

The Stanstead Journal.

VOL. LXX—No. 51.

ROCK ISLAND, (STANSTEAD) P. Q., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1915.

WHOLE No. 3645.

A Merry Christmas to All

Our Holiday Business is simply Booming. Time is getting short, but there is another day or so and we will try to do our part to make them Record Breakers.

Our great Ten Cent Counter will be loaded with a lot of goods that do not belong there and there will be a special counter for odds and ends that will be the biggest thing offered during the whole season. There will still be goods for you all and there is room and help to care for a crowd, so come along to the big Holiday Store of Orleans County and you will be glad you did so.

Victrolas

THE QUEEN OF CHRISTMAS GIFTS

It is never too late to buy a Victrola. Let us hear from you at the last moment and we will fit you out.

Phone 277-2, Newport

TRUE & BLANCHARD CO., NEWPORT, VT.

TOWN TOPICS.

Wrapping and Tissue Paper at the JOURNAL office.

Messrs. Eugene and Thomas Wells, from McGill University, are home for the holidays.

The Derby Line school closed Friday for the Christmas and New Year holiday period.

Favorable news is being received from Mr. R. W. Darby, who is spending a few weeks in Boston.

The home merchants did a much larger business last week, than in the corresponding week last year.

Gen. F. G. Butterfield was injured by a fall recently, and has been staying at his home for a little while.

Dr. Hight, chiropodist, will be at the Derby Line Hotel on Thursday and Friday, December 30th and 31st.

Mr. Floyd Moulton returned from the hospital in Sherbrooke, Friday and is making good progress towards recovery.

Rev. H. F. Hallett was able to occupy his pulpit at the Congregational Church last Sunday morning and evening.

Mr. Joseph Marois of Beebe has purchased the Pike storehouse on Caswell Avenue, Derby Line, and will transform it into a modern meat market.

Mr. A. H. (Fred) Drew has joined the JOURNAL'S advertising family. Printer's ink is a very useful member of the workman's kit of tools. It must be used to be appreciated; it is also the most efficient member of a village's working force.

The excavating for the new bakery plant in Rock Island was begun Monday. The new building is to be 40 by 80 feet, two floors and a basement. Messrs. Goodhue and Gobeille have not yet decided what kind of material will be used in its construction.

The Border Theatre, will introduce something in the near future, which it is expected, will greatly benefit the "Movie" business in Rock Island. No announcement will be made, but it will come as a pleasant surprise to patrons of this popular amusement place.

The rooms for the Men's Association are about complete. The pool and billiard tables and balance of the furnishings have been ordered and the dedication will be about the ninth of January. H. C. Wilson & Sons of Sherbrooke will contribute the use of a new piano for 1916. They will place it in the rooms and tune it, all without charge. Their offer is accompanied by a splendid letter of encouragement and commendation for the work the Association is undertaking.

Mr. Willard Miller of Stanstead township has published a booklet of poems which will doubtless be sought by many friends and acquaintances in this section. The writer is seventy-six years of age and his verses have that tender touch which is attained only by those in advanced years. The booklet is gotten up in attractive form and will appeal especially to older people. The price is 25 cents, and the booklet is obtainable from the author, or at the office of the STANSTEAD JOURNAL, Rock Island, Que.

Mr. H. L. Bigelow of Barton, formerly of Stanstead township, was a business caller at the JOURNAL office, Saturday evening. Mr. Bigelow is the possessor of an automobile which he has had for three years and he holds the record for low cost of upkeep, at least so far as we have heard. This season, on a total run of 4,000 miles, his repair bill was just 33 cents, that amount going for two small springs and a bolt for the hood. It would appear that an automobile may be an expensive luxury or it may not, according to the way it is used and the man who operates it.

TOWN TOPICS.

1916 Calendar Pads on sale at the JOURNAL office.

Col. H. S. Haskell is spending a little time in Montreal.

Mr. C. Eugene Lee is still confined at his home by illness.

Mr. W. B. Greene of Richford, Vt., was in town last Thursday.

Hall & Cordean are installing the new heating plant in the Universalist Church.

Mr. N. F. Manning, teller at the Canadian Bank of Commerce, is in Montreal today.

Mr. James Dewey is in charge of the excavation for the new plant of Goodhue and Gobeille.

Mrs. Everett Forsythe is visiting her mother at Windsor, Vt., where she will remain until after Christmas.

Eugene Wells and Wesley Dorman have joined the Signaling Corps of the 117th Eastern Townships Battalion.

Mr. H. W. Gendreau, of the Stanstead & Sherbrooke Mutual Fire Insurance Co., Sherbrooke, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bryant of Barnston were in town the first of the week. Mr. Bryant is traveling for the Peerless Overall Company.

Mr. P. M. Poaps, manager of the J. B. Goodhue Co., Limited, left yesterday for his home in Ottawa, where he will remain until after New Year's day.

Our lines of Gloves, Hosiery, Hand Bags, Paras, Ivory, Handkerchiefs and Notions are all complete for Christmas trade. Call and see our goods before purchasing elsewhere. H. M. Hepworth, Derby Line, Vt. 2

It is now stated that the Roman Catholic parish of Stanstead will be divided and that two churches will be built one at Stanstead Plain, the other at Rock Island. The site for the one at Rock Island has not yet been selected.

1916 Dominion Office and Pocket Diaries at the JOURNAL Office. If we have not what you want we can supply any kind or make of Diary by special order within three days. Make your selection in season for the New Year.

There will be a full morning service with the Holy Communion in Christ Church, Stanstead, on Christmas day at 11 a. m. The offering taken will be sent at once to the suffering Belgians. We hope for a generous response to this appeal.

Last Thursday Emery Belville, the veteran butcher, killed for C. C. Hunt the biggest pig yet reported under nine months. To deal with exact figures this porker was born March 31st, killed Dec. 16th, and dressed 473 lbs. No use for any one else to "butt in."

Capt. George W. Shearer of the 27th C. F. A. has been badly injured and is now laid up in hospital in England, where he will likely be obliged to remain several months. His mother, leaves at once to join her son. Capt. Shearer belongs to Montreal; he is a grandson of the late Capt. James K. Gilman of Stanstead, Mrs. Cordelia Benton Shearer, and the family is well known here.

Forest H. Mitchell, who was a student at Stanstead at the end of the "nineties" was one of the first to volunteer when the call came. He enlisted with the Princess Patricia's and has since been driving an armored motor in Belgium. He is now in England with other motor drivers who are preparing to take their cars to Russia. They will enter that country at the North, taking their cars through to the South.

Lieutenant E. C. Irvine has received from the officer commanding the new Eastern Townships regiment, the 117th, permission to train his signaling corps here providing billets can be secured for the sixteen men who will be in this particular branch of the service. It is expected that about half this number will be recruited locally. Some of these were former pupils of Lieutenant Irvine and they are fine, sturdy fellows. It is to be hoped that the billets may be found.

Mr. Chas. B. Bissell of Fitch Bay was a business caller at the JOURNAL office Tuesday. Mr. Bissell will be 79 on Jan. 12th, next, and is unusually active for a man of his age taking care of a quantity of live stock and doing considerable other work. There must be something about Fitch Bay which keeps people alive and alert. Another aged resident of that section, Mr. E. B. Harvey, called at the JOURNAL office today. Mr. Harvey is approaching his eightieth birthday yet reads the finest print without glasses.

TOWN TOPICS.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark P. Nason have returned from Massachusetts. Mr. Nason is improving in health.

Mr. S. T. Fregeau is having his spring back of the Congregational parsonage bored and cased by Mr. Gilbert.

Some fear of the failure of the real purpose of the community Christmas tree has been expressed by a few who appear to think that the class most wanted may be crowded out by others who have no need for such an undertaking. In this community much has been done to break down class barriers during the past few years. There will be no class distinction at the community Christmas tree; there will be room for all and all will meet on a common level and all will be treated exactly alike. This event is for all children of the villages and adjacent territory. The welcome will be the same to all. No further funds are necessary to carry out the undertaking on the scale planned; on the contrary it is expected that a surplus will be carried over to next year. Without special solicitation contributions have been generous and come not only from citizens of this community but from others some as far away as Massachusetts.

Some members of the present council have suggested a public meeting for the discussion of municipal affairs. They feel it to be unfair for people to ignore civic business altogether until things are done, then charge wrongdoing, extravagance and waste of the people's money. The council is meeting with some criticism on account of the grading of the new Government road through the village; the Foundry hill wall has called forth much hostile comment; some have claimed that the new road past the Butterfield works cost too much, that men and teams "soldiered" on the job, etc. Others have claimed that money received from the sale of debentures issued for specific purposes has been diverted to other uses and that the income from water-works stock has been used to meet current expenses instead of being set aside as a sinking fund with which to retire the bonds at maturity. All these things might be discussed at a meeting such as has been suggested. In the past there has been little real interest in civic affairs. In a measure both carelessness and indifference developed through hopelessness on account of the method of choosing the council by caucuses controlled by the liquor interests. Conditions were certainly discouraging, but they should be vastly improved now. There is no reason why the people should not govern their own affairs now instead of being controlled by selfish interests. All that is needed is a deeper concern in civic affairs.

For some months back Mr. P. M. Poaps, manager of the J. B. Goodhue Co., Limited, has been working to secure an improved mail service. He has been particularly interested in the despatch of a mid-day mail to Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, etc. The first of the week Mr. Poaps showed us a letter from the Post Office Department, Ottawa, wherein it was stated that the Department had decided upon the despatch of a mail from Rock Island at 1 o'clock, to connect at Sherbrooke with the Grand Trunk for Montreal.

In the letter it was stated that the new service would begin immediately. In answer to inquiries made by the JOURNAL today the Postmistress at Rock Island stated that no such mail was being despatched and that no instructions had been received concerning the same. The improvement will doubtless be made in the near future. Just what it will be is not known, but the letter referred to would lead one to believe that a closed pouch would be sent from Rock Island to Sherbrooke at mid-day, which would benefit only a few business men at Rock Island and be of no benefit whatever to the other villages in this vicinity or to Massawippi valley points. It seems to us that these places deserve something better than the one way single service now in vogue. In this matter there has been no real progress in forty or fifty years. U. S. mails, as well as those despatched from local points, are carried through to Sherbrooke in the evening and distributed the following day when the forenoon is well advanced. Distribution should be made from the north-bound evening train or the north-bound mid-day train or both. Mr. Poaps is entitled to credit for what he has done, but there are many others who should be interested in an improved mail service. This can best be secured by concerted action of all parties interested. In many sections Boards of Trade are doing valuable service in connection with such matters.

GOOD NEWS FOR THE SUGAR MAKERS

News that ought to cause every one with a sugar place to look over his outfit and be prepared to make every pound that it is possible for him to produce. We will contract to take all your marketable sugar of the coming season's crop at

TEN CENTS A POUND

This is the first time in the history of our business that we have been able to make such an offer, and it looks mighty good for any man who is so fortunate as to have a sugar place on his farm. It does away with the scare that the tariff was to injure our sugar industry, in fact, it is more than likely that the old tariff will be in force before there is another pound of sugar made.

Now What About The New Goods You Need?

It looks now as though the great problem for us will be to get out all the Monarch Sugar Tools our customers will want; we certainly will be unable to do so if the most of them wait until late before ordering.

If you would like to contract your crop, let us know.

If you want some of our goods, let us know. We would like to go and see every man, but can't do it.

Call us by 'phone 277-2, or write and we will take the matter up with you at once.

MONARCH EVAPORATOR CO., or

TRUE & BLANCHARD CO., NEWPORT, VT.

TOWN TOPICS.

Mrs. Joseph Domina will soon be able to leave the hospital at Sherbrooke, where she underwent an operation a few weeks ago.

Mr. S. C. Forrest of Quebec City, formerly teller at the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Rock Island, was in town Sunday and Monday en route home from a two-weeks' visit to New York and Boston. His many friends here were pleased to see him once more.

RED CROSS ARTICLES NOT SOLD.

The Quebec Provincial Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society, having learned that a false report has been circulated all over the country that the Red Cross Society sells socks to the men in the trenches and also in the hospitals, would draw the attention of the public to the following:

On the twelfth of November, Surgeon-General Ryerson, founder and president of the Canadian Red Cross Society, in a speech delivered under the auspices of the Quebec Provincial Branch of the Red Cross, in the Art Gallery, said:

"In some quarters it has been stated that the Red Cross was selling socks to soldiers at the front. This was absolutely false, and a reward of one hundred (\$100) dollars has been offered to any one proving that this has been done."

Extract from the monthly Bulletin: "Not a single article entrusted to the Red Cross Society is sold without the knowledge or consent of the Society. The Society has endeavored to follow up all stories of such sales, but has entirely failed to find a single instance of a man who has bought a pair of socks, or any other articles from the Red Cross."

Red Cross goods are distributed in three ways only:

(a) To officers commanding Canadian Medical Hospitals for the use of their patients.

(b) To Canadian sick and wounded in hospital by a system of parcels, under Lady Drummond.

(c) To Canadian prisoners of war by a system under Mrs. Rivers-Bulkeley. How is it possible for it to be true that the Red Cross is selling socks to the men in the trenches? Red Cross goods never go into the trenches; only to patients in hospital and prisoners of war. We think our Commissioner was right when he cabled that such a report was "Simply preposterous."

Do the people of Canada really think that the Executive of the Red Cross, most of whom have near relatives who have fallen or are fighting at the front, are conspiring to rob the Canadian public on the one hand and the Canadian soldiers on the other?

AYER'S CLIFF.

Christmas services at the Congregational Church next Sunday morning, also at the Advent appointment in the afternoon.

Many family gatherings will be held on Christmas day. Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Hill will entertain a large circle of relatives; Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Johnston, relatives from Lennoxville and Sherbrooke; Mr. and Mrs. H. Berry, a family gathering.

Mr. Rowell goes to Florida this week.

Mr. R. H. McClatchie and family will have relatives from Cowansville at Christmas; there will be a family circle at Mr. Geo. Woodard's.

Mrs. Susie Robinson has gone to be with relatives in Gardner, Mass.

Mr. A. A. Drew goes to friends at Waterloo.

We wish the JOURNAL people and its readers all a pleasant and happy holiday time.

HATLEY.

The Ladies Aid which met on Wednesday, Dec. 15th, with Mrs. Williams, the president, at the parsonage, was fairly well attended, considering the decidedly unfavorable weather.

An excellent baked-bean dinner was served by the hostess, after which a good deal of work was accomplished by the ladies. The next meeting will be held in the vestry of the church, Dec. 29th, for dinner. The hostesses on this occasion will be Mrs. J. F. Woodman and Mrs. L. Moulton. It is hoped that the ladies will make a special effort to attend this meeting as those held at the vestry generally fail to have as good attendance as those held in the homes of the different members.

The day of meeting of the Patriotic Society has been changed, by vote of the Society, from Friday afternoon to Wednesday afternoon during the winter months. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 29th, following the Aid meeting.

It is hoped that many of the ladies who come from a distance will be able to attend both functions and in this manner swell the number of the Red Cross workers. At the last meeting of the Patriotic Society, the following articles were packed for shipment to the Red Cross Society: 10 prs. socks, 14 mufflers, 1 surgical shirt, 33 bed pads, 1 pillow slip, also a gift from a Boynton lady consisting of 1 Turkish towel, 4 face cloths, 45 bandages, 3 pieces linen, 6 packages chicklets. In addition to this the fine boys who have recently gone from Hatley to join the 117th E. T. Regiment, have each been provided with two pairs of socks and a muffler; wristers are also being prepared for them. Two pairs of socks were also sent to a former Hatley boy, now in the Belgian trenches.

It is understood that Mr. Edward Kerr, who formerly spent some years in Hatley, has joined the colours and is now with the 117th in Sherbrooke.

The W. C. T. U. met on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. M. Kendrew. The subject under discussion was the Franchise. The president, Mrs. Helen Emery, and Mrs. Walter Parker, both gave excellent papers; other interesting readings were also given. The coming parlour meeting which will be held with Mrs. O. H. Glidden, was discussed. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess.

A number of ladies were present at a linen shower given in honor of Miss Flora Buck of Ayer's Cliff at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Herbert Webster. Miss Buck was the recipient of many useful gifts and the good wishes of all her Hatley friends. A jolly social hour was followed by delicious refreshments.

Death has again visited our community and called from us Miss Jones, one of Hatley's oldest and most respected citizens. For a number of years past Miss Jones has been confined to her room by the infirmities of old age and has been tenderly cared for by the family of her nephew, Dr. C. R. Jones. She passed away on Saturday, Dec. 18th. The funeral took place at St. James Church on Monday afternoon. This making the third consecutive Monday on which a funeral has taken place in our village.

The services at the Methodist Church on Sunday will be in keeping with the Christmas season. In the morning the annual Christmas sermon will be delivered by the pastor, and special music will be given by the choir. The evening will be devoted to a program given by the children and older members of the Sunday School. All are cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. Albert Knight has sold her farm in Hatley and has purchased a house in Massawippi, where she with her family, will shortly go to reside.

