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WHOLE No. 3283.

A. E. FISH & SON

Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Flour, Feed, Grain, Etc.

SPECIAL We shall sell 41 per cent. Protein Cotton Seed Meal from car Friday and Saturday at \$1.60 per hundred.

QUAKER FLOUR on these two days \$2.95 per bag. This is the last chance you will have of obtaining this flour at that price until another wheat crop—sure.

Respectfully yours,

A. E. FISH & SON.

Ayer's Cliff, Que., Jan 13th, 1909.

A. G. Clough, Ayer's Cliff, Que.

Our annual half price sale commences with this issue of the JOURNAL, these lines of goods are marked down regardless of cost.

DRESS GOODS, NOTE THE PRICES

45 cent Black Serge	29 cents	\$1.25 Venetian	65 cents
15 " Dress Goods	9 "	60 cent Voile	39 "
19 " " "	12 "	25 " Cashmere	16 "
50 " Brown Mohair	32 "	65 " Fancy Goods	39 "
\$1.00 Dress Tweeds	69 "	65 " Serge	33 "
\$1.50 Silk Plaids	75 "	50 " Mohair	27 "
65 cent Scotch Tweed	43 "	\$1.30 Fancy Mohair	50 "
60 " Serge	35 "	12 cent Gingham	8 "
35 " Cashmere	19 "	500 yds. 8 1/2 c. Print	5 3-4 "
75 " " "	40 "	600 " 7 1/2 c. Cambric	3 7-8 "
\$1.25 Ladies Cloth	75 "	60 75c. Gents Caps	39 "

450 Rolls Wall Paper from 15 to 40 cents, per roll 9 cents.

Another large list for next weeks issue.

Maple Sugar taken in exchange, also I will sell Corn Meal from old corn \$1.35 per cwt. by the ton.

Bran \$1.15 " " " "

Ground Corn and Oats \$1.48 per cwt., also Shorts, Middlings ground Wheat, etc. I guarantee to sell all feeds at less than Mill prices.

Oglivies flour \$3.15, during this sale \$2.92.

TOO BUSY TO WRITE

But give me a call as I am never too busy to receive your work most courteously. Remember early closing nights, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 6 p.m.

B. F. STEWART.

Graduate Boston Horological School.

COFFEE,

Although universally cherished, is a subject which disappoints and provokes, through its shifting degrees of goodness, the most patient housewife or hostess. It requires more than money to provide uniform and unvarying quality of coffee in the cup.

Our "High Mount" Coffee is a solution of all the difficulties which confront the coffee expert. It is a blend of the highest grades which fertile soil and scientific cultivation can produce.

There are few, indeed, who will not pronounce "High Mount" coffee as palatable, tempting, refreshing and surpassing a drink as one could desire to make from the coffee bean.

The Daly Grocery Co.

TOWN TOPICS.

Miss Annie Martin is spending a few days at her old home in Barnston.

Miss Edna Caswell returned to Montreal on Monday to continue her work at Victoria College. Mrs. Caswell accompanied her for a few days' stay.

The trustees of the library are investigating the fire escape question, and will during the coming season put some on the building at such openings as is deemed necessary.

The ascertaining of the height of the old elm tree enables us to determine whether it would strike any of the buildings near, and measurement shows that it would not, as it is only a little in excess of 76 feet.

Mr. William M. Pike left yesterday for his annual trip to Cuba, and Mr. George Tice went with him. Mr. Pike will soon be in his shirt sleeves and Panama hat picking grape fruit.

The announcement that the old elm tree is to be dismembered will interest people in retaining at least a remembrance of it, and this can be done by securing a photograph. Chas. E. Crawford has some very good ones of the old landmark.

Mr. J. B. Holton of West Charleston, who has been on the board of directors of the local National Bank, owing to ill health was unable to attend the monthly meetings and was succeeded by the new members of the board.

Mr. Henry Demick has purchased the James Bradford store in Holland. Mr. Demick will be remembered as the very accommodating stage driver between Derby Line and Island Pond of several years ago, and for the last few years has been in the waffle business in Boston.

Wednesday morning the weather conditions prevailing locally will be of interest to our readers in the warmer climes. The thermometer stood 32° below at Lee Farm. The total snow fall was 67 inches for the season. The recent thaw had spoiled the sleighing, but the snow fall of Monday and Tuesday has corrected this, and everything is normal.

TOWN TOPICS.

Mr. James F. Telford is in Montreal on business.

Miss Linda Harding left last week for Hamilton, Ont., where she is teaching in a Ladies College.

Mr. Charles H. Kathan was in Sherbrooke on Wednesday to attend the annual meeting of the Scott Fish and Game Club, of which he is vice-president.

We note by an exchange that our esteemed townsman, Mr. M. A. Adams of Derby Center, was elected treasurer of the State Dairyman's Association at the annual meeting held at Burlington last week.

We notice that editor D. W. Hildreth of the Express & Standard, Newport, packs his kit and gets away to Florida for the trying months of the year and leaves the "force" to hustle for copy and do the many other acts of publication. Lucky man to have won out to this extent, and it's a robust compliment to the "force."

One of the JOURNAL staff received a letter from Mr. John Kelley of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, the former Customs official at the Derby Line office. He wished to be remembered to old friends. Evidently John is prospering and doing good fortune is handing out a reasonable portion. He is in a fine Eastern Iowa town and the Vermont of the West.

Mr. W. E. Taylor, who has lately been visiting relatives and friends in Stanstead County, after an absence of several years, left for his home in Bonanza, Wyoming, Friday. He was accompanied by his sister, Mrs. B. B. Albee, of Beebe Plain, and their niece and nephew, Muriel and Ralph, orphan children of the late Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Taylor.

Mr. Henry A. Vurbeck and Miss Ella LaCass of Holland were united in marriage at the Hotel, Derby Line, Friday evening, January 8th, Rev. J. G. Hindley of the Congregational Church at Rock Island, performed the ceremony in the presence of some of the guests of the hotel. The young people are to reside in Holland. Mr. Vurbeck is the son of Mr. Joseph Vurbeck of Holland.

Mr. McNaney tested the thickness of the wall of the old elm tree yesterday with an auger and found it 11 inches near the ground, and 9 inches about 40 feet from the ground. This probably insures its safety for a good many years, and it's not necessary about its being blown down. McNaney and Girard are ready to trim it, but are waiting to be assured of their compensation before doing it.

Some good citizen became alarmed about the fire hazard of the Haskell Free Library and Opera House building, and reported it to the Provincial authorities at Quebec, and an inspector of public buildings for this district, Mr. R. H. Gooley, was in town Saturday and thoroughly inspected the building, and gave it a clean bill of health, pronouncing it one of the best in his district. This will dispose of any timidity in the future, and all will feel safe in the building.

The appointment of Mr. Frank C. Williams of Newport as State Bank Commissioner, is a disposition of this important office that should meet the approval of the whole state, and it is certainly in line with Gov. Prouty's high standard of selection for all of his appointments thus far. Mr. Williams succeeds a very painstaking and able official, Mr. Luther A. Cobb of Island Pond, and we imagine he will find the State Banks very clean when he takes up the work.

Col. Haskell was very much surprised that any one should, after so many years of using the halls of the villages, attempt to discredit a modern and practically fire proof building. Certainly the result of the inspection proves there was grounds for surprise on the donor's part. The Col. was very glad to have the building inspected, but it was a fact, that both he and his late mother, Madame Haskell, gave a great deal of thought to this one feature, that of safety, and there isn't a building in this section that is in its class in this respect.

The National Bank of Derby Line held its annual meeting on Tuesday. The attendance of stockholders was small and the following directors were elected: Hon. Z. M. Mansur, Gen. John G. Foster, D. W. Davis, Benjamin Hinman, Stoddard B. Bates, F. T. Caswell, Gen. F. G. Butterfield and Col. Charles E. Nelson. At a meeting of the directors the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Z. M. Mansur; vice-pres., John G. Foster; cashier, D. W. Davis. The usual dividend was voted and there was an increase in the earnings over former years.

TOWN TOPICS.

Band at Olympic Skating Rink, Friday evening. Mr. Shirley Ticehurst, cornet soloist.

Centenary Methodist Church, Jan. 17, 1909. Morning, Immortality. Evening, The Soul.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gooley of Coaticook were in Stanstead from Friday till Tuesday, guests of P. A. Bissonnet, M. L. A.

You can now get a \$10.00 Hat for \$5.00, \$6.00 Hat for \$3.00 at Mrs. J. A. Roy's from Saturday the 16th to Saturday the 23rd.

Mrs. (Rev.) J. G. Hindley is at home from Montreal, where she went to spend the New Year's holidays at her old home.

Michel Davio, the oldest resident of this section, died at midnight, Tuesday, at the home of Henry Malouin, Stanstead, where he has lately resided. His age is said to have been 103 years.

The dissolution of the firm of Waterman & Hunt, proprietors of the Rock Island Hardware Co., which has been pending for some time, was effected Tuesday. The business will be continued by Mr. Hunt.

Next Sabbath morning Mr. Hindley begins a series of sermons on "The Tests of Christianity." Morning theme, "The Evidence of History." Evening theme, "The Narrow Way." Soloist, Miss Johnson.

A sketch of the life of Richard Fasolt, who died in Philadelphia on the 14th ult., appears elsewhere in this paper. Prof. Fasolt was at one time at the head of the musical department of Stanstead College and was well-known here.

An informal dance was given by Mr. and Mrs. Ned Young at Odd Fellows' Hall, Tuesday night. The attendance was large and all report a pleasant time. Good music was furnished by Sunbury's Orchestra, A. B. Sunbury, Rock Island, violin; G. H. A. Brooke, Hatley, piano; Joseph Seguin, North Hatley, cornet.

Attention is hereby called to the change in time of the Quebec Central Ry. accommodation trains Nos. 15 and 16, particulars of which are shown in their advertising column. It will be noticed that these trains are only being run between Sherbrooke and Beauce Jct., instead of Sherbrooke and Levis as heretofore.

Mr. T. E. Demick, the owner of the mill on the Tomfobia above Judd's Mills, was a caller at the JOURNAL office to-day. He said it seemed good to again have water sufficient to run his mill, which he started Monday, it having been shut down since July. It had been possible to grind a little feed during the time, but not to any extent.

The Scott Fish and Game Club held their annual meeting at the Grand Central Hotel in Sherbrooke, Wednesday. There was about the usual attendance. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Dr. M. S. McDonald, Marbleton, Que.; vice-president, C. H. Kathan, Rock Island, Que.; financial sec'y, and treas., J. R. McFadden, Bishop's Crossing, Que.; cor. secretary, H. L. Riley, St. Jean de Dieu, Que.; Gen. Paul Lang, Sherbrooke, Que.; F. R. Hooker, Bishop's Crossing, Que.; H. B. Stewart, Beebe Plain, Que.; game warden and manager, J. H. Gorham, St. Jean de Dieu, Que. This club is prosperous and holds its memberships gradually increasing from year to year. Its membership is made up of many of our most prominent sportsmen. The local membership is quite large.

Arrangements for the acquisition of the plant and business of the Lay Whip Company, by Mr. T. J. Norris and a few associates were completed this week. The transaction has been pending for some time and on Saturday night Mr. Norris went to Westfield, Mass., where the final transfer of the bulk of the stock was made. The management of the company will, of course, remain unchanged. The officers now are: President, J. O. St. Pierre; Vice-President, Henry Tomkins; Secretary-Treasurer and manager, T. J. Norris. While the stock is now nearly all in the hands of local men, citizens of this place will be pleased to know that Mr. E. R. Lay, the late President and founder of the business, and his son Edward still hold a minority interest. In the early days of the industry Mr. E. R. Lay was a resident of this place, and the solid foundation upon which the business has been built up was largely the result of his energy and foresight. His associate was Mr. Norris, into whose hands the control has now passed and it is not expected that the business will be affected by the transfer.

Why on Earth People Don't Buy More

Silver Knives and Forks when they can get our Rogers' Best 12 dwt. Round Handled Knives and Forks in the regular \$4.00 Grade at \$3.50 per doz. (12 pieces) we can't understand.

True, we have sold 75 doz. of these during the past year, but would have sold twice as many if people had realized the value we are giving—the fact is we buy these goods of the manufacturers at the very lowest Jobber's price and are giving YOU the benefit. See here! send us \$3.50 give us your address and we will send you 6 knives and 6 forks, or 12 knives, or 12 forks—1 dozen pieces, as you may desire.

EXPRESS PAID TO YOUR STATION.

We do this just to have you see these goods. Mention this ad. It pays to buy Silverware of

True & Blanchard Co., - Newport.

Libby & Ansell, Ayer's Cliff, Que.

We have opened a large Carriage Show Room in the Clough Block, where the farmers can see on exhibition a good line of Sleighs, Carriages, Harnesses, Robes, Blankets, Halters, also McCormick and Deering Farm Implements, Chatham Farm Wagons, also International Gasoline Engines, and all lines of the Grimm Mfg. Co. sugar tools.

In addition to new goods we have some second-hand sugar tools, that we have taken in exchange for new evaporators, which will be sold cheap.

Gould, Shepley and Muir & Co's Windmills, Tanks and Pumps. The National Gas Co's Generators for lighting houses and Stores. Stoves, Ranges and Furnaces, Carriage Bolts of all sizes.

We have employed a first-class Harness Maker, and can give you hand made Harnesses, both single or double as well as the sale made goods, also repair work done at right prices.

We are in a position to give easy terms or a very liberal discount for cash.

TOWN TOPICS.

Remember the sale at Mrs. J. A. Roy's. Hats below cost, also sale on all trimmings.

The True & Blanchard Co. offer to send, express paid, one dozen \$4.00 Rogers knives or forks for \$3.50. See ad.

At the Universalist Church next Sunday, 10:45 a. m.: subject: "Spiritual Conflicts and the man who would not let God go away from him." Gen. 32:26.

The season for the Choral Union opened last Monday evening under promising conditions. Some 40 members were enrolled, and the names of several others still remain on the list of those who have agreed to belong. It looks as though the required number of 60 would be secured next Monday evening, when the second opportunity for enrollment will occur. Let nobody say that he will wait and see if 60 enroll before he joins, for that argument continued from person to person would be death to the enterprise. All who are interested must by present next Monday evening or send their proxy with their fees, that the management may know exactly where they stand. We have heard many favorable criticisms of the impression which Prof. May made on the occasion of his first appearance as Director, and his strong and capable voice, which he uses unsparingly in aiding the several parts, helps to carry along the chorus wonderfully. We make special appeal to the men of this community to lend their presence and their voices.

The old Elm Tree at the southeast corner of the "Baxter Flat," as it is locally called, through the influence of its many friends has obtained a reprieve from the original sentence of decapitation, and is to be shorn of its dead and threatening branches and allowed to continue its mission. Already the tree doctors, Nelny and Girard are ready with ladders and ropes to perform the operation, capping the top of the body to shut out the swallows, thereby making it safe. We succeeded in getting the measurements of the tree Tuesday, judging this feature would be of interest to all interested in this old landmark. It is 76 feet and four inches in height—6 feet and three inches in diameter at the ground line—3 feet and three inches at the top. If it was solid there would be a little less than 10 solid cords of wood in it. The age of this tree is not far from 267 years. Our method of determining its age is based upon a tree we have seen cut that was 7 feet and two inches on the line at which it was sawed from its stump, and of course that was only a matter of counting the annual rings of growth and we are probably within six or eight years of its actual age.

LIBBYTOWN

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Sargent of Ayer's Cliff visited at W. H. Davidson's on Friday.

Miss Hazel Morrill spent a few days with her friend, Miss Grace Libby recently.

Mr. F. B. Morrill of Stanstead spent Sunday at Glenhurst Farm.

Miss Flora Paul has returned to her school duties at Sawyerville.

Miss Agnes Smith of Stanstead visited her friend, Miss C. M. Davidson over Sunday.

Rev. L. H. Fisher of Barnston was at Mr. I. M. Wyman's on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hills of Boynton were the guests of her sister, Mrs. A. J. Breakley recently.

WOMAN'S READING CLUB.

The Club met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. H. T. Bryant, it being the postponed meeting planned for January fifth.

Tuesday was a stormy day nevertheless a very good number were present and enjoyed the carefully prepared program.

One item of business discussed is of public interest, it is this: After all expenses were deducted from the proceeds of last week's benefit concert there remained in the treasury thirty-eight dollars and twenty-five cents, which the Club voted should be forwarded for the benefit of the children's Memorial Hospital, Montreal, making the total benefit to the hospital from this source \$63.25.

After roll call, current events were very pleasantly brought to mind through the reading by Mrs. Holmes of various news items chosen by her.

Mrs. Wright Hovey and Miss Colby played two beautiful selections, for four hands, taken from an Italian love song.

Doris Hovey was realistic in her recitation of "Lone Sawyer's Fence." Miss Lily Moreau sang two very pleasing songs accompanied by Mrs. Hovey.

Miss Eva Jamieson, in the absence of her sisters, read a very interesting paper on "The Burrows Music Course," the kindergarten method, which Miss Jamieson enthusiastically endorses and teaches.

Mrs. Telford followed the paper with a fine rendering of Longfellow's "Sandalphon."

Miss Jamieson then sang "Smile A Little," accompanied by Miss Colby. The clearly spoken words set to fitting melody were full of a good resolution for the New Year.

Miss Iris Rodey was much applauded for her rendering of the closing number, a song, "Baby's not for Sale."

The next meeting will be held Jan. 19 at the home of Mrs. Wright Hovey. This will be an "afternoon with Shakespeare" and the Club is promised the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Sylvester Jencks of Sherbrooke, who has promised to give her paper: "The women of Shakespeare" on that occasion.

GEORGEVILLE

No evidence of race suicide in Georgeville. While time lasts we shall have citizens. Henry Hutchins is the happy father of a new son, while Edward Martel rejoices in the possession of another olive branch, a daughter.

At the election of councilors at Smith's Mills on Monday. Mr. W. Bullock was elected by acclamation to succeed Mr. W. H. Rediker, who resigned from office.

Mr. Cheney Copp visited relatives here last week.

Mr. J. Potts of Montreal is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Wm. Wright.

Mr. Andrew McGowan is suffering from a severe attack of pleurisy. He is attended by Dr. Bowen.

Miss Eva Bullock has gone to New York for a visit to relatives.

Miss Erema Copp of Derby is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. John Bly.

Egg stories are becoming very popular in Georgeville. The latest is the best. One man has an enterprising hen which lays two eggs a day.

Burrows Course of Music.

