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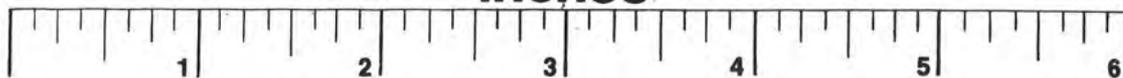
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Contrary to the customs and usages of new-born newspapers, we shall refrain on this our first visit from wearing our readers with a long column of solemn promises for the future...

Entirely independent on this point, it shall condemn the bad in whatever party it may exist, and give all good its proper credit...

One word to the business men. Remember the adage that "Advertising is the life of business" and where can you better test it...

Thankful for the courtesy and kindness with which we have been received and welcomed to this beautiful locality...

barred as one in your local circles. We shall look in upon you every week, and bring with us columns of local interest...

SPENCER.

GRANT AND WILSON. A grand rally was held at Town Hall on the evening of the 27th...

Richard Sugden & Co. are just completing at Wire village a very fine mill for drawing coarse wire.

Suicide by Drowning. On Wednesday, Oct. 16th, while passing Whittemore pond, James O. Donnell and William Shehe discovered the body of a man floating in the water.

G. A. Rusk. The Grand Army of the Republic held its annual meeting at the Town Hall...

at the district, Leicester, North Brookfield, South Brookfield, Starbridge, West Brookfield and Warren, which with the Spencer Post, numbered about two hundred men.

Speeches and a social good time followed. After which they adjourned feeling more strongly attached to each other...

Post Office Items. Business in the Post Office has doubled since the past four years. In a few days the postmaster expects to increase the number of boxes to 500...

Fire. About half past four on the morning of the 27th, a fire broke out in the building of the New House of Auburn Paper...

The Boston & Albany R. Co., are building a new freight depot in Spencer, which is to be 150 ft. by 40, and will be ready for occupancy about the 1st of December.

Owing to the scarcity of oil in the oil regions, Spencer people are obliged to go without lights on the streets for the present.

Work on the new hotel is progressing finely, and when completed it will be quite a metropolitan affair.

The firm of J. Green & Co., was established in 1812, and is probably the oldest boot house in the State.



The above is a representation of the person sitting on the bench, which is a common sight in the town.

TOWN TALK.

The tank for furnishing Town Hall with gas has been removed, being in a defective condition, and a new one supplied.

A course of select sociables is being started by some of the young people of this village.

Travelers say Mr. L. L. Sherman of the Spencer House is an excellent landlord, and is second to none as a caterer to the comfort and enjoyment of guests.

Typoid fever is quite prevalent in towns round about Spencer, but we have but few cases in our midst.

A man was found upon the street the other day in a fit. He got it at Mr. P. Baker's, and a hobby one it was.

Our citizens may well be proud of their fire department. But very few, if any villages of the size of Spencer, have so efficient and reliable a force of firemen...

People are beginning to think of winter clothing, and sleighsides by moonlight. Now if you wish to prepare for comfort on these enjoyable trips, select from the stock of J. N. Grout & Co., corner of Main and Pleasant streets, a pair of those nice and warm robes.

The Spencer steamer Company, H. A. Grout, foreman, took their engine out for trial the other day, and threw a stream 189 feet. David Barnes, foreman of the leading hose, knows just how to manage his department, and is called one of the best hosemen in Worcester county.

People like to buy their groceries, provisions, etc., of old established and reliable dealers, and Mr. Lorenzo Bemis is a merchant fully up to the standard.

A poor but pious young man apologized the other evening, while making a call, for the muddiness of his boots, saying he had not taken his carriage, but had "walked up with commendable economy." He was grieved when the lovely being whom he adores, inquired why he didn't "ask Mr. Economy in."

No one need be without a clean shirt, for you can get one "bled" at anytime by sending it to Mr. W. C. Green's laundry, East Main street.

Frank Watson and George Bullard sons of Lorenzo Watson and Dexter Bullard have gone to Poughkeepsie, N. Y., to attend Eastman's business college.

Much "town talk" is circulating about the town, and it is hoped that it will be of some benefit to the community.



## An Unlooked For Rival.

The fire glowed brightly on the polished hearth, the light from a dozen gas jets flashed brilliantly, throwing through damasked curtained windows a rich glow upon the snow covered pavement without, speaking to the weary-hearted, toil-worn children of poverty passing by to their cheerless and desolate homes, of warmth, comfort, and blessings which might be theirs.

A young girl was standing behind the drapery within that curtained room, where nothing seemed wanting of beauty or luxury; she was gazing out into the stormy night, and impatiently tapping her little foot on the floor, while an expression of angry discontent shadowed a face perfect in outline, marring sadly its otherwise exquisite loveliness.

The snow fell thick and fast, and but few were abroad; none, but those who were compelled by necessity to brave the chilling blast and blinding storm.

Suddenly, with a gesture of disappointment and vexation, she dashed away the folds of damask, and advanced to the fireside, exclaiming—

"It is intolerably provoking. Here I have been watching for that girl a whole hour. What does she mean by this delay? I shall be so angry if I am disappointed of my dress this evening of all others."

"Why, Eda, surely you are not going out in this tempest?" said a noble looking, silver-haired man who entered the room just in time to hear her words.

"Indeed, but I am, Guardy. Dr. Holmes is coming for me to go to Mrs. Everts' ball, and I wouldn't miss it for the world. I am determined to crown my reign as belle of the season," she continued laughingly, "by bringing him to my feet, if possible, before another day's sun shall rise. He is the best match in the city, and I mean to secure him, at once. The girls are all after him, and I long to win him from them."

"You speak confidently," said Mr. Ross, "so I shall expect to wake up in the small hours of the morning with tidings of your success."

We will now turn to another home, where poverty abideth, where Mabel Groom, the young seamstress, is bending over her work, a dress richly embroidered, whose lilies, with richly tinted fucias, are artistically wrought in graceful patterns on a ground-work of white silk. This is the dress for which the beautiful heiress is waiting—the dress in which she expects to captivate the best match in the city.

Very lovely is Mabel Groom, though on the pure white of her complexion there blooms no tint of the rose-bud—very lovely, though her glorious eyes, shaded by long silken lashes, are dimmed with watching and tears. Her fingers fly nimbly over her task nearly completed, the payment for which is to bring needed supplies to those who for two days have scarcely tasted food—her invalid mother and her little sister Lulu, who is now resting at her feet, crying with hunger. The work is completed at last, and Mabel, drawing the child fondly to her side, says soothingly—

"Darling! hush! sister take home the dress a nice little feast. Here we'll have for you rich, my pet?"

gentleman, who, holding out his hand to Mabel said pleasantly: "I am earlier than usual this evening, but I am obliged to escort a fair lady to a ball at ten o'clock, and I thought before making my toilet I would look in on my patient."

"O doctor, how can I thank you for your kindness!" said Mabel, raising her sparkling eyes to his face, but dropping them again instantly as she met the warm gaze of admiration on his, while crimson blushes heightened her face into new beauty. "Mother is worse. I fear, doctor," she continued. "She seems quite exalted this evening."

"Has she had proper nourishment to-day?"

"Mamma has had nothing to eat to-day, doctor," broke in Lulu, "and sister and I haven't had anything either but dry bread, and we are very hungry; but sister is going to get some money to-night."

"Lulu, hush," said Mabel, while a painful look of embarrassment fell upon her before bright countenance. "Doctor, excuse her, she forgets and talks too fast."

An anxious, inquiring gaze rested on her, and in a voice trembling with emotion, the doctor exclaimed:

"Mabel, is it indeed so?"

She bent her head in assent but after a moment of awkward silence, found voice to say:

"I shall have money to-night."

"Giving but a glance at his patient whose pale face spoke of suffering and want, even in sleep, he left hastily. And Mabel, folding her work, and carefully placing at her mother's side the medicine she might need on waking, and charging little Lulu to stay by her in her absence, started out in the fierce storm, to carry the dress to the heiress who sat chafing at her delay.

Mabel's father had once been rich; but crushed by adversity, he died and left his family poor, and his wife an invalid.

Dr. Holmes had known them in their days of prosperity, and on his return from the continent, a month previous to our story, had sought them out and offered his services gratuitously—an offer gratefully accepted. He knew they were poor, but never until Lulu's revelation had he dreamed of the extent of their poverty. Mabel's loveliness had made a deep impression on his heart, and when he left them that evening, it was with the resolve to shield her in the future, under his protecting love, from all life's cares.

It was indeed a fierce storm that Mabel was to encounter on her way to Mr. Ross' splendid mansion, and her progress was necessarily slow.

As, chilled by the stinging blast and blinded by the snow, she staggered up the steps of the mansion and rang the bell, a sleigh dashed up to the door, and when it was opened to the girl, a gentleman alighted and ran lightly up, ere it was closed, saying to the servant:

"I will wait for Miss Eda in the drawing-room."

Mabel started; she knew the voice of Dr. Holmes, and not wishing to be recognized, drew her hood closely around her face.

"Poor girl!" said the doctor, "what a night for a woman to be abroad."

He little dreamed who he was pitying.

Directed by the servants, Mabel lightly tapped at the door of the opposite room. It was opened by Eda Reynolds in a towering rage, her face distorted by passion.

"So you have come at last," she exclaimed angrily. "Two hours behind time. I did think, Mabel Groom, you were poor enough to have that one virtue of punctuality."

"I am sorry I disappointed you Miss Reynolds, I have sat up three nights until daybreak to complete it in time, but my mother has been very ill and needed my care, which must be my excuse."

Dr. Holmes caught the silvery accents in the drawing-room, and—forgive him—listened.

"What is your mother's sickness to me? You promised the dress at seven, and now it is nine. Your excuse is a poor one."

"Believe me, I regret it, but it was impossible for me to be earlier. You will oblige me, as I am in haste, if you will pay me for it and let me go."

"Pay you, indeed! Not I. I'll punish you for your tardiness. I'll teach you to make promises and break them. Just as many hours as you have kept me waiting for my dress, so many days will I keep you out of your money."

"Oh, Miss Reynolds, you will not, you cannot be so cruel! My mother is ill and needs nourishment, my little sister is starving; and I depending on this twenty-five dollars from you to supply their wants. I must have the money."

"Not from me," said Eda, with a taunting laugh, as she shut the door in her face, and turned into the room to admire the exquisite garment.

Faint from want of food, and crushed by her bitter disappointment, Mabel left the abode of wealth, not knowing where to look for help in this hour of great trouble. On the pavement, still bright with the rich tint from the crimson damask curtains, she slipped and fell insensible. She was raised by strong arms and tenderly lifted, into the fur-lined sleigh at the door, and swiftly it sped homeward. Her fit of insensibility, produced by exhaustion and distress, was a long one, and when she awoke to consciousness, warmth and light were around her, while at the table on which was spread a comfortable meal, sat half famished little Lulu, eating to her heart's content. Her head was pillowed on the breast of Dr. Holmes, his arms enfolding her. Blushing she sought to withdraw from his embrace but, bending over her he whispered:

"No, dearest, lie still, close to my heart sheltered by my love. No more poverty, no more sorrow, if you will only give me the right to shelter you from it, dear one."

Trembling with happiness unspeakable Mabel hid her face against his shoulder; but gently turning it towards him, he looked down into the depths of those wondering eyes, and reading there how fully his love was returned, pressed a fervent kiss upon her lips, and rising led her to her mother, for the consent and blessing on their union.

The clock struck ten, and the doctor said, with a fond glance at Mabel:

"I must leave you now, to keep my appointment with the heiress. She must display my darling's work at the ball to-night, or die of vexation."

The expectant fair one waited an hour for the tardy escort, but there was no look of anger on her beautiful face, no discordant notes marred the harmony of the soft sweet tones with which she chided Dr. Holmes for his want of punctuality.

It was just one month after the night of Mrs. Everts' ball. In that time Dr. Holmes had bought and furnished an elegant residence on Fifth Avenue. He was weary of single life, he told his friends, and was preparing a cage for the bird of his choice. Invitations were out for a grand house-warming, at which the world would know the select bride of "the best catch in the city."

Everybody fixed their eyes on the belle of the season, and were confident that the charming heiress, to whom of late he had been paying marked attention, was the envied one.

"Propose to-night, he certainly will, Guardy," she said to Mr. Ross, as she stood before the glass arranging her graceful ringlets. "You will not have me on your hands much longer."

"Once disappointed, Eda," he answered, "you may be again. Still you may wake me if you come home engaged to Dr. Holmes."

"The rooms were crowded, as Eda, dressed superbly, swept into the splendid hall she soon expected to call her own. Many curious eyes were turned upon her as she passed with queenly grace to the reception room, and reached the spot where the host stood with a lady beside him in bridal attire, "lovely as a poet's dream."

She started and turned pale, but recovering her self-possession, advanced while he holding out his hand, greeted her as a friend, then leading her forward, presented her to his bride.

Stupefied she gazed on the face of Mabel Groom, the despised seamstress, uttered an hysterical shriek, and fainted away. She had indeed met an unlooked for rival, and the shock of seeing the child of poverty elevated to the position her ambitious hopes had led her to believe would be her own, was too much even for pride to conceal.

Mabel ever considerate came to her side: "It's the heat," she said to the inquisitive crowd. Do take her to the conservatory, and leave her with me."

Need I describe the recovery, the shame, the remorse, on the one side, the charity which thinketh no evil and forgiveth all things on the other?

The heiress returned home humbled and saddened, having learned a lesson that might never be forgotten.

She did not as may be imagined, awake her guardian; nor did he wonder when he read in the morning paper of the surprise Dr. Holmes had prepared for his friends.

Comfort and happiness soon restored the invalid mother to health, and rounded the form of little Lulu, who never complained of hunger.

To Mabel, life flows on like a happy dream, brighter far by contrast with the past; and we need hardly add, that Dr. Holmes has never ceased to bless the night of the storm in which he opened his arm and heart to take into their warm shelter the poor unpaid seamstress, Mabel Groom.

Mrs. Horace Greeley, is dead.

At the monster Republican torch-light procession in Boston, Wednesday evening, two men were dangerously injured by the explosion of a bomb.

The Grant & Wilson flag in front of the Sun office is the only political banner flying in Spencer.

Ornamented—the telegraph wire in front of the brick school-house. Our subscription rates for the Sun are only two dollars per year, in advance. We have faith enough in this newspaper venture to invest heavily in presses and type, and locate them here; and we only ask our citizens to venture \$2 each. None can object to so small a risk.

If you want a GOOD OVERCOAT.

—or— REEFER.

Call on COMINS & AMES. They have the best stock in town, at low prices.

## A CARD.

The Spencer Fire Department take this method of expressing to the Fire Department and citizens generally, of North Westfield, their thanks for the cordial reception extended to them at the Firemen's muster held in that place on the 15th inst. The beautiful collection of which they partook, and the hearty good will manifested towards them, will ever be remembered with pleasure by all of this department who participated. Spencer, Oct. 15th 1872.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.**  
To either Constable of the town of Spencer, in the County of Worcester, GREETING. In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Spencer, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Spencer, on Tuesday, Nov. 5th, 1872, at one o'clock, p. m., then and there to act on the following articles:  
1st. To choose a Moderator; 2nd. To see if the town will buy land to enlarge the old burying ground; 3d. To see if the town will buy land of Mrs. Dyer to widen Main street; 4th. To see if the town will buy land of Joseph Green to widen Main street; 5th. To see if the town will settle the claims of Thomas Prior and Horace Babson. And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting at least five copies thereof, one at the Town House and one at the Post Office, in said town, ten days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Spencer, October 23d, 1872.

LUTHER HILL, Selectmen  
WILLIAM UPHAM,  
JOHN L. RUSH,  
HENRY BEVIS,  
JOHN W. BIGELOW.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.**  
Worcester, S. S. PROBATE COURT. To the Heirs at law, next of kin, and all others persons interested in the estate of Paul Joseph Lee, of Spencer, in said County, deceased: Upon the petition of Mary Newell, you are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Worcester, in said County, on the first Tuesday of November next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why an instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, should not be approved; and the said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation, by publishing the same once a week, two weeks successively, in the Spencer Sun, newspaper printed at Spencer, the last publication to be on one day, at least, before said Court, and to send, or cause to be sent, a written or printed copy of this notice, properly mailed, postage prepaid, to each of the heirs, devisees, or legatees of said estate, or their legal representatives, known to the petitioner, seven days, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Henry Chapin, Esq., Judge of said Court, this twenty-third day of October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

CHAS. E. STEVENS, Register.

**SHERIFF'S SALE.** Worcester, S. S.—October 21st, 1872. By virtue of an execution which issued on a judgment given by the First District Court of Southern Worcester, in favor of T. A. Frouty & Co., of Spencer, against Patrick Moran of Spencer, I have taken all the right in equity that said Moran had on the 21st day of October, inst., to redeem a certain mortgaged real estate lying in said Spencer, and is the same that is described, in deed thereof, from Isaac Menard to said Moran, dated January 28th 1872, and recorded in the Worcester County Registry of Deeds, book 1872, page 433, and on Saturday the twenty-third day of November, 1872, at 1 o'clock p. m., at the office of Luther Hill in Spencer, I shall offer for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, said right in equity of redemption.

NATHAN HESSEY, Deputy Sheriff. 1-3w

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LUTHER HILL, Selectmen  
WILLIAM UPHAM,  
JOHN L. RUSH,  
HENRY BEVIS,  
JOHN W. BIGELOW.

**REMOVAL.**

I would respectfully inform my former patrons, and the public in general, that I have removed my place of business to the store heretofore occupied by Z. B. Ingalls, where in addition to all that goes to make a first class Tailoring Establishment, I shall keep on hand a full assortment of Gent's Fashioning goods in all its branches. Thankful for the patronage bestowed in the past, I hope by fair dealing, and strict attention to business as heretofore, to merit a continuance of the same.

Respectfully Yours,  
M. J. POWERS.

**CHANGEMENT.**

M. J. POWERS,  
Marchand  
TAILLEUR.

Je Voudrais Respectueusement Informer mes premiers patrons et le public en general, que j'ai change ma place d'habitation au magasin de Z. B. Ingalls, et je prie d'accepter un changement plus complet et plus considerable que precedant en consistant de les draps de toute espèce, Chemise, Collet, Cravate, &c. En attendant que mes premiers desirés de ma part, Je L'assure de mon respectueux et de mon attention a l'égard de la public. Je prie de m'excuser de ne pas avoir par le passé et d'espérer de mériter l'honneur d'un patronage public et de leur fait de donner le plus grand satisfaction pour tous les ouvrages qu'ils voudront me faire confier.

M. J. POWERS.

Those who have tooth-ache, tooth-ache, tooth-ache, things and those who want weed, will do well to call on COMINS & AMES. They have the best stock in town, at low prices.

## Anecdotes.

### THE SICK BAGGAGE MAN.

A TOUCHING WESTERN STORY.

The St. Louis Democrat tells a tough but touching story which we reprint for the benefit of our local baggage smashers:—

The affection entertained by railroad men for each other is well known. Buds as many of them are, when pain and sickness attack a fellow, none are so prompt and generous to assist him, and friends accustomed to hold the grunting brake with the strength of a giant, suddenly become as soft as the fingers of a woman in works of charity toward the helpless. A most touching instance of this nature it is the office of the reporter for the Democrat to chronicle to-day.

From the windows of the Democrat office all along Fourth street may be seen numerous railroad offices before which constantly draw up huge transfer busses, from each of which pours like Noah's family out of an ark on wheels, a long file of men in dusters, and women with carpet sacks and ankles. Express wagons too, abound, from each of which is hurled with a crash like thunder, an avalanche of trunks. Yesterday, about five o'clock, just as the heat of the day had ceased, and a slight breeze played along the street, a small express wagon containing three men, drove up at a slow pace. One, who got between and was supported by the other two, had, it was evident from his pallor, only recently recovered from illness; the companions were in perfect health. All three it was clear from their clothes were railroad men. The express wagon stopped and the men got out; the sick one with difficulty. His companions stood by him, watching him with infinite solicitude.

"Well Doc, old fellow," said one, "you'll be all right in a day or two, won't you? Feel better now? Looks like old times, don't it? Oh, it's biz, it is, you old son of a thief."

"Well, Ed," replied the sick man, wearily, "it doesn't seem good, after being in bed for two or three months, to see the boys hustle them trunks so lively; but I'll never be the man I was before the rheumatics took me. I'll never sling a trunk again, Ed."

"Yes you will too," replied his comrade, cheerfully. "Before the next change in the time tables you'll be wrestling 'em out of them Saratogas. The doctor says so, and he ought to know. Try now, Doc; he says it'll do you no end of good if you can only get your spirits again. Can't you wait this little skin carpet bag?" He continued pleadingly.

"No, go, Ed," answered the invalid, with a touch of despondency in his voice, "the Doc ain't what he used to be nohow."

"Well, but Doc," continued his friend, "s'pose we get an axe and start that little trunk there at the corner; couldn't you bust it? It might do you good."

Ere he could answer, a large express wagon drew up before a whole pyramid of mammoth Saratogas. "Two men leaped lightly from it, one with a lamp and a bundle of jingling checks the other pulled down with a crash a couple of portmanteaus. The sight and sound were to the sick expressman like the sound of the trumpet to a blind old war horse. Forgetting his illness and his weakness he rose, gained the heap of baggage at a bound and seized a large Saratoga trunk, which three hall porters could hardly move. Posing it in the air, he hurled the huge mass through the air as if it had been a feather. Seized with a perfect fury, he slung trunk after trunk upon the wagon; the pile melted like a platter of beefsteaks before an Indian chief; the atmosphere was perfectly black with carpet sacks and not less than five portmanteaus were in the air at once. But the effort was too much for him, and as the last trunk was lauded with such force that it burst in mid air, and gushed socks, collar boxes, skirts, petticoats, hair brushes and things, as if a bomb-shell had exploded in a grocery shop, he fell fainting to the sidewalk. They sprinkled him with water, forced whiskey down his throat, and did all that human power to bring him to, but vainly. At last, when the patient had failed, one

slammed a trunk at his ear and belated "Denver!" The fainting man awoke, shouted, "Show me your ticket," and was borne away by his faithful friends who shed tears of joy at his recovery.

### Flies and Disease.

Flies are uncomfortable visitors in summer, especially in a sick room. It has been found that they are harmful also, and may be agents in spreading contagious diseases. A German Professor in Vienna made an experiment to test the truth of this theory. Finding the flies very numerous on the faces of his small-pox patients, he put some glycerine in a saucer to entangle the flies. Many of them were caught by the glutinous matter, and soon the glycerine was filled with strange cells like those on the small-pox patients. The inference was inevitable that the flies communicated the infectious matter to the glycerine, and could carry contagion to other houses. It will be a new argument to keep all sick rooms free from these insects.

### The Flow of Water Over Niagara

Another element in the problem of Niagara's age is the flow of water. To construct a scale from the present and apply it to the past, we should know that the amount of water in past ages has been essentially the same as now.

About 9800 cubic miles of water—nearly half the fresh water on the globe—are in the upper lakes, and 18,000,000 cubic feet of this plunge over Niagara Falls every minute, all the water of the lakes making the circuit of the Falls, the St. Lawrence, the ocean, vapor, rain, and lakes again, in 152 years. Through the Illinois Canal about 8000 cubic feet of water are taken every minute from Lake Michigan to the Illinois River; through the Welland Canal 14,000 cubic feet flow every minute from Lake Erie into Lake Ontario, and through the Erie Canal 30,000 cubic feet pass every minute from the same lake into the Hudson. Thus, 52,000 cubic feet of water, which Nature would give to Niagara, are diverted every minute by artificial channels, some into the Mexican Gulf and some into the Bay of New York. Add this to 18,000,000, it is as a drop in the bucket, and would make no appreciable difference in the character of the Falls or their rate of recession.—*Prof. GUNNING in Popular Science Monthly.*

### The Greatest Smoker.

The greatest smoker in Europe has just died at Rotterdam, and he has left behind him the most curious of wills. He expresses the wish in his last testament that all the smokers of the country be invited to attend his obsequies, and that they smoke while following in the funeral cortege. He directs that his body be placed in a coffin, which shall be lined with wood taken from old Havana cigar boxes. At the foot of his bier, tobacco, cigars, and matches are to be placed. And the epitaph which he requests shall be placed upon his tombstone is as follows:

HERE LIES  
TOM KLAES,  
The Greatest Smoker in Europe.  
He Broke His Pipe  
July 4, 1872.  
Entered by his family and  
all tobacco merchants.  
CIGARETTES, SMOKE FOR HIM!

Several months ago a little boy named Seger became interested in the children of the Howard Mission and determined to do what he could for them. It is not much, apparently, a boy of seven years can accomplish in this direction, but he went to work with a will, saved the pennies given him, ran on errands, and picked up bits of iron and sold them. On Saturday he opened his treasure box and found therein two dollars and eighty-three cents, with which he bought a broken lock pistol, and has twenty-eight cents left. So much for perseverance.—*Danbury News.*

## Wit and Wisdom.

A nod from a lord is a breakfast for a fool.

The dream of one age is the science of the next.

Anger, like rain, breaks itself upon what it falls.—*Seneca.*

Truth is as impossible to be soiled by any outward touch as the sun-beam.

It was wittily said of a beautiful French literary lady, that she had but one fault—her husband.

Knowledge and timber shouldn't be much used till they are seasoned.—*Holmes.*

A writer on long engagements says: "The difficulty of sustaining with appropriate effect the character of an engaged man is sometimes enormous."

"In proportion to a man's intelligence," says Pascal, "does he detect originality in other men. Common people think all men alike."

Some one in speaking against suicide says, as a clincher, that it is the height of impoliteness to go anywhere unless you are sent for.

There is no policy like politeness; and a good manner is the best thing in the world, either to get a good name or to supply the want of it.

Josh Billings says: The highest rate of interest that we pay is for borrowed trouble. Things that are always a going few happen never do happen.

The Arabs say: "Anger your friend, and you will be surprised to find what a great villain you are, even in your friend's estimation."

Crusty says that the list of marriages in the newspapers ought to be put under the head of "Ring Frauds."

"I am speaking," said a long-winded orator, "for the benefit of posterity." "Yes," said one of his hearers, "and if you keep on much longer, your audience will be here."

Real merit of any kind cannot long be concealed; it will be discovered, and nothing can depreciate it but a man's exhibiting it himself.

A scientific friend, who has been reading, with great patience, an exhaustive treatise on the "velocity of light," says that he now knows how it is that his gas bill runs up so rapidly.

We would be better persons if, instead of sitting in judgment on our intellects, we would allow our intellects to sit in judgment on us.

When Coleridge was asked by somebody what was "the use" of a certain new scientific discovery, he retorted by asking, "What is the use of a new-born child?"

The Chicago man who stepped behind a pair of mules that he intended to purchase, asked with much feeling, when he was picked out of the gutter, "if the derrick killed anybody else."

There is so much of weeping and then forgetting, that use may be made of what Miss Mulock says: "When God takes our dead from us, he means us not to grieve forever, only to remember."

Mrs. Jones had long been wanting to visit Highgate Cemetery, and in early summer she said to her husband, "You have never yet taken me to Highgate." "No, my dear," he replied; "that's a pleasure I have as yet had only in anticipation."

Nothing would fortify us more against all manner of accidents, than to remember that we can never be hurt but by ourselves. If our reason be what it ought, and our actions according to it, we are invulnerable.

"Whatever God has made is perfect," said a Western preacher. "What do you think of me?" said a hunchback, rising and exhibiting his own deformity. "Why that you are as perfect a hunchback as I ever saw!"

There sometimes wants only a stroke of fortune to discover numberless latent good or bad qualities, which would otherwise have been eternally concealed: as words written with a certain liquor appear only when applied to the fire.

## Useful Information.

### Cool Atmosphere in Hot Weather.

"The matter of air-giving," writes a correspondent of a gardening contemporary, "is not understood as respects our sitting-rooms and bedrooms. Under all aspects you will see windows stand open to get fresh air. All right enough; but what about the delicious coolness in such weather as we have lately had? I say advisedly, the closer every window is kept whilst the sun shines upon it (let the blinds be used too), the cooler and the more pleasant it will be. If the windows face the east, open them in the afternoon; if the west, open in the morning, shut by mid-day, and open after sunset, and so on in proportion. In such weather it is a comfort to keep heated air out. It adds to the discomfort to let it in freely. This advice acted on, many a bedroom, even in Summer, might be a cool retreat, that is now little better than an oven, because everything in it and about it has been heated by the sun's rays, and the heat will be radiated and reflected during the night, so as to prevent refreshing sleep."

### How to Wash Black, Black and White, and Colored Prints.

For all colored things it is better to use soap jelly than to rub the soap on them. Soap jelly is soap dissolved in water in the proportion of one pound to a gallon, which must be allowed to dissolve gradually in a warm place. Black and white prints, or black braid on white material, require salt to be put freely in the rinsing water, and also in the starch. The things should not be removed from the salt and water till the lines are ready to receive them. Means should also be taken to keep the folds apart whilst drying, or the color will run in chocolate-colored stains.

It was after a long day in India that Sir Harry Smith drew up to allow his command to march past him into their quarters. The infantry were the first to arrive, and to them Sir Harry said: "Aha! the infantry! yes, you are the infantry; yes, the foot soldier is a lucky fellow. The infantry boy for me; none of your nasty horses to clean. Get into camp, lie down, eat; there you are. Yes, the infantry man is a lucky fellow." And so they passed. Not long after the cavalry came up, whereupon Sir Harry addressed them, too, in turn: "Aha! the cavalry. Aha! you are the boys; you are the lucky fellows; none of your foot-sore, tired, dusty infantry men, but a smart chap with a horse, a real gentleman; yes, you are the fellows for me, fresh as minks; that's it; go along. The cavalry man is a lucky fellow."

Asparagus is said to be a valuable medicinal agent in cases of rheumatism and gout. Slight cases of rheumatism are cured in a few days by feeding on this delicious esculent, and more chronic cases are much relieved especially if the patient carefully avoids all acids, whether in food or beverage.

There was once a good old lady whose great age affected her in little less than in her memory. She had forgotten nearly all her past life, and could not remember the names of her nearest relations. But she never forgot how liable she was to forget, and being very sensitive on the point she endeavored in all sorts of crafty ways to conceal her weakness in this respect. One day an old friend called on her, and in the course of conversation a Mr. Jacob Peters was mentioned. The old lady pricked up her ears and tried to look knowing. To save her life she could not remember who Mr. Peters was.

"Yes, yes," said she cunningly; "Jacob Peters! Certainly, certainly, I remember him. But just let's understand each other. People do make such mistakes, you know, when they don't fix things all straight at first. Now tell me exactly which Jacob Peters you mean."

"Why, don't you remember Jacob?" cried the visitor. "Jacob was your first husband."

The old lady mused. "Jacob Peters," said she. "Why, yes, I believe he was my husband, or something of that kind."

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**BOOKS WRITTEN IN PRISONS.**

The two most celebrated men who are in the list of writers of books in prisons in the first half of the seventeenth century are Raleigh and Cervantes. The gallant Sir Walter, after serving when young as a gentleman volunteer, went with Sir Humphrey Gilbert to America, returned and was knighted, raised a volunteer squadron against the Spanish Armada, and became a courtier. Something he did or said gave offence at court, and he resided abroad for some years. When Elizabeth died, and James I. succeeded to the throne, Raleigh returned to England; but he was arrested, and found guilty of treason by a packed jury. Twelve years of his life were passed continuously in prison; and here he wrote his "History of the World," a marvellous work to execute under such circumstances. In order really to begin at the beginning, he begins with the creation, and gravely discusses the opinions expressed by the learned as to whether paradise was as high up as the moon, or only as high as mid-air, or under the equinoctial line. But still the "History of the World" is a noble fragment, which could only have been written by one who had read much and traveled much. Hapless Raleigh! King James hated him with all the hatred which a narrow mind feels toward an intellectual superior, and sent him to the scaffold. The other great man whose name we have coupled with Raleigh was the Spanish novelist Cervantes, the author of the world-renowned "Don Quixote." He was first a student, then chamberlain to a cardinal, and then a soldier. He was thrice wounded at the battle of Lepanto, was taken prisoner by the corsairs, kept five years in captivity, and ransomed by his friends. Returning to Spain, he married, entered upon civil employments, traversed wide regions of his native country, and watched well the habits and peculiarities of his countrymen. Monetary embarrassments, rather than political or religious discord, threw him more than once into prison; but his imprisonment was a great thing for the world, since it was occupied by the planning and commencement of "Don Quixote."

Open the portals wide; let us admit the greatest prison writer of the second half of the seventeenth century. In Bunyan, tinker, preacher, and author of a religious allegory, which is said to have been translated into a greater number of languages than any other book in the world, with two exceptions, the Bible and the "Imitation of Christ." He was thrown into Bedford jail because he would not renounce dissent, and there he supported himself for twelve years by making tagged boot-laces. He wrote many controversial tracts, preached to his fellow-prisoners, and read to them the Bible and "Fox's Book of Martyrs."

"It was a fine answer that he gave to the clerk of the peace, who advised him to gain his liberty by recanting: 'Sir, the law hath provided two ways of obeying; the one to do that which I in my conscience believe I am bound to do actively; and when I cannot by activity, then I am willing to lie down and suffer whatever they shall do unto me.' And it showed a vein of humor in his character when he replied to a Quaker who had come to visit him, and who declared that the Lord had ordered him to search for the Bunyan in half the prisons in England: 'If the Lord had sent you, you need not have taken so much trouble to find me out; for the Lord knows I have been a prisoner in Bedford jail for the last twelve years.' He wrote the first part of the "Pilgrim's Progress" while in prison, a fact that ought to endear the work to all who read it."

**Rats in the Nursery.**

A lady who has a number of fine hens, to which she had devoted a good deal of care and attention during the winter, in hopes of obtaining an early and a fair crop of fresh eggs, was surprised at the meagre result actually reached. The hens made noise, in piping and cackling, enough for every-day layers, and yet only occasionally laid an egg. The lady at length determined to watch operations and ascertain if possible the cause of the failure. She saw the hens go upon the nest, but if she was not present when

they came on, no egg was found. At length constant watching and waiting solved the mystery. A day or two since while on the watch a hen came off the nest and commenced cackling. Almost instantly an old rat came out of a hole, and running into the barrel, which was thrown down on its side, and in which the hen's nest was, it once nosed the egg out upon the ground, then lay down upon its back, and getting the egg between its fore-paws and nose, commenced squealing, when two other rats came out, and taking the rat with the egg by the hind legs, dragged it, egg and all, into the hole. The lady affirms that she can substantiate the foregoing fact by at least three witnesses.

**Etiquette at Constantinople.**

Court etiquette, degenerating into case even in Spain, seems still to hold its own at Constantinople. The *Paris Journal* thinks that the following anecdote of the celebrated pianist, Leopold Mayer, throws some light upon the hot water into which M. de Vogue, the French Ambassador to the Porte, lately fell. It is not easy, according to Mayer, to perform in the Seraglio. You must arrive at eight o'clock in the morning to perform at three. You must be in full dress. You wait seven hours in a very beautiful gallery, where sitting is forbidden. From time to time you are told what his Highness is doing. "His Highness has just risen." You must prostrate yourself accordingly. "His Highness is going to take a bath." You prostrate yourself again. "His Highness is dressing." One more you prostrate yourself. "His Highness is taking coffee," and you prostrate yourself at each of these details of information, and each time more respectfully than before. At last they bring the piano, but they have removed the legs, in order not to injure the mosaic work of the floor. The grand piano is supported on five Turks! The poor fellows are on their knees, bent down and crushed by the enormous weight. But by objecting to play on a piano *a cinq Turcs* they only think you mean that the instrument is not level. They take a cushion and place it under the knees of the smallest Turk. They do not suspect that a sentiment of humanity forbids your playing. You are obliged to explain this delicacy of civilization, and the process is long. At last they place the piano on its real legs, and the Sultan appears. After all sorts of salamaleks they order you to play. You ask for a chair. There is no chair. It is forbidden to sit in the presence of his Highness. Now, a pianist without a chair is in even a more awkward position than an ambassador who must not sit down. One must do at Rome as Rome does, and M. de Vogue has been merely taught that the same proverb is true of other places than Rome. But it is clear that a man who cannot stand a great deal—in many senses—is not fitted to be a representative of any kind at Constantinople.

**The Accumulation of Wealth.**

An equal diffusion of riches, through any country, ever constitutes its happiness. Great wealth, in the possession of one, stagnates; and extreme poverty, with another, keeps him in unambitious indigence; but the moderately rich are usually active; not too far removed from poverty to fear its calamities, nor too near extreme wealth to slacken the nerve of labor; they remain still between both in a state of continual fluctuation. How impolitic, therefore, are those laws which promote the accumulation of wealth among the rich—more impolitic still in attempting to increase the depression of poverty. Bacon, the English philosopher, compares money to manure; if gathered in heaps (he says) it does no good; on the contrary, it becomes offensive; but being spread, though ever so thinly, over the surface of the earth, it enriches the whole country. Thus the wealth a nation possesses must expatriate, or it is of no benefit to the public; it becomes rather a grievance, where matrimonial laws thus confine it to a few.—E.

