

Spencer Intelligence.

Dr. E. M. Wheeler lost a horse by death on Saturday night last.

Mrs. Mary A. Livermore will fill the next number in the lecture course series on the 18th.

The grounds around Rev. Mr. Walker's residence have been improved recently.

All the schools except the High School will close today for the Thanksgiving vacation.

Dr. Marquis Hall has sold his building lot on Pleasant street to Edward Berman for \$1800.

A. V. Newton talked Temperance on Sunday evening, to a good audience, in Town Hall. Well, Spencer needs it.

Thos. Martin has almost finished all the outside work on a new house on the new street south of Muzzey pond.

There is to be a 12 hours walking tournament in Town Hall on the 29th, to be managed by parties in North Brookfield.

Abraham Capen is again enlarging his coal depot. He had a good stock before the rise.

The Spencer Wire Company, as well as the woolen mills in town have secured much of late on account of the scarcity of water.

Most of the boot shops are slackening in business. Some of them are doing little or nothing. Last year the season was up before this time.

The Spauldings will give their brilliant programme in Town Hall this evening. All the best selections from Pinero will be given during the evening.

The \$10,000 schoolhouse on Maple street is growing toward completion very fast. Viewed from upper Main street, it adds much to the appearance of the town.

NOTICE TO PATRONS OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.—Any person desiring a book not in the library, by giving notice to the librarian, providing it is a suitable book, it will be sent for immediately.

Expressman Wheeler, who was unfortunately enough to break his arm a few weeks ago, came to town from his home in Worcester last Monday.

Miss Ward's chorus will present "Pharos" at the Town Hall, December 9th, 10th, and 11th, Frouty & Bemis's orchestra furnishing the accompaniment.

Webster's Brewery, two miles from Worcester, which has sent so much beer here in times past, was burned last Sunday morning. Loss \$10,000.

Spencer's Lodge of Masons have elected these officers: J. H. Ames, W. M.; Charles H. Allen, S. W.; L. E. Sumner, J. W.; George G. Wright, treasurer; Myron A. Young, secretary; Rev. F. A. Bissell, Chaplain.

J. R. J. Lucier, the blind cornetist, with a grand company of stars to support him, will give a fine concert in Town Hall, Nov. 28th. This will be a first-class concert, and they ought to be greeted with a full house. See programme in our announcement column.

Any of our readers thinking of making purchases of Furniture should read the advertisement of H. W. Denny & Co. in another column. Messrs. Denny & Co. have been established fifteen years in the business, and know the wants of the public. They buy for cash, which enables them to make the very lowest prices, and they claim to keep their prices below any other house.

Annie Mahoney, who has for the last four years acted in the capacity of table waiter at the Massachusetts Hotel, was presented on Saturday evening with a beautiful ladies' gold watch, on the occasion of her leaving town. Dr. M. Hall made the presentation address on behalf of the patrons of the Hotel, and Landlord Fuller spread a collation for the whole party. This ought to be an incentive to other girls to be likewise faithful.

FROM A FARMER.

MR. EDITOR.—I was glad to see you print a note in your last week's paper, giving a few reasons why Spencer farmers should form an Agricultural Society. Your idea is a good one, and I believe our farmers ought to act upon it. At all events it would do them no harm if it did them good, and everything is a blessing if it serves to interest a man in his occupation, and I think some of our Spencer farmers need this stimulus. I should like to read more on this subject from some one who is better able to write.

THE BEST RUBBER BOOT.—The "Ninety-five Per Cent. Rubber Boot" is advertised in our columns. There is nothing better for a farmer or out-door man than a good rubber boot, and nothing so expediting as a bad one. The "Ninety-five Per Cent. Rubber Boot" is all that is claimed for it.—It is as nearly pure rubber as can be made, is made upon honor, and will outlast any three pairs of other rubber boots. The manufacturers warrant them for three months, the date of the selling of each pair being punched in the top of the leg. The heel of these boots are protected with an iron guard. There are three sizes all made of pure rubber. Farmers, lumbermen, miners,

and all who pass their winters out of doors, will do well to inform themselves as to the merits of this really valuable article. It is the best, and in the long run, cheapest rubber boot made.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C. Nov. 8, '79.

The result of the elections is about this: The Democrats have carried Mississippi and Maryland by increased majorities, elected a member of Congress in New York to fill a vacancy, and also one or two state officers; while the Republicans have increased their majorities in Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Nebraska, hold their own in Minnesota and Massachusetts, make controlling legislative majorities in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, elect five or six state officers in New York, and divide the honors with the Tilden and Anthony Democrats in New York city.

The news has set the President's friends again with a vim. Mr. Tilden's friends claim that the result shows the soft money Democrats are not wanted, while he is the only man who can carry New York. Indeed it is possible that the Democrats will claim that New York demands his nomination as the price of success.

But Bayard has advanced wonderfully in Democratic estimation, especially in the South. On the Republican side Senator Blaine seems to have distanced all competitors. Some of the Pennsylvania, notably Wayne McVeigh and M. S. Quay, the former Chairman of the Pennsylvania Republican State Committee and an old Grant man, declare "Tuesday's elections have settled the Democratic issue. Grant's chances are no better than if he were dead, or had never been born."

It is understood that Senator Blaine is his favorite now, and his sentiment is endorsed by many stalwarts North and South.

The New York papers seem to fear that the opening of the Mississippi river and its tributaries to easy and regular navigation will disastrously affect the commerce of New York. For this reason, perhaps, they attempt to make light of the jetty project, which is being pushed by the Mississippi River Commission, created lately by Congress, and of which Capt. Eads is a member. There seems to be no proper ground for the fears of these New York gentlemen, more improvements than the jetty project, yet to be completed. The necessities of the case will always make New York the great commercial port of the country, and her prosperity will be advanced all the more certainly and swiftly by the wonderful progress in the West which will follow the complete opening up of the Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio and other great rivers.

The West Congress will not be influenced by the manifest selfish and unreasonable complaints which seem to come only from one city of the Union.

Immense sums of money were doubtless squandered in Washington improvements from 1871 to 1875. There is comfort however in knowing that the movement then inaugurated has not ceased. The work of improvement still goes on, and is now economically and substantially done. Besides this private enterprise is accomplishing wonders, stimulated thereto by liberal public disbursements. The cities of Washington and Georgetown are appropriately situated in the midst of natural scenery of great beauty. Before many years they will be points of greater attraction than any other cities in the country. It is rumored that Secretary Shurz will retire from the cabinet at an early day, probably as soon as the present Indian troubles are over.

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THE CUNNING CHINESE.

A Chinese trick has been discovered, says the San Francisco Chronicle. A few days since, on the arrival of a vessel from Honolulu, containing several cases of shoes that had been shipped to the city, the customs officers in San Francisco, on being informed by the consignee, the customs house officials were curious to know the contents, and this curiosity prompted them to open the cases, when an ingenious plan was discovered to smuggle opium into that port through the heels of the shoes.

The heels, at a glance, appeared normal and properly made, but by pulling out a nail or two, and removing one thickness of leather, a hole, occupying nearly the whole size of the heel, was found, into which opium had been placed, and introduced into the Hawaiian market. The "condemned" business was a part of the programme, and the shoes were returned evidently to be reloaded and forwarded again to that port.

A CASE THAT IS A TRAGIC STORY.

The Boston (News) Bulletin tells this story: The wonderful case recently recorded near Boston is certainly one of the greatest curiosities of the age. While passing through this case a gentleman discovered a small aperture about six inches in width. Having picked, he broke into the opening, and by the extension he found a large and airy apartment. Entering this, he found what appeared to be a stone table beautifully carved. Several stone chairs stood in one corner of the room. He continued to explore, and at last, in a dark corner, he found the skeleton of a man. He attempted to raise it from the floor, but though he used his utmost strength he could not move it. He says that it appeared to be solid stone. It is impossible to conjecture who was the hero or how long the skeleton remained hidden away in that silent cave.

The love that has nagged but beauty to keep it good condition is short-lived.

ENGINEERING BY THE PAPER—A CURIOUS STUDY.

On going round the garden this morning (Wednesday) I perceived what seemed to be a small piece of cheese, apparently floating in the air before me. On coming up to it, I found that it was suspended from a spider's web, which was spun right across the path. One's first hasty thought was that this spider had found a piece of cheese below, and taking a fancy to it, was then drawing it up into his web to eat it. Further examination, however, showed that the substance was not cheese, but a small pebble, much resembling that edible, evidently taken from the gravel walk beneath. There was nothing for the spider to attach his web to on the walk, so he had to use a suitable stone to balance his web, which, indeed, it did admirably, the web being attached to trees on either side of the walk, and weighed below by the stone, so as to be in nearly perpendicular position.

The stone was connected with the web by a three-fold cord, the strands of which were attached to different parts of the stone. I visited the web two or three hours after the spider had finished it, and found that he had been rewarded, as the web contained, besides a large fly, of which he was dining, more small flies than I have ever before seen in a web. Neither myself nor those of my friends to whom I showed it have ever seen anything like it before.

Perhaps your readers will be interested in this example of high instinct in a spider, and those who are not versed in natural history than myself may be able to remember other examples of the same kind.

That the stability of the web depended upon the weight of the stone was shown when I put my hand under the latter. The result was that as I raised my hand the lower part of the web gradually collapsed, but when the stone was suffered again to fall gently the web resumed its proper shape. The web was about five feet from the ground. Spider engineering is a most interesting study, and one that I have spent hours in studying. I have worked out most of the problems in connection with it, but the weight spider does not yet seem to be explained. Some spiders will use tin, but others of exactly the same species will use a weight, though the circumstances under which both build apparently are similar.

THE REAUPORT LEG.

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The most lively interest is manifested in regard to the political census-taking in Maine. The election of the governor is the most important of the year and the census-taking is a matter of great importance.

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All who are cognizant of the workings of the present prohibitory law pronounce it a flat failure. What is going to be done about it? Temperance issues in the Republican platform have been lost sight of in the fight against Butler, but it is now time that the people take this spreading evil of drink into consideration.

A NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION.
A meeting of very great national importance took place at the room of the Farmers' Club, in Cooper Institute, N. Y., on 20th October. The object was to organize a national agricultural society. The design is a broad one and intended to embrace every agricultural interest and represent every section of the country, as well as the advancement of practical measures of American agriculture and protection of American farmers.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.
The following are the real estate conveyances for the week ending Nov. 12:-
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Baylies, Albert-H. A. Morse et al, Southbridge. 2,100
Batholomew, A. J. & Chas. F. L.-S. D. Smith, Southbridge. 250
Casey, Johanna & Thos. J. McGinnis, N. Braintree. 700
Forbes, E. M. & G. E. J. D. Ward, Brookfield. 500
Forbes, S. D. & C. H. Forbes, N. Brookfield. 200
Gibbs, E. R.-H. G. Lane, Oakham. 500
Heald, H. N.-Loring, Barre. 400
Hooker, Chas.-M. J. Dodge, Rutland. 2,500
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Royer, E. Y.-J. L. Woodbury, Southbridge. 4,750
Spencer, J. H.-O. K. Cook, Rutland. 361
Spencer, M. E.-A. Stockdale, Leicester. 300

The Atlantic Monthly for 1880 will open with "The Undiscovered Country," a serial story by W. D. Howells, author of "The Lady of Arctostaphylos," which will run through six or seven serial stories. During the year will be given serial stories by T. R. Aldrich and Henry James, Jr. Short stories of the most entertaining character; and poetry, essays, criticisms, and sketches on important topics in education, politics, industry, social science, and whatever interests American readers, by the ablest and most engaging writers.

LITERATURE'S MAGAZINE for December has a varied list of contents, the most noticeable feature being the number of articles descriptive of life and manners at home and abroad. "Among the Biscayas," by George L. Catlin, our consul at La Rochelle, gives a graphic account of the Spanish seaport of Bilbao. "Old Backwoods of Carolina," by Louise Coffin Jones, presents a contrasted picture of the primitive and amusing aspects of American life in a mountain region. "Witch Sikes describes the 'English Coffee Palace.'" "The City of the Simple," by Helen Campbell, deals with the proper treatment of the insane. Another paper deserving of careful consideration is a description of the "Advantages and Disadvantages of a Foreign Education for Young Men," by the Rev. Mr. W. H. W. Jones, and literary notices are as bright and readable as usual.

The new volume begins with the next number, and in it will be commenced a new serial story, "Adam and Eve," by the author of "Dorothy Fox."

Strikes are more frequent now than ever, but they are not of an alarming character; the demands of the workmen for an advance of wages being generally moderate, and the employers are inclined to be as liberal as the state of trade will allow. The market is rising, and therefore the workmen have a right to ask for higher wages, but the misfortune in the past has been that strikes have occurred when prices were low, and the workmen have been the losers.

THE MAIN RETURNS.
Governor Garcelon sat with his council at Augusta, Wednesday, both forenoon and afternoon. Andrew Lacy of Wisconsin called at the council chamber to see the returns from Lincoln county and said that the governor had promised that he might see them. The governor stated that the conversation related to the returns of election of county officers and not to the returns of the legislature.

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reserve any lengthy discussion of great industry which we want to present, and out of consideration for your content myself with a few remarks on the work in hand. I shall be content to suggest all that may be accomplished by a National Agricultural Society to indicate all the good that it might accomplish. The proposition is to organize an association, national in character, for the protection and advancement of agriculture in the United States by practical means. Prominent among these contemplated periodical exhibitions of the products of the soil in one of the principal cities of the country, the encouragement of instruction, meetings for discussion, and the collection and dissemination of the best agricultural thought and experience. Every agricultural interest and every section of the country is sought to be represented in its membership and work.

Although of more importance than United States than all other interests combined, agriculture receives less attention from the General and State Governments than any other. Nearly every government gives more attention to its advancement than our own, though the United States is more richly situated in agricultural country than any other. The magnificent development of our farming resources, unequalled as they are, is due to the sturdy industry, self-reliance, and intelligence and enterprise of the men who have converted their wilderness of a century ago into the garden of today. Individual effort, supported and encouraged by the new press, has placed American agriculture on the high ground it now occupies. Government has retarded rather than advanced its growth. Instead of legislation for its check, it has been promoted, often to its detriment. In special branches of agriculture great good has been done by organization. The intelligent and enterprising labor of the country has been the cause of the fruit and root growers' associations, which have raised these interests to a high position. The American Dairyman's Association and the state and county societies have placed the dairy industry in a commanding position. The state and county agricultural societies, together with the state boards of agriculture, have done what is beyond comprehension. Their promoters deserve all praise.

"The Royal Agricultural Society of England, founded in 1838, contains over 7,400 members, comprising as well the leading agriculturists and the foremost men of that country. I can give no better idea of it than by quoting the following from an article on the society and its history, by Col. Geo. E. Waring, Jr., in Harper's Magazine of last year: 'The society is certainly nothing in England could be more impressive, more indicative of the enormous wealth and power of the people than the collection of animals and implements gathered together at this annual show. Travelling through the country in this harvest season, surrounded on every side by an agriculture with which we have nothing to compare, passing hundreds of large fields of wheat, corn, and barley, under an average of less than thirty-five bushels per acre, and where uniform excellence is remarked on every hand; among fields of root crops, from twenty to one hundred acres in extent, absolutely clean and absolutely unspoiled in their uniformity of growth; where the grain during the hay harvest suggests the Irishman's pig, which was 'tossed when lying down,' so heavy a swath does the apparently slight growth make, one hardly wonders that as a race not larger than the states of New York and Pennsylvania should hold a population almost equal to that of the whole United States; but one needs to see gathered together within the reach of an hour's walk specimens of the men and the tools and the animals by which this cultivation is carried on, to realize how very far beyond our best standard is the almost universal cultivation of this remarkable land.' Mr. Waring gives the Royal Agricultural Society credit for the elevation of English farming to the high condition he mentions. It holds an annual show and publishes a semi-annual Journal, of the best agricultural literature in England."

THE MAIN RETURNS.
Governor Garcelon sat with his council at Augusta, Wednesday, both forenoon and afternoon. Andrew Lacy of Wisconsin called at the council chamber to see the returns from Lincoln county and said that the governor had promised that he might see them. The governor stated that the conversation related to the returns of election of county officers and not to the returns of the legislature.

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HAIRS AND MISAPPS.

John Bright is deeply read in Milton, and at ways carries with him a copy of that poet's greatest poem.

Baker Pasha's plan already approved, from the Turkish police force at 50,000 men.

Mr. German Munoz and her brother-in-law, Cyprian Munoz, of Brooklyn, who were recently arrested by the Spanish authorities at Santiago de Cuba, have been released.

A snow-storm in the canton of Ticino, Switzerland, has interrupted all traffic and destroyed thousands of vines and trees.

Reaping has begun in the northern districts of Southern Australia. It is estimated that there will be 20,000 tons of wheat for export.

Herr Seiler, editor of the Frankfurter Zeitung, is to be imprisoned a month for reprinting an article insulting the Prussian king.

The Boers of South Africa held a mass meeting December 19, and upon the resolutions an attempt is to be made to recover the Transvaal from the British.

The northwest provinces of India, especially the districts of Allahpur, Boudhah and others, are suffering from an epidemic disease, which has temporarily closed all the railroads.

A reported deficiency of \$500 between the offices of the Controller and the State Treasurer at Albany, N. Y., has been made good.

Patrick Phelan, a laborer, 40 years old, was struck and fatally injured Monday night, while working on the Old Colony road near Boston.

Courtesy claims to have found a hoard of 100,000 dollars in the possession of a man who had recovered rapidly and row a race with him. The latter will probably receive the 50,000 dollars prize.

The Erie Canal is still open its entire length. The first to freeze was at John, N. Y., and people are creating upon the ice.

General Gordon is said to have made a fine record by his sale of the Nile. He has been doing a good business since it was placed at nearly \$250,000.

The Southbridge print works have shut down for an indefinite time.

In the New York Billiard Tournament, Saturday, David Best defeated John 300 to 140; Charles Best defeated John 300 to 140; and Best defeated John 300 to 140.

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Edward Golders of Worcester, is entered in the New York six-day 75 mile race at Newark, N. J., this week.

The widow of Charles Dickens died in London on Saturday morning, after a year's illness.

Schuyler Colfax says he has laid up \$40,000 from lecturing since retiring from politics.

President Greely and his wife exchanged congratulatory messages on Saturday.

One Bull, the violinist, has taken the rest of the Bostonians, Cambridge, and the winter.

Peter Goelet died in New York Friday, 90 years old, leaving property estimated at \$1,000,000.

Rev. Little, a preacher of the primitive Baptist persuasion, has the care of five churches, and preaches all day on Sunday. He goes into the woods on week days and cuts wood for a living.

In Southern India last year 60,000 heathens embraced the Christian faith.

Portugal has acceded to dissenters from Catholicism liberty to worship.

It costs thirty thousand dollars a year to keep in repair St. Peter's at Rome.

The Second Baptist Church of Lawrence has called Rev. K. B. Moody of Milford, N. H.

Last year the gospel was preached in one thousand more cities in China than any previous year.

Forty years ago Filipinos feasted on human flesh; today forty thousand children attend Sabbath School.

Rev. D. L. Edgerly of the Second Free-will Baptist Society of Woburn, N. H., has resigned his pastorate.

The Presbyterians had only one church in Dakota two years ago, but have now fifteen, besides Indian Mission Churches.

In all of the Catholic Churches of the Cleveland (Ohio) diocese, a collection will be taken on the 20th for the Irish sufferers.

The 30,000 deaf mutes in America have 51 places of worship where services are conducted in the language of signs.

RAILROAD EXTORTION.

The Times in a recent issue comments severely upon the shoddy policy of the holders of this money and the shoddy policy of the holders of this money.

more profit on the money and receiving more returns for last year's work than for any of the year's work immediately preceding. While the employees have been forced to work longer and for less pay than ever before.

The impositions upon the working men by this corporation are deserving of the severest censure. But there is another class whose patience is severely taxed by the extortion of the corporation, the travelling public.

The rates of passenger travel are very much too high, indeed, while everything else has been falling in price, during the past five years, railway prices remain about as they were during the years of high prices. The newspapers of the state are beginning to call the attention of the public to extortions of this corporation.

This Spencer Sun handles the subject thusly:

"Boston & Albany Railroad stock is worth \$134. Its expenses have been cut down the last few years by reducing the cost of its help to an enormous extent.

It is estimated that the great expense is accordingly and yet no reduction in passenger rates has taken place during that time, and the company has the shameless effrontery to charge the people of Spencer only a trifle under four cents a mile between Worcester and Boston.

"How long is this to continue?"

The Milford Journal answers this question as follows:

"It will probably continue as long as the 'great people' are content to endure it passively."

"The Journal adds—

"The rates of fare over the B. & A. road ought to be reduced at least one cent, and then there would be a plump 6 per cent. semi-annual dividend left the stockholders, which is enough to pay the travelling public can afford to pay them."

"(Worcester Times.)

The day of Thanksgiving and prayer is somewhat of a misnomer.

The Democrats charge bribery, and the Republicans cry fraud in Maine, and so there is going to be a general washing of political dirt clothes, and we shall have to see which party linen will contain the greatest number of stains.

Most of the people in Spencer and the Brookfields would like to see J. H. Walker assume the duties of Speaker in the next legislature.

Altho' he is not yet appointed, he will not be influenced to any great degree by newspaper or public opinion, it is a matter of public import that a fit man be chosen. Col. Stone, John Q. A. Brackett and other gentlemen spoken of are all good men, and would not disgrace the position.

The enterprise and spirit infused into the cause by such meetings as the Reunion of the 19th Worcester District, Republican Club last week more than pays for an interest in the cause at heart. It is very commendable. Instead of politics being an every day duty, they are now looked upon as merely an annual excitement.

EXCHANGE OPINIONS.

Senator Bayard is looking up as among the most promising Democratic candidates for the Presidency, now that Thurman and Tilden have been laid upon the shelf. He should take warning from the fate of other aspirants, and not talk too much to newspaper reporters. It is so easy to talk one's self to death!

[Brookton Gazette.]

Ex-Collector Simmons made considerable aid in his late campaign, together over the appointments by Collector Beard of several Custom House officers who were not soldiers. Mr. Beard acts upon Simmons' suggestions with alacrity but not just as he expected or desired.

Oscar H. Simmons, the ex-collector's brother, who was not a soldier, is in some way walking papers to make room for a clerk who was. Oscar evidently wishes that his brother did not have quite as much influence at the Custom House.

[Athol Transcript.]

The contest for the next speakership of the house has already commenced; and of course, the speaker, whoever he may be, comes from the Republican party; the names are prominently mentioned: R. F. Stone of Newburyport, J. Q. A. Brackett of Boston, and Joseph H. Walker of Worcester; now Mr. Stone is a pleasant man, and would doubtless fill the chair very well. Mr. Brackett is in some respects a host, but he is young and can't expect to hold; the only one of the three who is an out-and-out practical aggressive advocate of retrenchment, is Mr. Walker; believing that he has the firmness and character of character which are fully as requisite as some other traits for such a position, we should like to see him elected.

[Clinton Courant.]

There were many people five years ago who really thought the license law would promote the cause of temperance. They have, as was to be expected, discovered their error, and have become disgusted with the way in which the license law has been run in this town by its own friends.

The reaction from license was inevitable, and though somewhat delayed, has made itself felt at last. The leaders of the Re-

publican party will do well to study this lesson. The people are evidently opposed to the liquor traffic, and the Democratic movement for the repeal of the "evil damage" law will probably not be advanced by the Republican voters unless the party managers are insane.

[Southbridge Journal.]

A comparison of business done at the post offices in Webster, Southbridge and Spencer, showed that the town of Webster is a greater letter writer than either Webster or Southbridge.