The Misses Jamieson will conduct an open lesson with their pupils in the parlors of the Centenary Methodist Church, Thursday, Jan. 21st at 4 p. m. It will be a practical demonstration of the method, and they will be pleased to welcome all who may be interested.

VERMONT ITEMS.

Mr. Wilson, aged about 94 years, died December 29 at the home of her son, Willoughby Wilson, of Lowell.

Charles N. Moulton has been appointed postmaster at East Charleston, vice W. E. Tripp, resigned.

The Senate has confirmed President Roosevelt's appointment of Arthur F. Stone as postmaster of St. Johnsbury, vice L. D. Hazen resigned.

The Rev. J. G. Hindley of Derby Line, who conducted the devotional exercises in the House Thursday morning, is a brother of Editor H. L. Hindley of the Rutland Herald.

All of H. E. Parker's printing plant at Bradford, with the exception of enough machinery to print the Opinion, has been moved this week to Montpelier.

The people of St. Johnsbury and vicinity saved \$200,000 more last year than in 1907, according to the statements of the two savings banks there. More than \$1,300,000 is on deposit.

Island Pond's vital statistics for 1908 show a marked falling off in births and deaths and a big increase in marriages as follows: In 1908, births 47, marriages 28, deaths 35; 1907, births 65, marriages 17, deaths 45.

Thursday Senator C. S. Page was appointed chairman of the committee to investigate trespasses upon Indian lands and a member on the fisheries and on revision of the laws of the United States.

Charles S. Baker, for some years editor and publisher of the Danby Mirror, has gone to Brattleboro to take charge of the New England Farmer and unless Mr. Baker sells the Mirror it will be discontinued.

Mrs. May B. Lackie of East Ryegate has presented the museum at St. Johnsbury with a plow that is 100 years old and which was used by James Beattie in building the river road from Wells River to McIndoes Falls about 1830.

The sixtieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Myron Paige was quietly observed with a family gathering at their home in West Salisbury Sunday, January 3, Mr. and Mrs. Paige are both remarkably active and well preserved.

Lucien D. Cole of Newburyport, Mass., has again shown interest in the progressive movement of the village of West Charleston, by presenting to the Mothers' Club Reading Room a beautifully bound volume of the 1908 issues of "The Youth's Companion."

Since October 1, Bellows Falls has been a general distributing point by the post-office department for the state of Vermont of its postal cards and blank stamped envelopes. The supplies are shipped to that point from the manufacturers in Michigan in carload lots.

Ephraim Smith of Newport has been appointed private secretary to Congress-man-elect Frank Plumley of Northfield and will assume his duties February 1. Mr. Smith is a graduate of Dartmouth College in the class of 1906, and has, since graduation, engaged in teaching.

The town of Andover appropriates \$15 annually for the purchase of books for its library of from 1,900 to 2,000 volumes and yet the librarian's report for 1908 shows 3,652 volumes and 2,005 magazines were taken out. Some 80 books and 300 magazines were given the library which helped out the \$15 appropriation.

Mrs. W. M. Smith of Stowe has a piece of continental currency, No. 15-373, inscribed as follows: "This bill entitles the bearer to receive seven Spanish milled dollars or the value thereof in gold or silver according to the resolution of Congress passed at Baltimore February 23, 1777. R. Smith, Wm. Spencer."

State Fish and Game Commissioner H. G. Thomas, of Stowe, has appointed wardens as follows: J. R. Applebee, of Island Pond, for Essex County; W. B. Nichols, of Essex Junction, Chittenden county; O. R. Packard and Fred W. Hayward, of Rutland, Rutland county; H. J. Parcher, of Waterbury, Washington county.

The directors of Northfield's new banking institution, the Northfield Trust company, have voted to call in one half the capital stock of \$50,000 by February 1 and commence business shortly after that time. W. C. Washburne, the treasurer, is studying banking in the offices of the Capital Savings Bank & Trust company at Montpelier.

A large amount of Western travel is recorded at the office of W. J. Avery, agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Newport. The sale of tickets to various Western points for the year 1908 was \$8,235.51, an increase of \$713-04 over last year. The popularity of the C. P. R. as a trans-continental route is fast gaining ground.

Mrs. Julia C. E. Dorr of Rutland, Judge Wendell P. Stafford of Washington, D. C., and Chaplain A. J. Hough of the Vermont House of Representatives have acceded to the request of Horace W. Bailey, who is preparing a book to be used in the public schools in connection with the Champlain tercentenary celebration, to write poems for that publication, which will be issued in March.

VERMONT ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Wright, of Burlington, quietly celebrated Wednesday the sixty-first anniversary of their marriage.

We note by an exchange that Mr. Horace W. Wilker, a merchant at West Charleston has decided not to allow smoking in his store.

New corporations formed in Vermont in 1908 numbered 199. Of these 17 had no capital stock and the remainder have a capital on paper of \$1,854,275.

The Vermont Marble Co., Proctor, through the medium of its New York branch, has just secured the contract for the furnishing of the marble work, both interior and exterior, of the Ives library, to be built at New Haven, Conn. The price to be paid for it is approximately \$100,000.

The Vermont Association of Boston will hold its annual banquet at the Hotel Vendome in this city the evening of Thursday, January 23. Gov. George H. Prouty of Vermont and probably the Vermont delegation in Congress and other Vermonters will be among the after-dinner speakers.

Wallingford is progressive. Its citizens have voted to have the streets lighted by electricity and 30 incandescent lights of 40 candle power will be installed by the Rutland Light & Power company. Ladders and buckets for the fire department have arrived and a new fire alarm system will soon be in working order.

At the Dairymen's 39th annual meeting held at Burlington last week, the following officers were elected: President, C. F. Eddy of Stowe; first vice-president, T. G. Bronson of Hardwick; second vice-president, J. B. Candon of Pittsford; secretary, F. L. Davis of Hartford; treasurer, M. A. Adams of Derby; auditor, C. F. Smith of Morrisville.

Eben Bruce of West Charleston, possesses among his cherished heirlooms his grandfather's Bible, in which are several entries on the fly leaves in his grandfather's beautiful plain handwriting concerning the remarkable winter of 1807, when the snow in the woods of Wallingford was a little more than seven feet deep on a level.

The State board of pharmacy held its closing session Wednesday morning. During the past year this board has examined 45 candidates, granted licenses to 14 and revoked 10 licenses for various causes. The officers elected for the ensuing year are: President, J. G. Bellrose of Burlington; secretary, D. F. Davis of Barre; treasurer, W. R. Warner of Vergennes.

It was recently announced in the daily newspapers that Hugh H. Watson, son of Judge and Mrs. John H. Watson, of Montpelier, was one of those from Vermont who successfully passed the examinations for student interpreter and assistant United States consul, when, in fact, Mr. Watson passed with high rank the full examination for consul. He is now stationed at Yarmouth, N. S.

The quarterly report of the Vermont soldiers' home, Bennington, for the last quarter of 1908 shows the following data: Number present this quarter, 96; last quarter, 75; 13 absent on leave; number present and absent, 108; last quarter, 89. During the period there were re-admitted and admitted 30 members, and lost by discharge or death, 9. The average number present during the quarter was 36; average present and absent, 101.

There are some worldly compensations in the scholar's life even if it is not passed in the limelight or among the fleshpots. The hearty and heartfelt congratulations of America's educational world showered upon President James B. Angell of the University of Michigan on his 80th birthday would have made any old warhorse proud. Memories of his service as president of the University of Vermont are mingled in the long retrospect of his career as an educationalist.

The schools opened a school savings bank in connection with the Barton Savings bank Wednesday morning. This system is very successful in other places and one that creates a habit of saving. The teachers receive any amount from one cent up from any student and then give receipt. These amounts are placed in the savings bank under a general fund, as the bank will not take deposits less than one dollar, but at any time when a pupil has deposited an amount that will equal one dollar a regular bank book is issued to the pupil.

Levi J. Bolster, aged 72 years, the richest man in Barre, who died December 22 of cancer of the stomach, was a native of Windhall. He passed his boyhood in his native town, and later lived in Dummerston and Brattleboro, working as a farm hand. He started his business career from Brattleboro, going on the road selling silk. He settled in Barre in 1860 and for some time after going there continued his silk business. He then branched into the real estate business. He had a good judgment of real estate values and in the rapid development of Barre accumulated a fortune. Mr. Bolster used to be a semi-annual caller at Derby Line.

VERMONT ITEMS.

At the annual meeting of the Orleans County Fair Association held at Hotel Barton the 5th, it was voted to hold the 20th annual fair at Boaring Brook Park on September 7, 8, 9 and 10, 1909. The following officers were elected: President, H. H. Somers; secretary, C. A. Barrows; treasurer, Fred D. Pierce; general superintendent, H. T. Seaver; directors F. E. Alfred, John McLellan, J. G. Turnbull and H. T. Seaver.

The four presidential electors of Vermont, F. G. Butterfield, of Derby Line, W. B. Howe, of Burlington, H. D. Ryder of Bellows Falls and F. E. Howe of Bennington met at Montpelier Monday and organized by electing F. G. Butterfield as chairman and W. B. Howe as secretary. F. E. Howe was chosen messenger to carry the vote to Washington, and H. D. Ryder was appointed to report the vote cast to United States District Judge J. L. Martin of Brattleboro.

Charles DeF. Bancroft of Montpelier, the local statistician, has furnished the newspapers with a list of twelve persons in Montpelier who are over 90 years old, eight women and four men. Two have died during the past year, Mrs. Beulah H. Pinneo and Mrs. Hannah W. Ormsbee. Those living are: Mrs. Alvira Gilson, Mrs. Pauline Johnson, Mrs. Mary Thwing, Mrs. Louisa B. Proctor, Mrs. Mary B. Emery, Mrs. Ann M. Thwing, Mrs. Sarah L. Hyde, Mrs. Mary J. Wright, Horace D. Robbins, George E. Hayward, Francis Labouchere and T. C. Barrows.

Fred Quimby, of East Barnet, was brought to Brightlook hospital Saturday morning, suffering from concussion of the brain. Mr. Quimby is a carpenter, and with his son Fred was engaged in constructing a beam to a barn last Saturday afternoon, when the structure fell, a distance of twelve or fifteen feet. Heavy timbers fell on him, striking his head and rendering him unconscious until 1 o'clock the next afternoon. The physicians are hopeful that he may live, but his condition is serious. He is 46 years old, and has a wife, three sons and a daughter.

Hon. Mason S. Stone, State Superintendent of Education, has announced his intention of holding a "New Vermont Meeting" in Newport on Friday evening, Jan. 22nd. The speakers of the evening will be, besides Mr. Stone, Editor Frank L. Greene of St. Albans and Editor Willis C. Belknap of Bellows Falls. Several musical selections will be rendered by local talent. "New Vermont" meetings have been held in many places during the past year, and with great success. A very cordial invitation is extended to all to attend on the 22nd, and learn the exact meaning of the "New Vermont." Watch for further announcement in next week's issue.

Chamberlin Post Friday received a valuable collection of army and other relics from Mrs. T. L. Haviland, of Newbury. This was the property of her uncle, Henry H. Morgan of Manchester, N. H., whose remains were brought to Lyndon Center for interment on Thursday, and it was at his request that the gift was made. Mr. Morgan was a charter member of Chamberlin post. He was a member of Battery M, First Vermont Artillery. He was a collector of considerable note, and this collection, made while he was in the South, includes a flintlock musket, used at the battle of Plattsburg in the War of 1812, a wooden canteen used in the same war, valuable papers taken from Confederate as well as Union soldiers, numerous papers published in '64 and '65, hospital records, relics from Libby prison in which he was incarcerated, and a large collection of badges. This very interesting collection will be given by the post to Fairbanks Museum.

With the issue of January 6th the Orleans County Monitor of Barton commences its 38th year. The JOURNAL takes pleasure in extending to Editor Gilpin congratulations and best wishes for at least 38 more years of the same class of usefulness that has characterized the Monitor so far in its career. Both editorially and typographically our Barton neighbor is a very fitting tribute to its town. A clean, live and able newspaper is an important factor in a town, and we are very sure it will be possible to point to many results from this paper's progressive effort in the interest of every upbuilding movement in this up-to-date village, for Barton is growing and is enterprising; but the Monitor keeps its place in the procession, and we have failed to catch it playing "second fiddle" at any time in its history. Its new home is a point in evidence of our statement's truth, and Barton Village can find abundant reason for "crowing" about its newspaper. Come to think of it, what country village ever thought of taking its editor and his force, down to the "Devil," out for a good time, just to show them that they were appreciated? They generally wait until the editor is dead and the "Devil" has the business. Barton, follow Roosevelt's example and smash the precedent.

1909 Diaries at the JOURNAL office.

In Memory of Senator Proctor.

On Sunday the House of Representatives was turned into one of mourning, and many excellent tributes were voiced to the memory of the late senator. It is said that the galleries were well filled with relatives and friends of the one honored.

Representative Foster of the 1st district was the chairman or speaker pro tem, and spoke eloquently of Senator Proctor. He was followed by Messrs. Haskins of Vermont, Scott, Kansas; McCall, Massachusetts and Lamb of Virginia.

The Senate also pronounced eulogies on the service of their late contemporary. They were Senators Dillingham and Page of Vermont; Daniel of Virginia; Perkins of California; Clay of Georgia; Smoot of Utah; Crane of Massachusetts and Hemenway of Indiana.

All were most excellent, but the gem of the occasion was that given by Senator Page, it possessed the spirit of the Green Mountains, it voiced his native state's tribute in unmistakable devotion and the full spirit of loyalty; it was a thoughtful, loving tribute from the heart of a lifelong friend.

Senator Page was, in a sense, responsible for the event of Redfield Proctor's becoming a Senator, for he was Governor at the time of Senator Edmund's resignation, and it devolved upon him to appoint a successor, and Proctor was his choice; and to-day he is enjoying its compensations as his friend's successor. His tribute of Sunday will at some time be one of those incorporated in the course of literature in our common schools.

Reception to Col. and Mrs. Emery. The first social event of the season occurred on Friday evening, Jan. 1, when a reception was held by Col. and Mrs. C. S. Emery at their home on South street, Newport. Though they have resided here for the past three years, the health of Mrs. Emery has prevented their entertaining.

About 250 invitations were sent out and nearly 200 of the recipients were able to avail themselves of the privilege of attending. Col. and Mrs. Emery, Miss Sallie and Donald Emery received the guests, who after a season of social intercourse were invited to the dining room, which was in charge of Mrs. George B. Young, Mrs. F. D. Flint, and Mrs. A. A. Bishop presided at the table with Miss Helen Clarke and Miss Lucy Bean as waitresses. Bouillon, frappe, cake and coffee were served. Miss Alice Sherman served at the punch bowl and Miss Fee acted as attendant in the ladies' dressing room.

Music was furnished throughout the evening by the Newport orchestra, which was stationed in one of the upper rooms. The house was beautifully decorated with roses and carnations. The reception was set for from 7 till 10 p. m., but the large number of guests prolonged the festivities far beyond the latter hour.

All present agree that this was a good beginning for the New Year and wish their host an hostess the "best ever" and many happy returns of the day.—Monitor.

M. Y. Club. It might be of interest to the general public to know the condition of the Memphis Yacht club at the end of its first season. All know, who have had any connection with the organization, that from a social standpoint the project has proved successful.

When the clubhouse was completed the club had shouldered a debt of \$2,100. At the close of its first season there was money enough in the treasury to pay a handsome dividend on the stock, but at a meeting of the stockholders it was decided to apply the surplus to a reduction of the debt, which has been done and the present indebtedness is \$1000. There is still some stock that may be disposed of. The outlook for a more successful season this year is very bright.

Many persons in town have signified their intention of applying for membership in the spring and inquiries concerning the club are in coming from many outsiders.

Some improvements in the way of bathhouses etc., are contemplated, and it will be necessary to drive more piles as a protection against ice on the water front. It is safe to say that from an advertising standpoint this club and its fine summer home have already done much to help build up business in town.

Owing to pressure of other business the secretary-treasurer, A. H. Grout, has tendered his resignation and Geo. F. Root has taken his place. Much credit is due the officers of the club for its present prosperous condition.—Monitor.

Dear Killed by Counties. An official statement from State Game Commissioner H. G. Thomas gives the number of deer killed in Vermont during the open season of 1908 as 2,205 divided by counties as follows: Addison, 107; Bennington, 147; Caledonia, 115; Chittenden, 127; Essex, 61; Franklin, 93; Grand Isle, 1; Lamolle, 137; Orange, 134; Orleans, 90; Rutland, 269; Washington, 349; Windham, 191; Windsor, 384.

The Law and the Auto.

If the general assembly of Vermont enacts any legislation that refuses to recognize the automobile as a matter-of-fact feature of the every day economy of twentieth-century life and, as such, entitled to the use of the state highways on fair terms with all other means of locomotion and transportation, it will make itself the laughing stock of generations to come. The Messenger inclines to the opinion that there is a great deal of force in this editorial comment by the Newport Express & Standard:

"One not prejudiced in the cause can hardly see wherein the law taxing automobiles is exactly right or just. They have come to stay with us and therefore should be entitled to the same rights of the highway as the horse.

"What is the difference whether a man owns an automobile or a horse provided he pays a highway tax. Why isn't it just as reasonable to tax the horse according to its value for using the highway as the automobile according to its horse-power? Because the horse was first, don't give it an eternal claim to all rights of the highways by any means. So far as the highway is concerned both should be put on an equal basis."

The automobile is looked upon hereabouts as something of a plaything or luxury now, but it is just as certainly taking its place among the matter-of-fact necessities of the age as that the horse succeeded the ox in the same way. But there is this difference which makes even more in favor of the automobile—the automobile represents a definite and practical achievement in the long and persistent evolution of society away from the employment of muscle power and the substitution of machines that have none of the essential limitations of animal life, human or brute.

A whole volume, yes, a library might be written about man's incessant struggle to free himself from the limitations of mere muscle power. The whole history of our civilization would be in it.

The automobile is a monumental incident in that evolution that the most absurd laws that could be passed by a Vermont legislature cannot repudiate or discredit. The auto, or the principle it represents, is greater than any one assembly of lawmakers anywhere.—St. Albans Messenger.

Italian Relief. Congress responds to the President's recommendations, and the United States will give from its treasury to relieve Italians' needs not less than the equivalent of \$800,000 in food, supplies, stores and the like. Add to this the more than one million dollars received from private donors in the leading cities of the country, and it is not surprising that from England to Italy Europe comments on the Americans' generosity and alertness in meeting need.