1915 CHRISTMAS 1915

—AT—

WILLIAM M. PIKE & SON'S

With the many things to divert us and demand our sympathy and help, we must not forget the usual interchange of GIFTS and GOOD CHEER at CHRISTMAS TIME. Give the children a good time and gain a little hope and cheer doing it. You will find our store carrying its biggest cargo of Christmas Gifts in all the years we have been serving the community.

The average boy and even the girls will be interested in our SPORTING GOODS DEPARTMENT. Skates, Skating Shoes, Hockey Sticks and Pucks, Snowshoes, Moccasins, Toboggans, Sleds, and Good Warm Knit Caps, Sashes, Sweaters, Gloves, Mittens, Leggings and Stockings for the out-of-door sports.

Cutlery makes a sensible gift, we have Carving Sets, Jackknives, Razors, Shears and Scissors.

Crockery and Glassware

Our stock of English Dinner and Tea Sets, we own at before-the-war prices, and we are selling at old prices. Fine line of Toilet Sets, Special in China pieces for the Table and Mantle, Cups and Saucers, Berry Sets, Chocolate Sets and our stocks of Lamps is large and varied.

Linen Department

Here is where we are at home to the lover of beautiful Linens—Hand and Guest Towels, Bureau Scarfs, Table Covers, Center Pieces, Doilies, Napkins, Fancy Damask and Huckaback Towels, Table and Bed Linens.

A Bath-Robe makes an ideal gift. We have special values in both Ladies' and Gentlemen's Robes. A \$5.00 Robe at \$3.50.

You know our Shoe Stock is a prominent Department with us and we have Canada's Best Shoe, THE INVICTUS, for both men and women, in all the popular patterns and leathers, Tan, Velours, etc. Crosby's School Shoe for Boys and Girls. We have a Splendid Assortment of Slippers for every member of the family in Felt and Kid. A good line of Shoes in felt, Comfort Patterns for Grandpa and Grandma.

Special Discount

on all Men's, Boys' and Children's Suits and Overcoats. The Axe has been used on the price of these goods to clear, and they're the sensible gifts. Complete line of Telford-Chapman's All-wool Mackinaw Coats.

New Rugs and Art Squares

Linoleums, Oilcloths and Mattings. Bargains in Rugs.

Leather Goods

in great variety—Suit Cases, Bags, Wallets, Shaving Sets, Collar and Cuff Cases, Beautiful Ladies' Hand Bags.

Ladies' Furnishings

in all the schemes and qualities the market affords. Many items in individual Christmas Boxes. Handkerchiefs from 5 cents to \$1.00 in Linen, Lawn and Silk.

Gentlemen's Furnishings

is a Big Feature with us always, and 1915 is the best year in this department. Underwear, Hosiery, Gloves, Mittens, Ties, from 25 cents up, Sweaters from 60 cents to \$5.50. Caps, Shirts, Collars and anything needed for the man's wardrobe. Cluett-Peabody Shirts.

Our Toy Shop

is full of the items that make the kids sit up and take notice. Dolls, Games, Tools, and a thousand things that enter into the life of boy-and-girlhood. Even Candy, Nuts, Fruits and all the good tasting fixings for the Christmas stocking and the Christmas dinner.

THE STORE THAT SELLS DEPENDABLE GOODS IN A DEPENDABLE WAY.

WILLIAM M. PIKE & SON, :: ROCK ISLAND, QUE.

MASSAWIPPI.

The W. C. T. U. meeting which usually takes place the 4th Wednesday in the month, will be held the Wednesday after Christmas instead, with Mrs. Elmer McClary, who invites the ladies to come in time for dinner. It is hoped that the weather will be favorable for a good turnout.

Mr. S. Colt was at North Hatley on Tuesday and paid a visit to his new grandchild, born to Mr. and Mrs. Guy Kezar.

Little Eloise Turcott has visited her grandmother at Elm Cottage for several days, returning to North Hatley Tuesday eve.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil St. Lawrence were at Sherbrooke over Sunday at his brother's.

Mr. George Mosher has purchased the farm of Mrs. A. Knight, to whom he has sold his village property on Glen Street. They will change residences shortly. The Knight farm consists of about 80 acres and is situated on a cross road turning off the Hatley road, a mile or so from this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Scribner of Libbytown were recent visitors at Mr. B. Kent's.

A strange-acting man hung around our R. R. station several hours on Saturday evening, and succeeded in giving young Amy and his wife, who were alone, quite a scare. With help they called for, he was sent along by the late train—rather against his will, it was thought. Although the north-bound mail was tried he succeeded in escaping, it. Yet after all he may have desired to cross the "line," as his resistance going south was not as persistent. He was fairly well dressed. One ear was bloody and his overcoat was torn, as if he had been in some kind of a struggle, and he was somewhat under the influence of drink or pretended to be.

The Christmas entertainment comes off Friday evening at Cottage hall, and "the kiddies" are looking forward to it happily.

BRESETE CORNER.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bresset and children visited friends at Massawippi the first of the week.

Mr. Donald Dick has gone to join his regiment, the 11th E. T. Battalion. On the eve of his departure he was presented with a handsome teacher's bible and a wrist watch from the members of the Baptist Sunday school.

Mrs. Merritt LeBaron is at her home for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Helen LeBaron of Sherbrooke spent the week-end with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. LeBaron and daughter Helen were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McConnell the first of the week.

HATLEY CENTER.

Miss Madge Hunter of Hatley, was the guest of Miss Bertha McKay the past week-end.

Our school closed on Friday the 17th inst. for a two-weeks' vacation, Miss Call returning to her home.

Autos persist in defying the elements of the season, and are still speeding along the Trunk road. On Wednesday a car from Sherbrooke was stalled in a snowbank in the hill at W. E. Greer's, and had to be pulled out with a team. On Saturday night another car from Sherbrooke was also stalled in the same place, but with the aid of some muscular efforts, succeeded in retreating towards Sherbrooke. On Sunday and Monday, however, cars were going through all right, but were somewhat knocked about. This piece of road is badly cut up by the car wheels and is hardly safe for sleighs, or horses travelling beyond a walk.

Mr. C. P. Young of Hatley called on relatives, Sunday.

Mrs. E. B. Pope returned home Monday from a visit to her daughter, Miss Gwendoline Pope, who is teaching school at Sutton.

NORTH STANSTEAD.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Byers, Sr., were called to Hawkesbury, Ont., on Thursday last to be present at the funeral of Mr. Byers' mother. She had lived to the good old age of ninety-four years. The family have the heartfelt sympathy of all.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Cooper of Heathton were visiting at Mr. W. C. Higginson's, recently.

Mrs. Myra Curtis and grandchildren are home from Stanstead for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Curtis visited their son, William, in Stanstead one day last week.

MAGOON'S POINT.

Mr. James Ward spent a day at Magog recently.

Mr. W. J. Shea was at Magog to attend the funeral of Mr. Bert Chamberlain, December 11th.

Our roads are being rolled this year by Mr. James Ward and Mr. Phillip Willey.

Mr. James Ward had the misfortune to lose a valuable yearling colt last week.

Mr. Robert Weston is suffering from blood poisoning in his face. He is attended by R. A. Gatchell of Beebe, Vt.

An ice breaking steamer built in Sweden for the Russian government has cut its way through ice fields 30 feet thick.

A NEWSPAPER OF CHARACTER Springfield Republican

MASSACHUSETTS

ABLE, INDEPENDENT, READABLE

(Established in 1824 by Samuel Bowles)

Daily (Morning), \$8; Sunday, \$2; Weekly, \$1 a Year

With War Raging And A Presidential Campaign Approaching

READ A FEARLESS,
CLEAR-THINKING NEWSPAPER

Edited by Trained Students of the World's Affairs

"In many respects The Springfield Republican stands as the highest achievement of American journalism."—From the New Republic.

The Republican's editorials constitute one of its distinguishing and most valued features. Literature, art, science, education, religion, philanthropy—all receive generous treatment in its columns; likewise agriculture and industry. Special attention is given to the various healthful outdoor sports.

The Weekly Republican, containing an expert condensation of the news, together with the week's collected and selected editorials and many features and departments, offers for \$1 a more comprehensive and intelligent survey of what is going on in the world than any other weekly magazine. It goes into every state in the Union.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

DAILY (Morning), \$8 a year, \$2 a quarter, 70 cents a month, 16 cents a week, 3 cents a copy.
DAILY and SUNDAY, \$10 a year, \$2.50 a quarter, 85 cents a month, 20 cents a week.

SUNDAY, \$2 a year, 50 cents a quarter, 5 cents a copy.
WEEKLY (Thursday), \$1 a year, 25 cents a quarter, 10 cents a month, 3 cents a copy.

Specimen copies sent free on application. The Weekly Republican will be sent free for three weeks to anyone who wishes to try it.

All subscriptions are payable in advance. Address

THE REPUBLICAN, Springfield, Mass.

WARNING.

All persons are hereby warned against trespassing on the property of the undersigned or pilfering therefrom. Disregard of this warning will result in prosecution to the full extent of the law.

MRS. H. A. CHANNELL,
GEO. A. CHANNELL,
Stanstead, Nov. 16, 1915

LUMBER.

I am prepared to furnish Dimension, Rough and Dressed Lumber, Clapboards and Lath for building purposes. Prompt delivery, prices always right.

W. K. BALDWIN,
Baldwin's Mills, Quebec

CHARLES E. HASELTON

Manufacturer of and Dealer in all kinds of

Granite and Marble Monuments and Head Stones

Four Cemetery work such as Lettering and Resetting is Solicited

Beebe Que. and Vt.

FARM FOR SALE

The farm known as the Joseph Worth place situated on House Hill, about one mile North of the village of Beebe. Will be sold in part or the whole to suit purchaser.

CHARLES E. HASELTON,
Beebe, Que.

GEORGEVILLE.

Mr. A. P. Bryant and family left today for Brattleboro, Vt., where they intend to reside for a while. We regret very much to have this family leave as they have always been helpful in church work and kind and obliging neighbors.

Mr. and Mrs. Wray P. Adams are soon to move into the tenement over the post-office. Mr. M. Longeway of Fitch Bay is painting, papering, etc., for Mr. Adams.

There will be a special Christmas service in the Methodist Church on Sunday night, next. A choir of twelve are preparing special music and the clergyman is anxious to have the congregation reach one hundred. We hope all that can will attend and make the service one of joyous thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Keet were in Magog on Tuesday.

The Red Cross supper and program will be given in the Methodist Church, December 29th.

Mr. and Mrs. Davidson were at Derby Line Tuesday and Wednesday.

BOYNTON.

Mr. John Lavers is home after a few days with relatives in Waterville.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Fish of Ayer's Cliff spent Sunday at Mr. N. E. Fish's. Mrs. Linda Yeter of Smith's Mills was in town Thursday and Friday.

Mr. Wolfe Libby of Boston was at Mr. A. W. Brown's Thursday.

Mr. Bradley Hartwell of East Hatley spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. N. E. Fish.

Miss Alma Mosher of Derby Line, Vt., was home on Sunday.

Mrs. N. E. Davis and sons of Newport, Vt., were in town last week to attend the Middlebrook-Brainerd wedding.

The sale held in Griffin's hall, Thursday evening, by the Missionary Auxiliary was a success, thirty-three dollars being cleared.

Mr. O. H. Brown and Mrs. Ethel Nourse of Newport, Vt., spent Sunday at Mr. A. W. Brown's.

Mrs. L. Towle of Beebe has been at her home here for a few days.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our heartfelt gratitude for the assistance so generously extended to us in our time of sorrow and affliction. Through the JOURNAL we wish to extend our most sincere thanks to all of our neighbors and friends for their kindness and sympathy, also for the beautiful flowers received.

MRS. E. J. CHAPMAN,
MR. AND MRS. E. O. SANBORN,
MR. AND MRS. U. H. CHAPMAN,
MR. AND MRS. C. E. CHAPMAN,
MR. AND MRS. E. A. PUTNEY.

PLEASANT HEIGHTS.

Mrs. M. H. Harris visited her sister, Mrs. A. Davis, at Griffin a couple of days last week.

Mr. Wilbur Harris is at home from camp for a few days.

The friends of Mrs. R. Bennett of Hatley were surprised to hear of the death of their little five-year-old son, who met with an accident on Tuesday and died on Thursday. They have the sympathy of their friends here.

Mr. J. Wells and daughter Goldie, attended the funeral of little Ivory Bennett on Sunday.

Getting ready for Christmas seems to be the order of the day in this vicinity and the worthy young men, who have gone from this way to help fight for their country, have been well remembered. It is hoped that they will all be spared to return to their homes before another Christmas.

Mr. F. Shorty and son, Harry, were at Rock Island with beef on Friday.

Mr. Luther Bachelder of Griffin, and son, Emerson from Washington, visited at Mr. Wm. Bachelder's, and also at the home of his mother, Mrs. M. Bachelder, recently.

ALTGELD WROTE THIS ONE FOR US.

Governor Altgeld of Illinois is better understood by most of us today than he was in his lifetime—though some of us were keen enough to appreciate his qualities then—Minister to Belgium Brand Whitlock, for one. This year Secretary of State Woods of Illinois places in his "Blue Book" Governor Altgeld's message to young men—a ringing invitation to service and to ideals:

"Young men, life is before you. Two voices are calling you—one coming from the swamps of selfishness and force, where success means death, and the other from the hilltops of justice and progress, where even failure brings glory. Two lights are seen in your horizon—one the fast-fading marsh light of power, and the other the slowly rising sun of human brotherhood. Two ways lie open before you—one leading to an ever lower and lower plane, where are heard the cries of despair and the curses of the poor, where manhood shrivels and possession rots down the possessor; and the other leading off to the highlands of the morning, where are heard the glad shouts of humanity and where honest effort is rewarded with immortality."—Collier's.

India is spending \$100,000,000 in buying the wheat not needed for consumption in India to sell to the United Kingdom.

F. W. D. MELLOON

1887 THE TWENTY-EIGHTH 1915

CHRISTMAS

With very much better quarters and increased stock over any other CHRISTMAS I am asking for the share in BUSINESS that 28 years of service should merit. The space added for my DRY GOODS and LADIES' FURNISHINGS places my store in a strong position to handle the buyers of these lines. I have a fine line of FURS, SCARFS and MUFFS, and the prices are reasonable, they were bought early, before the sharp advance in all furs. My assortment of KNIT GOODS, consisting of SWEATERS for Ladies, Misses and Children is large and varied, and a sweater makes a sensible Christmas gift. Wool Gloves and Mittens, Fownes' Kid, Mocha and Cape Gloves and Mittens, plain, silk and fur-lined. My stock of LADIES' WAISTS fills well the call for reasonable, pleasing gifts. Toques and Sashes, Caps, Ribbons, Ties and Fancy Collars, Aprons, Hosiery and Underwear.

In this section of my store I have a well stocked Infants' Department. Coats, Hoods, Mittens, Fur Sets, Fancy Shoes, Oversocks and everything for the Baby's Christmas stocking.

Leather Goods

One of the neatest gifts, is something in leather. I have a good assortment of English-made Suit Cases, Bags, Ladies' Hand Bags, Purses, etc.

New stock LADIES' SHOES and SLIPPERS, OVERSHOES, ALASKAS and RUBBERS. Full line of SHOES and OVERS for Men, Boys and Children.

Gentlemen's Furnishings

in great variety for CHRISTMAS TOKENS—Sweaters, Watson and Stanfield's makes of Union Suit Underwear, Mackinaw Coats and Caps to match. Braces, Ties Handkerchiefs, Neck Scarfs and Mufflers.

Sporting Goods

always appeal to the seeker after gifts. I have Skates, Snowshoes, Indian Moccasins, Hockey Sticks, Pucks, Toboggans and Sleds.

Furniture

If I specialize in anything it is in FURNITURE, and my stock is very full for the holiday trade. Desks, Rockers, Dining Room Tables and Chairs, Willow Rockers, Parlor and Library Tables, Buffets, Dressers, Couches, Iron and Brass Beds and many special prices including a good line of the late design of Serving Trays.

CHINA in DINNER and TEA SETS and a large variety of special items, such as Cups and Saucers, Fruit Plates, Lamps and Glassware.

TOYS! TOYS!

Although there is terrible war at the front we must not forget the kids at home. I would help, and so have my usual stock of TOYS for them.

COME TO MY STORE

for your Candies, Green and Dried Fruits for tree and stocking and for your Christmas Dinner. Coffee, Chocolate, Candied Peels and every item for your table. LET'S HAVE A GOOD CHRISTMAS.

F. W. D. MELLOON, :: ROCK ISLAND, QUE

VERMONT ITEMS.

Under the auspices of the Civic League Bennington will have a community Christmas tree.

Stephen M. Foster, of Derby Line, has been nominated a member of the class day committee of the senior class of Harvard University.

Wallace Batchelder and Myron J. Buck are making arrangements for the formation of a civilian rifle team at Bethel to be affiliated with the National Rifle Association.

Rutland's community Christmas tree is already in position and was lighted Friday night for the first time, being strung with hundreds of incandescent lights. It will be lighted each night until Christmas.