Webster sends through the mails more letters and postal cards than both the offices in Southbridge and Globe Village combined; the actual number being Southbridge, 3190; Spencer, 2610; Webster, 3400, without newspapers.

[Webster Times.]

It is no novelty in Ireland to find the writ of habeas corpus suspended between ducks and swans, and the whole population thus exposed to arbitrary arrest and imprisonment without bail or even examination.

The arrest of David, Duff and Killen, however, marks a further advance of executive discretion, for they were seized without any preliminary warning, and on the alleged offense—that of inciting sedition—which no good lawyer believes they can be convicted of.

What purpose the government expects to achieve by this summary and violent course of action, it is difficult to see, unless Mr. Mijsey's representatives in Dublin have been instructed to bring the popular agitation promptly to a crisis, and thus discover whether it contains any systematic scheme of revolt.

To disinterested observers outside it must appear that the government confesses its own shame when it strangles freedom of speech in relation to Ireland, and practically proclaims martial law among a disarmed peasantry.

The truth is, Ireland is not ruled directly by England so much as by the Irish landlord class, native and alien, and this class is profoundly alarmed at the existing anti-rent movement, which is a pest to the landlord class.

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Suppose the tenants in large numbers refuse to pay rents until a just system of tenure is introduced, what will Parliament do about it?

Thus, then, Ireland stands alone under the curse of the atrocious Land-System. Here is unveiled the terrible fact that in order to keep a dozen ill-dressed and a variety of wines on the land-thief's table, hunger and nakedness must superintend a "low vitality," and so prepare the victim for its earthly release by the coming of the triphoid fever. We have heard enough of this all around everywhere. The air is loaded with it. "Misery," "hunger," "wretchedness," heard at all the meetings.

Political materials, whinnies, beggings at the feet of the posteriors of robbers. We are sick of them and the meanness and stupidity they evince—Irish World.

MEXICO.

Another Mexican revolution is impending. Gen. Jesus Ramirez has pronounced himself in favor of the new government.

Rosario Concordia Copala, about 50 miles from Mazatlan, near the lines of Tole and Sinaloa, also for the new government.

State of Sinaloa and at Sinaloa. About 500 men took possession of the latter town, and after getting possession of all the arms, left for the interior.

General Porfirio Diaz has resigned. Several prominent politicians have been expelled from the State of Oaxaca upon suspicion of treason.

The Mexican papers deny the insurrection from New York. Minister Zamacoena has submitted to Secretary Evans' dictation in a matter of diplomacy.

ANOTHER REVOLUTION BREWING.

General Robert A. Crawford, who writes the following letter to the Atlanta Constitution, is a member of Congress, and as the letter shows, is a confident officer. We give it place as one of the signs that Gen. Grant has some strength in the South among those who might have been expected to oppose him, and as a confirmation of our position that one element to be considered in making nomination is that long looked for breaking up of the solid South. The letter is as follows:

Allow me two minutes in your valuable columns to respond briefly to your assurance of my ability and means of doing so in the state; given up and sacrificed, perhaps, as much as any other—241 negroes, plantation and other property in proportion—holding Confederate bonds and currency of every series and denomination, and having to pay the cost of the first series of bonds, and Georgia in the late war; three wounded, and one killed, and a wife able to keep my present position is based not on the personal preference of the officer, but inevitable. Since that ill-fated and unfortunate war the Democratic party has so blundered from one ditch to another that I doubt if the doors of the White House were open to the Democratic leaders who have been in the front of the party in the country in this effort to save our government, why should we not take Grant on a broad plan of national income to heal the wounds of war—restoration and invite capital rather than terror.

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through another existing campaign and fall again in debt. That Grant is still a noble and great, those of us who have followed his power can testify.

As General Grant, acting as a grand jury, indicted our glorious Lee, a few years ago, who stood nobly and grandly before Andy Johnson, president, and said he would resign his sword before Lee's outrage should be consummated.

Since that memorable event, more than any other, he has elevated the dignity of American citizenship abroad, and he has expanded into such proportions the status of the whole people. Grant is great in his influence and great in his claim upon the confidence of the American people, and if he would run on his own platform he would sweep the country like a tornado.

The reference to my friend, ex-Chief Justice Lochrane, with whom I have been on terms of closest intimacy for more than twenty years, was an illustration of the policy of placing a strong southern man of commanding ability—popular where every southern state—with sectional platform, acceptable North, East and West. Such a ticket, on a national platform, would heal the wounds which discord fierce has opened through the land—establishing a wise and pacific administration—inspired on his banners and under its eagles—in the language of Grant—"Let us have peace." Respectfully your obedient servant.

ROBERT A. CHAWFORD.

Boil a potful of potatoes fitted for the growing chickens. Mash them with sour milk, and put into troughs in a shady place and let the chickens eat when they want to. It will make them grow and keep them healthy.

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A cellar is more convenient in winter, and will repay the time and expense in making one. A house cellar is usually too warm and too clean for roots, and is not near enough to the ground.

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In Worcester, Nov. 21st, a son to Mr. and Mrs. James Pickup.

UNITED.

In Charlton, 8th, by Rev. John Haven, William Stevens and Mary E. Griggs.

In Southbridge, 17th, by Rev. John Clemence, John Cannon of Spencer, and Kalo M. Hackett of Charlton.

In Southbridge, 18th, by Rev. E. S. Best, Charles W. Williams and Alice McKinty.

In Paxton, 30th, at the residence of the bride's father, Henry C. Ward, Esq., by Rev. Odo C. A. Warner of New York City and Nellie M. Ward of Paxton.

In Spencer, Nov. 27th, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. F. A. B. B. Mr. Charles H. Sibley and Grace L. Lackey.

In Spencer, Nov. 26th, by Rev. A. F. Herriek, Mr. Walter A. Learnard and Miss Mary O. Leland.

In Spencer, Nov. 27th, by Rev. A. F. Herriek, Mr. Walter F. Bowen and Miss Emeline Fleming.

GONE HOME.

In Southbridge, 19th, Sarah P. Newhall, daughter of Otis and Sarah Newhall, 3 yrs 5 mos 5 days.

In Southbridge, 18th, Ephraim Booth, 41 years.

In Spencer, Nov. 27th, Dwight D. Frost, aged 58 years and 12 days.

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We shall be happy to see all our old customers and as many new ones as may wish to favor us with their orders. We believe that we are now in shape to sell goods at a smaller profit than ever before. Thanking our customers for their previous patronage, we shall try to merit a continuance of the same.

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Work: First Degree.

Per Order W. M.

M. A. YOUNG, Sec'y.

Spencer Intelligence.

—The repairs in the post office are about finished.

—The wire mills are running fourteen hours a day.

—Splendid weather for building purposes this week.

—The assessor's report is being printed at this office.

Fine Clothing!

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WORCESTER.

—The machines for the new telegraph office arrived this week.

—Engineer Desoe is kept pretty busy bringing in freight lately.

—Be sure and read the first installment of the new serial in this issue.

—Plenty of drowning accidents these days. Look out for your boys.

—A new wood and tool house has been built near the engine house at the depot.

—There will be a meeting of the Republican Club at Caucus Hall, on Saturday evening.

—The Odd Fellows are busy preparing for their forthcoming lecture by "Josh Billings."

—Postmaster Stone has finished up the handsomest Post Office in the New England States.

—There will be a Sunday School Concert at the M. E. Church next Sunday at half past one.

—Mr. Mullett has been at work this week on Watson's new block. The frame looms up at last.

—There is not as much distress in town this winter, and tramps are scarcer than in years gone by.

—The new sidewalk, fence and other improvements being made on Wall street are just the thing.

—We notice the woolen mills are working over time, which denotes good feeling in the woolen market.

—Mr. Geo. P. Ladd has assumed Mr. Sagendorph's interest in the late firm of Upham & Sagendorph.

—The steamer boys are up and lively and intend to get up a better firemen's ball this year than ever.

—Mr. Weatherbee is going to put in a strong bank wall to fence his lot on the side of the new street.

—A large Arctic overshoe is on exhibition at Comins & Ames' store, made, rumor says, for Willard Rice.

—Prouty & Bemis' Orchestra will furnish music for the G. A. R. Assemblies in North Brookfield, this winter.

—Emory Sibley will carry a larger stock of Christmas goods, and has a larger stock now than ever before. Call in.

—Messrs. Prouty Bros. are pushing their job extension as fast as weather and other hindrances permit.

—Morton Nichols has commenced the business of selling and loaning organs, his headquarters being on Mechanic street.

—Dry goods are advancing in price, and it would be well to call at Comins &

COMINS & AMES.

OPENING OF

The Fall Campaign.

Our preparations for the FALL TRADE have been on a larger scale than ever before, and we can assure our friends and customers that they cannot afford to buy one dollar's worth of goods until they have examined our immense stock. Many lines of goods we purchased before the recent advance in prices, but shall continue to sell them for the present at the Lowest Prices ever known.

IN DRY GOODS,

we offer our usual large line of DOMESTICS and as Specialties call attention to 15 Ps. REPELLENTS in Greys, Navy Blues, Browns, Fancy Mixed and Plaids. Immense Stock of FLANNELS, BLANKETS, SHAWLS, CLOAKINGS, &c.

In Black Cashmeres,

We shall not be Undersold, and the grades we offer at 50c., 60c., 75c., 87c. and \$1.00, cannot be beat by any store in the State.

Ten Ps. of COLORED CASHMERES, and 12 Ps. of MOMIE CLOTHS, just received in all the New and Desirable Shades.

Ames', and get some of their cheap bargains.

—Mrs. T. M. Johnson has a fine lot of hats—trimmed and untrimmed—at her rooms in Bank Block. Call and see her.

—Rev. A. H. Coolidge of Leicester preached at the Congregational church last Sunday in exchange with Rev. A. S. Walker.

—The passenger business of the railroad doesn't seem to decrease any. Last week averaged over 200 a day. The tickets sold were 1343.

—Comins & Ames, Mr. Tait, and others of our store keepers are making business good on the railroad by the amount of freight they receive.

—Edwin A. Bemis of this town does not sit on the jury to try Hayden, the alleged Fitchburg poisoner, on account of "conscientious scruples."

—The Messrs. Capen have tested the strength of their grist mill to its utmost this fall. The mill has been filled with grain from cellar to garret.

—A prayer and conference meeting was held at the house of Lory Groat last Sunday afternoon conducted by brethren from the Congregational church.

—A large number of our people attended the auction sale of the farming effects of the late Washington Hill, yesterday. Good prices were realized.

—The weekly meetings of Crystal Div. No. 54, Sons of Temperance, are now held on Wednesday evenings, in the Y. M. C. A. rooms, in Bank Block.

—D. Butler, photographer, has moved his studio to the vacant lot opposite Tucker & Woodbury's stable, where he will be glad to see his patrons at any time.

—The Ladies G. A. R. Sewing Circle will meet with Mrs. Edwin A. Lewis on Tuesday, Dec. 9th, as the lecture and Pin-afore will interfere with the regular time.

—Postmaster Stone has provided for his family this winter by raising two pigs which were seven months old when butchered, and weighed respectively 315 and 295 lbs.

—Davis, Lytle & Co., the Worcester manufacturers and dealers in fine clothing, would be glad to have their Spencer friends call and examine their stock and prices.

—Charles H. Allen and Charles A. Bemis are to form a business firm and continue the business of David Prouty & Co. Messrs. Isaac L. and Theodore C. Prouty retiring.

—Our Photographer, Mr. E. L. Jaynes, has just finished a beautiful large-sized likeness of the late Joel W. Dunn, to be

Flannel Suitings!

A Fine Assortment, together with the largest stock of Medium and Low-Priced

DRESS GOODS!

that we have had the pleasure of showing.

Our stock of PROVIDENCE YARNS, BERGMAN'S WORSTEDS, CANVAS, GERMAN-TOWNS, CORSETS, BUTTONS, FRINGES, TRIMMINGS and SMALL WARES of every description cannot be excelled. Immense Stock of

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OIL CLOTHS,

in 4-4, 5-4, 6-4 and 8-4, Just Received, which, with our stock of

CARPETS!

we shall continue to sell at present for OLD PRICES. If you have got a Carpet to buy you cannot afford to wait, as they are worth 10 per cent. more than we sell them for.

hung in the Odd Fellows Lodge Room. Mr. Jaynes can beat city work any day.

—Tramp, tramp, the Peds. are marching.

—The Alpine Quartette and Jerome Concert Company gave a nice entertainment in Town Hall last evening. They had a very small audience, but the program was well and meritoriously performed.

—With our next week's paper we shall issue on a separate sheet a list of all the leading papers and magazines with the prices when clubbed with our paper, and the prices for which we can supply them to our patrons separately.

—Prof. Geo. E. Foster will lecture in the Town Hall, Sunday evening, Dec. 7th, at seven o'clock. All will remember with pleasure the rich treat afforded us last season in listening to the Prof's lecture and will be delighted to welcome him to our town again.

—Some more rigid rules must be put in force at Town Hall for the suppression of roysism during entertainments or the evil will grow to such an extent as to prevent the order-loving portion of our community from attending any performance given there, be the attraction what it may.

—Next week we shall issue another four page supplement containing nine columns of extra reading matter. We also expect to issue one the week before Christmas to prevent our advertisers from encroaching upon the space belonging to the reader. After Christmas we shall give more reading matter than ever before.

—A petition has been circulated and extensively signed praying the legislature to grant the right to women to vote in matters of license or no license. We are glad to see our temperance ladies at work in this matter. We need some earnest, honest temperance work in this town and the sooner it is begun the better, and the task of reforming will be easier.

—Letters unclaimed in Spencer post office Dec. 5th, 1879: Emily Russell, E. B. Davidson, Mrs. Baptiste Paradeau, Elise Parent, Bernard MacDonald, Ambrose Ledoux, Haryan Keane, Luere Canlara, Eneseb Lenney, Helari Chubot, Frank Pluff, Liza Montville, Octave Gonyer, Israel Bodman, Michael Burns, Jos. Ducloux, Thos. E. O'Bryan, Narcisse Ange, Henry Boutillet.

—We have been requested by the mother of the bride to publish the following: Miss Annie Kelly and Michael J. Farrell were married in Spencer, Thanksgiving Day, by Rev. T. D. Devin and left for their new home in Connecticut. She has a host of friends in Spencer and elsewhere, who presented them with chamber sets, carpets, solid silver, china and glass ware, and many other useful and costly articles. We trust the man that gained her will

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Spencer, - Mass.

make her a happy home. She was esteemed by all classes.

—Wendell Phillips gave his new lecture on Wm. Lloyd Garrison and his Times, to a full house on Tuesday evening. The silver tongued orator gave us a good many new facts respecting Mr. Garrison which are attainable from no other source. It is useless for us to praise or analyze Mr. Phillips' effort as his fame as a speaker is only limited by the bounds of the Union. The lecture management must have been much gratified at the success of the evening, as the quality of the course thus far has been up to the average city lyceums, while the price of admission has been much less.

—The Grand Army Post will begin their regular series of Assemblies next Thursday, Dec. 11th, at 8 o'clock. All are invited to come. The music will be good and our citizens may expect to have as much enjoyment as they did during the series last winter. E. A. Wheelock will be the promoter again this year, as he gives great satisfaction. The usual rations will be passed around, and "Lib" makes the coffee. The admission will be as usual, 50 cents for gentlemen, ladies free.

TALLY ONE MORE FOR CLAPP.—Five years ago last September Ruel Jones sued Constable Clapp to recover back a fine and costs that he paid while on the way to the House of Correction. Jones was beaten in the suit and executions issued against him for the costs, which he has always sworn he never would pay. Last Friday Clapp asked him again to pay the executions, and upon refusal he directed Sheriff Hersey to take Jones' horse, which was standing in front of Groat's store. Mrs. Jones claimed the horse as her property, but Hersey and Clapp unharnessed the horse and put him under a keeper in Tucker & Woodbury's stable, leaving wagon, harness and the Jones' in the street. They spent the rest of the day in Worcester finding out the law and on Saturday paid \$21.34 and took their horse home—and Clapp cut one more notch on his tally board, which he says makes seven tallies to Ruel none.

GONE HOME.

In West Brookfield, Dec. 1, Horace G. Rawson, aged 71 yrs.; he was a Justice of the Peace and a prominent man in town affairs.

In Uxbridge, Dec. 3, Chas. Hall, aged 48 yrs. 5 mos, 21 days.

In Leicester, Dec. 2, Billings Mann, in his 83d year.

In Oakham, Nov. 24, Mrs. Anna Packard, aged 84 years.

In Spencer, Dec. 1, of consumption, Henry A. Keith, 18 yrs. 1 mo. 27 yrs.

THE MAN OF PURPOSE AND THE MAN OF NONS.

The career of two men in one of our Connecticut cities, writes a Hartford correspondent, afford subject for thought, were the most different. Twenty years ago, one of the most promising clergymen in Connecticut was Rev. Mr. ...

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HEADQUARTERS

For Ladies.

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FEATHERS, MATTRESSES, Carpets and Picture Frames, in great variety.

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Chamber Suits,
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Buffalo, Hudson Bay and Japanese Wools

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And a full line of Plain & Fancy Wool Robes

LADIES!
Fall Styles HATS & BONNETS, Fine Materials, NOW READY AT MRS. J. M. GREEN'S, 340 Main St., Worcester.

BROOKFIELD.
The barn belonging to the Chester Freeman place was burned Tuesday, between five and six o'clock p. m., with a loss of cattle and three cows. The barn was impossible to get out even a carriage that stood on the barn floor.
There were two socials Wednesday evening; one at the M. E. church vestry and the other at Rev. C. P. Blanchard's. The evening was quite unfavorable for a good attendance.
Runners have been about around town for some time to the effect that a number of the idle mills, notably the big Twitchell shoe shop, were soon to start up, but there is little prospect at present of so good a thing happening to the town. The citizens of the village are quite down-hearted because of the continued business depression, while all the neighboring Brookfields show signs of prosperity in that the mills that have long since been still are beginning to start up. One person claims to have counted 40 vacant tenements. While another who is well posted thinks there are over 50 empty ones. The failures of two or three manufacturing firms and the consequent shutting down of a number of the large factories, which it is said was really necessitated because of losses in the big Boston fire, which was a terrible blow to the village. But with these better times it is to be hoped that the mills will be opened by outside capitalists, who can well afford to bring enterprises to town as no better facilities or buildings can be secured in any other village of the state.
NORTH BROOKFIELD.
The Congregational Church, Services Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Friday evening at 7:30 p. m. Rev. G. H. DeBoe, pastor. Sunday School meeting at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Rev. G. H. DeBoe, pastor. The morning service, Rev. J. E. Potter, Superintendent.
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FARRINGTON MONTGOMERY, "A Voyage among the Planets," Dec. 17, 7:30 p. m. PROF. W. T. MARSHALL, "An Evening in Wonderland," Jan. 7, 7:30 p. m. PROF. E. S. MOORE, "Glimpses of Insect Life," Feb. 14, 7:30 p. m. To be filled at a later date. Tickets for the whole course can be had of any of the canvassers or of Mr. J. H. Spence, 25 State St., Worcester, Mass. Single Tickets of Admission, 25 cents. For sale at the door. Doors open at 7, Lecture to begin at 7:30.

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—Alex Wedge is building a new house for Mr. Bonnin on the hill near Mr. May's Church.
—Remember the poor, for Christmas, in the purchase of one of the new books, which has been published by the Rev. J. H. Spence, at 25 State St., Worcester, Mass. The book is "The Story of the Christmas Eve," and is a most interesting and valuable work.
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Fatal Mistake

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CHAPTER VI.

A TRAVELER'S ACCIDENT.

Two strange scenes were enacted in the city of New York, upon the night of the tenth of October.

We will follow General Dumont and the man who met him before the theatre.

The man turned sharply to the right after leaving the portico, and traversed the street by the side of the theatre, the General following him closely, but not attempting to address him.

Even at so late an hour of the evening, this thoroughfare was still crowded with the poorer and rougher classes of the population. The General and his companion were not therefore, observed.

After crossing Fourteenth Street, the man turned into a narrow alley, and the General, to the aspect of this alley was utterly different to that of the thoroughfare they had just left.

Here all was dark and still. The sloping roofs of old rickety houses nearly touched each other; the street was a narrow, dark tunnel, the light from the gas lamps being shut out by the closed doors—no light burned in the dingy windows.

The man passed in this dismal alley, for the first time since they had left the city, and he addressed the General.

"This is the place to which I was told to bring you," he said.

"Here?" exclaimed the General, "How, in Heaven's name, can I be wanted here?"

"It is all dark, is it not?" answered the man in a low voice. "Wait and watch."

He clasped his hands together, and the third stroke, a light appeared in a garret where the figure of a woman looked through the window of the house beneath which they were standing.

This light revealed a shadowy white figure—the figure of a woman looking at a candle above her head.

"They are ready for us," said the man; "we are expected."

He beckoned to the General, and was about to enter the house in which the light shone, when the General laid his hand upon his arm and arrested his foot.

"Why would you have me enter this vile plot may not lurk at the bottom of all this foolish mystery? How do I know that I may be waiting for me in that house, if the woman who looks out from the window of the house beneath which they are standing?"

"What do you fear?" said the man, scornfully. "Violence, robbery, murder, perhaps. You think this house is occupied by thieves, who would decoy you into their trap to carry out their nefarious designs, and then destroy you?"

"If you suspect such treachery to look where you left your carriage, and place your watch and pocket-book in the custody of your coachman, and then return here."

"I will do as you say," said the General, "but I will not enter this house until I have seen the woman who looks out from the window of the house beneath which they are standing."

"That is what you were told to do," said the man.

"Lead the way then; for the preservation of my good name, I would willingly follow you, though I should know you were leading me into the jaws of death."

"Come, then, and come without fear," answered the man in the slouch hat, "I have a key from my pocket which opens the door of the house. The General followed the man through the narrow passage and up the stairs, and at the top of the second light shone through the open window.

"This window was sealed a figure—a female figure, robed in white.

"Brave and free from superstition as the General was, the sight of this figure sent a shudder through him. He recoiled a few paces and laid his hand upon the lock of the door behind him.

"Do not fear me," said a low, sweet voice. "It is I who have summoned you hither."

"That you may learn of the future," answered the figure.

"It is neither juggling nor folly," exclaimed the General, indignantly.

"It is neither juggling nor folly," General Dumont repeated to himself, "but you are brought here by the darkness of the night, and because you have loved me, you are not yet to know who it is who reveals to you the horrible truth."

"The horrible truth?" exclaimed the General, "what truth?"

"The truth which may, perhaps, cost a shadow upon your life," answered the woman, "you love, do you not?"

"You love the woman who has promised to wed?"

"What do you know of this?" asked the General, indignantly.

"Do not question, but answer me, if you love me, that which I have told you."

"You know her, then?" exclaimed the General.

"Better than you do. Once more I ask, do you love her?"

"Passionately and devotedly that you would sacrifice for her sake the honor of your name?"

"No!" cried the General, with sudden energy—"no! a thousand times, no! I would sacrifice my life, but not my honor, for her sake."

Before eleven o'clock all was still. A little after eleven, a cautious hand knocked at the door of the dressing-room. "Who?" replied the General, in a mysterious whisper. "The woman who loves you," said the voice. "What is this?" exclaimed the General, "the woman who loves you?"

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SPENCER.

—A. A. Jones, James F. Meach, Inspector of the State Prison, on Friday evening last, a meeting being called for that special purpose. The Adjutant General commanded the officers of the Post very highly for the efficiency with which the duties were performed, and the general good taste and fraternal air pervading the quarters, as well as the neatness and attractiveness of their place of meeting. In giving a foreboding of the doings of the State Prison, which occurs the last of January, in Lynn, he said the advisability of having a Grand Encampment of all the Tents of the Department will be canvassed, with the probability of adoption. Such a reunion of the veterans would be a source of much gratification to "the boys who wore the blue," and of great profit in the education of the youth of the Commonwealth the sacred fraternal ties which entwine about those whose patriotism led them to jeopardize their lives in defense of their country's flag. Other matters of importance were touched upon, on the nature of which will be made known in due time. After adjournment, a collection consisting of hardback and coffee was served, followed by the distribution of pipes and tobacco, when a very telling was in order, which prevailed until the comrades dispersed, somewhere near the midnight hour.