The same virtues have been shown by Americans on the ground, tourists and residents in Italy, who have swiftly organized relief expeditions and who stand ready, co-operating with the American diplomatic representatives, to share in the responsibility of administering the relief funds now pouring in from this country.

Unfortunately for all concerned, the territory already smitten is still being visited by shocks and is likely to be, scientists say, for some days to come.—Boston Herald.

A SURPRISED MINISTER

"For many years I have been a sufferer from bronchial catarrh, and had despaired of anything like a cure. Judge of my pleasant surprise when I first used Hyomei, which brought complete relief. Hyomei has been a veritable Godsend."—Rev. Charles Hartley, Sardinia, Ohio.

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LOST.

In this place, at the lake or between the two, about the last of August, a heavy gray Coat Sweater. Finder will oblige a poor man by returning same to the JOURNAL office.

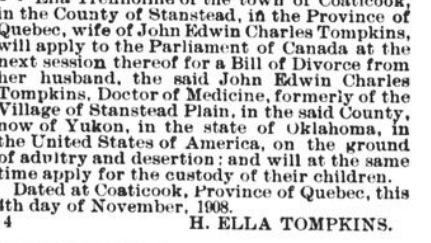
NOTICE is hereby given that Dame Hannah Ella Tompkins of the town of Coaticook, in the County of Stanstead, in the Province of Quebec, wife of John Edwin Charles Tompkins, will apply to the Parliament of Canada at the next session thereof for a Bill of Divorce from her husband, the said John Edwin Charles Tompkins, Doctor of Medicine, formerly of the Village of Stanstead Plain, in the said County, now of Yukon, in the state of Oklahoma, in the United States of America, on the ground of adultery and desertion; and will at the same time apply for the custody of their children. Dated at Coaticook, Province of Quebec, this 4th day of November, 1908. H. ELLA TOMPKINS.

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Eastern Townships Bank

Proceedings at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

The 50th Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the Eastern Townships Bank was held in the Board Room of the Bank, at Sherbrooke, Que., at 2 o'clock on Wednesday, December 2nd. There were present: Messrs. Wm. Farwell, S. H. C. Miner, C. H. Kathan, Gardner Stevens, A. C. Flummerfelt, G. G. Foster, K. C.; O. A. Robertson, W. E. LeBaron, C. C. Davis, F. M. Sherman, F. N. McCrea, W. R. Webster and Matthew Read.

The President acted as chairman, and the General Manager as secretary. Messrs. C. C. Davis and W. E. LeBaron were appointed as scrutineers of votes.

The Directors' report was as follows:—

In submitting the financial statement for the past year your Directors believe that the result will be considered satisfactory by the shareholders, showing as it does net earnings on the current year's business exceeding twelve per cent., out of which a dividend of eight per cent. has been paid, and also, a Bonus to the Employees, and a Grant to the Officers Guarantee Fund, leaving a balance of \$215,305.98 to be carried forward.

Owing to the general financial disturbance, more particularly affecting the United States, where several banks and Trust Companies temporarily suspended, your Directors felt it advisable to use extreme caution, and to materially strengthen the cash reserves and quick assets which somewhat lessened the earning power for the period under review.

Early in the year your Bank joined a number of other Banks and came to the relief of the depositors and customers of the Sovereign Bank by taking over several Branches and assuming certain responsibility in connection therewith. By adopting this course it prevented any financial disturbance and we are glad to announce to our shareholders that such responsibility will entail no loss to the underwriting Banks.

The severe drought during the summer has caused serious loss to the country generally in certain parts of Canada, as well as loss to the pulp and timber interests by fire. Better prices, however, are being realized, which will recoup the sufferers to a great extent, so that this may not be as serious as many anticipated.

The crops throughout the Northwest of Canada have been the largest in the history of the country, and as transportation facilities have been greatly increased satisfactory results to the country will be achieved much more quickly than in previous years, and as a result of which a large sum of money will be almost immediately available for Western Canada. On the whole the outlook is encouraging, but great economy should be continued in order that the country may retain its strong financial position.

Our Bank and Office Building in Montreal will be ready for occupation next May. It is gratifying to be able to report that the offices are rapidly being leased by desirable tenants, and that the Bank will have a home in the business centre of Canada at a net cost to the shareholders that will compare favourably with other financial institutions. The building itself will not only be an ornament to the city of Montreal but should be a permanent source of profit and pride to our shareholders.

Your Directors regret to have to record the death of one of their members in the person of the late Mr. Newell W. Thomas, of Coaticook, who held the position as Director of this Bank for over 20 years. The vacancy created by his death will have to be filled at this meeting of the Shareholders.

The Head Office and Branches have as usual been inspected during the year. In conclusion your Directors desire to record their appreciation of the zeal and attention of the General Manager as well as the other officers of the Bank.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM FARWELL, President.

Sherbrooke, Que., 2nd December, 1908.

The President, in presenting the report, commented favorably on the showing and dwelt specifically on the financial situation of the country generally. He was followed by the Vice-President, the General Manager and others, with short addresses.

Votes of thanks were passed to the President and Directors, the General Manager and officers and staff.

The result of the ballot for the election of directors was as follows:—Wm. Farwell, S. H. C. Miner, Gardner Stevens, C. H. Kathan, J. S. Mitchell, A. C. Flummerfelt, F. Grundy, O. A. Robertson, G. G. Foster, F. N. McCrea and B. C. Howard.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors Mr. William Farwell was re-elected President, and Mr. S. H. C. Miner, Vice-President.

STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

For the Year ended 14th November, 1908.

Balance at credit of Profit and Loss brought forward from Nov. 15, 1907	\$100,677.44
Profit of Head Office and Branches after deducting charges of Management, interest due depositors and provision for losses	367,111.88
	\$467,789.32

Appropriated as follows:—	
Dividend of 2 per cent., paid April 2nd, 1908	\$60,000.00
Dividend of 2 per cent., paid July 2nd, 1908	60,000.00
Dividend of 2 per cent., paid October 1st, 1908	60,000.00
Dividend of 2 per cent., payable January 2nd, 1909	60,000.00
Transferred to Officers' Guarantee Fund	2,000.00
Bonus to officers	10,483.34
	\$252,483.34

Balance carried forward.....\$215,305.98

J. MACKINNON, General Manager.

GENERAL STATEMENT, 14th NOVEMBER, 1908

LIABILITIES.

Capital paid up	\$3,000,000.00
Reserve fund	2,000,000.00
Balance of Profits carried forward	215,305.98
Reserved on account of Rebate on Bills Discounted unmaturing	835,000.00
Dividend No. 104, at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, payable 2nd January next	60,000.00
Dividends unclaimed	2,892.75
	97,892.75
Notes of the Bank in Circulation	\$2,667,665.00
Deposits not bearing interest	2,737,647.32
Deposits bearing interest	10,887,756.83
Balance due to other Banks in the United Kingdom	118,851.25
	16,411,920.40
	\$21,725,119.13

ASSETS

Gold and Silver Coin Current	\$411,058.59
Dominion Government Notes	891,378.00
Deposit with Dominion Government for security of Bank Note Circulation	123,000.00
Notes and Cheques on other Banks	599,383.95
Due from other Banks in Canada	779,927.96
Due from other Banks in the United Kingdom	5,317.42
Due from other Banks in Foreign Countries	1,897,861.02
Dominion and Provincial Government Securities	167,073.42
Canadian Municipal Debentures and Foreign Public Securities	471,100.00
Other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	334,901.78
Call Loans on Bonds and Stocks	1,727,028.35
	7,408,030.49
Current Loans, Discounts and Advances to the Public	\$13,281,643.05
Loans Overdue (estimated Loss provided for)	67,991.45
Real Estate (other than Bank Premises)	336,608.28
Mortgages on Real Estate sold by the bank	50,716.00
Bank Premises and Furniture, including safes and vaults at Head Office and Branches	509,388.43
Other Assets	70,741.43
	14,317,088.64
	\$21,725,119.13

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CHARLES TAYLOR.

Charles Taylor, 103 years old, oldest trotting horse driver and trainer in the world, died at his home at White River Junction, Vt., Saturday. His great-grandmother lived to the age of 112.

Charles Taylor was born in Williamstown, Can., Dec. 23, 1805. His parents were of English birth. He began to ride horses when he was a youngster, and after he grew old enough to leave his home he made many journeys through Canada with drovers. By the time he was able to vote he had got so thoroughly interested in horses that he made it his business to buy and sell them and to try his luck in producing speed animals. For many years he traveled between Canada and New York, a familiar figure on the trotting tracks.

Among the fast horses which he drove were Snowflake (3.00), Driver (2.40), Lake Shore Maid (3.00), Woodstock (2.50), Quebec Maid (2.30) Empress (2.30), Factory Boy (2.20), and Robert B. (2.12). In his career on the track he won 70 per cent. of his races. He could remember nearly 100 of the 1700 races in which he started.

A year ago last fall he drove a green trotter a half mile in 1.13 1/4 over a wet track at Concord, N. H.

Mr. Taylor was a great favorite with the patrons of the Concord fair, even as he had been a great favorite with fair-goers for the last thirty years.

How, when he was 102 years old, he was able to get into a sulky again and drive a horse in 1:13 1/4 he explained by the methodical habits which he had always kept.

"I have never hung around bar-rooms," he said, "I never drank a glass of liquor in my life. Never smoked a pipe or cigar or handled cards or dice. I try to do some work every day to keep out of doors. I get up at daybreak and go to bed before the evening is very old. I eat plain food and don't worry. I have never been sick a day in my career."

"I think horse racing is the best thing in the world, and that every country fair ought to have it. Have no use for the new-rangled thing, the midways and all such. Give me the good New England cattle everytime. I'm going to keep on seeing them till I die—and that's a long time ahead."

At the age of 96 Taylor drove the winner in the deciding heat of a race in the 2:22 class, going in 2.12 on a half mile track.

Sept. 15 last he drove Tommy R. in the 2:21 class at the Newburyport fair, but withdrew in the fourth heat. Oct. 9th he was at the Palmer fair and wanted to drive, but the management feared an accident and dissuaded him.

OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNGWOMEN.

Nursing the Best Paid Occupation.

The Philadelphia School for Nurses, 2219 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa., offers Free Scholarships in trained Nursing to young women in every State in the Union. The Scholarships cover the full Two Year's Course, with room, board, uniforms, laundering, etc., included, and railroad fare paid to home town or district upon the completion of the Course.

A home study course and a short resident course are also provided, which quickly open the door to opportunity and enable progressive students to render a noble service to humanity and at the same time acquire for themselves a substantial income from the best paid occupation now open to women; besides qualifying every student to deal with emergencies in the home that may mean the saving of a loved one's life.

Far-seeing philanthropists are adding to the resources of this school, with the view of ultimately extending these benefits to earnest, energetic young women in all country districts and in all the smaller towns and cities.

The Institution is approved and endorsed by leading physicians and educators of the entire country.

Some of the leading men of this State are its strong supporters and endorsers, as will be seen by the catalogue which will be sent to any one who writes to the school for it.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Your druggist desires to announce to the readers of Rock Island that they have secured the agency for Parisian Sage the marvelous dandruff cure and delightful hair dressing.

All druggists are glad to state that Parisian Sage is a rigidly guaranteed hair restorer.

It cures dandruff in two weeks by killing the dandruff microbes; it stops falling hair; it cures all scalp diseases, or money back.

It is a most pleasant hair dressing, especially for ladies, as it makes the hair soft and lustrous. The price is only 50 cents a large bottle at all druggists or by express all charges prepaid, from Giroux Mfg. Co., Fort Erie, Ont.

FAITH, AND BEYOND.

The smiting of Calabria and Sicily overshadows every other subject. The pitiful helplessness of southern Italy appeals to every human heart. And, beyond all, is the mystery of it—the swift annihilation of human lives and their works.

But the helplessness of the stricken is the immediate concern of the civilized world. Think how difficult it is to reach that scene of ruin! There are districts where succor has not yet arrived. Roads are impassable, railways destroyed, wires are down, communication in any form is yet impossible.

The quick need is quicklime, need also of surgeons, nurses, medicines, food, clothing. All these have to be conveyed over large distances. Meanwhile corpses rot, the wounded starve, the unwounded starve with them, and huddle unsheltered in the cold rains, disease threatens the stricken land, and some men, losing their humanity, turn savage.

Beyond all is the mystery of nature, of life and death, of man's place in the chaos. To-day, in every place of worship, in every land of any faith, the prayers of pitying humanity in unison arise. And yet, what wonder if, in that convulsed region, where, through the history of the race, nature has kept her loveliest appearance, a million beings, torn with suffering of mind and body, cry as One cried of old: "My God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

This agony is not of the bewildered sufferers alone; the world hears it, and, while it hears, strives to comfort with its undying hopefulness and united aid. Above all doubt, beyond all fear, there are greater legions of lives with faith unshaken; and there are some that know, and know they know, that this life is not all; that its little manifestation here is a mere twinkling in what we call time, but may be eternity; that ruinous seas and quaking earth have but the briefest significance in human life, that deepest marvel which neither begins here nor ends here. And yet, to many still, and for eons still, a mystery, THE mystery.

But work, as well as prayers, now; quick, active aid! This catastrophe draws mankind together. How puny the ambitions, intrigues, prejudices, by the side of this astounding stroke! Down there in the prostrate provinces a king toils in the dust and ruin, leading the work of rescue and reconstruction; and his queen, among the ashes and the wreck, nurses the wounds of men. And all their countrymen, and all the nations, aid.

Never in history has the heart of the world responded as now to a common touch, known such incalculable horror, thrilled as now with a pity and a spirit of helpfulness which come nearest to what men mean when they breathe the word "divine."—Boston Sunday Herald.

Gifts to Home of Aged Women.

The board of visitors of the Home for Aged Women of Burlington held its annual meeting at the home on the afternoon of New Year's day and elected the following officers for the coming year.

President, Mrs. Frances G. Fuller; vice-president, Mrs. O. R. Mason; Secretary, Mrs. F. C. Lyon; Treasurer, Miss Amy Bingham.

Christmas was made a happy day at the home by the kind remembrance of many friends, among the gifts being several donations of money for Christmas cheer, in which the inmates shared equally. Among other gifts were subscriptions for the year 1909 to the Ladies' Home Journal and McClure's Magazine, from unnamed givers, and the "Silver Cross" magazine from the Loyal Circle of King's Daughters. Through the courtesy of their respective publishers the Daily Free Press and Daily News are eagerly welcomed both morning and evening and greatly appreciated.

New Year's day brought, besides individual well-filled boxes of little things to inmates, a large box from Mrs. George E. Johnson to the family, containing a large cream pie in a deep dish, an angel cake, oranges, nuts, candy, etc., and a "green back."

\$75,000,000 Ranch.

The largest ranch consolidation scheme ever undertaken is being negotiated in Texas. It involves the merging of 16 of the largest ranches in the State embracing 7,000,000 acres of land, valued at upward \$75,000,000 into one tract. The stretch of territory involved in the proposed deal borders the lower Gulf coast for 150 miles.

The identity of the men composing the big syndicate who have obtained these options has not been disclosed, but it is reported that J. J. Hill, who recently purchased the Colorado Southern. Including the latter's Texas lines, is back of the transaction.

It is said to be the plan of Mr. Hill, or whoever may be back of the great land consolidation scheme, to divide the property into small farm tracts and colonize the same B. F. Yoakum of New York, chairman of the Rock Island and Frisco executive committee, is said to be a member of the syndicate.

THE MONTHLY BUDGET

Notes from the Hatley Township W. C. T. U. Record Book

North Hatley, Dec. 2nd.—Mrs. C. Turner entertained the Union. Opened with Bible reading, 1st chap. James, Sang, I need thee every hour. Each gave a text beginning with the letter V in answer to roll call. Minutes accepted.

Miss Wadleigh read "The South is going dry" as below.

THE SOUTH IS GOING DRY.

Kentucky, Missouri, Tennessee, So. Carolina, North Carolina and other Southern States are rapidly adopting prohibition.

Lay the jest about the julep in the camphor balls at last. For the miracle has happened, and the olden days are past.

That which makes Milwaukee thirsty doesn't foam in Tennessee. And the lid in the old Missouri is as tight as a drum.

Oh, the comic paper Colonel and his cronies will may sigh. For the mint is waving gayly, but the South is going dry.

By the stillside on the hillside in Kentucky all is still. For the only damp refreshment must be dipped up from the rill.

North Carolina's stately ruler gives his soda glass a shove. And discusses prohibition with the South Carolina dove.

It is useless at the fountain to be winkful of the eye. For the cooled glass is dusty and the South is going dry.

It is water, water, everywhere, and not a drop to drink. We no longer hear the music of the mellow crystal clink.

When the Colonel and the Major and the Judge Meet to have a little nip to give their appetites an edge.

For the oggino now is notless and the rye And the punch bowl holds carnations, and the South is getting dry.

All the nightcaps now have tassels and are worn upon the head—Not the nightcaps that were taken when no body went to bed.

And the breeze above the bluegrass as is sold—For it bears no pungent clove tank on its odoriferous breath.

And each man can walk the chalk line when the stars are in the sky. For the fizz glass now is flizless and the South is going dry.

Lay the jest about the julep 'neath the chestnut tree at last. For there's but one kind of moonshine and the olden days are past.

Now the water wagon rumbles through the Southland on its trip. And it helps no one to drop off to pick up the driver's whip.

For the mint beds make a pasture and the cockscrew hangs high. All is still along the stillside, and the South is going dry.

Mrs. Colt read an article from "Leaflet" on work in lumber camps.

Reported nine comfort bags filled for sending to a camp, containing needles, thread, buttons, comb, vaseline, bandages, soap, a testament and magazine.

Voted to purchase 100 leaflets in French and English for the boys.

Mrs. Turner served a chicken pie supper to the ten ladies present.

Adjourned to meet with Mrs. Nelson LeBaron in January: 65c. collected.

Ayer's Cliff, Dec. 9th.—Met with Rev. Mrs. Moore and held a "sewing bee." Discussed plans to do all possible for "shut ins" this winter.

Minutes of meetings held read and accepted. Closed by singing, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

Mrs. Moore served a nice tea and all felt the afternoon had been profitable and pleasant. Proceeds 75c.

Massawippi, Dec. 16th.—Union convened at the home of Mrs. E. C. Hunting. Mrs. Hitchcock in the chair. Usual devotional exercises, opened the meeting with minutes and quotations in answer to roll call.

Programme, Mrs. Sanderson's letter and Mrs. Currier read from "Leaflet" both full of good suggestions and advice. Mrs. Eaton read a "clipping" from the Montreal Herald concerning women committing minor offences being jailed with common criminals.

