, sleep disturbing bladder trouble, yield quickly to Foley Kidney Pills.—Floyd E. Parker.

ROAD ASSESSMENTS.

State of Maine.

[Seal] FRANKLIN COUNTY SS: Court of County Commissioners—December Term, A. D. 1915.

On the first day of the present term, being the 28th day of December, A. D. 1915, we, the subscribers, County Commissioners for said County of Franklin, having by one or more of our board in the month of September, A. D. 1915, made an annual inspection of all the County roads in the unincorporated townships and tracts of land in said County of Franklin, having thereupon made an estimate of the amounts needed to put them in repair so as to be safe and convenient for public travel, have assessed upon the following unincorporated townships and tracts of land in said County of Franklin, exclusive of water and land reserved for public use, for the repair of the County roads therein, during the year 1916, the following sums, to wit:—

On the South Half of No. 4, Range 3, B. K. P., the sum of \$640.00, as follows, to wit:—

Owners	No. Acres	Val.	Tax
L. T. Hinds	400	\$1,600	\$32.00
M. J. Stevens	70	450	9.00
Joseph Potter	200	900	18.00
F. C. Burrell	20	300	6.00

Coburn Heirs, Inc.

E. B. Hill, 2,200 7,000 140.00

Philbrick & Butler, 4,800 14,400 288.00

O. & Allen, 80 350 7.00

Russell Bros. & Estes Co., 2 400 8.00

To be expended as follows, to wit: in repairing the roads leading through the same, and L. T. Hinds of No. 4, R. 3, is appointed agent to superintend the expenditures thereof.

On No. 4, Range 2, B. K. P. the sum of \$912.00 as follows, to wit:—

Owners	No. Acres	Val.	Tax
Prouty & Miller	2,000	\$4,000	\$80.00

Great Northern Paper Co., 129,760 40,000 800.00

Garret Schenck, part of height of land farm 200 1,200 24.00

Kingfield & Dead River R. R. Co. Stations etc. 400 8.00

To be expended in repairing the roads therein, and F. C. Burrell of No. 4, Range 3, is appointed agent to superintend the expenditure thereof.

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The Ball of Fire

By

George Randolph Chester
and Lillian Chester

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SYNOPSIS.

Chapter I—At a vestry meeting of the Market Square church Gail Sargent listens to a discussion about the sale of the church tenements to Edward E. Allison, local traction king, and when asked her opinion of the church by Rev. Smith Boyd, says it is apparently a lucrative business enterprise.

Chapter II—Allison takes Gail riding in his motor car. When he suggests he is entitled to rest on the laurels of his achievements, she asks the disturbing question: "Why?"

Chapter III—Gail, returning to her Uncle Jim's home from her drive with Allison, finds cold disapproval in the eyes of Rev. Smith Boyd, who is calling there.

Chapter IV—At a bobsled party Gail finds the world uncomfortably full of men, and Allison tells Jim Sargent that his new ambition is to conquer the world.

Chapter V—Allison starts a campaign for consolidation and control of the entire transportation system of the world.

CHAPTER VI—Gail becomes popular and Aunt Helen thinks it necessary to advise her as to matrimonial probabilities.

Chapter VII—Allison gains control of transcontinental traffic and arranges to absorb the Vedder court tenement property of Market Square church.

Chapter VIII—Gail visits Vedder court, and meeting Boyd there, tells him that the cathedral Market Square church proposes to build will be out of profits wrung from squallor.

Chapter IX—Gail becomes the center of magnetic attraction for the men of her aunt's social set.

Chapter X—At a meeting of the seven financial magnates of the country, Allison organizes the International Transportation Company.

Chapter XI—Rev. Smith Boyd undertakes Gail's spiritual instruction and Gail unconsciously gives Allison a hint that solves the Vedder court problem for him.

Chapter XII—On an inspection trip in Allison's new subway the tunnel caves in and imprisons the party who are rescued by Allison and Boyd.