—Station agent Potter of this town is a member of the Hyde family, and belongs to the third generation of American Hydes, the descent being on his mother's side. In view of these facts the following will be of interest to our readers: "Ex-Governor W. F. Ames has called for England in the Algeria, to prosecute the claims of the heirs of the Hyde estates. The amount in question is variously estimated, at from \$100,000 to \$200,000 and is said to be all that remains to be done for the heirs to prove their claims, but that this must be done before January 1. There are thirty-eight estates in the Bank of England which were decided in January last in the High Court of Chancery in relation to the heirs in the United States. The heirs a few months ago incorporated themselves into the Hyde Association and elected N. Denison Morgan, President. The money for many years has been held as belonging to the crown of Great Britain under an old law, but the recent decision has caused a reversion of the property to the American heirs who can prove their claims. There are branches of the family in Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey and on Long Island, but only such representatives as can give proof of their relationship will share in the money recovered. The contest over the Hyde estate has been in progress one hundred and one years, it being finally decided in favor of the heirs—the courts holding that, while aliened could not recover real estate, they were entitled to personal property. Ex-Governor Ames was the leader of the Hyde estate party in the days of the Kansas trouble, and was connected with John Brown in the underground railroad transactions. He carries a present to Queen Victoria a crown made from minerals of the mines of New Mexico and Arizona, the specimens including a fine piece of tourmaline, garnets, moss and white agates, gold and silver quartz, amethysts, jet and rubies, copper and lead. The minerals are mounted on an ebony pedestal. Mr. Ames also carries to the Queen a blanket made by the Navajo Indians from sheep's wool on a rude loom, and as a gift from Mrs. Stewart, formerly Jane Ames, of England, a silk patchwork quilt made by the donor, who is eighty-eight years old. The quilt contains 3,894 pieces of silk of all shades. It is inscribed "To Her Majesty, Queen, from a faithful subject in America." Mr. Ames also carries a cabinet for the British museum containing 1,000 specimens of various minerals, weighing in all 500 pounds, some being from mines opened by Spaniards two hundred years ago, abandoned, and not until recently reopened.

—The long looked for representation of Pinafore, which our local artists have been rehearsing for some time past, took place in Town Hall last evening before an audience that literally packed the house. The desire to hear this piece has been extreme and we are glad to say that the complete success of the piece was warmly spoken of by all who witnessed it. Little Buttercup, especially in the last act, was well pleased by Josephine Ward. Sir Joseph Porter, by Mr. J. W. Temple, was well liked; Josephine, by Miss Sallie Dyer, who sang the average and we compliment Miss Dyer on her fine singing. Capt. Corcoran, by Mr. G. Ward, played a very much better part than Dumont. Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Wilson, and Miss Jennie Adams acted their difficult parts well. The chorus singing has been heard of any account was that the solos were indistinct to the audience back from the stage. The chorus singing was the best part of the whole performance, and was really excellent, as was also the orchestral work. The costumes were elegant, and to speak of the whole we must say that we were pleasantly surprised, and hope that the efforts of the company will draw another large audience tonight. The proceeds will go to Frouty & Bemis' Orchestra, which is really a fine musical institution. Miss Ward deserves much praise for her management of the musical entertainment.

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METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—Services 1 p. m. Prayer Meeting, 7 p. m., also Tuesday evening at 7:30. Class Meeting Friday evening at 7:30. J. D. Cushing, pastor. Sunday School services at 10:30 a. m.

SATURNAL CHURCH.—Mass at 9 o'clock and 10:30 every other Sunday. Rev. Michael Walsh, pastor. Rev. John Conway, Asst. Pastor, residence, Mount Pleasant, North Brookfield. Sunday School at 2 p. m.

—Benjamin Ashbo, a Persian, spoke in the Methodist Saturday evening, on the manners and customs of his country.

—Christmas trees at all the churches last Wednesday evening.

—The Moulton vs. Brookfield case has been decided in the Worcester court against the claimant.

NORTH BROOKFIELD.
CHURCH DIRECTORY.
FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—Services Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Friday evening in the Chapel. Teaching meeting Tuesday evening. Rev. G. H. DeBevoise, pastor. Sunday School immediately after the morning service. J. E. Porter, Superintendent.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—Services Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Friday evening. Rev. J. W. Eld, pastor. Sunday School immediately after morning service. F. A. Smith, Superintendent.

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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Services, Mass at 10:30 a. m., sermon at 12 p. m. Sunday School at 2 p. m. Fathers Conway and Walsh, pastor.

NORTH BROOKFIELD RAILROAD.
Trains leave for East Brookfield 7:05, 8:30, a. m., 12:05, 4:00, 5:05, 7:50 p. m.
Trains arrive from East Brookfield at 7:50, and 10:05 a. m., 1:05, 4:40, 5:55 and 8:25 p. m.

Special Correspondence.
—Rev. Mr. Cushing of Brookfield occupied the pulpit of the First Church last Sunday.

—Mr. Alfred Gage will deliver the next lecture in the G. A. R. course, upon "The Electric Telegraph."

—There was a Christmas tree at the Union Church Wednesday evening, and one at the First Church Thursday evening.

—Mr. E. M. Allen has taken possession of the store recently occupied by F. P. Stoddard, and will furnish the same with a stock of furniture, pianos and organs. He will also make this the headquarters for the Davis Sewing Machine for Worcester County.

—Owing to the snow storm on Monday, nearly all the trains were delayed.

—The attendance at the Band Fair was very good, and the various tables were well patronized. W. J. Whiting drew the wash tub combination, Geo. T. Lincoln the pair of "Nobby" Shirts, Friday evening the turkey, went to Geo. W. Sargent, and Saturday evening to Miss Clara A. Coleman. The silver pitcher was voted to Mr. Sumner Holmes. The band netted \$85.

—The ball given for the Continental Corset Works Benefit Fund, Wednesday night, was well attended.

—M. Gagnon of Worcester addressed a meeting held by the French residents of this place, Thursday evening of last week, who are taking steps towards forming a Societe de St. Jean Baptiste. A committee of seven were chosen to complete the organization.

—The concert given for the benefit of the piano fund, last Tuesday evening, was well attended. The program was excellent.

—The deer which was seen in Hardwick last week was shot Sunday, near the Spencer line, by Hiram Hill. It weighed about 150 pounds. There was a strap about its neck, and it had probably strayed from some private park. The same has been purchased by Dr. Tyler, who will mount it and thus add another valuable specimen to his already large collection of preserved birds and animals.

—The Ecclesiastical Council called to dissolve the connection of Rev. G. H. DeBevoise with the First Church, met in the chapel Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Walker of Spencer was chosen moderator. After transacting some preliminary business, Mr. DeBevoise made a brief statement, without entering into details, after which the council, in private conference, voted to grant a dismissal.

WEST WARREN.
—Lucian A. Blair, landlord of the West Warren hotel, died last week, after a long and painful illness of typhoid pneumonia. The body was taken to West Brookfield for burial. Mr. Blair was widely and favorably known and will be much missed.

—The fair held in Crossman's Hall two nights last week, by the ladies of the Congregational Church, was very successful, netting over \$900, which will help lift the church debt.

PAXTON.
—Rev. Otis Cole has accepted a call to South Newmarket, N. H., and will leave his present charge Jan. 1. His removal from Paxton is greatly regretted, and was a great surprise to his people when it was first announced, which was only a few days since. He is much beloved by many citizens, and such will part with him and with his family with sincere regrets. Indeed, it is going to be a difficult matter to

fill his place, and likewise the place of his wife and daughter, who have borne active parts both in the choir and general church work. Miss Cole has presided at the organ with great regularity and acceptance, while Mrs. Cole has led the singing for the most part, and presided at the social unions fortnightly. Not only in but outside the church proper they counted many devoted friends, whose kindest wishes and warmest blessings will ever follow them.

WEST BROOKFIELD.
—A young fellow from Brookfield named Joyce, while under the influence of too much of the "ardent," attempted to break into the house of Edwin Wilbur, on Cottage street, West Brookfield, one evening last week. Mr. Wilbur, hearing some noise, made after the fellow in his stocking feet and after a lively chase overhauled him, and with the assistance of Constable Bush gave him a night's lodging in the lock-up. Justice Duell of Brookfield fined him for drunkenness \$12.

—Light fingered gentry have been at work about town of late, taking a half quarter of beef from E. Wilbur's market, cutting out generous steaks from a beef creature hung up in B. P. Aiken's slaughter-house, and killing and dressing a chicken at the same place. The local police claim to be on the track of the miscreants.

EAST BROOKFIELD.
Special Correspondence.

—First of all, we wish a Merry Christmas to the editor, and to all of his friends and to all whose eyes behold the Sun.

—The people of East Brookfield, and especially the friends of the Sunday school connected with the Baptist church united to make a Christmas festival for the benefit of the young people. It was held at the Baptist vestry on Christmas Eve, where a very large gathering was in attendance, who seemed to be very much delighted with all the exercises. A very nice Christmas Cantata was finely rendered by the young people, in connection with the filling of the stockings of the little ones, while they were smuggled in their trundle beds, by good old Santa Claus, all of which was truly enchanting. This was followed by a beautiful entertainment provided especially for the Sunday school, and the Sunday school workers, but there was no restriction in the distribution; the multitude was fed, and abundance of refreshments left. The Christmas trees on each side of the room gave a delightful brilliancy to the scene, and awakened anxious expectations in the minds of many if not in all, and the sequel showed that these expectations were not cut off. Many beautiful and valuable gifts were made, and somehow there seems to be on such occasions a wonderful intuition as to the wishes and wants of the beneficiaries on the part of the benefactor. The pastor and his wife were among the number of the highly favored ones. Among the gifts of the pastor's wife was a rich winter bonnet, excellent fit, high up, in the latest style. There was a large and beautiful sleigh robe hanging upon one of the trees which caused some anxiety in the minds of those who had teams, but not as complete a livery as is sometimes desirable. The rumor spread that Dr. Hodgkins, the Superintendent of the Sunday school, was to be the favored one, and we all felt that it would be bestowed upon the most worthy one on account of his unremitting toil in the Sunday school; but when the robe was taken from the tree the pastor's name was called as the favored one, thus bestowing upon a poor minister what might have been given to a good doctor.

LEICESTER.
—Monday evening friends and relatives to the number of about one hundred, gathered at the house of Mr. T. S. Snow, the well-known express man, to celebrate the tenth anniversary of their marriage. A bountiful repast was prepared by the ladies, after which Rev. A. H. Coolidge, in behalf of those present, presented Mr. and Mrs. Snow with a large number of costly and useful articles, including a china set, cake basket, and other silver ware, pictures, etc., of over one hundred dollars value. Mr. Snow, although taken by complete surprise, returned thanks in an appropriate manner. The evening was spent in a most happy manner, and many kind wishes for their future were extended them.

SOUTHBRIDGE.
—The Methodist fair held at their church last Thursday evening, was a great success in every respect.

—Mr. Dr. Gunther was surprised Saturday evening by a party of friends, who brought some good musicians; the party presented Mrs. G. with a cake basket. Two or three hours were spent in a social manner and the company dispersed.

—Mellville Engine Company will hold their annual supper on January 2d instead of the 1st, as has been done heretofore.

—Christmas was observed in the usual manner in this town, by the different

churches, with Christmas and festivals.

—Edwards's Hall cannot be hired for any more walking matches, on the ground that they hurt the business of the storekeepers under the hall.

—The Societe St. Jean Baptiste elected the following officers at their last meeting, to hold office until May, 1880: Chaplain, Rev. G. Brochu; president, F. A. Tremblay; vice president, H. Herbert; Sec. Arch., B. Proulx; Sec. Cor., Ed. Parent; treasurer, A. Lattelle; collector, F. Catinneau; Asst., Frs. Lavallee; First Com. Aid, R. Caron; Sec. Com. Aid, Jos. Digre; Com. of Inquiries, Luc. Brousseau, Pierre Dupl., Jos. Chassie, Toussaint Lavoire, J. D. Proulx, M. Metras.

PAXTON.

—There was a reunion of the sold ers of this town recently, which proved a very pleasant affair. There is no Grand Army post here, and there have been no reunions for some time till this one. It is proposed to keep them up in the future, and to this end an organization was effected, with A. S. Groton, president, and Geo. A. Brown as secretary. At this first reunion there were 14 regiments represented—three of which were of other states than Massachusetts, and yet but 16 soldiers reported. These were accompanied by their wives and a very agreeable evening was spent together. Rev. Otis Cole and his family were the only invited guests. Plates were set for 36, and every chair was filled.

WARREN.

—Warren has lost one of her best men in the death of S. H. Sibley, which occurred at his late residence yesterday after a sickness of several weeks. For more than thirty years he was identified with the manufacturing interests of the town; was associated with L. J. Knowles in the manufacture of cotton warps, woolen cloths, and steam pumps, and for several years successfully run the Warren woolen mills. He was prominent in church affairs, a Mason, and a Representative in the legislature of 1872. His funeral will be attended at the Congregational church on Saturday at 10:30 o'clock.

COLDBROOK.

—Eddy's portable saw mill sawed 70,400 feet of lumber on W. L. Thompson's lot, near Coldbrook, last week in 45 hours.

STURBRIDGE.
Special Correspondence.

"All is well that ends well."

—The monotony of Sturbridge life was interrupted or disturbed somewhat at a public meeting held in the Congregational church Sunday evening, two or three weeks since, by several strangers, or out-siders, who came in and monopolized a good share of the time which really belonged to others who had come prepared to "speak, or sing, or pray, as the Spirit should dictate," for the edification of those who might be present. Rev. M. L. Richardson had charge of the meeting and called upon a gentleman from Charlton to lead in prayer, after which, and singing he called upon an Irishman who happened to be present, to make some remarks, which he did and though it was not expected he could speak to the edification of all present, yet what he said will long be remembered by those who heard him. At length, and quite late, an elderly lady came in and quietly took a seat. Now she well knew that ladies did not speak in these meetings, and those present knew just as well that this good mother in Israel always had just a word for Jesus there as elsewhere. The dear pastor had no invitation for this poor woman to speak, so without an invitation from him or any one else, she rose in her place and gave an exhortation which will long be remembered after some present have "gone home." At the close of the meeting the strangers were treated very cordially and invited to call again. Soon after a prayer and praise meeting was appointed in the school house in Gibbs' District. Verily, all is well that ends well.

COUNTY.

—The Millbury Cotton Company will raise their employees' wages ten per cent. Jan. 1st.

—A reward of \$300 is offered for the detection of the murderer of Lafayette E. Battey of North Oxford.

—The old South Church of Worcester has given a call to Rev. Dr. F. P. Ingersoll of Brooklyn, N. Y., with \$4,000 salary.

—Wachusett mountain, with the carriage road and the hotel at the summit, has been sold by the assignee of the Wachusett Mountain Company to Charles Brigham of Fitchburg for \$7050.

—A small boy at Millbury put his tongue on an iron gate post the other afternoon and had it at once frozen to the iron. He was unable to move until a surgeon removed it with an instrument.

—Four locomotives, 10 passenger and baggage, 5 platform, and 20 dump

cars of the Boston, Barre & Gardner Railroad were sold Monday on execution in favor of the Fitchburg Railroad to Stephen Salisbury, Jr.

—The Rutland Soldier's Monument Association held a levee at the Town Hall the 18th. The dramatic club of Paxton gave the entertainment, which was highly appreciated. Mr. Ledyard Bill of Paxton sent the association \$10, as he was not able to be present. About \$75 was realized from the entertainment.

—A movement is on foot among the local Irish societies to extend an invitation to Charles S. Parnell, the distinguished Irish home ruler, to visit Worcester during his stay in this country. The Father Mathew Temperance Society has taken the initiative and chosen delegates to attend a convention to be held January 11, when definite steps will be taken.

—The store and post office at Charlton City were burned on the 18th inst. The fire was discovered at about 2 o'clock. The store goods were owned by Henry Braley, and insured for \$1000. None of the goods were saved, but the letters, etc., in the post office were removed. The building was owned by W. B. Morris of Springfield. The origin of the fire is unknown.

—Edward Sprague, a notorious horse thief of Worcester, and only released from the House of Correction in September, has been arrested at Concord as the thief who stole the Hoar and Damon stable property. He had taken the booty to Connecticut, where he stole other property and was forced to hide in the woods. Sprague finally stole another buggy and returned to Concord, where he was taken.

—The murder of Lafayette Battey at North Oxford, last week Wednesday morning, is still a mystery, and the investigations by the officers, up to the present time, have only led them into a maze of conflicting statements by the various parties who have been interviewed. Charles Sumner Lawrence, 22 years old, and a neighbor of Battey, who has been arrested for the crime, seems to be determined to keep his movements at the time of the murder as secret as possible, and his conduct appears suspicious, but no links directly implicating him have yet been found.

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Spencer Intelligence.

—The season for blotted date-lines, is here.

—Call at L. Sibley's news room for diaries for 1880.

—Edward P. Cutler and Alvin N. Lamb have gone to spend a short vacation in Florida.

—All the schools, excepting the High School, have had a two weeks' vacation for the holidays.

—The G. A. R. Ladies' Relief Society will meet with Mrs. Emerson Stone, on High st., Tuesday afternoon next.

—This is a favorable season of the year to subscribe for daily, weekly and monthly publications at L. Sibley's news room.

—Miss Alice Barnes of this town has a Lady Washington Geranium which cannot often be beat. It stands seven feet high.

—If the year 1880 be presaged by the beauty of the sunrise New Year's morning then 'twill be one of most glorious loveliness.

—The Selectmen have posted cautionary notices relating to coasting. Now let them be generous and give the boys a place to enjoy this glorious pastime.

—There are over 200 children of soldiers and sailors, under 12 years of age, in this place, so we are informed by one of the committee who arranged the trees at G. A. R. Hall last evening.

—Foster Bisco is the best subscriber we have. He comes as regularly as New Year's day and pays in advance for five papers. We wish him a Happy New Year, and plenty of them.

—The Spencer Savings Bank paid a dividend of 2 per cent Jan. 1st. Besides it has paid the usual amount to the guaranty fund. The total amount on deposit is \$223,000, a pretty good testimonial to Spencer's thrift.

—Snooks hastened down town yesterday to inform us that his neighbor had celebrated New Year's morning with a breakfast of buckwheat cakes and syrup, and eighteen dollars! Snooks is such a hand to joke we hardly credit the story.

—Prouty & Bemis' Orchestra presented yesterday—as a New Year's gift—to Miss Mary A. Miles, two volumes of Dr. Von Bulow's Beethoven's Sonatas. An elegant and appropriate gift, and one which that lady will not be slow to appreciate.

—The following chiefs of Towtoid Tribe. Improved Order of Red Men, were elected on Monday evening: S. C. M. Tripp; S. S. A. H. Johnson; J. S. Jas. Black; C. of R. W. A. Sloane; A. C. of R. A. N. Bellows; K. of W. E. P. Cutler; Prophet, E. T. Freeman.

—The bashful young men have had four years in which to declare their intentions, now the ladies come to the front. A man's selfishness planned the Leap Year business, or his wisdom discovered the aptness of the fair sex in matrimonial alliances, and gave them credit for four times the sharpness of the sterner sex. At all events, ladies, you have it all your own way for twelve months—go in and be one!

—We have investigated the matter and discovered that those persons living on Cherry street, east of May, as well as those on Cottage, pay their poll taxes and feel as though they ought to be considered as citizens by the snow-plow engineers and a path broken for them, whenever a snowstorm occurs, the same as other taxpayers in town.

Y. M. C. A.—The interest at North Spencer continues. The meetings are well sustained by the brethren and they are encouraged by those who attend and by the spirit they manifest. The next meeting will be at 3 o'clock on Sunday afternoon. The prayer meeting at Wire Village was well attended last Sabbath afternoon; our friends who meet there help us a great deal in singing. All seem to enjoy the hour.

—The lecture by Prof. McIntire on Tuesday evening was a very good thing in its way. "The Voyage Among the Planets" was a subject which the general public could hardly be expected to appreciate to its full extent, yet

a very commendable interest was taken in the professor's remarks, while the diagrams thrown upon a large canvas by the use of a stereopticon brought the different topics vividly to mind. There was the usual sized audience and altogether was much of a success. The Literary Association have so far given us a good assortment of subjects, and each entertainment has been up to a high standard.

—Amasa T. Bemis has been drawn as Grand Juror for the ensuing year.

—The Spencer Amateurs expect to present "The Ticket-of-Leave-Man" the 22d inst.

—The monthly meeting of the Republican Club will be held in Caucus Hall, Saturday evening.

—We publish on our 2d page another interesting letter from Edward L. Grout. Mr. Grout is probably in Australia at the present time.

—The next entertainment in the People's Course will occur Wednesday evening the 14th inst., and will be given by the Carlyle Petersiles Concert Company.

—Capt. Daniel Green of this town informs us that he will be eighty years old Jan. 7, and that he intends to start for Jacksonville, Florida, the day following, where he will pass the remainder of the winter.

—H. R. Parker, for three years employed at this office, was put in the lock-up last Monday at noon charged with taking money and other articles from Justice Hill's room. The affair, however, was not as bad as expected, and it will probably be settled. Parker has left town.

—Our highly esteemed friend, Rev. F. A. Bisbee, is receiving the congratulations of his multitude of friends and we ask to be permitted to add our compliments. May the happiness consummated on the bright New Year's day be symbolical of the joy and beauty of an entire life of congenial felicity, and may his usefulness increase in the same proportion which has characterized his past, only desiring that we may claim him as a fellow-citizen of Spencer. We bespeak for the bride that warmth of greeting accorded those whom our good people delight to honor, and we should do this for no other reason than that she has honored us in the choice of one we deem so worthy.

—Steamer Engine Co. No. 1, have always by the individual exertions of its members rendered their annual ball. The dance par excellence of the season, and so no comment from those present or from us would seem necessary other than that which we hear on every hand, "the same as usual!" There were 90 couples present whose motto seemed to be "Let joy be unconfined!" The music by Prouty & Bemis' Orchestra was everything to be desired, and the prompting of Mr. Coolidge a very pleasant feature of the evening; the floor managers were gentlemanly and accommodating. The turkey supper prepared by Charles Hancock was as fine a spread as ever gotten up in town. We noticed the committee made an innovation on the general plan in the use of order of dances, which readily found favor with their guests, and hope that they may be adopted at all the dancing parties hereafter.

In short, "the Steamer Ball" was the same this year as ever and that tells the whole story.

—The public installation and tree at G. A. R. Hall last evening called out a very large attendance, not only of soldier's families but some who never knew anything about the war, and don't appear to about anything else, but this class was made welcome and received the same kind treatment as those duly invited to be present. At eight o'clock the officers-elect for the ensuing term were presented for installation and the ceremony performed by Past-Commander John W. Bigelow. Soon after the new officers had been conducted to their several stations, a collation was served, some singing by a very fair trio, and a general social season of an hour occurred after which the presents were distributed, and every one made happy by some kind remembrance either at the hands of personal friends or by the G. A. R. The same success which has always attended the enterprises, social or otherwise; of this organization found no exception to the rule in this case, and "the boys" appeared about as happy in dispensing favors as in the reception of them and no one present at the hall last evening will refuse to join with us in three cheers and a tiger for F. A. Stearns, Post No. 37, G. A. R., of Spencer.