**Why Don't You Respond?**—Old Judge W., of —, in the Old Dominion, is a character. He was a lawyer, legislator, judge and leading politician among the old time Whigs of blessed memory; but, alas! like them, his glory departed, and, like many others of his conferees, has gone "where the woodbine twineth." "Notwithstanding the loss of property, and the too free use of applejack," he maintained the dignity of ex-judge, dressed neatly, carried a gold-headed cane, and when he had taken more than his usual allowance of the favorite beverage, he was very pious at such times, always attending church, and sitting near the stand as erectly as circumstances would admit, and responding fervently.

On one occasion a Baptist brother was holding forth with energy andunction on the evils of the times, and in one of his flights exclaimed:

"Show me a drunkard!"

The judge arose to his feet, and unsteadily balancing himself on his cane, said, solemnly:

"Here I am, sir, here I am!"

The elder, though a good deal nonplussed by the unexpected response, managed to go on with his discourse, and soon warming up to his work, again called out:

"Show me a hypocrite! Show me a hypocrite!"

Judge W. again rose, and reached forward across a seat which intervened, touched Deacon D. on the shoulder with his cane, and said:

"Deacon D., why don't you respond, sir? Why don't you respond? I did when they called me!"

A tombstone has been lying on Bates street, Detroit, for some months, and no one knows how it came there. The inscription reads, "In memory of Henry L. Hall, who died 18th December, 1829." A handbill has been pasted over it so that the words read: "In memory of the steamer Riverside, who sugar Island James L. Hall every day this week 18th December half fare. A fine brass band to heaven has soared, and no pleasanter route can be found to sleep forever 'neath the sod."

"What prevail along the coast?" asked a teacher of a pupil.

"Dense fogs." So stood the question and answer in our geographies. It was after school hours, but the teacher was bound to do her duty, and kept us there to learn a lesson we did not learn in school-time.

"What prevail along the coast?" asked the teacher again.

"Bull-frogs!" was the startling and prompt reply.

A Janesville Alderman was asked to estimate the damage a cow had done in a yard. He did so, liberally. He was then introduced to his own cow as the author of the mischief. Tableau, interspersed with profanity.

**"Cheeky" Men.**

We have always regarded the individual who had boarded at a hotel for six months without paying a cent as the most "cheeky" of men. When the landlord asked him for pay, saying, "I can't afford to keep a hotel if my boarders don't pay," he replied, "Well, old fellow, if you can't afford it, you should sell out to a richer man." But a Paris correspondent has discovered a man whose "cheek" is sublime in its immensity. This is the story which he tells: A gentleman walking with his little boy on the banks of the river, the child slipped over the bank into the water, and would certainly have been drowned but for the courage of a man who was fishing, who jumped in and saved the boy. The father thanked him cordially, but asked him if he would add to the obligation, as he was already wet through, by swimming out for his son's cap.

The most extraordinary instance of patience on record is that of an American judge, who listened silently for two days while a couple of wordy lawyers contended about the construction of an Act of the Legislature, and ended the controversy by quietly remarking—"Gentlemen, the law is repealed."

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The heating boiler for the new hotel, arrived on Tuesday.

We are indebted to many neighbors for kindly assistance in setting up our office—and especially to Mr. Charles N. Prouty for valuable aid.

Hon. W. Upham was the first subscriber entered upon our books, and Luther Hill Esq., has generously subscribed for five copies.

The horse epidemic in Boston, and in fact throughout the country, proves to be most disastrous in all its bearings. We regret to notice a few cases of the disease in Spencer. Our people will feel their need of railroad communication more seriously than ever, when they are obliged to walk to the depot and carry their trunks on a wheelbarrow.

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We thank our friends of the Worcester, Springfield and Boston press, for kindly notices of the Sun in advance of its publication.

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Mr. Augustus Gilbert, the night watchman at the depot, has been appointed railroad police on the Boston & Albany Railroad. A good appointment.

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In Spencer, Oct. 26th, a daughter to John Maloy.  
In Spencer, Aug. 29th, a daughter to Mike Nugent.

### MARRIED.

In Spencer, Oct. 14th, by the Rev. Mr. Ellis of Paxton, Warren E. Wood, to Sarah E. Monroe, both of Spencer.  
In Leicester, Oct. 22, by Rev. A. H. Coolidge, Braman Grout, and Kate E. White, both of Leicester.  
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### DIED.

In East Brookfield, Oct. 21st, Blanche, twin daughter of Elbridge and Estelle Howe, aged months and 4 days.  
In Cherry Valley, Oct. 25, Mrs. Sarah C. Sargent, 38 years, widow of the late Geo. Sargent.  
In Spencer, Oct. 14th, Sybil Green, wife of Josiah Green, 75.  
In Oxford, Oct. 14, Ellen M., wife of P. L. Rich, 31.  
In Leicester, Oct. 21, Catharine J., daughter of James S. and Margaret Kelley.  
In Spencer, Oct. 29th, Mr. Jacob Jones, age 66 years and 6 months.  
In Spencer, Aug. 3rd, Della Dupla, daughter of Edward Dupla, age 1 month 17 days.  
In Spencer, Aug. 18th, John White, son of Michael White, age 7 months.  
In Spencer, Aug. 1st, Fred. H. Prouty, son of Isaac L. Prouty, age 8 months 24 days.  
In Spencer, Aug. 6th, Lucy Ann Gray, daughter of John Gray, age 8 months.  
In Spencer, Aug. 3rd, Medelice Giroux, daughter of David Giroux, age 1 year and 4 months.  
In Spencer, Aug. 21st, Mary Ann Moran, age 1 year 2 months.  
In Spencer, Aug. 26th, Mary Hickey, age 11 months.  
In Spencer, Sept. 6th, Julius Lyman Prouty, son of Augustus Prouty, age 11 months 23 days.  
In Spencer, Oct. 7th, Maria Isabella Wybert, daughter of Wm. F. Wybert, age 9 months 21 days.  
In Spencer, Sept. 15th, Rosetta Barney, age 9 months 15 days.  
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### CHURCHES.

**Methodist Episcopal Church.** N. Sandorff, Pastor; Sunday School, 10 o'clock; Prayer Meeting, 7 o'clock.  
**Catholic Church.** Rev. Wm. A. Kottago, Pastor; Sunday School, 10 o'clock; Prayer Meeting, 7 o'clock.  
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### SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS.

**High School.** Albert Warren, District No. 1; Eliza M. Wilson, No. 2; Ella Lyford, No. 3; Primary, Emma F. Brown, No. 4; Jeremiah, Mary E. Grover, No. 5; Maria E. Hill, No. 6; Laura Brown, No. 7; Lodia E. Conover, No. 8; Miss Sherman, No. 9; Sylvia Hill, No. 10; (First Primary) Alice E. Prouty, No. 11; (Second Primary) Maria E. Hill, No. 12; (Third Primary) Emma M. Dennis, No. 13; (Intermediate) Susan E. Bush, No. 14; (Grammar) L. Evans Holton, No. 15; Caroline Hatch, No. 16; Sarah Pellett.

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D. A. Ball, President; Geo. E. Ladd, Secretary; Treasurer, Rooms in Union Block, Main Street. Business meetings every Wednesday evening. Prayer meeting every Friday evening.

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**F. and A. M.—Spencer Lodge, G. O. Wright, Secretary.** Regular communications at Masonic Hall, Tuesday evenings on or before F. M.  
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### FIRE COMPANIES.

**Spencer Co. No. 1.**—Engine room in basement of Town Hall—16 members. H. A. Groat, Foreman; Amos T. Dennis, 2nd Foreman; James Adams, Clerk and Treasurer; Charles Worthington, Engineer; J. W. Worthington, Asst. Engineer; Wm. Bacon, Captain of leading hose.  
**Spencer Co. No. 2.**—Engine room in basement Town Hall—members: J. W. Bigelow, Foreman; C. Smith, 2nd Foreman; C. P. Barton, Clerk; Treasurer.

### POST OFFICE.

Block: Emerson Stone, Postmaster; Miss Green, Assistant.  
**Delivery.**—Wells along at 6 o'clock, for the West, and 7:45 and 12:30.  
**Delivery.**—From the West at 1:30 a. m., and from South at 2:30 and 3 p. m.

### POST OFFICE MATTERS IN SPENCER.

The people of Spencer are passing through a period of great excitement in regard to the location of their post office. The old foggy arrangements that answered during the past generation, have long been too cramped and unsatisfactory for our people. When we first commenced here, the publication of the "Sun," we found only 167 boxes, for the use of a busy town of over five thousand inhabitants. Our mail matter was hung upon the "wheel," till we raised funds enough to buy an empty cigar box, but our difficulties were only commenced, for the attempt to promptly reach several hundred subscribers to the "Sun," through only 167 boxes was attended with great delay to subscribers and much trouble to the postmaster.

Union Building was erected in 1851, and immediately upon its completion the post office was located here. While Willard Rice was post-master, the office was kept at the Sol. Davis dwelling house, now occupied by Robert Howe. In 1854, Luther Hill secured the removal of Mr. Rice, and his own appointment, and immediately the office was moved to the Union Building, where it has since remained.

Luther Hill's salary was four hundred dollars a year. Since then the postal business here has increased at least four fold.

Postmaster Stone has procured of the Am. Fire Proof Safe Co., of Boston, 574 elegant boxes, at an expense of over five hundred dollars. 122 of these boxes are provided with the Eagle locks, with metal safety fronts, quite similar to the most modern boxes in the Boston post office. These new boxes will be let for 20, 40 and 50 cents per quarter, according to kind.

The owners of Union Building, in order to keep the office in the present location, have fitted up the same this week, having doubled the size of the room, and put up the new boxes in convenient manner.

Hundreds of our people have signed the petition for the removal of the office to the large and elegant south east corner store in the new Hotel Block. Other hundreds petition equally earnestly for its retention in the present location.

All bills for rent, clerk-hire, etc., are paid out of the post-master's salary. Those property owners, especially interested in both locations, guarantee to make the rent satisfactory, and the postmaster is willing to abide by the expressed wish of the people, as to the matter so that the question seems to resolve itself into the simple one of convenience of location as expressed by the majority petition.

**REMOVAL.**—As will be seen by advertisement, Mr. John O'Connor has removed his blacksmith shop to No. 1 School Street, where he is prepared to execute all kinds of blacksmith work in a satisfactory manner.

Any person receiving a specimen copy of the Sun is cordially invited to subscribe to the same. The paper will be of special interest to those persons who have moved away from our town.

**ATTENTION SINGERS.**—The members of Mendelssohn Society, and all singers are requested to meet at the lower hall, Town Hall building on Saturday evening next, at half past 7 o'clock, for the purpose of forming a Singing Class, to be in use lighter class of Mendelssohn usually sung by the Mendelssohn Society, so that those who are unable to sing ordinary church music may be able to become members of this class. Cordial invitations extended to singers.

Seventeen stages formerly passed through Spencer each day. The youngest subscribers we have upon our list are E. & J. Griffin; young lads, brothers, who promptly paid their subscriptions in advance.

This town was visited by quite a snow storm on Sunday, which lasted all day.

**Silver Wedding.**—The friends of H. C. Scott and wife, formerly of this town, met at his residence in Holden on Monday last, to celebrate the 25th anniversary of their married life. Very appropriate presents were made by friends—Daniel A. Ball of Spencer making the presentation speech, and responded very appropriately to by Mr. Scott.

We send one copy of the "Sun" to Europe for the next three months, to Henry Comwell, who left for his early home on the steamer Malta, this week.

The society formerly existing under the name of the Spencer Mendelssohn society, will hold a meeting in the Town Hall on Saturday at half past 7 o'clock. All interested in the formation of a singing society are cordially invited to attend.

The new school house being built in district No. 8, will soon be completed. It is 31 x 72 feet, and will comfortably seat 20 scholars.

The grand way in which the business men and people generally of Spencer and neighboring towns are coming up to the support of the Spencer Sun, is already a sure guarantee of the success of the enterprise. Two hundred and fifty subscribers were entered upon our list in a single day.

The special lecture to the ladies, will be given in Town Hall, Friday night, by Dr. Miller, and the lecture to gentlemen, on Saturday night. These are the last lectures of the course.

We saw but few horses on the streets of Spencer, Thursday.

### SPENCER MANUFACTURERS.

Mr. Isaac Prouty, the former senior partner of the firm of Isaac Prouty & Co., commenced the manufacture of boots and shoes in the 14th part of the town in 1857. He moved to the center of the town, and soon became the leading manufacturer of the town. His four sons became interested in the business and were admitted as members of the firm under the present name. The senior and father died last winter, and the eldest son died the same week, on which both were buried. The remaining three sons continue the business under the above firm name, and have shown their capacity to carry on a large business by their successful management and the prosperous increase of the manufacture, it being larger now than ever before. The factory, as a whole, is 285 by 42 feet, and four stories in height, aside from the French roof on that portion of it erected last year. The product of this old and very popular establishment consists of thick kip and calf boots, fine afghans, and every variety and pattern of fine boots for men, boys and youths, amounting to as much as 50 different patterns. They turn out 500 cases per week, all sewed or pegged by hand, with the aid of these machines, employed by them. It has been seen that the former junior members, left in charge of this extensive business, are active business men, well fitted by their sagacity, tact and industry to carry on and increase the business, and they are doing more now than was done any previous year. This fact speaks volumes in favor of the ability and perseverance of the young men to whom the management of this extensive manufacturing house was suddenly left. The chief market for the product is in New York, Boston and the great West. Their goods are shipped direct from the manufactory.

The house of J. Green & Co. was established by Josiah Green in 1812, who was at the head of the firm until 1867, when he retired from active business in the trade. He was 81 years of age last August, in the enjoyment of good health, walks erect, attends to his farming business, and is cheerfully and apparently happy at his advanced age, looking back upon an industrious and well-spent life. Previous to his retirement from the manufacturing business he had admitted his three sons as partners, under the firm name of J. Green & Co., the eldest of whom was Josiah. They continue to prosecute the business with zeal, alacrity and success under the late firm name. Their specialty is thick and kip boots, sewed or pegged, for men's, boys' and youths' wear. Their factory is as follows: one building 60 by 24 feet, another 34 by 30 feet, both three stories high, besides a large storehouse for leather, boots, etc. The product of so old and popular a house is, of course, well known and appreciated, and their customers, mostly from New York and the West, claim all the goods they can make. They are of an extra grade, and merchants who have sold to their customers are anxious to keep a supply,

and for this reason they order early and largely. A house enjoying the enviable reputation that this one does can keep at work constantly without fear that their goods will be left over; hence, although at present at work on orders, Messrs. Green & Co. make up boots whether orders come in or not, and they have never had to keep goods over from one year to another. The founder of this house, Mr. J. Green, commenced with only five dollars, and always paid 100 cents on the dollar. In the early days of his business he sold his goods about the town and other towns in the vicinity. Now his house turns out 125 cases of boots a week, and the town dispenses from 75,000 to 80,000 cases annually.

At the organization of the house of Ballard, Boyden & Co., the firm name was Ballard & Boyden. This company was organized three years ago, and consists of D. Ballard, J. Boyden and J. W. Temple. The manufactory was built by Isaac Prouty, at the commencement of his business in the village, and occupied by him several years. It is 60 by 30 feet, four stories high. The product consists of thick and kip-sewed boots for men, boys and youths, amounting to 5,000 cases a year. They have a ready market, the goods being previously sold in New York, Pennsylvania and the West. They are shipped from the manufactory direct to the purchasers.—*Shoe & Leather Record.*

**PLEASANT SURPRISE.**—Mr. and Mrs. William Sibley, Cherry Street, were favored with a very agreeable surprise on Tuesday evening, by a visit of their brothers, sisters and other relatives, from various parts of the country, some twenty-five in number. The surprise was so well carried out that the first intimation that Mr. and Mrs. S. had of the visit was, while taking tea, their friends appeared at the door. A number of very valuable presents were made, and the occasion was highly enjoyed by the participants.

The gas machine for furnishing gas at the Town Hall, has been removed, being in a defective condition, and a new one put in its place. This machine is a fine one. It was manufactured by the Excelsior Gas Machine Co., of Warren. A building 5 x 14 ft. is being built in connection with it, which is to be used for storing gasoline for the hall and street lamps.

The vote of Spencer was 380 Grant, 71 Greeley.

Our subscription rates for the Sun are only two dollars per year, in advance. We have faith enough in this newspaper venture to invest heavily in presses and type, and locate them here; and we only ask our citizens to venture \$2 each. None can object to so small a risk.

Although the season is far advanced, and the weather has grown cold, people were seen haying in West Brookfield, on Wednesday last.

At the grave, said the Grave, "give me rest."

Death answered:

"I will send forth a minister of awful destruction, and you shall be visited."

"What minister will you send?"

"I will send alcohol. He shall go in the guise of food and medicine, pleasure and hospitality. The people shall drink and die."

And the grave answered:

"I am content."

And now the church bells began to toll, and the mournful procession advanced.

"Who are they bringing now?" said the Grave.

"Ah," said Death, "they are bringing a housewife. Her drunken husband shot a blow at his wife. He killed her mother and her child together, and then dashed out his own life."

"And who," said the Grave, "comes next, followed by a train of weeping children?"

"This is a broken-hearted woman, who has long pined away in want, while her husband has wasted his substance at the tavern. And he, too, is borne behind, killed by the hand of violence."

"And who next?"

"A young man of generous impulses, who step by step, became dissipated, and squandered his all. My agent turned him out to be frozen in the street."

"Hush!" said the Grave, "now I hear a wall of anguish that will not be silenced."

"Yes, it is the widow's cry. It is the only son of his mother. He spurned her love, wedded her warning, and a blasted corpse he comes to thee. And thus they come—further than the eye can reach, the procession crowds to thy abode. And still lured by the enchanting cup which I have mingled, the sons of men crowd the paths of dissipation. Vainly they dream of escape, but I shut behind them the insupportable door of destiny. They know it not, and with song and dance and riot, they leave in thee, O Grave! Then I throw my lot upon the new throngs of youth, and soon they, too, will be with thee."

**Pure Water the Best Drink.**

There is no source of health more just than that "men never have a true appetite till they eat with relish and healthy food." It is told of John Bull, who lived to the age of one hundred and twenty-eight, that his food, for the most part, consisted of brown bread and cheese, and his drink of water and milk. He had buried the town of Northampton twenty times over, exceeding three or four; and it is said strong drink killed them all. Water manifestly is the natural beverage of all animals; whole nations, as the Mohammedans and the Hindus, use it almost as a beverage, and, unlike other drink, it will not excite the appetite, but the contrary; indeed, it was observed by Hippocrates, above two thousand years ago, that water drinkers have usually keen appetites. It is a fluid that requires no digestion, for it is not necessary that it should undergo any changes; it is the natural menstruum that holds in solution both what is essential for the healthy functions of the body, and what has become a refuse after serving its destined office and impation in the animal kingdom. Water, therefore, from its congenial qualities, can never much disturb the system; and when it does, it is speedily expelled by its natural outlet, the skin and kidneys. It is told of Lord Healthfield, so well known for his habits of strict military discipline and watchfulness, that his food was vegetables, and his drink water, never indulging himself in animal food or wine. And Sir John Sinclair, in his work on longevity, says, in his account of Mary Campbell, then aged one hundred and five, that she preferred pure water to any other drink.

**The Romance of the Diamond.**

The following is from a new romance story, the *Diamond Field*, of the 27th of October.

"A capital story has just been brought in. A sweet-looking Koranna girl went out on the Phile side dipping up from the claim of a party in a bucket, and going down to the river and washing it for her own advantage. There was only one white man in charge of the party, and he a smart young Englishman. He was too gallant to drive away the girl, although she did not belong to his own fair race. He allowed the girl to go on taking up ground from the surface and washing it. At last she stopped, threw her hands about, and laughed heartily. Our friend, the Englishman, rushed over to see what the matter was, when he found that she had picked up a diamond, a beauty, too. The gentleman did the proper thing—he made her an offer on the spot. He is of a first-rate family, and vows that he will introduce his wife to his family as an African princess of great distinction."

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A Disgusted Child.

A few days since there were several picnics in a house where there was a young child some two or three days old - among them a black-eyed boy of four summers.

Naval Duels.

In the month of November, 1873, the French vessel of war, Bouvet, and the Prussian Meteor, two gun-boats of nearly equal strength, entered the harbor of Havana almost simultaneously.

The Spanish authorities had interested themselves as friends of the parties, and the Spanish citizens had stirred up the excitement; so that the Captain-General and staff, and innumerable other officials and invited guests, on board of the man-of-war, Hernando Cortes, accompanied by the duellists to the fighting ground, while the excited populace covered the flat roofs of the houses and the heights about Moro Castle to cheer the duellists on to the bloody conflict.

An interesting incident, which may be said to have closed the warlike demonstrations of our Revolutionary war, is recalled by the above, which not only shows how thoroughly history repeats itself, but also that the duels of the sea are not uncommon or dissimilar in general association if not in result.

The French frigate Ambuscade arrived in the port of New York, July 14, 1792. Political feeling was still very bitter against England, and especially so among the Republicans; and owing to the fact that the Ambuscade had made many prizes of British merchantmen, the reception of Captain Bunford and the officers of the Ambuscade was most enthusiastic.

The population of the city opposed to British influence, backed up the valor of the Frenchmen, while those who believed in the inviolability of the laws of England were willing to give large odds that the Ambuscade would be taken.

The action that followed was spirited and well contested. The captain of the English frigate was killed, the mainmast of the vessel was shot away, and the hull was so damaged that much water was in her hold.

Thus the recently fought engagement near the harbor of Havana, between the Bouvet and the Meteor, almost literally, in every particular, repeated one fought at the month of the harbor of New York seventy-nine years ago.

A gentleman of Exeter observed that one of his hens constantly watched a cock-rick, and the moment a mouse appeared, seized it in her beak, ran with it to a meadow adjoining, played with it like a cat, and finally killed it.

A fish found in an iron mine at Boyertown, Pa., measured ten inches in length. The fish is still alive and was found three hundred feet under the ground, in a spring of water.

Modern Quackery.

The fabric of the spider and the fly has a much more universal application than many of us are disposed to admit. Even at the present day there are more spiders about our path than people imagine; and it is little flattering to our vanity to know that they find a good harvest of flies.

The Power of Routine.

The second substitute for temperament is drill, the power of use and routine. The hack is a better reader than the Arab bard. In chemistry, the galvanic stream, slow, but continuous, is equal in power to the electric spark, and is, in our arts, a better agent.

A French authoress says, "A kiss gives more pleasure than anything else in the world." To this an editor responds, "That writer evidently never experienced the childish rapture of descending the stairs by sliding down the banisters."

George Selwyn once affirmed in company that no woman ever wrote a letter without a postscript. "My next letter shall refute you," said Lady G. Selwyn soon after received a letter from her ladyship, when after her signature stood: "P. S.—Who is right now, you or I?"

An Indianapolis paper thus sums up the divorce market. "Bribe competition among the lawyers has brought down the price of divorces very low in this market. We quote: Common separation, \$15; small alimony, \$25; large alimony, \$50, \$100. There are but few of the latter in the market. General business good and increasing."

Every fresh generation, like every fresh little boy, must be put to school to its own experience. No history of former Tommies will avail to keep the new Tommy's fingers out of the fire, a piece of wisdom which a live coal will inflexibly inculcate in a second.

Time for Peace.

The venerable Dr. — was through his long ministry unequally yoked with a very ill-tempered wife. In the furnace she tended so constantly, he was, we doubt not, purified for the Master's use, and at the age of nearly ninety, passed to his rest.

A Kermesson Sea Flower.

One of the exquisite wonders of the sea is called the opelia, and is about as large as the German aster, looking indeed, very like one. Imagine a very large white aster, with ever so many long petals a light green, glossy and satin, and each tipped with rose color.

Good Counsel.

When you rise in the morning form a resolution to make the day a happy one to a fellow creature. It is easily done; a left off garment to the man that needs it; a kind word to the sorrowful, and encouraging expressions to the striving—trifles in themselves light as air—will do it, at least for twenty-four hours.

Eyebrows and Eyelashes.

We always think with regret of the total disregard European ladies pay to the cultivation of their eyebrows. Poets have described these delicate ornaments of nature as being the residence of part of the soul; it is to them the face is indebted for the tone of its expression; they frequently become the seat of serenity or chagrin, of intelligence or stupidity, of sweetness or discord, the test of dislike or the sign of affection.

OFFENSIVE BREATH.—From six to a drop of the concentrated solution of chloride of soda, in a wine glassful of put spring water, taken immediately after the ablutions of the morning are complete will sweeten the breath, by disinfecting the stomach, which, far from being injured will be benefited by the medicine.

PRE-SERVING MEAT AND FISH BY SUGAR.

—To preserve fish by sugar, open them and rub the sugar in, in the same manner as salt, leaving it there for a few days. If the fish be intended for long keeping, dry after this, taking care to expose new surfaces to the air frequently, to prevent moldiness. Fish preserved in this manner will be found, when dressed, much superior to what has been cured by salt or smoke.

TO DRIVE OFF RATS.—We find the following going the rounds of our exchanges: "Take a bunch of matches and soak them over night in a teaspoonful of water; then take out the matches, and thicken the water with Indian meal to a thick dough, adding a spoonful of sugar and a little lard."

The Lesson of Life.

All the lessons that humanity has to learn, the hardest is to learn to work. How to work with folded hands that chain life's prison wheels, but previous effort, but having struggled, provided the slow years with life, are to be an effect seems to warrant—say, perhaps, disaster incurred. To stand firm at such a crisis of existence, to preserve one's self, and self-respect, not to lose hold or relax one's grip, this is greatness, whether achieved by man or woman—whether the eye of the world is on it, or it is recorded in the book, which the light of eternity shall alone make clear to vision.

Marriage.

Leigh Hunt concludes an essay on marriage as follows:—"There is no one thing more lovely in this life, more full of the divinest courage, than a young maiden from her past life, from her happy childhood, when she rambled over every field and moor around her home; when a mother anticipated her wants and soothed her little cares, when brothers and sisters grew from merry playmates to loving, trustful friends; from Christmas gatherings and romps, the summer festivals in bower or garden, from the rooms sanctified by the death of relatives; from the secure backgrounds of her childhood, and girlhood, and maidenhood, looks out into the dark and unilluminated future, away from all that, and yet unterrified, undaunted, opens her fair cheek upon her lover's breast, and whispers, 'Dear heart! I cannot see, but I believe. The past was beautiful, and the future I can trust—with thee!'"

Low Spirits.

Exercise for the body, occupation for the mind, these are the grand constituents of health and happiness, the cardinal points upon which everything Motion seems to be a great principle of nature, to which even inanimate things are subject; for the waves, the earth itself, are restless, waving of trees, shrubs, and flowers, known to be an essential part of the economy. A fixed rule of taking several hours exercise every day, if possible, in the open air, if not under cover, will be almost certain to secure one exemption from disease, as well as from attacks of low spirits, or ennui—that monster who is ever waylaying the rich and indolent. Low spirits cannot exist in the atmosphere of bodily and mental activity.

Mutual Aid.

The race of mankind would perish, they cease to aid each other. From time that the mother binds the child's head, till the moment that some kind assistant wipes the deathdamp from the brow of the dying, we cannot exist without mutual help. All, therefore, that needs a have a right to ask of their fellow-creatures; no one who holds the power of giving, can refuse it without guilt.

When we are young, we are slavishly employed in procuring something whereby we may live comfortably when we grow old; and when we are old, we perceive it is too late to live as we prepared.

Above all, despise not the day of little things, as many fantastic fads pretend to do. Consider that there are many things in daily practice of no use or significance in themselves, except inasmuch as they prepare us for things beyond them.

No passion more base, nor one which seeks to hide itself more than jealousy. It is ashamed of itself; if it appears, it carries its stain and disgrace on the forehead. We do not wish to acknowledge it to be ignominious; but hidden and abased in the character, we would be confused and disconcerted if it appeared, by which we are convinced of our bad minds and debased courage.

Boots.—To make boots look well, always brush your blacking off with a sponge on no account put on to make the boots as to make the boots look well, and do not let it dry before you put them on.

**NEW BRAintree.**

Rev. Wm. B. Bond was installed over the Congregational Church and society in New Braintree, Oct. 30th. Sermon by Rev. Mr. Perkins, D. D.; addresses to people by Rev. E. Smith; charge to pastor by Rev. G. H. DeBevoise. Night of Hand of Fellowship by Rev. S. Austin; Installation Prayer by Rev. W. G. Tuttle.

**PAXTON.**

**CANING THE MASS.**—Thursday eve, Oct. 24, all employees in the boot manufactory of R. E. Bigelow & S. of Paxton, met by previous arrangement in the house of the junior partner, where they were cordially received. The junior partner was then sent for, and Wm. Mulligan, Esq., presented him, in behalf of the employees, a magnificent gold headed cane, suitably inscribed. Mr. Mulligan spoke at some length, alluding to the fact that many of those present had been in his employ more than a quarter of a century, and they would all bear cheerful testimony to the uniform courtesy and kindness which had characterized his intercourse with them in social as well as business relations. Speaking of the increase and growth of the business, he said: "Commencing business forty-five years ago with a capital consisting of honestly integrity, and three hundred dollars in cash, and employing but a single workman, you have lived to see the hundreds increased to thousands, the workmen to more than a hundred, while the honesty and integrity remain unimpaired. We rejoice in your prosperity, for we feel it is richly merited and has been fairly earned."

Accept this gift, sir, with our best and kindest wishes, and our earnest hope that, in doing the will of God, the journey may be as peaceful and happy as the present has been successful and profitable. Mr. Bigelow, though taken entirely by surprise, made a suitable reply. Remarks were made by Messrs. Rogers, Woodnow, Eastbrook and others. The company then sat down to a beautiful table, furnished in a style for which the junior partner is noted. After doing ample justice to the supper and spending an hour in social converse, the company joined in singing "Auld Lang Syne, and returned to their homes more than ever convinced that industry, honesty and integrity are the sure stepping stones to fortune.—*Worcester Spy.*

**ACCIDENT.**—Last Thursday, while Geo. Lyndes of Leicester was engaged in getting shavings at Messrs. Livermores Box Factory in this town, he accidentally put his hand on a circular saw while running, and it severed his thumb off at the joint. He was attended by Dr. C. A. Bemis of this town.

The newspaper is just as necessary to fit a man for his true position in life as food or raiment. Show us a ragged, bare-foot boy, rather than an ignorant one. His head will cover his feet in after life if he is well supplied with newspapers. Show us the child that is eager for newspapers. He will make the man of mark in after life if you gratify that desire for knowledge. Other things being equal, it is a rare thing that never fails. Give the children newspapers.

**NORTH BROOKFIELD.**

of over \$100 are as follows: state of William Adams 19, Charles Adams, Jr., 37, estate of W. H. Ayers 140, & E. D. Batcheller 251, E. & A. H. Batcheller & Co. 4700, C. P. Adams 323, estate of Ezra Batcheller 465, S. H. Bigelow 111, R. E. Beecher 161, Blood & Dolans 158, Alfred Burrell 153, Charles Bush 149, T. P. Clark 128, B. W. Deane 121, Margaret Deming 155, Charles Duncan 345, T. M. Duncan 131, James Duncan 314, Duncan & Cunningham 272, S. M. Edmunds 121, S. S. Edmunds 213, Edmunds, Harbut & Co. 111, M. D. & H. W. Gilbert 250, Nathaniel Groen 122, H. Hammond 106, Alanson Haskell 127, E. Huston 136, E. Hill 136, John Hill 101, C. T. Huntington 120, W. C. King 322, E. B. King 100, W. H. Montague 203, J. E. Porter 256, J. R. Rogers 143, A. Smith 224, T. Snell 122, H. H. Sparks 138, J. D. Stoddard 108, C. Stoddard 203, T. H. Tucker 282, Amasa Walker 558; the total tax is \$31,455; number of polls 137; valuation \$1,851,426; number of dwelling houses 543, horses 399, cows 521, dogs 186, sheep 20, acres of land 18,113; rate of taxation \$15.50 per \$1000.

**HALL DEDICATION IN NORTH BROOKFIELD.**—Mr. Walker, of North Brookfield, has just completed the erection of a handsome three-story block, surmounted by a French roof. It is occupied as follows: The first floor by dealers in boots and shoes, clothing, jewelry, tobacco, cigars, millinery and fancy goods; circulating library and hair dressing saloon are on the second floor. On the third floor is a public hall known as Walker Hall, fitted up in a fine and convenient manner, the dedication of which took place Thursday, Oct. 24th, under the auspices of the Ladies' Literary Association, (who have secured the hall for the coming winter, for the purpose of holding readings, lectures, etc.) The exercises consisted of singing by the glee club, a collation at eight o'clock, where was found the most tempting viands, at which speeches were made by Hon. Amasa Walker, (proprietor of the building), Rev. G. H. DeBevoise, who gave the following toast, "God bless the ladies," which was replied to by Robert E. Beecher, Esq., who said "that he hoped that God would not only bless the ladies, but that the ladies might bless them (the men.)" Other speeches were made, but suffice it to say, that it was, all in all, a very pleasant affair. There were present about one hundred and fifty gentlemen and ladies. The cost of the building is from \$12,000 to \$15,000.

Mr. Howard Whiting, the express agent at North Brookfield, was presented on his birthday, Oct. 28, with a valuable gold chain and seal by a few of his many friends. Mr. Eugene B. Rice made the presentation speech.

We doubt if there are three towns in the State of the same population, with so large business interests, unprovided with railroad facilities, as are Leicester, Spencer and North Brookfield.

**BROOKFIELD.**

Building has been very active this season. Prominent among the new houses, is the elegant residence of Mr. H. L. Butterworth, on Howard street.

The shoe business is very dull. Rattlesnakes have been seen in this town recently.

The new catalogue of the Merrick Public Library is in the hands of the printer, and will make a pamphlet of 120 pages. Thanks are due to Mr. S. G. W. Benjamin for his services.

**WEST BROOKFIELD.**

**Messrs. Epitons:** As you have started a new paper in Spencer, I send a few local items about our town, so that part of the world at least, can see that there is such a town as West Brookfield, and that we "still live." Most kinds of business in our village are good. Jackson's Corset Factory is running at full high pressure; his steam engine is in full blast, and kept warm at more than fever heat. He employs one hundred and fifty of the feminine gender, intellectual, good looking and happy; what a chance for old bachelors.

A. E. Daniels, is now in his new photograph saloon, which is very neatly finished up. His painted pictures and those in India ink, and are very tastefully got up. The ladies are crowding his saloon, for they appreciate good taste, and fine paintings and pictures.

Mrs. Crowell's new house near the depot is completed.

Miss Cynthia Gleason's new millinery rooms in Gidding's Block, prove a great attraction for the ladies.

The Methodist E. Society is having some very able lectures from Boston, Worcester and Springfield. The profits go for the support of preaching.

We all go in for music—have just started a band of twenty-five piece.

Mr. Edwin Richards has nearly finished four two-story houses, back of our new school house—they will soon be occupied.

S. M. Penneman, agent for the American Merchants Union Express Co., has his office in his store, nearly opposite the town house. He trades on the "nimble sapsence" principle.

Charly Dane shot five ducks at one shot. Beat it Spencer boys if you can.

**EAST BROOKFIELD.**

We fired one hundred guns, and rang the bells Wednesday, at noon in honor of General Grant. A leading Greeley man worked hard on the bell-rope. One of the "O, Greeleyites," full of "Pumpkin beer" was much on his bet yesterday, and woke up this morning and found he was out all he bet, if the telegraph operators have not made a mistake. He thinks there is some mistake somewhere.

Nearly all the horses in town are sick with the new disease.

On Thursday our people were put to great inconvenience on account of the horse disease. A drizzling rain prevailed most of the day, no coaches were run, and passengers to and from the depot walked, and the mail was carried to and fro on a man's back. At night it cleared off and the coaches were run again.

Clematis Drake sells at auction next Tuesday, several cows and a lot of farming tools, etc.

We expect to publish the Boston & Albany time table in our paper here after.

Gen. Meade is dead.

Grocery gracefully retires to the Tribune.

Sons and daughters of Spencer who are now living at a distance, are cordily subscribing for the Spy.

Ten plumbers at work in the new Spencer Hotel.

Send us your Probate notices.

**SHERIFF'S SALE.** Worcester, S. S.—October 24th, 1872. By virtue of an execution which issued on a judgment given by the First District Court of Southern Worcester, in favor of T. A. Frouty & Co. of Spencer, against Patrick Moran of Spencer, I have taken all the right in equity that said Moran had on the 31 day of October, last, to redeem a certain mortgaged real estate lying in said Spencer, and in the same that is described in deed bearing from Isaac Menard to said Moran, dated January 28th 1872, and recorded in the Worcester County Registry of Deeds, book (187) page 48, and on Saturday the twenty-third day of November, 1872, at 1 o'clock p. m., at the office of Luther Hill, Esq., Sheriff, I shall offer for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, said right in equity of redemption.

**OVERCOAT.**

**REFER.**

**REMOVAL.**

**CHANGEMENT.**

**BLACKSMITHING.**

**BORN.**

**MARRIED.**

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**D. A. DRURY & Co.**

**Heavy Chicago.**

**Fine KIP BOOTS.**

**KENT & BACON.**

**Pegged Calf, KIP, THICK, GENTS, BOYS AND YOUTHS' BOOTS.**

**KENT, BACON & LAMB.**

**Women's, Misses', & Children's Pegged Calf, KIP, & Split Polish BOOTS & BALMORALS.**

**BUSH & GROUT.**

**Men's, Boys, and Youths', THICK and KIP BOOTS.**

**ALL HAND MADE.**

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.**

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Advice to Young Wives.