Chapter XIII—The newspaper accounts of the accident in the subway place Gail in the spotlight and drive her to her home in the west.

Chapter XIV—Dick Rodley is sent to lure Gail and Arly back to New York, and succeeds.

Chapter XV—In the midst of a struggle with the dregs of humanity in Vedder court Rev. Smith Boyd suddenly finds that he is a real living—and loving—man.

Chapter XVI—Boyd proposes to Gail but, on the verge of acceptance, she remembers their religious differences and refuses.

Chapter XVII—Through Allison's connivance with the political boss, Vedder court is condemned by the city as unsanitary.

CHAPTER XVIII—Rev. Smith Boyd proposes to the vestry to replace the old Vedder Court buildings with modern tenements.

CHAPTER XIX—Allison makes arrangements with foreign representatives for the consolidation of the transportation interests of the world.

(Continued from last week.)

"I see!" interrupted Gail. "You have secured control of the steamship companies, of the foreign railroads, of everything which hauls and carries!"

"Airships excepted," he laughingly informed her.

She was silent now, and he left her silent, brooding, himself, upon the vast scope of his dreaming, and planning still to center more and more the fruits of that dreaming within his own eager hand.

Roseleaf inn, Gail recognized it with a smile as they turned in at the drive. She was glad that they had come here, for it was linked in her mind with the beginnings of that great project of which she had been the impulse, and in which the thing in her that had been denied opportunity because she was a woman, claimed a hungry share.

At his suggestion—it was more like a command, but she scarcely noticed—she telephoned that she was going to remain to dinner with Allison; and then they enjoyed a two-hour chat of many things, trivial in themselves, but fraught now with delightful meaning, because they had to think on so many unexpressed things, larger than these idle people about them could conceive, or grasp if they knew.

Homeward again in the starlit night, still in that whirl of exultation. It was somewhat chillier now, and Allison bundled her into the machine with rough tenderness. She felt the thrill of him as he sat beside her, and the firm strength with which he controlled the swiftly speeding runabout, was part her strength. They were kindred spirits, these two, soaring above the affairs of earth in the serene complacency of those who make trifles of vastness itself. They did not talk much, for they had not much to talk about. The details of a scheme so comprehensive as Allison's were not things to be explained, they were things to be seen in a vision. Once she asked him about the bringing of the foreign railroads into the combination, and he told her that this would only be accomplished by a political upheaval, which would take place next month, and would probably involve the whole of Europe. It was another detail; and it seemed quite natural. She was so interested that he told her all about his foreign visitors.

In the park, Allison stopped at the little outlook house where they had climbed on that snowy night, and they stood there, with the stars above, the trees below and the twinkling lights stretching out to the horizon, all alone above the world of civilization. Below sounded the clang of street cars, and far off to the left, high in the air, there gleamed the lights of a curving L train. That was a part of Allison's world which he had long since conquered a part which he already held in the hollow of his hand; and the fact that every moving thing which clung upon a track in all this vast panorama was under his dominion, served only to illustrate and make plain the marvel of the accomplishment which was now under way. Beyond that dim horizon lay another and still another, and in them all, wherever things moved or were transported, the lift of Allison's finger was to start and stop the wheels, to the uttermost confines of the earth! Oh, it was wonderful; wonderful! And she was part of it!

It was there that he proposed to her. It did not surprise her. She had known it when they had entered the park, and that this was the place.

He told her that all this empire was being builded to lay at her feet, that she was the empress of it and he the emperor, but that their joy was to be not in the sway, not in the scepter and crown, but in the doing, and in the having done, and in the conceiving and having conceived.

Was this a cold painting of pomp and glory and advantage and reward? He added to it the fire of a lover, and to that the force and mastery and compulsion of his dynamic power. She felt again the potent thrill of him, and the might and sweep and drive of him, and with the hot, tumbling words of love in her ears, and her senses a-reel, and her mind in its whirling exultation, she felt between them a sympathy and a union which it was not in human strength to deny! Something held her back, something made her withhold the word of promise, on the plea that she must have more time to think, to consider, to straighten out the tangle of her mind; but she suffered him to sweep her in his arms, and rain hot kisses upon her face, and to tell her, over and over and over and over, that she belonged to him, forever and forever!