The writer advocated a "home" for such supported by the Gov. where good influences could be thrown around them to help them to become better.

Sympathy expressed for Mrs. Carbee in her illness, and the Secretary instructed to write her of the same.

In Leaflet Dec. 1st, Mrs. Sanderson asked all to make our aim for 1909 specific and thinks by so doing we can double our membership, if each member will bring in one it can be done. Our Mrs. Lett reports fifty lost last year, so there is work to do to get even again and more.

Going up a hill I found it long Until I met a merry song That kissed mine eyes to blind me. It smacked at me and turned and fled But played on, fluttering overhead Till I forgot I went foot sore And the dusty hill that rose before Was the blue hill far behind me.

The National W. C. T. U. of the states finds its thirty-fifth Anniversary, recently, closed the best it has touched high water mark in its history. The gain in membership above all losses is over twenty thousand and a large balance in the treasury. It is the merry song after the hard climb.

When we read that the saloons are going at the rate of 30 a day and that eight thousand bar tenders left their Union this last year chiefly because the bars were closed. Is it not good news, also that forty out of sixty (so says Mrs. Stevens) of the most prominent secular family magazines absolutely refuse liquor advertisements and some will not even admit patent medicine ads.

Mrs. Sanderson adds "It's coming the morn for which we pray" and we must each do our share to bring it about.

Yes, let her prophetic cry find an echo in every heart and never cease

to pray.

Be strong, we are not here to play, to dream, to drift. We have hard work to do and loads to lift. Shun not the struggle, face it, 'tis God's gift.

Be strong, say not the days are evil, who's to blame. And fold the hands and acquiesce, O Shame! Stand up, speak out, and bravely in God's name.

Be strong, it matters not how deep entrenched the wrong. How hard the battle goes, the day how long. Faint not, Fight on, to-morrow comes the song.

At the close of the afternoon a delightful tea was served and the evening spent in a social way. Seventeen present, collection \$1.25.

Next meeting to be arranged for later.

E. ST. DIZIER,
Town Rec.-Sec.

Later.—The hearts of our sisters throughout the County will be saddened by the news of the sudden death of one whom we all loved, Miss Cora Merrill of Coaticook, our faithful Co. worker. Can it be that her sweet life has gone out? Oh! how hard to realize it. Would that we could find words to express our sorrow and sympathy for the members of her family, which has grown smaller so rapidly the past few months. May they be comforted with the thought that the parting is brief and all will meet where partings are no more, a home within the paradise of God.

The Squadron's Mission of Mercy.

When it was known that the States were to send the battleship squadron on its trip around the world, from many sources, at home and the world over came militant criticism, and the President was severely censured, but we are all learning by the log of this cruise that any effort or mission born in truth, in honesty of purpose, always makes its harbor.

The world has become more peace loving through the influence of this trip of these 16 fighting machines; the nations are much better united than when the squadron sailed from Hampton Roads, and now, after so many months of extending to and receiving the greetings of the whole world, while they are in the historical Red Sea, almost within hailing distance of the birthplace of the Prince of Peace, word comes to them, perhaps by that wonderful means, a wireless message, out of accidental civilization, to hasten through the Suez Canal to succor afflicted Italy; and coming from the west via Gibraltar are two supply ships, sent to replenish the stores of the squadron in the Mediterranean, and they are also wired to proceed with all haste to give aid to stricken Italy.

What a march of events has been the experience of this armada, and who shall say that as a relief to the starving Sicilians and Italians its presence is not a manifestation of Providence?

Ralph Waldo Emerson once said, that, "America was God's last opportunity to the human race." Such events as these are proof of His wisdom in selecting a commissioner out of the west.

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Mi-o-na will cure your dyspepsia or any other stomach trouble by building up the flabby walls and making the stomach so strong that it will digest food without pepsin or other artificial aid.

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Mi-o-na is guaranteed to cure or money back.

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Mr. Geo. Linder of corner Mill and Park Streets, Elmira, Ont., says: "For about 10 years I have been severely troubled with stomach trouble and indigestion so bad that I could not retain my food after eating. I could not eat meat, or scarcely anything and had headaches and constipation. I secured a package of Mi-o-na with the result that now after having taken two boxes I am entirely cured and can eat anything, digest perfectly and am feeling fine. Mi-o-na also overcame my constipation. I am only too glad to publicly endorse and recommend Mi-o-na." The R. T. Booth Co., Ltd., Fort Erie, Ont., Sole Canadian Agents.

The people of Cuba are harvesting one of the biggest and best sugar crops the island has ever produced. That should mean internal peace for the reorganized republic.

Introducing Admiral Evans as a lecturer, Gen. Horace Porter apostrophizes him as one of that class of heroes who have laurels on their brows, but who are not willing to browse on their laurels. Good pun!

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Arbitration With Canada.

Under the terms of the fisheries convention, which has been agreed to by Secretary Root and the British ambassador, the arbitrators of The Hague will be charged with the re-interpretation of art. 1 of the treaty of 1818, so that the entire question of American fishery rights in Newfoundland waters will be left to the court for determination.

THE LATE RICHARD FASOLT.

There passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George A. Mears, No. 42 Ithan street, Philadelphia, on Dec. 14th, one of those characters whose talent and industry have been silent but potent factors in the amazing advance in the science, arts and industries which characterized the latter half of the nineteenth century, but whose retiring and unostentatious spirit kept his personality ever in the background.

Professor Richard Fasolt was born in Cunitz, near Jena, Germany, in 1839. At the year of four years he began the serious study of music, and at eight years held the position of official organist in his home church at a salary equivalent to about \$400.

From this time on throughout his career, his father, although well to do, was never called upon to defray any of the expense of his son's tuition.

At the age of fifteen years, Professor Fasolt commenced the study of medicine, at the same time continuing his study of music, taking his last lessons on the piano from the celebrated Liszt. To secure his lessons from the great master, he was compelled to walk twenty-miles, and had often his labor only for his pains, Liszt displaying in marked degree the eccentricity of genius.

Upon graduation, he was selected from a large class to teach in the Berlin conservatory, Stern being then at the head of that institution.

At the age of nineteen he was married, his wife, however, living only for a few years after their marriage, and he then came to this country, where he practiced medicine, being upon the staff of the Bellevue hospital, New York, city, during the years 1863-1864. It was while in the last-named city that he was called upon to treat for heart trouble a young girl, eleven years his junior, and met with unexpected success, her case having been pronounced hopeless by several noted physicians.

The greater part of his married life was spent in teaching music; piano, violin and vocal. To the making of violins, first adopted as a recreation, he finally devoted his entire time and effort furnishing more than 1000 instruments. He devoted much study and research to the discovery of a preparation for treating the wood entering into the composition of the instrument, his labors in this direction resulting in valuable discoveries in the method of treating wood. Ed. Remenyi used several of his instruments for concert work, even before they had been varnished.

Professor Fasolt was an enthusiastic Free Mason, having been elected to the thirty-third degree but prevented from taking it by ill health. He was well versed in military tactics, having seen active service in the German Army receiving several serious wounds and winning the Iron Cross with promotion to rank of first lieutenant for bravery in battle.

He also spent three months in Cuba under Colonel Ray, of the 2nd Georgia Regiment, during the late war with Spain, not seeing, however, any active service while there.

The malady which eventually resulted in his death had its inception through an injury to his spine received many years before in an attempt to save the life of a young woman in a runaway accident.

The deceased was an intimate friend of the late Henry Ward Beecher, and the two could often be seen together playing chess at the home of the latter at Stockbridge, Mass. He is survived by five daughters: Mrs. Minnie Lawson, Mrs. G. A. Mears, Mrs. Hattie Carner, Mrs. Richard W. Harker and Mrs. Earle Shunk.

"HOBSON'S TUNNEL."

The electrification of the Sarnia Tunnel is a glory to the Grand Trunk Railway. By the substitution of electricity for steam, plus smoke, as the power that moves trains under the waters of the St. Clair, the G. T. R. escapes the remote but haunting possibility that a train full of people will be smothered in the tunnel.

Electricity in the Sarnia Tunnel did not have its installation completed and celebrated without a tribute, gloriously deserved, to the genius of Joseph Hobson. A Christopher Columbus of engineering science, Joseph Hobson ventured upon unknown seas and added a new continent to the possibilities of tunnel building geography.

The recognition accorded to Mr. Hobson at Sarnia was deserved and should be useful. Joseph Hobson never won a footrace or an election or received a knighthood. His own unaided genius has raised him to a place among the greatest of Canadians.—Toronto Telegram, Nov. 23rd, 1908.

THE OLD ELM TREE.

Boston, January 8, 1909.

Editor Stanstead Journal:

Dear Sir;—I noticed in the JOURNAL that the old elm tree on the "Baxter Flat" is doomed to fall by the Woodman's axe.

I shall feel very sorry to have that old landmark disappear. I was born and lived under its shade a good many years, and remember how proud I was when able, by the use of a sling, to send a stone over its top. I also remember being sent from my class at Derby Line school to ascertain, or rather estimate the height, circumference and diameter of the tree; also how many cords of wood it would make. My report was presumably accepted, as no effort was made to prove or disprove it; yet I imagine there was some guessing on my part in regard to the matter.

I was lately interested in the cutting down of a tree in Boston which stood in a lot on Oxford Street, near Beach Street. Its branches overhanging four buildings that have gone up around it. I talked with the man who was superintending its removal, and learned that it was a Balm of Gilead tree, about three and one half feet in diameter at the base, and ninety feet high. The firm contracting for its removal assumed all liability of damage to person or property and were to receive two hundred dollars for their work. The same firm, I am sure, would be glad to make a bid for the leveling of the old elm at Derby Line, but I doubt if they could successfully compete, in regard to price, with "home talent."

However, my object in writing these few lines was not to boom any particular firm, but to say, if possible "Woodman, spare that tree, in youth it sheltered me."

Yours truly, LYMAN SPAULDING.

THE JOURNAL'S FRIENDS

Mr. H. H. Fadden, Claremont, N. H., writes: "Enclosed find check for \$3.00 for the old JOURNAL. This is the 24th year I have read the JOURNAL in Claremont. Always glad to see it come. I always feel interested in all that is going on in my old home."

Mr. A. L. Harvey of Inglenook, Cal., writes: "Inclosed please find \$1.50 to apply on renewal of subscription for the JOURNAL now a few days behind. The JOURNAL is a very welcome visitor, coming very regularly every week, and being filled with very interesting and instructive reading, both witty and wise. It gave me my first idea of a newspaper."

Mr. George Davidson, South Royalton, Vt., writes: "Inclosed you will find two dollars, \$1.50 for the JOURNAL for 1909 and 50 cents to apply on back postage. We should miss the old home paper greatly if we didn't have it. It seems like a letter from home friends."

Mrs. D. I. Pulsifer of Philadelphia, Pa., writing under date of Dec. 30, 1908 says: Your paper has been a very welcome visitor in my home for many years. Among several periodicals there is not one more so. It is a good, clean paper, entertaining and instructive and worth all it costs. Enclosed please find my check for one fifty to pay subscription for 1909. We have had no cold weather yet. It is raining today."

THE EARTHQUAKE

William J. Lampton. Say, Earthquake, When you shake Ten thousand houses down, And crush a town, Lay waste to fields, Disturb the sea And hurl the helpless To eternity, Oh you imagine, Do, Earthquake, That that is all you shake? Grim, paleyng monster, It is not for you to know That further than destruction You may go; But there is more Earthquake; You shake The great world's heart Until it pours The best that's in it On your shores; You shake the money From a million hands Stretched out to help From far and near; You shake the ever-living tree Of sacred, human sympathy; You shake the thoughtless Into active thought Of making good The ruin you have wrought; You shake the multiplicity of creeds Into one common cause of human needs; You shake the great world's heart Until it yields Its best on stricken cities And on riven fields; Say, Earthquake, Though you shake Much ill upon the smaller space You shake much good to all the human race, Which needs such shocks as these To wake its nobler energies.

Library Trustees Annual Meeting.

The trustees of the Haskell Free Library and Opera House held their annual meeting on Monday evening at the Library. The old board of trustees and officers were elected for the ensuing year, as follows: Col. H. Stewart Haskell, president; Benjamin F. Butterfield, vice-president; Ora M. Carpenter, secretary-treasurer and librarian; Dr. John C. Colby, Harry B. Stewart, Dr. Erasmus P. Ball and T. Sheaf Haskell, the balance of the trustees, as the officers are ex-officio.

The Librarian's report for the year has already appeared in the JOURNAL in full and has received our favorable comment.

The report of the treasurer was necessarily very long in its detail and we herewith publish it in a somewhat condensed form, feeling that all will be pleased to learn the facts in connection with this gift and the result of its first year's management by the trustees who represent the community's interests:

Amount of original endowment \$50,189.55; interest paid on same, \$1,046.09; paid on principal of same, \$6,431.74; new securities purchased, \$4,754.69; interest paid on same, \$86.33; principal paid on same, \$796.50; present face value of endowment funds, \$43,639.44; interest earned and unpaid on same, \$1,563.87; present face value of new securities, \$3,905; interest earned and unpaid on same, \$115.49; anticipated income on endowment funds, \$2,821.41; income collected, earned and unpaid, \$2,941.73; cash on hand at time of endowment, deposits in trust, \$18; collected by librarian, fines, damages and deposits, \$48.67; gross receipts from Opera House, \$150; total received in interest and payments of securities, \$8,490.66; paid deposits returned, \$9; expense charged to Opera House, \$30.25; (This does not include heating). Incorporation expenses, \$199.15; paid for new securities, \$4,754.69; expense of library, \$2,890.38; cash on hand and in bank, \$992.89; assets over liabilities at time of incorporation, \$50,189.55; assets over liabilities Dec. 31st, 1908, \$50,225.06.

The experience with the library so far uncovers a carelessness in the use of the books that should have the careful consideration of the patrons. It has been necessary to expend nearly \$50 during the year for repairing the bindings and some volumes have been wholly rebound. Of course the intention of all patrons is to do just what we are contending for, i. e., to be care taking always, but let us make our library our ward in every respect, and if our children or a friend do not know how to use a book properly, may we feel it our mission and privilege to suggest the right way.

This should be a very satisfying exhibit to all in the Three Villages, and to those who have been incredulous regarding the sincerity of the gift, this should forever put at rest any spirit other than that of perfect cooperation in this work. The JOURNAL has always been in a position to know all the conditions, and it has been our pleasure to champion the library's cause, for we know the motive is to uplift the life of our villages, and from us is due thankful words to Col. Haskell for voluntarily granting us the privilege to publish this statement, and we congratulate the trustees for the successful year.

The board very graciously extended to the librarian and secretary-treasurer of the corporation a vote of appreciation of his efficient service.

There is another matter in connection with the library, i. e., it was understood that Col. Haskell was to have a certain salary, this to be determined by the earnings of the endowment, after paying all expenses etc., then the balance was to go to the Col., but this year he has not received a mill, the community has received the benefit of the whole, and his services are added to the gift. We speak of this in justice to the donor and from actual knowledge of the facts and of our own accord.

FARMING IN IOWA.

Writing from Grundy Center, Iowa, Mr. G. A. Shurtleff, an old-time resident of Stanstead County, says: "This has been a good year for farmers in this locality; good crops and good prices for every kind of farm product. Land seems to be in good demand; the last sale in this locality was a 320 acre farm for \$152 per acre. If a man does not want to sell his farm it seems as if he must not set a price on it. This is getting to be a great potato county; about 450 car loads were shipped from this station, farmers realizing from \$50 to \$100 per acre, according to the yield. We are having fine weather; no snow." Mr. Shurtleff has gone to Hammond, La., to spend the winter.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss. FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of HALL'S CATARRH CURE, sold by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1898. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

Municipal elections were held throughout the Townships on Monday, polls being continued until Tuesday in some cases. The results in Stanstead county, so far as learned, are given below:

A meeting of Protestant rate-payers of Rock Island was held at the council room Saturday evening for the purpose of choosing candidates to succeed Councilors Holmes and Wells, whose term of office had expired. Mr. James F. Teiford was called to the chair, and after the formal opening, one of the citizens addressed the meeting in favor of Mr. Holmes, pointing out his unusual qualifications for the position, and his valuable services to the municipality. At the conclusion of his remarks the speaker moved "That the chairman be authorized to cast one ballot for Councilor Holmes," and the motion was carried without opposition. It was generally understood that Councilor Wells had, in view of some of the circumstances, declined to become a candidate. Three nominations were made for a successor, and upon the first ballot George E. Crawford was chosen. He received 24 ballots out of 41. Quite a number of Roman Catholics were present and some little friction was caused because they were not supplied with ballots, but this passed off smoothly when it was explained that the meeting was not in reality an election. As a matter of fact there is no good reason why a Roman Catholic should not share in the choice of a Protestant representative, nor visa versa in the case of a Roman Catholic representative. When the village was set off from the township of Stanstead there was some sort of a verbal agreement as to how the council was to be composed, but the natural presumption would be that all of the people would have equal privileges in the choice of their representatives be they Catholics or Protestants. It is probable that the "caucus" will ultimately be abandoned. At the poll on Monday the two candidates chosen were elected by acclamation.

In the municipality of Beebe Plain S. B. Norton was returned by acclamation, but between ex-Councilor H. C. Jenkins and Councilor-elect William E. Haselton there was a heated contest lasting over two days. Several non-resident electors were brought in from long distances, and no stone was left unturned by the supporters of the two candidates. When the poll closed Mr. Haselton was declared elected by a majority of three votes.

In the township of Stanstead, F. H. Rider was re-elected and A. W. Bullock was elected in place of W. H. Rediker, both by acclamation. In the township of Barnston Charles Cushing and P. B. Buckland were elected by acclamation.

In the municipality of North Hatley J. B. LeBaron and E. L. Johnson were elected by acclamation in place of L. C. Bean and J. H. Ham. C. M. Thomas and P. A. Bissonnet, M. L. A., were re-elected by acclamation in the municipality of Stanstead Plain.

In Coaticook J. B. Geudreau was elected mayor; E. V. Norton councilor for the north ward; A. L. Dupuis and H. C. Fontaine for the east ward; T. T. Shurtleff and Dr. McCarty for the south ward, all by acclamation. J. T. Wilson and C. E. Akhurst, Geo. W. Paige and P. H. Armitage are the candidates in the centre ward. The elections will take place next Monday. In Dixville W. G. Martin and H. Judson Norris were elected in place of A. E. Humphrey and T. J. Grady.