I would say to the young wife, do not imagine that because you have obtained a husband, that your attention to personal neatness and deportment may be relaxed. Now, in reality, is the time for you to exhibit superior taste and excellence in the cultivation of your address, and the becoming elegance of your appearance. If it required some little care to foster the admiration of a lover, how much more is requisite to keep yourself lovely in the eyes of him to whom there is no privacy or disguise—your hourly companion? And if it was due to your lover that you should always present to him, who proposed to wed and cherish you a neat and lady-like aspect, how much more is he entitled to a similar mark of respect, who has kept his promise with honorable fidelity, and linked all his hopes of future happiness with yours? If you can manage these matters without appearing to study them, so much the better. Some husbands are impatient at the routine of the toilette, and not unreasonably so—they possess calm and energetic spirits, sorely disturbed by any waste of time. Some wives have discovered an admirable facility in dealing with this difficulty; and it is a secret which, having been discovered by some, may be known to all, and is well worth the finding out.

Hasty Words.

The evil that is in the world, that rushes down our streets, devastating homes, ruining happiness, and laying waste the pleasant places, has many fountains. Sin does its deadly work in many ways, and sorrow comes from a variety of sources. Hasty words have much to answer for among the rest. We are apt to think that a word or two does not matter; that we need not trouble ourselves to be over-particular as to what we say. But this is only one of our many mistakes. Words live. There is so much vitality in them that they take root, even upon very unlikely soil. Hasty words are almost sure to have little sense and less kindness in them. They are not the offspring of meek and quiet spirits, but of hot, passionate temper. "All men are liars!" Who but a man in a passion would have said that? The assertion is so sweeping and unjust, that if David had not professed it by his profession, "I said in my haste," we should not have understood it. Perhaps the reason why such words are spoken is, that the speaker feels himself aggrieved. We often do in the life of ours; we cannot have all we wish from our brothers and sisters, and so we allow ourselves to grow fretful and angry. We are unreasonable enough to suppose that all things should be ours, and when we find only few things coming to our share, then we become discontented and peevish, and speak hasty words.

Female Society.

What is it that makes those men who associate habitually with women superior to others who do not? What makes that woman who is accustomed to, and at ease in, the society of men, superior to her sex in general? Solely because they are in the habit of free, graceful, continued conversations with the other sex. Women in this way lose their frivolity, their faculties awaken, their delicacies and peculiarities unfold all their beauty and captivation in the spirit of intellectual rivalry. And the men lose their pedantic, rude, declamatory, or sullen manner. The coin of the understanding and the heart changes continually. Their asperities are rubbed off, their better materials polished and brightened, and their richness, like the gold, is wrought into finer workmanship by the fingers of women than it ever could be by those of men. The iron and steel of their characters are hidden, like the character and armor of a giant, by studs and knots of good and precious stones, when they are not wanted in actual warfare.

To Color Furs Black or Brown.

Take ten grains of gallic acid, ten of tincture of iron, and one ounce of acetic acid. Dissolve the gallic acid in the tincture of iron, and add the acetic acid, and apply with a fine comb. If black is desired the furs must be moist, not wet; but if brown, the furs must be dry.

Louis XVI.

During the mock trial of Louis XVI, he was asked what he had done with a certain sum of money, a few thousand pounds. His voice failed him, and the tears came into his eyes at the question; at length he replied, "I had a pleasure in making other people happy." He had given the money away in charity.

Carrots and Turnips for Horses.

Carrots are cultivated in the United States by many persons as food for horses, as a substitute for oats. To horses of draught, or slow work, carrots may be fed in greater quantity than to those of the saddle or carriage. The chief value of carrots as food for horses lies in the pectic acid contained in them, which so much assists digestion and assimilation. Horses of slow work will thrive and do well when fed on six pounds of carrots and eight pounds of corn meal in the day, with an allowance of hay.

Our experience, however, has been, that a better condition of horse has been attained with the same quantity of Swedish or yellow turnips, cut in slices and sprinkled with corn meal—a food we think that cannot be excelled either in the conditioning of horses or the economy of expenditure, and a better substitute for green food than the carrot, which we are sure is entirely overrated as food for horses. This is easily demonstrated in a few weeks' trial; the soft and glossy coat—the healthy look—the elastic step and good spirits of the animal so fed, will attest the superiority of the Swedish turnip.

A trial of the feeding qualities of the yellow turnip will not only satisfy the experimenter of the truth of the high character here given of it, but will induce him to rely upon, or at least give them a place among other articles of the food for his horses. We have seen farm horses employed in hauling manure or plowing every day except Sunday during the Winter and early Spring, kept in excellent working condition, fed on turnips, hay and oat straw, twice in the day, or morning and night, and when the days grow longer and the work more severe, a few quarts of oats were given in the middle of the day. We have seen horses fed upon carrots, but never in one instance have seen a generous or a more healthy response on account of them. Now, if carrots be as good and healthy for horses as is asserted, a corresponding effect would be exhibited. Without this, no special advantage can truthfully be claimed for them beyond other feeding substances of less reputed value and of less cost. Medicine, like some speciality of food, has its value in some inherent property it contains, and is recommended for a given purpose, but sometimes we are disappointed, when it has failed to accomplish the good expected. On the whole, we think that the good name given to the carrots as a feed for the horse is in books only, and cannot be substantiated by the most careful experiments. We have only referred to this variety of feed for horses in view of its utility, and not because of its economy, on which consideration it will not compare favorably with many other articles of less money value, which are more easily prepared, and as yet are so well known to horsemen.

To speak of the uncertainty of the carrot crop would be unnecessary, for this is already but too well known to require comment. But of the turnip, viewed from the same aspect, little need be said. When properly understood, it rarely disappoints the cultivator, and moreover, apart from all consideration as a feed for horses, it is the basis of English agriculture, and at no distant day will occupy the same position in the United States: First, because it is one of the very best articles that can be fed to all (or nearly all) domestic animals; and second, the manure from animals so fed is of the highest order. Thus we have a vegetable easy of cultivation and growth, which contains several properties, possesses several distinct characteristics, and is used for many different purposes. A trial of the Swedish turnip, for a season, as a part of the horse's feed, will more than satisfy the inquiring mind of the importance of our recommendation.

Girls, Don't Do It.

Let no young girl give her "likeness" to any man, unless he is a relative. It is holding herself in very cheap estimation to do so. What, pray, is left for her real lover, when he comes, if so sacred a gift lies on another man's table, to be gazed upon by his chance—and sometimes not very choice—acquaintances? Many a young girl who has thoughtlessly committed herself in this way would afterwards give worlds to recall the foolish gift, which has been prized only as a matter of boasting.

Mr. Memminger, formerly Confederate Secretary of the Treasury, has been made president of the Charleston, S. C., Bible Society.

A court dress of the unfortunate Queen Marie Antoinette—an elegant royal purple, of rare workmanship—is offered for sale in Charleston.

Solidification.

This is the conversion of blood into a solid part of the body, given a duty during sleep. The chief end, indeed, and object, and intention of sleep, would seem to be this: the assimilation of our food—the solidification of blood into the several parts of the body. The accomplishment of this salutary change seems to be required the perfect concentration of all the energies of the system upon it. It is as to have required that the attention, if I may speak so, of the brain and nervous system should not be distracted by any other object. It seems to have required that everything both within and without the body, should be hushed into profound repose during the accomplishment of this mighty wonder, in order that nothing might disturb or interfere with the exquisite and marvellous process employed to effect it. To this end, the portals of sensation are closed—the eye sees not, the ear hears not, the skin feels not, the very breathing is scarcely audible, the pulsations of the heart scarcely perceptible; all the living energies are now concentrated into the greatest possible intensity, like rays of light into a focus; and directed, with almost complete exclusiveness, toward this simple object.

In the day, therefore, we make blood; in the night, that blood is converted into solid matter. In the day we garner up the building materials; in the night we repair the building. The hour of rising, therefore, ought to be the hour at which our physical strength is the greatest; and with perfectly healthy persons, this is the case. The languor which perfectly healthy persons feel in the morning arises from the process of repair not having been fully accomplished; the building had not been repaired, and therefore, its strength has not been restored. The apparent additional strength which is felt, during the day, after eating, is only apparent; it is merely excitement derived from the stimulus of food, in the first instance in the stomach; and after that food has been assimilated, of new blood in the system.

Zinc Water Paint.

The unpleasantness of occupying a newly painted house may be avoided by the use of zinc water paint. Powdered oxide of zinc (which may be heated with a little potato starch, if more "body" is wanted) is combined with the desired mineral or vegetable color, and with this an aqueous solution of chloride of zinc, to which some tartrate of potassa has been added, is then mixed; the water paint thus formed being applied with a brush on the surface to be coated. In half an hour this paint will be perfectly dry; and the object of the alkaline tartrate is to make the drying process less rapid. The advantage of using the water paints are very numerous; they are more durable than oil paints, do not blacken by exposure to sulphurous vapors, are devoid of odor, dry quickly, resist dampness and the action of water, can be cleaned with boiling water and soap like oil paints, and preserve the wood to which they are applied from decay, and render it less combustible.

Lightning Conductors.

It is fancied by many that it is quite sufficient to put up an iron rod, with one end in the ground and the other a few feet higher than the roof, to protect the building from lightning. It should be impressed on the public, that conductors, unless perfectly insulated, are calculated to produce the disasters they are intended to prevent. The best mode of insulating them is for them to pass through glass rings, and in no part to be in contact with anything but glass.

Shadows.

The shadows all day long play at alien games of beauty. Everything is double if it stands in light. The trees see an un-revealed and muffled self lying darkly along the ground. The slender stems of flowers, golden rods, wayside asters, meadow daisies, and rare lilies—rare and yet abundant in every idle level meadow—cast forth a dim and tremulous line of shadow that lies long in the morning, shortening till noon, and creeping out again from the roof all the afternoon, until the sun shoots it as far eastward in the morning. A million shadowy arrows such as these spring from Apollo's golden bow of light at every step. Flying in every direction, they cross, interlacing each other in a sort of network of dim lines. Meanwhile, the clouds drop shadow-like anchors that reach the ground, but will not hold; every browsing creature, every flitting bird, every moving team, every unconscious traveler, writes itself along the ground in dim shadows.

Macaroni and Vermicelli.

Italy, you know, abounds in macaroni and vermicelli. The making and eating of these articles enter into the occupations and appetites of every city, town and village. It is used in many forms of which we have no knowledge. It enters into all their soups and pastry, and into many of their most dishes. And though I started with many prejudices, I must say that these dishes are invariably good. Naples boasts of making the finest macaroni in Italy. I visited a small town at the foot of Vesuvius yesterday, where thousands of bushels of wheat were being made into macaroni. The wheat is first subjected to a kiln-drying process, being spread on tiled roofs which are heated gently from fires within and from the sun without. It is afterward ground coarsely, mixed with water and kneaded into pasta, which is subjected to action by pounders somewhat resembling those used in driving piles. The paste is then forced through machinery, which gives it its form and name, some coming out macaroni and some vermicelli, each taking, however, many varieties of form, some like paper, some like ribbons, some in balls, and others like beans and peas, and even as small as mustard seed.

Sheep or Cows.

Shall I grow sheep or make butter? That depends upon the nature of your soil, its value and locality. If you are growing sheep with reasonable profit, don't establish a dairy. If you are in the dairy business, don't abandon it for sheep. Stick to what you can do with profit. Don't venture upon any dubious experiments. If you are just commencing your work, or farm-life, then look about you, see what your neighbors are doing, and observe their prospects. Consult them. Take the opinion of one man. If you have a fancy for sheep, visit various neighborhoods, far and near; ascertain who have been successful in the business, and take the opinions of such in reference to the breeds of sheep, their adaptation to your particular locality, their value, and the probable returns which they will make for the investment. If your preference be for cows, then consult some experienced butter or cheese manufacturer. Neither book, nor paper, can give you the requisite knowledge for this business. It is practice, experience, that you need. A beginner might as well expect to become a skillful pianist from merely reading the instruction book, as a farmer to become a successful dairyman from reading an agricultural paper. Consult those who have had experience in the business. They will tell you of their failures and of their success. Their advice will assist you in making a proper selection of animals and mechanical appliances, and save you much trouble and useless expense.

To cure dogs of sucking eggs, take egg punch a hole in it large enough admit the little blade of a knife, and push through the hole as much tartar emetic as he can pile on a dime-piece, and give the dog, or put in a convenient place where he can find it. Repeat three or four times within ten days or two weeks.

Human Skeleton in Pompeii.

Another human skeleton has just been discovered at Pompeii, and has been added to the five others in the museum. The ingenious system by which Senator Fiorelli is able to reproduce the shape and features of the corpse by the mould of incrustated ashes formed on the body is well known. In the present instance the impression is perfect, and has produced results superior to any yet obtained. The cast of the head has been particularly successful, and the feet and legs are most elegant in their outline. The body is apparently that of a plebeian, in the prime of life, who had fallen backwards while endeavoring to escape. The agony of his death throes is shown by the contortions of the countenance and the left hand convulsively clenched.

How to get a good wife—take a good girl and go to the parson. The young lady who took the eye of everybody has been arrested for stealing. I caught her gently by the arm, my gentle, blue-eyed Kate, she cried, "Let go, you fool, you hurt my vacuole." "Why was Noah a bad man?" "Give it up." "Because he was better days and forty nights before he found any rat (Ararat)." SPENCER, MASS.

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LOCAL PAPERS.

The New York Times says you might nearly as well forget your churches, your academies and school-houses as to forget your local paper.

The following extract, which we copy from an exchange, we insert in our columns and commend it to the careful consideration of our readers.

BROOKFIELD.

There are, and have been 22 cases of fever, and several cases have been fatal; new cases of fever occur quite frequently.

Henry Ainsworth, clerk for J. L. Ainsworth, a young man of rare promise, and purity of life and character, whom everybody loved and esteemed for his manly qualities, died the 15th inst. of typhoid fever, aged 25. He leaves a wife and one child.

Died of fever 19th inst., Perry Copps, aged 18 years. He was a noble boy, and was the staff and stay of his widowed mother.

Mrs. Walker, an aged lady, died at the poor farm 20th inst.

Geo. Mellen, brother of Albert, now at West Point, Military academy, took the prize at the last commencement in Amherst college for best improvement in his studies for the two past years.

Rev. Joshua Coit, pastor of the Orthodox society for the last ten years, but absent during the past year on account of trouble with his eyes, refuses to remain longer as pastor, though his health is fully restored.

The pastor of the Unitarian church has begun his usual course of Sunday evening lectures. They are intended for the people in general, and will be mostly upon social and religious topics.

The Methodist and Orthodox societies held their accustomed Sunday evening prayer and conference meetings.

There is a flourishing Masonic Lodge in the town; also a division of Sons of Temperance. There is a temperance society, the Young Men's Association, and many other societies.

Rev. A. Judson Rich, Emmons Twitchell and Charles Fales were delegates to the biennial conference of Unitarian churches, held in Boston.

EAST BROOKFIELD.

A little girl, 7 years old, daughter of J. D. Ball, while at play, Saturday night, fell from a ladder, striking on her head and receiving injuries which it is feared will prove fatal.

A singular accident occurred a few nights since on the road leading to South Brookfield village, which caused the death of two horses, the property of Mr. I. Jeselyn and Mr. Harper.

Geo. Forbes Esq., who has been dangerously ill, is now in a fair way of recovery.

NORTH BROOKFIELD.

On Tuesday October, 15th, 1872, a firemen's muster was held in this village, eight companies participating. Beside our three companies, Deluge, Extinguisher and Batcheller, there were present from East Brookfield, the Bay State; from South Brookfield the Cataract; from West Brookfield, the American, and from Spencer, steamer No. 1, and Union No. 2.

A CONUNDRUM ANSWERED.

One of our citizens is blessed or otherwise, with a very stubborn wife. In his case he finds that when a woman will she will, you may depend on't, and when she won't she won't, and that's an end on't.

"W—, do you know why you are like a donkey?" "Like a donkey!" echoed W—, opening his eyes wide. "No, I don't." "Do you give it up?" "I do." "Because your better half is stubbornness itself."

"That's not bad," he said, "I'll give that to my wife when I go home."

"Why I am like a donkey!" she said, "I'll give it to you."

LETTER FROM BROOKFIELD.

Brookfield greets the "Sun," with hearty cheer, and hopes to welcome his benign presence in every nook and corner. Your name is timely this sunless season. It suggests light, health, growth, beauty. You are to enlighten the public of our importance here at Brookfield; of course you will be a dis-spencer of all good things.

The principal business outside of farming, is the shoe and boot business. That is carried on by several enterprising firms. The oldest, largest, best known and most important is the firm of J. H. Rogers & Co.

firm has stood firm through all crisis, and has done much to increase the prosperity of the town. Quite a number of the workmen have built and own fine houses. The firm of Montague is another well established boot manufactory.

H. Allen, carries on a saw mill. Also, Charles Rice has a saw and shingle mill.

We have several dry goods and groceries stores; Crosby & Davis; J. H. Rogers & Co.; Mr. Carey; and J. L. Ainsworth; the latter is post-master. Cooledge and wife carry on fancy goods business, and millinery; Mrs. Winkley is engaged in millinery, also; Railey is our watchmaker and watch repairer; Hooker is the barber—possibly others I have named, can shave occasionally; Livermore deals in furniture and its concomitants; we have three livery stable keepers, Giffin, Eaton, and Adams; Warner deals in stoves and tin; two butchers supply our tables with meats, Barnes, and Henshaw; two dentists pull our teeth, and fix up the old ones; Dr. Fiske, a loopath, is the only settled physician; we have two beer and billiard saloons, kept by Vizard, and Woodis; C. B. Carpenter is our druggist; Hon. Geo. W. Johnson is a lawyer, but devotes himself to his boot and shoe business; People are their own lawyers. Geo. S. Duell, Esq., tries cases of petty offense; J. B. Goss, Esq., is owner, and keeper of the hotel, the Brookfield House, and it has the name of being very excellent, and managed with the utmost courtesy, and with satisfaction to its patrons.

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SPENCER ENTERPRISES.

We find the following significant remarks in the Clinton Courier.

Worcester country has many towns of precocious growth, but none that exceed Spencer.

Years ago, it will be remembered, the old "Jenks Tavern" in Spencer was destroyed by fire.

Mr. John Hill is now in Spencer teaching a new method of moulding Wax Flowers, whereby the most beautiful flowers can be imitated like nature, in the short space of from one to three minutes.

We desire to call attention to Mr. Wm. Sumner's advertisement in another column. Mr. Sumner was formerly a resident of Spencer, and has rendered much service to the musical societies of this vicinity.

As will be seen by their advertisement in another column, the Central Mutual Insurance Co., is one of the few Massachusetts Co's that have been through the "Great fire" and have come out "right side up with care."

Hoffman's Concert Gymnasium, and Aerobic exhibition, gave a performance in the Town Hall on Friday evening last.

Mr. L. L. Sherman, fortunate in the traveller who finds the host of the Spencer house provides. Good living, well kept rooms, clean beds and polite treatment are rare enough to merit honorable mention wherever we find them.

Mr. John B. Maxwell, the man who dispenses the leather to the cutters in the big

shop, had a birthday surprise, on the evening of the 30th, at the house of H. Knight, (his boarding place.) He was pounced upon by some 20 to 30 of his shop mates, who called and congratulated him upon his success in meeting their wants, as well as upon his proverbial good nature, and the timony of their respect and esteem they presented him with a beautiful chain for his elegant watch chain, (worth \$20.)

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Mr. L. W. Harris of Worcester, obtained 43 subscribers in Spencer, for Prof. Stoves Bible Commentary.

Any one in want of a good Cigar, should not fail to smoke, M. E. Shattuck's, "Punch Regalia" "Punch Conchita" or the "444's", manufactured by him at 409, Main Street, Worcester.

In the way of peace, good order, good fellowship, I might say that one town committee have just erected the posts for 30 street lamps, voted by the town last week.

The interruption to business is everywhere noticeable. On the Leicester and Spencer turnpike, usually with teams, scarcely a team

was to be seen for these days, and an almost total stillness reigned in the country round about. During the storm on Thursday, 7th, no horse could be found to carry the mail from Spencer to Leicester, five miles, and a man had to bear it upon his back, arrived at Leicester hill, the owner of the only well horse in the village was impounded both by the bank officers and postmaster to drive to Worcester, six miles, but the man declined, saying that one hundred dollars would tempt him to expose his horse. So the mail was "toted" from Spencer to Worcester, and back, twenty-two miles, a rare sight to see oxen hitched into neat carts in some of the patient ox, getting tired, would lie down in the yoke, while the butcher was busy serving his customers. In Worcester it was common to see a bull drawing in a wagon, harnessed precisely like a horse. In one instance, we are credibly informed, a milk man harnessed up one of his cows by which he drew about his milk, some of which he delivered at first hand from the cow. No chance for recalcitancy there!

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Hillsville. Ma. Editor:—As I was looking over the Spencer Sun, I observed that a place now called Hillsville, in the north part of the town, had been omitted. You will find that this is quite a village, there being a grist mill, carried on by C. Snow & Co., also a blacksmiths shop run by A. Richards. Mr. Richard is now putting up a new shop. A meat market is kept by Henry Belcher; there is also a store by Winthrop Wilson—his health being very poor. His daughter is clerk, and has been for the past few years. She now thinks of opening an Eating Saloon. There is also a Chair Shop here, owned by S. Hill & Son, where they do a large business. On the whole considerable improvements have been made in our village during the year.

At a dance at Hillsville, Monday night, a quarrel arose between two of the party, one of whom was stabbed, though not seriously, with a knife.

Mr. A. J. Roberts of Hillsville, was found lying dead on the road near his residence. Deceased was a steady industrious man of sixty-one years of age, and is supposed to have died of heart disease.

The Bay State Fire Company held a fair and dinner in Moulton and Day's Hall, Wednesday evening Nov. 20th. There was a large turn out considering the inconvenience of travel. There were over 200 persons present. We would have been glad to have seen more of our brother firemen from other towns.

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OXFORD.

The people of Oxford are soon to enjoy the convenience of occupying the elegant new Town Hall.

The new county road, about three miles in length, now being built from North Oxford to Rochdale, is to be of great public convenience.

Another great highway improvement is the cutting down of Howe's Hill, near the burying ground.

The people of North Oxford are in suffering need of a public Hall in their village.

Asa Pope of Tufts Hill, North Oxford, has sold his splendid milk farm to Worcester parties, and he moves back to the old homestead.

Herbert Davidson, one of the most energetic of the young men of Charlton, has bought the Stockwell farm, Oxford, for the sake of its wood and timber.

PAXTON.

The drama, 'Ten Nights in a Bar Room,' was performed in the Town Hall on Thursday eve., Nov. 21st, to a full house.

Mr. C. B. Dankerton has moved his blacksmith shop to Worcester, and Paxton is now without a blacksmith.

Paxton people support a lyceum which is well attended, and although the town is small, it can boast of a number of smart speakers.

STURBRIDGE

The good people of Sturbridge are nervous, yet over the fact that Nelson Bennett's house was entered by burglars, on the 11th, and robbed of over \$300.

Rev. C. A. Potter, Baptist, has been elected on the School Committee, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rev. S. S. Spear.

The Unitarian Church is completed. Carpets down, etc.

Rev. A. Morton of Ware, has received a call to labor in Oakham,

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Spencer, Mass., Friday, Dec. 6, 1872.

No. 6.

## Local Directory and Guide. SPENCER AND ALBANY R. R. TIME TABLE

Spencer Depot going West: 7:34, 9:29, 11:24 a. m., 1:19 p. m., 3:14, 5:09, 7:04, 8:59 p. m.

Spencer Depot, going east: 8:44 a. m., 10:39, 12:34, 2:29, 4:24, 6:19, 8:14, 10:09 p. m.

ROCHESTER AND SPRINGFIELD DIVISION.  
Spencer going West (Albany and Way Stations included) at 6:45 a. m., 8:40, 10:35, 12:30, 2:25, 4:20, 6:15, 8:10, 10:05 p. m.

Spencer going East (Springfield and Way Stations, 9:45, 11:40, 1:35, 3:30, 5:25, 7:20, 9:15, 11:10 p. m.) Albany express 6:30 a. m., Sunday mail 12:25 a. m.

ALBANY (express) 9:55 for New York and Albany (exp.) 10:25 a. m., and 4:30 and 10:35 p. m.

York Sunday mail leaves at 10:05 p. m., going east will leave Springfield for Rochester via Springfield for Worcester at 2 p. m. train.

Spencer going West for Worcester at 2:15, 11:30, 1:35, 3:30, 5:25, 7:20, 9:15, 11:10 p. m. Albany express 6:30 a. m., Sunday mail 12:25 a. m.

CONNECTIONS.—At Albany with the New York Central, Troy and Greenbush, and Hudson River Railroads. At Chatham with the Hudson River and Boston and Lebanon Springs Roads. At State Line with the Housatonic Road. At Pittsfield with the Pittsfield and Adams and Housatonic railroads. At Westfield with the New Haven and Northampton Railroads. At Springfield with the Hartford, New Haven and Springfield, and Connecticut River Railroads. At Palmer with the New London Northern Road. At Worcester Junction with the Freetown, Worcester and Nashua, and Worcester and Worcester Railroads. At Southwick with the Boston Clinton and Fitchburg, and South Framingham and Lowell roads.

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### Vaccination and Small-pox.

In view of the fact that small-pox is prevailing in towns adjoining, perhaps an account of the great prophylactic to that disease, Vaccination, may prove of interest to the readers of the Sun.

In the natural order of things, the history of this wonderful discovery comes first to be considered, and is as follows.—Edward Jenner third son of the Rev. Stephen Jenner of Gloucestershire, Eng. was born at the vicarage of Berkeley, on the 17th of May 1749. Very early in life he evinced a strong taste for the study of natural history, which probably exerted an influence in the choice of a profession.

He was instructed in the elements of surgery and pharmacy, by Mr. Ludlow, an eminent Surgeon practicing at Sudbury, near Bristol. While engaged as his apprentice, Jenner frequently had his attention called to a popular notion current in the dairy districts of Gloucestershire, that cows were subject to a disease called cow-pox, which was sometimes communicated to milkers, who became thereby protected from small-pox. One such occasion, is particularly recorded.

A young countrywoman came into the shop to seek advice. The subject of small pox was mentioned in her presence. She immediately observed, "I cannot take that disease, for I have had cow-pox." This little incident, riveted the attention of Jenner, young as he then was. He dwelt with deep interest on a communication made thus casually to him by an uneducated peasant, and foresaw in some degree, the vast consequences that might result from so extraordinary a fact.

In the year 1770, being then 21 years of age, Jenner went to London to prosecute his medical studies, at the School, and under the immediate eye of John Hunter. To that enlightened man he repeatedly mentioned the popular rumor concerning cow-pox, but it does not appear that he received from his master much encouragement to prosecute his enquiries.

In 1775, being then established in practice in Gloucestershire, he gave more attention to it, but found many difficulties besetting his path, such as would probably have deterred most men from persevering in the task.

Among the country people whom he was called in the course of his practice to inoculate for the small-pox, some resisted every effort to give them this disease. They were milkers who had undergone cow-pox. But some whose security might have been anticipated from the fact that they had undergone cow-pox, received small-pox in the usual way. These occurrences led him to make inquiries among the medical men of the district, all of whom knew the cow-pox, and its reputed powers, but they all agreed in opinion that it was not to be relied upon as a certain preventive of small-pox.

They imagined that the phenomenon depended upon some peculiarity in the constitution of the individual who escaped, rather than upon any efficacy in the disorder received from

the cow. They attached so value to the facts adduced by Jenner, and thought that a further prosecution of the subject would only terminate in doubts and disappointment. These obstacles damped for awhile, but did not extinguish the ardor of Jenner in his favorite pursuit. He now ascertained that the cow was subject to a variety of eruptions on the teat, all of which received indiscriminately the name of cow-pox. He learned to distinguish the one of these from the other, and was led to entertain the belief that one only was possessed of specific power over the human body. This he called true cow-pox, the other spurious.

The next steps of inquiry convinced him that the true cow-pox itself, was liable to undergo progressive changes, and it was only at one period of its course, that is, in its acme of intensity, when it was endowed with specific and preventive, or small-pox properties.

During the investigation of this branch of the subject, Jenner was struck with the idea that it might be practicable to propagate the disease, by inoculating, first from the cow, and then from one human being to another.

At what precise period of his career this brilliant thought first occurred to him is not accurately known, but it was probably in 1780, for in the month of May of that year, we find him speaking of it to an intimate friend and this was probably the first glimpse of that reputation to which he ultimately attained.

In 1788, Jenner visits London and carried with him a drawing of the casual cow-pox, as seen on the hands of the milkers, which he showed to Sir Everard Home and others, but the physiologists and physicians of London saw nothing in all this but a curious and barren fact. Hitherto Jenner had taken no decisive step to ascertain the practicability of inoculating for the cow-pox; upon the success of which, his whole scheme mainly rested. It is worthy of note in proof of the slowness with which the philosophic mind of Jenner ripened into conviction, that in 1779, he inoculated his eldest son with the small-pox. Soon after this period however his confidence in the preventive powers of cow-pox rapidly strengthened.

He spoke and wrote about it to near friends, and nothing was wanting but an opportunity of putting his ideas to the test of an experiment, this at length presented itself. Cow-pox matter in an active state was found and parents were not without possessing sufficient confidence in Jenner to submit their children to the important trial.

On the 14th, of May 1766, the decisive experiment was made. James Phipps, eight years of age was vaccinated with matter taken from the hands of Sarah Nelmes, who was laboring under cow-pox, derived from the natural source. The boy passed through the disorder in manner perfectly satisfactory, and was tested with small-pox matter on the first of July following, the small-pox inoculation, though carefully conducted, took no effect. Jenner not prepared to communicate to the world the result of his anxious trials, and investigations concerning cow-pox. His work was published in April 1798, but previous to the publication several more experiments were tried which were equally successful with the first, and with the results which he felt justified in announcing to the world the discovery. His original essay, published in London, is entitled, "An enquiry into the cause and effects of Variola Vaccina, a disease discovered in some of the western counties of England, particularly Gloucestershire and known by the name of cow-pox."

In this work, twenty-three cases are detailed viz: sixteen of the casual,

and seven of the inoculated disease, with colored drawings of the appearance in both.

Dr. Jenner in this work, first treats of the causes of cow-pox. He announces his belief that this disorder, does not originate with the cow, but is in all cases communicated to that animal from the horse, where it appears on the heels, and is known to farmers by the name of the grease, the hands of the farm servants, being the medium of communication. He next throws out the suggestion that small-pox itself may have been originally, morbid matter of the same mild type, and which accidental circumstances have changed, and aggravated into that contagious and malignant form of disease in which we now see it. He then states his conviction that cow-pox, when it has once passed through the human system, ever after leaves it secure from the invasion of small-pox.

The Essay concludes by describing four classes of persons to whom the discovery of cow-pox inoculation holds out the prospect of great benefits.

First, those who from family predisposition may be presumed liable to take small-pox unfavorably.

Second, those whose constitution are predisposed to, or affected with scrofula.

Third, those who from some peculiarity of habit, resist small-pox inoculation in early life.

Fourth, those who are laboring under some form of chronic disease in which counter-irritation is desired.

An unassuming tone, and philosophic spirit pervades the whole of this first essay on vaccination, which no doubt contributed essentially to promote the course in which the author had embarked.

Dr. Jenner's first publication, excited in a remarkable degree public attention treating as it did of means to avert the so much dreaded pestilence. It may be mentioned however, as a singularly strong proof of the distrust with which anything new is accepted, that during a period of nearly three months, that Dr. Jenner was superintending the publication of his book, he could not procure one person in London on whom to exhibit the disease.

The celebrated surgeon, Mr. Cline was the first to perform the experiment in London, and he had the pleasure of having it a perfect success. Soon after, trials were multiplied in every quarter, and a general rush in favor of Vaccination succeeded, which contrasted strongly with the general apathy displayed by the medical profession during the infancy of Dr. Jenner's investigations. The early career of Vaccination was however not without its drawbacks.

A few, but happily a very few opposed it with rancorous malignity which carried with it its own cure, professional jealousy, (then as now but too apt to blaze forth on the least pretext), was excited, and a systematic attempt was made to wrest from Jenner's brow the laurels he had so fairly won. It was proved indeed that the attention of certain noblemen had been called to the effect of the preservative efficacy of cow-pox at a date several years prior to the publication of Jenner's works. Mr. Bragge, a surgeon of Axminster, if I mistake not, began some investigations, but failed to follow them up.

There were other physicians well disposed to the course of vaccination who yet did much harm by their rashness and carelessness. C. A. B.

Mr. R. Barney has made a re-duction for thirty days, in his prices for pictures, in painting and india ink. Pictures and stereoscopic views from 3 to 15 in a group.

## SPENCER.

Charles N. Prouty and David A. Drury have gone on an extensive business tour through the south and west.

Spencer town schools will commence next Monday.

Morris Brothers' Troupe drew a full house, at Spencer Town Hall, on Saturday night. The Company did not prove very popular with our people.

Michael Mullen, our Spencer teamster, lost a \$400 horse on Thanksgiving day, from the prevailing disease. Most of the horses in town have fully recovered.

The young lady at the Hillsville store, mentioned in our last issue intends teaching school.

All persons having in their possession one or more copies of the Jubilee Chorus Books, or any other chorus book belonging to the Mendelssohn society, are requested to return the same, on or before Wednesday next, to the lower hall town house building.

The annual meeting of the Spencer Savings Bank Corporation will be held Monday next at 7 o'clock P. M., at the counting room of E. Jones, Treasurer.

The affairs of the Bank are said to be in a very thriving condition. During the past six months there has been \$15,262.62 deposited.

The county deputy of this district will make an official visit to May Day Lodge on Monday Dec. 9th. All members are requested to be present.

Mr. F. M. Knowlton, of this town is about to canvass Spencer, and vicinity for subscriptions to the new family illustrated paper "To Day" edited by the celebrated Dr. Dio Lewis. The high moral tone of the paper, its fine mechanical execution, the very low price at which it is offered together with the beautiful "Chromo" a copy from Mrs. Anderson's celebrated painting, entitled "Just so high", forms a combination seldom met with, and should be sufficient inducement to place it in every household. The picture is given away to every yearly subscriber.

The Young Men's Christian Association have been successful in securing lecturers, for a full course of six lectures to be delivered during the winter months. The first lecture will be given Tuesday evening, Dec. 10th, at Town Hall, by Dr. Matthew Hale Smith, (Burleigh) of New York. Dr. Smith is acknowledged to be one of the most interesting lecturers before the public. The other lectures will follow with as little delay as possible, on the twenty third inst., the 2nd lecture of the course will be delivered by Rev. J. D. Fulton, of Boston. Gen. J. L. Swift and W. H. H. Murray are also engaged. The Association have been fortunate in securing first class speakers, and we hope the citizens of Spencer and vicinity, will show their appreciation by a liberal patronage. The course tickets have been placed at the low price of one dollar, and single tickets at 25 cts.

### POST OFFICE.

Block, Emerson Stone, Postmaster—Miss Warren, Assistant.

MAIL ARRANGEMENTS.—Mails close at 6:45 a. m., 12 m., for the West, and 7:45 and 12 m., for East.

Mails arrive, from the West at 9:30 a. m., and from East 3 a. m. and 5 p. m.

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### CHURCHES.

CONGREGATIONAL.—No Pastor. E. Scudder, Pastor, Independent of Sunday School, Lyman A. Fox, Chorister; E. Sumner, Organist; Meetings, 10 a. m., and 1:30. Sunday School immediately following service. Weekly Prayer Meeting, Tuesday evening.

METHODIST.—Rev. Wm. A. Notch, Pastor, Wm. A. Notch, Superintendent of Sabbath School; Samuel Boyden, Chorister; Frank J. Organist, Meetings 10:45 a. m., and 1:30. Sunday School immediately after morning service. Weekly Prayer Meetings Tuesday evening, 7:30. Meetings, 10:45 a. m., and 1:30. Sunday School immediately after morning service. Meetings, 10:45 a. m., and 1:30. Sunday School immediately after morning service. Meetings, 10:45 a. m., and 1:30. Sunday School immediately after morning service.

### YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

Ball, President, Geo. F. Ladd, Secretary, Treasurer, Rooms in Union Block, Main street, meetings, first Wednesday evening of month. Prayer meeting every Friday evening.

### FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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### SOCIETIES.

A. M.—Spencer Lodge, G. G. Wright, Secy. Regular communications at Masonic Lodge, 10 o'clock, on or before F. M.

W. M.—Meetings every Wednesday evening at Denney Hall, Main Street.

C. T. E. E. Stone, W. V. T. B. B. Stone, W. B. B. Stone, W. A. R. W. B. W. B. B. Stone, W. T. Z. B. B. Stone, W. G. L. Conner, W. D. M. F. A. W. G. L. Emerson, W. S. Edgar Bemis, Samuel Crawford, F. W. C. T. Wm. Wood.