CHRISTMAS AT THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

On Sunday morning last services especially for the observance of Christmas-time were held at the Congregational Church. The day was beautiful, as the 79, whose every hour seems to have been fraught with blessings for our nation, in its last moments put on a loveliness peculiar to the approaching end of worthy lives, and so impress with the last recollections a tender regret at the sundering of ties so sacred. The church was beautifully trimmed with evergreens wrought into wreaths and emblems, all suggestive of the joyful season. The arch over the chancel bore the text—in letters formed from evergreens—"For unto us is born a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." Immediately in front of the altar stood a vase containing six Calla Lilies in all the freshness of an Easter morn. The organ was also adorned with evergreens, and resting upon the apex of the case was an arch bearing the inscription, "Sing Praises unto God for his Love." The choir was augmented by the presence of Prouty & Bemis' Orchestra. The order of exercises was as follows:

Organ Voluntary. Wm. Sumner.

Christmas Anthem, Orchestra and Organ.

Accompaniment, Choir.

Invocation, By the Pastor.

Scripture Lesson, Choir.

Hymn, "Brightest and Best," Choir.

Prayer, By the Pastor.

Antiphon, "Hark, what mean those Angel voices?" Choir.

Sermon—Luke, II. 14.—"Glory to God in the Highest." By the Pastor.

Hymn, with full Orchestra and Organ accompaniment.

Congregation and Choir.

Benediction, By the Pastor.

Mr. Walker's discourse was a rhetorical gem, the figures not being gathered from poetry but from the creations of the Great Source of all Good. Four great points were eliminated from the beautiful coloring until there stood out in bold relief, the Power of God to shape a universe so far beyond the scope of the most profound human comprehension: His Wisdom in the complete and wonderful harmony which prevails in the plan of that universe, from the majestic flight through space of mighty worlds, in comparison with which our world is but as the grain of sand upon the sea shore,—down to the absolute perfection of the organism and its performances of respiratory and other life-sustaining functions of the insect so infinitesimal as to require the most powerful magnifying lenses to discover even its identity; the Love of God in the preservation of that harmony, permitting mankind to have and enjoy unstinted the boundless bounties of his goodness; and above all God's Mercy towards man, who in ignorance at times would question the Source of all Power and Wisdom returning indifference for divine Love, and arrogating a power which is to the most simple of God's creations as an infant's breath to the mightiest tempest. The sermon was listened to with close attention by the large audience present. The music under the direction of Mr. Wm. Sumner was most excellent, the orchestra proving not an unimportant adjunct. Taken altogether the service was one which will be long and pleasantly remembered by all who were so fortunate as to be present.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The regular class exercises of Sunday School were omitted and a choice of officers was made for the ensuing year, which was as follows: Superintendent, James D. Tait; Asst. Supt., W. L. Demond; Sec'y and Treas., C. H. Johnson; Librarians, C. T. Linley and C. O. Tyler.

THE S. S. CONCERT.

Soon after the appointed hour for the opening of the church for the evening, the house was filled. In addition to the morning's decorations, underneath the motto over the chancel, as noticed in the report of the morning's exercises, was one bearing the inscription, "The Old, Old Story Again," suspended from the center of which was an elegant anchor of evergreens. The exercises were as follows:

Organ Voluntary, Mr. Sumner.

Anthem—"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," Choir.

Scripture Reading—33d Chapter of Isaiah, Superintendent, J. D. Tait.

Prayer, By Rev. A. S. Walker.

Reports of the Assistant Supt. and Secretary.

Singing—"Tell me the Old, Old Story," Masters Lewis Duntun and Lewis Prouty.

Singing—"I Love to tell the Story," School.

Class Recitation of appropriate texts.

Christmas Carol, Misses Ina Cate, Emma Prouty, Mary Jenks, Angie Brewer and Jennie Young.

Class Recitations, Singing—"Carol, Sweetly, Carol," Master George and Misses Grace and Florence Muzzy.

Recitation—"Let the Children come to me," Misses Nellie Grant, Clara Walker and Nellie Prouty.

Question—"Who was this Stranger whose advent brought out a Heavenly choir?" Answered by appropriate texts recited by young Misses.

Recitation—"The Star," Miss Sarah Starr.

Question—"What was his mission to Earth?" Class answers.

Duet—"Arrived in Clouds," Messrs. J. W. Temple and F. E. Duntun.

Question—"How was he received among men?" Class answers.

Reading—"Three Wise Men came riding out of the East," Miss Cora Barnes.

Quartet—"Christmas Bell," Misses Sally Dyer and Sadie Green, Messrs. Duntun and Muzzy.

Question—"How did he fulfill his Mission?" Class answers.

Singing—"Hear the call," Full Chorus.

Erection of the temple: LOVE, PRECIOUS STONES, SILVER, GOLD, CORNER STONE.

Recitations accompanying the rearing of the above by Masters Arthur Stone, Harry Green, Willie Prouty and George Ladd. The cross which surmounted the structure was wreathed with evergreens.

Recitation—"The Cross," Miss Anna Prouty.

Quartet—"Miss E. Ward, Mrs. Wm. Comins, Messrs. Duntun and Muzzy.

Class Recitations by the little ones of Miss Mary A. Miles' class.

Singing—"Cross and Crown," Full Chorus.

Reading—"The Contrast," Miss Emma Prouty.

Remarks by the Superintendent.

Singing—"The Hall was never told," Full Chorus.

Benediction, Rev. A. S. Walker.

The concert was gotten up under the direction of Mrs. H. P. Starr and its success, which was marked—mainly due to her efforts.

THE TREE NEW YEAR'S EVE.

On Wednesday evening, notwithstanding the severe snow-storm raging at the time, nearly 100 of the Sunday School Scholars gathered in the vestry of the church and were made happy, everyone, in a gift from the officers and teachers of school.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting for the election of officers occurred last evening, with the following result: Henry B. Green was re-elected Clerk, and W. L. Demond, Treasurer. The same Church Committee will also serve the coming year. The election of deacon to fill the place of Geo. P. Ladd, whose term of office expires, was deferred to a future meeting. Deacon Ladd positively declines a re-election, much to the regret of the church. The present membership is 223—a loss of two during the year. Five persons will unite with the church next Sunday by public profession.

—The following officers were elected to serve Good Will Lodge, L. O. O. F., on Wednesday evening: N. G. W. W. Woodbury; V. G. Geo. M. C. Norwood; Sec. Geo. S. Green; Permanent Sec., W. H. Belcher; Treasurer, John Mullen; Trustees, J. W. Monroe, H. H. Capen, and W. Otis Watson. The installation will take place next Wednesday evening.

—Two of our well known ladies, one the wife of a boot manufacturer, the other quite prominent in musical circles, arrayed themselves in the raiment of their grandmothers, yesterday, and started out to make New Year's calls. They succeeded quite admirably in disguising themselves as the "Widow Redd" and "Samantha Ann Brown," and had not a little amusement themselves, as well as attracting considerable attention on the street. The idea was somewhat novel in Spencer, but none the worse for that.

OAKHAM.

Special Correspondence.

—The Christmas festival was held in Memorial Hall, Dec. 25th. There was a larger number present than usual on like occasions. The exercises consisted of singing, anthems, recitations, etc. The Infant Sabbath School classes appeared carrying banners with different titles of Jesus on them, and performed their part in a very creditable manner. On the whole it was a very joyous occasion.

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Fatal Mistake

BARRETT SYLVESTER,

ATLANTA, GA.

CHAPTER XIII.

ALL DOUBTS ARE SETTLED.

The letter which James Dalton took from the pocket of the old man, and which he had been so anxious to find, was a letter from the old man's wife, and it was a letter which told him that she was dead.

"You are a noble fellow, Granby," exclaimed Mr. Dalton, with emotion, "and I ought to be grateful to Providence for such a son-in-law. But who can have dared to induce my daughter to marry a man who was so much older than she?"

"I love you too well to refuse you anything," replied Mr. Dalton, "and I promise you mine."

The General had little difficulty in pre-arranging with Dalton to comply with his request.

A crimson flash mounted to her delicate face, and a light of triumph flashed from her eyes, as she looked at the old man.

"For a few moments she affected to oppose his wishes, then, yielding with a grace which made her lover then even, she murmured sweetly:

"How can I love you, Granby, when I love you so dearly?"

The General was enraptured with her tender words.

"Ab, dearest," he exclaimed, proudly, "you have been generous, I will prove to them that I am not unworthy of you."

When Granby Dalton left Mr. Dalton's house, Granby Dalton took the letter, and ordered the servant who answered his summons to send William Gordon to him.

"I shall be his wife's wretchedly wretched son-in-law," murmured Granby Dalton, "but I shall be his wife's wretchedly wretched son-in-law."

The door was cautiously opened, and William Gordon entered with a soft footstep, which made no sound upon the thick carpet.

"You desired to see me, madam," he said, respectfully.

"Yes, I am about to be married—much sooner than I had expected."

"Immediately."

"You will be good enough, madam, to transfer me from my present service to that of General Dalton?" asked the coachman.

"You will be transferred to my service," answered Mr. Dalton, "and I shall be your mistress. You will find me a liberal employer."

"You are very good, madam. Is there anything else?"

"Yes, those letters."

The coachman shook his head.

"They must be bad," William Gordon said, "for they have made me feel that I am no longer in the possession of my own mind."

There were twelve of them—twelve letters, for each of which I will give you five hundred dollars. Will that sum tempt you to find them?"

"It will tempt me to my utmost," answered the man, calmly; "I can do no more."

"Find them, then," exclaimed Mr. Dalton, with feverish anxiety—"find them at any cost—at any price!"

I have no more to say to you, Granby Dalton. She dismissed him with a haughty gesture of her hand, and retired to her own apartments.

Four days after the marriage was to take place, the arrangements for which were executed with marvelous rapidity, and on the day of the wedding a dinner party was given by the bride and groom to the relatives of the bride and a few distinguished guests.

One of these guests was Mr. James Dalton, who had become acquainted with ex-coachman Dalton at an exhibition, and had been immediately taken into favor, and had watched the lady's movements.

Late in the evening, William Gordon entered the room carrying a packet of music, which he gave to Miss Dalton.

As the coachman delivered the parcel into the hands of his mistress, who was seated at the piano, the eagle eye of James Dalton perceived him stop over her and whisper a few words in her ear. He was near enough to catch the import of those words.

"I have a letter for you," the man murmured.

Soon after this, James Dalton left the drawing-room, and descending the broad staircase, crossed the hall below.

One of the servants assembled there advanced to him to ask whose carriage he should call.

"None at present," replied Mr. Dalton.

"I want to speak to you," said the man, "and I will double your money."

"Take me to that man's room, and I will give you a five dollar note for your trouble."

"Certainly," replied the servant, "and I will warn you that Gordon is in the room."

"No matter, lead the way."

The man conducted James Dalton across the hall to the servant's staircase, and then led him to the back of the house. At the foot of the stairs, he stopped to get a lamp.

Bringing a dark lantern, he led the artist, who will serve my purpose better."

"But, sir—"

"Do as I tell you," interrupted Mr. Dalton, "and I will double your money."

The man bowed and obeyed, leading the way to a small, plainly-furnished chamber at the top of the long staircase.

"What am I to say to Gordon, sir?" he asked, as he left the room.

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first Colton. The young lady innocently
marked: "All the West Point
are white pants." To which the
young man stippantly replied: "And
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and their aunts!" Tableau!

BROOKFIELD.

PATRIARCHAL CHURCH.—Sundays services at 10 a.m., from First Day to Thanksgiving day; and at 7 o'clock, from Thanksgiving Day to First Day, ending services from October to April, part of the time. Rev. A. H. Rice, Pastor. Sunday school services at 10 a.m. and 12 m.

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The young people of the M. E. church had quite a pleasant gathering here over supper and aerobionc libration Thursday evening, in spite of the slippery walking.

A Farmers' Institute will be held at 10 o'clock Feb. 23. A meeting of farmers of this town was held yesterday evening of this week with that in view.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Real estate transactions for the week ending Wednesday, Jan. 14, are as follows:

—The first name being that of the person who sells the property—

J. W. — E. C. Dudley, 365 land, \$250
J. H. M. — F. R. Loring, Spencer, 625
H. J. Abbey — Paige E. & Jarce, 625
C. Hill et al. W. Brookfield, 1,750
L. G. Smith, 1,750
Jas. S. & H. H. — W. C. Watson, Spencer, 250
G. C. N. — F. E. Goldard, Athol, 250
As Frank & Paul, by auction — 300
Capen, Spencer, 300
James, N. H. S. A. — J. W. Draper, Brookfield, 300
J. Mary, Maria & Sarah, by gdn — A. J. Carley, Spencer, 350
J. B. Abbott — J. G. Gloward, Spencer, 240
J. T. Jas. Jenr., Michl. & A. J. G. Gloward, Spencer, 400
A. G. E. — R. Forbes, Brookfield, 1,000
Edw. — E. E. White, et al. Leicester, 300
Jos. — A. Delano, Spencer, 300
John — M. G. Goggin, Spencer, 100
Holis — E. G. Gates, Worcester, 850
W. F. by mtgee — H. T. Gates, Worcester & Leicester, 1000
Jaw, J. N. — H. T. Gates, Worcester & Leicester, 1
Law, Loring & Lewis — J. Mullins, Brookfield, 175
H. F. — F. I. Hyde, et al. South- 775
Louis — S. C. Paine, Oxford, 25
Reuben — O. A. McIntire, Charl- 2,000
D. O. — U. S. McIntire, Charle- 2,500
David — W. Lipman, Dudley, 10
John — J. Dunan, N. Brook- 600
Henry — J. E. Bacon, Barre, 1,000
Jas. — S. J. Clark, Oakham 1,000
Guttridge & C. C. Bottemly, 775
Florence — E. D. Thayer, Leice- 400
H. S. & J. W. — S. J. Shaw, Oxford, 775
W. C. — D. H. Barnes et al. 6,000

any cases of fever and ague, dumb and congestive chills were promptly cured and entirely banished, by the use of Simmons' Liver Regulator. You say half enough in regard to the value of your valuable medicine, in case of ague, intermittent fevers, etc. There has been arrested immediately me, when I say, I was a sufferer for years with the Liver disease, and relieved by using your medicine. Your medicines have taken it seems to thrill all through the nervous system.
— ROBERT J. KANE CO., Ill."

WANTED,

Man & Co. Marshall, Mich., want in this county at once, at a salary of per month and expenses paid.

SCIENTIFIC.

The importance of testing water pipes and pipe joints has been the subject of discussion on the part of the most eminent engineers abroad, the conclusions arrived at being, summarily, as follows: First, that the usual mode of laying out iron socketed pipes without testing after joining, and in the open trenches, does not give sufficient security against leakage; second, that such testing of the joints, and of the pipes, in most cases, if not in all, is obtained at no great inconvenience or cost; third, that all pipes, special pipe included, should, if possible, be tested before leaving the foundry; fourth, that the value of the principle of testing pipes with the sockets downward is confirmed, although it confers no absolute security against defective sockets; fifth, that systematic testing, after joining will tend to improve the quality of both castings and joints, the cost of each failure being thus largely increased, and falling upon the contractor at last; and sixth, that by such testing the security is increased against accidents to pipe conduits, with their attendant evils—cost of repairs, loss of water, interruption of supply, and the indirect or other foul air at leaky points when the pipes are on—gry.

Various cases of "leakage" have been brought forward, from time to time, for recording the notes of melodies played on a piano, organ or other key instrument—less on account of their perplexity, imperfections or expense. A new instrument has now been brought forward, called the melodicograph, which is said to meet the objections named. A double flat spring placed under each key is connected with a battery, and with a recording apparatus, which consists of a comb provided with insulated teeth resting on a copper cylinder; a strip of ruled and chemically prepared paper is drawn over this cylinder by a clockwork, and receives the impressions of marks of the teeth of the comb, and this clockwork can be regulated so as to cause the paper to move in conformity with the time kept by a person playing the instrument. By this arrangement, every time a key is depressed by the player the circuit is closed, and the electricity passing through one of the teeth of the comb makes a mark corresponding to the key that has been depressed.

The telephone which has lately been introduced in France by the Telegraph Department is considered to be the best form yet brought forward. The currents of this instrument are generated by a magnet strong enough to allow a battery to be dispensed with, and an increased power is gained by abandoning the horseshoe form, and adopting the half circle shape, with two arms bent into the curve, where they nearly touch each other. Signalling is effected by blowing through a reed like that of a prior organ, this reed being used in a tube and passing under the diaphragm, near the pole of the magnet. Superficial vibration, the cause of indistinctness in this dispensed with. The vibration in the reed sets up an intense vibration in the diaphragm, which transmits a magnetic electric current to the receiver, producing a clear, loud note; the speaking tube in this case takes up the voice is heard distinctly.

An account of Prof. Bayer's various attempts to produce, artificially, the coloring principle of indigo, has been communicated to the British Association of Science. Hitherto, chemists have only been able to produce artificially these coloring matters which lack in the medium of the most valuable vegetable dye having thus yielded the secret of its constitution to chemical inquiry. Bayer's researches show, however, that it is possible to produce, by circuitous means or processes, the coloring matter which gives this beautiful blue to the indigo. There seems, nevertheless, no chance at present of forming artificial indigo on a commercial scale, though the discovery is one of peculiar scientific interest, from the fact that it is not often found practicable to build up compounds which are identical with the products of vegetable life.

A PRESERVATIVE wrapping and packing paper, for protecting cloths, furs, &c., from mildew and insects, is among the recent minor inventions of note. The paper for this purpose is made from woolen and cotton rags and manilla rope or paper. It is saturated with a mixture of seventy parts, by measure, of the oil remaining from the distillation of coal tar naphtha by five parts of pure carbolic acid, containing at least fifty per cent. of phenols. Twenty parts of this coal tar heated to about 160° Fahr., and five parts of red lead paste. After saturation, the paper is passed through squeezers and over hot rollers for the purpose of drying, and when cool, it is cut into sheets of suitable size, and the drying completed in the atmosphere.

I love my friends very much, but I find that it is of no use to go to them. I hate them commonly when I am near them; they belie themselves and deny me continually.—Thoreau.

Every man is "a man after God's own heart" for the functions that he does best. William.

DEATH AND CAUSE OF DEATH.

When a man named Latent was appointed the boy's keeper, he was so-called by his cell by a municipal, who, through the bars, "Capet, Capet." The child would not answer. When the door was forced open, he shuddered, but otherwise lay quite still. Yesterday's food stood there untouched. He bent over him, and when one asked why he had not eaten, he faintly replied, "Because I want to die." His condition was made somewhat better after this. His dress was changed, and his person and cell were kept clean. When two men, Laine and Gomis, were appointed his keepers at place of Laurent, they appear to have treated him with unvarying kindness; they would sing to him, play the violin and take him stories. But nothing seemed to waken up the torpid faculties of the child, and it was three weeks before a word could be extracted from him. Then, as Laine was telling him a story of the army which would lead to his mind his own regiment of boys, he whispered, "Did you see me with my sword?" Permission was given for the young king to walk occasionally on the roof of the tower. He was obliged to be supported by general safety, and was so treated, and great delight was to watch the emperor, his birds, he called them, come and drink out of the hollow of worn stones. But the sufferings of the poor boy had been too severe for any radical change for the better to take place. In the year 1793 the committee of general safety was informed of the dangerous illness of their captive, but no notice was taken for several months, when they were again informed that "there was danger of death."

A physician was then sent, but his services came too late. On the morning of the 8th of June the keepers found the child dead in his room. He lay very quiet, his head on his chest, and his hands clasped over his heart. Gomis said, "I hope you are not in pain, just now?" "Oh, yes, I still suffer, but much less! the music is so beautiful." "Where do you hear it?" asked the man, surprised. "Up there. Listen! listen!" and the dying prince pointed eagerly upward, suddenly he exclaimed, with a flash of joy, "Through all the voices I hear my mother's." Just then Laine came into the room to relieve the other keeper. The young king looked at him for a time, and then said, "Do you think my sister heard the music?" Then, a happy exclamation broke from his lips, "I hear it!" he said to Laine, "I have something to tell you." Those were his last words; as the keeper bent down to hear what he had to say, the child's head fell upon his breast, and a moment after he was dead.

A WATCH IN HIS HAIR.

We have written a correspondent, seen a great deal of the world, and heard considerable of the man with the "bricks" in his hair, but while riding on a Western railroad a short time since we actually beheld a man with a watch in his hair—yes, in his hair—a plain silver watch set in his hair front about midway between the front and the crown, face outward, so that any one passing in front of him could tell the time of day. He was a middle-aged man, with long hair—by the way, how is it that almost all eccentric individuals wear long hair—when we saw him until Delhi had a pair of shears—and paid no apparent attention to the numerous green looks on his face. It getting lonely about the train, numerous persons from other cars would pass through the coach he was in to see the man with the watch in his hair. At last one young man, with more assurance than discretion, ventured to ask the peculiar party the reason why he carried his watch in that prominent position. The old sport looked at his questioner quizzically in the face, and told him it was an alarm watch, and every time it struck it struck his head and reminded him that it was time to take his medicine, and remarking, "It has just struck," he pulled out a bottle of "old jer" took a good "swig," and the young man retreated amid the quiet smiles of the adjacent passengers.

SILENCED.

In the new prison at Milan the prisoners at first made an incessant noise and uproar upon being separated from each other in their respective cells. The keeper ordered them to keep quiet, and was very much surprised to find that his order was so well carried out that the building became as silent as a graveyard. At last he discovered that the prisoners had started telephone communication among themselves by speaking through the numerous tubes by which the building was heated.

SPONTANEOUS combustion is rare in hard or brittle coal. The presence of oxygen in soft coal presents exactly the opposite element which, by oxidation, produces heat sufficient to develop combustion. There is reason to believe that sulphurates do assist in producing combustion, although cases have been known of coal bays fire where in analysis showed but the faintest traces of sulphur. It is now believed that soft coal, like charcoal, when finely divided and damp, absorbs oxygen in exposure to the atmosphere, and, forcing carbonaceous development. In order to meet this liability, coal burning stoves should be put on board dry and large.

SUN DARKENING.

In 1865, 1877 and 1878 we find mention of long periods of diminished sunlight. Astronomers testify that in 1781, a year after the French had been driven from beyond the Pyrenees, consequent upon their defeat at Tours, "the sun darkened in an alarming manner on Aug. 19; there appeared to be no eclipse by the moon, but rather an interruption by some meteoric substance." There was an eclipse of the sun, and, though not total, it was very dark. On the morning of Aug. 14, it is mentioned in the Saxon Chronicle, which tells us that "the sun's disc was like a black shield." The near coincidence of date suggests, in this case, a connection between darkness and the eclipse.

In 1884, according to a Portuguese historian, the sun lost its ordinary light for several months; and this is followed by the doubtful statement that an opening in the sky seemed to take place, with many flashes of lightning, and the fall of a shower of fire. This was followed in 1891, on Sept. 21, and 22, as given in some of the illustrations of Humboldt's "Cosmos." Schnerer relates that there was a darkening of the sun which lasted three hours, after which it had a peculiar color, which occasioned great alarm.

A century later (or in June, 1891, according to Schnerer), the sun was again darkened, with certain attendant effects upon nature. Here the case is easily found. On June 23 there was a total eclipse, in which the moon's shadow traversed the continent of Europe from Holland to the Crimea. The eclipse was total in England between the coasts of Cumberland and Yorkshire.

Emma relates to a sun darkening on February 12th, 1306, which was accompanied by meteors, and we read in the cosmographies that on the 4th or, according to others, on the 5th of February, in this year, it was seen from the city of London, at the hour of the day, which was distant from the sun "only a foot and a half." Matthew Paris and Matthew of Westminster term this star a comet, and we may take it to have been the same which, later in the same month, was observed in China under the sign Venus, and which at that time was supposed to be identical with the comet of 1680; this body, however, would not appear to have been sufficiently near the earth, and, even on the assumption of a denser constitution than usual of comets, to account for a diminution of the sun's rays by its intervention.