In Barford A. Goyette was returned by acclamation and Eli Bacon was elected in place of Marshall Hill. In the town of Magog G. Clement and N. Lepine were elected.

Some dissatisfaction is being expressed regarding the conduct of the municipal caucus at Rock Island Saturday night. The dissatisfied ones say the caucus was "packed" for an express purpose. Rightly or wrongly it is being said that the object was to displace a prohibitionist. With only two councilors voting prohibition this should not be necessary. But several have declared that henceforth there will be a fight at the polls. One dissatisfied citizen who remained away from the caucus openly stated on Sunday that he would prefer defeat at the polls to being "tricked" at a caucus.

NERVOUS PROSTRATION.

Of nervous prostration we hear much nowadays, and it is comforting to know that there are places specially equipped and located for combating this phase of modern life. On the main line of the Grand Trunk Railway System, at St. Catharines, Ontario, are located the curative Saline Springs known as the "St. Catharines Well." Connected with the Springs is "The Welland," where treatments for nervous prostration, rheumatism, etc., are given by skilled attendants in charge of a resident physician.

St. Catharines is the mildest point in Canada during the winter months. For further information and all particulars apply to J. Quinlan, D. P. A.—G. T. Ry., Montreal.

INES ON THE DEATH OF FLORENCE BEVOORT.

Sweet Florence once so full of life, So beautiful and fair, We scarcely dreamed would soon be called And leave but darkness here. But now we know it could not last The fairy dream has fled, Though seventeen summers scarce has passed Above the youthful head. Those happy hours so free from care Were never formed to last, Those days so full of guileless joy Are past—forever past. Her cheeks which once so sweetly beamed, Are pallid with decay, The burning fire within consumed Its wonted of clay. Her school books must be laid away; She never will need them more Her steps will never again be heard Upon the schoolroom floor. Her school mates of by gone hours will dream And on those moments o'er, And turn back with a sigh to think They will hear her voice no more, And as more wisdom to acquire They still will wish to gain, With many a sigh and many a tear They scan a vacant seat. And as the daily roll is called: As the teacher passes by, That name so sacred to them all, He breathes a tender sigh. They came with offerings so fair, Of flowers so pure that shed The purest fragrance of earth can yield, Around her lovely head. She came from heaven but for a while To bless her friends so dear; Their joys to hallow with her smiles, Their sorrows with her tears. To her parents' hopes looked sweetly down To check each rising sigh, But disappointments iron frowns Has dimmed her sparkling eye. And death has robbed that brother, too, Of his only sister's daily smile, It has left behind life a vacant spot, And dimmed his baby eyes with tears. But weep not for that loved one dear, She has only gone before, Soon you'll be called to meet her there And dwell for evermore. And though it seems a cruel blow, 'Tis for our good death came, Our Saviour gives, Our Saviour takes, And blessed be his name. A Friend.

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'The Witness' has manifested in an eminent degree the qualities COURAGE AND SINCERITY." R. L. Bordon, Leader of the Conservative Party.
'The Montreal 'Witness' is NEVER INFLUENCED BY PARTY FEELINGS." Chatham 'Commercial'.
'The Montreal 'Witness' numbers among its clients THE MOST INDEPENDENT AND THOUGHFUL NEWSPAPER READERS in Canada." 'Edmonton Bulletin'.
'The Montreal 'Witness' STANDS FOR PURITY AND HONESTY in Government." 'The Nation Spectator'.
'The Montreal 'Witness' is a newspaper which is BOLD ENOUGH TO BE HONEST, AND HONEST ENOUGH TO BE BOLD." 'Sarnia (Ont.) Observer'.
'The Montreal 'Witness' was NEVER BETTER OR MORE USEFUL than it is today." 'Dominion Presbyterian'.
'The 'Witness' is ONE OF THE BEST PAPERS PUBLISHED." Bowmanville Statesman.
'The 'Witness' NEVER FAILS TO COMMAND RESPECT for its fairness and impartiality." 'Sarnia Observer'.
'The 'Witness' is THE MOST IMPARTIAL AND INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER in Canada." 'Charlottetown, P. E. I. District'.
'The Montreal 'Witness' DOES NOTHING SMALL." 'Picton Spectator'.
'The Montreal 'Witness' is by far THE MOST INFLUENTIAL NEWSPAPER in Canada." 'The Herald, Comber, Ont.'.
'The 'Witness' is no doubt THE BEST NEWSPAPER IN CANADA." 'Northern Advance'.
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My house situated in Rock Island, just north of Congregational Church, and all modern conveniences. For further particulars apply to JOHN BLAIR.

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All persons are hereby forbidden to dump paper, straw, boxes, barrels, or other inflammable substances, upon the Municipal dump of this Municipality under penalty of prosecution to the extent of the law. Per order of the Council. C. I. MOUTON, Sec'y of Treas.

DISSOLUTION.

Public notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned under the firm name of the Rock Island Hardware Company, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent of both the partners. The business will be continued by R. J. Hunt, to whom all claims against the Company, and to whom all debts due the Company must be paid. S. D. WATERMAN, R. J. HUNT, Rock Island, Jan. 12th, 1909.

In connection with the above, I respectfully request all of our patrons to assist me by paying all accounts due the firm, with as little delay as possible. Soliciting your further favors, I remain Yours respectfully, R. J. HUNT.

WANTED.

Hard Wood Logs delivered at any station from Ayer's Cliff to Stanstead. J. J. LEBBY, Stanstead, 1877. Peoples' Telephone.

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Cearing Sale?

Hundreds of customers will, and
they'll save hundreds of dollars on
this sale.

Five and ten dollars saved on
LADIES SUITS
and there's a good stock to choose
from too.

**Coats, Skirts
and Millinery**
Great Savings on these.

Muslin Underwear
Better Garments and lower
prices here during this sale.

Housekeeping Goods.
A good share of them bought
for this sale, but when prices
were lowest, customers get
benefit.

Lockwood Cotton
36 in. wide 6c. yd. in pieces 2 to 15 yds.
40 " " 6 1/2 c. yd. " " 2 " 15 "

**Damasks, Napkins,
Tray Cloths, Dollies,
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ALL SUCH GOODS AT
January Bargain Prices.

Sheets and Pillow Cases,
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**Fine Cambrics for
Underwear**
Value 15 cents, sale price 10 cents.

Black Taffeta Silk
36 in. value \$1.62, January price \$1.25
27 in. value \$1.00, January price .75
Lot of Colored Taffeta Silk only 39c.
Colored Taffeta Silk Petticoats \$1.95
Black Taffeta Silk Petticoats only \$2.95

GILMAN COMPANY,
NEWPORT.

WAY'S MILLS
Miss Nellie Emery, of Hatley, was
the guest of Mrs. Willis Cramer last
Sunday.

Mr. M. J. Chamberlain visited his
niece, Mrs. Harry Pierson, of North
Hatley, from last Friday until Mon-
day.

Messrs. Bert and George Andrews
of North Coaticook, were in town last
week.

Mrs. Humphrey is ill with erysip-
elas. She is attended by Dr. Ross.

Mr. W. H. Holmes has moved the
old cheese factory up to his farm. He
will convert it into a sugar house.

Mrs. A. E. Chadsey is much better.
She sits up now and enjoys seeing
callers. Nurse Currier has gone to
care for Miss Gertrude Crooke, who is
sick at this writing.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. B. Watson are
the happy recipients of a baby boy
born the 12th inst.

Mr. Fred Wyman, who has been vis-
iting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lois
Wyman, has gone back to his work in
Lorain, Iowa, U. S. A.

Miss Lulu Gould re-opened her
school at Fairfax last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wood spent the
afternoon at A. E. Chadsey's last
Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hurd were calling
on the sick last Sunday.

Mrs. Mary A. Locke is still quite
poorly and is not improving as fast as
her many friends desire.

The Misses Aubine and Hazel Mor-
rill of Stanstead were visiting friends
in town recently.

BARNSTON.
Thursday evening of this week there
is to be an entertainment of moving
pictures in the Town Hall.

Next Tuesday afternoon the Ladies
Aid of the Methodist Church meets in
the vestry of the Church.

Mr. B. E. Converse has charge of
both Way's Mills and Barnston cream-
ery this month.

Mrs. John Cleveland recently pur-
chased a fine Newcomb piano for her
daughter Frances.

Messrs. Moulton and Baldwin of
Coaticook were guests at Mr. J. E.
Hall's last Thursday.

The condition of Mesdames Hollis
Buckland, McCutcheon, Fox and W.
H. Buckland continues to improve
and we hope to see them all out one
of these days.

The condition of Mrs. Hiram Howe,
at the Protestant Hospital, Sher-
brooke, continues to improve and we
hope to see her home in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Hall have re-
turned from Derby, Vt., where they
visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baldwin.
Messrs. P. B. Buckland and Chas.
Cushing were re-elected councillors
on Monday.

A little daughter was recently born
to Mr. and Mrs. Jones at Mr. J. L.
Thornton's. We wish the parents
much joy.

GRANITEVILLE.
Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Tryon and Fred
Rider visited at the home of Capt.
Wm. Holbrook, Derby Center, last
Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Converse were
the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Moir
over Sunday.

Miss Tessie Keniston returned home
from Wilder, Vt., the last of the
week.

Mr. Adelbert Lamotte and friend
from Newport visited at Mr. Thos. La-
motte's on Sunday.

The friends of Mr. Lee Searles are
pleased to hear that his condition is
improving.

The "auxiliary" which was organ-
ized last week in connection with the
Church, met with Mrs. John Moir on
Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hall are gain-
ing slowly, but are not very well
yet.

Mrs. M. C. Reynolds is suffering
badly with pleurisy and sciatica, but
is a little better at this writing. There
seems to be quite a lot of sickness
just at present.

Those who want to purchase lots at
Mystic Park, Cedarville, had better
secure them at once, as Capt. J. C.
Bullis has just sold another to Mr. S.
B. Norton, joining the one he pur-
chased about three years ago.

BROWN'S HILL.
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Davis of Ayer's
Cliff were the guests of his parents on
Sunday.

Mrs. G. C. Curtis spent the week-
end with her friend, Miss Ivy Brewer,
at McConnell.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Beerworth and Mr.
and Mrs. A. Beerworth were recent
guests at Mr. A. B. Davis's.

Mrs. S. D. Morse has returned to Mr.
L. L. Vaughan's after a few weeks
visit to friends in Cassville.

Messrs. G. C. Curtis and H. N. Dav-
is were in Magog Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Sharon of Magog
has been visiting his son, Mr. K. Sha-
ron for a few days.

Mr. Titus Davis of North Hatley
spent Sunday with his brother, Mr. A.
B. Davis.

Mr. A. B. Davis does not gain as
fast as his many friends here wish he
could.

Mr. Wilder Brown is spending a few
weeks with his daughter, Mrs. C. A.
Ruiter, Beebe Plain, and is under the
care of Dr. Whitcher while there.

AYER'S CLIFF.
There will be Advent services in the
Union Church Sunday at 2 p. m. Jan.
17th.

The weather, though mild is very
stormy, it is snowing hard to-day,
(Tuesday).

At the municipal election of the
town of Hatley held at Massawippi on
Monday, little interest was shown by
Ayer's Cliff, as they expect to be a
village municipality by themselves
soon and elect their own council.

Mr. Orange Slack, who has been in
the Canadian West for a year returned
to his home here Saturday.

Mr. F. I. Vaughan of Sherbrooke
spent Sunday here with his parents.

Mr. Leon Clough is running his saw
mill this week. The water-works
which were put in last fall by Mr.
Clough and others are a great bless-
ing to the village.

Received too late for last week.

Irving Whipple, who recently un-
derwent an operation for appendicitis
is reported as being out of danger and
getting on nicely.

Miss Austin, Mr. Morris Auxley, of
Montreal, Miss Helen Norton, Coatic-
cook, spent New Year's with Mr. and
Mrs. H. A. Norton returned to their
respective homes to-day.

Mr. Charbonnell of St. Hyacinthe
has been spending a few days in town,
visiting friends.

The Misses Ramsdell of North Hat-
ley spent New Year's day in town the
guests of Miss Sampson.

Miss Place of North Hatley spent
the past week at her home here.

Miss Bessie Buck of Newark, N. J.,
who has been spending the past two
weeks at her home here, returns to
Newark Tuesday.

The Ladies Aid was entertained
Tuesday by Mrs. Homer Rexford, the
principal business being the election
of officers for the coming year.

The open air skating rink which has
been built on the fair grounds and
which is being operated by several of
the young men of the place who
formed themselves into a stock com-
pany is now open and tickets are on
sale at all places of business. Arran-
gements will be made as soon as pos-
sible for hockey matches and other
attractions.

From an occasional Correspondent.

Mr. Lawrence P. Wyatt returned on
Monday after an absence of three
weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Learned are vis-
iting relatives in Waterloo and will al-
so visit Montreal before their return.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hurd were in
Sherbrooke for the day Tuesday.

Mr. Cobourn of Forks Bros., Mont-
real, and Mr. Mason of the Christie
Brown Co. were in town the first of
the week.

Mr. L. A. Audet of Coaticook was
here on business, Tuesday.

Mr. M. W. LeBaron of Hatley will
be in town Monday to audit the books
of the E. T. D. P. Co.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Fish, Messrs. G.
G. and L. W. Fish, Mrs. C. L. Brown
and Miss Winnie Sampson were at
North Hatley on Sunday to attend the
funeral of the late Mr. George Samp-
son, father of Mrs. Fish.

Mrs. B. F. Harvey entertained the
W. C. T. U. Wednesday, her sister,
Mrs. B. H. Kezar assisted her.

Mrs. H. L. Paul of Boston is the
guest of her mother, Mrs. E. R. Web-
ster.

The opening of the rink Saturday
evening was well attended. Great
credit is due the five young men, who
formed the Stock Co. and took so
much responsibility upon themselves.
Hockey match at the rink Saturday
afternoon. Benedicts vs. Bachelors.

Mrs. H. L. Bacon has been spending
a few days with Mrs. James Bacon at
Marlington.

The weather took a decided change
Tuesday night the thermometer re-
gistering 30 below zero on Wednes-
day morning.

W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Bur-
ton Harvey Wednesday.

CASSVILLE.
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lawton visited
Mr. and Mrs. Frank McVeay also Mrs.
McVeay and Miss Mary Thompson
from Huntingdon last Friday.

Miss Pearl Thompson has returned
to her home in St. Alphonse, Que.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Bangs and children
spent the week-end with his parents,
Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Bangs.

Mr. John Renihan is confined to
the house with a severe cold.

At surprise parties the host and
hostess are generally surprised but
we attended one at the home of Col.
and Mrs. B. Morrill on Saturday
evening where the guests were sur-
prised. Each one had been previously
invited to tea but on arriving at the
Morrill home they were much pleased
to be greeted by other friends. A
delicious supper was served by Mrs.
Morrill to about a dozen guests. A
pleasant evening passed in social in-
tercourse after which they returned
home feeling that they had enjoyed a
very good time.

Mr. W. Rudd of Way's Mills was the
guest of his uncle, Mr. Geo. Rudd on
Sunday.

Mr. Grace Thompson of Ayer's Cliff
was at home the first of the week.

Mr. L. J. Bangs, who has been a long
time in poor health, has been confined
to the house for several days.

FITCH BAY
Mrs. A. A. Gustin has received the
news of the death of her uncle, Mr. C.
E. Drew at his home in Stronghurst,
Ill. He was a son of the Late Abel
Drew of this place and a brother of
the Late Henry Drew, merchant of
this village and of Mrs. J. G. Christie,
of Applegate. He was born in Stan-
stead, Sept. 21, 1821 went west in 1848,
where he married and made his home
and was honored by holding many
positions of trust in his town was an
influential member of the M. E. Church,
and a prominent Mason. He is
survived by his wife and eight chil-
dren. The funeral was conducted with
Masonic honors.

Dr. and Mrs. Fraser were in Mont-
real a few days recently.

B. H. Rider has a gang of men and
teams filling the creamery ice house,
preparatory to the summer's butter-
making.

Mrs. Ruth Blake spent a few days
recently visiting friends at Smith's
Mills and attended the social at E. C.
Wilcox's.

The sick ones at present are Wm.
Crossett, Mrs. B. Stoliker, Mr. Levi
Gustin, Miss S. Clifford and Rev. H.
E. Rickard remain about the same.

Mr. F. O. Rand was in town on Fri-
day.

A meeting of patrons of the Fitch
Bay creamery will be held in Clifford's
Hall, Thursday evening, Jan. 21st.
Election of officers and other business.

CURIERS.
There is another thaw in progress
had some very cold weather after the
thaw of last week.

John Shonyo, V. S., who had a gov-
ernment position in Montreal has been
removed to Strathcona, Alb., he was
at his home here for a day before
starting for his new field of labor.

Mr. C. Juby returned to his home in
Knowlton Tuesday.

Mr. W. E. Huckins from Georgeville
was in the place for a few days re-
cently.

Our school re-opened on Tuesday
of last week.

Mr. R. Stone and sister, Nina, en-
tertained a few of their friends on
Tuesday evening. All had a pleasant
time.

Miss M. E. Manning returned to her
school work at Granby last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve are visiting
friends at Knowlton.

Miss Jennie McFarlane visited
friends at Magog last week.

Mr. Knowles from Bath, Me., who
has been cutting ship timber in their
locality has several teams engaged
drawing the timber to the station.

SCHOOL REPORT.
Report of Christmas Examinations
of Beebe Plain Model School. Names
of pupils in order of merit.

Model I.—Mary Jane Elder (1st
prize) Bertha Sutor (2nd prize) Pearl
Dustin, Alice Smith, James McIntosh,
Carroll Salls, Grace Lemere, Agnes
Dalziel, Eunice Pratt.

Model II.—Robert McIntosh (1st
prize) Lorenz Salls (2nd prize) Mar-
ion Haselton, Olive Ticehurst, Helen
McKenzie, Clarence Tyler, Arthur
Robert (absent for all except two ex-
aminations).

Model III.—Marion Sutor (1st
prize), Theodore Smith (2nd prize),
Helene Elder, Margaret Robertson,
Clara Haselton, Charles Dalziel.

Academy I.—Carroll Haselton (1st
prize), Helen Beebe, (2nd prize), Ger-
trude Norton.

The following pupils won prizes for
regular attendance: Helene Elder,
Helen McKenzie, Margaret Robertson,
Pearl Dustin, Marion Sutor, Bertha
Sutor, Mary Jane Elder, Eunice
Pratt.