A. R.—Meetings at Denney Hall, Main Street, 1st & 3rd Thursday evening, Commander, J. C. Ladd, 2nd V. Commander, Chas. H. Allen, 3rd V. Commander, L. W. Worthington, Adjt. H. Quartermaster, John Gardner, Quartermaster, Chas. Worthington, Sergeant, Walter Livermore, Officer of the day, Jarvis W. Powers, Officer of the Guard, F. W. Mulligan, W. L. A. Powers.

O. G. T.—Meeting every Monday evening in Hall, J. H. Jones, W. C. T. Lottie Hale, W. V. Farrington, W. S. Morrill, W. F. S. Woodbury, W. T. Geo. Allen, W. M. P. Whitman, W. O. G. Lottie Barton, W. Helen Adams, W. I. G. W. W. Woodbury, N. M. Woodbury, W. B. B. Addie Wheeler, L. S. E. G. Barr, F. W. C. T. W. A. S. Anderson.

Order of Hibernians meet the first of every month at Town Hall, President, Michael Kelly, Vice President, John J. Conroy, Secretary, John Conroy, Treasurer, John Conroy, John Conroy, Treasurer, John Conroy.

### FIRE COMPANIES.

Spencer Co. No. 1.—Engine room in basement of Hall—16 members. H. A. Grant, foreman, T. Bemis, and Norman, James Clark and Treasurer, Charles Worthington, Wm. A. Beckwith, Asst. engineer, John Conroy, Captain of ladder team.

Spencer Co. No. 2.—Engine room in basement of Hall—16 members. J. W. B. Stone, foreman, J. W. B. Stone, C. P. M. Clark, foreman.





Death of Horace Greeley.

The political excitement consequent upon the recent Presidential campaign had but partially subsided when the reports came that Mr. Greeley was lately one of the central figures before the country, had become seriously ill. His disease seemed to proceed from a nervous prostration of his whole system, which baffled the skill of his attendant physicians, and after a depressing illness of about three weeks, he died a few moments before seven o'clock on Friday evening, the 29th inst., at the residence of Dr. Choate, two or three miles distant from Mr. Greeley's own country home in Chappaqua from whence he had been removed to evade the calls of too many of his numerous friends. Mr. Greeley was born at Amherst, N. H., Feb. 3d, 1811, and was therefore at the time of his death a little short of sixty-two years of age. Perseverance has ever been his motto, prompting him to industry, resulting in an active, restless and laborious life; and the melancholy announcement of his death falls upon the whole country with all the shock of a sudden calamity. As founded and editor of the New York Tribune he had a world-wide reputation, and had it not been for a morbid ambition for the presidency, which apparently mastered his better judgement, as expressed by him in former days, his robust constitution, correct habits of living, physical vigor, tact and intellectual activity, seemed to promise many more years of usefulness.

Postmaster Salaries.

Every two years the salaries of the post-masters under the United States Government are re-calculated, indirectly indicating the growth or depreciation of business in the various cities, towns and villages. A Washington correspondent, now of the Treasury Department, in a letter to the Spy, dated Oct. 11th, 1873, says: The nation now spends about twenty-six millions of dollars a year on its post-offices and receives back about twenty-one millions. This deficit is mainly due to the franking privilege, which entails a loss to the nation of five millions of dollars a year. As long as this incubus remains there is no hope of postal improvement or lower rates. Every two years the salaries of the 30,000 postmasters are re-calculated to admit the growth of business. In the smaller offices the postmaster's salary is made equal to one half the amount of the stamps he sells; when the amount sold is over \$2,000 he receives fifteen per cent, thereof. When a salary becomes as large as \$4000 the office ranks as first-class and its salary ceases to grow. Worcester county has but one first-class office. There are 117 post offices in the county of Worcester. Eight of them have the same salary for the postmaster that they had two years ago, thirty-four do a smaller business than they did then, and seventy-five have increased. The post office receipts tell the same

story as do the growth or decrease of population; the agricultural towns, like Dana, Hardwick Hubbardston, New Braintree, Paxton, Petersham, Sterling, Sutton Upton, &c., all show a diminution of the manufacturing and railroad towns increase. Athol Depot has gained the most of any town in the county, amounting to \$500 a year. Spencer follows with \$420. The following list shows the salary of all the postmasters in this vicinity.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Salary. Includes entries for Amherst, Athol, Brookfield, Charlton, Chatham, Chatham Depot, Chatham Valley, East Brookfield, New Braintree, North Brookfield, North Oxford, Leicester, North Eastland, North Spencer, Oakham, Oxford, Paxton, Petersham, Rutland, Spencer, Sturbridge, Warren, West Brookfield, West Warren, Worcester.

Probate Court Record. At the last session of the probate court, held in Worcester, the following business was transacted: Will Proved. Of John Morey of Charlton, Executor, \$3,000 real and \$3,000 personal. Administrator Appointed. - Nellie M. Ainsworth on estate of Henry O. Ainsworth of Brookfield, \$3,000 real and \$300 personal. F. D. Blackmer on estate of D. G. Blackmer, \$500 personal. Emily J. Pratt on estate of J. B. Pratt of Oxford, \$6,000 real and personal. Guardians of Minors Appointed. - M. Southworth of Ellen Hurley of West Brookfield, Dwight Hyde of Otis Kitteridge of Adin A. Kitteridge of Brookfield. Accounts Rendered. - On estate of Aaron Lamb of Charlton. MARRIAGES. - Hon. A. Crockett of Fitchburg, congressman-elect for the Tenth District, was united in matrimony on Wednesday last, in the city of Lowell, to Miss Minerva Cushing, daughter of the late Hon. Stephen Cushing of that city. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. Edson, at the residence of Mr. A. S. Tyler, teller of the Prescott National Bank of Lowell. - Fitchburg Sentinel.

STURBRIDGE. The entertainment given by the Fiskdale Dramatic Club last Tuesday evening, for the benefit of the Unitarian society, was a decided success so far as the acting was concerned, the gentlemen and ladies performing their parts with great success. The unpropitious weather kept many away so that the audience was small, and we hope that arrangements can be made to have the affair repeated. One of the many thanksgiving gatherings, of 1872, was at the house of Nathaniel Upham, in Sturbridge, who resides upon the farm deeded by John Sherman of Malborough, July 21, 1734, (then a perfect wilderness,) to Ezekiel Upham, grandfather of Nathaniel Upham, which has been kept and occupied by five successive generations of the Upham family. A goodly number of the descendants of Ezekiel Upham were present, and were entertained in a manner highly enjoyed by all, and they did ample justice to a bountiful supply of good things, that did much credit to host and hostess. Mr. Upham is now in possession of the old family Bible of Ezekiel Upham, 157 years old. May the day long be remembered, and many more such thanksgivings be enjoyed at the old homestead. The Unitarian Church in Sturbridge, will be dedicated the 11th of Dec., services to commence at 11 o'clock. The celebrated Clarks' Land case was decided by the Supreme Court lately in favor of Joy. This means a small civil war, and the cleaning out of thousands of families who have occupied and improved the large tract of land. The Massachusetts legislature is now in special session, to legislate in connection with the necessities growing out of the Boston fire.

DEPOTICAL. Henry Bemis, a boy 10 years old, caught 22 partridges and 23 rabbits the past season. He can't be beaten much in this line of business. Francis Howe has a specimen of grass, which grew on his place to the height of six feet, six inches, and it isn't much of a piece of grass either. Depot folks are a little interested in that Branch Railroad business, and not without reason either. A railroad does us no good anyway, and if a branch would benefit you village folks why don't you build it now, there is nothing gained by losing time. We have had our share of smoke, noise, and runaway horses. If the road is changed to pass through Leicester, etc., we can once more breathe free and easy. Whether the B. & A. Railroad favor it or not, seems to be fully settled by the new freight house now being built here. It is evident from the fact that the building is being built of brick and stone, that the directors do not design its removal to the village. We have but little news down here, but you shall hear from me occasionally, as I am CERTES.

Cheney Bemis and wife of Spencer, celebrated their golden wedding the 27th ult. Rev. Mr. Rich made the presentation speech. Among the gifts were two pairs of gold bowed spectacles, quite an amount of the shining dust, and a large family dining table. The children living are six, the grandchildren, all of whom were present, were eighteen. Mr. Bemis has never been sick a day in his life, and never called a doctor for himself. Though 75 years old he has lately built a large barn, and carries on a large farm. The persons who stood up with them at their wedding fifty years ago are still living, both of them in Brookfield. The occasion was one of deep interest to the family, and will long be remembered by the old folks as a bright spot in their lives. The evening was spent in discussing old customs, and old times, alluded to in the address of the parson, and in testing the abundant and excellent refreshments. PLANET. President Thiers has contributed 1000 francs to Boston for the relief of the sufferers by fire. The Alabama legislature convened last week, but it is divided against itself, with two distinct organizations, each claiming to be the real legislature. New Hampshire had a severe earthquake shock on Monday week. The Boston Herald on Tuesday, published a highly sensational account of Geo. W. Kent, and his actions in that city. If that paper had mentioned what its reporter must have known, that Kent was suffering from an attack of insanity, the whole affair would have carried its own explanation.

Keep the Mouth Shut. This is very important, both for happiness and health. By keeping it shut we save more than it is worth to open. As regards health it is also important. People should cultivate the habit of breathing through the nose more than they do. Man's nostrils were not intended for the sole purpose of distinguishing odors, good from bad, but were put in his head to filter and purify the air he breathes before it enters his lungs, and to soften and warm it when chilled, damp, and unwholesome from the influence of a variable climate. He who breathes through his mouth will, in ways that himself more or less is troubled with pulmonary or bronchial difficulties. It is the most hurtful thing in the world to go from a warm room, in winter or in summer evenings, and draw the damp and chilly outdoor atmosphere directly into the lungs through the mouth. It has, at one time and again, resulted in severe attacks of illness, and not infrequently death. A Swedish Princess's Dowry. The city (Stockholm) is in a great state of excitement, in consequence of the approaching marriage of the King's only child to the Crown Prince of Denmark. There has been some little talk about the dowry. The King expected his Parliament to give a handsome one; but they were of opinion that as he had four millions of dollars a year (over \$1,000,000 of our money) he ought to be able to give the dowry himself. It does seem a large sum for so small and poor a state, especially as the country has been much impoverished by the stagnation of trade and a depression of the market. The dowry ended in the State giving a lump sum of \$25,000. The Princess of the happy bride was dressed in public view four days before the wedding, and we were much amused by seeing from morning till night a long procession of elegant females of all ages, some six deep, patiently waiting until the head of their band, having heated their eyes, made way for them. Here and there a beautiful male attendant in the line and was looked at by those who had no part in the affair. An order had been given, and placards were put up everywhere, that no one was allowed to touch the royal garments, and any one doing so would be instantly dismissed. The story goes that a lady was observed feeling the hem of a skirt of the dowry, instantly she was taken from one of the bystanders, and on their clearing for the immediate removal of the offender it was discovered to be some other than the princess herself. Naval Care for Coast Pilots. Alexander Dumas published some time ago, in a daily Paris paper, a novel, in which the heroine, prosperous and happy, is assailed by consumption. All the slow and gradual symptoms were most naturally and touchingly described, and the greatest interest was felt for the heroine. One day the Marquis de Dalmonde called on him. "Dumas," said he, "have you composed the end of the story now being published in the 'Journal'?" "Of course." "Does the heroine die at the end?" "Of course—dies of consumption. After such symptoms as I have described, how could she live?" "You must make her live. You must change the catastrophe." "I cannot." "Yes, you must; for on your heroine's life depends my daughter's." "Your daughter's?" "Yes; she has all the various symptoms of consumption which you have described, and watches mournfully for every number of your novel, holding her own fate in your heroine's. Now, if you make your heroine live, my daughter, whose health is now deeply depressed, will live too." "Come, a life to save is a temptation." "Not to be resisted." Dumas changed his last chapter. His heroine recovered, and was happy. About five years afterwards, Dumas met the marquis at a party. "Ah, Dumas!" he exclaimed; "let me introduce you to my daughter. She owes her life to you. Thank you!" "That fine, handsome woman, who looks like Joanne d'Arc?" "Yes. She is married, and has had four children." "And my novel four editions?" said Dumas; "so we are quits."

How to Think and Write. Think before you write. A young New England friend of mine, a poet by trade, attempted to seek his fortune in South America, and for this purpose embarked with a printing press and types, for Buenos Ayres. He had not taken the precaution to effect any insurance, not to arrange for the acceptance of any loans in case of necessity. The vessel was wrecked on the passage and his property lost. He was on shore without any considerable funds, and his means were soon exhausted. There was no English printing office in which he could find employment, and he had no acquaintance with the language of the country or with any of its people. He soon found a slight acquaintance with a man speaking English who suggested the drawing for his immediate relief upon some friend in New York or Boston. He hesitated till the matter that he had no authority for so doing. The suggestion was then made that somebody might be willing to accept for the honor of the drawing—and if he would make a draft for \$100 upon some person whose name might be known at Buenos Ayres, there might be a possibility, with his aid, of getting the money. "I think it almost a case of life and death, and hoping to be in funds from his earnings before the draft could be sent to this country and be returned postpaid, as he expected, in the ordinary and then the only course of transmission by calling on the young man, he gladly availed himself of the suggestion. The question then was what name he should propose as the one upon whom to draw. He named by turns several "solid men" of Boston, not one of whom seemed to be known, or to meet with favor. He happened to think of Daniel Webster, whom he knew only by his world-wide reputation. The broker, to whom the negotiation was proposed, and who caught at the name, and was satisfied with it. The draft was accordingly made, and the money raised at the customary discount. The young man remained abroad for a year or two and was tolerably successful. Not a word was heard of any protest on the part of the money to repay Mr. Webster, and to make the best apology he could for the liberty he had taken. To his surprise, Mr. Webster said that he knew nothing about the matter. On his insisting that the draft must have been accepted and paid, Mr. Webster at last yielded to his wishes to suggest his name again, and that in the meantime he would set his clerk to making some examination. It turned out on a second call, that the draft had never been cashed, and, as the clerk said, was discovered among many other loose papers in one of the office desks. Mr. Webster was then paid the hundred dollars, but declined any remuneration which was offered upon him in the way of interest, on his strictly accommodation loan.

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Voltaire. The Parthenon, at Paris, contains the busts of many illustrious men, and of none more illustrious than Voltaire. Marie Antoinette, the wife of Louis XVI., was born at Chenay, near Paris, the 25th of February, 1755. Her father was a notary, and treasurer of the chamber of accounts of Chenay. The son was educated at the college of Louis le Grand, by the Jesuits. His political talents were developed at an early age. When only 24, he produced his tragedy of "Edipus," which was so popular, that it was played forty-five consecutive nights. Naturally of a satirical turn, he had the imprudence to attack the government, and was thrown into the Bastille. In this gloomy prison, he composed six cantos of the "Henriade." After his imprisonment, he wrote "Lettres Philosophiques" having created some considerable excitement against him, he quit France, but through the influence of Madame de Pompadour, he was restored to the favor of the court, and on the production of "The Princess of Navarre," he received the appointment of historiographer of France. In 1748, he was elected a member of the French Academy. In 1760, he was invited by Frederic the Great of Prussia to his court, who gave him a pension of 20,000 livres, and made him his chamberlain. In a little while he quarreled with Frederic, and endeavored to quit his dominions, but was arrested at Frankfurt, and retained by order of the monarch until he had finished his collection of the poems of that prince. He then left Colmar for Geneva, where he bought a pretty house and grounds, but the troubles of this little Republic compelled him soon to leave its territory. He chose for his residence the poor little and almost deserted village of Ferney, but three or four miles from Geneva. He built him here a fine house, and brought the land round about into a state of high cultivation. By his influence, several manufactures were established, and Ferney became a place of some importance. Here in this retired spot, he received the visits of all the most celebrated persons of his day. At the commencement of the year 1778, he felt a strong desire to visit Paris, and obtained the permission of the king to do so. He was received by the Academy, and indeed by the people with extraordinary honors. At the theatre on the representation of his "Zaire," the last of his pieces, he was crowned with laurels, and was carried to his hotel in triumph. He did not live long after this to enjoy the plaudits of the capital. He died in May, the same year of his return. His remains were placed in a sarcophagus, and by order of the Constituent Assembly, in 1792, they were removed to the Parthenon, and his tomb is one of the greatest attractions of the visitors to this monument. The works of Voltaire are known to all the world, as well as his religious theories. The latter are only an evidence how the gifts of God to man may be made instruments of evil instead of good, and should lead us carefully to guard the channel of our hearts, that no wild error, dimmed by the high sounding title of philosophy, may enter our minds. Lay no waters. Jest without bitterness. Understands not thyself. Insult not. Speak truth. Comment no man rashly. He who acts greatly is truly great. Hypocritical piety is double iniquity. Hearts may agree though heads differ. He doubles his gifts who gives in time. Fear not that which cannot be avoided. He who opposes honesty never had any. Ambition is torment enough for an enemy. God's mercies are as boundless as his being. Reflection should precede writing, and follow reading. We are richer as children our boys—as adults as old we fall asleep. It is better to labor under aberration of mind, than aberration of morals. Keep thine own counsel; reveal not thy secrets, be silent in those intentions. Human nature is so constituted, that all we see, and judge better, in the affairs of other men than in their own. Any one may do a casual act of good nature, but a continuation of them shows it to be a part of the temperament. We may put on virtue with thousands of words, and set our feet on all-high rocks. Still we slide over—what we are. Custom is no small matter. A custom or habit of life if we frequently alter the natural inclination either to good or evil. A hypocrite may spin so fine a thread that he may deceive his own eyes, but he will never be able to deceive his neighbor's. He who is virtuous and not know himself to be the greater. He who requires culture to expand it. It is not the fire concealed in the flint, which only shows itself when struck with steel.

The Ladies Benevolent Society.

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Items of Interest.

The Sheldon House... closed for the winter...

The Mrs. Trichell will case at Athol has been referred to E. H. Hoar...

Maj. Lowell, commander of the Greeno river exploring expedition...

Secretary Delano sailed for Cuba, Thursday to be absent one to two months...

The following nominations have been confirmed by the Senate...

SAVONARIA.—The correspondence of the St. Louis Globe...

The Electoral Vote.—The total vote of the Electoral College...

For S. Grant Brown—Tennessee 12, Kentucky 8, Georgia 5, Missouri 6.

For Thos. E. Bramlette of Kentucky—Kentucky 3.

For Willis B. Machen of Kentucky—Kentucky 3.

For N. P. Banks of Massachusetts—Georgia 1.

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POETRY.

Hang up the Baby's Stocking.

Hang up the baby's stocking,
Be sure you don't forget,
The dear, little dimpled darling,

Dear what a baby's stocking,
It doesn't look much to hold
Such little pink toes as baby's

I know what you'd like to do,
The baby of the very best plan,
Will be a stocking of grandma's,

Write, this is the baby's stocking,
That hangs in the corner, here,
You never have seen me, Santa,

Who is he and where is he?
None of us yet know, whence he cometh

Every one thinks it is a great shame,
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down-blinds, or lights for evening service.
He must visit the poor and afflicted with small-pox, he must be married or must not, he must have some children or none, and above all, he must be able to talk Latin and Greek, for the edification of his audience.

By choosing such a one, and wanting no better, every one will be suited, and hereafter there will not be so much ado about nothing." - Rev. D. D.

DEPOLICAL.

"This is the monkey's own giving out" - Oth. Act IV, Scene I.
"Give the Devil his due" said one of our poets, and I'll now attempt to do so for the Depot. In a former communication, I related that that was bad; without hinting at any of our good enoughs.

At first sight one would be led to believe that we form a not over prosperous community, and passing through it would not be likely to change the impression. But still, there are things, which we have, and others that we are free from, the thoughts of which dispel an envy which we may bear to the outside world.

Most of us gain a livelihood without town aid, pay our share of the taxes, help to light the streets and retire at night with clear consciences. We well know that by engaging in no business of any responsibility we stand on a firm basis; and if we do not have a chance to become rich in a year or two by honorable means, poor folks in general have no fear of our becoming bankrupt to attain the rich man's enemy and the poor man's friend.

There are but few young folks in this vicinity, so No. 1. enjoys his own company to the best possible advantage. Being alone, if he makes a satirical remark, the edge of it cuts no one; if he does anything worthy of fame, he has it all to himself, to receive the full benefit thereof. We can make our evenings profitable by reading, writing for the Sun, etc., without fear of being disturbed by a surprise party; which, by the way is one of the most detestable customs of modern society.

We have no wrangles about the post-office, branch railroads, street lights and side-walks, but take things as they come, making the most of them all. We have no post-office, we need no side-walks, and having no sidewalks, we ride no lights to see them by - besides, sidewalks would be a useless institution in all respects, for we have no occasion to go away from home. Any of us who may wish to feel civilized in the line of side-walks, can have their desires gratified by taking a run on the depot platform.

Sometimes I think that the less society we have, the more peace we are blessed with. Then again, I think, that by having a few snarls, we would have the fun of untangling them. True it is, we have a few out-fallings, but they would bear no greater comparison with your up-town troubles. Than the verb *to go to that lake where they fish down in Maine.*

We have not one Good Templar in our midst, but we drink our own cider, and keep sort o'glum. Free Masons, Temple of Honor, etc., meet also a cold reception. Two on one occasion only, that any of us have ever invested any capital in the stock of secret societies. This was during the K. O. S. G. TIMES

planned to think that they could do as their will pleased. But, a burnt child dreads the fire, and the future of the society has disheartened more of us from embarking on another like enterprise.

For many reasons we are just as well off as any other place of our size. There are thousands of places of equal area, without a house on them. We can experience a whirlwind of witness a meteoric shower, as well as any of our village neighbors. And if we have no saloon or store across the way, we have time while going to the village, to reflect on the propriety of spending our money for that which our needs do not demand.

Within a year or two the place has received a little more of a business like aspect, through the agency of one Thomas Clark. He runs a grain and flour store, and he is so shrewd in his business, that he is enabled to sell anything in his line at a lower price and of better quality than any of our village dealers. London had a small beginning. Probably the depot village will never be a 2nd London, but let people think, say, or write what they may, down here is a great place for rabbits.

NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING VERSUS ADVERTISING SCHEMES.
Ever since the era of advertising was inaugurated, business men of all classes have been made the victims of a certain class of men who with flippant speech, and with a persistency as provoking as it would be admirable in a better cause, have persuaded them to enter into their particular schemes. These schemes are numerous, as many an advertiser can attest, and when we weigh their influence in a calm, impartial manner, we shall become convinced that they are a sublime fraud upon the too-lenient advertising public; and that the advertiser, when he has submitted to the imposition, has literally thrown his money away.

The schemes of these honey-tongued and metal-visaged gentry, who besiege the unwary advertiser on every hand and bore him into giving them an "ad," which the advertiser generally does in order to get rid of him, - are, as we have heretofore mentioned, exceedingly numerous. There is the "programme" scheme, for instance cunningly interspersed with stale jokes, or other "light and entertaining reading matter," and handed to the passers-by on those days when there chances to be an unusual gathering in the town or city, only to be glanced at for the space of a second, if at all, and then carelessly thrown away to be trampled under foot. This is decidedly a waste of money on the part of the advertiser.

Then, again, we have the hotel-register scheme, hotel card-advertising scheme, and the hotel card-register scheme, together with other schemes for numerous occasions. Now, what the honest advertiser wants, and, indeed, what every advertiser in the land wants, is the greatest value for the amount of money invested. In order to secure this there is but one reliable method, and that is the newspaper method, for which there is a demand, because of its worth. The American people are pre-eminently a reading people, and of all the literature thrown broadcast over the country, that of the newspaper predominates and is the most generally read. The people are gradually being educated up to the practice of looking into the advertising columns of the newspaper in order to find where their wants can be supplied. This being the fact, it is patent to every sensible advertiser that the place to display his wares is where they will be the most likely to be seen and read. In conclusion, then, the advertiser, in order to receive a rich return for his investment, must seek the most reliable medium, which is most emphatically the newspaper, and the wise and judicious advertiser will always reject every other. - American Press.

A VETERAN. - The New York Observer, having completed its fiftieth year as the leader of the Religious Newspaper press, is now preparing for its thousands of subscribers a New Year's Gift, in the shape of a JUBILEE YEAR-BOOK, which will be embellished with several appropriate illustrations. The Observer was launched in 1823, and for fifty years has sailed in an undeviating course, without once changing its motto or striking its colors. Few papers can present such a successful history; and while there are plenty of good papers published, there are few that we can recommend as strongly as the Observer for all the purposes of a Family Newspaper. Large, comprehensive and well-filled, it cannot fail to pay those who take it four-fold for their outlay. All subscribers get the Jubilee Year-Book, gratis. \$3 a year. Sidney B. Morse & Co., 37 Park Row, New York.

The annual meeting of the Massachusetts Teachers' association, is to be held at Worcester, Dec. 26th, and 27th. Teachers and school committees from all points of the state are requested to be present. Members of the association are to be furnished with free tickets over the railroads leading from Worcester. Charles Hammond Esq., is president, and Edward I. Comins Esq., secretary.

Mr. Boutwell has suggested to Congress a very sensible measure in the shape of a bill making it a penal offense for any clerk, agent or disbursing officer of the government to convert to his own use or lend any public funds with which he may be entrusted, and also making any banker or broker who shall knowingly receive such moneys, liable to trial for embezzlement. There ought to be no hesitation about the passage of the measure.

It is stated that Theodore Tilton will publish statements in the Globe regarding the domestic irregularities recently alluded to by Whittier and Clavin. His statement is ready for some time, but it will be withheld until the women were released on bail. Mr. Tilton at first determined to ignore the whole matter, but has been so severely pressed that he has determined to make the statement.

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**Pete Perkins on our Credit System.**

Mr. Perkins—Dear Sir—will you allow me to say a few words on the credit system in this town. It is well known at every thing in Spencer, and I suppose of the long credit system, from a few of those who have been in the habit of doing business on credit, and at other times on cash. Now, butes as you see in the history of our town, especially in Spencer, and I suppose of other towns, was bludgeoned in a minute, and would hardly be the difference so long as bute or made.

The next principle of business just now as store kept, boarded, run and tattered, and especially run. This is a temperance town. The riter is engaged in the rum business, in a number of ways, on account of the profligacy of two or three individuals, and none here, who are sipping round when a feller has a good stock of liquor on hand. These fellows are running around and never leave till every thing is sold or dripped. These things are real evils, and taken together with the long credit system, keeps a feller red in the face, and tarnish on the yard but two months in the year. Some years a feller can work up full thirteen months of the stuff, but when the darn mad that he can't stop when the year runs round. I fergit to say I sell pennies on a kandy.

You see the bute men are so avaricious that they want to get all the kandy, hence the mummy that there employees are kept back just as long as they can, so as to save the interest I spoke, and we who supply the necessities of life, and keep the mass stimulated to action, so the kandy makes butes, hev to suffer. You see of these workmen hev to wait for their pay, we hev to wait, and we want to be paid so cheap, an git poor whisky at that. I fergit to say I sell terbacker. Now see the poor workman hev to git trusted, or go dry and starve, and the consequence of the fast we no the hev run a bill so big, that in many cases, the kandy is in others the don't want it, and in other cases still the want. Sum run about. Now see if this fare? Ez it rite for the bute men, who take the lead, and monopolize the bizness in the town, to manage it in such a way as to krippl, to a certain extent, all other bizness interests? That aint a bizness man in town, beside bute men, who dunt suffer, more nor less, from this miserable credit system.

In other towns, the pa, at least, wouse a month regaly, while in Spencer pa da runs ad infinitum and lounge, and when pa da dunt kum, a order ez offen git which runs ad infinitum again. I hev bills to pa for whisky and terbacker, which offer to pay to wons, an mi kreditors sware I shant hev no more till this ez; but I kum pa kum I kum kollec mi bills, and mi bizness ez sufferin. Mi cusstomers all work in the bute shops, putty much. Et wud astonish you to see the akounts I hev agin doktors, doktors, kunsterles, etc., who ez perfect solvent, but kum pa bez the bute men had paid of 50-60 ez they say. I shant kum no names, but, bi thunder, sumpin aint ez dunt soon, or that I will be a clap sumwhers humpy.

Won't you send me for a slice

of kandy, and a half pint of brandy for 13 minutes, and he says the kandy makers ternal credit system ez the "no." I sware he lies, but I'm naturally kind of long credit; as ez the development of other elements of totle depravity. Ask your store keepers and barbers of this stat so. Ez ez a grate temptation, and is urged ez an excuse to git trusted by many, who wud otherwise go down. Behn the rule, money ruffles stamps work into our grasses and git trusted, ez bizness men want run to look up every kase that kums long, and the first we hear the ez opm. I heard wun man say that he lost more than five hundred dollars every year, owing to our credit system, and he emphasized every word with a swear that mad things blue. He wont a swarin mad tu. I hant lost much kum I kant git nothin to lose. Now sur what shal be did? Shel we shut up our shops, an salons, and let the widdler and widdler widdler? Shel we men who deal out the staf of life, and kary kumfort, and cheer to the workman's tom, hev such temptations to snare rite for him year in and year out?

Let this quston be agitated far and near. Let it flash on every ra uv the "Sun," until the dark corners uv this system uv long credit and also pa ez filled with the effulgent and glory uv short credit an quick pa.

LEICESTER.

**Dedication of the New Soldiers' Memorial Hall.**

The exercises accompanying the dedication of the soldiers' memorial hall, just completed in Leicester, were attended on Monday evening by a good audience, considering the severity of the weather. This elegant hall is located on the lower floor of the town house in the center village, and is a tasteful and appropriate room fitted up in an elegant style for the public library of the town, and surrounded on all sides with neatly finished black walnut book cases, and marble tablets, on which are inscribed the names, dates and places of death of the deceased soldiers of the town, and the frescoed walls are ornamented with the names of the prominent battles in which they served, and patriotic mottoes and devices. The whole design and execution of this hall is creditable to the committee who had charge of it, and to the town. The exercises commenced in the town hall in the upper part of the building, with music from the Leicester cornet band. Rev. Samuel May called the meeting to order, and announced the arrangements for the evening. A procession was then formed under charge of H. Arthur White as marshal, and proceeded to the memorial hall below, where prayer was offered by the chaplain, Rev. A. H. Coolidge. John E. Russell, as presiding officer, introduced Capt. John D. Cogswell, chairman of the building committee, who gave an address containing a history of the various acts of the town during the last seven years in honor of our fallen soldiers, including the substance of the reports of the committee chosen at different times to report upon a memorial hall and other monumental structures, which have finally resulted in a compromise of this union of a new library room with a memorial hall, which has harmonized the conflicting elements and given satisfaction to all parties. He then addressed the directors of the public library and the surviving soldiers present, and concluded

by presenting the new hall to the fathers of the town. His address was responded to by Mr. Wm. F. Holmes, chairman of the board of selectmen, with suitable remarks. A volunteer quartette interspersed the exercises by the performance of appropriate music. The audience again returned to the town hall for more spacious accommodations, where they were addressed by Rev. A. H. Coolidge, upon the memorial uses of the hall; by Rev. Samuel May upon the library uses of the hall; by H. Arthur White in behalf of the George H. Thomas Post of the G. A. R., who were present in uniform, and by John E. Russell in behalf of the building committee, highly complimenting its chairman for his taste in design, and energy in execution of this work, and also in behalf of the citizens of Leicester generally, who had so satisfactorily executed this monument of gratitude to those who gave their lives in defence of our homes, and of their country's honor. The exercises of the evening were closed by music from the band, after a poem written and delivered by Mrs. Jerome M. Parker of Cherry Valley, the substance and delivery of which was highly creditable to its author, and drew bursts of applause from an appreciative audience. The marble tablets containing the memorial records present an imposing appearance in front of the main entrance to the hall, and are surmounted by a marble slab, on which is the following felicitous inscription: When your children shall ask their fathers in time to come, saying, "what mean these stones?" then ye shall tell your children that when they raised their head to destroy the government, these men gave their lives that the Union might be preserved, with justice to all.—*Spys.*

**NEW BRAINTREE.**

Perhaps the readers of the Sun will like to hear from this town upon a bill, once more. Well, everything is joyous, and Christmas presents "hang high." The singing is extra fine, and the farmers and teamsters are enjoying it to the best of their ability. Surprises parties have started here. The first of the season was last Thursday night, when a jolly party met at the house of Mr. Lamberton, in the south west part of the town. One large train of four horses went from the village, and carried a happy crowd.

The Ladies Aid Society met at the vestry of the First Congregational Church, last Wednesday afternoon, and invited the gentlemen in the evening, and beautifully treated them to a supper, which they (the ladies) had prepared. The best of it was that it was all free. "I like such, wish they could do so some more. After the supper they disposed of a bed quilt which they had made. Sold seventy-five tickets for it. And Mr. Warren Pepper was the lucky one to draw it. "Not a bad thing to draw such weather as this." After disposing of that, some joined in a sing, and others procured a large sled, and a merry crowd went coasting down hill, thus spending a very pleasant evening.—A happy new year to you all.

CHOKINGO JIN.

A dispatch from Bath, Me., says that the weather for the past few days has been bitterly cold for that region. At 8 o'clock Wednesday evening, the thermometer stood at 6 degrees below zero, at Bath, 9 below at Richmond and 11 below at Portland at midnight. There is probably more snow on the ground than for the past 25 years.

PAXTON.

The cold winds have full sweep over Paxton hills, and prove to us that winter is here in no very mild form. The Ladies Social Union intended to have a turkey supper, in the Town Hall, Christmas eve, but for reasons best known to themselves, have given up the idea. Mr. Foster Merriam had a valuable horse die a short time ago, and has since purchased another, which is also sick, and unfit for use. The centre school is pronounced a success thus far, which is an improvement on last winter. Fishing through the ice is popular sport at present, and a number of parties have been from here, but I have not heard much boasting of large fish, or of a great number being taken.

The New England steam washer, was on exhibition here a short time ago, and look well enough to make a great many sales. We have an agent here who has another kind of steamer, and is reported to do the work full as well, and costs less than half the price of the New England steam washer.

Mr. Wm. Comins has bought of Mr. Bryant his large and noted wood lot, and has now thirteen wood-choppers here. Mr. Comins means business in the lumber line, and we wish him success. "A man who was too mean to advertise himself, he wanted to get, but a written notice in one of the hotels. A man who was enquiring for a small farm was referred to this written notice, when he replied: "I can't buy land at a fair price of a man who does his advertising in that way. He'd steal the fence, the pump handle and the barn doors before he gave up possession."

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**GEN GRANT AND THE POLITICIANS.**

When he went to take the chair, he went with a most mischievous impression, viz that this government could be run by the common people, and he proceeded to lay out. Now, when you can run a manufactory with green hands, and all the trained operative turned out, then you may hope to administer the government of the United States by excluding politicians. A government must be governed by men who study governments, and not by an amateur. He must make it the business of his life. This was Gen. Grant's first mistake, and it was more the mistake of the people, who, on putting him there, told him to administer the affairs of government without the politicians. What was the result? He saw his mistake as soon as anybody else, and began to lean toward the politicians. It is my impression that in the four years past he has learned to study government, and is a better prepared man to sit in that chair than any one that could be selected.—*Henry Ward Beecher.*

HORACE GREELEY.—From a long, and in all respects incisive and thoughtful article from the pen of Mr. Dana in the N. Y. Sun of the 5th. inst., we make the following short extract, as showing that deep attachment between Mr. Greeley and the Tribune, without which no journalist can be permanently successful: "But after all it is not as a man of us a politician that he is to be judged. In his mind his newspaper was the predominant object. He thought of it, loved it, lived for it beyond all other things; it was, in his opinion, his own best self, enlarged, glorified, and made permanent; but he sought for its extended influence rather than increased profits; and he never sacrificed his opinions to the desire for its prosperity. In this respect no honest man ever lived. And finally let us say of him that his influence and his efforts were uniformly exerted in favor of many industry, independence and honesty; and that the world at large and the young men who are now coming to manhood in this country are more able to help themselves, more upright, more under the dominion of truth and morality because Horace Greeley has lived among them and taught them."

Barnum's circus and museum, together with all the animals and wardrobes of the performers was destroyed by fire on Tuesday. The loss is estimated at \$300,000. Partially insured.

And now it is claimed at Boston that the horse-car punch is a success, and that the receipts of the Metropolitan road have increased 35 per cent since its adoption.

Woodhull and Claflin are having bad luck at Boston. The St. James theater is now refused to them for their lecture, and perhaps they will have to speak in the streets, after all.

Conductor Russell of the 1.45 train from Albany has been quite sick for several weeks, but is now convalescent; during his sickness the train has been run by conductor Stephen Chapin.