On the last day of February, 1200, according to a Spanish writer, there was a comet darkness for six hours. In 1241, "five months after the Mongol battle of Legnica," the sun was so obscured and the darkness became so great that the stars were seen in the night hour about midnight. In this case, again, the darkness was referred to as undoubtedly due to the total eclipse of Oct. 6th, of which Prof. Schnerer has collected a full account from the Italian writers.

HE GOT HIS ANSWER.

In New Hampshire is a well-known eccentric individual, self-constituted owner of all his—sort of panacea, "body and soul, head, heart and conscience doctor," who, with all his eccentricities, has a fund of wit that is hard to beat. Not long ago the doctor was called upon by the wife of a man who was ailing, and who said sometimes to tell his wife what "licker pizen," knowing the doctor's peculiarities, venturing, in cross-examining him, to show him up a bit. "What is your business?" pompously inquired the counsel. "My business is to do what little good I can to my fellow-man," modestly replied the doctor. "But that doesn't answer my question," gruffly answered the counsel. "How do you spend your time?" "Why, you see, it takes about all my time to do what I said," replied the doctor. "But I want something more definite," stoutly demanded the counsel. "How do you go about your business?" "According to the nature of the case," explained the doctor. "For instance, if we were going to begin on you, the first thing I should do would be to advise you to sign a temperance pledge!"

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NORTH BROOKFIELD.

First Congregational Church.—Services Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Tuesday evening in the Chapel. Teachers' meeting Tuesday evening. Rev. G. H. De Haven, pastor. Sunday School immediately after the morning service. J. E. Foster, Superintendent.

Unitarian Church.—Services Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Tuesday evening. Rev. J. W. Hird, pastor. Sunday School immediately after morning service. A. Smith, Superintendent.

Methodist Episcopal Church.—Services Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Tuesday evening. Rev. J. M. Ayman, pastor. Sunday School immediately after morning service. Heuben Sikes, Superintendent.

Roman Catholic Church.—Services, Mass at 10:30 a. m. sermon at 3 p. m. Sunday school at 2 p. m. Fathers Conway and Welch, pastor.

NORTH BROOKFIELD RAILROAD.

Trains leave for East Brookfield 7:55, 8:30, a. m., 12:25, 4:00, 6:05, 7:50 p. m.
Trains arrive from East Brookfield at 7:50, and 10:05 a. m., 1:05, 4:40, 6:55 and 8:25 p. m.

Special Correspondence.

—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Clark invited over 30 of their friends to spend last Monday evening at their house and celebrate Burns' birthday. They partook of a bountiful collation. Mr. Clark called on Hon. Charles Adams, Jr., to make some remarks appropriate to the occasion. Mr. Adams spoke and read at length. He gave some interesting facts about Burns and his writings. In closing he put the question, why is Burns thought so much of when more educated poets are much less known and celebrated? Mr. Clark thought the reason is found in Burns being the poet of the people. Mr. Hird acknowledged the force of that point, and added that he was at the beginning of an epoch and was decidedly a lover of nature. Hon. Freeman Walker made some fitting remarks about Scotch people. Hon. C. Adams told us the origin of the name Walker. It was somewhat amusing. Dea. Miller and Mr. Lincoln helped by a few remarks. Dr. Reed compared Burns with Longfellow. Mr. Maxwell read Tom O'Shanter and sang one of Burns' songs. He sings only on that occasion, he says. Mr. Smith also gave us a song. Miss Nellie Smith sang two of Burns' songs, and thus the evening rapidly passed, and we were loth to say good night to our kind friends. Mr. and Mrs. Clark, Mr. Smith and Mr. Maxwell are Scotch. Hon. C. Adams ought to be, if he is not. Hon. F. Walker tried to be, but Mr. Adams put in an objection. All agreed that it was good to meet together and celebrate Burns' birthday.

From Another Correspondent.

—The last lecture in the G. A. R. course was delivered in the town hall last evening by Gen. Luther Stephenson, on "The Maryland Campaign."
—Messrs. Lysander and Mason D. Brewer leave town the first of the week for a trip to Colorado and Mexico, the latter intending to be absent several months for the benefit of his health.
—Dea. James Miller succeeds Mr. Montague as superintendent of the big shop.
—The 5:45 p. m. train was fifty minutes late Tuesday, owing to an accident on the main line.
—There is some talk of the Sons of Temperance giving a dramatic entertainment in the hall in the course of a few weeks.
—Mrs. King's corset factory was closed part of one day last week owing to the breaking of some portion of the engine.
—The G. A. R. will hold their masquerade ball in the course of a few weeks.
—Most of the schools in the village close next week.
—Mrs. Nettie Kelley was given a surprise party Wednesday evening, by a number of her friends.
—A Mr. Kibbe of North Brookfield attempted to drive home early last evening while somewhat intoxicated. When on South Main street one of his reins broke and he pulled the horse round to the sidewalk, throwing himself out. He was badly bruised about the head, and Dr. Perry thought a concussion of the brain might result. He was taken into Amsden's store and cared for, after which his companion procured a team and took him home, his own buggy having been wrecked in the accident.
—Worcester Gazette, Jan. 27th.

LEICESTER.

Special Correspondence.
—Mr. J. F. Bates recently butchered a Cheshire hog whose dressed weight was 721 pounds.
—A. White & Son, card clothing manufacturers, are running extra time.
—At the town farm there are seven persons over 75 years of age. A man and wife who separated more than 20 years ago have recently met as town paupers.
—Tuesday morning the snow-storm prophesied the lying off of the boys double-runner lightning express; black and blue spots seemed to have a chance to be "bleached out."

The Selectmen have restricted the

ent to the thirteenth chapter of the

boys' coasting on the streets. It is hard for the coasters, but the complaint of a citizen endures the law.

—The Ladies' Charitable Society held a pleasant sociable in the vestry last Friday evening. As a short entertainment, "The Days of Auld Lang Syne," were reproduced by tableaux of some of L's early inhabitants and scenes.

—Eleazer Smith, born in Medfield, Mass., 1754, invented in 1789 the famous card setting machine, upon which William and Amos Whittemore obtained a patent. When Gen. Washington made his tour of N. E., in the same year, he saw the machine in operation in Boston, and said it attracted his attention more than all he had seen in his travels. As the inventor of the card machine Mr. Smith stands with Arkwright, who spun a continuous thread of cotton from the movement of three pairs of rolls, and Whitney, who invented the cotton gin, and thereby made the article of cotton the leading commercial product of the world.

—The Leicester Christian Association holds very interesting prayer meetings at private houses this winter. Last Monday evening a meeting, which was largely attended by neighbors and their children, was held 12 miles from the center, at the house of D. W. Kent. The Father of Time measured the exercises for the worshippers by an old-fashioned, slowly ticking, sturdy, ingeniously featured, open handed eight-day clock.

—Mr. Geo. O. Wilson, residing on the "Kingsbury Place," sells oxen, cows, calves, hogs, wagons, etc., by public auction, Feb. 4, at 10 a. m.

—The Reform Club held a public meeting last Sabbath evening. Remarks were made by Revs. Saml. May and A. H. Coolidge, Capt. John D. Cogswell and Chas. A. Denny, Esq.

—The territory purchased by the nine original proprietors of the town was 8 miles square, and in 1713 was proportioned between them and 13 associated persons into 20 equal and undivided shares. Before this time the tract was known as Strawberry Hill, but by vote of the Legislature in the same year it was called L., and the title of the proprietors was confirmed on condition it should be settled, within seven years, by 50 families in regular and defensible condition, and that a part be reserved for a school and the Gospel ministry. This was the only Act of Incorporation ever granted the town. In May, 1714, the proprietors set off the eastern half, or what is now embraced by L. and parts of Auburn and Paxton, to settlers, on condition of payment of one shilling per acre for house lots of 30, 40 or 50 acres, and 50 families should be established as soon as May, 1717, or the land be forfeited. In January, 1724, a deed was granted to 37 persons, some of whom, in order that they might be entitled to more than one lot, had procured other families to settle. This deed dissolved the connection between the easterly and westerly (Spencer) portions of the township, though they constituted one municipality until 1753.

—The W. C. T. U. held their annual meeting last Tuesday afternoon for the election of officers for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Robert Watson; Sec., Mrs. J. M. Trask; Treas., Mrs. E. C. Waite. Hopes are entertained that the membership will be sustained and the work prosecuted with vigor.

CHARLTON.

Special Correspondence.

—The Universalists held their January sociable Friday, 23d. The entertainment was quite good, and concluded with a dance.

—Rev. Mr. Billings supplied the pulpit at the Congregational Church last Sabbath. A Sabbath School concert was held in the evening.

STURBRIDGE.

Special Correspondence.

—MR. EDITOR:—I would not trouble you again were it not that your correspondent in noticing the article of mine in the issue of the 16th takes strong exceptions to my noticing what he is pleased to call a milk boom, and basely and maliciously insinuates I wrote by request, and possibly for reward. Having lived in this town for forty-five years, it is but natural and right that I should feel an interest in whatever affects its interests pecuniarily, morally, socially and religiously; also, should feel an interest to promote the peace and harmony among the inhabitants, and desire to remove as far as possible whatever tends to discord and demoralization in the community. I wrote the article which bore my signature unsolicited, and take the entire responsibility for it, and were it not for the base, malicious insinuation of correspondent should take no further notice of the whole matter, and for a more full description of the character and spirit of a person who tries to produce discord among neighbors, I refer correspondents to the thirteenth chapter of the

Book of Acts and tenth verse, which he can read and reflect on at his leisure, with which reference I dismiss the whole subject.

NOAH D. LADD.
Sturbridge, Jan. 26, 1880.

—The social dance at Podunk last Thursday evening was largely attended. About 25 couples "tipped the fantastic toe," and all seemed to enjoy themselves well. This gathering is destined to be ever memorable from the fact that one of the best dancers on the floor was a member of the Cong. Church in good and regular standing, a young lady of irreproachable character and one of the best school teachers in town.

—Richard Arnold has bought a farm in Brimfield, including a timber lot, and intends moving in the spring.

—No one can tell at this writing what leap year has in store for some of our young and old people. There are certain indications that the time will be improved as it has not been heretofore.

—The festival got up by the ladies of the Cong. Church was held last Thursday evening, (the time of the usual weekly prayer meetings,) and notwithstanding the storm and dance at Podunk the numbers and receipts were much larger than expected, the net profit being \$123.07. It is not known what use the money will be put to; it is understood, however, it will be used for benevolent purposes.

—It is said Boston parties have examined the old shoe shop on the Common with a view to converting it into a last shop, but the building was found to be in a dilapidated state, so much so that it would require remodeling throughout and water or steam power put in before it could be used for that purpose. It is a large two-story building with brick basement, and much better adapted and could be more readily converted into a factory for condensing milk, similar to the one in West Brookfield, and with much less expense, and would be worth more to this community, as it would furnish our farmers with a market for their milk, and in the long run a more permanent business, as it is believed by our most shrewd and observing men and women that this corset business will go the way of all the hoops.

WEST BROOKFIELD.

Special Correspondence.

—Mr. C. L. Olmstead has bought the Taintor house and lot, and it is understood that he is to erect a fine residence soon and have the grounds fitted up in the most approved style. The plans are principally conjectured by the public, probably, but every one may as well tell what he thinks is going to be done, whether he knows anything about it or not.

—Some eighty or one hundred of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sawtell made a descent on their residence on Monday evening, taking them by surprise, the occasion being the tenth anniversary of their marriage. The number congratulating was only limited by the size of the house, but, although so crowded, everybody had a pleasant time and went away wishing many returns of the event.

—Rev. Mr. Gould announces a course of entertainments for the next few weeks, consisting of three lectures, one reading, and a concert by home and outside talent. The lectures are to be by Rev. L. T. Chamberlain on "Temperance," Dr. Forbes on his "Trip to Europe," and T. C. Bates on some subject not announced as yet. Then a reading by Rev. Fred. H. Allen, closing next time with the concert.

—A pleasant event Wednesday eve. was the dedication of Blair's new block. The public was all invited and the public all came, small boys, never out before and who won't be out in the evening again for several years, large boys, overgrown boys, men, women, girls, and in fact everything that goes to make up a country village. They began to congregate about 7 o'clock, and gradually increased in number until 10 o'clock, when dancing commenced. This was kept up until about 12 o'clock or a little later. It was as sociable a time as one could desire, and certainly no occasion has brought so many of the people together at one place where they could talk and ventilate their opinions on everything and everybody, to everybody, as this one. It is a pity we can't have such a sociable oftener. Excellent music was furnished by Snow's orchestra of North Brookfield. Mr. G. H. Coolidge prompted for the dancers.

Notice.

This is to give notice that I give my son, Albert J. Morean, his time and will not be responsible for his debts or draw his wages after this date.
F. L. MOREAN.
East Brookfield, Jan. 30, 1880.

FOR SALE!

25 BUILDING LOTS on Maple Street, Spencer. The lots are only a few rods from the New School House. Will be sold cheap.
Apply to
JOHN CASEY.
On the Premises.

ANSWER THIS.

Did you ever know any person to be ill without inaction of the stomach, liver or kidneys, or did you ever know one who was well when either was obstructed or inactive? And did you ever hear of any case of the kind that Hop Bitters would not cure? Ask your neighbor this same question.

BROOKFIELD.

UNITARIAN CHURCH.—Sunday services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Thanksgiving Day and 11 o'clock from Thanksgiving Day to Fast Day. Evening services from October to April, part of all of the time. Rev. A. J. Rich, pastor. Sunday School services at 12 in summer, and 12:15 in winter.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—Services 1 p. m. Prayer Meeting, 7 p. m., also Tuesday evening at 7:30. Class Meeting Friday evening at 7:30. J. D. Oushing, pastor. Sunday School services at 10:30 a. m.

CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Mass at 9 o'clock and 10:30 every other Sunday. Rev. Michael Walsh, pastor; Rev. John Conway, Asst. Pastor, residence, Mount Pleasant, North Brookfield. Sunday School at 2 p. m.

—Monday was so fine as to tempt a few of the Sportsman's Club out for a short exercise in the afternoon.

—Geo. H. Coolidge moved his stock in trade to West Brookfield last Saturday, where he will continue the millinery business.

—S. B. Brown, Principal of the High School, gave a very acceptable reading in the Town Hall, Wednesday evening, before a large audience. His manner of presentation was very good, as the applause fairly indicated. The proceeds went to the benefit of the High School, and amounted to some thirty odd dollars.

—F. H. Sawtell of this town is canvassing the vicinity with "Grant's Tour Around the World."

—Warren Gleason of this town, while chopping, felled a tree in such a manner as to knock him down, breaking both legs below the knee, one in two places. It was some time before he was rescued from his painful condition.

—The next institute, under the auspices of the Worcester South Agricultural Society, will be held in Brookfield, February 5. Editor A. W. Cheever of the New England Farmer has been invited to be present in the morning and speak on forage crops. A collation will be served at noon, followed by remarks by Prof. Cressy on the diseases of domestic animals. The exercises will open at 10 o'clock sharp, and close at 4. It is expected that this institute will be one of the most interesting of the whole series. Prof. Cressy's remarks at the last meeting have created much sensation and there will be a large number who will wish to hear him further discuss the subject of tubercular disease and the management of the agricultural college. It is intended to have specimens of diseased and healthy lungs on exhibition for the inspection of the audience. All are invited to attend and make these meetings occasions of profit and interest.

EAST BROOKFIELD.

Special Correspondence.

—Mrs. W. G. Fay has trailing arbutus in blossom in her house, which is quite suggestive of May, taking in consideration the mild weather.

—The assembly at the hall Wednesday evening was a success in every sense of the word. Good company, good order. Everything passed off nicely. About 42 couples participated.

From Another Correspondent.

—Mr. Wallace G. Fay sends home such accounts of his trip through the South that some of us almost envy him and all wish that he may enjoy the winter!

—Wanted—a few good days and some big pickerel for Furnace Pond.

—East Brookfield still is gaining in population. This time at Alice Morean's. He being the recipient of a good healthy boy, on Tuesday, p. m.

—Tenements are scarce. Hope enterprise in this line will show itself soon.

—Mr. Stoddard's new house is progressing finely. We understand that they expect soon to move.

—A good deal of indignation is being expressed that the authorities should allow the remains of Mr. Steven's noble horse to lie on the hillside west of the pond. Hope some action will be taken before the Board of Health comes.

—Mrs. Kendall, the boarding mistress for the U. S. Boot and Shoe Factory, has arrived and hopes soon to be very busy, as the prospects of the company are good.

—Mr. G. Cheever with family have moved to Springfield. Hope he may be prospered in health and wealth.

—Mr. Chas. Moulton has moved into his new house.

—We note the death of Mrs. Thomas McKean, who died Wednesday evening of consumption, after an illness of 3 months and over. She was a good and pleasant friend to all, and many will miss her.

Go to C. E. HILL'S
—FOR YOUR—
FINE WATCHES, CLOCKS AND RICH JEWELRY
Silver and Silver-Plated Ware
A GOOD STOCK OF
EYE GLASSES, SPECTACLES, &c.

My Goods are all New, Marked in Plain Figures and Warranted as Represented or no Sale. Please call and examine my stock of goods and get my prices before buying elsewhere.
I am Selling Lower than Ever for Cash.

No trouble to show my goods if you don't wish to buy. Goods and Low prices always found at

C. E. HILL'S JEWELRY STORE,
Mechanic St., Spencer, Mass.
CLOTHING AT LESS THAN MANUFACTURER'S COST!

In consequence of the continued mild weather we find ourselves with too many Overcoats and Ulsters on hand, we therefore make our ANNUAL CLOSING SALE OF WINTER CLOTHING earlier than usual. We now offer these Goods at Less than Manufacturer's Cost. We have not room in this advertisement to give a list of the Bargains we now offer. We call attention to a few only.

One lot Suits for Boys from 10 to 15 years of age will be closed for only \$3.00 worth \$5.00.
One lot all wool suits for Boys, from 10 to 15 years of age will be closed for \$3.00, cheap at \$5.00.
Over 300 Men's Suits will be closed from \$6 to \$12, which is 30 per cent. less than manufacturer's cost today.
We have more than 1000 Overcoats and Ulsters, in Men's and Boys' Sizes. Note the prices on some of them:
One lot of Boys' Overcoats, \$1.50.
One lot of Boys' Overcoats for \$2.
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These Coats are more than 25 per cent. below manufacturer's cost.

Overcoats for Men for \$2.00, \$3.00, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$15.00, \$18.00, \$20.00.
We call particular attention to our lot of Boys' Ulsters for \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$15.00, \$18.00, \$20.00.
In Pantaloons we offer more than 3000 pairs, prices from 1.00 to 7.00. Our prices for these goods are less than the materials they are made of can be bought for today at any store in this city.
Before you pay a dollar to any other house for clothing examine the bargains we offer and if you are not thoroughly satisfied we can do better for you than any one else we will ask you to buy of us.

We have one fare and equal price to all. Money refunded if goods purchased are not satisfactory.
D. H. EAMES & CO.,
One Price, C. O. D. Clothiers, Corner Main and Front Sts., WORCESTER.

WE HAVE MARKED DOWN

The balance of our

OVERCOATS, DRESS COATS, &c.
FROM \$2 TO \$6, EACH.

We Will Warrant Our Coats to be

LOWER IN PRICE

Than the same Quality can be bought for at any other house.

GOODS PURCHASED NOT SATISFACTORY.

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KNOWLTON & CAREY,

16 Front St., Worcester, 16

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IN NEWEST PATTERNS OF
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462 MAIN STREET, WORCESTER,
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DRUGGISTS,
No. 56 Front Street, Worcester, Mass.

Proprietor of Bush's Liver Pills
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Newton's Cough Balsam.

For Fall and Winter wear consisting of Suits,
Overcoats and Cloths of all descriptions, and
sell them at such prices that we are positive will
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For Good Workmanship, Fit and Fin-
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Dress Goods.

90 PIECES OF DRESS GOODS
All Wool Filling, in Garnets,
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Meeting in the Masonic Hall, Wednesday evening
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able rates, in the best of English and American
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Preaching at 10:45 A. M. and 6 P. M. Sunday
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Y. M. C. A. Meeting in Bank Block every Mon-
day evening, 8 P. M. Free.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH (R. C.)—Rev. T. D. BEA-
VEN, Pastor. Mass at 9 and 10:30 A. M. Sunday School at
12:30 P. M. Vespers at 6 P. M. Lenten Services
on Wednesdays and Fridays, 7:30 P. M.

—A large business block on Main street
is in demand.

—Our reporter at Brookfield has done
some good work this week.

—It is said the big shop is already mak-
ing 1000 cases of boots a week.

—The shop of Isaac Prouty & Co. now
runs eight and a half hours a day.

—Elder M. A. Potter will preach at the
Y. M. C. A. rooms next Wednesday evening
at 7:30.

—Remember the "Bells of Normandy"
at Town Hall this evening. It is worth
attending.

—The old inhabitants say, "It was the
toughest for many a year." We allude to
the snow storm.

—Erasmus Jones, Esq., has returned
from his two months' business tour in the
South and West.

—The Boston & Albany trains have
been on time, or nearly so, notwithstanding
the snow storm.

—John P. Day planted 13 acres of corn
last season, and from 13 acres of it he
raised 1187 bushels of ears.

—It is said that Mr. John L. Bush is in
receipt of a good many letters these days
from people in want of money.

—Dr. C. P. Barton was elected Senior
Vice-Commander of Post 27, last night in
place of Ira Lackey, resigned.

—Bush & Groat's shop remains at a
standstill. The firm have as yet made no
arrangements about their business.

—The railroad report will be a happy
surprise to some of our citizens, and a
closing up argument to some others. It
is now in the press at this office.

—A telephone system is needed here.
It is expected that before long the whole
of the towns from North Brookfield to
Worcester will be connected.

—The best sheet calendar we have seen
for many years was printed by E. L.
Freeman and Co. of Providence, and pre-
sented to us by Editor Nickerson of
Pawtucket.

—All persons interested in the Univer-
salist Society are requested to be present
at the regular service next Sunday morn-
ing, as matters of special importance are
to be presented.

There will be a supper and sociable in the
evening, to which all are cordially invit-
ed.

—A seizure of two barrels, together with
some pocket bottles, was made at the
Spencer House this morning, which, to-
gether with other court matters will appear
next week. The "Court" is out of town
today.

—The deposits of the Spencer National
Bank have averaged \$133,735 since Janu-
ary 1st, an indication of its steady growth
and the great public convenience which
our business community find a banking
institution to be.

—Cash tells. Just look at our prices:
best flaxseed flour, \$9; V. K's Fancy, very
nice, \$8 50; best St. Louis, \$8; meal,
\$1.25 per bag; oats, 57 1-2 cts. per bu.;
bran, \$1 10 per cwt; fine middlings,
\$1.30.

—The storm on Tuesday was very se-
vere in this section, and was the most
boisterous of any known for many years.
The country roads were badly drifted. No
damage of any account was done to build-
ings. The Spencer railroad was possi-
bly.

—Letters unclaimed in Spencer Post Of-
fice Feb. 6th, 1880: A. V. Griffin, Wm.
Brinkman, Anthony Bernard, Arminia
Brinette, Mary Dolan, Wm. E. A. Stone,
Joseph Zaenifel, Henry P. Lyon, Joseph
Dupin, Joseph Miller, C. A. Claire, Pat-
rick Curtin.

—The "Amateurs" have secured the
hall for the 20th inst., and will give their
entertainment as a celebration of Wash-
ington's Birthday anniversary, at which
time two comedies mentioned before, "All
that Glitters is not Gold, or the Factory
Girl," and "My Wife's Dentist" will be
produced.