William J. Phelan of Ludlow, the largest dealer in Christmas trees in the state, and in the business for 18 years, considers this his most successful year. He has shipped 76 car-loads this season.

John E. Walker, of Dummerston, during the deer season, shot a wild goose from a flock flying southward. It weighed seven and one-half pounds and its wings measured from tip to tip five feet and one tenth.

According to the will of the late Fletcher D. Proctor, there was a Christmas tree and moving pictures for the children of Proctor this year, the same as last, the same taking place this afternoon. Each child received an ice cream cone, an orange, and a box of candy.

Irene, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Welch, of Groton, who was so terribly burned December 1, died about a week later. The little girl, who was but four years old, was endeavoring to light a lantern when she set fire to her clothing and nearly every inch of her body above the knees was burned over.

Among the messages received by Daniel Austin, of Rutland, on his 100th birthday anniversary, was a telegram from Harry Lauder, whom Mr. Austin met during the noted Scotch comedian's recent visit to Rutland. Mr. Lauder wired from Providence, R. I. "Happy days for you, grand old man. My warmest wishes."

Mrs. Lucy Graham, mother of State Auditor Horace F. Graham, of Craftsbury, died last Thursday at the age of 70 years. Mrs. Graham had been ill for some time and her death was not unexpected. Beside the son mentioned, one other survives, Robert F. Graham, of New York city, and a daughter, Miss Isabelle Graham, of Craftsbury.

Cooperative Selling.

What the farmers and orchardists of Vermont need is a greater spirit of cooperation. Other States are showing the way and it is for us to follow, modestly, of course, until we are sure of the road.

Examples of what can be done in the way of cooperation advertising and selling are furnished just now by California. The California Associated Raisin Co., which for the past two years has been carrying on a vigorous advertising campaign in Canada and in the United States, with the object of popularizing the sale and consumption of raisins, comprises more than 6,000 growers. The California orange growers have carried on a similar campaign in Canada. This cooperative advertising of raisins and oranges by voluntary action on the part of the growers, marks a step in the direction of obtaining new markets for their products. It will doubtless be a growing factor in the marketing of other American goods which were not considered, heretofore, advertising possibilities. Vermont should have its due place in the procession.

State Buying Mansfield Timber Land.

At the meeting of the state board of agriculture and forestry, held at the Hotel Vermont, Burlington, the work to be done during the coming year was talked over. The state, which now owns Camel's Hump, and other portions of the Green Mountain range, is buying up timber land on Mount Mansfield, it being the intention of the board to own at a future time the mountain to develop forestry reserves.

The members of the board present were Gov. Charles W. Gates of Franklin, State Commissioner of Agriculture E. S. Brigham of St. Albans, State Forester A. F. Hawes of Burlington, Prof. J. L. Hills, dean of the College of Agriculture of the University of Vermont, C. F. Smith of Morrisville, and Amos L. Eaton of South Royalton.

A QUESTION.

The British Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children claims that during last year 159,407 children under the society's direct observation suffered at the hands of drunken persons, and that 1,143 of them died from the cruelty or neglect of those drunken men and women. Societies in this country report similar appalling cruelty to American children on the part of whiskey-soaked parents. Is it not absolutely criminal for governments to license the business responsible for such outrages to defenseless children?

LET US REBUILD YOUR HOME

DON'T BE SATISFIED WITH POOR WORK

GET THE BEST!

WITH OUR ORGANIZATION AND EQUIPMENT WE CAN GIVE IT TO YOU.

LOOMIS-DAKIN, LIMITED

SHERBROOKE, QUE.

GENERAL CONTRACTORS BUTTERFIELD CO.'S NEW BUILDINGS, ROCK ISLAND.

LUMBER

We are prepared to quote lowest prices on Dimension, Rough and Finished Lumber, either hard or soft wood, in any quantity. Write

Mansonville Lumber Co.,
MANSONVILLE, QUE.

THE REPAIR SEASON FOR AUTOMOBILES

Now is the time to have your machine overhauled and painted. The time is short to good running weather and roads.

I am better equipped than ever to do your work. I have a large amount of work to do, therefore don't be late.

THE AMES GARAGES,
GEORGE T. AMES, PROPRIETOR,
DERBY LINE, VT., ROCK ISLAND, QUE.

American Life Sacred.

[Burlington Free Press.]

According to advices from Vienna the American note "angers the Austrians." The Americans who lost their lives on the Ancona had a right to be angry. The friends and relatives of the American victims of Austria's inhuman warfare were angry, if they had any red blood in them. The whole people of this nation deeply resent the proposition that the name of "America" has meant so little in the way of protection for the lives of our citizens in this great war. This latest evidence furnished by the Austrian outrage has simply served the purpose of the last straw that broke the camel's back.

If every other nation can kill Americans with impunity a la Mexico, as this latest outrage would help to indicate, then it is time for the people of this country to begin seriously to inquire what is the matter. Are we becoming enervated or effeminated so that no other nation hesitates to tweak Uncle Sam's nose? Or, are we as a people still made of the same old stuff, while unconsciously allowing our international police system to get out of orders? Is the American flag losing its meaning abroad from mere lack of firmness on the part of our government, or through inertia or indifference on the part of the whole American people?

These are serious questions, because, if the present situation continues, the answer must inevitably be either war or our uninterrupted supine complaisance in the face of further destruction of American lives. Immunity for one offender encourages others. The time may soon come when we shall be forced to resort to more extreme measures, unless we as a people insist that Uncle Sam shall stand firm as the eternal hills for the recognition of American rights and the sacredness of American life abroad as well as at home. We are warned that our system of home police protection and justice may be indicating to the world at large we hold human life so cheap in the face of the startling increase in murder in our own midst that a few more added to the total sacrifice by a foreign power will not shock us out of our apparent insensibility to the appeals of the sacred right of men and women to live safe under the American flag, whether at home or abroad.

If the Americans who have lost their lives in submarine outrages in this war help us to come into a fuller realization of the sacredness of American life at home and to insist upon its conservation and protection in peace as well as in war, they will not have yielded up their lives wholly in vain.

THE CANADIAN EGG MARKET.

British Demand Has Taken All Available Supplies—Prices High.

The following statement has been issued from the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa:

"For the first time in a number of years eggs have taken a prominent place in Canada's export trade. This is largely due to the unprecedented demand for eggs on the part of the market and the fact that British dealers have shown a marked preference for Canadian eggs over United States eggs and a willingness to pay a distinctly higher price for them.

"So great in fact has been the demand that Canadian dealers have shipped practically all of the available Canadian storage product to the Old Country. As a result there is not in Canada at the present time, sufficient eggs in storage to supply home consumption until fresh receipts in appreciable quantities begin to come in.

"Quantities of eggs from the United States, however, are being imported into Canada, some in bond for export, but the larger part to take the place of the Canadian product exported. On account of the keen demand for Canadian eggs above mentioned, United States eggs can be laid down in Canada at the present time, duty paid, at several cents per dozen less than the price at which Canadian eggs are selling for, for export and they should be procurable by the consumers accordingly.

"On the other hand the Canadian market at the present time is very firm for Canadian 'Specials' (new laid) the production of which is not enough in most instances to supply the demand at local country markets. This means that high prices will have to be paid in consuming centres in order to draw a portion of these supplies from local points. Producers may therefore definitely expect reasonably high prices during the period of low production for fresh eggs that grade 'Specials.'

"The question has been raised as to whether the phenomenal demand on the part of the British market for Canadian eggs will continue. This depends entirely upon the quality of Canadian eggs exported. Canada has tremendous possibilities as an egg producing country. The poultry industry is at present but a mere fraction of what it might be. It remains, therefore, for those most interested in the development of this trade to make the best possible use of their present opportunities, and by careful supervision of the quality of Canadian eggs going forward to pave the way for an extensive and profitable export trade in the future.

ABOUT OUR NEIGHBORS.

On Wednesday evening, December 29th, there will be held in the new armory at Costicook, a dance for the benefit of the Patriotic Society. The patronesses for the evening will be Mesdames F. E. Lowell, E. P. Dupuis, G. W. Paige, and A. C. Hanson. Turcott's Orchestra.

The Stanstead Journal.

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY BY
THE JOURNAL PRINTING CO.

Rock Island, Que.

One year (advance payment) \$1.00
If paid in six months, 1.25
At the end of the year, 1.50

When sent by mail to subscribers in the United States the price will be \$1.50 a year in advance.

Entered as second-class matter at the Post Office at Derby Line under the act of March, 3, 1879.

ADVERTISING RATES.
Transient advertising 10 cents a line for the first insertion and 3 cents a line for each subsequent insertion. 12 lines to the inch. Non-advertisements received for less than 30 cents.

Correspondents who can do so would materially assist us by sending as much of their copy as possible by Monday evening's post. Reports of later events may then be sent in by mail as late as Wednesday evening, or by phone on Thursday forenoon when necessary.

It is frequently difficult for us to find work for our compositors Monday and Tuesday. Wednesday and Thursday they are always submerged with copy.

THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

People who are interested in honest civic administration should be looking forward to the coming municipal elections with the view to placing in office only men of principle—men who are willing to consider community interests above selfish interests. For years at Rock Island whiskey was the controlling influence in civic affairs. Men were not selected for their ability or fitness for office, but because of their readiness to support the license system. This method of control resulted not only in moral stagnation, but led to extravagance and waste of people's money. The liquor interests were always able to control a few business men who had been brought up in the belief that licenses meant more business, and who cared nothing for the name of the community so long as they fancied they stood a chance to win a few paltry dollars through the continuation of an altogether discredited system. But the system had to fall, and its fall failed to promote the growth of grass in the streets, as the liquor interests had prophesied it would do. We have been without license now for nearly eight months, and while the village may not have been entirely "cleaned up," there is no man living, with any sense of fairness, who will not admit that conditions are a hundred times better than they ever were under the license system. From a purely business viewpoint the village has gained instead of losing. While trade conditions were undeniably depressed by the war and some other influences, they have been steadily improving since the advent of no-license. Merchants have been increasing their trade, and credit conditions are much more satisfactory today than ever before in this vicinity. The JOURNAL has been informed by the heads of several leading retail establishments that fewer people are asking for credit and more are wiping out "old scores." The legitimate business interests, as well as the moral interests of the village, will best be conserved by the most stringent enforcement of the liquor laws it is possible to secure and this condition can best be attained by electing to office men of conviction and courage. The liquor interests are not yet dead, and no doubt they will do their best to destroy the good work that has been done—but they will have no chance if the people stand firm. Give us no more saloon domination. Let the people rule!

In the past it has been the policy of the liquor interests to select from among those who were willing to support licenses the best men available for public offices—always with the understanding that they vote for license. Some of the men who got into the council in this way have regarded the voting of licenses as the most important business of the year and have paid little attention to anything else. These are days of progress, however, and not every man who went into the council as a license supporter always remained so. Some thought—and thinking seriously, changed their views, then came out bravely and squarely on the right side. It would be nothing short of a tragedy for Rock Island to take a backward step after the splendid achievement of the past two years. This village has placed itself in line with the many progressive municipalities which are throwing off the yoke. Seven cities and 906 municipalities in this province have outlawed King Alcohol. This may not mean that booze has been annihilated in all these places, but it does mean that King Alcohol has been shorn of all respectability (?) and much popularity. He can no longer flaunt and mockingly defy the rights of the people in these municipalities. The people are entitled to honest and fearless administration; they should not be fooled into electing to office men who are willing to become the tools of any selfish interest, or men who have an "axe to grind" for themselves.

FOR PROTECTION OF SHEEP.

New Dog Law Recommended for Province of Quebec.

It has come to be generally believed that dogs are chiefly responsible for the decline of sheep raising in this country. While we have no particular grudge against dogs we are of the opinion that sheep are quite as interesting a feature of the country landscape as dogs are, and from the utilitarian viewpoint there can be no question as to which it would be most profitable to harbor, sheep or dogs.

Some of the agricultural interests in this province are moving to secure a new law for the protection of sheep from their worst enemies. Wool is scarce and prices are high—in fact there is almost a "famine" in some grades of wool. Even at the old prices it is believed that many farmers would have gone into sheep raising on a fair scale except for the danger of loss by dogs. Even with dogs practically unrestrained farmers keeping from forty to fifty sheep have found them a profitable branch of agricultural effort.

The law at present in force requires any municipality to pass a law imposing a dog tax upon petition of one-fourth of the resident rate-payers. The rate of the tax is set at one dollar for males and four dollars for females. The taxes collected are kept as a separate fund devoted to the compensation of sheep owners suffering losses. The unexpended balance of the fund is returned to dog owners in the form of a rebate. The amount of compensation is limited to five dollars a sheep.

A draft of the proposed new law is now being circulated among interested parties and is as follows:

I. TAXATION.—That this act provide for the annual taxation of all dogs in the Province of Quebec. Males to be taxed \$1.00 each. Females to be taxed \$3.00 each. Kennels to be taxed \$5.00 each. (a) All owners of dogs shall declare same to assessors annually. Penalty for neglect, refusal or false statement in this connection will incur a fine of \$5.00. (b) Dog taxes shall be paid to tax collector annually at the time when other taxes are collected. (c) Money collected in dog taxes and not used in compensation for sheep losses shall be used for other municipal purposes, and in the event of insufficient funds to meet the requirements for remuneration to sheep owners, money previously collected in dog taxes and used for other municipal purposes must be refunded by municipality for remuneration fund.

II. SHEEP VALUATORS.—The Council of each municipality at its first meeting each year shall appoint one or more persons to be known as sheep valuers and whose duty shall be to inspect sheep losses due to killing or damage by dogs, within twenty-four hours after notification of same, such notification to be given within forty-eight hours after losses occurred. Valuers shall value the sheep losses or damages in full and shall immediately report such value in writing to both owner and secretary of municipality.

III. REMUNERATION.—(a) When owner of dog which has killed, worried or otherwise damaged sheep can be found, said owner shall be liable for full damages incurred by said dog; where it is known that more than one dog is responsible for the losses or damages, liability shall be adjusted proportionately by valuers. (b) When dog owner cannot be found or when losses or damages cannot be collected for any other reason, the municipality shall pay to the owner of the sheep three quarters of the losses or damages as given by the valuers. The maximum amount of such valuation, however, for which the municipality will be held responsible will be \$10.00 each in the case of grade sheep and \$25.00 each in the case of purebreds. (c) If sheep are killed or injured by dogs while running at large on the public highway the owner of said sheep will have no claim for compensation under this act.

IV. DESTRUCTION OF DOGS.—Any dog caught worrying, injuring or killing sheep may be immediately destroyed, and to any one who destroys such a dog the municipality will pay a reward of \$5.00 from the compensation fund. In no case will such reward be given unless injury is reported by sheep valuers. (b) Should the owner of dog responsible for the killing or injury of sheep be known, complaint may be made to a Justice of Peace whereupon the justice shall investigate the matter, and if satisfied that the identification of the dog is correct, shall order the owner to pay full loss or damage incurred as given by the valuers, and to destroy the dog within 24 hours.

Lieut.-Col. A. C. Hanson of Coaticook has joined the 117th E. T. Regiment with the rank of Major and will have under him one captain, four lieutenants, and 250 others of all ranks. Col. Hanson expects to be able to call his command the Stanstead County Company. Col. Hanson has for some time commanded the 26th Stanstead Dragoons and thinks it should not be difficult to secure his entire company from the ranks of those who have trained in the Corps.

IN WANT OF BREAD.

Needs of Heroic Belgians Increasing Under Yoke of Invaders.

The following appeal is issued from the headquarters of the Central Executive Committee, 59 St. Peter Street, Montreal:

"Our work started at a time when Canada was suffering from economic uneasiness felt we may well say by everybody. Nevertheless the Canadian nation, moved by the profound misery in which the most sublime of sacrifices had plunged its Belgian Allies found in its noble generosity the means of assisting the latter in proportions which the Belgians will ever remember with the greatest sense of gratitude. Owing to the liberality of the gifts of which we were the recipient, we were fortunate enough last winter to forward for distribution in Belgium five full cargoes of relief goods besides the different separate consignments.

"Since that time our shipments remained stationary, our financial resources not having enabled us to carry out our anxious wish to fill a sixth steamer. The gifts received during last summer are insufficient; we need about three times as much money as is available at present to buy a cargo of wheat, for it is chiefly bread that is wanted in unfortunate Belgium.

"We are sorry to state that in the meantime, far from diminishing, needs in Belgium have kept increasing, needs in Belgium have kept increasing, needs in Belgium have kept increasing. To the pillage, burning and massacre of the beginning, the collective fines, seizure of merchandise and the thousand exactions from the occupying power, have been added the suspension of internal traffic.

"No country is more essentially industrial than Belgium; the industrial mass represents half of its population, while its agricultural class scarcely amounts to one million and a quarter of individuals. Under normal circumstances, seven-tenths of its industrial production are exported. That is to say that foreign markets are absolutely indispensable to the economic existence of that country since she has been placed under the Teutonic yoke, these markets have been closed for Belgium, which has practically been placed in a state of siege.