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Situated upon one of the numerous hills, commanding an excellent view of the city of Worcester, is the quiet, yet industrious town of Leicester. The town was named after the Leicester in England from which the first settlers came in 1717. As originally settled, Leicester included the town of Spencer, but petition after petition finally resulted in a division. Here the manufacture of card cloth was first introduced by Edmund Snow, who combined his efforts exclusively with the manufacture of hand cards. Five years later Philip Earle, in a conversation with Samuel Slater of Webster, the subject of machinery was brought up, and the former was induced to experiment upon machine card clothing. With a short piece of cloth, which was fastened two needles, the holes in the leather were punched and the teeth were inserted by hand. With one of these cards the first cotton overworked in this country was prepared for the spindles by Samuel Slater. Various inventions were made by Mr. Earle in perfecting machinery for the manufacture of card clothing, and to-day the town owes its reputation of producing more cards than any other town in the United States to his inventive genius. The card manufacturing establishments are all located in the center of the town. Woodcock, Kibb & Co., occupy a large building in the rear of the town hall, in the production of machine card clothing, steam being employed to drive the machinery. W. & J. Whittemore occupy a factory at Main street, employ four hands, and produce goods of the same description as the above firm. J. & L. Woodcock & Co., use steam to run their machinery, and furnish employment to nine operatives in the manufacture of goods of a like character. A. White & Son require the assistance of ten operatives to fill their orders, and use steam to drive the machinery. The firm of Bisco & Denny is one of the oldest engaged in the manufacture of this class of goods, and at their factory twelve employes and steam power are required. The firm of E. C. & L. M. Waite employ five hands, and steam furnishes the motive power. J. & J. Murdock is the name of the largest firm in the town, they furnishing employment to twenty-five operatives with steam to run the machinery. The manufacture of hand cards is also carried on and forms quite an important branch of industry. L. S. Watson & Co., occupy a large factory on Water street, where fifteen men are employed during the busy season, and steam power is employed. Edward Sargent is the only manufacturer near the center of the town employing water as a motive power. His factory furnishes employment to five hands. C. Hunt is also engaged in the manufacture of hand cards, his factory being located near the post office.

Although the production of cards at the above factories is very large they all deal directly with the consumers.

The woolen business is the largest branch of industry, and the largest number of the entire population engaged in the production of goods for the market, have found employment. Water is chiefly employed as power, more than half of the factories being situated upon Kettle brook, to which the city of Worcester is looking with an envious eye as a means of increasing its supply of water.

Approaching the town from Worcester the first factory passed is operated by James A. Smith, in the manufacture of hand cards. Steam as well as water is employed to drive the machinery, and 100 operatives are employed. This mill produces about 250,000 square yards annually, the largest portion of them being shipped to New York.

Near the junction of Towtaid street with the main road is a small mill run by James A. Smith, where fifteen hands are employed. Steam and water are both used as power. The mill has been in operation thirty-five years, and 200,000 square yards are annually manufactured. New York furnishes a market where they are sold.

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Another mill situated near the one last mentioned is also run by James A. Smith, satinetts being produced. The factory is one of the same capacity as the other and the goods are sold in the same market.

Keut's shoddy mill is the first on the line of Kettle brook after it leaves the neighborhood of the main road. The goods manufactured here are disposed of in Worcester county.

Bottomley's mill, operated by E. D. Thayer, furnishes employment to ninety operatives, who are engaged in the production of fancy cashmeres; 250,000 square yards are annually produced and shipped to New York.

The village of Mannville takes its name from the senior member of the firm of Mann & Marshall, who are engaged in the manufacture of satinetts. The annual production amount to 175,000 square yards, which find a market in Boston and New York.

The stream known as French river runs through the village of Greenville, where Joseph Peel runs a large factory for the manufacture of satinetts. This mill furnishes employment to twenty-three hands and has been in operation since last March.

A. Hankey & Co. are also located in the same village, and occupy a large building in the manufacture of plating knives and machinery for paper mills.

At Rochdale are two large mills known as the Rochdale upper and lower mills. They are owned by the heirs of E. Dales of Boston, and operated under the direction

of E. T. Carlton. Thirty operatives are employed at the upper mill, all the goods being finished and shipped from the lower, where 120 hands are engaged. Flannels alone are manufactured. The annual production amounting to nearly one and a half million square yards. The goods are disposed of in Boston and New York.

The French river, upon which the mills in Rochdale and Greenville are situated, is supplied with water from three large reservoirs, covering nearly seven hundred acres of ground.

The Leicester national bank furnishes banking accommodations to the town of Spencer, as well as to Leicester. The capital is \$200,000. Chasey Hatch is the president of the institution, and D. E. Merriam, cashier.

The savings bank, which is located in the same building as the national bank, has \$170,000 on deposit. Chasey Hatch is the president, and D. E. Merriam, treasurer.

A free public library, containing 2500 volumes, is located at the center, and greatly appreciated by the citizens. The Leicester academy, under the charge of C. A. Wetmore, is now in a flourishing condition, with excellent prospects for the future. At Leicester centre rooms in the town hall has been handsomely fitted up as a memorial hall at an expense of \$300, and was dedicated Monday evening, with appropriate ceremonies. The room is handsome frescoed, the centre design bearing the coats of arms of the United States and Massachusetts. The names of the actions in which the soldiers who went from the town participated are painted upon the sides of the room, and at the rear in such a position as to be seen as soon as the door is opened, are the memorial tablets, surrounded by heavy black walnut moldings. The tablets are made of marble, the names of the soldiers who lost their lives during the rebellion, and the names of their deaths being neatly carved upon them. Upon three sides of the room are heavy black walnut bookcases, protected by a railing of the same material, and designed for the accommodation of the library.

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POST OFFICE AGAIN.

Mr. Editor—I have been interested in reading what your correspondents have written for your valuable paper about the post-office here, and post-office there etc.

These writers are certainly off the track when they undertake to decide this important subject by telling us who has sold, or bought stock in the new Hotel Co. or what disposition certain individuals have made with certain petitions, all of that is "too thin."

I will write a few lines upon the more "weighty matters" belonging to this important subject. For about a score of years the post-office has been in Union Block, and so far as I know, no effort has been made to move it quite recently.

The arguments of your correspondents in favor of removal amounts to about this: a new Hotel has been built in the village 30 rods west of the post-office. One man has bought stock in that house and another man sold stock, and that their petition with 400 names in favor of removal was of more consequence than the petition against removal with 700 names.

The arguments in favor of its remaining where it is are these: It is directly opposite the Town Hall where people from all parts of the town meet for town meetings, lectures, caucuses, library, and where other societies have their rooms, and those who have business at the town hall have only to cross the street to do their postal business.

In addition to all this a printing office has lately been started in the same building that the post office is in and if I should buy all the stock in the Hotel Co. or sell it all, or if I should move my study there, it would not quite prove that the Hotel is the place for the post office.

PROBATE COURT.—At the session of the probate court held at Worcester, on Tuesday, the following business was transacted:—

Wills Proved.—Of Paul Newell of Uxbridge, Mary Newell executrix, valuation of estate \$5000 real; of John Langdon of Brookfield, Sophia Langdon executrix, \$2000 real.

Administrators Appointed.—Sewell Adams on estate of Margaret Adams of Spencer, \$1000 personal; Elizabeth H. Smith on estate of Samuel W. Smith of Oxford, \$3000 real, \$5500 personal.

Guardians of Minors Appointed.—Catherine Barnes of Mary Ann, Louisa, Sibilla E. Catherine A. and Ellen J. Barnes of North Brookfield; Charles Underwood of Juliette Graham of North Brookfield.

Accounts Rendered.—On estates of Nathaniel Bemis of Spencer, Hannah Rice of Oakham.

A Washington dispatch states that it is thought the polygamy problem will soon be settled by the administration. The delegations in the interest of Young in that city, who recently came from Utah, are working with less hope to avert the coming storm.

President Grant has expressed a determination to put an end to Mormon institutions. After the holidays the necessary laws will be presented in congress. Rumors of the impending change of high officials in Utah are current.

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DEPOTICAL.

Times are extremely dull down here at present. Boots are on the sick list, the snow prevents the choppers from entering the woods, the railroad is blocked up so that we have no more than half our share of cars, and business of all description is stagnant.

PAXTON.

THE HAPPY NEW YEAR. As we welcome in the Happy New Year, let us reflect upon the Old Year. How many in our circle of acquaintance is there, that were with us one year ago, who now sleep the sleep that knows no waking until the last Trump shall sound?

change for some other, better suited to them. But they don't like to work at farming, or any other kind of occupation. Why?

The great fault of the shoe business is in the over quantity of workmen who are employed; if some means could be secured, which would prevent their increase, in a score of years the business would revive, so that workmen could find employment the year through.

When the employer thinks that the employee gains a livelihood too easily, and the employee thinks vice versa, the parties considered are apt to get on not over amicable terms, till some arrangement can be made to effect a change in this direction.

But this is a question which has been studied upon from time immemorial, and it seems no nearer a solution, than when the work first began. I hope that ere I have occasion to write again, something will happen to drive these dull thoughts from me.

and live a life that one year from now we shall not be ashamed nor pained to look back upon.

The young people of Paxton who anticipated a good time at the turkey supper, were not to be disappointed, as they hired the Town Hall, Christmas eve, and invited all who wished, a good time to come. The result was a large party, and it was enjoyed, and kept up until a late hour.

A certain society in our town held its annual meeting last Tuesday evening, for the election of officers, and other business. Now the members of said society are much divided in their opinions.

By Golly, Bill, he's right! Up jumped the rival orator, who proved in burning passionate language that the same persons were the most arrant knaves and scoundrels on the face of the earth.

The Providence and Worcester Railroad Company has begun running trains upon the new road and Albany Railroad.

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The English papers call the steam whistle, the American "devil". We know better...

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A large number of the friends of the Rev. R. B. Bull of West Brookfield visited the parsonage...

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If the war between North and South, Spencer's gallant sons were ready and eager to take their part in the grand contest for freedom. Among the first volunteers was Stephen X. He left behind him all that could make life dear, the beautiful maiden who had promised to be his wife, and the prospect of a more than earthly prosperous voyage on the ocean of life. Materialists are continually dining it into our ears that the age of heroism is over, but we question if ever a maiden in imperial Rome displayed more courage and fortitude than this dear little maiden who has lived through all her life. Crushing back the tears which welled up in her almost breaking heart, she buckled on her lover's armor, strapped his knapsack, and bade him farewell without a tear. After the beautiful chafin of a bygone age, they had together broken a ring, and vowed to keep their respective pieces till death or victory should bring him to her side again.

On the battle-field Stephen bore himself as became a soldier of that grand old race which never bred a coward yet, and, please God, never sheds a tear in the hottest of the fight, though often defeated, yet always undaunted; he won his way to a captaincy in less than ten months. Among the bravest where all were brave, he quickly made himself conspicuous for his skill as a leader in fighting parties. One memorable day, he and his party returned for enough to ascertain the exact position and strength of the Southern army, and were hurrying back to camp with the welcome news. Just as all danger appeared to be over, Jackson's ubiquitous cavalry suddenly swept down upon them, and in a moment they were prisoners. Into the filthy dungeons which Southern cruelty had prepared they were thrust, to die of torture or starvation. Only five of the ten survived that terrible captivity of eighteen months, and our hero was one of them.

Reduced to a mere skeleton and hardly able to crawl, he yet again volunteered, and bore a noble part in that splendid series of victories which ended in the surrender of the Southern army, and then quickly hastened home to embrace the bride who had loved him so long and so well.

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COLD WEATHER IN OLD TIMES.—A correspondent of the New York Post sends the following extracts from an old journal: "The winter of 1770-80 was, in America, the severest that had been known since 1741. From November 25, to the middle of March the cold was severe and almost uninterrupted. Mean temperatures for January at sunrise, 4 degrees; almost 20 degrees below the temperature of the same month in ordinary winters."

Not only the rivers, but the harbors and bays in the United States, as far south as Virginia, were fast bound with ice. London's ships passed from Staten Island to New York city. The Sound, between Long Island and the main land, was frozen over, forming a solid highway, where it was several miles in length. Chesapeake Bay at Annapolis, where it is five and a half miles wide, was fast closed, and the birds that winter North, as robins, quails, etc., almost all perished; and in the succeeding spring a few spring warblers only were heard in our groves.

On the 19th of May, 1780, occurred a day of singular darkness in New England, and it was perceived as far south as New Jersey. The heavens were obscured with a vapor or cloud of yellow or fine red. The clouds which occasioned the principal darkness passed over Connecticut about 10 o'clock, and in an hour or two were again over the State. In the greatest obscurity a candle was necessary to enable persons to read. For some days before the atmosphere was filled with vapor.

The following summer was hot. At Hartford, July 8, the thermometer at 3 P. M. at 81.2—two degrees higher than it had been since 1772. Formerly, 1780 was the most unusually cold than in 1780, but during some parts of the winter the cold was intense. The following was the state of the thermometer at Hartford: February 10, 1783, 19 degrees below zero; Feb. 13, 14th, 12; 15, 13; 16, 15; 17, 14; 18, 15; 19, 16; 20, 15; 21, 16; 22, 15; 23, 16; 24, 15; 25, 16; 26, 15; 27, 16; 28, 15; 29, 16; 30, 15. The snow was nearly four feet deep along the Atlantic coast, for at least three months.

The winter was severe in Europe also, and on the 14th of January the mercury at Glasgow fell to 40 degrees below zero. The heat of some parts of the preceding summer in America was extreme.

Constable Dedman's Trap

Constable Dedman of our town is a most excellent man. He invariably speaks the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. (Ours, though, now) last week there was quite a crowd congregated in the village store, and our constable was there to see, as he stated, that no overt act was committed.

After the usual topics of discussion had been gone over, and Deacon Simon's wedding, and Joel Bankins' new horse, had had their share of criticism, the conversation drifted to the marvelous sizes and weights of the fruit and vegetables, which each one had grown the past season. Old Dan Turner stated, that one of his potatoes measured three feet in inches in circumference, and Joe Smith stoutly averred that one of his Bartlett pears weighed three pounds and a half. The constable listened to these stories with evident skepticism, not that he entirely disbelieved the narrators, but he thought there must be a miscalculation somewhere. However, he was determined not to be outdone.

"Well," said he, "the summer of 1860 was the wettest that was ever known. It rained every day

and all day, till nothing would grow but cabbages and turnips. But the turnips beat all that ever I did see. Many of them were so large that we were compelled to cut them into several pieces, before we could get them into the cart. One tremendous fellow defied all our efforts, and we left it in the field. Fortunately the winter was a mild one. We turned two farrow cubs into the lot, and before the snow came, they had eaten their way into the turnip, and they lived comfortably in it all the winter.

The general quietness which now pervades the boot shops in the town, was rudely disturbed yesterday morning by the entrance of one of the employes cursing and swearing to himself like a madman. After a while one of his mates soothingly enquired what the trouble was; in a voice almost choked by intense emotion, he exclaimed: "My cursed fool of a brother has been and gone and got married!"

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The ceremony of dedicating the Masonic Hall, constituting a new Lodge, and installation of officers, took place in the Town Hall, Tuesday afternoon and evening. Several of the leading members of the Grand Lodge from Boston were in attendance, and performed the duties incident to the occasion. The dedication of the Lodge took place in the afternoon, and the installation of officers occurred during the evening. It was evident that no pains had been spared by the members of the Lodge to have the arrangements made befitting the occasion, as everything had been prepared to make the proceedings interesting and impressive. The oratorics were not only impressive but instructive, and those unacquainted with the object of true Masonry could not fail to see that a Mason who lives up to his obligations must guard his walks of life carefully, and lead a life of sobriety and usefulness.

The 4th lecture of the Y. M. C. A. course was delivered Tuesday evening, 8th inst., by Wendell Phillips, his subject was as had been announced, a reply to the lectures delivered in our large cities by the English historian, Froude. The Town-Hall was well filled, the audience being much larger than at any previous lecture of the course. The lecture was historical, Mr. Phillips naming English authors as authority in support of his statements.

The 5th lecture of the Course, will be delivered in the Town-Hall, Monday evening, 13th inst., by Rev. Henry Morgan of Morgan Chapel, Boston. Subject: "Why men don't marry? How some act who do?" This lecture is the most attractive of Mr. Morgan's whole course of lectures. Woman haters are anxious to know what can be said about female extravagance, young men want to know why in the world men don't propose? And we advise all who want a rich literary treat, to hear this lecture. Wendell Phillips says: "Mr. Morgan is a wide awake speaker, and has no sleepy listeners, as he is forceable in delivery and instructive."

Is there not energy enough among the young men of Spencer, to organize a good Cornet Band? A band is as necessary as a tax collector, and if one like the clock and pendulum can't work without the other, they should both go together. An appropriation of a few dollars, towards organizing a band, would be trifling compared to the benefit, pleasure and credit of having such an institution. We learn that there are now in the hands of the town authorities, several good instruments, and all that is needed is skill and wind to blow them.

Stars are numerous these icy times. Small-pox has subsided in East Brookfield. A good piano is offered for sale in our advertising columns.

Our lamp-lighter rejoices these moonlight nights. The rain has removed some of the surplus snow but we have yet sufficient for good sleighing. Dr. Barton has made quite an improvement in his dental rooms, making them more airy and commodious.

Prof. Smith advertises to lecture and exhibit a valuable collection of Casts and Drawings at Brookfield, on Friday afternoon and evening. Mr. L. F. Sumner is thoroughly renovating the interior of his apothecary store, making it much more convenient than heretofore. Several of the young men of Spencer, organized a Debating Society last evening. The meetings are to be held in the High School room. Initiation fee 50 cts. Mr. Wm. Barr received a handsome Christmas present, in the shape of a neatly painted sign. It was presented by his brother in New York City.

It is rumored that Mr. Patrick Wilby has discovered a gold mine on his premises. Mr. W. has not made the discovery public himself, and will probably dig the gold on his own hook. Debating has subsided somewhat at the Spencer House, whether for want of subjects or debaters we are not informed. Upon a discussion of the Stokes case, it was decided in favor of the Horse Powder man, that Stokes will not be hung.

Several persons from Spencer visited Podunk pond yesterday on a fishing trip. It is said they were very successful having caught quite a number fine pickersel. We cannot however, vouch for the truth of the statement, as none were passed in for our inspection. 'PROBATE COURT—CHAPIN, J.—At the session of the probate court, held in Worcester Tuesday, the following business was transacted: **Wills Proved.**—Of Levi Ladd of Sturbridge, Noah D. Ladd, executor, valuation of estate, \$750 personal; of Oliver C. Howe of Brookfield, George W. Johnson, executor, \$800 real, \$11,000 personal. **Administrators Appointed.**—J. C. Black on estate of A. J. Roberts of Franklin Smith, Jr. on estate of Franklin Smith of Spencer, \$7500 personal; Franklin Smith, on estate of Clarissa Smith of Charlton, \$200 personal. **Accounts Rendered.**—Nancy Baldwin of Spencer; Silas Gleason of Leicester; Louisa F. Nichols of Sturbridge; Jedediah Green of Rutland.

The Grand Army Boys will commence on the 20th, to play a brilliant War Drama, entitled "The Southern Unionist's or the Dutch Reclaim," for the benefit of their charity fund.

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Washburn's Last Sensation give an exhibition in the Town-Hall, Thursday evening January 17. This company is said to include some of the best performers in the country and wherever it has exhibited, has been highly eulogized by the press and public. The Elmira daily press speaks of the exhibition as follows: "Another big house greeted the variety show at the Opera-House, last evening. Leon Washburn was good as ever on the light and heavy balancing, the brothers were huge in their two comies, positively unapproachable in their Olympian games; Washburn was unexcelled as a contortionist; little Lillie Washburn sang like a bird, and the rest of the performances dovetailed in to keeping the house in the best of humor. "Shy and Daily doing the negro extravaganza until the audience was in an uproar of laughter. Washburn's show drives away the blues and tickles everybody, in spite of the cold weather."

The store occupied by L. A. Eddy, jeweler, and S. M. Penman, groceries, at West Brookfield, was broken into on Saturday night, 4th inst., and about \$50 stolen. Forty dollars were taken from Mr. Penman. The robbery was apparently the work of boys.

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opens the new year with articles from some of the most eminent writers in the country. In the first number Rev. W. H. H. Murray furnishes the first of twelve articles from his pen. It is entitled "A Free Pulpit a Pulpit of Power." In the Sabbath School column Dr. Foot has comments every week on the Union Lessons, and thousands will regard these alone as worth the cost of the paper. Mrs. J. D. Crutcher, who interests all classes of readers, will furnish one of her popular sketches every month. A series of twelve articles from as many of the most distinguished clergymen in England, such as Dean Stanley and Dr. Henry, will be commenced next week. Rev. HORACE J. K. Fiske publishes letters from abroad once in two weeks. An attractive Agricultural column is edited by James F. C. Hines. Besides our usual Children's Department we publish this year one or more articles every week in large type for the youngest. Our Washington letter every week, though only a column long it reads with great interest and comes to you like a familiar talk about events at the Capitol. If you wish to know what is going on at the East, in New York, in the Interior or at the West, take the Congregationalist. Our news department, both secular and religious, and the literary part of the Congregationalist, are more full and complete than those of any other religious paper, and we aim to make the most interesting, instructive and valuable religious journals for the family. Every new subscriber gets a beautiful chromo—number. Forty columns of reading matter a week. Price \$2 a year. Sent to subscribers of any denomination, without charge, for 25 cts.

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**SCHOOLS.**  
Mr. Norton.—Your correspondent "B." seems to have a curious idea of "our High School in the Sun." The weather has not permitted us to make many observations on the Sun for the past two or three weeks, but I think that no one has said anything about scholars going to any such a place. B. doesn't seem to make both ends of his argument meet very well. After condemning the method of examining on slips of paper—"varying in size"—for entrance into the High School, he recommends the common school to employ this same method at their examinations. As to a scholar's answers; whether they are written or verbal can make but very little difference, for if a pupil is unable to write what he thinks of the twenty simple questions, proposed at the examinations, he is incompetent to enter, and should be advised to attend common school a while longer. If a scholar is old enough to "think the committee want the answer in a systematic manner," he should have sufficient intellect and confidence in himself, to say what he knows about a question. I myself say that the fault belongs in part to the common schools, but not in their examinations. When we get so that we can give our A. B. C. scholars a written examination, we shall have no need of high schools, for ere children learn to write before they can read, there must be a complete revolution in our system of teaching.  
As to poor teachers they are a nuisance; but if a child knows enough to learn and wants to learn, he can, whether his teacher has a good supply of wit or not. But there is not a teacher in town who is not capable of teaching the scholars who are at present under his care, so that though our system of education may not be the best in the world, we have no just cause to complain. The greatest fault of our common schools is this: The pupils are not kept in them half long enough. Within the last five or ten years it has become quite fashionable to go to high school just for the name of it, and a great many who attempt to enter are obliged to try another term, at common school but at the next trial they meet with no better success. After having one trial, one ought to become acquainted with the nature of the questions, and of the system, by which they are to be answered, so that while attending common school he can profit by his experience, and better prepare himself for the future. But this is not the case, he complains that he didn't understand this, and that he didn't know that; that the questions were not legible, or that he didn't have time to answer. Folks who have tried and succeeded, make no such complaints, and if folks who do not succeed will speak up and say, "Look where, you, I can't read this question," he will soon have matters made straight, so that he can go on with a clear head. If a boy expects ever to be a great man or a learned scholar, he has got to try for it; he will make but slow progress, if he follows a quite common rule; that of going to dream of it. I have tried this rule for the last ten years, and I have just arrived at the above conclusion. for I am

**PAXTON.**  
Another week has passed and Paxton is the same, not much news and few changes, and we feel thankful for the even tenor of our ways. There are many changes in this life, and many changes leaves us less satisfied with ourselves than we were before.  
The Y. M. C. Association, has disbanded, and another has been started with a temporary clause in the constitution, and some other minor changes. We hope the new Association will be more successful than the old one. There was nearly seventy members in the old association, but all the real working members have joined the new one. They have as yet only eight members, but I presume will grow fast in numbers and in good works.  
Some evil disposed persons have been injuring an unoccupied house in the western part of the town, and a reward has been offered for their apprehension; truly such persons ought to be brought to justice.  
N. E. W.  
**NEW BRAintree.**  
Everything is quiet along the line of New Braintree just now. The Christmas Ball passed off very, I was going to say pleasantly, but guess I will not say so, for there was some pulling hair, and one fellow was knocked down, and still another one drew his knife and threatened to use it, but concluded not to. Rum was the cause; there were about fifty present.  
The Thief Detecting Society held their annual meeting and supper at the Hotel Wednesday eve, Jan. 1st, here are now about thirty-five members in this town.  
Last Wednesday afternoon I witnessed a sight that was enough to make the most hard-hearted, melt with pity for that most noble of animals, the horse, it was this: Two drunken foreigners from an adjoining town started for this place with a very small horse, (one not estimated to weigh over 750) and notwithstanding the deep snow and hard travelling drove it here, a distance of five miles as quick as a whip could make him come; they drove in front of the Hotel, alighted, and went in, leaving their horse standing in the cold with the sweat pouring off in streams. I never saw a horse in any of our trotting parks, sweat so bad after a race. After standing there a short time, it was nearly covered with icicles. What are our laws for cruelty to animals? and where are the officers to put them in force?  
Two young men leave here this week for Poughkeepsie, New York, to attend Eastman's Commercial College; more intended to go, but for reasons unknown did not. Frank H. Whipple and George Harrington are the two who went.  
CROAKING JIM.  
By the recently published census report of pauperism and crime, it appears that during the year ending June 1, 1870, in the U. S., 116,102 paupers were supported, at \$10,930,529; within the same period and the same limits 36,562 criminals were convicted.  
Don't begrudge to your wife your property, on condition that she remains a widow. James Gordon Bennett is provided for his wife and his will in that respect is set aside, it being judicially decided as null and void, as opposed to public policy and making restraints on marriage.

**THE GRAYTON'S ANNIVERSARY.**—The members of the Grayton Literary Association with their ladies and friends met at the rooms of the association, which had been fully decorated for the occasion, last evening, and passed a most enjoyable social evening, the pleasure of which were enhanced by an excellently served supper, and a nicely managed ball.  
The after-dinner exercises were introduced by Mr. J. P. Kelley, the President of the Association, who extended a hearty given welcome to the association's guests, and announced as Toastmaster, Mr. Andrew H. Sinton. The toasts and sentiments were happy and varied. Mr. J. J. O'Gorman responded to "The United States," Mr. J. M. Moore to "Henry Grattan" and Mr. W. M. E. Mellen to "Education." Pithy speeches were made by Messrs. M. J. T. McCaffery and James Purcell on toasts to "Ireland" and "Absent members." Mr. J. L. Murphy, of the American Order of Hibernians, spoke for "Water Societies," and T. Edward Murry gracefully acknowledged the compliment always given "The Ladies." Letters of congratulation from Rev. Bishop O'Reilly and His Honor Mayor Verry, were read in reply to toasts in honor of "The Clergy" and "Worcester."  
The programme was varied with well given songs by Messrs. J. J. McCaffery, J. M. Power, Maurice Clare, James Kelley, and M. J. P. McCaffery. Mr. Flood, President of the Shield Literary Institute of Randolph, honored a call with a very neat song.  
The dancing with which the evening's enjoyment was crowned, was given over only when a late hour and the last number of the "order" were reached, and even then with regret.  
Worcester Gazette.

**BUTCHERING RECIPES.**  
As almost every family, at least in the "country," kill one or more hogs every fall or winter, they invariably make "sausages," "scotch," "sausage," and sometimes "head cheese." Most families understand how to manufacture pretty thoroughly, but others do not, and produce anything but palatable articles. If made, however, after the following recipes I think they will have no reason to complain.  
**SALISBURY.**  
To eight pounds finely chopped pork, two pounds of beef, put four ounces of salt nearly two ounces of pepper, one tablespoonful of ground cloves, one ounce of sage. Some like a dash of cayenne pepper, and others again a little garlic.  
**SCRAPPLE.**  
Take a hog's liver, lights, heart, tongue and the head, except the jaws and offal pieces, both lean and fat, from other parts of the animal; boil them thoroughly in a small quantity of water, chop all pretty fine, after taken out the liquor; season as for sausage; then return to the pot, thickening the whole with one half buckwheat meal and one half corn meal, so that it will be about the consistency of Indian meal; let it boil gently for half an hour, then pour in pans to cool; slice it and fry it in its own fat. It is far better than what is commonly called "liver pudding."  
**HEAD CHEESE.**  
Boil in water somewhat salted, the ears, skin, feet and a proportion of the sides of hogs, till the meat drops off of the flesh is quite soft. Take out and chop not so fine as for sausage; season with pepper, salt, cloves and herbs; mix well together and put in a pot or vessel with a weight on it. When needed it can be cut in slices and eaten cold.  
**SOUR.**  
Boil the feet of hogs till the bones come out easily, and remove them, put them in a pot with pepper, salt and cloves or all spices, and cover with vinegar. It is eaten cold.  
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The sun goes down drearily over my humble Kentucky home—it slides down the cold Western sky and sets under the darkest clouds. How like our fate! The Democratic sun is well enuff in the East, at Baltimore, last summer, but its setting in November wuz cold and cheerless. That "cussid nigger Lubbock is yet Postmaster at the Corners, and I—alas I am boarlin on promises to day, and am exposed to the jeers and jibes with alluz foller impudently.

One bric streak uv sunshine has fallen onto us—one only. The proposition uv that noblest Roman uv all, Senator Sumner, to cease the unpleasantness from the battle-flags uv the Federal Regiments, and from the Army Register ez well, that the South may be no longer humiliated by being reminded uv its defeat appeals to my sensibilities and gives me new faith in humanity. There is yet balm in Gilead—Kentucky is not entirely deserted.

Ez good ez Senator Sumner's proposition is, it is not enuff. Kentucky accepts it only ez a step in the rite direction, not ez a ultimate, for with this proposition the work uv reconciliation is only half done. We demand more at him. We are a sensitive, high-toned, proud and heavy people. We demand in addition to the erasin uv names uv the battles from the battle-flags and Army Register, the follerin:

1. That from this time henceforward and forever, no man either in print or speech, shall be allowed to mention the name uv any battle in which our fellow citizens uv the South wuz whaled, and any man who uv it shall be arrested, taken afore a nearest judge uv the peace, and, upon conviction, shall be imprisoned in the penitentiary uv the State in which the offense wuz committed for life.

2. That Lookout Mountain, South Mountain, Kepesaw Mites, Mission Ridge, and other elevations on which our brave and abivertin fellow citizens uv the South wuz whaled, shall be leveled off at the expense uv the government, and all valleys where similar struggles ensued shall be filled up.

3. That the monuments at Gettysburg, and all monuments in cities, towns, and villages perpetuating the memory uv the struggle, shall be impitly blowed up.

4. That the names uv towns where such struggles wuz held shall be changed to such peace-ugestin names ez Jonesville, Smithboro, et setry, and where the name uv a river sejects unpleasant recollections to our fellow citizens uv the South, the name uv sich river shall be changed by act uv Congress.

5. That the head-stones uv Federal soldiers in the so-called Nashville Cemeteries at Gettysburg and elsewhere shall be torn up, and the graves plowed over to restore the ground to its normal smoothness, and that no mother, father, son or brother, or other relative uv any Federal soldier who fell in these battles and wuz therein buried, shall be allowed to visit set ground on any pretext. And ez said ground is Government property, that it shall be sold to the highest bidder, and the proceeds thereof paid into the National treasury.

6. That the Asylums for disabled Federal soldiers at Dayton, Ohio, and elsewhere and all State Asylums for the children uv Federal soldiers shall be immediately closed, the occupants turned out, the property sold, and the proceeds thereof paid into the Treasury uv the National Government.

7. That all cannon, flag, and such taken from our fellow citizens uv the South in battle, and now kept ez trophies shall be to-wunst destroyed.

8. That the pensions now paid to disabled Federal soldiers shall cease, or if they be continued, that such pensions shall be paid to the confederate soldiers. In case the latter is did, that the pensions shall be paid "for services to the Government." (The latter course wud cost the factor ez I chud draw two pensions for service in both armies)

9. That no man allow himself to be called "Captain," "Major," "Kernel," or any other military title, becoz uv partisanship in the late struggle; and titles allowable only to him who wuz em in a melishy servis, or in wars previous to 1861.

10. That all discussions in Congress the word "Rebellion" shall not be uttered; but when allusion to it is unavoidable, the term late insurrection, shall be used.

11. That all Federal soldiers who lost legs or arms in the late war, shall invariably swear that they wuz taken off in thrashin meashens.

12. That Fourth of July orators shall draw all allusions to our military glory from the two wars with Great Britain and the Mexican war.

13. That no Federal soldier or officer shall be eligible to any office; his participation therein being such uv which he no call to be proud, on the contrary, quite the reverse, and also ez it wud tend to keep alive a memory of an unpleasantness to us.

14. That such songs ez "Tramp, tramp, tramp the boys is marching," be prohibited under the penalty uv death for the first offense, and ten years in the penitentiary for each succeeding infraction.

15. That the color uv the army uniform, be changed from blood rich to distasteful, to purple or some color wich bez no unpleasant suggestions.

16. That such officers in the regular army ez held positions therein in the unfortunate struggle, be dismissed to-wunst, and their places supplied by others whose names will awaken no unpleasant remembrances.

17. That the flag uv what is now our common kentry, be changed to a design that the kentry, as a whole, may approve uv, suchin wich will revive our bitterness in our breast.

18. That by act uv Congress, the people proceed to wunst to forget. These is all I happen to think uv just now, tho it will perhaps be es well for the Government to git into a war with Spain or England ez soon es convenient, to the end uv drownin the memory uv the late war in a fresher one.

Et Congress has the sense to adopt Senator Sumner's proposition, with the additions wich I have suggested, (without wich his is merely soundin brass and tinklin symbols, full uv brass and fury, signifyin nothin.) I am convint it wud go a great way toward restorin peace and harmony in the South. We shall insist on all uv my suggestions. I will not weaken the force uv em by any reference to the post-offs at the Corners, but I will remark that of the Corners is to be consolidated, that nigger Lubbock must not remain. So long ez I am kept in a privit position, so long there will be anger as a smolderin volcano wich may erupt at any time. "A word to the wise," et setry.

PETROLEUM V. NABBY, (wich would like to be Postmaster. Congressmen, like corse are often paired off.

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BROOKFIELD

ITS NEEDS AND A LAUNDRY

Brookfield needs a Laundry. It will be a saving to the people of the village, of thousands of dollars, besides giving them the pleasure of having their linen washed and ironed. It will save these awful "blue Mondays" with the wash-tubs about, and the steam and slops, and scoldings and poor dinners and logging of water and running after washer-women, and most roving of all having them not come, after being engaged, with clothes all in soak, and fire ablaze, and all things ready. Many who now have housemaids could then dispense with them, and their miserable service, and easy talk, and the mistress could at last go out to lecture or to church without asking anybody. O, the glories of being able to get along without having to have a maid to do your work and order you about, and spoil your disposition and your peace, and every twelve months waste half the earnings, and carry off in board and wages three hundred dollars. Fellow citizens, will you start up a Laundry? It can be established and fitted up with machinery for two thousand dollars, five hundred from four persons each or all from one. No two thousand dollars spent in any other business in Brookfield would pay so well and be such a domestic blessing and joy. Indeed it is a sort of necessity; for the girls go into the shops, and have got above doing housework which their mothers used to do, and what they will have to do, should they ever be mothers which forbid, unless they know a little about how to keep house and do the duties of most mothers.

I ask, again, who will start up the Laundry business, and thus do a Christian work, and bless three hundred families and as many bachelors in Brookfield?

A BAKERY

Here comes a Worcester Baker's Cart. What an absurdity! Brookfield to be obliged to look to a city twenty miles off to send their bread and crackers and ginger-snaps. It's a shame, and a crime to be so dependent. It shall not be. Who will put a stop to this nefarious traffic! Who'll build a bakery, and get up in the morning and cooking biscuit, or brown bread, or beans? Only think, to have, as they do in London and Paris and Berlin, and almost every little village and town in all Europe, your hot rolls come in every morning! And then I hope the man who starts a Bakery will make the real "home made bread," without being sour or all "riz" to death. Only in America dare such stuff come from Bakers' shops. The Bakers' yeast is said to have some secret art about it. It is time that art was explained. I know a man, who in a little place of 1800 inhabitants, and not more than 800 of these in the village, has made a fortune and retired, in making bread and crackers. His business is now doubled, and his carts drives as near us as North Brookfield. There could be no risk at all in starting this business, only let it be in the right hands; and it would need about the same capital as the Laundry business, and ten towns around could be secured to patronize it. I have reason to think that money could be loaned if good responsible parties should start the Bakery or the Laundry business in Brookfield.

Begin to follow my propositions of last week. Five minutes ago, the first order to put up a lamp post was made. O. F. Eaton, Esq., not a householder, but a householder, a

public spirited man, makes the offer, and as soon as old Jack Frost will let him he is going to enlighten one little spot in the village. Where it will be I do not know; but will guess that it is going to stand near the Unitarian parsonage. Who comes next? Let all orders go in at once, and show our neighbors that we are bound to make our light shine in the darkest times. No gas is needed. There are lamps and oil that can be arranged to burn any length of time, and then shut their eyes without personal help. By and by they will be so that no one will be needed to light them. You think I am gassing but it is not so. Now let your light so shine that men may see your good works.

ICE BUSINESS

Daniel Williams has gone into the ice business. The building to contain his ice has been erected, and filled with seven hundred tons of splendid ice a foot and a half thick. He will sell at the most reasonable prices, and will keep a quantity on hand in the village for special purposes. It is to be hoped that the citizens will patronize their fellow townsman, who is bound to do the right thing by all customers. He has leased the building for five years, and will supply Brookfield including the East Village, and probably parts of North Brookfield. It is a hopeful sign when our people attempt to supply their own needs in all such matters. Parties who have not already engaged their ice for the year are invited to do so at an early date.