A \$5 gold piece was presented Robert
McIntosh by the School Com-
missions of Beebe Plain, for having taken
the highest marks taken by any pupil
in Grade I Model, in the Quebec Ex-
aminations of last June. Robert Mc-
Intosh took 942 marks out of the max-
imum marks of 1000.

Crystal Rebekah's Install Officers.
Tuesday evening the Crystal Rebek-
ah Lodge No. 13, had their annual in-
stallation of officers, and it was a very
interesting occasion. The following
citizens were favored:

Mrs. C. F. Crowe, noble grand; Mrs. C.
H. Howe, vice grand; Mrs. E. A.
Brown, recording secretary; Mrs. L.
H. Hopkins, financial secretary; Mrs.
G. W. Dorman, treasurer; Mrs. Louis
Young, Warden; Mrs. Don Norris,
conductor; Mrs. J. S. Tyler, R. S. N. G.;
Mrs. L. C. Monroe, L. S. N. G.;
Mrs. H. W. Brainard, R. S. V. G.; Mr.
H. W. Brainard, L. S. N. G.; Mr. L.
H. Hopkins, chaplain; Mrs. J. B. Wal-
lace, P. G.

An excellent banquet followed the
installation, and it was most daintily
served by Mesdames L. H. Hopkins
and C. F. Crowe. Mr. L. H. Hopkins
took the part of toastmaster, doing
his part surprisingly well, as he does
not profess to be a post-prandial or-
ator, but he simply did his best and
that was good enough, and all enjoyed
the feast of good things and had a
profitable, jolly time, notwithstanding
the fact that dame nature was making
such fast weather outside. This Lodge
is doing a good and successful work,
and is one of the very helpful activi-
ties in the community.

McMullin & Renihan
NEW PROPRIETORS OF THE
DERBY LINE HOTEL LIVERY

We are ready to perform any kind of
work that comes in our line, promptly
and efficiently, from a single hitch
drive to heavy team work.

See us for your Livery Service
any time in the 24 hours.

HAIR GOODS FOR SALE.
Switches, Puffs, Curls and Pompa-
dours made of good quality human
hair, also made to order from comb-
ings at

MRS. D. NEVEU'S
Railroad Street, Rock Island.

FOR SALE

The William S. Foster resi-
dential property on Main Street,
Derby Line; recently renovated,
new furnace and bath room, all
modern conveniences, splendid
location, good barn. Terms
moderate; for particulars apply to
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Vt., or Rock Island, Que.

**STANSTEAD COUNTY
AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY**
ANNUAL MEETING

will be held at the County Hall, Ayer's Cliff,
on Wednesday, the Twentieth day of January,
1909, at one o'clock in the afternoon, for the
purpose of electing the Board of Directors of
the Society for the ensuing year and to receive
the Auditor's Report of the past year's work.
The directors are asked to meet for the trans-
action of business at 10 a. m. of the same day
and place.

JOHN P. BOWEN, Sec'y. Treas.
Hatley, Que.

A Prosperous Year

In spite of the depression in general business, we have had a
very prosperous year. Thanks to our many friends and patrons.
Our Savings Department has increased its deposits by over \$100,-
000.00, and our Commercial Account is steadily growing.

We invite your attention to the statement below and solicit a
generous portion of your patronage for the new year.

STATEMENT

Mortgages,	\$452,188.67	Capital,	\$ 50,000.00
Loans and Discounts	326,413.79	Surplus and Profit	25,202.29
Stocks and Bonds,	60,300.00	Deposits,	777,057.52
Outstanding Interest,	10,203.57	Due Banks,	27,254.80
Cash,	35,949.56	State Tax,	2,442.34
		Outstanding Liability,	1,598.64
		Dividend,	1,500.00
			8885,055.59

NEWPORT, VT., JAN. 1, 1909.

Orleans Trust Company
NEWPORT, VERMONT.

WATCH THIS SPACE

I have about 100 Farms on my list, and I give a few of them to show the range.

One of 50 acres with House and Barn and sufficient wood for the place, \$500.
One of 50 acres with House and Barn and complete Sugar House and 400 trees \$1250.
One of 50 acres with House and Barn, a good truck garden farm, near town, \$1450.
One of 100 acres, a well balanced farm for general farming, well located, \$3500.

HERE IS A BARGAIN.—One of 200 acres, good House and Barn with Basement
and Stable the whole length of 30 feet—300 Sugar Maples—Pasture, sufficient
for 40 head of cattle—50 acres of Tillage all in one field close to the buildings—600 30 ft.
Telephone Poles, worth \$240 each Piled and at a Rail Road Station—400 Cords of Pulp
Wood, worth \$200 at Track—100,000 feet of Spruce and Fir Mill Stock—quite a sprink-
ling of Ash and Basswood—40 Cords of Birch Wood to Burn in Fire Places, it will not
Snap and Sputter and gives a Brilliant Light—Pastures well watered—Water at
House and Barn and has been all through this dry summer—Location good—Telephone
—Cream Wagon—Rural Delivery of Mail Daily—Electric Light if wanted—Good
School, Church, Blacksmith Shop, Saw Mill and the General Store only one and one
half miles, and all in sight of Farm. In winter it is six and one-half miles from Rail
Road Station and 10 miles in Summer. To be sold because the husband of the family
is dead. Price \$2200.

One of 150 acres with modern buildings—Good Sugar Orchard—well watered, \$6000.
One of 180 acres with as good buildings as you would build, a fine farm in every
respect and 150,000 feet Spruce and Fir Lumber, every modern convenience, \$4500.
One of 250 acres—224 acres in elegant Meadow—Barn over 150 feet long—rats over
150 tons of hay—Bath Room in House—will keep all the stock you want to care for—
well located and has every modern convenience. Price \$5500.

If you want a farm for its timber I have one of 500 acres with 2,000,000 feet at a bar-
gain and there is lots of tillage and pasture fair buildings. I have several Three Vil-
lage Homes and Lots. I can fit your needs.

CHAS. E. BENNETT,
Derby Line, Vt. - - Rock Island, Que.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC
Corporation of the County of Stanstead

I do hereby give PUBLIC NOTICE that the lands hereinafter mentioned
will be sold at PUBLIC AUCTION at the COUNTY BUILDING, Ayer's Cliff,
Township of Hatley, on

Wednesday, the Third day of March next, (1909)

at ten o'clock in the forenoon, for Assessments and charges due to the Mun-
icipalities for Municipal and School and other taxes hereinafter mentioned
upon the several lots hereinafter described, unless the same be paid with costs
two days before the sale.

MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STANSTEAD.				
Names.	Cadastral Lots.	Ranges.	Acres.	Taxes.
Harrison F. House	345 & part of 347	5th.	140.1	\$73.30
do	427-417 & 418	6th.	112.1	
Henry N. Lyon	Part 1098	14th.	7.	\$6.50

A. N. THOMPSON,
Secretary-Treasurer County of Stanstead.
Stanstead Plain, P. Q., 8th January, 1909.

**FOR LUNCHEONS, Card Parties, Etc., the DENNISON
LUNCH SETS are just the thing. Set comprises
Damask Design White Table Cloth 63x84 inches 1 doz.
Napkins, 1 doz. Dollies, 1-2 doz. Plates, all fast colors;
sells 25c. per set. Must be seen to be appreciated.
Decorated and plain Crepe Papers, Napkins, etc. Passe-
partout material.**

J. J. PARKER, Photographer.
Derby Line, Vt.

**QUEBEC CENTRAL
RAILWAY**

TIME TABLE

In Effect January 11th, 1909.

LEAVING SHEBROOKE.

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HER GIANT FOLDING BED.

By C. B. LOOMIS.

It was against Mr. Bentley's advice that Cora bought the giant folding bed. They lived on the sixth floor in a small five-rooms-and-a-bath-steam-heated-all-improvements flat, and he said that such a huge folding bed was out of all proportion to the size of the bedroom. But Mrs. Bentley had set her heart on it, and Mr. Bentley has her husband so long as to feel like thwarting any legitimate wish.

When she went down to the store she found she was just in time to get one at half price. What luck! She had expected to pay \$35 for the bed, and she got it at \$25, although by what process of arithmetic twenty-five becomes the half of thirty-five she did not stop to inquire.

But with the reduced price of the bed her good luck ended, and she entered upon a chapter of annoyances that would have made the bed dear as a gratuity.

The bed people were just moving out and were too busy to send the bed home. Five separate expressmen refused to stir their wagons when they learned that it was a giant. She began to wish that it was a trundle bed. But at last an expressman who was just starting in business and who was therefore inexperienced contracted for \$2 to deliver it.

So she went and waited for the bed with all the ardor of a child. Every time the dumb waiter whistle blew she ran out to see if they were trying to send it up that way, but when it finally arrived after a wait of four hours it came in at the front door.

After ten minutes or so Mrs. Bentley heard mastodon footsteps on the stairs, the swish of tearing wall paper, the crash of falling globes, and she knew that they were bringing the bed upstairs. So did all the other flat dwellers. When she looked over the staircase there were from three to four heads beneath her, all looking down.

The arrival at different landings was punctuated by the crash of glass and the fall of plaster. And on the third floor the bed fell on one of the men. Luckily he was a fat German, and he escaped with a barked shin and a mild temper.

Long before that there was a string of home returning heads of families separated from their little ones by the Chinese wall of a bed. Those who were athletic enough climbed over and escaped to their apartments, but the rest had to content themselves with throwing kisses to their beloved ones and telling them not to despair.

Mrs. Bentley had not hitherto known there were so many people living in the house. The stairs were black with them, and the bed moved with the deliberation of a glacier.

When the men reached the fourth floor they clamored for beer, and Mrs. Bentley, being inexperienced, sent for two bottles, which were brought in by the janitor's son.

The two men sat down, or, rather, up, way up, on the bed and opened a bottle apiece amid groans from the belated flat dwellers who lived above the third. It is probable that they had already solaced themselves with beer, for they became very merry and loquacious after the bottles had been emptied, and many of their jokes would not have been allowed at a variety theater.

There is a saying that there is always room at the top. This did not prove to be the case in regard to the giant bed. The hallway at the top flat was a joint affair, two suits opening on it, and it was the narrowest in the building. When the men finally arrived with their tremendous load they found that it was going to be a Chinese puzzle to get into Mrs. Bentley's. They shattered the last globe and then sat down on the stairs to ponder.

They finally came to the conclusion that they could not get it in unless the door of the opposite apartment were opened to admit of its being slewed around.

Mrs. Cochran was the opposite neighbor. She and Mrs. Bentley had been as distant as such contiguous flat dwellers could be. Their boys in the hall were as icy as the hall itself. Mrs. Cochran thought Mrs. Bentley a foolish little new wife, and Mrs. Bentley thought Mrs. Cochran common.

Still, there was nothing for it but to ask Mrs. Cochran to open her front door and let the man swing the bed into the doorway for just one moment.

The fat man rang her bell. She opened the door, with fire in her eyes. She had been trying to get the youngest to sleep, and the constant thumping and crashing and the oburgations and beery laughter of the expressmen had rolled the not too placid waters of her disposition to a foaming point.

Mrs. Cochran glowered.
"Oh!" said Mrs. Bentley, with a hastily made veneer of sweetness. "May the men just swing the bed into your hallway so that they can get it into my doorway? I didn't suppose it was so big. I don't think it was so big in the store."

Mrs. Cochran sniffed at the inanity of the remark, but she said:
"Oh, I suppose I cannot refuse. I hope you'll quit your thumping after you get it in. I can't get my child to sleep while it's going on."

"I'm sure it will only be a minute. You see, the worst is over."
"I should hope so," said Mrs. Coch-

ran, looking at the dents in the wall and the broken globes. And then the two expressmen put their shoulders to the bed and swung it into the doorway with such vehemence that it stuck like a fat cork in a small bottle and refused to budge.

"Well, this is a pretty state of things," said Mrs. Cochran from behind the bed. "How do you suppose we're going to close our front door with that great bed in the way?"

"You won't need to close it. No one will come in while der bet is dere. It is better as a door." And the German laughed uproariously and fatly.

"Oh, but this is too awful!" said Mrs. Bentley, wringing her hands helplessly.

"I should think it was," came the voice of Mrs. Cochran from the other side of the bed.

"Is your husband in there? Can't he help push?" suggested Mrs. Bentley.

"No," snapped Mrs. Cochran. "He hasn't come home yet, and, what's more, he can't until this barricade is removed. How anybody but a fool could have bought such a monstrous thing I don't see."

At this juncture Mr. Cochran came upstairs, with Mr. Bentley just behind him. Mr. Cochran looked puzzled. Mr. Bentley groaned. He had come home too soon.

"What are you doing to the bed?" asked Mr. Cochran.

"Ve ain't doin' a 'ting to id," said the fat German joyously.

Bentley and Cochran laughed, but Mrs. Bentley saw no humor in the remark, and certainly Mrs. Cochran saw no funny side to the bed. Both sides seemed tragic to her.

"Is that you, George?" she called out.

"Yes, it's me. Shall I come in?"

"You can't except by the fire escape," said Mrs. Cochran despairingly. "What are you doing with it in the wrong door?" asked Mr. Bentley of the expressmen.

"Sure, 'twould have shtook as fasht in anny dure," said the Irish expressman, and the German roared sympathetically.

Mr. Cochran is a man of action. "Here; we four men ought to be able to move a little be—a bed. Now, altogether; pull!"

Mr. Cochran is a successful politician, but he had the wrong kind of pull with him, and the only result of the effort was that Mr. Bentley pulled off some of the molding and fell on his back.

Nothing daunted, Mr. Cochran said, "Let's go around by way of the fire escape and push."

The two expressmen and Mr. Cochran made nothing of passing from Mrs. Bentley's parlor to Mrs. Cochran's parlor by the fire escape, but Mr. Bentley is light headed and had to be helped across—by his wife. Then the two entered the Cochran apartments for the first time like thieves in the night.

Now all six combined their strength and pushed, but the bed only laughed at them.

"Well, nothing more can be done now," said Cochran. "The bed is here, and it's got to stay here for the present. Now, you men might as well go about your business. You've done what you set out to do—the bed is up here fast enough."

"How much do I owe you?" asked Bentley of the German.

"Two dollars. I'll sent around a carpenter if you vand."

"Oh, no!" said Mrs. Bentley. "He'll be able to move it."

Back across the fire escape was Mr. Bentley helped by his faithful wife, and then they bade the Cochrans good night. It was such an impossible thing that had happened that everybody felt good natured once more, just as in a blizzard or a period of excessive heat people make light of their misfortunes and passersby joke one another.

Next morning immediately after breakfast Mrs. Bentley went down to the bed company to see whether they could suggest a way of getting the bed out of Mrs. Cochran's doorway.

They had moved, and a big sign in the window bore the legend, "To Be Opened In a Few Days as a Ladies' Lunch Room."

For the space of two days that bed stood in the doorway while carpenter after carpenter came and looked at it and shook his head and went away.

Then came one who said, "I've s'en those beds before. They ain't worth bothering with. The company's failed that made them. Now, next door to my shop is a vacant lot, and if I cut the bed to pieces I guess you can dump it there and the owner of the lot won't mind."

Mrs. Bentley halted the scheme as a heaven sent proposition. Mr. Bentley was down town, and Mrs. Cochran, who was on the other side chatting with her—for in spite of what had come between them they were now quite friendly—seconded the plan.

The carpenter borrowed an ax of the janitor, and in a half hour's time, with the exception of the mirror, which was preserved intact, there was not a square foot of the bed unbroken. The carpenter sent the pieces down of the dumb waiter and then took them away and presumably dumped them. Mrs. Cochran spent five minutes shutting and opening the door. It was as pleasant to be able to do it again.

Then Mrs. Bentley invited her neighbor into her flat and apologized for making so much trouble.

"It was no trouble at all, my dear. It has made something to talk about."

Now, Mr. Bentley seemed to think that \$25 for the bed, \$2 for delivery and \$10 for damage to the hallways, together with the charge of the carpenter for the time it took him to destroy the bed, was rather a large amount to pay for a subject of conversation. So he isn't saying a word about it.

MELBA IN PROPHECY.

Famous Prima Donna Speaks About Women of a Century Hence.

"It is simply fascinating to me to picture the woman of a century hence. My mind throbs with questions. What will she say and do? Above all, what will she wear?"

It was while discussing the woman's suffrage movement, to which, as stated recently, she has confessed herself an adherent, that Mme. Melba, the famous singer, drew a picture of the woman of the future. She had just returned from a tiring rehearsal at the Albert Hall, where she will make her last appearance in London until 1910.

"Instinct," she said, "seems to tell me one thing about the woman of the future. Her freedom, which she will surely win, will not rob her of her woman's love of home. Man, after he has battled with and been buffeted by the world, returns with an ever-growing longing for the peace and beauty of his home environment. Woman, when the wider book of life lies open before her, will surely find the bonds of home life drawing more tightly around her. Woman will always be woman; hard, unsympathetic facts of life will make her home seem ever more of a haven.

"Will woman's beauty grow? I think it will be more refined in the future. In one hundred years' time a type of extreme daintiness will, I believe, prevail. The greater use of her brain will 'spiritualize' the future woman. Her face will be alight with intelligence."

With regard to the dress of the woman of the future, Mme. Melba prophesied rich color blendings, and sweeping, graceful effects.

"Freak fashions will die," she said, "there will be harmony in dress, a daintiness of manner and speech, a shunning of hollowness and affectation."

"Linkie."

Someone once described Lord Hugh Cecil—known in the family circle as "Linkie"—who recently celebrated his thirty-ninth birthday, as a "very gawky boy" and it must be admitted that there is some justification for the description. Not only is he tall, thin, pallid, and nervous, particularly when he first commences to speak, but he seems to suffer from chronic uncertainty as to the disposition of his feet and hands. But these characteristics do not prevent others from recognizing in him the cleverest of the Cecils—and the most original. He has startled the House with his views on many occasions, but never perhaps quite so much as when he proposed to punish members who did not obey the chair with imprisonment for an indefinite period. The House angrily debated the question for two hours, and then voted as follows: For, 0; against, 426—probably a Parliamentary record in majorities. One of the funniest mistakes which Lord Hugh ever made was when he undertook to open a church bazaar at Deptford a few years ago. Not till he arrived at the church did he discover that it was Nonconformist, which led his political opponents to slyly declare that, being a High Churchman, he had to be absolved before he could proceed with the ceremony.

How Miss Braddon Writes.