"The Belgian nation is bearing this lot with a patience and resignation such as can only be given by unshakable confidence in the ultimate triumph of justice and right.

"The occupation which is choking the country renders impossible its economic resuscitation and until it is evacuated by the enemy the number of the needy ones will keep on increasing. Seven million Belgians dared remain in Belgium. The majority of them have fallen in poverty as a consequence of the industrial paralysis and require to be assisted by the benevolence of the outside world. A recent report from Mr. Herbert Hoover, the devoted president of the Commission for Relief in Belgium contains the following painful statement: "The growing and gloomy problem is one of unemployment, for month by month, a larger proportion of the industrial mass of over 3,500,000 people falls further and further into destitution."

"As the public is aware, whatever their origin may be, the goods destined for relief in Belgium are transmitted to their destination by the above Commission, which supervises the distribution under special guarantees from the belligerent Powers.

"In certain quarters, the impression prevails that the Commission for Relief in Belgium had assumed the heavy burden of feeding the Belgian population from funds collected exclusively in the United States and that, as a consequence, the generous cooperation of the other countries was not required. Such is unfortunately not the case as shown by the repeated appeals of the Commission, among other friendly countries, especially to the British Empire.

"We are on the threshold of a new winter, which will be hard and painful to the suffering Belgian population.

"On the other hand the condition of business in Canada has fortunately improved in a remarkable manner. "You, who have been spared the horrors of invasion, will you once more, as you did last winter, give a compassionate thought to the martyred people, to the nation which deliberately sacrificed itself in the defence of the noble principles at stake in the gigantic struggle in which we are all involved?"

"It is bread that we are asking for the Belgians, the bread that must help them to live through the anxious expectation of deliverance.

"It is estimated that a bag of flour costing only \$2.50 would make enough bread to feed two Belgians for a month. Is it asking too much that you forego a luxury so that a life may be preserved?"

"Your cheques or money orders may be addressed either to the provincial or local committees of our work or directly to the Central Executive Committee of the Relief Work for the Victims of the War in Belgium, which will duly acknowledge receipt."

Should any of our readers prefer to remit any sum, large or small, through the JOURNAL, the same will be acknowledged and forwarded promptly. About a year ago the JOURNAL received and forwarded \$125.90 for this particular fund.

Report of the Christmas Examinations, Searles School, District No. 27.
Grade VII, total marks possible 1200: Homer Keeler 956, Alice Brown 853.
Grade V, total marks possible 1200: Merle Kezar 990, Vera Kezar 911, Erma Kezar 867.
Grade III, total marks possible 900: Dorine Fautaux 645, Wilfred Breault 570, Ernest Smith 408, Harold Smith 400.
Grade II, total marks possible 700: Merrill Searles 434, Thelma Fox 433, Harry Searles 340, Clodomir Fautaux 330.
Grade I: Mildred Searles, Margaret Garland.
Nellie Smith, Howard Keeler, Josiah Garland, David Garland and Homer Smith were absent for exams.
B. E. TURNER, Teacher.

PRESENTATION TO LT. IRVINE.

Teacher of Mathematics Receives Feeling Recognition S. W. C. Pupils.

In connection with the presentation of an army revolver to Lieutenant E. C. Irvine by the College "family," to which brief reference was made in last week's JOURNAL, the following letter was read by Miss Laura S. Davis:

Dear Mr. Irvine: As a college family, we want you to know how much we have appreciated our work with you, and how we regret that you must leave us for a while. Some of us have been in your classes for a number of years and we know that few people can teach as well as you. You have always been greatly interested in our studies and have given us your best in a professional way.

Today, however, we think more of your cheerful kindness and friendship, of your patience and sympathy and of your constant faith in us as you have urged us to "play the game."

Life here will not be the same for any of us after Christmas, and, although we wish that you could stay, we admire and love you all the more because you are proving to us that you are wholly unselfish and brave. The larger voice of the Empire calls, and we must bear our loss as best we may. We hope and pray that before long our armies may be victorious and you may be back with us again.

Please accept this army pistol as a remembrance from Stanstead College. Our prayer will ever be that as you yield this weapon in danger's hour, your hand may be steady and your eye true.

Yours in behalf of Stanstead College,
LAURA S. DAVIS,
D. BENTLEY STONE,
FRANCES GOODHUE.

Dec. 15th, 1915.

HEATHTON.

The young Ladies Military Club meets this week with Mrs. Laurie Cooper at her home.

Mr. Harry Whitecher has been very ill with mumps.

Mr. Stanley Cooper, who has been ill several weeks, is able to take short walks.

Miss Muriel Ellis is home from Stanstead College for the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wallace from New Boston are home from a two days' visit at Coaticook.

Miss Mildred Wallace led the Young People's meeting last Sunday evening.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. W. W. Heath of Stanstead, a former resident of this place is confined to his bed through illness and is under the care of a physician.

BORN.

KEZAR—At Reed's Crossing, Que., Dec. 20th, 1915, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Guy Kezar.

DIED.

BREWER—At Holland, Vt., Nov. 24, 1915, Milton B. Brewer, youngest son of the late David Brewer, aged 58 years, 8 months, 15 days.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss. FRANK 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 CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A.D. 1888.

A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts through the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, Sold by druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

FOR SALE—Dry and Green Block Wood. C. A. Goodsell or W. H. Holmes, Rock Island, Que. 45w2

TRENTMENT TO RENT—In Derby Line, Vt., apply to C. A. Goodsell or W. H. Holmes, Rock Island, Que. 45w2

BIGLER'S POULTRY COMPOUND

Is the greatest egg producer on earth. It is not a food, but is comprised of properties that are essential to the health of fowls. Costs only 25c. per package and can be had at the Gilmore Harness Shop, Rock Island, Que.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC
Municipality of the Village of Stanstead Plain
To the Inhabitants of the aforesaid Municipality:

PUBLIC NOTICE
is hereby given by C. I. Moulton, the undersigned Secretary-Treasurer of the aforesaid Municipality.

That owing to the destruction of the Municipal building of this Municipality, the Municipal elections for the year 1916 will be held at the office of C. I. Moulton, Secretary-Treasurer of said Municipality in said village. C. I. MOULTON, Sec'y-Treas.

Stanstead Plain, December 16, 1915. 45w2

A. H. DREW BUILDER

Plans and Specifications furnished for any style of construction in WOOD, STEEL, CEMENT AND BRICK.

Prompt attention given to General Job Work.
Rock Island, Que. 45w2

NOTICE

This is to give notice that I have arranged with Campbell & Belam to look after the collection of overdue accounts, and those who are interested will kindly take notice and arrange for settlement.
J. C. GILLILLAN, M. D.
Beebe Plain, Que., Nov. 29, 1915. 44f



CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS FOR A LADY

A Gold Chain and Pendant	from	\$ 2.50 to \$ 25.00
" " " " Locket	"	2.00 to 12.50
" " " " Watch	"	8.00 to 20.00
" " " " Bracelet Watch	"	12.50 to 25.00
" " " " Brooch	"	1.00 to 15.00
" " " " Ring	"	1.50 to 100.00
" " " " Fob	"	2.00 to 7.00
" " " " String of Beads	"	2.00 to 18.00
A pair Gold Cuff Links	"	.75 to 5.00
A Gold Thimble	"	1.50 to 4.00
A Pearl String of Beads	"	2.00 to 6.00
A Silver Brush, Comb and Mirror Set	"	6.00 to 20.00
" " " " Bridge Set	"	3.00
" " " " Vanity Case	"	1.00 to 2.50
" " " " Thimble	"	.50 to 1.00
" " " " Mesh Bag	"	1.00 to 4.50
" " " " Vase	"	.50 to 5.00
" " " " Picture Frame	"	.40 to 3.50

A large line of Sterling Novelties from 25c. to \$5.00. Fancy Clocks from \$2.00 to \$5.00. Fancy Brass, Bronze and Viking Jardinières, from 50c. to \$6.00. A new line of Cut Glass and China in many attractive designs.

A complete line of Fancy Spoons, Forks and other useful articles in Sterling Silver and Silver Plate. In Hollow Ware we have Bowls, Tea Sets, Bread Trays, Bon Bons, Cracker and Cheese, Sandwich Plates and other useful gifts in Sterling and Silver plate.

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS FOR A GENTLEMAN

A Gold Tie Pin	from	\$.50 to \$ 21.00
" " " " Pen Knife	"	2.00 to 3.00
" " " " Signet Ring	"	2.00 to 10.00
" " " " Stone Ring	"	4.00 to 20.00
" " " " Locket	"	1.00 to 10.00
" " " " Gent's Set	"	1.25 to 5.00
" " " " Fob	"	2.50 to 7.00
" " " " Watch	"	8.00 to 100.00
" " " " Watch Chain	"	2.00 to 20.00
A pair Gold Cuff Links	"	.50 to 5.00
A Silver Smoking Set	"	3.00 to 7.00
" " " " Ink Well	"	1.50 to 3.00
" " " " Shaving Set	"	4.00 to 7.00
A pair Silver Military Brushes	"	4.00 to 7.00
A Silver Cigarette Case	"	1.50 to 3.00
A Brass Smoking Set	"	1.00 to 3.00
A Guaranteed Fountain Pen	"	2.50 to 6.00
And other useful gifts		

We will engrave any Article bought of us FREE. Order your Articles to be engraved early as we will be unable to do it at the last minute.

We have the famous W. W. W. Rings for both Ladies and Gentlemen in which the Stones are guaranteed to stay. We will replace any Stone that is chipped, cracked or broken, by accident, neglect or abuse (except a diamond), in one of these Rings free of charge; prices \$1.50 to \$20.00.

Our Canadian Customers will find a complete line of Christmas Gifts in our Canadian store.

R. C. PARSONS & SON,

JEWELERS AND OPTICIANS,
Rock Island, Que., :: :: :: Derby Line, Vt.

FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

There are articles in the stationery line which make useful gifts. Among these are: Stationery in Boxes, Tablets, Fountain Pens, Diaries, Address Books, Memorandum Books, Inkstands, Desk Baskets, Waste Paper Baskets, Card Index Outfits, Metal Boxes, Files, etc.

Any of these may be found at the

JOURNAL OFFICE,

CHURCH STREET,
NEAR POST-OFFICE :: :: :: ROCK ISLAND

CHRISTMAS CHEER

What makes a more practical and useful Christmas Gift than a TAILOR-MADE SUIT or OVERCOAT? I have some beautiful SCOTCH and ENGLISH CLOTHS for this purpose. Real Indigo Blues are hard to get, but I have them.

THERE IS TIME TO GET A SUIT OR COAT BEFORE CHRISTMAS OR NEW YEAR'S EVE.

J. A. BEGIN,

MERCHANT TAILOR,
NEW STORE, DUVAL BLOCK,
ROCK ISLAND, QUEBEC

FARMS FOR SALE

No. 1179—Farm of 74 acres, 2 miles to lively up-to-date R. R. town. School near by. Near neighbors. Spring water at house and barn. Fruit for home use. 35 acres tillage, clay loam, smooth, level, few stones; all machine work. Will winter 14 head and pasture same. Plenty water in pasture. Enough wood and timber for home use. Good size house with all, good foundation and cement cellar with outside entrance. 5 rooms and pantry on first floor, finished in natural wood; 4 rooms, closets and hall upstairs; piazza, screens and storm windows. Stock barn 30x40, stable arranged for 18 head of stock. Good size horse barn 30x20, clapboarded; 6 stalls, basement, carriage house next to house. Tool shed. Ice house. There are 7 cows, 1 yearling bull, 2 heifers, 1 horse, 1 shoat and 50 hens; all hay, grain and fodder; 2 mowing machines, 1 horse rake, 1 plow, 1 springtooth harrow, 1 tedder, 1 separator, grindstone and all small tools in good condition; 1 open buggy, 1 set double work sleds, 2 work harnesses, 1 light driving harness. Price \$4,500. There are 25 1/2 acres of wood 2 1/2 miles from home place which can be bought for \$500.

C. J. Oben & Co.,

Tel. 166-2, Exchange Block, Newport, Vermont.
Send for Free Farm Catalogue No. 8.

Business and Professional Cards.

J. C. COLBY, B. A., M.D.
Office at Carrolcroft, Stanstead.
Consultations 9 to 10 a. m., 7 to 8 p. m., and by appointment. Both 'Phones.

DR. H. P. STOCKWELL,
Stanstead Plain, Que.
Office and residence opposite S. W. College.
Bell and People's Telephones.

WILBUR A. REYNOLDS, D. D. S.,
236 Newbury St., Boston, Mass.

DR. C. L. BROWN, B.A.,
Physician and Surgeon,
Ayer's Cliff, Que. People's 'Phone.

C. I. MOULTON, L. D. S.,
Dentist,
Stanstead Plain, Que.

ERASTUS P. BALL,
Veterinary Surgeon.
Graduate of Montreal Veterinary College.
Office at Lee Farm, Rock Island, Que.
U. S. P. O. Address: Derby Line, Vermont.

SYDNEY A. MEADE,
Provincial Land Surveyor,
Coaticook, Que.

H. M. HOVEY,
Rock Island, Que.
U. S. P. O. Address: Derby Line, Vt.

JOHN M. MONTLE
Advocate
Rock Island, Quebec

M. A. CASS,
Undertaker
Plates Engraved when wanted.
Fitch Bay, Que.

J. J. UNDERWOOD,
Mason and Plasterer,
General Contractor,
Stanstead, Que.

EDWARD AUDINWOOD,
Undertaker & Embalmer,
Derby Line, Vt., and Rock Island, P.Q.

CHARLES E. BENNETT,
Designer of
Buildings, Machinery, Furniture, Landscape
Gardening.
Derby Line, Vt.
Consultation and Superintendence.

DR. E. A. TAYLOR,
Office Hours: Until 9 a. m., 7 to 8 p. m.
Valentine Ave., Derby Line, Vt.
New England Telephone.

R. O. ROSS, B. A., M. D., C. M.,
Office Hours: 8 to 9 a. m., 1 to 3 and 7 to 8 p. m.
E. T. Telephone.

SIDNEY STEVENS,
Fire, Life, Accident and Health
Insurance
Best Companies represented
Agent Empire Typewriter
Stanstead, Que.

WAY'S MILLS.
Mr. and Mrs. Abbott Morrill of Derby were recent guests at Mr. and Mrs. Chesley.
Mr. Leland Buckland of McGill is spending his Christmas holidays at his home here.
Mrs. B. Porter (Muriel Buckland) of Hawarden, Sask., is the guest of her parents for a few weeks.
The Union Progressive Club are giving a play, "Down East," in the hall, Tuesday evening, Dec. 28. The play will be supported by Tarcoot's Tull orchestra.
A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dustin on Thursday, Dec. 16th.
Mr. and Mrs. Chesley were in Massawippi one day last week.
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Converse were in Barnston Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. B. Smith were in Coaticook, Saturday, as were also Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Thompson.
Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Gilbert spent last Saturday in Stanstead.
The Progressive Club will hold their monthly baked-bean dinner in the hall on the first Wednesday in Jan. Every one is invited. Sewing will be done for the soldiers.

DEMICK'S MILLS, VT.
Mr. and Mrs. C. U. Ladd started for Portland, Oregon, last Saturday.
Miss Ruth Davis and Miss Stella Lahe of Stanstead College are spending the holidays at home.
The Ladies Aid met with Elder and Mrs. S. Clark last week; on account of the storm and roads very few were present.
Mr. Carl F. Ladd was in Newport one day last week.
Mr. James Stevens of Sherbrooke, Que., was in town a few days this week.
Miss Hazel Wark and Miss Alice Vinton are home from high school for the holidays.
Mr. William Yates is on the sick list.
Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Lowell and daughter Alice of Stanstead were in town last Sunday.
Mr. G. T. Ames and son Harley of Derby Line spent last Sunday and Monday in town.
Mr. Walter Adamson and Miss Cora Hartley of Derby Line were in town last Sunday.

HAVE YOU BEEN SICK?
Then you realize the utter weakness that robs ambition, destroys appetite, and makes work a burden.
To restore that strength and stamina that is so essential, nothing has ever equaled or compared with Scott's Emulsion, because its strength-sustaining nourishment invigorates the blood to distribute energy throughout the body while its tonic value sharpens the appetite and restores health in a natural, permanent way.
If you are run down, tired, nervous, overworked or lack strength, get Scott's Emulsion to-day. At any drug store.
Scott & Bowne, Toronto, Ont.

BEEBE.
Among the sick ones in town are Hazen Bullock, Charles Whitchoer and Eliphalet Bodwell, who is better, and Elder Lary, who is also gaining, but is still confined to the house. He is hoping to supply the pulpit in his church next Sunday. Broth. Holland Cousins of West Derby spoke in the Advent Church last Sunday.

A watch meeting will be held in the Advent Church, Dec. 31st. Out of town speakers expected. Thursday night meeting will be postponed until this date.
Mrs. Carrie Burdick has been in Orleans for a few weeks clerking in the store of her brother-in-law. Her sister, Miss Marcia Magoon, and daughter, Miss Madelyn Burdick, are there for Christmas, but all will return home Saturday evening.