—Whitmore & Clark's Minstrels gave
one of their high class minstrel entertain-
ments in Town Hall on Monday evening
to a fair audience. This company has
lost none of its brilliancy, much of which
is owing to its popular manager, E. P.
Hardy, who always pays promptly as he
goes along. It is a pleasure to deal with
them.

—Mr. and Mrs. James Capen, Mr. and
Mrs. H. P. Starr, Mr. and Mrs. George P.
Prouty, Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Prouty and
daughter leave town Monday night with
the Jerome Marble palace car excursion
party of Worcester. They are to be gone
a few weeks. We hope they may have a
good time.

—Our announcement last week concern-
ing Mr. Dailey, our new compositor,
seems to have been a trifle obscure and
occasionally some little misapprehension
in the minds of some of our readers, from
the numerous questions propounded to us
by them. Mr. Dailey will continue to go
forth at meal time, from our office, we
hope for some months yet, at least.

—An old people's ball is to be held in
Town Hall, about Feb. 19. As we have
an order to print 1000 invitations, upon
which a large number of principal citizens
are named as managers, we expect some-
thing on a large scale. The admission
will be by invitation only. Prouty &
Bemis' orchestra is to furnish the music.
More next week.

—B. F. Hamilton and E. P. Cutler have
formed a copartnership, and taken the
Cape Block meat market off Isaac Ty-
ler's hands and have got fixed up for busi-
ness. The counters are well stocked with
good pieces, and there is an abundant
stock of provisions of every kind. Call
and see them as they are now ready to
take orders and we need scarcely say that
every one's wants will be promptly attend-
ed to.

—The following persons are expected
to claim the privilege of voting according
to a law passed by the last Legislature of
Massachusetts: Mrs. Mary I. Jones, Miss
Julia F. Jones, Mrs. Amelia B. Wheeler,
Mrs. Rebecca E. Ladd, Miss Mary A.
Miles, Mrs. Abbie L. Moses, Mrs. A. N.
Bellows, Mrs. Amelia L. K. Faxon, Mrs.
Mossella M. Moses, Mrs. Mary A. Draper,
Mrs. Addie L. Hamilton, Mrs. Lillian A.
Davidson, Mrs. Martha E. Keith, Mrs.
Adeline A. Ludden, Mrs. Jennie H. Thayer,
Mrs. Natalie L. Pope, Miss Carrie E.
Dyer, Miss Sallie W. Dyer, Mrs. Sarah E.
Ellis, Mrs. Lottie A. Barton, Mrs. Addie
E. Townsend, Mrs. Geo. L. Ballard.

—W. H. McKnight & Co., Springfield,
have sold out their entire stock of dry
goods, amounting to nearly \$25,000, to
Smith & Murray of Springfield at less than

50 cents on the dollar, and the entire stock
will be offered for sale at the store of
Smith & Murray, corner of Main street
and Court square, at an immense reduc-
tion from cost. The greater part of the
stock is of this season's purchase and first
class in every respect. Our readers will
perceive that this must furnish a great
and lucky opportunity to stock up the
household linen, get nice silk dresses,
coats, and everything needed in the dry
goods line at about half price. A trip to
Springfield will pay now.

—The Baptist society and congregation
were invited to meet their pastor and his
wife at their residence on the evening of
Friday, Jan. 30th. Notwithstanding the
inclemency of the weather, about forty
braved the storm and made the evening
fair and pleasant at the pastor's by their
social gifts and sympathizing hearts. They
could not, however, be satisfied, even on
this occasion, to let the pastor furnish all
the entertainment, but, as is thus wont,
must have a part themselves. The pas-
tor and his wife were presented with a
nickel plated "German students" lamp,
of which fact they wish to make grateful
mention, not only because the present is a
valuable and useful one, but also because
it will always be a constant reminder of
the valuable friends and associations con-
nected with it.

—The next lecture in the Literary
Course will be given next Tuesday eve-
ning by Prof. E. S. Morse, and promises to
be one of the best in the course. His sub-
ject will be "Glimpses of Insect Life,"
and will be illustrated by sketches on the
blackboard. To show what the reception
of this lecture has been we quote from the
Brooklyn Daily Eagle: "The lecture by
Professor Morse, at the hall of the
Young Men's Christian Association, was
replete with interest, as his whole course
has been. The inimitable and rapid
drawings of his subject cannot, of course,
be transferred to paper. Every corner of
the hall has been packed to hear the Pro-
fessor, and none who have enjoyed the
treat will be likely to forget the clear,
 terse language, nor the symmetrical and
amusing sketches. One stroke of the
chalk tells more than three printed pages
of any natural history. Right hand, left
hand, both hands at once, all the same to
the lecturer." The lecture committee
have secured for the last of the course
Maj. H. C. Dane, with his lecture on "Up
the Rhine and over the Alps with a Knap-
sack," in which lecture Maj. Dane is the
equal if not the superior of Col. Conwell
at his best, if those who have heard both
are competent to judge.

—The Baptist Society had a fine enter-
tainment at their hall on Wednesday
evening. There was a fair attendance
and much praise was bestowed upon the
performers. The programme was as
follows:—

Quartette.
One day Solitary. } Mr. Lewis
The Ghost. } Mrs. Lewis
Guilty or Not Guilty, } Mrs. Lewis
Duett, Mrs. Davidson and Miss Herrick
Widow Bedott's Poetry. } Mr. Lewis
Death of Little Joe, } Mrs. Lewis
Solo and Chorus. } Mr. Lewis
Riding Down, } Mrs. Lewis
Little Jacob Strauss. } Mr. Lewis
Cousin Sally Dillard. } Mrs. Lewis
Quartette. } Mr. Lewis
The Ramble. } Mrs. Lewis
Mary Malony's Philosophy, } Mr. Lewis
Old Yankee Farmer, } Mrs. Lewis
Quartette.

The quartette was composed of Mrs. Dav-
idson, Miss Herrick, Ernest Herrick and
F. Ludden, with Miss Crawford as accom-
panist, and their performance, as well as
Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, were meritorious and
have called out the following card from
the society: "To Mr. and Mrs. Edwin A.
Lewis, and the ladies and gentlemen com-
posing the splendid quartette, who gave
one of the best entertainments of the win-
ter on Wednesday eve, Feb. 4th, for the
benefit of the Baptist Society, we give our
most hearty thanks. LECTURE COMMITTEE."

RELIEF FOR IRELAND.
The measures for obtaining relief for
Ireland have as yet been wholly confined
to the St. Mary's Church, but we hope
that a more general movement will be
made in the near future. The lecture by
Thomas Courtney, was a fine production
and we are sorry that our space will not
even allow of an epitome, but we believe
that the people will be pleased with the
intelligence that \$45.00 was netted to the
sufferers. In addition to this \$300.00 was
raised by collection in St. Mary's church,
and St. Mary's T. A. & B. Society made a
gift of \$35.00, making a total of \$380.00.

—There will be a Sunday School con-
cert at the M. E. Church on Sunday at
half past 1.

—The Great Council of Massachusetts,
Improved Order of Red Men, held their
semi-annual council in the wigwam of
Towtard Tribe of this town, last Tuesday.
"Corn and venison" was provided by the
local tribe, and the Great Chiefs had a
splendid time. They report the prospects
of the growth of the order in this State as
very encouraging.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.
The real estate transactions for the week
ending Wednesday, Jan. 28, are as fol-
lows, the first name being that of the per-
son who sells the property:—

Bacon, Clarinda & H W—A J Roy-
nolds, Southbridge. 150

Chaffee, E L—G Stearns et al, West
Brookfield. 1500

Comins, W F—A C Rockwood, Spen-
cer. 128

Earley, J T, James, Jere & Michl-
E Jacob, Spencer. 665

Earley, A J—E Jacob, Spencer, 285

Gilbert, Almira—J Ross et al, West
Brookfield. —

Hager, Claristine & Samuel—L Rey-
nolds, Southbridge. 150

Hayes, Ann—L Scanlan, Charlton, 150

Merriam, Ira—J A Taft, Oxford, 340

Rich, Jacob & E F—C E Rich, Ox-
ford, 1200

Rockwood, J C by admr—W F Com-
ins, Spencer, 128

Shea, Eugene—T Burke, N Brook-
field, 50

Sibley, G W—G L Woodbury, Ox-
ford, 600

Shen, John by shff—E Shea, N Brook-
field, 10

EAST BROOKFIELD.
Special Correspondence.

—Tramps are on the increase—nine
Thursday night.

—A happy event was celebrated at
the house of Mr. John Houlds last
Monday evening, when Mr. Houlds
had the pleasure of giving in marriage
his two daughters to two young men
by the name of George. Thus we see
that the Georges still have a new hold
on life.

—We do not wish to complain, but
we wish the next time Henry G. Ven-
nor orders up any more weather or
such a storm as is just past, he would
break it to us a little more mild and
order each flake of snow to stay about
where it falls, and we will thank him
for his efforts in our behalf. As the
roads now are it is cruel on horses to
use wheels and cruel on runners to
take sleighs.

—Mr. T. A. Curtis' foundry had a
very narrow escape from fire Sunday
night, for when the Modoc left the de-
pot a half hour late, some of the cin-
ders from the smoke stack lodged in a
dry pile of wood, which the almost
gale fanned to a blaze, and would have
if it had not been for the timely aid of
one of the hands at the depot, proved
a serious fire, which we all should have
regretted, as the foundry is employing
quite a number of hands, who are be-
ing pushed to fill orders on hand. We
wish the town would petition the E. &
A. R. R. for a coupling on their tank,
which would prove quite a help in case
of fire in or about the depot.

—Monday morning the people of
this village were very much surprised
when they heard that our late postmas-
ter, Mr. Cole, had had a second stroke
of paralysis and was lying in a very
low condition, but the surprise was not
to be compared with the sadness that
was expressed when at a quarter past
eleven it was reported that he was
dead. Mr. Cole was a man that every
one in the village looked up to and all
respected, and his loss will be felt by
all. He was always at his post and
had a pleasant word, although perhaps
a sufferer all the time, to all that might
stop to chat with him. Wednesday
morning, where the final exercises were
held. Mrs. Cole has the hearty sym-
pathy of all the friends and neighbors.

We are always pleased to recommend
a good article. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup
is a real cure for a Cough or Cold in a
short time. The doses are small and it is
pleasing to the taste. Price 25 cents.

Entered at the Post Office at Worcester, Mass., as Second-Class Matter.

BROOKFIELD.
The annual meeting of the Brookfield Agricultural Society was held at 10 o'clock on Tuesday evening, Jan. 29th, at the residence of Mr. J. P. Doyle. The attendance was very large, and the meeting was a most successful one. The following were the officers elected for the coming year: President, Mr. J. P. Doyle; Vice-President, Mr. J. P. Doyle; Secretary, Mr. J. P. Doyle; Treasurer, Mr. J. P. Doyle. The meeting was held in the evening, and the attendance was very large. The meeting was a most successful one.

THE A. O. H. are already preparing for their St. Patrick's ball on the 17th of March.
Mr. Blodgett gave a reading at the Unionist last Wednesday evening.
A horse-chestnut was picked up on the street Jan. 31 that was sprouted, the sprout being one-half of an inch long.
A "Pinefore" of home talent is on the docket for this town some time in March, it is stated. It may not be boasting to say that we have the talent here, and it is certain that Pinefore would get a crowded house.

Some ninety odd dollars was contributed by this town to the suffering in Ireland, of which amount \$50 was contributed by Division No. 17. A. O. H., of which Messrs. J. P. Doyle and Thomas Roach were the committee. The balance was collected at the Catholic church two Sundays ago.
Some of our people may be pleased to know that there is a paper published in town, which is a fact not generally known, but nevertheless true. It is the Monitor, a monthly paper published in the interest of the Order of Sons of Temperance in North America, and has at this time a circulation of 1500 copies. Its most interesting feature being its correspondence from Division S. of T. all over the land, which makes it of peculiar interest to every member of the Order. Published and edited by C. H. Whittemore.

On Thursday evening, Jan. 29th, the good people of Brookfield held their annual reunion in the town hall. The evening was exceedingly cold, but clear, and there was a large attendance. Mr. J. D. Fluke was chosen chairman and Hiram P. Gerald secretary. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. A. J. Rich of Hyde Park. The evening was then devoted to remarks from the citizens, music, instrumental and vocal, and a fine reading by Prof. Brown of the High School. Remarks were made by Messrs. H. L. Butlerworth, Rev. J. B. Channing and Hon. Geo. W. Johnson, and J. E. Prouty made some statements regarding the Farmers' Institute which was held this week. The remarks of Mr. Butlerworth were directed in particular to the condition of the past and present, of Brookfield, and deserve no little commendation for the public we may say were particularly gratifying inasmuch that there is scarcely so little of it in our town. He spoke of the distressing and embarrassing occurrences in business matters of the past year, and of their consequent result upon the town, but added cheerfully that the town so lately established, possessed of so many natural and artificial advantages, so pleasantly situated, and withal so well adapted in every respect for the successful prosecution of manufacturing interests of every description, that the past year would not be allowed, even in the face of all that has happened, to long remain inactive or to sink into insignificance. He believed in the near and certain revival of our business prospects, and earnestly commended all who heard him, who were possessed of even a small capital, to not moan and wonder why others do not take hold, but to take hold themselves, form themselves into stock companies and commence a small business of their own, which in the present "boom" of prosperity all about us could not fail to succeed. He declared his belief in the truth of several of the town's good that one large one, who had knowledge of one or two who were making preparations to build a factory in town, and hoped and believed that others would follow. His remarks were continued in this line some minutes, and claimed the close attention of all, and were loudly applauded. Mr. Johnson also made a few remarks upon the same subject, and corroborated the statements of Mr. Butlerworth in regard to certain business interests that would soon be in motion. The high school teacher, Prof. Brown, did himself the usual justice in the perfect rendering of select readings, etc., and the Brookfield Quartette were fairly applauded. The arrangements of the reunion was seriously affected by the sudden death of Mrs. T. A. Curtis of East Brookfield, which prevented the committee from that part of the town's exercises. The exercises were almost entirely extemporaneous and unprepared, which fact may not have been anything detrimental to

its success. These annual reunions are quite an advantage to the town, and were so argued by the chairman, Mr. Fluke, in his opening remarks, giving the people as it does a chance once a year to gather and discuss informally the interests and welfare of the town.
FARMERS' INSTITUTE.
Thursday morning dawned bright and clear for the farmers, and bid fair to bring out a goodly number of these hardy sons of toil to hear their recreation talked and discussed by one another. The bad storm, however, on Tuesday last made it unfavorable for the outdoor district to be largely represented. At 10 a. m., however, Mr. Proctor of this town called the Institute to order, and all of one hundred took their seats, and this number was steadily augmented the remainder of the a. m. The President of the Worcester South Agricultural Society was introduced as the presiding officer. The first speaker to occupy the time was Mr. Ousey, who proceeded to speak on "Farm, etc., for cattle and live stock, his belief in using bon, and ashes and commercial fertilizers for pasture; his opinion of the economy of raising corn as a crop that occupied as little time as any other crop, with little need of charging to its account for taxes and fuel only for labor and fertility taken from the soil. What he wanted just as good fodder as winter rye. Seed costs a trifle more, but it is more substantial. Barley should be sown later than either of spring-corn crops and millet to be sown later in the season for fodder, instead of the spring wheat. Corn-fodder if sown late in the season should be sown thin, if earlier it should be sown thicker and not allowed to grow higher than four feet. Early Sweet corn preferred, and one bushel to the acre is sufficient seed. Soil for corn fodder should be well plowed, well turned over some days previous to cultivation that is needed in the passage of a horse cultivator between the rows. When you can plant corn, you can plant millet, which is well recommended as fodder. Little difference in the cost of growing spring grain, and that of sowing late in September, for fall feed, after corn and millet are past. Thus forming a succession of green feed from May to November. Object to feeding mowings, as requiring too many mowings, and as expense that could be better employed in buying good corn, horses and carriage, and good clothes for family. The value of all live stock in the U. S. in 1870 was over one and a half billions, and the crop raised amounts to two and a half billions, which shows lack of true economy. The annual cost of keeping them in repair and rebuilding, and interest amounting to more than all the government expenses, interest on public debt. After concluding his remarks, the speaker gave notice that any question which would be written on paper and handed him he would try to answer, when the following was submitted:
Question: Will winter milk as well when confined in barn and fed on corn fodder and millet as on pasture?
Answer: Depends on quality of pasture. If pastures are as good as June, no. But few pastures are as good in May, August or November as in June, therefore the average is in favor of the fodders. Does not advise raising pearl millet as requiring too long a season and too much attention for a short hard, woody plant.
Que: Shall we raise roots for early spring feed?
Que: What shall we do with our stoves? Ans. A good place is in the roads, also for draining-land.
Que: What is the value of forage? Ans. Of undoubted value to land if the crop can be spared.
On the adjournment of the institute at 12 m. the assembly ascended to the upper hall, where ample justice was done to the liberal supply of hot oysters, coffee, etc., that came of this town furnished. At 1 o'clock the meeting was called to order, and after a short skirmish concerning just for which the meeting was called, the floor was given to Prof. Ousey of Amherst, on cattle diseases, and more especially the almost universal disease called "tuberculosis." This disease is contagious in general. That tuberculous matter is transmitted from the lungs to the cough to the tissues of the stomach, and are there discovered by the butcher, from spots hardly discernible to the size of a walnut. The dairy cow is much more subjected to the disease than the ox, and so on

through the whole order of animals in proportion to the milk given. A rough, uneven condition of the hide of the hide is a marked subject of the disease. The practice of breeding in from one generation to another in our stock is deprecated as the basis from which much harm comes, in the way of anguishing and increasing the amount of diseased cattle. The theory that the disease can be taken by injection, discussed as an undoubted process of generating the same, as well as being hereditary. The flies were advanced concerning the liability of injection to infants through the use of milk from infected cows, and the use of the fish for food of the time, being condemned. The practice of waste portions of raw flesh being used as food for domestic animals is injurious and should be carefully considered before too late. The disease is not found in poor, worn-out stock, but in the finest breeds. Milk of the cow is more liable to become infected than the fish, and always present in fish in becoming diseased. The Professor closed with thanks to his hearers for their close attention during his address.
Prof. Stockbridge of the Agricultural College of Amherst was introduced upon the stand and introduced, who proceeded in a very decided manner to vindicate himself from the falsifying statements of certain assertions in certain papers of this and neighboring counties who, claiming to be the words of Prof. Cresy in his speech at Warren, stated that the disease tuberculosis, or consumption of the lungs, originated and sprung from the Agricultural College at Amherst. Statements were made of this and other matters that have occurred at that institution in the past 10 years, one case involving the lot of three Ayres which was sold to Mr. Page of Hardwick that developed the disease, which was questioned (being present) by Prof. Stockbridge regarding the disease, and the fact was demonstrated clearly before the whole audience that these cows sprung from a perfectly healthy cow that the Prof. purchased of Mr. Whiting of Cambridge, several years ago for \$250, and which never developed any symptoms of the disease whatever that was sold to Belchertown parties a short time since, which it was killed, having broken its leg in leaping a fence. The Prof. continued at some length to indicate the truth and above board character of the college, and the injustice of the accusation of the papers. Mr. Kendrick of Amherst was called upon and testified to his knowledge concerning the fact of the college stock for the last ten years, having butchered a large portion of all stock slaughtered there, that institution. Testimony was then made by Dr. Cresy in further clearing up the statements made both by himself, so claimed, and in the Republic. Dr. Cresy also stated that he had no idea that the college had suspicious of the diseased condition of such stock as were so discovered by their purchasers and sold them in order to escape the loss incurred by a discussion held and to between different parties followed for some time, eliciting no little amusement at times. The representative of the Republican who was present, labored to clear his own reputation of whatever may have been said in the past by it, either from its own misunderstanding of the facts or of as clear an understanding of the facts as could be arrived at under the somewhat conflicting statements of the parties concerned.
The audience, towards the close of the session were shown a specimen of lungs in a diseased state of tuberculous matter, and the consumption of the lungs. The meeting was then dissolved with the thanks of the Institute for the people of Brookfield for their liberal treatment.
LEICESTER.
Special Correspondence.
—Monday morning mercury 10.
—Most of the schools close next week.
—The eight-day clock was described by the correspondent as being "ingeniously featured."
—Tuesday morning there were snow and wind which reminded us, very strikingly, of "a nipping and an edge air."
—Last Sabbath the slamming of a blind broke six panes of glass in one of Mr. C. C. Crane's windows. A decidedly painful accident.
—Leicester is on the height of land, between the ocean and the Connecticut river, 1000 feet above sea level. The first house probably stood where that of Rev. Samuel May now stands.
—Last Monday evening Mr. F. F. Hart of Worcester, reader, and Mr. A. J. Edwards, singer and organist, gave an acceptable entertainment to a small audience in the Methodist church.
—Last Friday evening the Parliamentary Club held an episode of a town meeting in one of the ante-rooms in the town house. Time did not allow the consideration of the ten articles

in the program, but those that were read upon were dealt with in genuine town meeting style, excepting explosion of opinion that sometimes occur.
—Mr. A. B. Davidson has nearly finished cutting off the heavy growth of pine timber northeast of Daguerre mill. Instead of carrying the logs to mill Mr. H. K. Davidson's steam mill has been carried to the logs.
—Mr. John W. Nichols, now in the employ of M. A. Wheeler, butcher, is soon to leave town to engage alone in the ice business; he has erected an ice house 100x35 with 25 feet posts at Patch's reservoir, Worcester.
—Last Monday evening about forty friends of Widow Robinson, sister of the late Josiah Green of Spencer, gave a pound party in celebration of her 76th birthday. The old lady enjoyed the generosity of her friends, as manifested by the choir, under charge of Mr. M. M. Mowry, assisted by Mrs. J. P. Harriman of Germantown, Pa. Cake and ice cream will be for sale. Admission free. All are invited.
—The late Mr. Samuel Watson, in 1814, was the first to attempt the manufacture of woolen cloth in town; his factory was on Kettle Brook. In 1765 the population, including that of a part of Paxton and Andover, was 765. The same year two miles in width were taken from the north side to help form Paxton. In 1776 the population was 1078. In 1778 2500 acres were taken from the southeast portion to help form Auburn. The population in 1790 was 1078, two less than in 1776; in 1800, 1153; in 1810, 1181; in 1820, 1252. From 1776 to 1850, a period of 74 years, the increase was a trifle over 16%. In 1850, 1789; in 1850, 2269; in 1875, somewhat over 2770.
—As Mr. F. M. Lamb and wife were driving in Cherry Valley last Saturday evening, in turning into the street, the carriage was overturned, and the carriage, throwing out the occupants, and leaving the body and top of the carriage against a tree, rolled with the running part down a bank about 15 feet high, where he was found and secured. Mr. Lamb received a very bad wrench or sprain of one ankle. Mrs. Lamb escaping without injury. The carriage was badly wrecked and the horse received a few scratches.—*Spy.*
—Thursday evening John E. Russell, Esq., delivered his lecture on "The Project of an Inter-Oceanic Canal," at Memorial Hall, for the benefit of the G. A. R. relief fund. "Having spent six years in Central America and crossed from coast to coast more than 100 times, he was familiar with the country, and was aware of some of the obstacles to be overcome. After reviewing the beliefs of early voyagers in regard to the existence of a secret sea passage from the Atlantic to the Pacific, he presented the projects of the several governments of the old world to construct an inter-oceanic canal, the several surveys already made, the obstacles which were encountered in the construction of the Panama Railroad and the great loss of life attending it, he passed to the consideration of the proposed Nicaragua and the Isthmus Canal. The conclusion he arrived at, and his points were well made, that this generation at least would never witness the construction of either, and that the projects were impractical and unnecessary. He also argued strongly in favor of the Monroe doctrine, in the event of such a scheme being feasible, and that the rivalry of American interests should be opposed." *Spy report of lecture before Society of Antiquity, Worcester.*
STURBRIDGE.
Special Correspondence.
—Rev. Mr. Atkins of Brimfield supplied the pulpit at the Congregational church last Sunday.
—The musical festival, considering the threatening state of the weather last Friday evening was a success—clearing about \$30.
—The funeral services of the late Frederick Bates were held at the late residence on Monday afternoon. They were conducted by Rev. M. E. Rich and were exceedingly interesting and impressive. After taking leave of the corpse the neighbors and friends returned to their homes feeling "it is better to go to the home of mourning than to go to the home of feasting; for that is the end of all heart."
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We have clipped the above notice from the *Alum Transcript*, and shall also enforce it at this office.