CHAPTER XXI.

Allison's Private and Particular Devil.

The free and entirely uncurbed enjoyed an unusual treat. It had a sensation which did not need to be supported by a hectic imagination or a lurid vocabulary. Vedder court had been condemned for the use of the Municipal Transportation company! A new eight-track, double-deck tube was to be constructed through Crescent island to the mainland!

Grand climax! Through this tube and into Vedder court, at the platforms of the surface and L and subway cars, were to come the passenger trains of the new Atlantic-Pacific railroad, a line three hundred miles shorter than any now stretching between Broadway and the Golden Gate! Any reader of the daily press, of whom there are several, knows precisely what the free and entirely uncurbed did with this bit of simon-pure information. The glittering details began on the first page, turned on the second, continued on the fourth, jumped over to the seventh, and finished back among the real estate ads. It began early in the morning and it continued until late at night, fresh details piling upon each other in mad profusion, their importance limited only by the restrictions of type!

Extra! The trick by which the A.P. ran through the mountains over the Inland Pacific track!

Extra, extra! The compulsion by which the Midcontinent was brought to complete the big gap in the new A.P. system!

Tremendous extra! The contracts of freightage, subject strictly to the interstate commerce law, between A.P. and the cereal trust, the metal trust, the fuel trust, the cloth trust, and all the other iniquitous combinations in restraint of everything! Wow! Zowie! That was the hot one! The A.P. was the main stem, and within thirteen seconds of the appearance on the streets of the tremendous extra, every other fragile branchlet of a railroad not under the immediate protection of the A.P., was reduced to a shrivel, and its stocks began to drop with the sickening plunge of an unopened parachute!

Gail Sargent kept Nanette on the rush for extras from the first yell on the streets, and she read every word, including the underlines on the miscellaneous portraits of Allison and the funny pi-lines which invariably occurred in the middle of the most interesting sentences.

It was true, all true! Here was the first step in Allison's tremendous project an accomplished fact. The rest of it would be gradually revealed, from day to day, as suited his needs, and the empire he had planned would spread, until its circle touched, and overlapped, and broke into an intricate webbing, over all the land and water of the earth! And she was to be the empress!

Was she? Through all the night she had battled that question, and the battle had left traces of darkness around her luminous eyes.

Late in the afternoon Jim Sargent came home, drawn, fagged, and with hollows under his eyes. He had a violent headache, and he looked ten years older. He walked slowly into the library where Mrs. Sargent and Mrs. Davies and Gail were discussing the future of Vedder court, and dropped into a chair.

Grace Sargent rang a bell instantly. When Jim felt that way, he needed a hot drink first of all.

"What is the matter?" she asked him, the creases of worry flashing into her brow.

"It's been a hard day," he explained, forcing himself, with an effort, to answer. Years of persistent experience had taught him to follow the line of least resistance. "There has been a panic on 'change. Railroads are going to smash all up and down the line. Allison's new A.P. road. It's the star piracy of the century. Allison has brought into the railroad game the same rough-shod methods he used in his traction manipulations."

"Has your company been hurt, Jim?" asked his wife, fully prepared for the worst, and making up her mind to bear up bravely under it.

"Not yet," replied Sargent, and he passed his hand over his brow. He was already making a tremendous effort to brace himself for tomorrow's ordeal. "I escaped today by an accident. By some mistake the Towando Valley was mentioned as belonging to the new A.P. combination. Of course I didn't correct it, but tomorrow they'll know."

"Mr. Allison was responsible for that statement," Gail serenely informed her uncle. "He promised he'd take care of you."

"Great guns!" exploded her uncle. "What did you know about this thing?"