PROF. SMITH'S LECTURES

These lectures are to be given Friday afternoon and evening, Jan. 24, by Prof. Smith, general Superintendent of Drawing in the State. He is employed by the School Committee of Brookfield, but nothing is charged for his personal services, except expenses attending the exhibition. They will be of great service to all school teachers, and to the committees in awakening an interest in an important branch of education. I have had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Smith a little, through an acquaintance formed during two trips across the Atlantic. He gave me an introduction to the House of Lords and Parliament in London. I can assure all that he is a gentleman of fine culture and will please.

A friend sends us the following clipping, which may be interesting to some of our Brookfield readers:

A BROOKFIELD NEWSPAPER.—Messrs. G. and C. Merriam have presented to the city library of Springfield, for preservation a thin folio volume containing numbers of the Political Repository, or Farmer's Journal, published in Brookfield, Worcester county, by their ancestor and relative (father and uncle), E. Merriam and Co. These numbers bear date 1799, 1800 and 1801, and their contents carry one back with vivid impressions to the events of that period. One of them contains one of Bonaparte's famous proclamations of the time, dated Alexandria, 27th, Thermidor, and addressed to "Citizen Directors."

Another from Massena, Zurich, Oct. 9, 1799, and to the same then ruling power of France. Another has Thomas Jefferson's inaugural, then just delivered. Another announces the death of Washington, the paper clothed in mourning, a coffin, names and positions of pall-bearers, and an announcement of the effect of the tidings through the land. The latest dates from Europe are six weeks old, from New York about one week, and from Washington two. Chief Strong was made Governor of Massachusetts, Micah Stone had just been ordained at Brook

field, and the whole aspect of the world, domestic and foreign, is such as presented itself seventy-five years ago. E. Merriam & Co. were graduates of the Worcester Spy office, which, then controlled by Isaiah Thomas, became, in this sense, the progenitor of many other influential journals. Brookfield was then the town of preeminent importance between Worcester and the Connecticut river, being a noted resting point for the stage-coach, then the only public means of passenger transit, and having early drawn settlement to its fertile plains, and the margin of its ponds and streams, ready prepared by previous Indian cultivation. What are now the four Brookfields, then constituted one township, West Brookfield being the first parish, and the town as a whole, being scarcely less distinguished for its celebrities than Worcester itself. Among them are Dwight Foster, representative and senator in congress and chief justice of the court of common pleas; Jabez Upham, representative in congress; Judge Dorr, of the court of common pleas; Judge Piny Merrick; the Draper family, long and widely known—one of the sons of which subsequently developed into collector of the port of New York, and another United States consul at Paris; the Bannister family, the Buggies, the Walker family, from which have sprung General Francis Walker, the present accomplished superintendent of the United States census, and his father, Amasa Walker, the well-known writer on political economy. "These attractions and this position of importance of Brookfield, first drew thither the young graduates from the Worcester printing office, and led to the establishment in the last century, of the "Political Repository."

Rev. A. J. Rich will preach next Sunday morning, on the "Prayer Gauge," and in the evening on Napoleon the III.

NORTH BROOKFIELD

Last Sunday evening an immense audience crowded the Union Orthodox church, filling aisles and galleries, to listen to a memorial discourse from Rev. A. J. Rich, the Unitarian pastor of Brookfield, on the death of Frederick Stoddard, a young man who had been clerk in the Bartlett's shop for four years. The discourse was extensive, and exceedingly Catholic, liberal and Christian, and was listened to, to its close with marked attention. This is the first time that Unitarian has ever been permitted to preach in a church in the town. There are many liberal thinkers in this town, and it is to be hoped that, ere long a society of that order will be established. The Union church itself, were it not for a comparatively few, would doubtless be glad to change the church into what it was really designed to be, a liberal church of the world moves.

Levi Davis, Geo. E. Forbes and Geo. L. Twitchell, are spending a few weeks on a business trip out west. Mr. Twitchell is expected home this week.

The deaths in North Brookfield for 1872 were 133, more than double that of former years, 75 of which were under five years.

One of the prosecuting counsel in the Stokes case states that it would be very difficult to have a stay of proceedings, and there would be even greater difficulty in the prisoner being able to secure a new trial.

WEST BROOKFIELD.

It is about time that this town had a little more sunshine, to thaw out the energies of its business men. This is one of the finest localities in the State for business; there ought to be a move by the Real Estate owners to secure a few live business men; men who can move more than once a year, and know how to make the fur fly. We have a few such, but they are like hens teeth, few, and far between. It is to be hoped that the energy displayed by the SDX may wake up our people.

The M. E. Church here needs a new and modern edifice, the congregation and membership has greatly increased during the past year, fifteen were received last Sabbath and one baptised on Christmas eve, the friends presented their Pastor \$35 in cash with other presents.

The Congregational Church here needs remodeling. It has one of the largest memberships in the State, but unhappy dissension exist, which should be healed.

There is to be a lecture in the Town Hall on Tuesday evening, Jan. 21st. By Hon. I. S. Diehl A. M. an Oriental and Bible Lands. This is a time for Sleigh Rides and Balls, and the young people seem to make the most of it.

If you have any influence with the Editor of the Springfield Republican, please try and save him from becoming a monomaniac on credit Mobilier he has really gone mad.

We beg to differ with our correspondent. The Republican is doing a good work in the credit Mobilier matter. We say, "show em up."

NEW BRAINTREE.

The long talked of sleigh-ride came off last Wednesday. On Monday invitations were issued throughout the town, for all those wishing to attend a sleigh-ride to meet at the Hotel at ten o'clock Wednesday morning. Tuesday "there was hurrying to and fro" and many an anxious heart was made glad, by the little word yes, uttered by maiden fair. Wednesday morning was ushered in, "calm for human hopes," cloudy and frosty, yet at ten, the appointed hour for starting, 13 brave boys drew rein in front of Hotel, each accompanied with lady, and as there are more Jills, than Jacks, in town, some kindly took along more than one. These good men, by the way were married men. (I'm a married man.) Single men seldom have room for more than one, even though their elegant cutter is drawn by a pair. Why is it?

Soon bellingled, ribbons fluttered, eyes sparkled, the word go was given, and a merry party facing southward passed quickly down the hill out of sight, as volutes of Brimfield, where wishing them much joy and a good dinner we will leave them.

It has been remarkably healthy in town during the past year. No death having occurred since last June, perhaps it is owing to our not having any Doctor in town.

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LEICESTER.

The following Officers were installed at the regular meeting of Geo. H. Thomas Post 131, G. A. R. for 1873 at Leicester, Tuesday evening, by A. M. Parker of Worcester. The Post hold their regular meetings on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, in the new Memorial Hall.

Commander, George Mann, Leicester. An. Vice Commanders, Henry Cuyvers, Jr. Vice Commander, John P. Crimmins, Cherry Valley. Adjutant Henry L. Watson, Leicester. Quartermaster, James R. Scott, Leicester. Barragon, Dr. George O. Warner, Leicester.

The following officers have been elected for the ensuing year, for the Leicester National Bank; President, Cheney Hatch; Cashier, D. E. Merriam; Directors, Cheney Hatch, John Woodcock, Hiram Knight, Josiah Greene, Joseph Woodcock, Lora S. Watson, Joshua Mirdock, Dexter Knight, Charles N. Prouty.

Mr. S. S. Wheeler of Leicester, has a dog Jerry that has caught 115 woodchucks the past season, and a poor year for woodchucks, at that. Mr. Wheeler, raised the past season, from three seeds, 567 pounds of squashes; the largest of the number weighing 102 pounds.

A Word from Cackville.

Mr. Editor:—I wish to inform you of a sleigh ride which occurred in the this part of the town called Cackville. The Parents thinking their children needed a little recreation proposed a sleigh ride, the boys being pleased, spoke for their fathers horses—most of them three minutes one, then started for their girl, had good luck in securing them for the coming ride. Five couples started from the little village at half-past five Tuesday evening for North Brookfield, but upon reaching there the horses although fast when they started, showed signs of fatigue. So they proposed to make Mr. Stephen Kempa visit. After so doing they ate a lunch and returned home at an early hour—half past eight, it being a request of their parents that they should return early, on account of ghosts being seen during the past season.

How is that for Cackville?

S. W.

The laugh isn't always at the expense of the State Constables. In New Braintree, Jeremiah Marra had long been suspected of keeping the "critter," but it could not be found. Finally State constable Bush of West Brookfield removed a stone in the cellar wall, and discovered an empty barrel. He said nothing, and went his way; but last Saturday he returned and found the barrel full of rum, which he confiscated after three hours' hard digging, and it now looks as though Jeremiah would soon declare a dividend for the benefit of the State Treasury.

It is edifying to note that Trinity Church Chimes played "Captain Jenks" as one of the melodies with which to assist the old year out and the new year in.

Household.

To Wash Calico.—To prevent discoloration from fading while washing, put a few drops of salt in the water; put the calico in while hot, and leave it till cold. In this way the colors are rendered permanent, and will not fade by subsequent washings.

WHITE SAUCE.—For fish, take a good-sized piece of fresh butter; put on the fire in a perfectly clean small saucepan (a brass pan is best), when the butter is melted stir in two or three tablespoonsful of flour; when thoroughly mixed with the butter add now milk (or cream if wanted rich) stirring all the while till of the proper thickness. Flavor with salt, pepper, a little grated nutmeg, and small pieces of lemon peel; boil it up together. Just before serving add lemon juice to taste, and stir in the yolk of one egg of the fire. Great care is required in stirring in the flour and milk over the fire to prevent lumping.

APPLES AND BREAD PUDDING.—Take three-fourths of a pound of bread crumbs, one and a half pounds of apples, sugar, and butter. Pare and cut the apples as for a pie; put a little butter into a deep dish; then a layer of apples with a little sugar; then a thick layer of bread crumbs; then another layer of apples and sugar and bread crumbs. Lay a few small pieces of butter on the top, and bake it in a moderately hot oven. Cooked rice is a good substitute for bread crumbs.

A woman is said to have come to town at Springfield, Ill., the other day, to buy a lower jaw for her son, who had been blowing down a gun barrel.

SPENCER RETAIL MARKET.

For the week ending Dec. 28, 1872. Flour \$9.50 a \$12.50. Meal \$10.00. Corn \$8.00. Eggs \$10.00. Butter \$15.00. Apples \$2.50 a 4.00. Potatoes \$1.00. Hay \$1.00. Straw \$1.00. Hides \$1.00. Pork \$1.00. Beef \$1.00. Mutton \$1.00. Cattle \$1.00. Sheep \$1.00. Swine \$1.00. Poultry \$1.00. Fish \$1.00. Game \$1.00. Miscellaneous \$1.00.

MARRIED.

In West Brookfield, Jan. 7th, by Rev. H. R. Parsons, Mr. James W. Tyler to Miss Fannie B. Howe, both of West Brookfield.

In Brookfield, at the Unitarian Parsonage, on the 16th inst., by Rev. A. J. Rich, Henry S. Hyde and Mary E. Carter, all of Brookfield.

In Leicester, Jan. 1, by Rev. F. H. Hamilton, Hiram M. Stone of Worcester, to Della B. Bennett of Spencer.

DIED.

In Charlton, Mrs. Sarah B. Parsons, widow of Rev. Isaac Parsons, late of East Natick, Conn., aged 83 years, 8 months.

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A GOLD BRACELET in Spencer; also between the residence of Mr. William Pratt and Cheney Snow's BLACK SMITH. The owner will oblige by leaving the above articles at the Post Office.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has been appointed administrator of the estate of Andrew J. Roberts, late of Spencer, in the County of Worcester, deceased, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bonds, and has directed all persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased, to present the same to him, at his residence, at the office of the undersigned, on or before the 15th day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, and that all persons so presenting the same, shall be paid in full, as soon as the same shall be approved by the court.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. In the County of Worcester, in the County of Worcester, and to any and all other persons claiming any interest in about twenty-five pounds of rum, in one barrel, which by virtue of a warrant issued by me has been seized at the yearling house of said Maria, in said New Braintree, on the 16th day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, the value of which rum, with the reasonable charges thereon, does not, in my opinion, exceed twenty dollars.

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What better keepsake for a mother, Or sister, husband or a brother. It often cheers the broken hearted. Remember the pictures of departed: Memorize pictures for a friend, Which you can keep till time shall end. I copy pictures of all kinds. To suit the taste of many minds. Of friends who now are far away. Or resting in the silent grave. Give me a call without delay. But a little longer I can stay. If you put off some dear one may depart. Without a likeness, and you a broken heart.

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**THOMAS CARLYLE.**  
Almost any winter morning of the last twenty years, between the hours of six and eight, there might have been seen striding at rapid pace along the streets of Chelsea, making his way toward the suburban villas that there intrudes down to country, a man of large head, large body and large limbs, a heavy man in gait, who, old as he is, with very slight attention to the choice of his dress, would be universally regarded as handsome. It is Thomas Carlyle. Rubens would have gloried in him as a model. With grizzled beard, long locks of white hair, shaggy brows overhanging eyes of extraordinary brilliance, a serene and scared face ploughed deep with wrinkles, and stooping a little as he walks, you might think, but for his outre dress, you had before you some magnificent old feudal baron. His coat, large and loose, might fit a giant; and his trousers are two sacks joined at the upper end. At each long stride he disposes of nearly a yard of ground, and he bears in his hand, wherever he strikes the ground as if with a paving runner, something between a stick and the trunk of a tree, a sort of gigantic crotchet, the like of which for size you would hardly find in Tipperary. He has a habit of running out for his morning walk, or an ogre seeking his breakfast.

Without good reason, one would not care to address him as he strides along, but when he does talk, as talk he can in English, French and Latin, words when occasion requires, his voice is grave and sonorous, coming from the recesses of his beard like the growl of a bear from the bush. But his language is simple, his sentences short, and he always speaks his convictions. Like every man who has thoroughly made up his mind, he declares it without circumlocution; but unlike most men, he rarely reasons with those from whom he differs. He is not affable, certainly not of high years. His talk is short, copious and emphatic, and, toward strangers, likely at any moment to suddenly stop. It has been compared not inaptly to the spring of a clock running down.

To analyze or even sketch the character of Carlyle, will not be attempted here. The student who came to London from Crazeputtuck, the loneliest nook in Britain, whom miles northwest of Dunfermline, among the hills and black moorasses, which stretch westward almost to the Irish sea, nearly forty years ago, and in his "Sartor Resartus," upon the homely topic of clothes, brought together much of the deepest speculation, finest poetry, noblest morals, and wildest humor, that this or any other age has produced, and has followed it by other numerous works, pungent strange and brilliant, has not yet found the middle-point place he is to occupy in the literature of England. That his genius will never want ample recognition is certain; but his writings derive so much of their interest from time and manner that it is impossible to predict how they will be relished in the future.

Mr. Carlyle shows his age in mind as much as in body. The strength in both remains unimpaired. But some of the park's indented. He has grown old more rapidly since he reached seventy, in 1839, than during his previous years. But for his first step and active movements he might well be taken to be past fourscore.

**A KEEN REMINDER.**  
I wish you could have known Squire Jonas Lufston—it would help you to appreciate our story. But I'll tell you as near as I can. He was a fat, baby, heavy-bodied man of seventy-five; not enough to own thousands of dollars hidden away in Savings Banks in other States; and mean enough to swear to this return to the Assessors, and to pick up his kindling in the gutters of the Highways. And yet the old rat could be jolly and good-natured; and though slow, in his old age, he was one of the wain sleepers of the church, he could tell, with a gusto, of the mad passions which he had cut in his youth. He still practiced in the courts, and held great honor in being the oldest living member of the Dunlap County Bar. Easy, he still practiced in the courts, but his business was confined to looking after the real estate and probate interests of his clients.

Billy Walton kept the largest of our village stores. He was a young man just entering upon the active business of life, and from his father, who had kept store before him, he had inherited good business capacity, and had also learned many of the tricks of trade. And among other things, he had learned exactly how to estimate the value of Squire Lufston's contents. As Lufston had done in the time of the elder Walton, so he continued to do unto the latter. He would enter the store and salute the proprietor and his customers as a self-satisfied father might greet his child-in-law. Then he would get off an old joke, and expand upon the real outside and inside interests of his clients.

At length the day of the Presidential election arrived, and among the first at the polls was Squire Lufston. He was an ardent party man, of the old Hartford Convention stamp, and believed in doing his whole duty to his country. As he was about to deposit his vote he was interrupted by a preceptor voice—  
"I challenge Squire Lufston's vote!"  
He looked up and beheld Billy Walton standing by the side of the Selector who had charge of the ballot-box.

"Challenge my vote?" he gasped, completely flabbergasted by the audacity and the audacity of the thing.  
"Yes, sir," said Billy, "I challenge your vote."  
"Wh-wh-what d'ye mean?"  
"I challenge the right of a Pauper to vote."  
Lufston thought he saw a joke, and he tried to laugh, but Billy cut him short with—  
"Squire Lufston, you are a Town Pauper by your own act and choice. At sundry times during the past year I have furnished you with the means of subsistence, and at your own request have charged the same to the Town. I think that is sufficient to constitute a pauper."

There was hardly a man in the hall who did not at once appreciate the thing, and the uproarious laughing and clapping and clapping told how keenly it was relished. And to keep the old man's voice from being drowned, Billy would gladly have withdrawn his ridiculous charge; but Squire could not stand the press. In the midst of the wild outbreak of the crowd, he fell away, and theSelector on that day was requested one vote less than he might otherwise have been. But the loss to Squire Lufston was healthy one; and he set to the right way, very loving one to the traders of the village.

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TRAILER

Mr. Editor.—I read in a recent number of the Sun a complaint from one who had subscribed for the "Peoples Literary Companion" that they did not receive the "Picture" which was promised by the Agent. I think that we in this vicinity have greater cause for complaint, for we get neither the paper or premium picture, as shown and promised to us by the agents of the aforesaid paper. There are hundreds of us in this vicinity who have paid our money to their authorized agents, and we receive nothing therefor, as set forth by Messrs. E. C. Allen & Co., the Editors and proprietors of the said Literary Companion. I have a receipt which I took of one of the agents which reads as follows: "PROCTORVILLE, April 1st, 1873. Received of S. L. T. the sum of two dollars, in payment for one year, commencing No. 23, March 23rd, 1873. PETER T. BARON, AGT. The holder of this receipt is entitled to receive a copy of the steel engraving entitled "Only a Little Brook" in a frame equally as fine as that carried by the agent. It will be sent by express all charges paid."

On the end of this receipt we read, from E. C. Allen & Co., publishers of "The Peoples Literary Companion Agate Maine." Now why do we not even receive the paper? I have a letter from them in which they acknowledge this Peter T. Baron to be their authorized agent and if they mean business why don't they do as they agree. I am fearful that there is a bug with a hum to it, and hope all will take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Mr. E. C. Allen, the publisher of the "Peoples Literary Companion" Augusta Me., has made a for- tance through advertising and publishing, and is quite competent to carry out his contracts, and we are inclined to believe will do so. If unscrupulous parties take agencies and fail to make proper returns of collections, the publisher has no means of knowing of the fact unless informed by the subscribers themselves. It is evident that the agents throughout this part of the country have swindled the community out of hundreds of dollars, we hear the same complaint of Morrison Kelly the agent in this vicinity. We have before used receipts given him for an engraving, neither of which have been received. We think it is the duty, and it will be the interest of Messrs. E. C. Allen & Co., to thoroughly investigate this matter.

Mr. Editor.—Having been a constant reader of the Spencer Sun since it was first issued, I have noticed that nothing has been said in regard to the village of North Spencer. It is a small village situated in the north-east part of Spencer, about five miles from Spencer village, and three miles from Paxton. It has formerly been quite a thriving place. Some of our most prominent business men commenced manufacturing boots in this little village. And at that time there was a Store Hotel and Post-Office. The Post-Office has been established until recently. The North Spencer mail now comes to Paxton. The only business now carried on is the lumbering business by Mr. L. Thompson. The only Baptist church in Spencer is situated about a mile from North Spencer village near Paxton line; meetings are yet held there during the greater part of the year. There are not a great many young people in the place, and not much for amusement, but there is no

loss without some small gain, for if there are no places of resort we can stay at home and there is nothing to lead us astray. ANONYMOUS.

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**SIMULATED DISEASES.**

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Many great names illustrative of the statement in the text might be mentioned. The plan adopted by Ulysses to avoid leaving his young bride for the war of Troy is familiar to the classical reader. The particular manner in which this royal malingering chose to exhibit his alleged infirmity, and the mode of its detection are pleasing illustrations of the ruse simplicity of early times. The King goes as usual to his agricultural labors, but not as usual like a sober ploughman; he yokes together on the same plough a horse and an ox, and sows his field with salt in the place of corn. With the view of putting to the test his alleged disease, Palamedes places Telemachus in the furrow, before the father, who betrays his sanity by carefully avoiding the infant.

The history of the feigned insanity or idiocy of the elder Brutus, is equally well known, as is that of Amnon the son of David, who "made himself sick" for a more guilty purpose. Charles, Duke of Bourbon, constable of France, wishing to desert to the Emperor, pretended sickness in order to have a pretext for staying behind. (Hume.) In like manner,

"Hotspur's father, old Northumberland, Lay crafty sick."

To avoid the battle of Shrewsbury. Essex, the favorite of Queen Elizabeth, is said to have feigned a violent disease to move her compassion, (it seems hardly possible that anything could excite pity in that stony heart.) Raleigh pretended madness, sickness, and a variety of diseases, to protract his examination, and procure his escape. (Hume.)

Pope Julius III. feigned sickness, to avoid holding a consistory, and that he might give the deceit the greater color of probability, he not only confined himself to his apartment, but changed his usual diet and manner of life, by persisting in this plan; however, he contracted a real disease, of which he died in a few days.

It would be easy to add greatly to the above list from the stores of traditions and authentic history—both ancient and modern.

Abstinence for a great length of time, is something feigned in order to excite public curiosity, and consequently charity, and commiseration. Abstinence beyond a moderate period, is contrary to the usual course of nature, and therefore strong suspicion may always be entertained, when extraordinary fasting is alleged. The most noted imposture of recent times is, that of Ann Moore living in some parish in England, who, according to her own statement, fasted for a period of six years.

Another recent case, is that of the so-called fasting girl, of Wales, whose case has occasionally been alluded to in medical and other Journals. At last accounts, her parents claimed that no food had passed her lips for a period of more than seven months, during which time she has slept, or been in a state of semi-unconsciousness. She has been visited by great numbers of people, and is stated not to have lost any perceptible amount of flesh. In this case the object is undoubtedly pecuniary in character, and no man who has a knowledge of the working of the human system, will credit for an instant any such shallow pretence.

**ANIMALS IN THE STOMACH.**

Mendicants occasionally allege that they have animals in the stomach. Not long since, there was a man in one of our cities, who was remarkably successful in deceiving the public, by pretending that he had such an inhabitant, which he said occasionally

came to his throat—a statement which he attempted to corroborate by making the most frightful grimaces.

It may be mentioned as in some degree illustrative of the means of deception, in such cases, that several years ago, in the Mass. General Hospital in Boston, there was a case under the immediate observation of the writer of this article, of a man who had what is known as Movable Kidney, and who had the power to change the location of the organ at will, and that without making the least apparent effort. It is easy to see that had the patient been so inclined, he might easily imposed upon the ignorant and credulous.

There was also a patient who used to visit the Bennett street Dispensary who was afflicted with partial obstruction of the pyloric orifice of the stomach who had the power of producing the most extraordinary noises in the organ, by throwing the abdominal muscles into strong action. The stomach was undoubtedly enlarged, and generally contained a large amount of air and an immense quantity of liquid, and the sounds were occasioned by the rapid commixture of these fluids of unequal density. A story which never failed to excite much interest in the writers mind when a child, was that told of a man swallowing a small snake while drinking from a brook, and the serpent remaining in the stomach of the individual, and increasing greatly in size, proved a source of much discomfort, and annoyance. It was stated that his appetite could be appeased with nothing but milk, and failing to get this he would ascend the esophagus, and had in consequence, several times come near choking the patient. The improbability of the tale is evident enough.

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**J. P. Walbridge,**  
ARTIST,  
SPENCER, MASS. 13-2w

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To Patrick Courthill of North Brookfield, in the County of Worcester, and to any and all other persons claiming any interest, in about two gallons of whiskey in one keg, about six gallons of gin, and one barrel, which by virtue of a warrant issued by me, have been raised at the dwelling house of said Courthill, in said North Brookfield, on the eighth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, the value of which liquors, with the vessels containing them does not, in my opinion, exceed twenty dollars.

You are hereby required to appear before me, (at a court to be holden,) at my office in Brookfield, in said County, at 10 o'clock, a. m., on the eighth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, to answer to the complaint against said liquors, and the vessels containing them, and for trial, and to show cause, if any you have, why said liquors and the vessels containing them, should not be forfeited for being kept for sale by said Courthill, in violation of the laws of this Commonwealth.

Witness my hand and seal, at Brookfield, this ninth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.  
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Lines to an Absent Sister. Bright shines the sun, filling the earth with its beauty...

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The Tricks of Two School Girls. Ha, ha, ha, and the merry laugh rang through and through the whole house...

While they are enjoying their walk, we will introduce a few persons to the reader. Susie Conway was the only daughter of a wealthy gentleman...

Some fifteen minutes later, you might have seen Susie creep slyly to the bank door to let Trix in...

Miss Conway, till he noticed that a young man of about his own age accompanied her...

While this conversation was going on, the subject of it stood gazing after them, muttering, "Well that's cool. I'm sure, to go walking right before my face..."

"Kate, Kate, where are those two girls?" said Mr. Conway to Kate the servant girl...

"How's father?" Heaven be praised, burst from Kate's lips, "the ghost is gone and so is the smile, just as I told you, but this is the strangest thing ever I seen or heard of..."

"What is that?" exclaimed Fred. "Oh, murder, murder, it's the ghost," said Kate, who was close behind him, as Fred, who was close behind him...

Various were the conjectures of the family in regard to this young gentleman, but they could only elicit the information that he was an intimate friend of Trix's.

Kate went into the kitchen, and aroused the aforesaid Luther, a very sleepy and not overbright individual, who was Jack-of-all-trades...

"Oh, nonsense, Kate, go along and finish your work, and don't be here interrupting me," said Luther, but it was Miss Sue, I see the ghost, I see the ghost, Miss Sue!

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and the ghost was Trix after all, and that handsome fellow was her too! Well I declare, I always thought there was something curious about it, and it is strange, ain't it?"

At this point of the conversation Trix entered saying, "what is it about the ghost that Kate has been telling me of?"

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**NORTH BROOKFIELD.**

**Mr. Edron.**—I noticed in your last issue a complaint or regret that the correspondence from several towns, this one included, was not forthcoming. I am at a loss to know the reason unless the cold weather has frozen them all up. There ought to be sufficient material in a town like this, to furnish a good communication each week for your paper.

Boot and Shoe business has been unusually dull here this season, and there seems to be but little disposition on the part of the manufacturers of this place to resume business to the full extent of their means; owing I suppose to the high price of leather on the one hand, and a reluctance of the buyers to advance the price of goods on the other. One of the greatest wants of this town, it seems to me, is a diversity of business. About the only staple industrial business is boots and shoes; and when this fails as it has for the last year, hundreds who are compelled to live from hand to mouth, and leaving large families to support, are sorely puzzled to procure the actual necessities of life. Ninety-nine out of a hundred of all the business done here is done by the Batcheller's, and when they stop, or run on one-half or two-thirds time, it has a depressing effect on what little other business there is. I am convinced that such an immense establishment as theirs, although employing several hundred hands, and using millions of money annually in their business, is not so productive of good to the community, as the same amount of business, done by as many different firms as there are in your town of Spencer. Having a large and almost unlimited amount of capital, they could, were they so inclined, manufacture goods at such prices as would compel small firms to retire from the field, or to manufacture at little or no profit. But thanks to the Batchellers, they have no disposition to create a wake that shall swamp the smaller crafts, but do an honorable business encouraging others to an honest and profitable competition. Some of our best men in town have been in business with them and retired after a few years with comfortable fortunes, no more to be disturbed by the cares of active busy life, and many others in their employ, have wrought out for themselves and families, comfortable homes, and have laid up something for a rainy day beside. I cannot close this notice of them, and their business without speaking of the liberal manner in which the business of the house is conducted. You can go from cellar to attic, and from the office to the furthest corner of the furthest room without pass-word, grip, or signal,—not a lock on a door except to the outside one and offices, and these are never locked during working hours, you can, by placing your hand on the latch of any door, open it and pass in,—hundreds of happy genial faces greet you, and you feel at once perfectly at home. By this liberality on their part the men in their employ feel that confidence is placed in them for the faithful discharge of their respective duties, and few persons are so reluctant to a sense of their obligations as to take advantage of the responsibility entrusted to them. One good thing this town enjoys over Spencer, is the cash system. Once a month every person knows to a certainty that he is to receive what is due him, not in the form of paper that is to be returned for the course of from three to six months to the office where it originated, but in good honest greenbacks, that are legal tender in any part of the country. I do not know of a single move that

could enhance the value of property and contribute more to the general welfare of the people of Spencer, than that which should strenuously demand and rigidly enforce the cash system. Thousands of dollars are lost every year in Spencer by credit practice. If a merchant finds by careful computation that his average loss per annum is one thousand dollars by bad bills, he sees the necessity of adding another percent, to his goods to pay for this deficiency, and every consumer of whatever articles, of whatever name pays his part towards refunding bad debts. Then again there are in every community, persons so constituted by nature that they cannot resist the temptation to buy many things not actually necessary, because it seems vastly easier to pay a bill three months hence than at the present time. Still another class have all the chance in the world to play false to your merchants, and vendors of all kinds, by representing that they are at work for this or that one, and that they cannot obtain their money under three or six months, when in fact they were known they were receiving it as fast, and perhaps faster than they earned it, thus obtaining goods under false pretenses, which is a crime punishable by law. It is strange that the people of so active and progressive a town as Spencer, are not awake to a sense of the injustice of a system that has been so long observed, and which seems to be the only stigma to a still greater progress.

We are having severe cold weather all through New England, and North Brookfield forms no exception. The North Brookfield Dramatic Association gave an entertainment last Saturday evening at a full house. The play "The Fireman" was well committed, and the parts well sustained. I presume that they will favor us with more plays before the winter is over, for they could have no better approval of their efforts than the well filled house that greeted them. Street Lamps have lately been introduced here, and I must say that I have seen lamps that would give a better light than any of these; but these are better than none, and are to be regarded as a progressive step, and I would be the last one to place even a straw to block or retard the advancing wheel. D. F. M.

On Monday eve, Feb. 3, a large and appreciative audience had the pleasure of listening to a lecture upon the life, writings, and times of Robert Burns, by Hon. Chas. Adams Jr., our much esteemed townsman. The speaker is well read on Scotch history, for which he early imbibed a fondness from his mother, who was of Scotch descent; and being also an admirer of the genius and many good qualities with no disposition however to conceal the weaknesses of the poet. Mr. A. has also travelled in Scotland, and been in the house where Burns died. He made himself very interesting and instructive. The lecture was interspersed with the reading of extracts from Burns by the speaker, and the reading of "Tam O'Shanter," by Mr. J. B. Maxwell, one of Scotia's sons. Burns says "The best laid schemes of mice and men, gang aft agley" and so it proved in the case of two young fellows, named respectively Tuttle and Smith, who had laid their plans to "go through" some of our stores. Tuttle has been employed somewhat by L. Graves, Tinner and Stone dealer in the profession of blacking stoves, thereby gaining some knowledge of the inside fastenings of the doors and windows. Last Friday night was fixed upon by him and his confederate Smith (a painter by trade)

to enter the basement of Mr. Graves' store, the former having left the door unfastened for the purpose. They got into the basement, but finding the trap door in the work-room floor unfastened, concluded to defer further operations till another night. But coming out into the yard, they were seen by a passer-by, which led to the discovery of the plot. They were waited upon at their house; confessed the whole matter, and were escorted to the lock-up by constable Bothwell, who after they had been put under bonds of \$500 each by Justice Duell, committed them to Worcester for safe keeping to await their trial before a higher court. K.

We are not aware that there have been here any occurrences meriting public mention. We are favored with the usual allowance of strolling entertainments, private parties, balls, etc., but with lectures, readings, and literary meetings, we are extremely ill provided. If your Brookfield correspondent will write up this "want" he will touch a topic of general interest.

**WEST BROOKFIELD.**  
**Mr. Edron.**—Your correspondent being about sick with a bad cold, I made up my mind I should not furnish you this week with any copy, but I cannot but mention the success your paper is having in this town. When you first started it, I thought it rather visionary, and I supposed an *eclipse* would darken the *Sun's rays*, as its brilliancy would not shine much out of Spencer, but I am happily disappointed; in our town it takes like "hot cakes," besides the large list of subscribers which come by mail, and the bundle which for the first time came to Mr. Oliver Kendrick,—who keeps all kinds of papers and magazines for sale, at his saloon, which, by the way, is a first-class one, where ladies and gentlemen can get all the "goodies" that any heart can wish or desire, all got up sumptuously, rich, neat, and in "apple pie order."—Mr. K. sold last week the twenty or twenty-five copies of the *Sun* which came in his bundle, in about one hour after receiving them, and had not near a supply. Some dozen ladies wanted copies, but could not obtain them. Now Mr. Editor, if you wish to prosper keep on the right side of "Heaven's best gift to man," I aim to, and the lady may come when your correspondent will pop the "question," but your editor or writer, (I do not know his name,) who was here last week, made it out I was an old man; I forgive him in his mistake even if he has hurt my prospects.

In this conference of 21 churches, the church in this town stands third, in its benevolent contributions, and taking into account the places for this year, it now stands second. There is no busier place in this vicinity than Jackson's coat factory. He has steamed up full time all the fall and winter, and is way behind his orders at that. He cuts 1200 yards cloth per day; makes 100 doz. coats per day. He employs about 120 girls, and 7 or 8 men. His bill for whalebone is about \$100 per day. He sells to the paper mills nearly \$100 per month of paper rags. Mr. Jackson is half the life of our village; he is all business; very generous and liberal to all noble and christain

enterprises; kind and sympathetic to the poor; wants the town to flourish and prosper; if it does not the fault is not his, hope Mr. Editor you will visit his place of business. If you are single, look out, think of it, to be ushered into the presence of 120 girls, all good looking and accomplished. I purpose commencing to give a history of our business, mechanics, and give their peculiar characteristics. Much can be learnt by physiognomy; their temper, disposition, etc. Others who are troubled with *capitis memoriae*, who never remember any thing good of others.

**WIRE VILLAGE.**  
**Mr. Edron.**—Your regular correspondent, being on the delinquent list, permit an irregular hand to report for we must be heard from. You must remember, these are days of delinquencies and derangements. Since the publication of your paper, for instance, Saturday here has been changed to Sunday. True your *Sun* rises on Friday, but we being in the North, don't see it then. Then just think of the mountain barriers of snow. We scarcely have heard the sound of the church-going bell in a month. The snow is a bad conductor of sound; though it has proved an admirable conductor of sleighing parties.

Prof. Tyndal proves, there can be no ice without the *Sun*, and it is certain, there could be no fish without ice, in the ponds this winter. But the more ice and the colder the weather, the warmer the fish are. The musk-rats are not comfortable, evidently as they can't rest 'nights, but are to work, boring holes in the canal that supplies the mills, making us uncomfortable, also by loss of work and wages not to mention bread, which comes of work. Why the musk-rats interfere with the works of man in winter we can't tell, nor can we tell why they do not lay still, like the wise wood-chucks, till the clover comes up in the spring, perhaps they don't care about the clover, but do care for the tender roots, which like to grow in a newly made bank. Speaking of the wise habit of the wood-chuck, laying on fat enough in the summer to serve him for food and clothing all through this long cold winter; leads us to ask why man is not like, wise. As an instance of what man can do, in imitation of the wood-chucks, see the bootmakers. But some men have been laying on fat all their days and keep laying it on without ever laying by. Others have a willingness, but not fat enough to keep warm all spring. We had one man, who years ago tried it most devotedly. Winter after winter he would lay abed night in, day out, till all heat was gone out of body, bones and bed, and having no fire wood out, he rushed out in despair, grabbed the axe, and made through the snow drifts for the nearest apple-tree, cut that and warmed himself once more. He kept this practice up year after year till his orchard disappeared, then he moved away just as a wood-chuck would do. This proves the truth of Darwin's doctrine of evolution, that the lower gives birth to the higher. But for the man to become the quadruped is hard.

See how this truth is manifest in another way. Here we get iron from the mines of Norway and Sweden in rods as thick as a man's finger, we draw it into wire as fine as the hair on a man's head, in the process, water, brimstone, grain, wood and leather is used; muscle is needed, brain is exercised, families supported, children are reared, houses are built, wealth is accumulated, the butcher, the baker come to see us, we get corn from the west, pork, potatoes, beef are consumed by Irish, English, French, the result: the American citizen, gets property, educates his children, goes to church, falls in love with social life in the town center, sells out, goes there, and there goes in for side-walks shade trees, school houses, street crossings and lights.