Mrs. Albert Tyler has gone to Groveton, N. H., for a two-weeks' visit.
Miss May Whitchoer is clerking at Parsons' jewelry store, Rock Island, during the holidays; and Miss Inez Yetter is clerking at the store of Akin & House.
Christina Coburn is in Montreal caring for her sister who is sick.
M. P. Dixon was in Lyndonville the first of the week.

The school exhibition last Thursday evening was one of the best ever given here. Much credit is due the principal, Miss Patch, and the other teachers who aided in the training of the pupils, who did themselves justice in the different drills and other exercises. The promenade which followed was much enjoyed by those present.

The pupils had a Christmas tree at the school building last Saturday afternoon inviting in the small children and two-year-old babies and giving each a present with which the little ones appeared much pleased.
J. L. Thayer of Fitch Bay is doing the finishing work on C. E. Twombly's new house.

Mrs. Chas. Haselton went to Montreal Sunday evening, as word had been received that her daughter Clara (Mrs. Roland Wells) was to have another operation. Tuesday word was received to the effect that she was as comfortable as could be expected after the operation. Much anxiety is felt by her many friends.
On Christmas morning at 9.30 there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion with a short address in All Saints Church. The offering will be given to the Belgians whose needs are so great and pressing.

From an occasional correspondent.
On Thursday, Dec. 2nd, the ladies of the Beebe and Graniteville Patriotic Branch gave a turkey dinner in the dining hall of the Methodist Church, to a large and appreciative company who were earnest in their praise of this recherche repast, claiming it to be equal to the "Waldorf." The same evening later, the Red Cross ladies gave a card and dancing party in the town hall, which was equally successful. The hall was artistically decorated with innumerable flags. At the back of the stage the grand old Union Jack, and the stars and stripes were draped in close proximity, which seemed to say "We are in sympathy." The railing in front, made for the occasion, was literally covered with the signifiant Red Cross. The wall and window draperies beamed with the same little Red Cross. Tarcoot's Orchestra was in attendance; no further praise for the music is needed. The Mayor and President of the Patriotic Branch, led the grand march, all who desired to dance entered into the spirit of the evening. The council room on the first floor was fitted up for the card party, and there a select company enjoyed a pleasant hour. Although these functions were entirely separate, all were working for the same purpose. The combined proceeds amounted to over \$3000; net \$207.50. \$100 is being sent to the Canadian Red Cross; the balance is deposited in the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Beebe, to the credit of the Beebe and Graniteville Branch of the Canadian Patriotic Society.

FITCH BAY.
Mrs. C. P. Rider, assisted by Mrs. J. J. Farrell, entertained sixteen friends of Mrs. Gladys Lee on Monday evening in honor of her approaching marriage. The evening was very pleasantly spent in music, etc. Refreshments were served at 10.30, after which Mrs. Lee was presented with a handsome chocolate set of hand-painted china. The party broke up at a late hour, with many good wishes for the happiness of the guest of honor.
Mr. M. Cushing, while working in the woods, wrenched his right knee so badly that he is unable to get about and is confined to his home.
The marriage took place quietly at the Methodist parsonage, Beebe, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 21st, at 6 o'clock, of Mrs. Gladys B. Lee of this place and Mr. Roy M. Reed of Marlinton. The bride, who was unattended, wore a suit of nigerhead brown, with fur trimmings and brown hat also trimmed with fur. Mr. and Mrs. Reed left on the evening train for Montreal. They will reside in Marlinton. The congratulations and best wishes of a host of friends are extended to them.

OLIVER.
The lake froze over at this place on Monday night.
The Misses Helen Embury and Hazel Merrill are home from Macdonald College for the holidays.
School closed here the 23rd; the teacher, Miss Rolfe, goes to her home near Bishop's Crossing for the holidays.
The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robitaille died on Wednesday evening. The funeral was at the R. C. Church at Magog on Friday.

Mr. John Wells and daughter Goldie were at Hatley on Sunday to attend the funeral of his little nephew, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Bennett.
Mr. Harry Sharkey had the good luck to secure a fine fox one day recently.
Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Whitney of Bolton Center were recent guests of his brother, Mr. E. B. Whitney.

It is reported that the farm owned by the late Mr. E. C. Peebles, on the Fitch Bay road, has been sold to Mr. C. Hughs.

SMITH'S MILLS.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lunderville of Concord, N. H., and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lunderville of Sherbrooke, were week-end guests at the home of their father, Mr. J. Lunderville.
Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Feltus of Beebe were calling at the Rutter Farm Tuesday.
Mrs. Fred Bigelow left on Wednesday for Boston to visit friends.

We are glad to report Mr. J. O'Leary home from the Sherbrooke hospital and wish him a speedy recovery to health again.
Mrs. Linda Yetter and Miss Turner went to Newport Wednesday.

Misses Turner and Shorten have gone to their homes, having closed their schools for the holidays.
Miss Hattie Merrill of Boynton is visiting Mrs. Linda Yetter.
Mr. Wolfe Libby returned Monday to Boston, Mass.

EAST STANSTEAD.
Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Keeler and little son Alfred, and Miss Blanche Rexford of Ayer's Cliff spent Sunday at Mr. H. Keeler's.
Mr. Roy Aldrich of Chicago is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Aldrich.

Mr. Holland Cousins of West Derby preached in the A. C. Church on Sunday, our pastor, Rev. J. E. Lary, who has been ill for the past few weeks, being unable to be out.
Mr. and Mrs. F. Thomas have been visiting friends in Magog.
Mr. and Mrs. C. Libby of Libbytown were recent guests of Mr. F. J. Libby. Miss B. Turner closed her school on Wednesday for the Christmas holidays.

GRIFFIN.
Wishing Mr. Holland and staff a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.
Mr. J. H. Bell of Sherbrooke was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Layfield the 15th inst.
Mrs. Layfield entertained the Guild last Wednesday.
Miss Kelly of Lowell, Mass., is spending part of her holidays with her sister, Mrs. Layfield.
Miss Effie Sontiere is spending the holidays with her mother at Broadview Farm.

Intended for last week.
Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Brown spent a very pleasant day recently with her sister, Mrs. Samuel Dunn, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. Dunn.
The day school here has a large number of attendance and is prospering under the leadership of the teacher, Miss King.

Mrs. C. E. Severance of St. Johnsbury, Vt., came Monday, Dec. 12th, for a two-days' visit with her parents here; Mary's bright and cheerful face is always made gladly welcome among her many friends here.
Mr. Albert Bullis (better known as Bert) and his brother, Miles, spent Dec. 12th, with their uncle, Mr. M. W. Bullis, and family. The boys who have enlisted leave for Sherbrooke this week. They have a brother, Harold, at the front.

McCONNELL.
From another correspondent.
On Saturday evening, Dec. 11th, Mrs. O. J. Maxfield of West Derby had the misfortune to cut the first two fingers on her left hand with an axe while killing a chicken for their Sunday dinner. Mr. Maxfield is in very poor health and Mrs. Maxfield has been in the habit of waiting on him and doing little chores like taking care of the poultry. Not wanting him to know, in his feeble health, how badly she was cut she wrapped the injured hand and went the nearest neighbors to have them dress the fingers, but when the neighbor saw how badly they were cut they advised her to call a doctor. They telephoned for the family physician, Dr. O. B. Gould of Newport. The injured woman returned to her home and waited the coming of the doctor who found it necessary to take three stitches in dressing the fingers. All this was done before Mr. Maxfield got in from doing the chores. The fingers are getting along nicely.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS FOR THE CHILDREN.
The committee of the Community Christmas Tree are delighted to tell the children that many friends from far and near have been helping to fill the treasury box. The picture benefit of Friday evening dropped in almost fifty dollars, and there have been many other donations. The preparations are almost completed and if only we have a day without rain, a happy Christmas day is assured.
Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus have both accepted our invitation and will meet the children in front of the Border Theatre directly after the pictures Saturday afternoon, which begin at 3.15.

The management of the Border Theatre is again inviting every child to this annual Christmas treat. Will parents or guardians bring the wee ones? Afterwards, every one follow Santa Claus and his little wife in their big red sleigh to Lee Farm where the biggest Christmas Tree will be all ready.
A message received from Santa says that his old reindeers will be so tired after their run of Christmas eve that he has borrowed from a neighbor a pair of white horses. Many thanks to this neighbor, and every one who by entering into the spirit of the undertaking has made possible this happy Christmas for the children. The management of the Border Theatre and the Tree Committee wish it understood that every child in the town or from the country is very, very welcome.

IN MEMORY OF COL. QUILTER.
(BY GEORGE CANTLEY)
You've heard of the Hood Battalion,
Of the Second Navel Brigade;
We reckon we've done our duty,
And a little history we've made.
We honored our gallant Colonel,
Quilter, by name was he,
The deeds of the Hood Battalion,
Alas, he lived not to see.
The day we went into action
He led us like a Man,
And faced the bullets bravely,
And never flinched a span.
His presence was a tonic
In the midst of danger and strife,
But in the hour of victory
A bullet claimed his life.
All honor to brave Col. Quilter,
The Battalion mourns his loss;
The only things we could give him
Were a grave and a wooden cross.
The writer of the above poem was a first-class petty officer in the Hood Battalion, which took part in the siege of Antwerp, escaping by the closest margin. The Battalion was afterwards transferred to the Dardanelles and subsequently Mr. Cantley was invalided back to the Homeland. The poem is of local interest because of the fact that a sister of the writer, Miss Annie Cantley, has been a resident of this place for several years.

KNITTING THE SOCKS.
By the fireside cozily seated,
Or speculaciously holding her nose,
The lively old lady is knitting
A wonderful pair of hose.
She pities the sulvering soldier,
Who is out in the peiting storm,
And busily pities her needles
To keep him hearty and warm.
Her eyes are reading the embers,
But her heart is off to the war,
For she knows what those brave fellows
Are gallantly fighting for.
Her fingers as well as her tancy
Are concerning them on their way,
Who, under the good old banner,
Are saving their country to-day.
She ponders how in her childhood,
Her grandmother used to tell
The story of barefoot soldiers
Who fought so long and so well,
And the men of the Revolution
Are nearer to her than us;
And that perhaps is the reason
Why she is toiling thus.
She cannot shoulder a musket,
Nor ride with cavalry crew,
But nevertheless she is ready
To work for the boys who do.
And yet in "official despatches"
That come from the Army or Fleet,
Her teats may have never a notice,
Though ever so mighty the tear!
So prithe, proud owner of muscle,
Or purse-proud owner of socks,
Don't sneer at the labors of woman,
Or smile at her bundle of socks,
Her heart may be larger and braver
Than his who is tallest of all,
The work of her hands as important
As cash that buys powder and ball.
And thus, while her quiet performance
Is being recorded in rhyme,
The tools in her tremulous fingers
Are running a race with Time.
Strange that four needles can form
A perfect triangular bound;
And equally strange that their antics
Result in perfecting "the round."
And now, while beginning to "narrow,"
She thinks of the Salisbury mud,
And wonders if ever the stocking
Will wade to the ankle in blood,
And now she is "shaping the heel,"
And now she is ready to "bind,"
And hopes if the soldier is wounded,
It never will be from behind!
And now she is "raising the instep,"
Now "narrowing off at the toe,"
And prays that this end of the worsted
May ever be turned to the foe.
She "gathers" the last of the stitches,
As if a new laurel were won,
And placing the ball in the basket,
Announces the stocking as "done."
Ye men who are fighting our battles,
Away from the comforts of life,
Who thoughtfully muse by your camp-
fires,
On sweetheart or sister, or wife;
Just think of the elders a little,
And of the grandmothers too,
Who patiently sit in corners,
Are knitting the stocking for you.

FRANK D. FLINT
NEWPORT, VERMONT

The Store That Sells Wooltex Garments

NEW YEAR'S GIFTS

Many of our customers have brought with them from their former homes the custom of making New Year's Gifts, and it is our wish to supply their wants and a splendid assortment of novelties suitable for New Year's Gifts will be displayed the week before the New Year.

CLEARANCE SALE

The Clearance Sale of fall and winter merchandise will begin January 1st and will continue until February 1st. There will be a sacrifice of prices that will close out all the ready-to-wear garments and surplus stocks all through the store. A special trip will be made to market to take advantage of the extraordinary values that will be made by the manufacturers and wholesale firms previous to their January invoice. It is our wish to make January the best month in the whole year and that can only be done by offering good merchandise at greater values than can be done during any other month of the year. Don't fail to get your share of the bargains that will be offered in January.

FRANK D. FLINT, - NEWPORT, VT.

THE CHANNELL STORE

We have just received a car of the celebrated Lantic Sugar, the highest grade article produced on this continent. Nothing better for a Christmas present these times than a bag of sugar. We have also just received a car of Cotton Seed.
We have many things for the Christmas table, and can supply your wants even at the last moment.
We wish to extend to our patrons and friends our sincere appreciation of loyalty; words cannot express our thanks. May Christmas bring happiness to all.

GEO. A. CHANNELL
STANSTEAD, QUE.

The Caswell & O'Rourke Store Co.
GENERAL STORE AND FURNITURE ANNEX

The selection of gifts for your friends can be made easy at this store. Useful gifts in Furniture, at Low Prices. Brass finished Beds at \$10.00, Dining Tables, Chairs, etc., all new this season. A Rug makes a fine present; good selection here. Children's Furniture, Tables, Desks, Chairs, Baby Sleighs, Sleds, Card Tables, Children's Go-Carts 50c. up.

Many Useful Gifts

that have value in our Hardware Department. Carpenter's Tools for Boys, Flash Lights, Razors, Safety Razors, Skates, Boy Scout Axes, Boys' Chopping Axes 50c., Carpet Sweepers, Ingersoll Watches, Cutlery, Knives, Table Silverware, Pocket Knives, Shears, Carving Sets, Oil Heaters, Meat Choppers.

Worth-while Christmas Gifts

Electric Lamps, some very fine Lamps just in for the Holiday trade; all wired up, priced \$1.98 to \$7.50, the best prices on quality lamp you have had in this town. Electric Irons, 25 and 40 Watt Tungsten Lamps, standard goods at 25c. each.

Buy father and the boys a pair of WALK-OVER SHOES, a pair of Slippers, a Fur Robe, a Good Fur Coat for men at last year's prices, \$17.50 to \$30.00.

Some Cold-weather Suggestions

Men's Gray Sweaters, all sizes at 50c. 3 pairs of Black Cashmere Hose for 50c., regular 25c. value.
25 dozen Men's All-wool Campton Stockings at 50c., the kind mother knits.
A Man's Fleece-lined Union Suit at 88c.
Four-Buckle Overshoes at \$1.98, men's sizes.
Men's Fancy and Flannel Shirts, Nightrobes, Gloves, Caps, Mackinaws, Rain Coats, and a whole of a stock of "BALL BAND" Mishawaka Footwear, for children, boys and men. The best ever, and no higher in price than the limitations.
A Basement of Glassware, Crockery and and House Furnishings that you can select sensible presents from. New Glassware, Baskets, a table of 10c. Crockery Close-outs.

Christmas Groceries

We will have some good values for you.

3 cans of good Corn or Peas for	25c
1 pkg. of Seeded Raisins for	10c
3 lbs. of New French Walnuts for	50c
2 lbs. of New Peanut Butter for	25c
1 lb. Avondale Coffee for	25c
2 lbs. Broken Candy for	25c
3 lbs. of 40c. Tea for	\$1.00
Pork per lb.	12½c

NEW FIGS, DATES, ORANGES, GRAPE FRUIT.

Our New Refrigerator is ready with New Cheese, Bacon, Squire's Sausage, Hams, D. Beef, Storage Eggs, all good, at 32c.
PROMPT SERVICE. DUTIES PAID WHEN DESIRED.
TELEPHONE YOUR ORDERS.

Caswell & O'Rourke Store Co.



This Book helped me improve my Farm.

It is the most valuable book I own and it cost me nothing.

It has saved me time, labor and money and I've got better looking, more durable and more serviceable buildings than I ever had before.

The first cost of concrete farm improvements is also the last cost. There's no after expense for paint or repairs—no danger from fire, rot or rust—no trouble of any kind. Besides they lower the insurance rate. If you haven't a copy of "What the Farmer can do with Concrete", send for one today. There's more than 150 pages of valuable building information, 52 practical plans, illustrated by diagrams and photographs, and dozens of other interesting farm facts.

A copy will be sent to you free of charge, immediately upon receipt of coupon below.

CANADA CEMENT COMPANY LIMITED, Herald Bldg., Montreal.

CUT OUT AND MAIL

CANADA CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, Herald Building, MONTREAL.
897 Gentlemen: Please send me a free copy of "What the Farmer Can Do With Concrete".

Name _____
Street and No. _____
City _____ Prov. _____

The Quebec Bank

Established 1818—97th Year in Business
Authorized Capital, \$5,000,000 Paid-up Capital and Reserve \$4,043,275

BANKING BY MAIL

Business of all kinds can be transacted in this manner, and will receive prompt attention.