"All of it," smiled Gail. She had known that Allison would keep his word, but it gave her a strange sense of relief that he had done so.

Her Aunt Helen turned to her with a commanding eye; but Gail merely dimpled.

"Of course I couldn't say anything," went on Gail. "It was all in confidence. Isn't it glorious, Uncle Jim!"

"You wouldn't have thought so if you'd been down town today," responded her uncle, trying again to erase from his brow the damage which had been done to his nerves. "They wanted to mob Allison! He has cut the ground from under the entire railroad business of the United States! Their stocks have deflated an aggregate of billions of dollars, and the slump is permanent! He has bankrupted a host of men, rifled the pockets of a million poor investors; he has demoralized the entire transportation commerce of the United States; and he gave no one the show of a rat in a trap!"

"Isn't that business?" asked Gail, the red spots beginning to come into her cheeks.

"Not quite!" snapped her Uncle Jim. "Fiction has made that the universal idea, but there are decent men in business. The majority of them are, even in railroading. Most roads are organized and conducted for the sole purpose of carrying freight and passengers at a profit for the stockholders, and spectacular stock jobbing deals are the exception rather than the rule."

"Has Mr. Allison been more unfair than others who have made big consolidations?" demanded Gail, again aware of the severely inquiring eye of Aunt Helen.

"Rotten!" replied her uncle, with an emphasis in which there was much of personal feeling. "He has taken tricky

advantage of every unprotected loophole. He won from the Inland Pacific, at the mere cost of trackage, a passage which the Inland built through the mountains by brilliant engineering and at an almost countless cost."

"Isn't that accounted clever?" asked Gail.

"So is the work of a confidence man or a wire-tapper!" was the retort. "But they are sent to jail just the same. The Inland created something. It built, with brains and money and force, and sincere commercial enterprise, a line which won it a well-earned supremacy of the Pacific trade. It was entitled to keep it; yet Allison, by making with it a tricky contract for the restricted use of the key to its supremacy, uses that very device to destroy it. He has bankrupted, or will have done so, a two thousand mile railroad system, which is of tremendous commercial value to the country, in order to use a hundred miles of its track and remove it from competition! Allison has created nothing. He has only seized, by stealth, what others have created. He is not even a commercial highwayman. He is a commercial pickpocket!"

Gail had paled by now.

"Tell me one thing," she demanded. "Wouldn't any of the railroad men have employed this trick if they had been shrewd enough to think of it?"

"A lot of them," was the admission, after an awkward pause. "Does that make it morally and ethically correct?"

"You may be prejudiced, Jim," interpolated Aunt Helen, moving closer to Gail. "If they are all playing the game that way, I don't see why Mr. Allison shouldn't receive applause for clever play."

"You bet I'm prejudiced!" snarled Sargent, overcoming his weariness and pacing up and down the library floor. "He came near playing my road the same trick he did the Inland Pacific. He secured control of the L. & C., because it has a twenty-year contract for passage over fifty miles of our track. He'd throw the rest of our line away like a peanut hull, if he had not promised Gail to protect me. I'm an object of charity!"

"Oh!" It was a scarcely audible cry of pain. Aunt Helen moved closer, and patted her hand. Gail did not notice the action.

"Why did he make you that promise, Gail?" demanded her uncle, turning on her suddenly, with a physical motion so much like her father's that she was startled.

"He wants me to marry him," faltered Gail.

Aunt Grace sat down by the other side of Gail.

"Have you accepted him, dear?" she asked.

There was a lump in Gail's throat. She could not answer!

"She'll never marry him with my consent!" stormed her Uncle Jim. "Nor with Miles! The fellow's an unscrupulous scoundrel! He's made of cruelty from his toes to his hair! He stops at nothing! He even robbed Market Square church of six million dollars!"

Gail's head suddenly went up in startled inquiry. She wanted still to defend Allison; but she dreaded what was to come.

"We wouldn't sell him Vedder court at his price; so he took it from us at six million less than he originally offered. He did that by a trick, too."