A sweet, simple gentlewoman. No better description of the famous lady novelist who recently celebrated her seventy-first birthday could be given; for, in spite of the fame which her writings have brought her, she is never so happy as when concerning herself with housekeeping and children. Miss Braddon is above all things domesticated, and has always made it a rule never to let her work interfere with her home life. Most of her novels have been written in the early hours of the morning, and a curious fact in connection with her work is that, while all her novels have actually been written with her own hand—she has never used a typewriter or employed a secretary for such work—she never writes her MSS. in the same hand that she writes her letters. The latter are written in a bold, flowing style, while the calligraphy of her MSS. is generally cramped and pointed. It is said that she uses a quill for the one and a steel pen for the other. Before she devoted her energies to writing novels—and it might be mentioned that her output of the latter was over sixty in forty-three years—Miss Braddon wrote poetry, and was at one time an actress playing small parts in the provinces.

Railways in Malaysia.

The iron road is steadily advancing, even across the most unlikely places in the east. The Penang Gazette announces that Sir William Taylor, resident-general of the Federated Malay States, and Mr. C. E. Spooner, C.M.G., general manager of the Federated Malay States Railways, left Kuala Lumpur by train at 4.30 a.m. on Sept. 7, and arrived in Singapore on the same evening, having thus easily established the record of having slept in Kuala Lumpur one night, and in Singapore the next. The train arrived at Johore Bahru at 3.30 p.m., giving ample time thus to go on to Singapore the same afternoon. The full journey from Kuala Lumpur to Johore occupied eleven hours. In places where the line is well established, the resident-general's train traveled 36 miles an hour, but in other places, on the new sections in Johore, it slowed down to 13 miles.

A Papuan Hopper.

In the waters round Papua there is a fish equally curious in western eyes, though by no means so picturesque as the "jelly-boat." This is the hopping fish, which, in the eternal pursuit of food, contrives to spend most of his working day out of the water. To all appearance he seems to be continuously hopping in and hopping out, but, as a matter of fact, he always keeps his tail in the water, for, by one of nature's quaint reversals, it is at that end of him that he keeps his breathing apparatus. In Papuan waters Miss Grimshaw is said to have seen specimens upwards of 20 inches long. A smaller variety is found in the mangrove swamps along the northern coast.

WHERE THE V.C. IS MADE.

Decorations For Bravery Are Manufactured From Russian Cannon.

There are two facts not generally known in connection with the Victoria Cross. One is that the late Prince Consort was mainly responsible for the design, and the other that every medal is made from bronze which has formed part of some Russian guns taken in the Crimea. A supply of this bronze is dispatched by the War Office to Messrs. Hancock & Co., of New Bond street, silversmiths to the King, when a new medal is ordered, while the process of manufacture of the V.C. is entirely different from that of all other war medals and decorations.

In the case of ordinary medals, steel dies are made and the articles are stamped out complete with one blow of the press, so that they can be turned out by the hundreds and thousands if desired. Each Victoria Cross, however, is made separately in a sand-mould, into which the molten bronze is poured.

After being taken from the mould a chaser works on it for several hours, until all the detail is brought up and the design appears in bold relief from the matted groundwork. After leaving the chaser's hands, the medal has to be submitted to the War Office for inspection, and, if passed, is then fitted with its top bar, steel pins, connecting ring, and ribbon.

The name and rank of the recipient are ultimately cut on one line on the bar, and the name of the regiment in another immediately under it, thus:

Private Thomas Atkins,
10th Hussars.

while in the semi-circular space at the back are set forth the day, the month, and the year of the deed of bravery for which the Cross has been awarded.

INDIGNITIES TO PARLIAMENT.

Recent Suffragette Episode Not the First Intrusion in History.

Mrs. Travers Symons's recent escapade in the British House of Commons, has beaten all previous records. But there have been many incidents classed, according to Mary's "Parliamentary Practices," as "indignities offered to the character or proceedings of Parliament." Among such is the case, recorded by Stow, in his Survey, of "one Robinson, a lewd fellow, and a skinner," who "had the confidence to sit in the House all day, though no member." Robinson, who was guilty of this intrusion in 1584, remained for some little time in the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms, and so, it seems, was dismissed. Nearly three centuries later two strangers were discovered in the division lobby while a division was in progress. They, however, unlike Robinson and Mrs. Travers Symons, seem to have been deprived of their little niche of immortality, and were merely hustled quietly out without any notoriety at all. On another occasion a stranger deluged the House with pamphlets, but the Sergeant merely had him removed by a constable and then set free. Quite recently Mr. Joseph Andrews, elected for the Bampton Ash division of Yorkshire during the declining days of Mr. Balfour's Ministry, had the misfortune to be defeated at the general election that followed before he was able to take his seat. Determined, however, to taste the joy of privileges that had been so near to him, he took possession of a seat on the assembling of a new Parliament. This "stranger," however, left without any intervention on the part of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

The Arrested British M.P.

Mr. Will Thorne, the Socialist M.P. of the British Parliament, who has been remanded on a charge of having incited the unemployed to rush the bakers' shops, is a man of giant build and splendid physique. His parents were brickmakers, both of them working in the brick yards, though their net earnings only amounted to a few shillings a week. The future M.P. never had a days schooling in his life, for he was sent to work quite early, and for many years was familiar with the keenest hardships of poverty. He educated himself entirely by night study, amongst other things teaching himself to write and read. It must be admitted that he is one of the hardest workers in Parliament, for he leaves home at half-past eight in the morning, and is seldom or never within his house again till one o'clock the morning following. He takes no exercise whatever except that provided for him in going to and from his work. As a speaker he is fluent, and when as he terms it, he has "his eye in," he hurls out his words like shots from a maxim with a telling power not often found in one who has risen from such a humble position.

A Practical Statesman.

Mr. "Lulu" Harcourt, who is now the proud possessor of a two-months-old son and heir, has been said to have two hobbies—gold-tipped cigarettes and ventilating the House of Commons. He is one of the famous quartette whose political success goes to prove that political heredity is no myth, sharing this honor with Mr. Austen Chamberlain, Mr. Winston Churchill, and Mr. Herbert Gladstone.

Mr. Harcourt is, above all, a practical Minister. The story is told how, on one occasion, he donned a suit of blue overalls, and crawled through a dirty manhole high up in the roof of St. Stephen's in order to see for himself the working of some particular portion of the ventilating apparatus of the House.

He is an enthusiastic breeder of retrievers and spaniels, and entered no fewer than thirteen dogs at the recent Kennel Club Show.

Fox in Hospital.

During August more than 1,400 "patients" received treatment at Our Dumb Friends' League's animal hospital, Pimlico, London, E.W., making a total since Jan. 1 of 9,195. There are now in the "wards" ten horses, seven donkeys, fifteen dogs, twenty cats, four birds, one fox, one monkey and one squirrel.

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A Dreamer of Dreams.

By JANE LUDLUM LEE.

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"I say, Charlie, do you believe in dreams?"

Thus addressed, Charlie Darlington turned slowly around in his armchair. He and his friend, Billy Laughton, were seated in the window of the American club, watching the Saturday afternoon crowds pour out of the matinees.

"Well, that depends largely on the dream," announced Darlington at length. "If, for instance, you dream of finding money in the street, take my word for it, old man, there's nothing in it. But, on the other hand, dream that some distant relative has died and you are called upon to chip in and help pay funeral expenses—well, such things have been known to happen."

"As a friend in need, Charlie Darlington," declared Laughton, "you're a cipher."

"Oh, I say old man," protested Darlington. "Ask me something sensible." Darlington rose from his chair and picked up his hat from a nearby table. "I'm off. You had better go to sleep, and I'll leave word with the boy to call you in case you wander away in one of those dreams."

Laughton did not know that his friend's sudden departure had been caused by the sight of Charlotte Comstock walking down the avenue alone. Darlington overtook her in a few minutes.

"Let's go in Balston's and get an ice," Darlington suggested as an excuse for



"AH, DON'T PAY ANY ATTENTION TO HIM!" PUT IN BILLY.

having Charlotte to himself for awhile. And Charlotte seemed more than willing.

Once seated in the fashionable tea room, Charlotte said she preferred tea to an ice.

"You see, I'm not up to the mark today," she explained. "I had a bad night of it—had horrible dreams all night long." Then, looking up at him and opening wide her usually dreamy eyes, she suddenly asked, "Do you believe in dreams?"

Darlington repressed his mirth for the time being.

"Eh—well—that is—I was just discussing that very question," he stammered.

"Well, do you?" persisted Charlotte. "Yes—that is, sometimes," began Darlington. Then he stopped and pinched his arm. "Say, do I look queer to you, Miss Comstock?" he continued. "I don't happen to be dreaming now, do I?"

"Oh, you're so funny, Mr. Darlington," cried Charlotte, much amused. "I'll not tell you another word! You're a prosaic, wide awake man. I believe you're a night watchman and don't sleep at all."

"But, my dear girl, night watchmen are not notoriously sound sleepers," protested Darlington.

All arguments, however, were of no avail. Charlotte would not finish her story and conversation was forced into other channels.

The next morning Charlie Darlington awoke in his bachelor apartments with a most uncomfortable feeling in his head. He raised his right arm to feel his aching head, and his arm seemed to work like a piece of machinery in need of oiling.

His head to all intents was bound up as in a vise. His throat was parched. After a moment a knowing smile came over his face.

"Ah, I know," he said to himself. He pressed a button for his man, who answered the summons at once.

"Hall," demanded Darlington sharply, "what time is it? How did I get here and where was I last night?"

"It's past 11, sir." Then, seeing the mystified expression on his master's face, he smiled a most annoying smile. "Maybe if you shook yourself you'd recall it. Guess you're not awake yet, are you?"

"I don't know, Hall. I thought I was. But maybe I'm dreaming." He made an effort to sit up, uttered a cry of pain and sank back on the pillow again. Without further explanation Hall disappeared. Darlington, again left to himself, tried to solve the problem, and little by little he felt an explanation dawn on him. The door opened and Billy Laughton entered.

"Well, old tenderfoot, how goes it?" greeted Billy.

"Sit down, Billy. I want to tell you

something," answered Darlington. "Billy, I've had a dream—a horribly realistic dream—and I'm not altogether sure that I'm awake yet."

"Forget it, Charlie," sung out Laughton between the puffs of his cigarette. "Was it finding money in the street or purring your relatives?" suggested Laughton, but without sarcasm.

At this moment Hall entered, bearing a tray with steaming hot coffee.

"Two ladies to see you, sir," Hall announced as he put the tray on a table at the bedside.

"Impossible!" exclaimed Darlington. "Probably Aunt Dora and Charlotte," suggested Laughton as he rose. Then, turning to Darlington, he added: "Quiet down, old man. It's all right. You're dreaming, that's all."

Charlotte and her mother were standing in the doorway, and Darlington stared at the two figures.

"One minute, Billy," said Darlington as he put forth a very stiff arm. "If I'm dreaming, and I believe I am, for the love of humanity don't wake me."

"Is he delirious?" Charlotte inquired of Billy.

"Not any more so than usual," assured Billy, with friendly brutality. "Did you bring those flowers for him?" continued Billy, nodding in the direction of the bed, whereat Charlotte glowered at him and Mrs. Comstock said something about "unseemly levity."

"Will you ever forgive me, Mr. Darlington?" Charlotte was saying. "I'll never forgive myself; but, you see, I thought it was safe for me to cross—and"

Darlington looked at the girl closely. He had loved her for many months, but had never had the courage to tell her so. She had always impressed him as a serious minded girl. Could she be up to some trick now with her cousin, Billy Laughton?

"When that horse knocked you down and kicked you," continued Charlotte—"well, I just thought I never wanted to speak again, but you're only just badly bruised, not seriously hurt, they tell me. You're not, are you?"

A sudden gleam as if knowing whereof she spoke came to Darlington. "I remember," he began as he took Charlotte's hand.

"Good Lord, deliver us," cried Billy. "He's going to 'reminisce.' Come on, Aunt Dora. I'm afraid this ordeal would be too much for a woman of your years. I'll take you in the sitting room and show you Charlotte's collection of mugs," and, taking Mrs. Comstock by the arm, he led her into the adjoining room.

"Don't you remember," continued Charlotte, unheeding Billy's irrelevant remarks and his kind departure, "when you and I were coming out of Balston's and were crossing the street? I darted forward, and you started to draw me back. Then the horse shied at something and kicked you?"

"And all the time," cried Darlington, "I thought it was a dream. But now it all comes back to me. I recall the sensation as I fell. Thought what an ass I had been never to have told you that I loved you and that now maybe it was too late!"

"It's a darned sight too late for a healthy brute like you to be lying in bed," chimed in Billy as he and Mrs. Comstock returned at this inopportune moment. "Come along, Charlotte, Aunt Dora and I are starving for our luncheon. As for you, old slippery elm, I'll be back this afternoon and read aloud to you extracts from 'Pipes, the Greatest Dream Book of the Age!'"

Charlotte extended her hand to the invalid. He gave it a significant little squeeze.

"Am I too late?" he demanded in an undertone.

"You're just in time," answered Charlotte, blushing to the roots of the soft brown hair above her forehead.

"What did Charlie mean about being too late?" asked Mrs. Comstock as the trio reached the street.

"Ah, don't pay any attention to him," put in Billy. "He was dreaming—that's all."

Photographing the Deaf. "That isn't a good picture," said the photographer, with an air of apology. "The man was deaf."

"How can that infirmity affect the picture?" asked the visitor.

"It gives his face a tense, strained look," the photographer explained. "All deaf persons have that expression when placed before a camera. They sit with their heads tilted forward and eyebrows uplifted, as if waiting for the command to look pleasant. Generally, I suppose, that is what they are waiting for, but even after I have given the order their muscles refuse to relax."

"What's that?" asks the deaf man when he sees my lips move.

"Look pleasant!" I shout again.

"Oh," says he.

"He takes his hands from behind his ear and tries to assume a beaming countenance, but he only compromises on a fixed glare. None of the devices known to the photographic trade can dispel that. In fact, the more 'business' I introduce to charm my subject into a joyful state the more rigid his facial muscles become. He is listening always for further instructions. Whether they come or not, the look of expectancy is there. For that reason the deaf are the hardest people in the world to photograph. If an artist's reputation depended upon the pictures he makes of them he would soon be obliged to go out of business."—Philadelphia Leader.

Each to His Line. "Do you think a man can be honest in business?"

"Matter of principle with me," said the money lender.

"Matter of policy with me," said the insurance agent.

THE PLAYFUL PORPOISE.

A Sportive Youngster That Had Fun With a Motor Boat.

Writing of a motor boat trip on the Black sea, Henry C. Rowland in Appleton's tells of the playfulness of the porpoise:

"That evening was a lovely one, the air of a delightful temperature, very clear, and the sea like a mill pond. A big school of porpoises came over to play with the boat, and the water was so sparklingly clear and of such a glassy surface that we were able to follow all their movements even when they plunged to their fullest depth. They had not the slightest fear of the noise of the motor, but swam dangerously close to the propeller and frequently rubbed themselves against the sides of the boat."

"One sportive youngster kept getting across the stem. For almost an hour I lay on my face forward, with my head over the bow, watching him. He was playful as a puppy and at last invented a little game of his own. Lying across the stem, he would let the curve of the bow roll him over and over, presently disappearing to swim back and repeat the performance. I have watched porpoises in many waters of the globe, but have never seen any as kittenish as these."

A LONG DRINK.

The Way a Fast Running Locomotive Scoops Up Water.

Some of the great transcontinental engines take on 8,000 gallons, or 245 barrels, of water to be turned into steam for the next run of two hours, or about sixty miles. But such a vast amount of water is a burden, and new supplies are desired oftener. It is a loss of time to stop and let such quantities come aboard through a pipe; hence some way of taking water while rushing at full speed is desirable. It has been found. How?

If you make a scoop of your hand and swing it swiftly, the hollow side forward, into water some of it will be likely to spurt up your sleeve. That is nature's hint. Follow it up. Find a level place in the road and put down an iron trough four inches deep, fourteen inches wide and one-eighth of a mile long. The engine comes rushing along, and, having passed the end, drops a scoop into this trough. There is a general splutter of water, but a tremendous stream rushes up the sleeve of the dropped hand and pours into the water tank. When it is full the fireman raises the scoop or it glides up the slope at the far end of the trough, and the engine is watered for the next run.—Epworth Herald.

Uses For Baby Carriages.

East siders in New York use their baby carriages until they literally fall apart. Of course the primary purpose is served well and often, as the family is generally a good sized one. Then the carriage is used for a market and shopping wagon, being piled high with potatoes, greens, fruit and household goods of all kinds from neighboring stores and push carts. The east sider doesn't often have his things sent home. He's not sure he would get what he had bought. Then the little boys are sent out to hover around new buildings or old ones being demolished and gather in wood to be pushed home in the baby carriage. On other occasions it is piled high with garments being rushed to or from the sweatshop. Sometimes packages of laundry are delivered from it, and, again, it is filled with coal. When it is finally worn out it furnishes a little fuel and four hoops for the children to play with.

Phenomena of Heredity.

It is one of the phenomena of heredity that a boy wants to be what his father was—if a shoemaker, then a shoemaker; if an ironworker, then an ironworker; if an artisan of any line, then an artisan in that line—and the father and mother who have come to hate the smell of leather or the grime of the smithy, the oil waste of the machine or the sweat of downright hard work cajole or coerce that boy into something that is genteelly dull or respectably stupid and kill the germ that would have produced the manufacturer, the mechanical engineer or the capitalist.

Then She Missed It.

Wiggs—Poor old soul! She doesn't believe as much in the efficacy of prayer as she did. Wiggs—You surprise me. She has always been so extremely religious. Wiggs—Yes, but the other day she got ready to go into the city, and then she discovered that she had only ten minutes in which to catch the train. So she knelt down before she started and for five minutes prayed fervently that she might catch it.

Not Working.

Nellie apologized for the action of her new baby sister by saying, "You see, she hasn't got any sense yet." Her mother objected to such an idea, and Nellie replied, "Oh, of course she's got sense, but it isn't working yet."—Delinquent.

The Return.

Magistrate—If I remember rightly, this is not your first appearance in court. Prisoner—No, your honor; but I hope you don't judge by appearances.

Mean Insinuation.

Long—They say, you know, that people can be killed by kindness. Strong—Is that why you are so attentive to your wife's mother?

There is but one virtue—the eternal sacrifice of self.—George Sand.

Humor

A BARGAIN SALE.

The Stocks Attracted Her, and She Bought Them While Cheap.