SAVINGS DEPARTMENT AT EVERY BRANCH

Joint Accounts may be opened in the name of two persons; in case of death balance payable to survivor.

Agency at Fitch Bay, Quebec. Open Thursday of each week.

ROCK ISLAND BRANCH

E. G. BETHEL, Accountant A. C. McPHEE, Manager

RALPH J. HUNT

HARDWARE MERCHANT

I have fitted my salesroom for a General Stock of Shelf Hardware. The many items used by the HOME BUILDER and the HOME FURNISHER I can now supply from my enlarged stock. KITCHEN, PANTRY and TABLE GRANITE IRON, NICKEL, ALUMINIUM and COPPER WARE in full assortment.

A Splendid line of Standard Makes of

COOKING RANGES AND HEATERS FURNACES, HOT WATER AND STEAM HEATING PLANTS.

SHOP WORK, PLUMBING and SHEATING I am able to give prompt and expert attention. No job is too small or too large.

I ASK FOR YOUR PATRONAGE IN MY LINE.

RALPH J. HUNT,

DERBY LINE, VT., and ROCK ISLAND, QUE.

YOUR CASH ON REQUEST

YES, you can get your money on demand if deposited with us; no depositor ever waited a minute for his cash on his deposit.

ALL CHECKS still taken at par regardless of the high rate of exchange.

FOUR PER CENT for your money compounded twice each year. One dollar starts an account.

Yours to use
ORLEANS TRUST COMPANY.

Blank Books at the Journal Office.

WE ARE AGENTS FOR THE
STANDARD PATTERNS
10 & 15 CENTS, NONE ELSE
F. W. D. MELLOON,
ROCK ISLAND, QUE.

CHANNELL'S GARAGE

Automobile and Bicycle repair work carefully and skillfully done. Ford cars a specialty. Personal attention given to all orders.

Automobile Accessories, Bicycle Repairs and Sundries. Dunlop Traction Tread TIRES, also Inner Tubes and Smooth TIRES.

Agent for Fairbanks-Morse Gasoline Engines, Dynamos, Private Electric Lighting Plants, and Pumping Outfits. Fairbanks-Morse Engines give greater satisfaction and less trouble than any others. The one h. p. Fairbanks-Morse engine is the most satisfactory power known for cream separators. New price only \$45.00; 2 h. p. \$100. 5 h. p. \$150. Call or write for catalogue, prices and terms. Satisfaction guaranteed.
E. W. CHANNELL, Stanstead, Que.

FOR SALE.

180 ACRE FARM, with frontage on the most beautiful section of Lake Memphrango. On main road, three miles from Georgeville, only a few rods from school Good farm buildings, summer cottage on lake gravel beach and varied shore. Two sugar places, with modern equipment for 800 trees Good land, free from stone, all machine work. For particulars apply to G. A. Boynton, R. M. D. 1, Georgeville, Que.

U. S. Depository. Organized 1875

The National Bank

OF
NEWPORT, VT

Capital, - - - \$100,000.
Surplus and Profit, - - - 41,000.
Deposits, - - - 345,000

E. LANE, President,
J. E. McCARTEN, Cashier,
EARL L. BROWN, Asst. Cashier

4 PER CENT PAID ON SAVINGS DEPOSITS

Safe Deposit Boxes for Rent \$3.00, \$5.00, \$10.00 per year

We cordially invite new business connections.

SAFETY FIRST

E. H. MARTEL,
PAINTER AND PAPER HANGER

Old Furniture made GOOD as NEW Satisfaction guaranteed. Moderate prices.

Holmes Block, - - - Rock Island Que.

WANTED NOW
Reliable salesman to act as agent in Stanstead County
Pay Weekly
Outfit FREE, exclusive territory and money making specialties. Our agencies are the best in the business for we sell the highest grade of stock at most reasonable prices and guarantee deliveries in first-class condition. Nursery stock is selling well this year and good money can be made in this district. For particulars write Sales Manager.
PELHAM NURSERY CO.
Toronto, Ont.

Water Works,
Water Power,
Patent Solicitor,
Surveying,
Bell phone 349,
People's phone.

WILLIAM M. HASELTON
Successor to Haselton Bros.
Established 1886
Monuments, Headstones,
Building Material, Marble and Granite.

Wholesale and Retail.
Workmanship the best. Prices reasonable.
Beebe Junction, Que. Beebe Plain, Vt.
FIRST-CLASS WORK REASONABLE PRICES
GUARANTEED

LUMBER

I am prepared to make prompt delivery of rough and finished Building Lumber, in any quantity, at any point in this section. Boards, Shingles, 2x4 and 2x6 Joists.

H. W. DEMICK,
Holland, Vt.
P. O. Address, R. D. 1, Derby, Vt.

FOR SALE.

Green and Dry Block Wood, delivered anywhere in the Three Villages. C. W. Stevens.
Rock Island.

Building Lots For Sale

Convenient to the Butterfield shops having access to Stanstead Plain over proposed new highway. For particulars apply to John M. Montie, Rock Island or Stanstead Que.

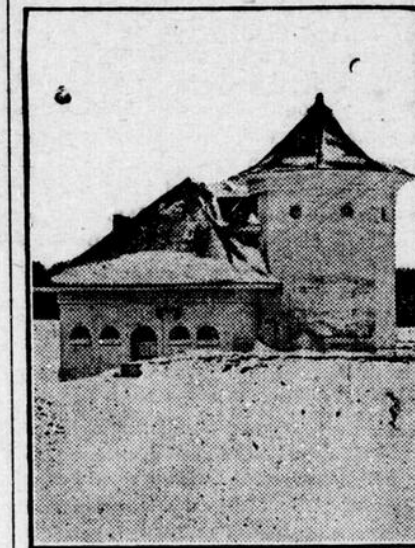
Scientific Farming

ELECTRIC POWER AND LIGHT.

Many Farms Here and Abroad Are Served by Lines From City Stations. By FRANK KOESTER. [Author of "Electricity For the Farm and Home."]]

Many farms are served by lines from city or other electric stations, and in many of the states the long distance transmission lines of numerous hydro-electric plants pass through farming communities more or less populated. These systems are usually of high tension, varying from 13,000 to 60,000, even as high as 150,000 volts. These high voltages are not used directly in motors, but must be reduced by transformers to a suitable value, depending on the nature of the purpose to which the motor is to be applied. Likewise for use on farms and in country residences a transformer must be had to furnish a supply of current at a low voltage value for local distribution.

Where large tracts are to be covered on a single farm practice has proved that a voltage of about 13,000 is



POWER STATION ON A FARM IN NEW YORK STATE.

most suitable, intermediate stationary or portable transformers being used to step the voltage down to that desired on the motors of the plows, thrashing machines, etc.

It is generally recognized that central stations and public utility companies are the best sources of supply from which to draw electricity, owing to their reliability, cheapness and convenience.

When the user, however, is located beyond the reach of the distributing lines of central station companies it is necessary to install an isolated plant to supply light, heat and power, and such a plant is a much more profitable investment than the installation of other kinds of power, such as individual gas, oil or steam engines, to operate the different farm machines.

For the purpose of generating electricity in isolated plants various forms of power are utilized, depending on the locality and the source of fuel or water supply.

A practice much adopted abroad, particularly in Germany, where the government encourages electrically operated farms, is to install rural central stations for the purpose of supplying a number of farms, rural industries, country residences and estates with electric current. By establishing such a station, with either a steam, water, oil or gas plant, a great saving in the production of electric energy may be readily secured. Today in Germany often as high as 100 to 150 consumers are supplied with electric energy from a single rural central station such as have been installed in great numbers within the last fifteen years.

In northern Italy and throughout Switzerland also there is considerable use of the electric energy in agriculture and by small rural communities. A network of distributing lines has been formed, drawing energy from numerous and scattered sources of hydro-electric power, which are, however, interconnected. The Swiss and Italian land proprietors and small farmers throughout western Europe have taken in large numbers to the use of electric light and electric power.

Many of the German farmers carry on industries in connection with their farms, whereby they utilize their by-products, and this is the secret of the success of many well to do men. For instance, one rural central station system may serve four grist mills with five motors, having a total capacity of 105 horsepower, one tile works with a 40 horsepower motor, one sawmill with a 20 horsepower motor, four wheelwrights with motors consuming 18 horsepower and many other industries, such as cabinet making, distilling, blacksmithing, bottling works, etc., which use motors of various capacities. There are also served by the system some twenty consumers for light only, having a total of 243 incandescent lamps and five arc lamps, one railway and freight station with 120 incandescent lamps, one clubhouse with seventy-two lamps and six arc lights, and, in addition to this, two towns are supplied, having a total of 1,692 lamps.

From the above facts and figures it is obvious that electricity can give a new stimulus to agriculture and farming, and at the same time open a new way by which the rural population can be induced to remain on the farm instead of flocking to the cities.

NORTHERN AFRICA.

Where Once the Ancient Romans Ruled in Wealth and Splendor.

It is not generally realized that during the early centuries of our era the Roman proconsular province of Africa rivaled Italy itself in wealth and brilliancy and that in what are now Tunisia and Algeria there exist Roman ruins that vie in number, splendor, and state of preservation with those to be found anywhere else.

The fall of Carthage in 146 B. C. led the Romans to establish themselves in North Africa, at first in a modest settlement, the purpose of which was to see that the Phoenician city was not rebuilt. Ere long they themselves, however, reoccupied the site and built on it a city that became the third in the empire.

The gradual extension of their rule was forced on the somewhat unwilling Romans. To protect their settlement against the predatory Phoenicians, Libyans, and Berbers they found it necessary to push their conquests along the littoral to the west and the south, into the high plateaus between the Tell Atlas and the Sahara Atlas, and even well into the desert itself, till a good part of what are now Tripoli, Tunisia, Algeria and Morocco was ruled by them.

The country was much more extensively cultivated and thickly populated than at present, and for centuries was the principal granary of Rome. After lasting for nearly six centuries Roman rule in North Africa was brought to an end by the invasion of the Vandals from Spain and their capture of Carthage in 439 A. D.—Argonaut.

DEEP BREATHING.

It Freshens Up the Whole System and Kills That Tired Feeling.

Deep breathing does more than benefit the lungs. Physiologists tell us that the great advantage is that it gives the liver a healthy squeeze. All organs in the abdominal cavity as well as the liver are apt to get overcharged with blood from careless habits of sitting. A relaxed sitting position causes the abdominal muscles to relax so that blood runs into this part of the body like water and it accumulates like a stagnant pool.

The blood needed in the brain is down in the liver. The condition produced led the ancients to refer to a man with the blues as a hypochondriac, which means, literally, down under the ribs. Today we speak of the condition as being down in the mouth because the lines of the face are pulled down.

Melancholy is due to a congested condition of the liver and other organs depriving the brain of blood necessary to keep up the normal balance of activity. When one is tired or feels the dejected feeling coming on, relief can be obtained by lying on the floor with a pillow under the middle of the back and taking a few long, deep breaths.

If the arms are thrown over the head and a dozen deep breaths are taken, a new spirit will come into the brain. Sometimes this is done automatically, as when we throw up the arms and straighten up after a crouched position at a desk.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Made a Difference.
Little Willie became slightly indisposed, and when the family doctor was called he prescribed some medicine in powder form.

"Come, Willie," said the fond mother, preparing one of the powders as soon as the medicine arrived from the drug store, "you must take this right away so that you will be well."

"No, I don't want to take it," whined Willie, backing away from the dose. "I don't need no medicine."

"Why, Willie," pleaded mother, gently drawing the boy toward her, "you never heard me complain about a little powder, did you?"

"No, an' neither would I," was the startling rejoinder of Willie, "if I could just put it on my face, like you do, but I have to swallow it."

Curious Effects of Tea and Coffee.

A condition resembling true color blindness sometimes follows the excessive use of coffee. It is probable that tea also will produce this condition, since both contain the same active principle, although cases of tea color blindness are comparatively rare. It has been observed, however, that both tea and coffee may affect the eyesight and even cause actual blindness. Such blindness is not usually complete, or permanent, and if the use of the harmful beverage is discontinued, normal sight will gradually return.—Exchange.

Between Girls.

"How can you be engaged to a man who is sixty years old? He has, however, given you some magnificent presents."

"That's the point. A first love is romantic, but a last love is very lavish."

A Good Curriculum.

"So your daughter Jane has returned from college. Has the school a good curriculum?"

"Oh, yes; Jane had a special suit made for it an' exercised there every day on the horizontal bars."—Florida Times-Union.

A Warning.

Doctor—You've had a terrible shock. Patient—It's up to you to see that I don't have another when I get your bill.

Which Side or Both?

Officer—Why have you only one spur on? Private—If I get one side of the horse to move, I get the other, don't I?—Every Week.

COMPULSORY SERVICE.

Canada Already Has a Law Requiring All to Serve.

The compilation of the National Register in Great Britain has given renewed impetus to the rumor that "conscription is coming" in the Old Country. In some quarters, too, it is stated that it is coming in Canada.

In Great Britain, there is no legal liability to military service at all. A measure imposing such liability would have to be enacted by Parliament were compulsory military service to become the rule.

In Canada, on the other hand, there would be no necessity for Parliament to enact any fresh legislation at all, should compulsory military service be deemed expedient by the Government of the day. For the legal liability to military service already exists in this country. It was imposed by the Militia Act.

Section 10 of that Act provides that "all the male inhabitants of Canada, of the age of eighteen years and upwards, and under sixty, not exempt or disqualified by law, and being British subjects, shall be liable to service in the Militia." And "service in the Militia" does not merely mean service in Canada alone. For section 59 of the same Act further provides that "the Governor in Council may place the Militia, or any part thereof, on active service anywhere in Canada, and also beyond Canada, for the defence thereof, at any time when it appears advisable so to do, by reason of emergency." It would not, perhaps, have been possible to send the Canadian Militia to South Africa at the time of the Boer War, under the provisions of this section. For it could hardly have been contended that Canada required defending from the Boers, a pastoral people without ships, situated on another continent. But with the present war, it is altogether different. Canada is being defended in France and Flanders against Germany, a formidable maritime power, as well as the most formidable military power, as surely as though the German fleet were bombarding Canadian coasts.

Moreover, not merely the male inhabitants of Canada between the ages of eighteen and sixty years, but all the male inhabitants of whatever age, are liable to military service, on the requisition of the Governor-General in the case of what is known as a "levee en masse." The expression, a "levee en masse" means the taking up of arms by the people, to resist invading troops. Thus, in the case of sudden invasion every male can be called on for the work of defence.

The following persons are exempt from military service: Privy Counsellors; Judges; members of Provincial Cabinets; deputy ministers of the Federal and Provincial Governments; clergy of all kinds; telegraph clerks in actual employment; officers and clerks regularly employed in the collection of revenues; wardens and officers of all public prisons and lunatic asylums; members of the Naval Militia; members of the police force and fire brigades; professors in colleges and universities; persons disabled by bodily or mental infirmity; the only son of a widow, being her only support; pilots and apprentices to pilots during the season of navigation, and persons averse, on religious grounds, from rendering military service.

The Gentle Art of Giving.
Somewhere in the obscurity of the backwoods of British Columbia there lives a woman with a soul of a patriot. Though thousands of miles away from the heart of the Empire, she has heard the clear, insistent bugle note which calls upon the women as well as the men of the nation to serve in the present need. The following letter, written to Mr. Noel Marshall, Hon. Secretary of the Red Cross of Canada, speaks eloquently of the sacrifice which this lady believes it to be her privilege as well as her duty, to make for the cause of England and the Allies:

"Dear Sir,—A few days ago I got your letter telling me you had sold my brooch and would forward the money to the British Red Cross Society. I offer you my earnest and most grateful thanks for your kindness and for the trouble you have taken. I thought the brooch was worth \$30, but I did not expect to get more than about half, and I am very thankful to your friend for buying it."

"I am sending you two more small trinkets—a pearl heart-shaped locket and a small amethyst brooch. They will be posted at the same time as this letter. I hope I am not encroaching too much on your kindness in asking you to sell them or get some one else to do so for the benefit of the British Red Cross, and to forward the money to London."—Canadian Courier.

Protecting Our Feathered Friends.

In any discussion of the protection of bird life in Canada, considerable opposition has always been manifested by the agricultural interests. It is claimed that birds are responsible for great damage to maturing fruits, berries, tomatoes, etc., and, earlier in the season, to the seed planted in the ground. This is true to a certain extent. But, as in the study of any subject, there are two sides to the bird protection question. The damage to the fruit is visible to the eye of the grower, and he consequently waxes wroth.

The other side of the subject is one with which the agriculturist is less familiar. Could the birds place their daily food before those hostile to them it would readily be seen to what extent they serve the interests of those who are dependent upon the products of the soil.

An analysis of the contents of the stomachs of thousands of birds has shown that 90 per cent. of the food consisted of insects and 10 per cent. of vegetable matter. Upwards of 5,000 insects have been found in the stomach of one bird. It has been estimated that the destruction by insects in Canada amounts to approximately fifty millions annually.—The Maritime Farmer.