A dispatch last Monday says that sixty houses were burnt at Ayet, France, on Sunday.

We also have five Sundays this month and this will not occur again in February for 40 years.

If Don Cameron were to emigrate to Massachusetts there would be many of the editorial boys poised at his northern extremity. No political distastefulities wanted here.

They allow a public game of base ball in New Orleans on Sunday, and the *Hop Bitters* nine from Worcester forget the traditions of New England so far as to engage themselves for that purpose.

The *Southbridge Journal* has just attained its 18th year. The editor of the *Journal* is deserving of every success, as he is one of the few who dare to write the truth.

The most pitiful stories of starvation continue in vogue about Ireland, and help is most urgently needed. Any of our readers willing to give a dollar or less can have it at this office, and it will be acknowledged by a responsible party, or money may be sent to Major Prince of Boston.

The Springfield Union, with a brazenness rarely met with outside bell foundry, remarks that there never was a convention that gave so much satisfaction to everybody as that in Pennsylvania, on last Wednesday (Feb. 4). The Union is "an organ"—that's what the matter—*Mr. Ford Journal*.

Yellow-coated Literature is reaping its harvest of victims. A young man of Londonderry, N. H., last Sunday, outraged and killed a Mrs. Dillingham, his aunt. It was a similar outrage to that at Grotton, and is said to have been incited by perusing that affair. Let the young scoundrel be hung as quickly as possible.

The New York Herald has collected about \$150,000 for the poor in Ireland. James Gordon Bennett, the publisher, gave \$100,000, and the Bonanza King, Mackey, of California, \$10,000. The Herald has recently commenced giving daily bulletins of its circulation, and it prints the largest number of copies of any paper in America, a distinction which has heretofore been credited to the New York Sun.

The Springfield Republican says: "The price of printing paper has risen fully one third during the recent rise of prices, and those journals which foolishly sought to capture the public with 'blanket sheets,' during the interval of cheap paper are likely to pay dearly for their experiment. The Chicago press in particular, which is just now going through a great inflation of printed space, is loud in its expressions of distress. The Times of that city says that the rise already signifies an increase of \$100,000 in the annual expense of running that journal, and puts up its price to \$14 a year."

A statement from one of General Grant's personal friends, published editorially in the New York Times, positively states that the General will accept the nomination if offered to him by the convention. We do not think that the two administrations which Grant created were additions to American statehood. In fact there was very little in them to admire, and we do not think that he ought to be nominated simply because his name would assure success to the Republican party, but we want a man who will administer the affairs of the government in a way that will command the respect of other nations, and the confidence of the people at home. We want a man to be to the country as large as John A. Andrew and Thomas Taitt were to Massachusetts. Such men as Grant, Conkling and Blaine are men of whom any nation might be proud, but the two I have really toiled for the office, while the former will add nothing to his reputation by accepting it.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The leaders of the Nihilists are all well educated men.
Over 1,000 cheese factories are operated in the State of New York.
A parrot in Montgomery, Ala., sings almost "Pineapple" correctly.
The legal hours for marriage in England are from 8 a. m. to 12 p. m.
It has been discovered that potato bugs dried and crushed can be used, for blisters.
A green supplies set between two snowy diamonds is the latest fash in finger rings.
A memorial is to be erected at Newton, Mass., to John Elliot, the famous apostle to the Indians.

It is claimed that the highest rent ever paid for a store on Broadway, New York, was \$60,000 a year.

Queen Victoria recently purchased twenty-six barrels of Minnesota flour at nine dollars per barrel.

Though no man could be found to give Shelley a bill for his "Adonais" when he wrote it, a stray copy of the first edition sold for \$50 recently.

In a lawsuit in Louisville, Ind., involving a question of paternity, a baby was put in evidence, in order to show its resemblance to the alleged father.

A pile of straw was left under a third story window of the Louisville House of Refuge, and seven young girls escaped by jumping down to it.

A London lady has ordered a Watteau enameled snuffbox, set in diamonds, to be added to her muffs, thus reviving the mores of a hundred years ago.

In England there are nearly 900,000 people out of a population of 36,000,000 who are annually dependent upon the rates and taxes for charitable support.

The culture of frogs is quite an important industry in Illinois, where one man has over an acre and a quarter of land on which he is breeding 300,000 dozen of frogs of all ages for the Chicago and Cincinnati markets.

King Louis Philippe was once found by his Prime Minister searching in the elders with a pair of tongs for a lost ten-cent piece. Legend says that the Premier, being in a hurry, offered the King a franc, and the King pocketed it.

There is a fresh movement respecting the proposed tunnel under the English Channel, connecting France and England, and the chairman of a certain South English railway asserts his belief that it will be completed within ten years.

It is said in Arizona that a miner, doubting the capabilities of a certain assayer, got an old potato, dried it thoroughly, pounded it up fine and then submitted the powder assayed, and the result of the assay gave a yield of \$40 to the lot of \$40.

Mr. Balmori, a chemist, has succeeded in formulating a human diet, which absorbs light, and during darkness will suffice to light an apartment. An experiment is being made in England with a view to the adoption for the lighting of compartments on board iron-clads.

Jack Tucker, a noted stage driver in Nevada, can lasso a goose with his whip at a distance of forty feet while he is driving six-in-hand at full gallop. The last road agent who tried to stop Jack's passengers suddenly found his pistol hand lassoed and himself dragging along after the "horse," as they call a stage at that there.

Theodore Nessel's love for a St. Louis girl was not returned. Wild with despair, he saturated his clothing with kerosene oil, went to her house, struck himself on his knees at her feet, struck a match, and swore that he would set himself ablaze if she did not promise to marry him. She assented, but only long enough to secure his arrest.

French ladies have thrown fashion overboard in the matter of coiffure. They dress their hair as they like, but there is a market tendency to discard false hair. This fashion can scarcely become popular in this country, where the bleaching and frizzing of the hair has caused even young ladies to become more or less under the necessity of wearing a wig.

It is found that cold produces changes in organic substances closely resembling those caused by heat, and a Hungarian chemist proposes to take advantage of this action for economical purposes. He cools fresh meat to a temperature of 32 degrees below zero, until it becomes cooked, when it is placed in cans and hermetically sealed. It is thus preserved in perfect condition for a long time.

Mr. Ernest Hart, the advocate of kitchen economy, recently gave a dinner in London which has attracted considerable attention and which will, perhaps, excite the envy of Miss Corson. He had a clear soup, roasted herring, with mustard sauce, curried eggs, scalloped lobster, beef with beans, turnips, with gravy sauce; mince pie and an ice. The whole dinner, which was excellent, cost for each person sixteen cents.

The smartest Newfoundland dog yet discovered lives at Haverhill, Mass. He wears the newfangled at the gate every morning and carries his master's pipes into the house; that is, he did so the other day.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

When the winter supply of tobacco was exhausted, the St. Louis market was left with the next morning, the day before the big haul, and the other side without having the newspaper, went over and saw the whole bundle from him, and carried them into the house.
There are 3,000 Indians living in Mississippi.
There are 75,000 dwelling houses in Paris.
A white quail was recently shot in Susquehanna county, N. J.
Chicago kills six hogs for every minute of every hour of every day in the year.
A pork packer at Indianapolis has invented machinery which will scrape 7,000 hogs a day.

Ministers hold that poor and uneducated people pay the landowner's marriage fees.

Statistics show that every thirty-eight person in the United States has a carriage in which to ride.

There are still nearly 5,000 women and girls employed in and about the mines of Great Britain.

There are now over one hundred persons living in San Francisco worth over a million of dollars.

Petitions are being signed in Belgium for the revival of gaming tables at Spa, which is anxious to recover its prosperity.

It is said that 150,000,000 paper dollars are annually made in the United States, the greatest number of which is manufactured in Springfield, Mass.

Almost all the mayors of Massachusetts cities speak favorably in their messages of the license system as the best that can be devised to abate the evils of intemperance.

A toast drunk with Highland honors involves throwing the wine glass over the left shoulder, the idea being that the glasses should never be degraded by use for any other purpose.

John Tompkins, reduced from wealth to poverty, at Newport, R. I., sat down in a chair with the intention of staying there until he starved to death. He had been without food seven days when discovered.

The English Grenadier Guards are described as ordinary-sized young men, with light hair, blue eyes and very rosy cheeks. They are said to resemble young curates, dressed up in bobbed red coats.

Though flying snowflakes are somewhat more numerous in Leechville than flying bullets, William Taylor caught a flying pistol ball in the palm of his hand while walking along the street recently.

Some enterprising thieves in Martin county, Ky., recently set fire to a man's barn, and when the entire family turned out to extinguish the flames, they quietly entered the house and robbed it of \$1,000 in money and valuables.

In China there are over 400 species of plants used for food, and in the worst of the times that have been known, Sweden is used in bread and found digestible. In America too little oceanic food is eaten, and hence dyspepsia.

At a San Francisco ball *maquis* they had what they called the "storm quadrille." To give due effect to this dance the hall was darkened while it was in progress, being illuminated, however, every now and then, by flashes in imitation of lightning.

Wheelbarrows are in very little demand in Brazil, "owing to the almost universal practice of carrying burdens on the head." Not long ago the American consul saw a sturdy negro carrying a wheelbarrow on his head through the streets of Rio de Janeiro.

Duke Fleming, a Texan, vowed many years ago that he would die in his boots. One day recently, feeling that death was about to catch him in his natural grip, he drew his bowie upon a fellow desperado, and the latter shot him through and through the heart.

It is asserted that the largest gun used by European war vessels is not the Krupp, but the Armstrong 100-ton gun, which throws a shell weighing a ton a distance not of seven and a half, but of nine miles. But the new Krupp will throw a missile of almost equal weight no less than fifteen miles.

An old maiden lady, seventy years of age, living in Paris, was suddenly informed by a lawyer, recently, that she had been left a legacy of two hundred thousand francs. A few minutes later she died of joy, and as she leaves no heirs, it has not yet been decided what is to become of the legacy.

A dentist in Germany recently made a big mistake in a crooked way. He went to the public schools in a certain district, told the teachers that he had been commissioned by the Government to inspect their teeth and see if their articulation was distinct. Then he would say some tooth ought to be cut, and charge a good fee.

A bridal party in a St. Louis judge's office lasted the bridegroom. He had quarreled with the bride, and after waiting an hour beyond the appointed time, she told her friends that he probably did not mean to come at all. Thereupon an old admirer offered to take the missing man's place. The would-be bridegroom, but fifteen minutes of vigorous courtship won her consent, and the ceremony was performed.

Well! well! *Solo tanto, sono drillo* (Italian proverb), many a full cornucopia from a crooked furrow, and he who will be a man of note but honest men will have small hire to pay.—George Elliot.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

In the north of China every town and every large village has its permanent theatre, while the inhabitants of other villages, too small to be so fortunate, find little difficulty in entertaining themselves with the itinerant troupes of actors. As long as the visit of these wandering players lasts, the people of the district give themselves up to the enjoyment of the holiday. Early each morning the roads for all the country round may be seen crowded with people, the poorer ones on foot, and, if in the north of China, the wealthier classes on mules or in carts, all tending to the one point of attraction; the women gay in blue, red, or green silks, and the men in their best and brightest attire. If we follow this pleasure-seeking crowd, we enter a theatre built in the form of a parlour, at one end of which is a platform, generally, though not always, as wide as the building. This platform is divided breadthwise by wooden partition with two entrances, the front part forming the stage, and the rear portion serving the purpose of green-room, property-room, and abode of the troupe. The body of the theatre, answering to our pit and stalls, is without seats or partitions; while above and encircling the whole are the boxes in which the women and principal subscribers have their places. If the district should be a very poor one, the probability is that we find ourselves opposite a covered stage on an open piece of ground, front of which the seats of the visitors, full of their occupants, are ranged in a semi-circle, thus forming the walls of a truly Theatrical theatre. Within this enclosure stands a densely-packed, good-natured, eager crowd, whose power of standing is only equalled by their power of unflagging enjoyment. No money is taken at the doors. The troupe is generally hired either by a private individual or by a public subscription for a certain number of days, and free admission is granted to every one. The performances last from the early morning until late in the evening, with short intervals between each of the four or five pieces. The acting, generally speaking, is good, for the Chinese are naturally quick of observation, and are thus able in every-day life to catch easily the tone of those with whom they associate, and on the stage to assume the character of those they wish to represent. The possession of these facilities is a more important, as the actors get very little guidance from the play-books, which almost entirely confine their directions to "enter," "exit," and "aside," or, as the Chinese literally translated means, "ascend," "descend," and "back and say."—The Contemporary Review.

ALMOST "HATLESS."
In Faberburg, Prussia, it seems, rats have established themselves so solidly that the municipal authorities of that venerable stronghold of the church have found it necessary to adopt extreme measures for their extermination. A short time ago the Burgomaster Herr Frankenberg, entered into a contract with the eminent ratcatcher, Baum, by which the latter bound himself to deliver up to the town council a certain number of rats, as a consideration of six hundred marks. Every facility was given to him by the citizens; he enjoyed free access to cellar and garret, crypt and monument room, and during which thousands of rats succumbed to his skill, he declared: "Faberburg is absolutely ratless and mouseless. But he had to do with a Burgomaster wiler than any rat that ever wore whiskers. This sanguine functionary forthwith issued a proclamation exhorting every burgess of Faberburg to exterminate every rat he saw, or rat on mouse in his domicile to make declaration at the Town Hall within four and twenty hours. So many citizens appeared at the Rathaus next morning in response to this appeal that the Town Council of Faberburg has been deliberating ever since whether or not Baum's fee shall be paid to him, according to the latest accounts, cannot come to any decision on this knotty point. Meanwhile, Faberburg, if not "absolutely ratless," has got rid of at least ninety per cent. of its rat without disturbing a rat. Burgomaster Frankenberg is a clever man.

FREE-ORBAN'S LOVE-MAKING.
Free-Orban, the Belgian Prime Minister, while a poor law student, fell in love with the daughter of a rich, aristocratic family named Orban. The girl returned his love, but her parents refused to encourage it. As the day for his examination drew near, she said to him: "If you succeed, come in the evening to the box at the opera in which I shall be with my parents and some of my friends."

"But will they admit me?" asked the poor student.

"I will take care of that," replied the girl.

Free passed the examination with great credit, and presented himself at the box, his sweetheart rose as he entered, and kissed him in the presence of the whole company. After that there was nothing for the parents to do but to announce an engagement between them. When the marriage took place he added, by their request, their nuptial name to his more plebeian one.

Well! well! *Solo tanto, sono drillo* (Italian proverb), many a full cornucopia from a crooked furrow, and he who will be a man of note but honest men will have small hire to pay.—George Elliot.

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CONVENTION OF SCHOOL COMMITTEES.

Special Correspondence.

The first of this new order of conference was held in Brimfield, Friday, the 10th inst., at 10 o'clock. Rev. Dr. Estlin, of Brimfield, was chairman. The opening address was by C. H. Walker, Esq., Secretary of the Worcester Board, upon school supervision, its necessity and how it may be made most efficient. He spoke of the thorough reform of our schools, giving a general description of a lack of mental and moral system carried on continuously from term to term. He referred to the partial preparation of school committees and teachers to the end that the schools may produce such results as the moral and industrial life of the society requires. He spoke plainly of the immoral speech and notions of scholars, and of the religious exercises of the schools, and whether Bible reading by the pupils is at present conducted was not only not any good, but rather an injury.

He called for a supervision both intelligent and vigorous, asking that of Massachusetts may equal that of Michigan and Ohio. Questions and replies between audience and speaker brought out interesting reference to various methods of supervision, one by the chairman to California, whose school management he thought superior to that of any other State. The inquiry was made whether it is possible to consolidate and grade our country schools and put them under one supervisor. Mr. Walker's remarks were quite practical, especially in closing he explained the curriculum of his own schools, which he judges is largely the result of his own untiring zeal. This course of study covers eight years and is designed to mould the minds, manners and morals of the pupils as far as possible under the old regime.

Mr. J. S. Woods, Chairman of the Brimfield Board, treated the topic: "Text books, their proper and improper use." He criticised artificial teaching and learning by rote, showing that school children often do not understand what they read or recite and so cannot read well nor get much benefit by the recitation. Text books should not obstruct, but clear the way of the student. The mere accumulation of words in the memory is not the end of schooling. For the chance to know that the words will digest them in the future life. All he wants by the school is just what he can use; for instance, if when he leaves school he cannot deny and accurately write a letter or composition, he has not been taught grammar. If he cannot leave school he cannot measure a pile of wood, or the contents of a room, or transact ordinary bookkeeping, he has not been taught arithmetic.

Mr. Woods is a practical and progressive educator. He has much interest in the "Quincy system" which he has personally examined. He has made sets of numeral boards and placed them in his own schools. He explained the moulding board and the method of learning to read in the Quincy schools, showing how rapidly the child learns the little child learns what his elders find it difficult to learn under the old system, and proving that by great liberty with text books and liberal use of the senses, including common sense, greater progress may be made than we yet have supposed possible.

Rev. Clarence Fowler, Secretary of the Sturbridge Board, next spoke of "Object Teaching, its Nature and Utility." He began by quoting the maxim of Pestalozzi: "We shall not invent the art of teaching till we discover the science of childhood," and the saying of Froebel that "We should make the amusements of children the means of discipline and education." As teaching succeeds by obedience of the nature of childhood, we must be masters of the science of childhood. We must adopt the natural method.

The speaker referred to the characteristics of childhood. 1. The child is social. He needs there have a companion for his mind, a friend who makes allowance for what he cannot yet do and for what he likes to do. He is active, full of energy and is fond of making things. 3. He is sensitive. He naturally keeps time and loves rhythm. He was made to sing or to be elevated by music, because he loves sweet and beautiful tones. His better life is nourished by tones, his love-life; he is ruled by tones and desires them the day when first he turned toward his mother's voice. So may he become refined and a promoter of order and harmony. 4. He has insatiable curiosity. Encourage, take advantage of his spirit of inquiry, and he may more largely invent and discover. 5. He is moral and religious. He is easily enthusiastic over what is strong, heroic and noble. While out of his love for reverence, gratitude, faith, we thus may educate him to make use of his knowledge for the honor of man and the will of God.

Mr. Fowler next described the kindergarten method whereby we educate, that is, draw out the powers of the child by letting him nature. The babe first learns by his eyes and touch, then by his ears and taste, and finally by his hands and feet.

while at the same time he is himself an object. Gradually he learns that he lives in a world made up of objects, as he learns to use his senses. He becomes intelligent and efficient as a boy and then as a man, wholly by his mastery of objects. Never while in life will he leave this world of objects, and he will have in it his most object school, and he will get little good by him. Should he become a scientist, a great man of affairs, it will be because he knows more than other men about objects.

The speaker described Froebel's way of teaching by colored balls, hard and soft, by cylinders and tubes; by teaching the child to build with blocks, and sticking; he referred to pin pricking in paper, paper cutting, folding, weaving and pasting; tapes work, clay modelling, silhouettes on the wall, needle work, &c. These develop power of faculty and of hand. "Knowledge is power," but power of constructing, of creating. By object teaching knowledge of forms is acquired, that ends in geometry, localizing memory is gained, and so geography, knowledge of numbers and combinations, so arithmetic. All studies grow from the root of object teaching.

Rev. James Tuttle was the last speaker and treated generally and conservatively, but in an interesting manner, of the common faults of our district schools.

This ended a valuable, a much needed meeting. It was voted to hold another in three months, subject to the appointment and call of the chairman.

EAST BROOKFIELD.

Special Correspondence.

Wednesday week preparations were made for a grand horse race on the pond, and Thursday the lovers of this sport were entertained by a scrub race. Mr. Normandy of Spencer had a fine stepper, who beat the next best horse, owned by Reuben of Podunk. Hope the same horse can be induced to trot again, and as many more as may wish, for the sport is very interesting.

The event of the week was the marriage of Miss Kate McCart to Mr. McDermott, Tuesday, at 11 o'clock. Very seldom do we see or hear of a case where the Mc's predominate as in this. We wish them joy and much happiness.

We notice that Mr. Ira Pitts has again started a meat store in town, with a well harnessed and painted team.

Mr. Sagendorf has received some of his new machinery for his mill in this place, and more is being bought.

Mr. Kilmer is to move into the house left vacant by Mr. Stoddard, who this week moved into his new house.

The stockholders' trip was well patronized by E. Brookfield people Wednesday.

WEST BROOKFIELD.

Special Correspondence.

Peter Mulvey has just built another new boot shop to work in, and has just moved into it, which makes three shops and three houses he now owns.

NORTH BROOKFIELD.

Special Correspondence.

Mr. John Knight, who died two weeks ago, was highly esteemed by his fellow townsmen. He was a close student of the Bible. As he followed the plough he would meditate on the profound truths of the gospel. Divine truth had a lodgment in his soul. It was lined in with his trains of thought as he sat in his house, walking out or while laboring in his field. He could explain and defend religious truth in a remarkable manner. Better educated men have been taught by him. His study of the Bible made him a man of strong convictions and firm principles. He was a representative of a class now too rapidly becoming a thing of the past. They knew their Bible. We know about the Bible. They were men of thought; we are men of action. They sought to regulate their lives according to the teachings of God's word; we ask, how can we do good. We need to add the virtues to ours, if we would become rounded out characters.

STURBRIDGE.

Special Correspondence.

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Water is a body of water known as a lake, a circular pool an acre or two in and bubbling and boiling constantly, rounded by walls, also in a state of

Kruse reproved a man who jostled
Galena, Iowa, by throwing pepper
eyes.

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RANGE SCENE IN A CHURCH.

Argyman in Bradford, Conn., in the
of his recent farewell sermon, re-
that a portion of the church had
obstacles in his way, saying that he
er had an hour's peace on account of
on of some of them. This aroused

...y arose and from the choir gallery, opposite the pulpit, he called upon the choir to assist, as he was insulting member of the choir. This created commotion. The preacher instantly the intruder to sit down. The latter, that if any further trouble, were he would turn on the organ and let his person's voice. During the conversation ladies fainted.

...at knows a little of the world will ed-nough to fall down and worship it, that knows it must will most despise it.

...ry year we rooted out one vice, we soon become perfect man.

...reak of day prevents the night from to far.

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UNITARIAN CHURCH.—Sunday services at 10:30 a. m. from Fast Day to Thanksgiving Day, and 11 o'clock from Thanksgiving Day to Fast Day. Evening services from October to April, part of all at the time. Rev. A. J. Rich, Pastor. Sunday School services at 12 in summer, and 12:15 in winter.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—Services 1 p. m. Prayer Meeting, 7 p. m. at 30 Tuesday evening at 7:30. Class Meeting Friday evening at 7:30. J. D. Cushing, Pastor. Sunday School services at 10:30 a. m.

CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Mass at 9 o'clock and 10:30 every other Sunday. Rev. Michael Walsh, Pastor. Rev. John Conway, Alt. Pastor, residence, Mount Pleasant, North Brookfield. Sunday School at 2 p. m.