"I have done more or less speculating all my life," said Jones, "but I have made up my mind now to give it up. One speculator in the family is enough, and my wife seems to have a system that is a sure winner. Some time ago the general situation looked bearish to me. I hesitated a few days, but the more I thought it over the more I became convinced that the market was in for a big slump. Conditions were right, the trade was nervous, corn injured, the big steel trust was facing a strike, and I thought I saw certain signs that indicated that several of the big pools were getting tired of the load that they were carrying and were preparing to stand from under."

"Well, I put out a pretty stiff short line for me, and then the market, as if only waiting for me to get in, commenced booming. The result was that I got badly pinched before I could let go. Misery loves company, as the old saying goes. Besides, I had to account to my wife for the glum face that I was wearing, so I made a clean breast of the whole matter."

"Mercy!" she cried. "I don't see how you lost. Why, I made several hundred dollars!"

"You did! I almost yelled."

"Why, yes," she answered innocently. "You said one morning at the breakfast table that stocks looked like a big sale, and you know I dearly love a bargain sale, so I bought some X. Y. Z. stock with the pin money that I had saved."

"I remember making the remark," I said grimly, "but I am not aware that I ever mentioned X. Y. Z. as being particularly desirable."

"Of course you didn't," she answered. "I looked over all the stock that they had for sale and found I could buy X. Y. Z. for 49 cents, so I took that. You'll let me know when they have another bargain sale, won't you, deary?"

"Now, in the face of that, how can a man sit calmly down and reason out which way the stock market is going?"—Detroit Free Press.

The Language of Science.

"I must say," remarked the plain, everyday man, "that I feel as if I had a cold in the head, and I'm so hoarse I can hardly speak."

"I see," answered the scientist. "You are suffering from a slight coryza, causing congestion of the mucous membrane and suffusion of the optical organs and inducing a somewhat phlogistic condition of the epiglottis. Perhaps, however, you had better send for a physician."

"Send for a physician? No, I don't want to send for a doctor. Send for an interpreter."—Minneapolis Journal.

Garden Repartee.

"My eyes," exclaimed the potato, "but this is poor soil for a garden!"

"That's right," said the onion. "I don't get along worth a cent, and I'm losing strength every day."

"I'm going to leave," said the cabbage. "I'll never be able to get a head here."

"This spot isn't fit for a berrying ground," said the strawberry. "But here comes the sun, and we'll all have to dry up."—Houston Post.

An Indication.

Thingumbob—Well, I guess old Jigley is beginning to make his pile.

Meddigger—What makes you think so?

Thingumbob—He's been going around lately blowing about how much happier a man is when he's poor.—Philadelphia Press.

The Acme.

"We have got as far as the fireless stove, I see."

"Yes, but the acme of human domestic happiness will never be reached until we have the coalless furnace."—Baltimore American.

His Little Joke.

Grocer—I'm doing myself an injustice when I let you have six onions for a nickel.

Customer—Why, how is that?

Grocer—I give you six cents for five.—Chicago News.

A Long Felt Want.

"I had a hair raising experience this morning," said the doctor.

"Wish I could bump up against something like that," said the bald-headed druggist.—Detroit Tribune.

What He Got.

Bacon—Does he get much for his fiction?

Egbert—Oh, yes; his wife gives him the laugh.—Yonkers Statesman.

GRIFFIN

There was a very pleasant gathering of friends and neighbors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Creller on Monday evening, Dec. 28th, it being the 25th anniversary of their wedding day.

The evening was fine and the rooms were well filled with old and young, who seemed intent on having a good time. The Rev. Mr. Fowkes and lady from Georgetown were present, who, in their genial way added to the enjoyment of others.

The presents, from daughter and friends, were a silver service, knives and forks, with other useful gifts.

Tables were laid and weighed down with good things so much enjoyed by the sons and daughters of men. The evening was spent in converse and games and "All went merry as a marriage bell."

The presentation was made by our postmaster, who, in closing gave the following stanzas.

Hark! The wedding bells are ringing;
Listen, please to what they say
As their musical vibrations
Softly float along the way.

With joy, we ring in sweetest chimes
Our roundelay ding-dong;
Best wishes for this happy pair
We are chiming forth in song.

To-night those worthy friends renew
The marriage tie again
And so we wedding bells once more
Ring out a glad refrain.

Some years ago a younger pair
Set out to walk together
The path of life where'er it led
In fair or stormy weather.

Sometimes, perhaps, the way was rough
Or passed through wily places,
And then, perhaps, they didn't wear
Such happy, smiling faces.

Their path has led o'er many a plain,
Through many quiet dells
And now to-night they wed again,
Again ring out, we bells.

We wish them joy as on they climb
To higher plains above;
Until they reach that point unseen
The realm of perfect love.

NORTH HATLEY.

Mr. James Cass of Barnet, Vt., was calling on friends here recently.

Mr. B. J. Smith of Coaticook was here on a business trip Saturday.

A. P. LeBaron was the first to pass up through the lake on the ice, last Saturday, finding two big reefs.

Mentioning the New Year gathering at W. E. LeBaron's the names of Mrs. B. J. Gamsby and daughter, Donna of Huntingville were unintentionally left out.

The new councilors to replace Leslie Bean and A. H. Ham, whose terms expired were J. B. LeBaron and L. E. Johnson, by acclamation.

W. W. Reed has full charge of the butter factory with P. Tait at the churn, no more butter combine here.

Geo. Reed has purchased the milk route of Leon Bean and rented a part of Chas. Jackson's pasture.

Friends of Mr. Lockwood will be pleased to learn that he is better.

Wm. Raymond is saving Messrs. A. J. Conners, Aug. Colts and others wood-piles.

MINTON.

Mrs. N. E. Dean has returned from Martinville, where she has spent nearly two months.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Johnson of Three Rivers are visiting at his sister's Mrs. M. B. Rublee's.

The funeral of the late Mr. George Sampson was held in the Church here on Sunday, where a large number of old friends gathered to pay their last tribute of respect to one whom they loved. Rev. G. W. Dustin officiated. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved family.

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Fish of Boynton, have been staying a short time at Mr. R. Dean's.

Three Villages Historical Society.

In looking through the rooms of the Haskell Free Library recently, I was deeply impressed with the need of an active Historical Society in our villages. I talked with several regarding this matter and it was very favorably received. There are many who would be glad to contribute relics and pictures of the men and women who have been the builders of the villages. I thought there was ample room between the windows and on the walls of all the Library rooms for cases of curios and for pictures. I thought of the service of such men as G. Riley Caswell to the community, Hon. A. B. Nelson, Stephen and Austin Foeter, Dr. Bugbee, Hon. C. C. Colby and many others, all should be on the walls, and this kind of work is the province of such an organization as I have mentioned. The record of the annals of the community should be kept from now on, and all prior history written up to date, as far as is possible. Much benefit and delightful association will naturally come out of such an organization to the community.

Mr. Robert C. Parsons would, I am sure, be interested in such a movement, and would contribute liberally to its success.

This communication is for the purpose of placing the project before all who would be interested in it.

Respectfully,
CHARLES E. BENNETT.

DIED.

DUSTIN—At his home, near Ayer's Cliff, Jan. 1, 1900, very suddenly, of heart failure, Mr. Walter Dustin, aged 75 years.

GIBSON—At Griffin, Jan. 11, 1900, Margaret Jane Gibson, beloved wife of James Gibson, aged 64 years and 7 months.

DUFFERIN AVENUE.

The Helping Hand will meet with Mrs. Tilton on Thursday, Jan. 21st from 11 to 4 p. m.

Miss Gertrude Abbott and Mrs. S. E. Abbott, who were in Boston last week, attended a charming New Year's wedding, which took place on Friday at 4 p. m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Pierson Libbey, 15 Gilman terrace, when their daughter, Miss Gladys Geneva Libby, was united in marriage to Calvin John Penny, of this city. Rev. William Sherman Thompson performed the ceremony.

The bride wore an empire gown of white messaline with trimmings of silver thread and carried a shower bouquet of violets surrounded by lilies of the valley and maidenhair ferns. She entered the parlor through an aisle of ribbons held by the Misses Margaret Randall, Irma Knight, Gladys Haynes, and Ethel Miller, members of the bride's Sunday school class at the Franklin street church, of which she is a member. Miss Fanny B. Freeman, of Somerville, a graduate of the Sargent normal school, 1904, was maid of honor. She wore pink silk mull over pink taffeta and carried a bouquet of white sweet peas. Frederick Campbell, of Norwich university, Vt., was best man, and the ushers were Mrs. Rudolph Pauly, Mrs. John Duhig, Miss Mabel Page, Miss Ethel Reeves and Miss Florence Hatch, all of the Bachelor Girls' club, of which the bride is a member.

Immediately following the ceremony the newly-married couple received the congratulations of the eighty relatives and friends, standing under a bower of evergreen trees and ropes of evergreen, from which a large white ball was suspended directly over the bride's head and which fell a shower of confetti upon the couple after the ceremony. White chrysanthemums, white pinks with evergreen and laurel were used for decoration. A caterer served a collation.

Mr. and Mrs. Penny received numerous gifts. One of especial note was a very fine painting of the bride by the well-known Somerville artist, Carnig Eksergian, and presented by him to her.

The bride is well known in Somerville, being a graduate of the Prescott school and English high school, class of 1904.

Mr. and Mrs. Penny departed amidst a shower of confetti, which expressed the best wishes of the company. After their wedding trip they will reside in Wakefield.

NELSON-HUFFMAN.

The following was taken from the San Francisco Daily Call of December 31st., and will be of interest to Lieut. Nelson's many friends in the Three Villages.

The wedding of Miss Mercedes Huffman and Lieutenant George Edgar Nelson, U. S. A., took place last evening at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Charles Henry Huffman, in Broadway. The service was read by the Rev. William Rader, who officiated in the absence of Dr. William Kirk Guthrie, who was ill.

The pretty ceremony was marked with much of the military pomp and even the scheme of decoration was carried out with the yellow and white of the cavalry. The improvised altar in the reception room was built of pink carnations with yellow dominating in the tall golden pillars. The pink carnations were graduated from the deepest shade into a pale pink for the living room. The dining room was decorated in the seasonable red with berries and boughs heavy with fruit. The hall was in green with a touch of the yellow.

The bride wore a sheath gown of white satin embellished with rose point lace. Her veil was caught in her dark hair with a knot of orange blossoms and she carried a muff of white and yellow orchids with an adornment of lilies of the valley tied with white tulle.

The maid of honor was Miss Genevieve Huffman, sister of the bride, who wore a gown of pink directoire satin fashioned with a square train. She carried pink bridesmaid roses. The two ribbon bearers were Miss Florette Hodgdon of Sacramento and Lieutenant Carroll Neal, U. S. A. Miss Hodgdon was gowned in pale yellow directoire satin and carried an armful of daffodils. The best man was Lieutenant Richard Furnival U. S. A.

After the reception and wedding supper Mr. and Mrs. Nelson left for a brief honeymoon trip which will precede their residence at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

BOYNTON.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Fish were the guests of friends at Minton over Sunday.

Mrs. D. C. Waite of Fitch Bay and her mother, Mrs. George Wheeler of Manchester were calling on friends in the place Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Curtis, Stantstead Junction visited at Mr. George Curtis Tuesday.

Mrs. Oliver Perry of Libbytown was a recent guest at C. C. McClary's.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hills visited at Mr. Arthur Breaky's Sunday.

Master Gordon McClary is visiting his aunt at Massawippi.

FROM DERBY LINE TO LONDON.

How many of the JOURNAL readers have taken this journey, and of those who have not, how many would know how best to approach the problem?

Two of our citizens are but just returned from the trip, Mr. Thomas Nourse and his son Robert; and a chat with Robert leads us to briefly tell the story of their going to the homeland of the father.

They left the villages the afternoon of November 12th and expected to find their steamship tickets awaiting them at Newport, but in this they were disappointed and went on via the Canadian Pacific to Montreal, trusting to good fortune for a vacancy in the second cabin, sufficient to accommodate them, and in this they were favored, but were unable to secure a two berth stateroom so they could be by themselves and were obliged to accept one with four berths. The second cabins have two, four and six berth staterooms and it is generally best to have staterooms reserved several days in advance of going.

Their experience reveals the fact that there are not steamship agents nearer than Sherbrooke, and if one is to go abroad it's necessary to begin in time to secure the proper accommodations by communicating with a reputable agent of a good steamship line.

The Nourses went in the Canadian Pacific steamer, "Empress of Ireland." The cost of a ticket to Liverpool was \$50, and \$52.50 to London from Montreal and this included passage and board.

By going second cabin one escapes many social frills that are necessary, such as full dress at dinner, etc. They found the service excellent and the boat steady and very comfortable. The voyage over was uneventful, although they were both some sea sick at first as it was a November sea. The "Empress of Ireland" is a very large modern boat of 14,500 tons burthen, being 550 feet long and is finely manned.

In speaking of steamer life they classed it one of comfort, but too inactive. The order of the day was breakfast at 8 o'clock, lunch at 12 o'clock, tea at 5 o'clock and dinner at 8 o'clock. Tea was brought around at about 10:30 a. m. and at 3 p. m. and the food was finely cooked and served equally well.

They were very much interested in the great dock along the river Mersey at Liverpool. There are 16 miles of them and one of the largest in the world. They took the London & Northwestern train at the docks for London, and English road beds seemed to please them, remarking that the service was the very best, although the cars were smaller than on this side, but the speed was high and the trains very smooth running. They left Liverpool at about 9 a. m. and arrived in London at 2 p. m. Robert said he never saw such leeches for tips as the servants and porters of England, Canada and the U. S. haven't got the rudiments of the art.

In London they were the guests of Mrs. (Captain) Joseph Doody, Toppingville, Stapleton Hall Road, in the north part of London, the finest residential part of the city, reaching this over the great Northern road by steam cars.

They spent a week in London, all busy days. One day at Alexander Palace, London Tower, where they saw the Crown Jewels and its store of curios. They saw the Gordon Highlanders at Marlborough Theatre. Some of the peculiarities of England was the absence of stoves and the presence of the open fire everywhere. The streets and buildings were very clean, but the smoke and fog was something to make one dislike London and wish to get away from it. The prices of merchandise were not much, if any less for the same quality. There were comparatively few large retail stores, but the city abounded in small shops, and they carry a large portion of their stock in the window. In Oxford and Regent street and Strand there were many large stores and some of them were quite up-to-date.

They went to Westminster Abbey, but were not there at the right hour to see the interior. The most interesting place they found in all London was the Zoological Garden and they saw much of it. The fact that it costs an entrance fee of a shilling (24 cents) to see this park impresses us as peculiar, as with us such preserves are free to the public.

In speaking of the food, fruits, etc. of their quality and price, Robert couldn't accommodate his New England taste to the English breakfast tea and black coffee of London. Butter, milk and eggs were excellent and reasonable in price, but fruits, while they were of good quality, were almost prohibitive in price.

At the week's end they went to Burnham Market, about 120 miles north of London, the birthplace of the father, and it had been 45 years since he had seen it. He found only two buildings unchanged. It is difficult to imagine the feelings of one returning to their home land and birthplace after an absence of 45 years. Mr. Nourse has a brother and sister living in this town, and that of course added to the joy of the visit. They spoke of the beautiful farming districts passed through en route to the father's old

home, of the fine horses and sleek cattle, excellent farm houses and out buildings, all of red brick and everything denoting thrift and prosperity. They saw only two poor horses while in England, they were largely Normans, and the cattle were Herefords and Devonshires, and they graze in the open every month in the year. The swine were fine, all white Chesters, and there were a great many fine wool sheep, more than are seen in this country. The countryside abounded in fowls of all kinds, and an abundance of English Pheasants. There are very few wooden buildings, they are of brick, stone and cement and of rather heavy design. There are many small stone schoolhouses in the country, more frequent than in our country.

They returned to London and went to Birmingham and Manchester, the great manufacturing centers of the English Isle. They were smoky and dirty, but of greatest interest. They went on to Liverpool, spending more time in this great seaport than when they came out. Returning on the Louisiana of the Cunard line, leaving the evening of December 8th for New York. They found this supposed to be ideal modern steamer less comfortable than the Empress of Ireland. It wasn't as clean and the service very ordinary, consequently they paid five pounds, nearly \$80, from Liverpool to New York for very much less satisfactory service and \$8.00 from port to Derby Line. And their experience in getting from New York to Newport was a sharp criticism upon New England railroad accommodations.

When they go again they will make both passages by C. P. steamers from Montreal and save \$18.00 or more each and be comfortable. The month away returned them to the Three Villages well pleased with Northern Vermont and the Eastern Townships. Robert says the vibration of the turbines of the Louisiana makes them very uncomfortable. We were surprised as we had looked for less in a rotary engine. So much displacement and the requisite energy to drive it at such great speed explains the conditions that naturally would obtain.

FRENCH THRIFT.

The number of children in French families may decrease, the number of anti-militarists and deserters from the army may increase, and there may be other indications of altered social ideals which cause alarm to statesmen.

But national wealth, measured in terms of money, and computable, piles up at a rate that must cause statesmen of other nations to be somewhat covetous. Not taking into account the vast amount of gold and valuables which the peasantry conceal, and going only by figures that are revealed through forms of taxation, the national wealth is now put at forty-five billion dollars; that is, \$1,100 for every man, woman and child.

Put along with this the fact that the French now have an annual income of \$360,000,000 from foreign investments; that the gold holdings of the French banks are over one billion and a half dollars; that the balance of international trade is now in France's favor; and that the annual increase of visible wealth is not less than one billion dollars, and you begin to have a profound respect for a people who so well know how to manage personal, family and national finance. They waste not and so they want not. Husband and wife practice "team work" in labor, domestic economy and pleasures.

Law and tradition favor dispersion rather than concentration of wealth, and are against tendencies which widely divide humanity.

KINGSCROFT.

Mr. Orrin Glidden and family of Brooklyn, N. Y. visited relatives here Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Buckland of Derby, Me., and Mrs. O. Buckland of Way's Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Giroux of Hatley and Mrs. C. E. Kent and daughter, Alida, of Stantstead were at H. Corey's, Saturday.

Mr. George Pope was at Coaticook Friday.

Mr. Joseph Fortin has his sister and brother-in-law of Cohoes, N. Y., as guests for a few days.

Mr. M. N. Corey was at Brown's Hill last Thursday.

MACK'S MILLS.

The many friends of Mrs. B. A. Reed are glad to hear she is little better.

The social at Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox was, on the whole, a success. The programme was very good and a fine oyster supper. Proceeds over \$20. Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox know how to entertain a company to please them all.

For Over Sixty Years.

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