Protecting Our Feathered Friends.

In any discussion of the protection of bird life in Canada, considerable opposition has always been manifested by the agricultural interests. It is claimed that birds are responsible for great damage to maturing fruits, berries, tomatoes, etc., and, earlier in the season, to the seed planted in the ground. This is true to a certain extent. But, as in the study of any subject, there are two sides to the bird protection question. The damage to the fruit is visible to the eye of the grower, and he consequently waxes wroth.

The other side of the subject is one with which the agriculturist is less familiar. Could the birds place their daily food before those hostile to them it would readily be seen to what extent they serve the interests of those who are dependent upon the products of the soil.

An analysis of the contents of the stomachs of thousands of birds has shown that 90 per cent. of the food consisted of insects and 10 per cent. of vegetable matter. Upwards of 5,000 insects have been found in the stomach of one bird. It has been estimated that the destruction by insects in Canada amounts to approximately fifty millions annually.—The Maritime Farmer.

THE YULETIDE STORE CLEMENT & CO.

We have our store in full HOLIDAY DRESS. Christmas Goods are here and in their place for the GIFT SEEKER. Our store may be new to you, COME IN and LOOK ABOUT.

OUR CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

We have everything to please the heart of a child. TOYS, GAMES, SLEDS, DOLLS and hundreds of items you need to see for your child's stocking. We have a good PLUMP TON OF CANDY TRY OUR RIBBON MIXTURE.

CLOTHING For Men, Boys and Children

Splendid line of TWEEDS and SERGES in Suits, and our lines of OVERCOATS are just what will suit you if in need. Our stock of MEN'S FURNISHINGS is complete, consisting of every item for a Nan or Boy's Wardrobe—Hats, Caps, Shoes, Slippers, Gloves, Mittens, Skirts, Collars, Ties, Hose, Underwear, Rain Coats, Umbrellas, Work Clothes and Footwear.

OUR LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

Is in charge of a competent saleslady and we make every effort possible to have this stock of furnishings up-to-the-minute. The FURS in this department will interest you. DRESS FABRICS in large variety of styles, quality and values. We have a large variety of TABLE LINENS. HANDKERCHIEFS; special prices in LINEN; SWEATERS for the Mother and Daughters of the family. We have an elegant line of Women's and Children's Hose, Gloves, Mittens and a general stock of Knit Novelties.

Don't overlook our GROCERY DEPARTMENT. Coffee, Tea, Spices, Green and Dried Fruit, Canned Goods, Cheese Butter, Eggs, and a complete stock of these goods. There are a thousand items we cannot mention that we have in stock. Our Service, we endeavor to have prompt and obliging; kindly give us a chance at your memorandum.

CLEMENT & CO.

ROCK ISLAND, :: :: QUEBEC

Keep Fire
From Spreading

The Stanstead Fire

could not have reaped its harvest of destruction if the threatened buildings had had fireproof walls and roofs.

There would have been no fire of any consequence at all if the first building—in which the fire started—had been built with

LINABESTOS AND ASBESTOSLATE
FLAME-PROOF BUILDING BOARD ASBESTOS SHINGLES

The first flames would have been confined, and retarded for long enough to give willing volunteers a chance to put them out.

Or, even if the first building, not being so protected, had gone, others, roofed with fireproof Asbestoslate, would have resisted the further progress of the flames, and kept them from causing such widespread destruction.

Protect your buildings from future fires, by building partitions of Linabestos, roofs of Asbestoslate, and outer walls of Asbestos Sheathing.

Prices and full particulars from

J. M. DESCHENES, Contractors' Agent,
ST. FRANCIS ST., SHELBROOKE, QUEBEC

Or Write To

THE ASBESTOS MANUFACTURING CO., LTD., MONTREAL, MANUFACTURERS

1916

Dominion Office and Pocket
DIARIES

Also 1916 Calendar Pads

At the

JOURNAL OFFICE
CHURCH STREET

Rock Island, - Quebec

ARCHITECTURAL DRAWINGS PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS

prepared for residences and business buildings. Estimates and work superintended. Sketch plans free to prospective builders.

Actual cost of construction guaranteed within ten per cent of estimates. Begin right before erecting a building of any kind.

MILTON S. HASELTON, - BEEBE, QUE.

HOW TO COOK CRABS.

Deviled Crabs.—To prepare them pick out the meat from boiled crabs and chop it fine. Mix it with an equal measure of fine breadcrumbs and season liberally with salt, pepper, chopped parsley, lemon juice and melted butter. Press the meat back in the shell, cover with fine crumbs and a little melted butter and brown in the oven.

Creamed Crabs.—This dish can be prepared on the chafing dish if desired. It is a tempting entree for either luncheon or dinner. Make a good white sauce of two cupfuls of cream or very rich milk and two tablespoonfuls each of butter and flour. Cook it until it is very smooth and season with salt, cayenne pepper and minced parsley. Then add a cupful of minced cooked crab meat, heat through and serve on slices of crisp toast.

Crabs In Butter.—This dish is not primarily recommended because of its digestibility, for it is a greasy dish. But in spite of possible indigestibility it is delicious. To make it parboil the crabs, remove the shells with the veins and cook slowly in melted butter without browning. The crab meat should absorb the butter without browning or becoming crisp.

Crab Croquettes.—Cut the meat from two large boiled crabs into fine pieces. Melt a tablespoonful of butter in a saucepan, add a tablespoonful of flour and add gradually a cupful of rich milk. Cook gently until it is smooth and creamy, stirring to keep from lumping. Then add salt and pepper and the crab meat and cool. Form into croquettes when cool and roll in fine crumbs, beaten egg and again in the crumbs and then brown in deep hot fat. Serve after draining on paper. Tartare sauce may be served with the croquettes if desired, or they may be simply garnished with a sprig of parsley or a lemon slice.

A SCHOOL FROCK.

Navy Blue Serge Is Used For This Middy School Suit.

This child is correctly arrayed for school days, in a middy-suit of blue serge. The cuffs, belt and collar are trimmed with broadcloth of a lighter



GARBED FOR "FIRST DAY."

tone of blue outlined with white soutache braid. Instead of side plaits, the skirt is deeply box plaited. Nothing could be more durable or suitable for a little girl.

A Corn Trio.

Green Corn Balls.—Grate enough green corn from the cob to make two cups; into this stir a well beaten egg, a teaspoonful each of sugar and melted butter, and salt to taste. Add enough flour to form the mixture into balls, roll these in flour and fry in deep fat.

Creole Chowder.—Heat a generous lump of butter and in it brown four sliced onions. Add four peeled tomatoes, four chopped green peppers and the corn from four cobs. Add as much water as may be needed in cooking, season with salt and sugar and a little black pepper. A full hour's cooking is necessary, and the chowder must be served piping hot.

Corn Fritters.—Grate the corn and allow an egg and a teaspoonful of cream for every cupful. Beat the eggs well and add the corn by degrees, beating very hard, and salt to taste; put in a teaspoonful of melted butter to every pint of corn; stir in the milk, thicken with just enough flour to hold together, say one tablespoonful for every two eggs, and cook on a hot griddle.

THE ONE SURVIVOR

Great Disasters In Which a Solitary Life Was Spared.

TALES OF NARROW ESCAPES.

Curious Case of a St. Pierre Prisoner During the Mont Pelee Eruption. The British Retreat From Cabul—A Tragedy of the Terrible Manacles.

There are many curious cases on record where death in one of its many dread forms of disaster grips an entire party in its clammy embrace and then, while its icy fingers close upon the rest, lets one solitary member of the band slip away to be the sole survivor of the tragic calamity.

One hundred and fifty-eight dead, one saved. That was in brief the tale of the wreck of the mail steamer General Chanzy, which struck in the terrible storm of Feb. 10, 1910, on the rocks of northwest Minorca.

Marcel Bader, the solitary survivor from the wreck of the Chanzy, owed his preservation entirely to the fact that he was a strong and fearless swimmer.

A few years ago the timber vessel Anna Rebekka, one day out of Memel, was caught in a squall and capsized. Most of her crew were swept away and drowned, but three—the skipper, a sailor and the ship's boy—clambered on to the keel, where they drifted without food or drink. On the third day the sailor was washed off, but the skipper saved him. Then the boy went mad and died. On the fifth day the sailor was washed off again, and this time the captain had no strength to help him. On the seventh day the capsized vessel drifted in sight of land. A lifeboat put out and found the captain still alive.

The Manacles have seen many sights of horror, but none to excel that January night many years ago when two British troopships—the Dispatch and the Primrose—both went ashore on these terrible rocks within a few hours of one another. Seven soldiers struggled ashore from the Dispatch through the crashing breakers and roused the village of St. Neverne. When the fishermen gained the beach the Dispatch had vanished. But there was the second ship—the Primrose—on the rocks. They pushed out, but the doomed vessel was shattered to fragments before they could reach her, and all that the boat brought back was a fifteen-year-old ship's boy, whom they picked up swimming desperately in the trough of the icy waves.

Perhaps the most terrible disaster in modern British history was the retreat from Cabul in the winter of 1842. An army of 3,490 soldiers, with over 12,000 camp followers, started southward from the Afghan capital under promise of safe conduct. On the following Jan. 13 a solitary figure, filthy, unshaven, unkempt, his mind almost destroyed with the horrors through which he had passed, rode out of the mouth of the Khyber pass. He was Dr. Brydone, the only survivor from all that mighty host. The bodies of the rest, slain by the treacherous Ghilzais, lay scattered for miles along the snowclad floor of the defile.

It was stupidity, not treachery, which caused the disaster to a battalion of a Japanese regiment in January, 1901. On the 23d of that month a detachment of 210 men and officers, under command of a major, left the town of Awombri for a long route march. It came on to snow very heavily, and soon a regular blizzard was raging, with the temperature many degrees below freezing point.

They lost their way and wandered on, burning their rifle stocks for fuel. By the 26th only seventy-one were left alive. On the afternoon of the 27th a corporal alone was picked up by a relief party, alive but badly frozen.

At the end of April, 1902, Mount Pelee, the blunt headed volcano behind St. Pierre, began to show signs of activity. These increased until on May 5 a little before 8 in the morning there was a terrific roar, and a huge column of white-hot sand, burning cinders and poisonous gases came rolling down the mountain side.

Whatever that cloud consisted of, it destroyed St. Pierre completely. The very stones were cracked with the awful heat, and within a few seconds 40,000 human beings perished. Yet days afterward, when the ruins were cool enough to explore, a man was found alive. He was a negro prisoner who had been confined in an underground cell and who, though scorched, scarred and almost suffocated, still survived—the only living thing in fifty square miles.—London Answers.

Soothed Her.

Among the many stories about the bishop of London is one told of him and a dying girl who trembled at the thought of death. "Would you be afraid if I were to carry you into the next room?" he asked. And the girl shook her head. "Then why should you be afraid of being carried away by one who is ten thousand times kinder and more loving?"—London Express.

The Change of Mind.

"What's the baby's name, Bill?" "Algernon." "What? I thought you were going to name him John?" "Oh, that was when I still thought I had something to say in the matter."

Idleness begets vices as standing water produces serpents. Vices are what stones which sharpen Time's scythe.

SELECTING TOMATO SEED.

All tomato plants produce branches which bear perfect flowers. Though the tomato plant is largely self fertile, especially when grown in the open air, there is always more or less mixing of varieties when the plants are grown close together. The selection of your own seed is a simple matter. Select plants that are ideal in vigor, freedom from disease, production and character of fruit. Practically all the tomatoes from each plant thus selected may be saved, only fruits that happen to be inferior being discarded.

Inasmuch as not all plants possess equal powers in transmitting their qualities, it is desirable to keep the seed from each plant in a separate package and then to plant the contents of the packages in separate lots next year.

This will give you an opportunity to judge the best stock. An excellent plan is to conduct a trial test of about twenty-five plants from each lot of seed. You will not find it much trouble to weigh and even to count the tomatoes from each lot of plants. The results will justify the work involved.

SEAWEED AS FERTILIZER.

How It Can Be Used to the Best Advantage.

In general the use of seaweed as a fertilizer is a good investment, says a contributor to the Country Gentleman. On sandy soils it may merely be plowed under, but in general it is preferable to compost it.

Seaweed varies considerably in analysis, according to species, but all kinds contain a high percentage of moisture and more potash than do soft structure land plants. The best species in particular carry much potash.

The disadvantage of applying large quantities of seaweed to farm land lies in the possibility of injury to some crops through the chlorine in the salt that adheres to the weed and in the acidity that may be developed through decomposition of masses of the weed.

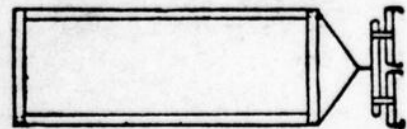
The weed should be spread on the land as far ahead of crop planting as possible to permit of the chlorine's being carried off by drainage. An application of lime will remedy both the acidity and the ill effects of the chlorine. Much larger applications of the seaweed can be made on sandy soils than on heavy soils or on those not well drained.

Plowing under leguminous crops if they are of the deep rooted species, like clover and alfalfa, will maintain soil fertility. The nodules on the roots will collect nitrogen from the air, and the deep roots will bring up potash and phosphoric acid from the subsoil.

But lime should be applied occasionally to prevent any acidity that may develop as the result of decomposition of masses of green growths. At intervals of seven to ten years it would also be advisable to apply phosphorus in the form of ground bones, slag or raw phosphate rock. Commercial fertilizers may be termed crop producers only. They do little for soil improvement.

Moving Four or Five Section Harrow.

This device is a great help in moving a four or five section harrow without taking the harrow apart. Take two 1 by 8 inch boards a little longer than the width of the harrow, splicing on top if necessary, and nail a 1 by 8 inch



piece three feet long across each end. Fasten a hitch on one end and lay the harrow on it, teeth down. With this you can go through a gate almost too narrow for two horses.—Nebraska Farmer.

ORCHARD AND GARDEN.

Keep the cucumbers picked from the vines if you wish them to continue bearing. Never let one ripen on the vines, even if you do throw them away, unless you do not care for any more of them.

Cabbage and cauliflower will grow better if frequently cultivated. Tie the leaves about the cauliflower heads to keep them white.

Save all the wood ashes and use around fruit trees as a fertilizer. Wood ashes are especially good for peach trees, and they will benefit all fruit trees and vines.

Neglected fruit trees are not worth the ground they occupy; they are an eyesore, and when pest infested they are a positive menace to the neighborhood.

Keep the high wheeled wagon out of the orchard. Not only does it cut up the sod, but it is more apt to brush and peel the lower limbs of the trees, and it is a great deal more inconvenient to pour fruit into than the low down wagon, with its broad tires.

Cabbage worms are very apt to bother the plants, but for these a solution of one part kerosene, three parts buttermilk and six parts water is very effective. In making this solution briskly stir the kerosene and buttermilk together for three minutes before adding the water. Apply with a spray pump or a garden sprinkler.

READING FOR THE SOLDIERS.

The following is sent to us by Mrs. C. C. Colby, who has known the Rev. Mr. Falls and his splendid work in British Columbia:

Headquarters, 1st C. M. R. Brigade, France, Nov. 17th, 1915.
Dear Mr. Editor.—Will you allow me, through the columns of the Guardian, to ask some of our Canadian people to send their read magazines to me at above address, and I will see that they are distributed among our men? One of the greatest needs of our men is reading matter. I visited one billet yesterday with 100 men with absolutely nothing to read. I had a few magazines but they were nothing among so many. We have a whole brigade, and everywhere I go, when the men are out of the trenches resting, there is a constant appeal for reading. The sending of the magazines each month will only cost a few cents postage, but the joy brought to our gallant fellows will be immeasurable. If read magazines are sent to me at above address I shall see that they are properly distributed. Our brigade have given us a huge transport, to be used for soldiers' comforts, so we have now no difficulty in getting things to the men and transporting them if moved.
Yours sincerely,
Geo. O. FALLS,
Chaplain to C. E. F.
Address—Captain The Rev. Geo. O. Falls, 1st C. M. R. Brigade, Canadian Expeditionary Force, Army P. O. London, England.

THE SPIRES OF OXFORD.

(Seen From The Train.)
I saw the spires of Oxford
As I was passing by,
The gray spires of Oxford
Against a pearl-gray sky.
My heart was with the Oxford men
Who went aboard to die.
The years go fast in Oxford,
The golden years and gay,
The hoary colleges look down
On careless boys at play.
But when the bugles sounded war
They put their games away.
They left the peaceful river,
The cricket field, the quad,
The shaven lawns of Oxford
To seek a bloody sod—
They gave their merry youth away
For country and for God.
God rest you, happy gentlemen,
Who laid your good lives down,
Who took the khaki and the gun
Instead of cap and gown.
God bring you to a fairer place
Than even Oxford town.
W. M. LETTS.
The Westminster Gazette.