All three women looked up at him in breathless interest.

"He had the city condemn Vedder court," went on Sargent. "If he had condemned it outright for the Municipal Transportation company, he would have had to pay us about the amount of his original offer; but his own private and particular devil put the idea into his head that the Vedder court tenements should be torn down anyhow, for the good of the public! So he had the buildings condemned first, destroying six million dollars' worth of value; then he had the ground condemned! Tim Corman probably got

about a million dollars for that humanitarian job!"

A wild fit of sobbing startled them all.

CHAPTER XXII.

Love.

Allison swept Gail into his arms, and rained hot kisses upon her, crushing her closely to him. She offered no resistance, and the very fact that she held so supinely in his arms, made Allison release her sooner than he might otherwise have done. She had known that this experience must come, that no look or gesture or word of hers could ward it off.

"You must never do that again," she told him, stepping back from him, and regaining her breath with an effort. She had lingered in the front parlors to receive him before her Uncle Jim should know that he was in the house, and she had led him straight into the little tete-a-tete reception room. She meant to free herself quickly.

"Why not?" he laughed, and advanced toward her, taking her attitude lightly, ascribing her action to a girlish whim, confident in his power over her. He meant to dispose of her coyness by taking her in his arms again. She belonged to him.

"Mr. Allison." The tone was cold enough, and deadly in earnest enough to arrest him.

"What's the matter, Gail?" he protested, ready to humor her, to listen to what she had to say, to smooth matters out.

"You have no right," she told him. "Yes I have," he jovially assured her. "I hope I don't have to wait until after marriage for a kiss. If that's the case I'll take you out and marry you right now."

There was an infection in his laugh, contagion in the assumption that all was right between them, and that any difference was one which could be straightened out with jolly patience, and Gail, though her determination would not have changed, might have softened toward him, had she not seen in his face a look which paled her lips. Ever since last night he had anticipated her, had rejoiced in his possession of her, had dreamed on the time when he should take her for his own; and his eyes were cloudy with his thoughts of her.

"Let us have a clear understanding, Mr. Allison." She was quite erect, and looking him directly in the eyes. Her own were deep and troubled, and the dark trace which had been about them in the morning had deepened. "I told you last night that I should need time in which to decide; I have decided. I shall not marry you."

He returned her gaze for a moment, and his brow clouded.

"You've changed since last night," he charged her.

"Possibly," she admitted. "It is more likely, however, that I have merely crystallized. I prefer not to discuss it." She saw on his face the growing instinct to humiliate her.

"You must discuss it," he insisted. "Last night when I took you in my arms you made no objection. I was justified in doing it again tonight. You're not a fool. You knew from the first that I wanted you, and you encouraged me. Now, I'm entitled to know what has made the change."

The telltale red spots began to appear in her cheeks.

"You," she told him. "Last night, your scheme of world empire seemed a wonderful thing to me, but since then I've discovered it cannot be built without dishonesty and cruelty; and you've used both."

His brow cleared. He laughed heartily.

"You've been reading the papers. There isn't a man in the financial field who wouldn't do everything I've done; and he proud of it. I can make you see this in the right light, Gail."

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IN AND ABOUT PHILLIPS

A regular meeting of North Franklin Pomona Grange No. 22, P. of H., will be held in Grange hall, Phillips, on Thursday, January 20th at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. Picnic dinner. The 5th degree will be conferred. The officers will be installed by the Treasurer of the Maine State Grange, E. E. Addison of Leeds. As this is the annual meeting the committees and officers will make their annual reports.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Field were in Farmington for the afternoon Saturday.

Mrs. H. B. Austin expects to return home from Augusta Monday of next week.

The Ladies' Social Union will hold their regular meeting at the Parish House, Tuesday afternoon, January 18 at the usual hour. Mrs. H. W. True and Mrs. D. F. Field will be the hostesses.