So mineral forms body, body mind, mind, with the help of the heat waters of the seven mile river, the two Wire Villages is the result of the process and bigger results are expected, but the last quarter of a century's progress is no sure guarantee of such success in the future. Remember the

**NEW BRAINTREE.**  
There has been a singing club organized here, and meets once a week, in the vestry of the First Congregational Church. It is well attended and all seem to enjoy it. Surprise parties are still in vogue, the last being at Luther Crawford's, Tuesday evening. I don't know which were the most surprised, Mr. Crawford, when the party arrived, or the party when they started for home, and found the roads full of snow. I think some of them thought old Boreas was on a bender, before they reached home. CROAKING JIM.

arts of Brookfield, and also Spencer. Sythes, hoes and knives, were made here, some claim the invention of the first boot-peg here, but boot pegging is pushed out is a more important question. We are tempted to mention some of our present needs, but the lengthy list of Brookfield, alarms us in a words, give us fuel (that we must have) and a railroad, and all other things will be added, population, while we are obeying scripture multiplying and replenishing the earth, and working out our salvation by fear and trembling. N. Y.

**BROOKFIELD.**  
**Rev. A. Judson Rich** begins a course of lectures next Sunday evening on "The Best things of Europe." They will be given in the Unitarian lecture room, and will occur each Sunday evening. They will for the most part be extempore, and will be thirty minutes each in length. The remainder of the hour will be largely occupied by the choir. All wishing to hear these lectures would do well to hear the first.

**OXFORD.**  
A correspondent to the *Spy* makes the following explanation to an item published last week: The good name of our town seems to suffer in consequence of the element lately made public that we voted to discontinue our public school rather than to raise a small sum of money to continue them to spring-leave requires a statement of the case. In former years our operations have exceeded our expenditures, and consequently at the commencement of the present year we had an accumulation in the treasury of upwards of sixteen hundred dollars of school money; supposing this money was available to support a deficiency there might be, the sum raised for the present year was down \$500. Now, just as this operation is exhausted, it is found that, sometime, a court decision has been made that all appropriations for schools must be expended in the year in which they are made, that it was impossible to draw upon this surplus fund to continue the schools. Doubt in the minds of people as to the existence and reality of such a decision, together with the fact that a large contingent was appropriated by the town, it was thought could be legally drawn upon by the selectmen to pay all deficiencies, were at the bottom of the action of the town as reported, a narrow-minded, close fisted respecting public education comes a question of red tap.

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The *Boston Journal of Commerce* Says:— "The disgrace of this *Credit Mobilier* proceeding affects the whole country. Perhaps we should be obliged to the originators of this swindling concern that they gave it a French name—one rendered famous by Baron Haussmann's plundering concern in Paris, which worked in connection with the city of Paris as its namesake has done with the national legislators and officials at Washington. They could find no English word with which to christen their fraud. There was no need of their copyrighting their unique title, for they have so covered it with infamy that no party of adventurers will ever attempt to use it again under any circumstances. Still party journals uphold all the delinquents, and either deny that any wrong has been done, or insist that their friends can explain away all the obloquy which attaches to them." They will not believe that their bull has gored the public ox. Whatever delinquency has been committed, the hands of their own political associates are warranted to be white and clean."

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**FEARFUL TRAGEDY IN BOSTON.**  
In Boston, on Bennett street, last Saturday afternoon, a man named Alfred O. Love shot his only child, a little girl, and then shot himself. He was a shiftless, dissolute fellow, whose bad habits had caused a separation from his wife, who appears to be worthy and industrious. He called on his wife Saturday afternoon and found her dressing the child, in preparation for a visit to relatives out of town. The child was taken to the city hospital. She was conscious afterwards but the ball had not been extracted, and the physicians have but slight hopes of her recovery.

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Soft Wood 4.50 a 6.00 Cranberries pk 1.25  
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Butter 50 a 40 New York pk 20 a 35  
Codfish 7 a 8 Candles p lb 14 a 16  
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Raisins 20 a 25 Sugar p lb 12 a 17  
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Died—Oct. 7th, little Freddie Crocker.  
I am all alone in my chamber now,  
Lonely in evening and in day,  
For a little boy with sunny hair,  
Gone to be with me no more.

There on the stand is an empty bed,  
It has been this many a day,  
And a little girl, with a broken wheel,  
And nobody here to play.

There's a little book and a box of toys,  
Shall I get them all out?  
And write in their places, they seem to belong,  
To the little boy that died!

There's a rocking chair beside the wall,  
And a little coat hangs high,  
The last time he wore it, I remember it well,  
He shrouded a joyous good by.

No more shall we hear his happy laugh,  
Or his merry ringing laugh,  
No more shall we see him smiling over,  
Along the grassy path.

No more shall he say, in his childish way,  
A cup of water live—  
No more shall his form be seen on earth,  
He's gone to heaven to live.

be floated down to Saginaw and  
sawed up while it will fetch \$30  
per M. They are beginning to lum-  
ber the hemlock more and more as  
the pine disappears, and it is soon  
to be proved that the hemlock for-  
ests of this state are of more value  
than the pine, the lumber is in  
many respects equal to pine, and  
they have already started a number  
of factories where they manufact-  
ure extracts for tanning purposes  
from the bark and boughs. It is  
mostly shipped to Boston, and the  
manufacturers claim that it is the  
most paying business in Michigan.  
As yet there is no factory in this  
country, but there is a vast amount  
of hemlock, and probably when  
our new railroad is completed,  
some one will take hold of it; but  
this country like all other new  
countries lacks capital; it is most-  
ly settled by poor men, who have  
come here with the view of getting  
land because it can be got cheap,  
by hard and steady work, many of  
them have cleared and fenced their  
land, and have good farms, but  
practice one great mistake, in their  
eagerness to make all they can,  
they keep sowing wheat without  
manuring the land, and the conse-  
quence is, run down farms in a few  
years. By proper farming the soil  
here will raise as large crops as  
any in the United States; but for  
some reason emigrants all rush  
further west, perhaps in riding on  
the railroads through the south  
part of the state, they think the  
whole state is like that part all  
settled up, but it is a mistake, we  
need hundreds here.

Mr. Editor.—There has been a  
Temperance society organized late-  
ly by some members of the Catholic  
church, through the exertion and  
good council of their beloved pastor.  
They have added to their roll quite  
a large number of names and many  
more coming in each week, as they  
hold meetings every Sunday at  
their room in the church vestry.  
Persons taking the total abstinence  
pledge and signing the constitution  
and by-laws, can become members  
of St. Mary's Total Abstinence  
and Benevolent Society. I hope  
I believe it a great work, which  
ought to be encouraged by every  
good citizen; and it is a credit to  
old and young to belong to it. Per-  
sons may spend their days in pleas-  
ure now, but one day all men must  
give an account of their past life,  
and many may overbalance their  
bad deeds, by doing good when  
the opportunity presents itself; a  
person may say now as of old,  
what good shall I do that I may  
have life everlasting. If thou wilt  
enter into my life, says (Christ), I  
keep the commandments, I believe  
by doing away with the cause of  
intemperance, persons are in a fair  
way to keep them, to a certain  
extent, and thereby gain a happy  
eternity. Intemperance is the cause  
of almost all the vice and crime  
that is committed; it is the means  
of filling our states prisons, and it  
sends a great many families to des-  
olation, and also a great many to  
an untimely grave.

WESTWARD HO!  
EAST DAYTON Mich. Jan. 25.  
Mr. Editor.—We have just ex-  
perienced another rather cold  
“snap” but here, the mercury  
indicating 20 degrees below zero  
for two days; water is very scarce,  
the springs and small streams in  
many places having been frozen up;  
many of the settlers are compelled  
to drive their stock considerable  
distance to get enough for them to  
drink. There is about eighteen  
inches of snow on the ground,  
which makes lively times for the  
lumbermen, and they are making  
the best of it, judging from the  
number of loads of logs one meets  
on the roads to the rivers; but  
yet they complain of the scarcity  
of help; the class of single men  
that usually depend on their win-  
ter's work in the “lumberwoods”  
for their support, worked for high  
wages last summer and fall on the  
railroads, and so do not seem dis-  
posed to work out in the cold dur-  
ing the winter. The lumbermen  
are giving \$30 and \$35 per month  
and board for men to chop and  
saw the pine, and \$50 per month  
for a man and ox team to draw  
the logs from the tree, where they  
are felled to the “skidways,” where  
they can get at them with the  
horse teams. A man with a good  
span of horses and “hob-sleighs”  
commands \$3 per day and board,  
he is expected to draw on an aver-  
age 1200 cubic feet at a load, 1000  
feet is calculated to weigh 5000  
pounds; in some places they have  
to draw these loads four miles  
making three trips a day, so that  
they are out early and late.

We helped load a log on to a  
“hob-sleigh” the other day, 16 feet  
long that contained 1329 feet,  
(board measure) of excellent lum-  
ber of excellent quality, it is the  
kind that would probably bring  
when sawed into plank \$50 or \$60  
per M. in Spenser. It was drawn  
by a small span of horses three  
miles where it was rolled into the  
river, and brings the lumbermen  
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(Continued.)

It is difficult for the simulator of a disease to give a consistent account of the origin and progress of his alleged infirmity. By a little management on the part of the medical practitioner, an impostor will almost always be led to enumerate incompatible symptoms, or greatly to exaggerate unimportant lesions. He is constantly prone to overact his part. He is too anxious to impress upon the medical attendant, the reality and severity of his sufferings. Remarks are thrown in purposely to obviate objections, or to anticipate them, and to reconcile the mind to what may seem extraordinary in the narrative, all of which are very unlike the bold simplicity of truth.

With a view of inducing a detected or even suspected impostor to acknowledge his deceit, many harsh and severe measures, such as the infliction of pain, or certain very active remedial agents, or even corporal punishment, have been adopted in the army and navy or under despotic rule. This practice however is frequently found to fail even in patients who are under the control of the most strict discipline. It ought to be a general rule that no means should be adopted that would be regretted in case the alleged case were to prove genuine. Men often return to duty of their own accord, after finding they cannot succeed in the scheme they had in view. But on the other hand others act with great persistence and in some cases it may be better to grant the request at once if it be of the nature of a discharge from service, or a disagreeable duty, rather than indulge the hope of a favorable turn in the disease.

Finer, stratagem or strict watching is by far the better means to employ in all such complaints. Dr. Davies, a surgeon in the East Indies, had a soldier under his care with an alleged affection of the back, which he asserted rendered him unable to move, or be moved from his bed. His disability had existed for upwards of a month, without any indication that he intended to return to his duty. For the convenience of being watched etc., he had been accommodated in a ward by himself.

Dr. Davies, who considered him to be an impostor, saw no prospect of his giving in, but he eventually put in practice a measure which led to detection. He went to a window of the ward in the dusk of evening, and after gently tapping upon the glass, he in a low voice called the man by his name. He was at the window in an instant, and Dr. Davies had the pleasure of congratulating him on his recovery of the powers of locomotion. The man forthwith went to his duty.

Blindness, either partial or entire, is frequently feigned by beggars, and persons in the military and naval services. One of the most common forms of assumed blindness, especially by those who may have had opportunities for observing the different forms of that affection is amaurosis, which is essentially a paralyzed state of the optic nerve, and does not present the change of structure and appearance that characterize other eye diseases.

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**Brookfield Correspondence.**

Mr. Editor.—We have noticed in several of the late numbers of your paper, some remarks on the needs of Brookfield, over the signature PLANEY, who seems to take a hopeful view of what should, and may be, ere long, the condition of the place.

The accessions and improvements he proposes, are certainly, most of them, very desirable, and will probably in due time, be realized; but in the judgement of some thinking mortals, considering the present state of affairs in Brookfield, there exist much greater needs than any which your correspondent has recommended; for instance, a live temperance society; an occasional course of popular lectures, on moral and scientific subjects, by gentlemen and ladies of suitable qualifications, and above all the preaching of the gospel. It seems to us that the preaching of the gospel, not sectarianism and theological dogmas, and does not present the change of structure and appearance that characterize other eye diseases.

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children behaved so badly as in Brookfield. How many ministers, superintendents, teachers and heads of families were present to bear these remarks of the lecturer, we do not know, certainly one minister and a few fathers and mothers, and as yet few, if any commentaries have since been heard upon the subject, either in the churches, the schools or on change, but we are not without hope, we are strongly inclined to believe that if the regularly ordained clergy would preach the gospel in its true simplicity, and if that part of the "New England clergy and school teachers" who labor five days in the week, would do the same, and all with a little more force and frequency, and encourage a judicious use of the public library, with what parents and guardians might easily do at home, a state of morals and manners might soon be realized, worth far more than a lamp post at every door, and a laundry or a bakery at every corner. Finally it seems to me that considering the present lull in the business interests of the place, throughout the country, and the alarming prevalence of immorality and crime the world over, that while business men progress as best they may, it behooves all preachers and teachers of all denominations and grades to ply their profession with redoubled force and energy.

The trail of Franklin B. Evans for the murder of his niece, Georgiana Lovring, at Northwood, N. H., last October, was concluded at Exeter, Wednesday. The circumstances of the murder will be remembered as brutal and fiendish, with scarcely a parallel in the annals of crime. Evans, who is 64 years of age, has led a vagabond and wandering life from his youth up, where he was engaged in an attempt to swindle a Hartford insurance company and finally adopted the role of a Second Advent preacher. The victim, Georgiana Lovring was a bright and well-developed girl of 14, and the idol of her grandparents with whom Evans was living. Evans had made improper advances to the girl, which had been repelled and she finally persuaded her to go into the woods near the house, where he had set some snares, and by no person save the murderer was she ever after seen alive. Evans was suspected of the murder, arrested, and finally induced to confess the deed on the plea that it would free him. At 12 o'clock at night, Evans led the way, and buried in a swamp, was found the body of the girl with the prints of fingers on the neck, showing that she had been strangled, the body being horribly mutilated. The evidence was clear and direct, and once during the trial, when the sheriff, to whom Evans had confessed the deed, was discussing the manner of her death, Evans leaned forward and faintly said: "Yes sir," but was quickly brushed by his counsel. The old insanity plea was urged in his defense, but Dr. Baneroff of the State insane asylum and others testified to the prisoner's sanity Tuesday, before the proceedings commenced Evans sent his keeper after water, and during his absence attempted suicide by hanging himself with one of his suspenders. After the keeper prevented the hanging or attempted hanging, Evans said: "Why didn't you let me hang? I wanted to die." During the examination Evans manifested the greatest interest in the evidence, frequently whispering to his counsel and evidently making suggestions. His appearance was that of a man with very little hope left, and oppressed not so much by a deep sense of guilt as by utter despair. The evidence in the case was all in by 3 o'clock, and Mr. Locke's plea for the defense occupied but half an hour, when Gen. Clark closed for the prosecution. Judge Doe charged the jury, and they retired

at 5 o'clock, and in half an hour brought in a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree, to be hanged the third Tuesday of February, 1874. Since his conviction he has confessed that in 1858 he stole away and killed a little niece, in Derry, N. H., aged only five years; in 1861 he assaulted and cut the throat of a girl of 14 years in Augusta, Maine, for which another man was imprisoned, and died. In 1865 he outraged the person of Isabel Joyce, 14 years old, and then killed her and her little brother John, boy of 12 years, in Bussey's woods, near Boston. In 1872, May 10th, he is charged with a similar crime, upon the person of a woman found in the woods near Fitchburg, and during the same year outraged and mutilated the person of and murdered Georgiana Lovring a girl of 12 years, in Northwood, N. H.

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ALLEY, JOHN B., of Massachusetts—Died of Credit Mobilier (not cholera morbus—was discovered with the disease too late for the physic) aged about a century.

ALLEN, JOHN B., of Iowa, died of C.M. (an over dose of dividend hastened his departure), aged 57 years.

BINGHAM, JOHN A., of Ohio, died of C.M. (supposed to have caught the fatal infection from Dawes), aged 62 years.

BROOKS, JIM., of New York, died of C.M. (protesting to the last that he was well in health, no remedies were administered), aged 62.

COLFAX, SMILER, of Indiana, died of C.M. (the agencies of this poor victim were intense; to the last he insisted that it was something else besides Credit Mobilier), aged 42.

DAWES, HENRY L., of Massachusetts, died of C.M. (he had the reputation of having a powerful constitution, but it was evidently a delusion), aged 57.

FEDERAL strictly private. No wake.

GAMBLE, JAMES A., of Ohio, died of C.M. (struggled hard against the

dreadful epidemic, but it was no use. He caved in unexpectedly, aged only 42 years.

Will be buried at Congressional Cemetery, Washington, D. C. No cards.

KELLEY, WILLIAM D., of Pennsylvania, died of C.M. (too much iron in his blood and too little protection of himself made him an easy victim to the fell destroyer), aged 60.

PATTERSON, JAMES W., of New Hampshire, died of C.M. (his sufferings drew tears from his friends; he persisted to the end in supposing it was a different complaint), aged 50 years.

Mourning by Senators for thirty days. A granite sarcophagus will enclose the mummy.

HOAZ, AMES, the Ancient Mariner, Hoped Navy Scolded Island. He held him with his glittering eye and with his stony hand.

WILSON, HENRY, of Massachusetts, died of C.M. (great hopes were entertained of his recovery), aged 61.

WILSON, JAMES F., of Iowa, died of C.M. (astonished everybody, he had hitherto enjoyed such excellent health), aged 45.

Rev. Dr. Newman will conduct the services and preach the paenegyric from his campaign notes. Free list entirely suspended.

A Remarkable Murder Trial.

The most remarkable murder trial which Boston has seen since the famous Webster-Parkman case, more than 20 years ago, closed at 10 o'clock, last evening, when the jury returned a verdict that Leavitt Alley was not guilty of the murder of Abijah Ellis.

The victims were both men of wealth, and of strikingly similar habits; both were hard creditors, and the incentive alleged in each case was the inability of the murderer to meet a certain payment.

The horrible circumstances attending the finding of Ellis's body—just after the mysterious shooting of Charles Lane, a wealthy merchant, in his own doorway—and the consequent excitement, equaled in intensity only by the discovery of the charred remains of Dr. Parkman, a score of years before, will serve to recall the salient features of the case.

It will be remembered, that some workmen near the Cambridge gas-works, on Thursday, the 6th, of November, discovered two barrels, containing the mutilated body, floating in the Charles river. They were packed with horse manure and shavings, and in one of the barrels was discovered a piece of brown paper with the name of M. Schouler, a billiard manufacturer.

Investigation proved that a teamster, Leavitt Alley, was in the habit of removing these shavings to his stable. Following the clew to the stable, it was found that a dry manure heap had been recently disturbed; blood was also found upon some boards near by. It was proven that, on Wednesday morn-

ing, Alley had started from his stable with four barrels, and a teamster, in jumping from the wagon, had ascertained that two of them were heavy. Two of the barrels were not satisfactorily accounted for, while a man testified to seeing the team and barrels with a man strongly resembling Alley upon the Mill-dam, where they were supposed to have been thrown into the river. Alley was owing Ellis some \$200, in great need of money, and Ellis was known to have been searching for the suspected man on the night when the murder was probably committed. A new axe which Alley had purchased a short time before was missing, and its very existence was denied. In addition, blood stains were found upon the clothing worn by Alley, which were identified by experts as human gore; and a woman had heard strange noises, like the rolling of barrels, in the stable on the fatal night. Lastly, it was shown that Alley had been abundantly provided with money after the death of Ellis.

The testimony for the government was entirely circumstantial. It was not claimed that any human eye saw, or human ear heard, the doing of the atrocious deed. The case had been carefully worked up and prepared by the best detective skill and professional ability that could be brought to bear upon it, and, as the facts already given were clearly brought out, the outlook for the prisoner was certainly a dark one as compared with the Webster trial, when the whole case turned upon the identification by a dentist of a gold plate. The stains of blood found in the prisoner's stable and on his clothing were submitted to chemical tests, by skillful experts, and then examined through a microscope, and pronounced by them to be not only human blood, but that of the murdered man. A physician testified, from an examination of the deceased's stomach, that he must have met his death between 6 and 9 o'clock on the fatal evening; and, altogether, the case against Alley was about as strong as one as circumstantial evidence presents.

The prisoner's counsel, however, appeared to fully appreciate the situation, and developed an unexpected strength. To controvert the theory that Alley had committed the murder in a quarrel, they introduced evidence from prominent citizens of New Hampshire that he had always been a quiet and peaceable man, with a reputation for honesty and integrity above reproach, in the face of which the commission of so horrible a crime seemed most unlikely. The prosecution had claimed that Alley was in debt to Ellis, and without money payment to meet an engagement which fell due at the time of the murder; but the defense clearly proved that the prisoner possessed considerable property in New Hampshire and had money in a bank. A strong point against the accused had been the fact that, though he had not much ready money on hand just before the murder, immediately after it he had considerable in his possession. But the defense disposed of this by evidence that a loan of \$125 was repaid by his son the evening before the murder. There remained the evidence of the blood, which the prosecution had professed to prove was not only human blood, but that of the victim himself. But the defense introduced experts who not only denied that the blood in question was that of a human being, but showed that the best scientific authorities agree that the difference between human and animal blood cannot be determined after it has dried, as was the fact in this case. On the whole, therefore, the scientific testimony not only served to confuse the jury, but positively

helped the prisoner's case. The defense then proceeded to still further dissipate the web of circumstantial evidence which had been woven around Alley by satisfactorily accounting for every hour of his time from the moment Ellis disappeared till the time his body was discovered.

When the defense rested their case, public opinion and expectation had naturally, and justly, very much changed, and the probability of his conviction had practically disappeared. No one had seen the murder, and the natural disposition to condemn a man on circumstantial evidence alone was strengthened by the fact that much of what appeared strongest in this evidence had been overthrown by the defense. These considerations joined with the traditional principle of holding every man innocent till his guilt is proved beyond the shadow of a doubt, resulted in a verdict of not guilty,—a decision of the case with which the public will not be inclined to find fault.—Springfield Republican.

BURIED ALIVE.

A Fatal Death—Strangled of a Negro, Caught and while in a State of Coma, in His Coma.

Some days ago a colored man named Andrew, in Mobile, died—rather, to speak correctly, was supposed to have died. It was, however, only too well ascertained afterward that instead of dying he had fallen into a state of absolute coma. The relatives and friends made great lamentation over the body, filling the air with ululation. After a while the usual offices were performed to the body; it was washed, and dressed, and laid out with decently composed limbs and closed eyes. It was a subject of frequent remark, "How natural poor Andy looked—just as if he was asleep." And so he was; literally asleep, only too soon to awaken into a stifling, struggling life. In accordance with a custom quite prevalent among the negroes—and not wholly unknown in New York—food and liquor were provided for the mourners. Three days and three nights did they watch beside the body, sitting, drinking, and making merry in a general jollification. The coma continued! Not a muscle twitched, not an eyelid quivered, though ever so slightly. Even had it done so, the mourners were too drunk to perceive the motion. The demonstrations of grief were noisy. The "sobbing" of hymns alternated with comic songs, the swaying to and fro of howling women was diversified by the eccentric antics of "Juba" dances. Unable to longer endure this, the brother, on the third day, ordered the body to be temporarily placed in a receiving vault. Despite assertions that the supposed corpse was yet warm, this was done.

On Friday, Jan. 10th, the vault was opened and the coffin brought out for regular burial. Attention was attracted to the circumstance, that the strong screws were strained loose and the top pried up. Wonderingly the coffin was opened and there was found the body turned and twisted, every line showing most frightful agony, the face downward, one hand clutching the hair of the head, the other stretched with the nails driven into the wood. The teeth were clenched the eyes glazed and distended in wild, frantic stare, and the face contracted and curled! Of course no beams attaches to any one of these had event, but many citizens have vowed solemnly never to bury any friend until decomposition has unmistakably set in. It is a fearful fate in all its aspects; the haste to be rid of the body the indecent rollicking over the corpse, and lastly the dreadful, horrible culmination, and, as may well be supposed creates a great deal of excitement in Mobile, colored people.

Springfield, Mass., Jan. 21, 1872.

Will you please inform me whether the enclosed article, purporting to have transpired in your city, is authentic? It has been questioned whether such a thing has ever been known and a special investigation, if you know anything about it, self please direct this to such authority as is likely to know.

Yours Respectfully,

P. O. MONTGOMERY, Ala., Feb. 1, 1872.

To fully appreciate the above slight explanation is necessary.

A semi-scientific gentleman of place who withal has a whole scepticism in regard to the opinion of the medical fraternity, (having told by them that these so-called aleptic cases rarely or never occur,) but having more faith in the reality of the Days Dangers, he was the Postmaster of Mobile sending articles as clipped from that paper which happened to have a finely coated representation of a couple engaged in the pleasing time of kissing. We are little surprised at the frequency of the last mentioned operation in Mobile, and had we not our own experience to judge from, should say it rarely or never occurs in Spencer.

NORTH BROOKFIELD.

The residence of Dr. Wm. Tyler of North Brookfield, well filled with invited guests the evenings of Thursday and Friday of last week. The gathering were somewhat of an anniversary character, it being the 25th year of their wedded life, and might have made a silver wedding, if for the circumstance of the illness having been previously bestowed Dr. Tyler has ever been held in high estimation, by the many friends he has made by his skill and successful care of the sick, as well as by his benevolence and humanity towards those who need his care, and were unable to compensate him; ever giving them his best attentions, and "freely forgiving the debt" when they found themselves unable to pay.

death has forbore to cross the Doctor's threshold, and long may he and his faithful wife, who has ever been a help-meet for him, and is much esteemed by her many friends, be spared to minister in their different spheres in life, to the comfort and happiness of those about them. A Gusher.

The Credit System

Mr. Editor—Your correspondent of North Brookfield last week, hit the nail on the head completely, when he alluded to the good thing that that town enjoyed in comparison with Spencer, viz: The Cash System, or monthly payments, but he was wrong in not restricting it to boot manufacturers.

The large woolen mills, three in number, have paid their help monthly, for several years past, and the large wire manufacturers in the Wire Villages have adopted the same sensible and satisfactory mode of doing business, and why the boot manufacturers cannot be induced to adopt this mode of doing business, is most incomprehensible. Your correspondent was right, and takes a common sense view of the matter. He said thousands of dollars are lost in Spencer every year by the credit system. I can testify to the truth of that assertion, by stating that where I have lost five dollars by bills sold on thirty days to help, paid monthly by woolen and wire manufacturers, I have lost hundreds of dollars by help paid in three, six, and even twelve months by boot manufacturers.

A young physician went the other day and looked Abbot over, but the more recent M. D.'s presented a front too appalling, and he left without unnecessary delay.

The Boston and Albany Railroad has decided to adopt a new patent platform for their cars, which will materially lessen the danger from accidents.

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Thursday Evening,

February 20th, 1872.

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At a session of the Probate Court held at Worcester the 4th, Inst. the following business was transacted:— Wills Proved.—Of Ruth Maynard of Oakham, Artemas Maynard executor, valuation of estate \$1100 real and personal; of Mary Nichols of Charlton, E. W. Nichols, executor, \$3000 personal; of Danforth Rice of Leicester, Roxanna Rice executrix.

The annual report of Professor Spencer E. Baird, United States Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries, contains a most interesting account of his operations during the past year in re-stocking our great lakes and rivers with food fish.

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of a mile of the house, and always fumigate themselves before retiring to rest at night. The policeman we are also happy to say, are more easy in their minds, and rightfully cherish the proud consciousness that in the hour of trial they have shined for a moment from their duty to the public, nor once thought of abandoning the wretched and helpless population to their fate.

As to the hero of the scene, Dr. J.—his skill, energy and place as the savior, you will find his name will doubtless go down to posterity covered with glory and honor. While prompt and successful efforts should always be made to prevent the spread of the dreaded disease, still we cannot help thinking that the thing has been slightly overdone in North Berwick.

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From Mr. Schneider, the Tyrone, to Agnes de Ruyter, New York.

I've called upon thee several times For that sweetest smile...

You told me your, the other day, You had a check upon The Union Bank...

His posthumous notes, too, Was singularly strange...

I need not say that I've accepted it At your bidding...

With almost equal grace, you said, I would much rather take a drink...

Brookfield Correspondence. I intended this week to give another installment of notes...

I wish, first of all, to disabuse the minds of any readers of the Sun...

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its gate-way at the entrance of the Cemetery to cost some six thousand dollars.

As to the subject of morals, I am not aware that Brookfield is any lower in that commodity than towns in general.

I have no doubt that the morals might be improved, and that some do break a few of the commandments...

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OUR BOSTON LETTER

The market for boots and shoes is in an abnormal state and rather intermittent. Buyers prefer buying from hand to mouth, and in small quantities, apparently in hopes of something "turning up" in their favor.

Speaking of boots and shoes reminds me to speak of Macomber's patent lasts and the goods made on them.

Your correspondent recently put his foot into boots and shoes of all qualities, split, kip, stoga, and the finest of French calf made on the same last, and was perfectly fitted from first to last.

The fourth annual report of the Bureau of Labor Statistics has been trying for sometime to get at the public in a printed form and has had a very hard time of it.

Was it worth while for the bureau to suffer such pangs, to spill so many barrels of ink and spoil so many reams of paper to bring forth such a homonymy that both houses of the Great and General Court hesitated to publish it?

gotten through with the "Credit Mobilier" investigation, and they may be nothing else but attended to this matter, leaving no time for anything else.

Both houses have been generally covetous of stealing, and that which is held to be honest money, it would be well to abolish the whole thing and have our national legislation done in State.

Did you ever notice the curious fact, in slipping shoes on an icy sidewalk, that sometimes they do not give way, and you do not keep on feeling for a hole?

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GET YOUR Pictures Framed! The subscriber having made arrangements with J. W. Clark of Worcester, is prepared to furnish frames of all kinds and sizes, at exceedingly low rates.

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Poetry.

OUR MINNIE.

At the foot of the shining ladder,
Leading to God's throne of light,
Another little climber stands—
Our Minnie, clamber to-night.

ROMANCE IN WORCESTER.

A TRUE TALE.

One evening last week, a beautiful
young lady alighted at Foster Street
Depot from the Boston train.

father, and whose fond protecting care
was manifest at every step. The
horse she rode was a thoroughbred
full of life and fire, and evidently in
a playful and skittish humor.

SCENES IN ITALY.

FLORENCE, ITALY, Feb. 8, 1870.

My last letter from Nice, informed
you of our intention to start shortly
for Genoa, which we did on the following
Monday morning by steamer.

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the top of the hill you find a tower
from which the view of Genoa—the
Mediterranean, and the snow-capped
Apennines is beautiful to the
extreme.

WARE, PRATT & CO.

Grand Opening of Clothing
Department.

Genoa, with the light of the setting
sun upon its snow-crowned mountains
was beautiful beyond description, and
thus we steamed into its harbor when
letting go the anchor we were immediately
surrounded by crowds of boats.

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A QUESTION WITHOUT AN ANSWER.
A knot of musical worthies was
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WEST BROOKFIELD

Old winter has been blowing his nose here in earnest, and as a March hare. Last Sabbath he made everything shake from a meeting house to a cradle.

The shoe business is very dull here at present, but it is hoped will soon be better, and as business is dull the young men and ladies of the M. E. Church propose to make it lively on the 26th and 27th, in the Town Hall.

First there is the Springfield Republican one of the smartest, keenest, go-ahead papers in the state, but it had better give up the prophet business, it don't prophecy worth a cent.

It was sure Greeley would be elected, but he was not; it was sure that we would be a Democratic, but he was not.

FAXTON

Everything in Faxton is quiet, even the snow lays still, but it is about the first time this winter.

We have a Blacksmith once more, and now can hear the merry ring of the anvil early and late.

The last Lyceum was last Thursday evening the 20th inst., and was a free entertainment consisting of declamations, dialogues and music.

A case of sickening neglect and brutality on the part of an uncle and aunt toward a little boy was investigated and punished by Judge Williams, at a special session of the Central District Court Worcester, Tuesday. The facts in the affair seem to be as follows:

Three years ago Thomas Ahern, a Faxton farmer, took from the Alms-house in this city two children, Patrick and Katy Luby, whose father had deserted them. Patrick, now ten years of age, although he has never been sent to school since he has lived with Ahern, is a bright and sharp little fellow, and in spite of all the abuse he has suffered made wonderfully clear and intelligent replies when questioned upon the witness stand.

The boy and sister, two years younger, are being cared for at the police station by the officers. They are in a most filthy and ragged condition, and show signs of the frequent and continued ill usage, which they tell of. Patrick said he was beaten so badly a few weeks ago that he was blinded for some days and was blinded in the barn that no one might see the marks of his uncles' cruelty.

NEW BRAintree

There has nothing of any importance transpired here for some time. There has been some change in real estate, Henry Pepper 2nd has sold his farm, stock and tools to Lucius Prouty of North Brookfield, and the Comfort Miller place was sold at auction on the 13th to Wm. P. Hale.

Your correspondent seems to complain that I have failed to attend the places of amusement in this locality, wonder what he means? I have been present to all but the dances, and I was told when young, that it was better to educate the head than the heels.

There is to be another dance at Kendrick's, Wednesday evening, (this week) and if I grant "Correspondent" his request, I shall be there. Yes, if I feel like being amused, I will attend out.

The sleighing is getting to be rather thin in some places, while in others the roads are higher than the fences, and the prospect is good for six weeks more sledding, but according to the "old saying," winter is over, for I saw a striped squirrel to-day, and that, in "old times," was said to be a sign that the heart of winter was broken.

SENATOR

As up to the resignation of Senator Wilson, it was twenty years since Massachusetts had changed her representation in the United States Senate, it was not remarkable that the choice of a new Senator from the State should awaken general interest and attention. There was curiosity also to know who was to be selected from a community so fertile in great men as is our own.

David Kirk, a schoolmaster at Garden City, Minnesota, had his eyes filled with cayenne pepper by a refractory pupil whom he was about to warm in another locality and manner.

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Brain and Muscle Farming.

No. 2

Since my first in this subject, which was necessary of a promiscuous character, on account of the earliness in the season, the snow-banks have all disappeared, and all nature begins to show signs of life again. Then, I promised to say something about "what I know of farming," and the season for active operations having arrived I will now endeavor to redeem that promise. The first, and most important object of all farmers, and all others who own land suitable for cultivation, much or little, should be the consideration and adoption of the means by which they can realize the greatest amount of products from the least amount of labor and expense. All must have the articles of food produced from the soil, and those who can should raise them. And those who do devote their whole time to the care of the farm, should begin with the early spring to get something from it for daily food, in the line of vegetables. This can be easily done by proper attention to the garden, and every day in the year some real luxury may be enjoyed in this line, from the time the first leaves the ground in one year, till the same time the next. First the horseradish and parsnips which which have wintered in the ground and come out fresh and refreshing, next the rhubarb, or pie-plant equally wholesome and desirable, next the asparagus, the early salad for pens, which continues abundantly productive, if properly cared for till the luscious peas themselves are fit for use, which can be continued through the whole summer season by early and late planting, with the delicious berries and sweet corn, and beans, beets, squashes, cucumbers, and a great variety of equally valuable vegetables, which are cultivated by each according to their preference, and which can be continued in production also by early and late planting.

But early and late planting is not all that is necessary, for they must all be early and late cared for, and carefully cultivated, with both brain and muscle, or they will not be productive; and all of these may be preserved, and many of them so as to be nearly as fresh and palatable through the whole year till they grow again, as when taken from the ground. But none of the superior advantages of farmers for living easily and luxuriously are more neglected than kitchen gardening. How few farmers there are who can read the above and say they have been in the habit of raising all of these garden vegetables in sufficient quantity to supply the wants of their own families; while there are some who with less than one thousandth land enough for even a small farm, raise all of the luxuries of the season they need, and some to spare. This is the season for gardening, and there should be no time lost in preparing the soil, and planting the seed, by all who have land enough under their control for even a tomato bed, strawberry bed, hill of cucumbers, grapevine,

raspberry bush or fruit tree. This is also the season for looking to the grass crop, which is the most profitable field crop for farmers to raise, provided it be fed to the class of stock which brings the highest price in the market. I mean thoroughbred stock, for no farmer can afford to feed his hay to either horses or cattle, as high as the price of hay is now, which will not bring, when he wishes to sell them, what called a fancy price. But it is a mistaken idea, that it is necessary to plow up and seed down mowing every few years, and thus turn up a new crop of stones to be cleared off, or worse left on the surface, in order to produce grass crops; for I read a reliable statement of a man a few days since who using his brains more than muscles increased the capacity of his farm for feeding stock three fold, in as many years, by top-dressing his mowings with well composted manure, without disturbing the surface of the soil at all. The difference of soils require different kinds of compost, but old well rotted barn yard manure is the principal ingredient needed, with fine plaster and manure for dry warm soil, and wood ashes for wet cold soil, in small proportions to the manure.

This is also the season for pruning fruit trees, grape vines, berry bushes, berry plants, &c., which may also be done at any other season of the year when not in fruit bearing with equal safety, if not deprived of an unreasonable amount of their foliage producing branches.

CATCHING RATS.—Who can beat this? A truthful neighbor of ours tells the following rat story. He says: "Last night I caught a dozen (12) rats in a common steel trap at one time. The jaws of the trap form a five inch square when opened and set, and it has a pair three inches square, and a single half spring. It has always been called a smart trap, but any one will do this who does as I did. First, tie a piece of cheese upon the pan, or sprinkle crumbs upon it, and set the trap in some place invaded by rats, and scatter small pieces of the bait around it. Then turn a tub, or open box, bottom side up, over it, leaving one side raised sufficiently to allow these vermin to crawl under, and you will catch all that come in a body and are there when one steps on the pan; for the cunningest "old rat" that ever nibbled, will take the bait when tempted with his favorite pet, unobserved, and be sure to get his foot into it!" Worcester Evening Gazette.