LATE MRS. W. E. N. BYERS.
The Eastern Ontario Review, Vankleek Hill, Dec. 17th, contains the following:

"One of the oldest residents of West Hawkesbury passed away on Wednesday last, when Mrs. W. E. N. Byers succumbed at the great age of ninety-four years and one month. Mrs. Byers' maiden name was Ellen Higginson. Her husband died at the old home, 'Fenham Farm,' about four years ago. A family of six survive. They are Messrs. William, John, Richard, Chas. E., Mrs. Smith and Miss Byers at home.
"The funeral takes place today, (Friday), from her late home to Trinity Church, Hawkesbury, thence to Hillside cemetery. The service will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Morgan.
"Mrs. Byers was one of the best known women in the township and a woman that was esteemed by all classes of the community."

ABOUT OUR NEIGHBORS.
The Memphremagog Driving Club of Newport, Vt., held its annual meeting December 17th at Hotel Raymond, for the election of officers, and to complete arrangements for the Matinee Races to be held this winter on the ice track. The officers elected were: Dr. J. H. Gaines, president; H. E. Doyle, vice-president; H. B. Stewart, treasurer, and Fred J. Barnard, secretary. The club voted to hold a matinee race each Saturday afternoon during the winter. The first race will come off on December 27th, providing the track can be made ready, and then New Year's day, and each Saturday thereafter. With the field of good horses in Newport and vicinity the attendants are sure to see some real horse racing this winter at Newport.

Every man in Serbia can claim five acres of land from the government, and this is exempt from all claims of debt.

Dublin's Red Haired Club.
The Red Haired club of Dublin, which flourished years ago, was a society which barred out all whose hirsute covering was not of the most pronounced auburn. In order that no one could gain admission by false pretenses it was required at the initiation of each member that the applicant wash his hair and whiskers in hot soda and water. This effectively took out any "dye" that had been used.

Mutual Help.
"Say, old man," quoth the farmer. "I wish you'd train my son to be a lawyer in your office. There's nothing in farming."
"I'll do it," assented the lawyer, "provided you'll take my son on your farm. There's nothing in the law."
—Kansas City Journal.

Singapore.
Singapore is not well known, though it is one of the world's largest ports and comes within the first eight. It is an entrepot for the transshipment of the merchandise of the Malay peninsula and archipelago, besides considerable transshipments for Siam and Indo-China.

THE OLD MASTERS.

Paintings Without Signatures Are Judged by Their Technic.

It appears that many of the works of the old masters are not signed. Experts rarely rely on signatures alone in determining the authenticity of an old work, but trust rather to their knowledge of the painter's technic, says the Philadelphia Record.
False signatures can be easily detected. Spirits of wine or turpentine will usually remove a name of later date than the painting. In the course of time signatures often become very difficult to find. Painted originally in a shade slightly lighter than the ground, perhaps, they sink in, darken, and merge into the ground color or they are almost rubbed away by successive cleanings. Recognizable one day in a specially favorable light, they may not be visible again for weeks.
Experts speak of "will-o'-the-wisp" signatures, and many collectors have encountered accidental strokes and cracks that tantalizingly suggest a signature, though it can never be made definite. On the other hand, there have been remarkable cases of such marks, after careful study, resolving themselves into a famous name.
Sometimes the painter's name is most conspicuous as, for example, in Raphael's "Sposalizio" at Milan. Proud of having surpassed his master, the youthful genius wrote on a frieze in the very center of the canvas, "Raphael Urbinas."

Reynolds hardly ever signed his work. But upon the completion of the portrait of Mrs. Siddons as the Tragic Muse, he wrote his name large on the gold embroidery of her dress. He was unable, he said, "to resist the temptation of sending my name to posterity on the hem of my garment."

CANCER IN THE FAMILY.

There is No Proof That the Dreaded Disease Is Hereditary.
Perhaps nothing causes more needless worry than the fact that one or more persons in a given family have died from cancer. This is commonly taken as a proof that the disease is hereditary. This does not at all follow. There is probably no greater chance of inheriting cancer than there is of being killed by lightning or of breaking one's neck falling down stairs. Perhaps there are people who worry even about those contingencies, but the statisticians have shown that such fatal accidents are extremely rare.
People who are concerned because their relatives have succumbed to cancer fall to consider how widespread the disease is. A malady that causes one death out of every eight among women and one out of every fourteen among men over forty is fairly common. On this basis it does not take much arithmetic to figure out how likely it is that cancer will occur many times in some families.
The eminent statisticians, King and Newsholme, have pointed out that it does not prove heredity to show that in one family five deaths occurred from cancer. By the very frequency of the disease and the laws of chance such cases would be expected even if no one had ever suggested the idea of heredity.
In some species of animals it is believed a certain susceptibility to tumors may be inherited. But so far as human beings are concerned the foremost authorities believe that heredity in cancer may be regarded as a negligible factor.—Journal of the American Medical Association.

The Almanac Church.
One of the oldest churches in England is St. Botolph's at Boston. It has aptly been called the Almanac church. In the tower are 365 steps, corresponding to the days in the year. The church has twelve pillars, fifty-two windows and seven doors, representing the months, weeks and days in the week. In the west porch are twenty-four steps ascending to the library, representing the hours of the day. Again, on each side of the choir are sixty steps leading to the roof, denoting on the one side the minutes of the hour and on the other the seconds of the minute.—Boston Post.

The Office Seeker.
A man with a deep and steadfast longing for office will run excitedly around begging everybody he sees to sign his nomination petitions and then, when he finally gets enough signatures, will put on a clean shirt and announce that if the call of duty comes he will not disregard the summons.—Ohio State Journal.

Paying Him Back.
Girl Shopper—Why did you make that poor salesman pull down all that stuff and then not buy anything?
Second Ditto—Why, the mean fellow was in a car yesterday and never offered me his seat, though I looked right at him; so I just decided I would get even.

Wanted Particulars.
"I am looking out for a poach climber. Can you direct me where to go?"
"Well, sir, until you particularize I don't know whether you want me to direct you to a florist or to a policeman."

Flies and Germs.
The number of germs on a single fly may range from 550 to 6,000,000. Scientific tests have shown that the average for 414 flies was about 1,250,000 on each.

Violence in the voice is often only the death rattle of reason in the throat.—Boyer.

FIGHTING INSOMNIA.

Some Advice About How to Woo "Nature's Sweet Restorer."

In fighting sleeplessness I have found nothing so helpful as a simple procedure based on the conditions which recent psychological experiment has proved to be fundamental to sleep. These are:
Mental and muscular relaxation, limitation of voluntary movement and monotony of sensation.
To obtain these the next time you find yourself wakeful select on the wall of your room some ornament or spot which, by reason of a ray of light from the moon or street lamp, seems to stand out clearly from its surroundings. Having selected this spot, assume a comfortable position in bed, taking care that you lie in such a way that you can see the spot on the wall without straining any part of your body.
Next, remaining perfectly motionless and thinking of nothing but the spot on the wall, gaze at it through half closed lids in such a way that it seems remote and indistinct.
Be sure not to try to get a full view of it. That would mean tension, not relaxation, and would defeat your purpose. Your gaze at the spot, while steady, must be without any straining of the attention.
Soon, if you have continued to lie perfectly quiet and to think of nothing but the spot on the wall, you will find your eyelids grow heavy and close completely. Open them half way, as before, and resume the process of gazing.
They will again grow heavy and close, when you must, if you can, open them once more. Before long you will find it impossible to open them, for you will be sound asleep.
Even if your room be in total darkness you can still make use of this sleep bringing method by calling up before your mind's eye some imaginary object and gazing at it between half closed lids exactly as though it were really before you. Remember, however, that you must lie perfectly still, moving neither your hands nor your legs.
Try this device the next time you are troubled by wakefulness. From personal experience I am satisfied that, if you follow it faithfully in its details, you will find that it works like a charm.—H. Addington Bruce in Kansas City Times.

Big Hats in Colonial Days.
The question of high hats at public places was of some moment, even in colonial days. In 1769 the church at Andover, Mass., put it to vote whether "the parish disapprove of the female sex sitting with their hats on in the meeting house in time of divine service as being indecent." In the town of Abington in 1775 it was voted that it was "an indecent way with the feminine sex to sit with their hats and bonnets on in worshipping God." Still another town voted that it was the "town's mind" that the women should take their bonnets off in meeting and hang them on the pegs.

An Egg Trick.
Hold a raw egg on end and spin it on a plate or other smooth surface. Quickly place the hand upon it for an instant, stopping the motion momentarily. When the hand is removed the egg will resume its spinning. This is because the liquid contents of the shell continued to whirl rapidly when your hand stopped the shell, and if it is quickly released the whirling contents will again set the shell to spinning.

An Irrascible Mood.
"I want to ask your consent to my marriage with your daughter," said the formal youth.
"Young man," replied Mr. Cumrox, "don't you bother me with any more such talk. If you and Gwendolin get married it's her and her mother's doings, and I don't want to be brought into it. I'm tired of being held responsible for every kind of trouble that comes up in this family."

The Roads of Norway.
A curious feature to travelers on the highroads of Norway is the great number of gates—upward of 10,000 in the whole country—which have to be opened. These gates, which either mark the boundaries of the farms or separate the home fields from the waste lands, constitute a considerable inconvenience and delay to the traveler, who has to stop his vehicle and get down to open them.

Very Much So.
"I wonder what the poet meant when he alluded to woman in her hours of ease as being uncertain, coy and hard to please."
"I don't know about the coy part," said the saleslady, "but when it comes to picking out a hat she's all the rest of it."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

At Niagara.
"You had a day at Niagara, I understand."
"Yes; had a delightful time there too."
"Falls were pretty fine, eh?"
"Why—er—we didn't see the falls. We spent all our time at the movies."
—Judge.

And Then He Was Fined.
Judge—Then when your wife seized the weapon you ran out of the house?
Plaintiff—Yes, sir. Judge—But she might not have used it. Plaintiff—True, your honor. Maybe she picked up the fatiron just to smooth things over.—Boston Transcript.

Who would not have feet set on his neck let him not stoop.—Italian Proverb.

GASES AND SOLIDS.

The Attraction Between Them and How It May Be Illustrated.

It is an interesting fact that gases will cling to the surface of solids to a wonderful extent. If a piece of iron is placed in a bucket of water and the water heated, bubbles will be seen coming from the iron. They are merely parts of the air film on the iron expanded by heat till the water buoyancy becomes great enough to detach them from the surface.
On account of this peculiar attraction of all solids for all gases, any scientific or other instrument devised to work in a vacuum must first be thoroughly heated before it is ready for use.
If a solid has an extraordinary power of absorbing or occluding gases, the fact is utilized for other purposes. Charcoal will absorb gas, and it is consequently used to take gas out of vessels and as a sanitary agent. In fact, charcoal is medicinal in some respects, being prescribed for patients troubled with gas on the stomach. After the charcoal is swallowed it absorbs the gas in the stomach and the unpleasant distension is gone.
If one cares to try a little experiment let him fill the mouth full of tobacco smoke and blow it gently and slantingly downward on the surface of a smooth table. The smoke will be seen to remain on the surface for three or four minutes, or even longer, although smoke, as is well known, tends to rise on account of being warmer than the air; also in spite of the fact that the process of diffusion is tending to make it mix with the air. If the experiment is tried at night under a red light and on a smooth mahogany table, the scenic effects produced by the convolutions of smoke are positively uncanny.

RELICS OF A LOST RACE.
Articles That Were Used by the Arawak Indians of Jamaica.
When in 1494, on his second voyage, Columbus discovered the island of Jamaica, it was populated by the Arawak Indians, who, although at first hostile to him, became friendly on his giving them clothing and other articles before unknown to them.
When later the Spaniards settled the island they forced the Indians not only to do agricultural work in their own island, but to labor in the gold mines of Haiti. So hard were the Spanish taskmasters that by 1533 the whole Arawak nation was exterminated.
During recent years G. C. Longley of Pelham Manor has been seeking to recover all possible traces of the lost race. To that end he spent much time on the island in exploring the old kitchen middens or refuse heaps of the Arawaks, in which he has found, besides shells and pottery and fish, turtle and cony bones, many celts or rude chisels, grinding stones, stone pendants and axes—1,500 objects in all.
The whole collection he has given to the American Museum of Natural History in New York city.
The most interesting objects are the cylindrical stone pendants, which were fashioned with sand and stone by endless rubbing. Pendants of exactly the same sort are worn today as insignia of office by chiefs or head men of tribes in northern South America—Youth's Companion.

Sucking Fish.
A curious looking object is the sucking fish, which has a peculiar disk fitted to the crown of its head. By means of this it attaches itself to any fish it chooses—a shark or whale, for instance, or turtles and even ships—and so it is carried about without any trouble. When once attached they stick like glue, and they are occasionally used for purposes of fishing. A line is fixed to the fish's tail, which is then set free. As soon as it discovers a fish or a turtle it takes a firm hold. In the simplest form of fishing the line is dragged in and the sucking fish hauled up, together with its captive. In the case of a turtle, the fisherman dives after the line and so secures the victim.

The Only Time.
Fred—There are times when I care nothing for riches—when I would not so much as put forth a hand to receive millions.
Kittie—Indeed! That must be when you are tired of the world and its struggles and vanities—when your soul yearns for higher and nobler things. Is it not?
"N-no; you are wrong."
"Then when is it?"
"When I'm sleeping."—Exchange.

Ambition Realized.
She would a driver be.
She tried to drive a man—biff!
She tried to drive a horse—ditch!
She tried to drive an auto—smash!
But when she tried to drive a bargain success roosted on her banner—Indianapolis Star.

He Knew.
Teacher—Now, Harold, can you tell me what letter this is? Small Harold—No, ma'am. Teacher—You can't? Why, you certainly know what comes after T, don't you? Small Harold—Yes, ma'am; sister's beau.

Anticipated Him.
Census Man—How old are you, madam?
Lady—Twenty-five. Census Man (gallantly)—You could easily say you were five years younger than you are. Lady—Oh, I've done that already!—Boston Transcript.

A tyrant never tastes true friendship or perfect liberty.

FOR SERVICE

Poland China Boar, from Ontario's Champion herd. The Warren County Hog made Ohio wealthy; will do the same for you. JACOB GOVE, Smith's Mills.

LADIES' SEWING

MISS MATHILDA BOISVERT, who has had six years' experience with N. T. Dusseau, Sherbrooke's leading tailor, is prepared to do sewing on ladies' garments of all kinds at the home of her brother, Mr. George Boisvert, near Rock Island, passenger station. Satisfaction guaranteed; charges moderate. 4414

BUILDING LOT.

Centrally located on Riverside Avenue, Rock Island; frontage of 60 feet, depth extending back to Tomifobia river; sewer connection. Will sell right for cash or exchange for Ford car in good condition. E. O. VANCOUR, 474 R. M. D. No. 2, Stanstead, Que.

ESTRAY.

Came into the enclosure of the undersigned about the first of September, a two-year-old Heifer; red with white spots. Owner can have same by paying charges and proving property. P. L. ELLIS, 4543 South Barnston, Dec. 8, 1915.

Carriage and Sleigh Painting and Varnishing
Promptly and thoroughly done. Get your sleigh in early to avoid disappointment when you want to use it. J. A. ROY, Allard Building, Rock Island.

LOUIS HUCKINS

CONTRACTOR and BUILDER
Drawings and Specifications of any style or kind of a building in any kind of material, Wood, Brick, Cement or Steel.
Rock Island, - Derby Line.
If you want a Lake Cottage, Residence, Business or Public Building, see me.

WINTER STORAGE \$3 PER MONTH
Where general overhauling is done, no storage charges will be made. We have enlarged our garage, installing steam heat, and can accommodate 30 cars. Experienced help only employed. Painting and varnishing done.
THE LINDSAY GARAGE,
West Derby, - - Vermont

A. H. CUMMINGS & SON
LIMITED
Manufacturers of Lumber, Shingles, Clapboards, Superior House Finish. FLOORING A SPECIALTY.
Orders left with S. E. Abbott, Agt., Stanstead will receive prompt attention.

FOR SALE
Choice Building Lots, also our two, four and six tenement buildings. Apply to C. A. Goodsell. C. W. HOLMES.

FOUNTAIN PENS

WE HAVE THE
Waterman Ideal,
Moore's Non-Leakable,
and several other well-known makes.
Consult us before buying.
The Journal Printing Co.,
ROCK ISLAND, QUE.

TO MEN OF MILITARY AGE

(18 TO 45.)
Minimum Height, 5 feet 2 inches. Minimum Chest Measure, 33 inches.
Cut Out This Form, Fill It In, And Mail To
CITIZENS' RECRUITING ASSOCIATION
McGILL BUILDING, MONTREAL.

FORM
I desire information regarding terms of enlistment for Overseas Service with the.....Battalion.

Name.....
Address.....
Occupation.....

AUTOMOBILE OWNERS ATTENTION

If you are looking for first-class work at the right price, call at the Derby Garage.

Automobile Accessories of all kinds at reasonable prices.

THE DERBY GARAGE,

YOUNG & CARBEE, Proprietors,
DERBY, VERMONT

CARTER'S

Inks,
Paste,
Mucilage,
Typewriter Ribbons

Try Penkraft, the new double purpose ink for office and fountain pen use
Sold by
The Journal Printing Co.