The Christmas Present Club was entertained Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. H. W. True. Refreshments were served. The club will meet with Mrs. J. W. Brackett in two weeks.

Mrs. Carroll Noyes has been on the sick list this week.

Mrs. H. H. Field was in Farmington Saturday afternoon.

The many friends of H. H. Haskell in this section will be interested to know that he is at Tampa, Florida, this winter acting as assistant manager of the Tampa Bay Hotel. This hotel is one of the most spacious and luxurious in the South and is called the Moorish palace of the South. Mr. Haskell was assistant manager last season and it goes without saying that he is competent to assist in the management of an enormous hotel as is this and his Franklin county friends wish him a large amount of success in this his second season.

Will Douglass and Millard Wells have moved their families to Phillips to the bakery building on Main street and are continuing the business formerly conducted by H. E. Batchelder.

We are very sorry to report the ill health of Mr. Francis Farnham. M. W. Toothaker is taking his place in the mill of the International Mfg. Co.

At the annual business meeting of the Union Sunday school held Saturday night at the Parish House the following officers were elected: Supt., Miss G. V. Wilbur; Ass't. Supt., Mrs. E. R. Toothaker; Supt. of cradle roll, Mrs. Bonney Webber; Secretary and treasurer, Roy Grover; organist, Kathleen Noble; clerk, Miriam Brackett. It is worthy of note that Roy Grover has not been absent from Sunday school for the past three years.

The annual business meeting of the Phillips Public library was adjourned from Tuesday evening of this week until Tuesday evening of next week. Members will please bear the date in mind.

Friends sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Steward in the loss of their little four months old son, Brice Preston who died Tuesday night.

M. W. Toothaker has been suffering quite severely for the past week or two with lumbago.

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Mrs. Will True went to their camp at Dallas, Monday for a few days. Mrs. Dora Jones is housekeeper in her absence.

Friends in Phillips have received announcement of the arrival of a little son in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Roland S. Newton, January 5, in Westboro, Mass. The little one is named James Smith Newton and weighs 9 1/4 pounds. Mrs. Newton was formerly Miss Florence Smith of Phillips.

Messrs. Bent and Ripley of Boston of the International Mfg. Co., made a business trip to Phillips this week.

The Union Sunday school is packing a Missionary barrel to be sent within a few days. Anyone having articles they wish to send can leave them with Alice Parker. The clothing will go into a family of eight boys and girls, the ages ranging from 18 months to 17 years.

Gertrude Stillman is again attending school, after several weeks' confinement to the house by the injury to her knee.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Matthews have recently moved from Rumford to Auburn where Mr. Matthews has a position with Merrill & Webber, printers, as pressman and they have taken a rent on Main street. One reason for their removal was the health of their little daughter, Pauline who has been sick a large part of the time since they went to Rumford.

C. E. Parker and Miss Blanche Kenniston have made changes in real estate as far as talk goes, Miss Kenniston having bought the residence of Mrs. Mary Parker and Mr. Parker buying her place at the upper village. We congratulate Miss Kenniston on her purchase as this house is one of the best built houses in town, modern in structure and a handsome residence.

Mrs. Mary Tyler wishes to thank her friends through the Maine Woods for the many post cards received by her at Christmas. Mrs. Tyler is very appreciative of kindnesses shown her.

TORY HILL

Jan. 11.

Ernest Smith has gone to Kingfield to work in the woods for Harold Hutchins.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Tyler and little son were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Mitchell, Sunday.

Carl Grover is loading pulpwood on the cars at Hillside for Geo. Willard. Howard Gates has finished work for Bonney Webber and is at home for a short time.

D. W. Toothaker is a guest at Will

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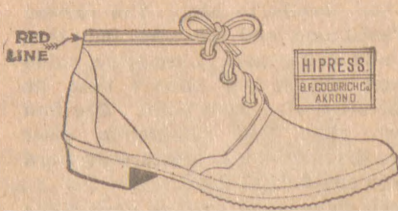
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