Jefferson was passionately fond of attending horse races, and never suffered his incumbency of high office to interfere with the gratification of that fondness. They were a great deal more high-toned and particular in those days than they are now, but Jefferson's delight in the sports of the turf doesn't appear to have been regarded as a good ground of objection to him for the Presidency. Lawyer—a man you pay to rescue your estate from others and keep it himself.

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WEST BROOKFIELD.

As I made mention of the farm and residence of Mr. Cary, a few weeks since, it may not be deemed amiss to say a few words about Mr. Forbes Henshaw who lives within 75 rods of Mr. Cary's residence.

When boarding with Mr. Cary, I visited my old friend Mr. Henshaw daily; he is a wealthy farmer, enterprising, and ready to communicate, and give any information regarding the different kinds of soil, how managed and their adaptation of the different kinds of crops, also of the raising of stock, the best breeds, and any other information about farming that could be desired.

One word about his "better half," Mrs. Henshaw is a rare specimen in these times. She thinks more of the duties of a good house-keeper, and a faithful companion, than she does in the butterfly romances, and attending to other affairs, to the neglect of "home sweet home."

Our May Day Festival and Fair, and the Sheet and Pillow Case dance in the evening, was a decided success, the hall was illuminated brilliantly, especially with beautiful ladies, with rich dresses and sparkling eyes.

religions interest. The members with or without the pastor, holding meetings in various parts of the town almost every week, and sometimes two or three evenings during the week. The sabbath services were increasing in numbers and interest, the old debt was paid off, the meeting house repaired, and the church seemed to be in a continually revived state.

At a regular meeting last November, a resolution was passed 45 to 26, requesting in substance "that in view of the condition of the church and society, we respectfully ask Rev. Mr. — to ask an early dismission."

TEMPERANCE.

We notice in the last Pilot a list of indulgences granted by the Pope to such Catholics as abstain, at certain periods and for certain lengths of time, from the use of intoxicating liquors.

At a meeting of the Engine Company, Saturday evening, May 23d, the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: William Griffin, Foreman, Edwin Henry, 3d Foreman, Alonzo Gilbert, Treasurer, George Sanford, Steward, William Griffin, James Taylor, Clerk, John Shackley, X.

LOCAL HISTORY.—For some six years previous to 1871, the Congregational Church in West Brookfield contained the state of remarkable

believe that whatever improvement was noticeable in the celebration of the last St. Patrick's Day was due largely to the presence in the procession of men who marched in the temperance parade, and who are avowed advocates of temperance principles. The Irish Catholics who have entered upon this movement are doing much to redeem their good name from the reproach which has sometimes been attached to it.

The liquor law is being enforced. In the cities, bar rooms have been notified to close at once on pain of prosecution. Ale dealers, wholesale and retail, are warned against selling "over the bar."

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The Supreme Court of New York had refused to grant Stokes a new trial. He has still two more chances, but they will now probably be taken up at once, out of course.

A special dispatch from Rome says the Pope received the news from France on Monday against the advice of his physicians, and he was very much prostrated after the audience.

"It Works Like a Charm." Remedy's Pain-Killing Magic Oil is a safe and sure remedy for all kinds of rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica, etc.

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West Brookfield, May 6th, by Rev. Richard M. Williams, D. D., of West Brookfield, and Miss Annie K. Brown, of Brookfield.

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In the summer and autumn of 1777, while Sir William Howe with a fleet and part of the royal army were lying at New York, General Burgoyne with his army were advancing from Canada toward Albany.

The object and design of the enemy were to possess themselves of Lake Champlain, with the whole of the Hudson, and thereby to cut off all intercourse and communication between the Eastern and Southern States.

A free conversation soon commenced between the stranger and Redhook, and they proceeded to cut off all intercourse and communication between the Eastern and Southern States.

About the first of September, a postman passing northward, was hailed and stopped by a sentinel of the guard stationed at Redhook, and commanded by Captain John Mansfield, of Connecticut.

He was about thirty years of age, and clothed in the habit of a farmer. He was conducted to the guard house, where a quantity of powder was lying, and soon began to examine his pouch.

He was rising his mouth in the house, Capt. M. directed a search to be made among the chips, where he soon found a silver ball of the size of a small musket bullet, made by two pieces of very thin plated silver, closed in this fatal bullet.

While this was doing, one of the guard observed the prisoner to pass his hands with a quick motion from his vest pocket to his mouth, and by the motion of his chin seemed to be swallowing something that went down rather hard, as he expressed himself.

What was now to be done? Strong suspicion had attached itself to the stranger, but no positive proof had yet appeared against him.

Captain. He observed to the prisoner, "We have detained you on your journey for some length of time, and subjected you to pretty strict examination. I feel bound by the rules of civility to treat you to a bowl of toddy, before you proceed on and if you will drink with us you shall be made welcome."

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ANONYMOUS LETTER WRITING.—The person who indulges in the social crime of anonymous letter writing is usually regarded as a despicable being. Indeed, the experience of the world has proved that only depraved minds indulge in this species of envy, malice, and revenge; for falsehood, misrepresentation, sinister accusations, constitute the venomous elements of such communications.

WASTE PAPER.—Few housekeepers are aware of the many uses to which waste paper may be put. After a stove has been blackened, it may be kept looking very well for a long time by rubbing with paper every morning.

THE MECHANIC.—Popularly the mechanic is considered to belittle more than a skillful handler of tools of his specific trade, rarely or ever being called upon to exercise the higher intellectual powers, such as reflection, reason and judgment.

We note what we may describe as a very singular incident in our boot and shoe market since the date of our last report, which however is principally confined to the near-by trade.

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THE POSTAL CARDS.—It is very likely that we shall not get the postal cards as soon as was expected, for though they are printed and ready for delivery it has been found that they are of lighter weight than agreed on the contract, the paper being thinner and of poorer quality than in the samples given by the government.

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"I expect there are a good many ladies where you came from?" "Oh, yes, a wondrous sight; just for all the world like them," pointing to the ladies.

"Ladies and gentlemen permit me to wish you health and happiness, with every other blessing the earth can afford, and I advise you to hear in mind that we are often deceived by appearances."

There is a law in Massachusetts fixing a penalty upon all persons in whose employ children are found under twelve years of age, who have not attended school eighteen weeks within the twelve months next preceding such employment.

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Poetry.

The Mayflower.

Under the great pine, among the green branches,
When the rock and the moon had withdrawn away,
And the wifery of the sea only groans...

How I Got My Wife.

One bright summer evening I took my line of mard toward old Squire's farm.
While a long way off I caught a glimpse of light from their cabin window...

"Murder! help! In the name of all creation!" I shouted.
The Squire's dog set up a yell, and flew at me like a streak of lightning.

"Am Swamp," said the old man coming up, "what on earth are you doing in my trap; did you come to steal my sheep?"

"No, not a single fleece," said I, "open the trap and let me out, and I will tell you all about it."

"No matter how you got trapped, we'll take care of you, Am."
Well, after they got me into the cabin, they laid me on the bed and examined my wound.

"Well, Betsy, ain't you gone to bed yet," said I, looking up.
"No; I am not sleepy, Ambrose," said she, "don't you want a drink?"

could not sleep as long as she sat there, and may I die if that girl didn't sit there the whole blessed night watching me.

After breakfast the Squire took me home in his two-horse wagon, and it was some two months before I could put a foot on the ground after my girl hunt.

Betsy Hale would come every day to see how I was getting along—she was so kind-hearted—and after a spell I began to expect her, and if she didn't come at the regular time, my leg ached, I felt riled, scolded the dog, and actually drove him out of doors.

When she came my pillow always wanted a little wiping, or the bandage had got loose and somehow she got to arranging things better than my mother herself.

"Why, Ambrose, you are not alone, are you?" said she, with a smile.
"Yes," said I, "nobody here but the dog and me, and I am getting very bad."

"You don't mean what you say, Am," and somehow the girl looked foolish and blushed clean up to her eyes.
"My leg feels bad Betsy, and I am powerful weak."

"What can I do for you, Ambrose, shall I fix the bandage?"
She said this with such a soft expression that it took my breath away. My heart began to double shuffle.

"Why Am what do you mean?" looking in another way.
"Betsy," says I (I got rip roaring audacious in a minute), "I hope I may never walk if you hain't done more to cure my leg than all the apothecary shops on earth."

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One day from that day Betsy Hale and Ambrose Swamp were roped together in the indissoluble bonds of matrimony—and my leg got well before the old woman got back from church.

STOP AND WEIGH.—One morning an enraged countryman came into Mr. P's store with very angry looks. He left a team in the street and had a good sized stick in his hand.

"Mr. P—," says the angry countryman, "I bought a paper of nutmegs here in your store, and when I got home they were more than half walnuts; and that's the young villain that I bought them of," pointing to John.

"No, sir," was the ready reply. "You lie, you little villain!" said the countryman, more enraged by his assurance.

"Now, look here," said John; "if you had taken the trouble to weigh your nutmegs, you would have found that I put in the walnuts gratis."

"Yes, Sir, I threw in a handful for the children to crack," said John, laughing at the same time.
"Well, now, if that ain't a young scamp!" said the countryman, his features relaxing into a grin as he saw through the matter.

Much hard talk and bad blood would be saved if people would stop to weigh things before they blame others. "Think twice before you speak once," is an excellent motto.

On a certain occasion, a medical professor delivering practical lectures to the public, a gawky fellow thought he had devised a mode of turning the laugh against the doctor. He mounted the stage, and being questioned as to his disorder, said very gravely:

"Gentlemen may think I am a gentleman, but in my honor as a gentleman, that it is a very serious affair and hereby engage to return the money. If the audience do not acknowledge the cure, and that I am fairly entitled to the reward."

The man sat down; was furnished with a glass of water. The doctor produced a box of flattened black pills, and to show that they were perfectly harmless, offered to swallow three or four himself. He then gave one of them to the man, who, after many wry faces, bit into it, started up, spitting, and exclaimed:

"Why, hang me, if it ain't cobblers wax."
"There," said the doctor, lifting up both hands, "did any body ever witness so sudden, so mimulous a cure? He is evidently cured of lying, for he has told the truth instantly; and the memory, my good fellow," continued he, patting him on the back, "if you ever forget this, call on me, and I'll return the money."

ABOUT HANDS.—Hands are infinitely varied. Their shape, tint, the nails, length, width, roundness are as different as individuals. There are hands that seem intellectual in their symmetry, beautiful flexibility, and grace of motion. Some are soft and voluptuous, and others precise, striking, and brilliant. The form of the hand often expresses the capabilities of the person to whom it belongs.

The strong palms, conical fingers, and small thumb indicate in woman indulgence, fancy, and feeling. The square hands belong to the intellectual and ambitious and those who love influence and rule. The small, soft, almost fleshless hands, but rosy and with knotted fingers, are brilliant and witty. Fingers delicately squared at the ends, like those of English women, love domestic life. The small thumb and fingers, broadening at the ends, desire activity and a practical knowledge of the world. There are smooth and knotted fingers—to the first belongs grace; the second, reason. Conical hands with pointed fingers obey inspiration and worship the beautiful in painting, poetry, romance, and nature. There are soft hands more capable of tenderness than of love, and "delicate fingers that are formed for sensitiveness and sympathy to pain and grief;" hard hands that know not tenderness, but are not ignorant of love; and "rough hands that the heart touches and guides and softens."

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"Sad disorder sir, but perfectly curable," said the doctor.
"Indeed, sir," said the man, "but I've a worse complaint than that—I've lost my memory."

"Quite curable, also," added the doctor, "but I must make my preparations. Come again after dinner, and I will be ready for you; but pay down five shillings."
The man who pretended to have his fun gratis, resisted, but the doctor declared he never let any one down from the stage till he had paid something.

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He was supposed to represent a man warrior, and to be attacked by six minions of indomitable strength. The rehearsal Mr. Forrest did a great deal of fault with the actors who condescended to play his parts. They were too tame. He didn't lay hold of him. They didn't go in as if it were real.

Mr. Forrest stormed and threatened; the supers saluted and saluted. At length the captain the supers inquired, in his local dialect: "Yer want this to be a bully fight, eh?" "I do," replied Mr. Forrest. "All right," rejoined the captain, and the rehearsal quietly proceeded.

In the evening the little theatre was crowded, and Mr. Forrest was enthusiastically received. When the fighting scene occurred a great tragedian took the centre of the stage, and the six minions rushed rapidly and deployed in a menacing order. At the cue, seize him!" one minion assumed a pugilistic attitude and struck a blow straight from the shoulder on the prominent nose of the man here; another raised him up six inches from the stage by well directed kick, and the others made ready for decisive tussle, or a moment Mr. Forrest stood roused, his broad chest heaving, his great eyes flashing, his sturdy legs planted like pillars upon the stage. Then came a few minutes of powerful acting; the end of which one super was in sticking head foremost in the drum in the orchestra, four were having their wounds dressed in the green-room, and one, finding himself in the files, rushed out upon a roof of the theatre and shouted "fire!" at the top of his voice; while Mr. Forrest called before the curtain, bowed his thanks pantingly to an applauding audience, who looked upon the whole affair as part of the piece, and had "never seen Forest do so splendidly."

Upon another occasion, however, powerful acting was on the part of the supers. For the sake of poetic justice, let us say that they were the same supers. The hero was Mr. Jones. Mr. Jones was impersonating the theatrical British sailor (transformed, of course, into the old theatrical Yankee sailor), who fights a broadside combat with four pirates, and rescues a lovely female in distress. By some means or other Mr. Jones had offended the five and independent supers who played the pirates, and the result was the material alteration in the denouncement of the drama. The lovely damsel was in distress; the four pirates were about to bind her and bear her way to their secret cave; the feelings of the excited audience were roused up to the highest pitch, when suddenly Mr. Jones (as the Yankee sailor) dashed upon the scene, drew himself upon the unhappy

damsel, furnished his cutlass and shouting, "Come on, willians! One Yankee sailor is more than a match for four such lubberly sharks!" "I guess not," said one of the pirates, and the four of them took the gullant but astonished Jones by the legs and arms, and in spite of his desperate struggles, carried him boldly off the stage, locked him in the property closet, and returning, bore off the maiden to their mountain cavern behind the scenes.

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A few days since we made a call at the house of my friend Mr. Butler, near the depot, and were shown some elegant wax work, done in excellent styles and great beauty, by his accomplished daughter, Miss Ida F. Butler. We can name but a few out of the many things we saw, one frame, oval, 14x18 inches, containing 44 varieties of elegant flowers in wax; wax basket containing nearly 60 kinds; wax cross, with square and compass; vases of every description and very beautiful.

Mr. Jackson who runs the large corset manufacturing establishment invited me into his house to see his beautiful variety of stuffed birds and other curiosities which were executed with much skill, and arranged with good taste. It was a rich treat to me. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson certainly appreciate the beautiful, in nature as well as art, a noble element in man or woman.

In regard to the matter concerning the Congregationalist Church and its worthy pastor at West Brookfield, in justice, it is due to say that from what we can learn, the communication of "Peace" was but a tissue of falsehood and misrepresentation throughout. We propose to give some interesting details next week, which we trust will be appreciated by the good people and the Congregational Society at that place. The straightforward communication of Mr. Fullam in our last issue, in our opinion is a reliable statement of the facts, yet we do not consider we have sufficiently done justice to the pastor or people, until we have thoroughly "ventilated" the matter, which we are happy to say, we are in a better position to do than "Peace" may imagine. In Mr. Fullam's communication, in speaking of the attendance having been as good as in the last "five years," it should have read last twenty-five years.

Illusions.

Do we not dwell amid a world peopled with them, and do we not find, almost without exception, the illusions a thousand fold more bright, more beautiful than the realities? Youth wears, indeed, a mystic veil, and the objects viewed through it shine ever with the rainbow hue. The dull, cold realities surrounding us—the occurrences that to the disenchanted are tiresome and common place—beheld through youth's trustful eyes, wear a glow and glory eclipsed by nothing else in this world! Ah! never, though year after year pass by, and we, growing old, prove sadly that our visions were visions only, can we forget their wondrous loveliness—the charm which enveloped them, or the homage we rendered them, near or far off? It took so little, so very little, to make the eye gleam with pleasure, the cheek to flush with pride and joy, or the heart to quicken its throbbing, in the enchanted days! Why is it that we are half indifferent now to praise or blame?

When our joys were in the distance they gleamed with a thousand roseate hues; but as they come nearer their deep tints grow pale and wan, and when at last we touch them, only shadows linger in our clasp. From time to time our illusions are dispelled.

Each perished dream leaves in its stead something of distrust and bitterness; and we wonder sadly if the change is with others, or if we are changed! Has the bud, so full of promise and sweetness, developed into such acrid fruit uninviting to the eye, and nauseous to the taste? Though the veil which lent to those glimmering visions their rare loveliness be lifted, and we see with the eyes of hardly gained wisdom, what once we deemed so fair, now dark, common place, and utterly devoid of a single grace—yet let us forbear to dispel the charm which encircles us with a halo, each object the eye of youth rests upon. The great world will never be gleaming before us like an enchanted picture but once—and we shall sometimes tire of looking at the never-paling stars seen through a mist of tears.

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OUR BOSTON LETTER.

Boston, May 28, 1873. Boots, shoes and leather, how familiar and yet how dull! This week in the counterpart of nothing, consequently nothing has been done. There has been a moderate fall for heavy boots and brogans, but the goods on hand have supplied the demand and there it is. Spring trade gone up. Fall trade looked forward to with all possible confidence. From all accounts it now seems probable that something must be out of feet clothing soon, and somebody else must manufacture and supply the demand. Patience must have her perfect work and the shoe business may be good some time.

The shipment of goods the past week to places outside of New England amounts to 16,807 cases. Sole leather is firm in price and reasonable demand. Export of light at present but manufacturers are sufficient to hold prices steady.

Rain has gone on and with him taken various and sundry ducks to the aggregate amount of one hundred thousand dollars, shelled out by the substantial buyers of this city and the surrounding towns, and yet he is not happy.

This is anniversary week here, and the ministers are out in full force; boards have become high and scarce in consequence and people think the good done by the presence of the spiritual army is outbalanced by the scarcity of provisions. Of course the orthodox theatre—the Museum—is crowded and many of the delegates visit the Howard and other places which are so roundly condemned from the pulpits of the land.

This heavenly weather inclines one to the country and in my special case recalls the pleasant time spent in early life on a farm in this state.

The planting and hoeing, haying, stone wall-laying, making soap and all the variety of work practiced in a year.

The whole panorama again moves along before the eye of memory. The bridled cow with the kick attack ment, the gentlemanly ox, the colt with burrlocks in his tail, the comfortable pig, the bees, geese, calves, and "sick" but I think the thing that made the strongest and most lasting impression on my mind was a little black and white skunk.

The signs are good for a generous supply of cider next fall, and from the blossoms on black cherry trees a pleasant and extensive meeting and union of the twigs that go to make up cherry rim may be expected.

Strawberries thirty cents per quart and hard to see at that. Asparagus old enough to be assumed to be in market. Rhubarb large and sour enough to make a stomach ache to go by the market where it is for sale. The only spring goods that don't fall in price with the season of plenty are rents and trucks, the former are sure to be a little more than a man's salary and the latter are liable to be mixed with a posse of State Constables, hence the price.

There is a sort of satisfaction for the cautious to watch human nature in the faces and actions of those we owe, and it is well worth running "in debt" to be able to analyze the varying manner in which different creditors take it and don't take it, when told the filthy "here due" and as one of my "fellows" is now approaching "I will stop and see how much 'toga' he can squeeze out of that turnip."

William Cullen Bryant, in his seventy-ninth year, walks on an average, twelve miles a day, and leaps over chairs before breakfast to give him an appetite.

How to Bet.

A Yankee arriving in Boston without money or friends was revolving in his mind some plan whereby he could raise the cash, as he expressed it. Jonathan had never visited a city before in his life. He strolled into a shoemaker's where an advertisement, "Wanted, a first-class boot maker," appeared on the window, and accosted the proprietor.

"Do you want a first-class boot maker here?"

"Yes."

"What do you pay?"

"That depends on your capacity. Have you worked on custom work?"

"I reckon. You jest try me, Captain; I haint skeered a bit at tryin'."

The proprietor gave his new hand a bench and materials, and bade him make a pair of ladies' gaiters. Soon after he left the store on business.

Jonathan made a shoe, but such a horrible affair that, ashamed to show it, he hid it in the shavings; just as he completed the second shoe the proprietor returned. He flew into a passion at beholding the botched shoe.

"You outfounded rascal, so bad a shoe as that has never been made in this establishment!" he exclaimed.

"Would you like to bet on that, stranger?"

"Bet. Yes. I bet \$10 no such work as that was ever done in this store."

Jonathan walked to the shavings, dragged forth his first shoe, and, poohy pocketing his \$10, walked off.—Inland Monthly.

NARROW ESCAPE AT NIAGARA FALLS.—An exciting incident occurred on the river, last Friday evening. Four young men—James Parkinson, P. Walker, William Lahey and John O'Brien—started out of Chippewa with an ordinary row-boat, and made for Fort Day on this side the river.

Through some miscalculations the quartet eventually found themselves in a most dangerous part of the river channel—between the "Wing" and Goat island, nearly opposite the residence of Mrs. P. A. Porter.

The stream at this point is very swift, and flows direct for the American fall. There is no chance for a boat to make the head of Goat island after getting once fully under the force of these currents.

The boys were well aware of the hopelessness of making any safe landing below, and they labored at the oars with that fierce energy which despair can only arouse.

For a long time it seemed as though their efforts would prove fruitless, and that they were doomed to certain destruction. A large number of people, collected on the banks of the river and Goat island, watched every move made by the desperate boys with the most intense anxiety. The boat was finally brought out from the influence of the river currents, and slowly creeping up the channel, brought hardly less relief to those who were helpless spectators, than to the thoroughly-frightened occupants of the little craft.—Niagara Falls Gazette, (May 21).

The funny man of the Danbury News, who has established a reputation for saying common things in a facetious way, gets off the following. There is a young man in Dan Hill, this State, who has occasion to remember the temperance movement. He was wanted as a witness in a liquor case, but being naturally of a retiring and unostentatious disposition he sought to avoid the officer and ran into the sweating vault of a tannery where the hair is steamed from hides. While he was thus sequestered—a prey to many and conflicting emotions—the engineer innocently turned on the steam, and when that young man came forth he was a sight to behold. There wasn't a speck of hair on his head. It was a howling waste of parboiled scalp. He don't squander any time in looking at the spring styles of hats, but just gets under a bread and milk poultice, and bounds around and rips and raves at prohibition with as much interest as if he was the sole owner of a brick distillery.

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The New York Sun says it feels authorized to announce that Maj. Gen. B. T. Butler is not only a candidate for Governor of Massachusetts in 1873, but for President of the United States in 1876.

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PASTRY, COMMON AND FANCY CRACKERS, CAKE & GINGER SNAPS.

George M. Rice, PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTIST.

TO RENT.

Shields & Moody, PRACTICAL PLUMBERS.

Paper Hangings, PRESICO PAPERS, FOR CHURCHES, HALLS, ETC.

Window Shades, Pictures, Castles, Pictures, Hooks, Knobs, &c.

Worcester, Mass.

L. C. KENNEY & CO., Wholesale and Retail Dealers in all kinds of BUILDING, FINISHING, MACHINERY LUMBER, Spruce Frames To Order.

Pine Timber and Flooring! ASH, WALNUT, CHERRY, SHINGLES, LATHS, CLAPBOARDS, DRY FLOORING, SHUTTERS, &c.

Shrewsbury St. Lumber Yard, (Just below Washington Square), Worcester, Mass.

THE WEED Sewing Machine.

John N. Grout & Co.

THE CELEBRATED MADONNINI'S PATENT BED LUNGE.

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**ADVERTISING.**

If you are in dry goods, carpets, groceries, drugs, furniture, or anything else for which customers are wanted,—or if you want a situation, a servant, to sell a piano or welling, the best way to accomplish the desired result is to advertise. It will gain new customers and keep old ones. Advertising liberally and truthfully

**IT ALWAYS PAYS.**  
It makes success easy, begets confidence, shows energy and pluck, and means business.

Some merchants say it is not worth while to advertise; for no person reads advertisements; yet every merchant in this county will read this advertisement, and if he is wise he will profit by its suggestions, if he has anything to offer worth advertising. How much more, then, will those read them who are not so largely supplied with reading matter, are at leisure in the evening and must depend on their paper for their local news, the most important item of which is where they can find what they want when they come to town to make their purchases. If your stock is so old, rusty, dusty, and out of style that it is worthless, or run down so that you have nothing left that people would want, it is not worth while for you to advertise. But if it is new, fresh and sparkling, up to the times, and such as the people want, don't hide them, but publish to the world that you have them, and want to sell them at a fair price.

Every merchant, manufacturer or business man who has become prominently rich, has made his fortune by judicious advertising.

A. T. STEWART,

the printer of merchants, when a poor man, was driven to advertising as a last resort, to get his stock turned into money so as to meet a note. Arguing from this that if it was good for him in adversity he could make it still better in prosperity. He became a persistent advertiser and thus gained a colossal fortune.

If you lose a watch, a dog or a child, or if you desire people not to trust your wife, you rush to your local paper, knowing that every one will read the advertisement. But you will plod along in business year after year, without calculating how much you lose by not advertising it.

If those persons who profess to believe that newspaper advertisements are not read by the public, and wish to be convinced of their error, just let them give publicity to some matter they would not care to divulge to the world, even in the most obscure corner of a country paper, and see what notoriety they would soon attain.

The power of print is well known, but not well understood. A printed sentence has a wonderful advantage over one that is written or spoken. This is one of the many reasons that gives an

**IMPORTANCE TO ADVERTISING.**

But advertisers, even those of experience, do not comprehend as well as they might the unlimited capacity to influence, to persuade, to convince, which lies in printed matter. Spoken words require the grace of elocution and the force of eloquence, but then even fade away into nothingness if not caught in their flight and printed. But there is something in the silent language, the quiet assertion and the sense of permanence about printed matter which gives it a marvelous force and influence. Business men should never permit themselves to lose sight of what may be accomplished by a persevering use of the printing

presses. Learn to advertise, and then the "how, when and where" of it, and you will have a knowledge worth having.

An advertisement published for a single day does duty beyond that day, and its effect continues in a greater ratio than most men imagine. In the end it will make a man's name a permanent matter, a piece of real property, built up in the minds of men, until it becomes more valuable as an investment than any corner lot or building in his locality.

Advertising is apt to give us that **GENTLE JOG OF CONSCIENCE**

which tells us that we want a new suit of clothes for Sunday, or that we promised our wives a new dress as soon as the hay was in. Perhaps it would be a good plan for madam to mark this passage and lay the paper upon her husband's breakfast plate. Who will say that advertising will not yet

**CIVILIZE THE WORLD**

**Meeting of the Rich Family.**

From the Boston Journal

The Committee to arrange for the publication of the genealogy of the Rich family, together with several other members in the vicinity of Boston, met at Young's Hotel Tuesday noon, May 27, and after a bountiful dinner provided by the hospitality of Dwight B. Rich and W. F. Brown of Boston, matters were discussed pertaining to the family history, in progress of preparation, and other matters of interest.

A temporary organization was made by the choice of Dwight B. Rich of Boston as President, G. W. Rich of Portland Vice President, Shebnah Rich of Boston as Treasurer, and A. J. Rich of Brookfield as Secretary. The permanent organization is to be effected at the next meeting. A committee was chosen to take charge of the MSS., and all other documents connected with the genealogy left by John F. Rich, deceased, and to examine their condition, and report at a future meeting upon the advisability of publishing the same as soon as may be convenient; also to confer with publishers as to terms, and to suggest such other things as may seem to be called for in the matter.

The committee consists of Rev. A. Judson Rich, Dwight B. Rich, Shebnah Rich, W. F. Brown and Obadiah Rich. It is desired by this committee that all persons connected with the Rich family by name or near affinity will send to the Secretary, Rev. A. J. Rich of Brookfield, any documents of interest in the compiling of the Genealogy so well begun by the late John F. Rich of Ware, and will at once send a full list of the genealogy of each of their families, notwithstanding any previous work of the kind. Changes in the families are constantly taking place, and at best the work must be imperfect; but if imperfect the fault should not lie at the door of any who can prevent it now.

The Secretary is appointed to prepare a plan of organization to be presented at the next family gathering, which will probably be the first of September next.

After a vote of thanks was passed to those who had so unexpectedly and hospitably entertained the gathering at the hotel it was moved to adjourn to meet at the call of the officers; and all left, feeling that it had been a Rich time indeed.

Oberlin College is probably the largest educational institution in the United States by the criterion of attendance, but has an endowment probably not much larger than that of the smallest college in the country. For the last twenty years its average attendance has been 1133. The total number of students it has received has been 17,000. The vast majority, however, took only partial courses, for only 1462 fully graduated, about a third of them ladies. The college and seminary together have an endowment fund of \$175,000 worth of stock in buildings, apparatus, etc. As might be expected although the salaries of the officers are extremely low, the income of the college is quite adequate to its expenses.

**THE COUNTY TAX.**—The total amount to be raised by the County this year is \$150,000, of which the towns in this section pay as follows:

- Ashburham, \$1,301 00; Athol, \$2,070 00; Andover, \$673 73; Barre, \$2,202 01; Brookfield, \$1,648 20; Chariton, \$1,318 00; Leicester, \$2,432 02; New Braintree, \$687 21; North Brookfield, \$2,317 05; Oakham, \$209 42; Oxford, \$1,735 46; Paxton, \$143 09; Rutland, \$673 75; Spencer, \$2,695 00; Sturbridge, \$1,281 77; W. Brookfield, \$1,101 01.

**At The Palace,**

**HUMAN HAIR**

At less than the original cost. Switches that we have been selling for \$1.50 we have marked down to 62c. Switches that we have been selling for 1.75 we have marked down to \$1. Switches that we have sold for \$3 we are now selling for \$1.75. Switches that we have been selling for \$4 we have marked down to \$2.25.

Now is the time to buy Hair Goods, as this is the cheapest price you have ever seen or can see.

Please compare our goods and prices with any other store in the city.

**Hats! Hats! Hats!**

500 Trimmed Hats, all in the latest styles, at prices varying from 50c to \$10.

**AT THE PALACE,**

10,000 Untrimmed Hats, in all kinds, in all styles and in all kinds of stock, at all prices. In Canton, Milan, Pearl, Luten, Leghorn Straw, in all the different styles; Chip, Cactus, Linen, Lace, Fancy Straws, at all prices. We have the largest stock of Hats in the city, and feel confident that you can find anything you want in Straw Goods at nearly one-half the rates that regular Milliners ask.

**RIBBONS.**

We have bought a large Auction Lot of Ribbons at 50c on the dollar of the regular cost of importation, and shall give the benefit of it to our customers.

- No. 9. All Silk Gros Grain, 35c per yd.
- No. 12. do. 40c per yd.
- No. 16. do. 45c per yd.
- No. 20. do. 50c per yd.
- No. 24. do. 55c per yd.

These are only a few of the bargains we are offering at the

**Crystal Palace,  
Dutton & Potter  
WORCESTER.**

**PEVEY'S DENTAL ROOMS.**

CORNER PLEASANT AND MAIN STREETS.

**WORCESTER, - - - - MASS.**

After the first of April I shall charge the regular price for Extracting Teeth, and no longer, refunding the money when I insert artificial.

Price for Extracting, 50 cts. for one; 25 cts. when more than one \$1.50 for administering an anesthetic.

shall Continue after the first of April to Make Teeth

**\$15.00 A SET.**

You ask how can it pay? My answer is, I now make six sets which I used to make ten, at the same expense except for material. You ask, can they be as good? I answer, you need not say so, but you choose, compare them with any other make of any price to be made, and in any respect (it proves they are not as good) and you need not say so, but I am as anxious and determined to make you a satisfactory set as any dentist in the city. Both Teeth and Plate are of a make which have stood the test of time, and are superior to any other for the membrane of the mouth and the strength of the jaw. As we make but one quality, we have but one price, which stands for all.

**IF YOU WANT A SET OF TEETH that you can set with, go to PEVEY'S DENTAL ROOMS, have a set made, (it costs you nothing), take your own teeth, and you would like to own them, \$15.00 WILL BUY THEM!**

**IF YOU WANT A SET OF TEETH that you can laugh or talk with, go to PEVEY'S DENTAL ROOMS, have a set made, (it costs you nothing), laugh and talk to your satisfaction, and don't move and you would like to own them, \$15.00 WILL BUY THEM!**

**IF YOU WANT A SET OF TEETH that will not move when you cough or sneeze, go to PEVEY'S DENTAL ROOMS, have a set made, (it costs you nothing), take your own teeth, with cough and sneeze to your heart's content, and if they don't move and you want them, \$15.00 WILL BUY THEM!**

**IF YOU WANT A SET OF TEETH that don't hurt you, go to PEVEY'S DENTAL ROOMS, have a set made, (it costs you nothing), take your own teeth, and if you are pleased and satisfied, \$15.00 WILL BUY THEM!**

**IF YOU HAVE WHAT IS CALLED A DIFFICULT MOUTH, and can't get it to go to PEVEY'S DENTAL ROOMS, (he never acknowledges a difficult mouth, or attributes any takes to them), have a set made, it costs you nothing, and if they should be a perfect success, \$15.00 WILL BUY THEM!**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW if you can have a more comfortable set than those now have, go to PEVEY'S DENTAL ROOMS, have a set made, (it costs you nothing), if they are more comfortable and you want them, \$15.00 WILL BUY THEM!**

**IF THE set of teeth that is not right in the first place is never right. If it is as it should be, are sure of it at once, and do not feel that you must wear it a month before you can decide. I want better proof that a set is not right than that the patient is undecided about it. Such should not be worn out of the office.**

**My guarantee for a set of teeth is not for a year, but for life, always doing whatever is needed. I am to blame for, free of charge, and charging for whatever I do for which you are to blame. A set of teeth never breaks without a cause, and that cause decides who shall repair it. My method of preparing the gum, so that I get a permanent set on in from two to six weeks is free to all. That operation I have never as yet charged.**

**CHAS. K. PEVEY, S. D.**

1873! SPRING! 1873!

**New Styles! New Goods!**

Having just completed recent alterations made in my store, I am prepared to show the largest stock of

**CLOTHS**

both Foreign and Domestic, ever before offered in this Town, and make up the same to measure at such prices as cannot fail to give general satisfaction.

All garments fashionably cut and thoroughly made.

Just received a full line of

**GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS**

which will be sold at such prices as will be satisfactory to all.

**M. J. POWERS.**

**Repairing! Repairing!!**

The Subscriber begs leave to inform the citizens of Worcester that he still continues to do all kinds of light Job Work and Repairing of all kinds. Special attention given to the Cleaning and Repairing of Sewing Machines. Also make to order DRESS and WINDOW SCREEN FRAMES, and now is the time to order them. I have just received a fine lot of POCKET KNIFE BLADES. So you can bring in your old Handles and have new Blades put in cheap. Don't forget that I repair anything worth mending. Guns, Pistols, Umbrellas, Parasols, mending. Guns, Pistols, Umbrellas, Parasols, mending. Locks, Keys, Knives, Razors Honed and put in good order.

Would say to all parties who have not got a Sewing Machine, I have the agency for the "PLOWING AND ELIAS HOWE SEWING MACHINES," and would be pleased to show them to all.

All orders left at the Post Office will receive prompt attention.

Worcester, April 10, 1873. E. M. BLISS.

**O'BARA BROTHERS**

AND DEALERS IN ALL KINDS OF American and Foreign Slate.

One Yard and three feet can be seen at Adams Square, near of Kayland's Flour and Grain Store, where we intend to keep constantly on hand a Stock of Slate to suit everybody in quality and price.

ALSO, OLD ROOFS SLATED OVER CRIBBLES CHEAPER THAN BUNGLES OR TIN.

Repairing promptly and neatly done. All work warranted.

All orders addressed to Post Office Box 167, Office 223 Main Street, Room 8.

**WORCESTER, MASS.**

**B. J. REMEDY,**

**BLACKSMITH**

All kinds of Blacksmith-work done to order.

Horse Shodding, Jobbing and Carriage Work done to order.

stantly on a hand. First-class

of Carriages, Wagons and Buggies

Shop on

Chestnut St., Spencer, Mass.

**Worcester Dye House**

110 GROVE STREET.

Office, No. 242 Main St., nearly opposite Central Street.

Lace Curtains, Kid Gloves and Sewing Machines in the newest manner.

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Hairdressing and every description of Cleaned, Dyed and Washed the best style. New and improved Apparatus for best Materials. Experienced, Practical Work with every facility necessary to secure promptness and the very best style of work at lowest rates and shortest notice. Fully patronage respectfully solicited.

W. W. ADAMS

**A. H. Mirick & Co.**

WHOLESALE DEALERS IN

Foreign & Domestic

AND SHIPPERS OF

Early Vegetables, Peaches, Barberries

545 Main St., Worcester, Mass.

**Geo. S. Hoppin & Co.**

Commission Merchants

AND DEALERS IN

Flour, Grain, Meal and

No. 24 Mechanic St., Worcester, Mass.

**Hay Tedder for Sale**

Either for one or two horses, nearly new.

B. L. STONE