Fishing on Podunk ponds is prohibited March 1st.

John E. Prouty has tendered his resignation as one of the road commissioners, to take effect the 1st of March.

Several students of Steven College, of Harper's Ferry, W. Va., known as the Centennial Juile Singers, are to be in Town Hall Saturday evening.

The Young Men's Debating Club is progressing, numbering over 20 members now, and steadily increasing. They are contemplating a change of quarters.

Through some misunderstanding Mrs. Blodgett failed to make her appearance on Tuesday evening, as advertised, and now it is doubtful if it will come off at all.

Another social circle was held Wednesday evening by the ladies of the M. E. Church, with great success. An excellent supper was served at 6 p. m., which was followed at 8 by a literary entertainment, which was brought out with very good credit to the actors, J. T. Trowbridge's very fine piece, "Coupon Bonds." The parts of Ma and Pa Ducklow, especially, were exceptionally well taken by Mr. F. Yates and Miss Barrows. Over two hundred were present.

The Leap Year surprise party given to Miss Delia Barnes last Friday evening was a complete success, and every one present, as well as the fair young hostess, appeared to enjoy themselves exceedingly. Of the 60 or 70 that were invited, 51 were present, and the house was filled completely. The supper furnished was excellent, and it need not be said that all did it justice. At 12 o'clock the party separated with a hearty hand shake and farewell greetings on all sides. Miss Barrows wishes hereby to express her pleasure and entertainment at so successful an accomplishment of their surprise visit.

NORTH BROOKFIELD.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—Services Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Friday evening in the Chapel. Teachers' meeting Tuesday evening. Rev. G. H. De Revoise, pastor. Sunday School immediately after the morning service. J. E. Porter, Superintendent.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—Services Sunday at 10:45 a. m. Prayer meeting Friday evening. Rev. J. W. Hird, pastor. Sunday School immediately after morning service. F. A. Smith, Superintendent.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—Services Sunday at 10:45 a. m. Rev. J. M. Avann, pastor. Sunday School immediately after morning service. Reuben Sikes, Superintendent.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Services, Mass at 10:30 a. m., sermon at 3 p. m. Sunday School at 2 p. m. Fathers Conway and Welch, pastor.

NORTH BROOKFIELD RAILROAD.

Trains leave for East Brookfield 7:05, 8:30, a. m. 12:05, 4:00, 5:05, 7:50 p. m. Trains arrive from East Brookfield at 7:50, and 10:05 a. m., 1:05, 4:40, 5:55 and 8:25 p. m.

Special Correspondence.

Mrs. McLaughlin of Boston spoke in the First Church last Sunday afternoon to the children of our Sabbath schools on forming characters. She showed the difference between form and reform. Her address was as interesting and profitable to the parents and friends as to the children. Her evening address in the Town Hall was chiefly on "Home Protection." In opening her address she referred to singing as a help to the cause of temperance. Then she gave as a vivid picture of the "women's crusade" in the West a few years ago. Afterwards she spoke feelingly and persuasively of present duties of women. She would have them ask for the ballot, and use it, if given to them, to suppress the sale of liquor. She said that the movement was not political, but Christian. Women had a right to the ballot in order to protect their homes. Mrs. McLaughlin paid an eloquent tribute to what women suffered by the maiming and death of husbands and sons in our late war. But temperance carried more sorrow to the hearts of women than our civil war did. It is but just add to that the speaker is a most effective laborer in the cause of temperance. Friends of the temperance cause in other towns would find

her a proper person to speak to their fellowmen or their children on the evils of intemperance.

Mr. Editor: May we be allowed to reply to an article in your last issue and signed "A Member"? Of course the writer knows as well as we do that "to take the matter into consideration," &c., was a matter of form used in such cases. "Observer" says, "the vote was delayed until those who were not well posted were turned and made to believe that the accepting of a gift worth some \$2,000 by the town required the serious consideration of a special committee." We think not. It was so referred for the purpose of coupling it with the gift of the High School Association, which everybody knew was to be offered at another town meeting; and which the town deemed best to unite in the interest of all concerned; and also to make needed provision for establishing at once a library and reading-room. In acting thus the town recognized the obligation it was under to both organizations and gave precedence to neither. When the smoke and noise of battle had cleared away, all sensible people will see how exceedingly just and wise was this much-censured act of the town. To say, "the design in stipulating on those subscription papers and in the offer to the town that the funds were to establish, so that if the L. L. A. were allowed to establish the library those funds might be withheld, has been evident to a large number of people from the beginning," seems to us hardly a just statement. Let us see. When the High School Association was formed, the L. L. A. had been in existence nearly ten years. Its funds were obtained by means of fairs, lectures and kindred methods; but never once in all its advertising for public patronage in all those ten years had mention been made that it was working to establish a free public library. So far as the public and a large proportion of the members were concerned, the resolution of April 16th, 1869, was a dead letter upon its records. When the depot hall was nearing completion, a member of the association proposed to the officers that a move be made on the part of the association looking toward giving the library to the town and having it placed in the new hall. A meeting of the association was called, the subject talked over and a vote taken, two voting for and some thirty against offering it to the town. It was urged that the town was not able to assume added burdens. But in all that discussion mention was not once made by any member of the original resolution, and we venture to say that but few of the members knew of its existence. The gentleman who organized the High school movement did so without any reference to the L. L. A., and he also was utterly ignorant, although a member, of the existence of that resolution. The papers stated distinctly what the funds were to be used for, viz.: "To establish a free public library and reading-room." He had made one proposition to the L. L. A. in reference to giving its library to the town, and he knows and so do others how that proposition was received. Was the gentleman under any obligations to go to the officers of the association with a second proposition when the insulting manner in which the first one had been received was still fresh in his memory? Could he have stated on his own responsibility that the money was to be used to aid the L. L. A. in establishing a free public library and reading-room, when there had not been the slightest movement on their part—we affirm, absolutely none whatever—to indicate that it had ever thought of such a thing. It was only when it was found that the High School Association was likely to succeed that this resolution, covered with the dust and silence of ten long years, was dragged to the light and held up to the public gaze. And what was there in this resolution, "Resolved, That the object of this association is to raise money to purchase a library to be given to the town of North Brookfield," that should prevent any other association endeavoring to establish a library and reading-room in town, if it could successfully do so? The resolution does not say, neither does

the constitution or by-laws of the association say, and there is nothing in the records that goes to show, that the association ever desired or expected to establish a free public library, and to say that it has "spent years of effort for that purpose, and that it is fairly entitled by all rules of right and justice to that privilege," is a statement not susceptible of proof. And yet we are again told that the right to establish the library belongs to the L. L. A. How did it obtain that right? By inheritance? By charter from either town or State? Did it inhere in the association, or was it obtained because its gift was offered first to the town? We think not. The only right it then held was the right to withdraw the offer, which was done, thus doing the very thing which the High School Association is accused of wishing to do, similarly placed. "We often see in others the reflection of ourselves." Should the library be given to the town to-morrow, or ten years hence, all that the resolution set forth that the association intended to do would have been done; the money raised, the books purchased and given to the town of North Brookfield. We reaffirm, then, that the High School Association only stated distinctly what was to be done with the funds, and that without reference to the L. L. A., because it had no means of knowing that it expected at any time to give its library to the town. So far, then, as any written statement is concerned, the High School Association is the only organization ever formed in North Brookfield for the expressly stated purpose of establishing a free public library therein. In ten years the L. L. A. had had ample time and opportunity, if it had wished, to have established a library; now it is too late.

We wish now to correct a statement which we made, adding only that we have relied entirely upon our memory in recalling events. Dissatisfaction was felt because the offer was referred to the committee and coupled with the gift of the "High School fund," which to the town was as yet a myth and had no existence. It was decided to recall the offer, but wishing to be sure that they had a legal right to do so, legal advice was obtained and paid for out of the association's funds. (We wonder if the officers had a right to so use the funds?) The legal decision was that the association had a right to recall its offer, as in referring it to a committee it was coupled with matter not properly before the town; that is, not in the warrant. A meeting of the association was called, and a stormy meeting it was. Thanks for the correction, as it enables us to dwell a little upon this point. The chairman of the committee appointed by the town was present and protested vehemently against recalling the offer. He saw at a glance all the "bother" it would occasion both the committee and the town, and he spoke in "set, round terms" against the spirit that could counsel the association to such a course. He promised the association, so far as he was able, that if the placing the resolution upon the records of the town was all it wanted, that the spirit, if not the very words, should go into the report, so that the action of the association was not taken altogether in "entire darkness as to how that report should read." That is, if the gentleman's word was good for anything. All that he promised was done, as the report demonstrated. The report gave them all, and more, than the resolution contained, and still they stood before the town like Oliver, "asking for more." When the committee reached the business of making up the report it found itself in a dilemma. The gift of the library had been recalled and reoffered. At reoffering it did both them, and no mistake. Three courses were open to them. They could make the report as though the offer had not been recalled; they could report upon the High School funds or adjourn and await the future action of the town upon the renewed offer of the library. They choose the first course, hoping, doubtless, that the association would be satisfied with what they had done, and so rescind the vote of May 1st. The majority of the committee were placed in a most awkward and uncomfortable position, and whether

they took the wiser course it is hard to tell; it was certainly called down upon their heads enough to last for a life-time. We made no reference to Mr. Hoar's opinion regarding the trustees.

The L. L. A. has been unfortunate in its choice of a leader. "Leadership," said John A. Andrew, "is a gift, not a device," and this gift has been withheld from this gentleman altogether. He cannot wrest a victory from seeming defeat. He is fond of reaching results by secret and hidden methods. A wise counselor, he would have said to the officers, "Wait a little; every member of that committee belongs also to the association; doubtless they will be willing to give you all full credit for what you have done." But no! he preferred to plot. Plotting is his delight, and he has plotted the library out into the cold—a most bitter, biting cold! Born with this propensity three centuries earlier, Tarquemade would have found him an invaluable assistant and friend; but when it comes to simple methods of work, his head is not level. Opposed to him is a man born with the gift of leadership. Impulsive, outspoken, he never stabs in the dark. Persevering in whatever he undertakes, generous to a fault, it is to this man more than to any other that the town is indebted for the library and reading-room. Mindful of this fact, we cannot believe that the town will ever consent to tarnish his reputation, or sully the brightness of his rapidly rising fame.

In closing, it is an eternal law that he who takes counsel of envy and jealousy and hate goes with swift feet to his destruction.

"Though the mills of God grind slowly, yet they grind exceeding small; Though with patience He stands waiting, with exactness grinds He all."

EAST BROOKFIELD.

Special Correspondence.

The Centennial colored troupe gave an entertainment in the hall Tuesday night; slim house.

Three car loads of new machinery arrived this week for the woolen factory of Mr. Sagendorph.

The only exciting thing of the week is a travelling clothier, who is stopping with Landford Herrick.

Mr. Isaac West's and George E. Forbes' new tenement houses are progressing finely, and will soon be ready for the tenants.

The ice crop in this place seems to be a failure, as the ice has only attained the thickness of 9 inches, which is rather too thin to cut, as 12 inches is the usual thickness.

Sunday afternoon the road over the pen stock that runs to the brick factory of Mr. Sagendorph, caved in, making quite a hole in the road, which has been repaired and is now safe for the public.

While strolling around the village we happened into the garden of Mr. E. N. Stoddard, and there saw some of the finest lettuce we have seen this long time, it being almost ready to sell. To see such a sight in midwinter makes one almost wish that spring, with all its poetry, was here.

At a meeting of those persons interested in holding Sunday services in Moulton & Fay's Hall, Monday night, it was voted to hold preaching services Sunday, and it was also voted to extend an invitation to Rev. Mr. Hird of North Brookfield to preach the ensuing year. We understand that he accepts, and will begin his labors soon.

Spencer teams seem to be at a discount here, as a team of Mr. Goward's was found in the grove east of the lake; Mr. Watson's team overturned, demolishing the buggy and harness, cutting the horse to some extent, and hurting Mr. Watson some, but not seriously; and to finish, a team owned by Mr. Mullen ran away from two ladies Tuesday afternoon, doing no damage, however, as it was stopped in the road.

CHARLTON.

Special Correspondence.

The Universalists held their February social last Friday evening. The entertainment consisted of reading, speaking, and the drama "Down Among the Breakers," which was very good. A large number were present.

The school at the Center closed last Thursday morning; about forty were present. The scholars presented their teacher, Mr. A. G. McIntyre, with a handsome silver cake basket as a token of love and respect. Mr. M. is an excellent teacher, and we are sorry to hear that he is about to leave town to take up his residence in Dudley.

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may be called for.

The only name that we can appropriate

ly apply to the Gardner News, would be

to dub it the Springfield Republican, Jr.

The life and public services of John

Sherman has just been issued by Ben.

Perley Poor. It is a good campaign docu-

ment, but we think John Sherman will

not be nominated.

Edmunds of Vermont would be the

best man for New England to unite upon,

but we are afraid he will lose because the

Springfield Republican supports him

strongly, but we had forgot the Kingman

bill.

The Merrimac Valley Visitor, published

at Newburyport and edited by Geo. J. L.

Colby, has reached our desk. It is the

best edited weekly in Essex county, as it

is one of the few weeklies that is really

edited with brains, but we are sorry to

see that it is in alliance with the vagaries

of General Butler.

The political freedom of this country

amounts to but little after all. The papers

talk about power at the ballot-box, but the

voter has no choice beyond one or other of

the candidates which the politicians of the

two great parties set before him. If he

votes for any one else his vote is simply

thrown away. If Massachusetts does not

cast its votes in favor of Grant we shall

be astonished. It will do this simply to

spite Blaine for his attack on this State

some years since.

We are not so much opposed to General

Grant personally as we are to the meth-

ods of his friends, and to the fact that he

has twice filled the presidential chair al-

ready. We are still more opposed to

Blaine, because during the dark days of

the rebellion he was totally oblivious of

anything except the commissions from the

contracts which he obtained for his friends.

Blaine is no statesman, no patriot, and

has never shown that he contributed to

the welfare of the country. On the other

hand he has been sensible to nothing but

his own ambition. The other and the

next prominent candidate is John Sher-

man, who has served the country long and

well, and by his great financial operations

the last four years has fairly earned the

gratitude of the American people. For

this alone he deserves the presidency one

hundred times more than Blaine does. But the qualities of the men and their fit-

ness for the office is scarcely taken into

consideration; it is with the politicians a

question of availability. The people are

not allowed any voice in selecting a candi-

date. They must simply eat one of the

two dishes set before them, but we think

some way ought to be devised so that the

people at large can have a voice in the se-

lection as well as the election of candi-

dates, and thus Don Cameron and Boes

Conkling would be thrown down from

their dictatorial positions. We do not

know but what the choice may finally fall

to some other than the men we have men-

tioned, for we think that the Democrats

with Bayard will beat either Grant or

Blaine, and unless Conkling & Co. take

care how far they try the temper of the

country, we shall find the Republican

party among past histories. We have no set

no particular preference, but think that

either Edmunds, Hawley or Washington

far preferable to either Grant or Blaine.

We hope the people in this section at least

will see their preferences are properly re-

presented at the convention, which will be

duly announced.

Is there not some danger that the

average voter will say in answer to

all the uproar about a third term as an

innovation dangerous to American lib-

erty, that he and his fellow voters are

quite competent to deal with that ques-

tion, and that the people may be trust-

ed not to vote away their liberties in

1880?—New York World.

New York, with thirty-five electoral

votes, declares for Grant. The die is cast.

Nothing but the declaration of Blaine or

Sherman that they will run against him,

if nominated, as Van Buren did with

Cass, will prevent his carrying the Chic-

ago convention; and then the fight will

come simply between money—we may say

hard money—and the people, and if the

Democratic party chooses to ally itself

with the money power, in the vain hope

of its support, Grant is elected from the

beginning—Merrimac Valley Visitor.

The New York Tribune says that

the Grant boom has dwindled down to

Roseco Conkling and Don Cameron.

But unfortunately those two men have

a large army of followers, and the in-

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small, somewhat, or rather, an old fisherman and one. Their passengers for the berth was such an inattentive, placed on deck. Many sleepers there were no below deck, and I preferred to go hot and cold. We were taken, it became the steamer jumped around and nearly as were taken. I entered so slowly the way came at all. The most part of the vessel with Kakaes natives on deck. I was an used to make take the pole, which I found, much from a 4000, pulled, looking and not they carried it in the ground, sit around the deck, and two fingers in the water, thus continuing the work. I have had enough of this, and the next night, while I was lying there, I heard means of signs of the work, all of which I remember. The second night it rained and the guns, and they had to hang over the water and rain on deck. The boat stopped on a hot griddle. I of my mattress, but the ship, as it was so rough, reached Hilo, and emerged to, the next day. The somewhat delayed, in the January 1st and 1910, and the blacksmiths had to have our morning and did not until 11 a. m. They have every time, so you can see the road, it is Honolulu to Hilo, and 30 miles. Our ride was first most of tremendous time more open, and over which these islands are, very steep ascents, and few any of us ever saw. I reached the Halfway House, and ate our lunch on the and other bad places, but were footed, and several over places that at we have thought impassable the Halfway House, and we were nearly all the way. I could not see my horse's hind entirely to him. At the Crater House we a dash for it on the black darkness, yelling had been over nine miles. The next day we the crater of Kilauea, three miles long, two wide and 1,000 feet deep. Inside lava surmounts occupied by a lake of down over the edge, and we could hear the steam or boiling conducted over a (this was Saturday) id lava. As we up the fire under some two or three feet below inches; and putting the cracks it set so hot we could not like walking over it was continually with us, we could realized how hot the places as we knocked it sounded hollow. We had several times the water hissing twice there was the falling rain, each other at all. I took a sulphur bath house. The wheels of the earth, the building is in a box with only an turned on, and efficiently steamed old water on the evening, having in the saddle. The Captain of the United States into a class at the United States. Writing are many in the United States, and the walls, with green ferns. He has a large a whole smile.

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and the western boundary of said land
 and land of C. P. West, and the land
 of J. A. Barclay; southerly by land of L.
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 Also, another tract of land situate near
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 EVERY Physician and Midwife is re-
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UNITARIAN CHURCH.—Sunday services at 10:30 a. m. from First Day to Thanksgiving Day and 11 o'clock from Thanksgiving Day to First Day. Evening services from October to April, part of all of the time. Rev. A. J. Rich, Pastor. Sunday School service at 10 in summer, and 12:15 in winter.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—Services 1 p. m. Prayer Meeting 7 p. m. Also Tuesday evening at 7:30. Class Meeting Friday evening at 7:30. J. P. Coaling, Pastor. Sunday School service at 10:30 a. m.

CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Mass at 9 o'clock and 10:30 every other Sunday. Rev. Michael Walsh, Pastor. Rev. John Conway, Asst. Pastor. Residence, Mount Pleasant, North Brookfield. Sunday School at 2 p. m.

—Wednesday night there was a sociable at Mrs. Kimball's of the Unitarians; also, a sociable and entertainment at the Methodist vestry, at which Prof. Brown of the High School gave a reading, and a party at George W. Upham's.

—Twelve gentlemen of this village are and have been engaged in playing a tournament game of chess for the championship, three games being played apiece. A full report will be given at the close. Dr. Havens and Henry Gerald are taking the lead.

—Mr. William B. Draper, a former resident of this place, and now residing at Flushing, L. I., has been stopping a few days this week in town. He has a deep interest in Brookfield, and seemed quite desirous of seeing things revive. He is a strong advocate of the continental idea of co-operative industry, and suggested the practicability of the plan here. He has traveled quite extensively in the old country, and has studied this feature closely, and is well assured of its successful practice.

—The Junior Dramatic Club will present their entertainment on Wednesday evening of next week. "The Last Lost" is the drama to be given, and is a temperance drama of considerable merit. A farce will conclude the entertainment, entitled "A Kiss in the Dark." It is to be given in benefit of the public reading room and should be well patronized. Reserved seats tickets are for sale at Gerald Brothers at 25 cents each; general admission, 15 cents. The talent in this is mostly new, only one or two of the cast having appeared in the public hall before.

—A sociable of "ye olden time" was held at the Congregational church Thursday evening, and proved a success every way, the vestry being filled to overflowing all the evening. Most of the ladies and several gentlemen were dressed in costumes of from fifty to one hundred years ago, and all combined to make a very interesting and unique assemblage. A splendid old-fashioned farmers' dinner of vegetables, etc., were served during the whole evening, and its worth was testified to amply by its universal patronage. Old time singing and playing, tableaux and charades went to make up the minor details. The whole must have afforded a very satisfactory financial exhibit upon counting up.

—We have known all along of our citizens going to work at North Brookfield, but it's not until recently that any of Brookfield's buildings have gone there.

## NORTH BROOKFIELD.

### CHURCH DIRECTORY.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—Services Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Friday evening in the Chapel. Teachers' meeting Tuesday evening. Rev. G. H. De Bevoise, pastor. Sunday School immediately after the morning service. J. E. Porter, Superintendent.

UNITED CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—Services Sunday at 10:45 a. m. Prayer meeting Friday evening. Rev. J. W. Bird, pastor. Sunday School immediately after morning service. F. A. Smith, Superintendent.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—Services Sunday at 10:45 a. m. Rev. J. M. Ayman, pastor. Sunday School immediately after morning service. Reuben Sikes, Superintendent.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Services, Mass at 8:15 and 10:30 a. m. sermons at 3 p. m. Sunday School at 2 p. m. Fathers Conway and Welch, pastor.

NORTH BROOKFIELD RAILROAD.  
Trains leave for East Brookfield 7:05, 8:30, a. m., 12:05, 4:00, 5:05, 7:50 p. m.  
Trains arrive from East Brookfield at 7:50, and 10:05 a. m., 1:05, 4:40, 5:55 and 8:25 p. m.

### Special Correspondence.

MR. EDITOR: Will you please make a correction in the article of last week? In the second paragraph it should have read: "Both articles were acceptable to the officers, for they were face to face with the fact that the High School effort was to prove a success." Also, in next paragraph, should read 1100 books, instead of 400. I presume the fault was mine, as I do not write very distinctly.

—We have received a letter on the library question covering seventeen pages of foolscap, which we cannot print without issuing an extra. —Er.

## EAST BROOKFIELD.

### Special Correspondence.

—Messrs. Gunn & Twichell have started on boots and expect a busy season.

—The thermometer was 6° above, with a 40-mile an hour gale, Thursday morning.

—Mr. Hall has the sills of his new house laid and expects soon to have the building raised.

—Rents are on the increase and tenements on the decrease; thus we see that the wheel still turns.

—Slight fire in the woods owned by Mr. P. Doane caused by the sparks from a passing train Thursday. Slight damage, as it was soon extinguished.

—During a draw off and let alone encounter, Mr. A. C. Pinny received a mulatto eye and Simon Ravens measured his length on the depot platform, and both men illustrated that it was better to give than to receive.

—The First Baptist church of this town had a social supper Wednesday and Thursday evenings, it being a social success and a good and select attendance each evening. We cannot say as yet in regard to the financial result, but trust it was equally as successful.

—Conductor Whitney's 4:30 train came very near having a smash up Monday afternoon, as Flagman Young misplaced the west switch and the express ran off upon the south track. The engine was somewhat damaged about the front end, and one platform car was smashed. Altogether it was a very fortunate accident.

—Nothing has so stirred up the voters of this village so much since the war as the announcement of a caucus for last Saturday night. The citizens met, organized, proceeded to business, and exhibited as much lobbying as it is possible to see in a North Carolina court. Mr. P. Doane was chosen chairman and a full list of officers for this end of the town was chosen. Remarks were made by Messrs. McKeon, Hodgkins and others, and the general opinion is that much good will result.

—The Baptist people in East Brookfield held a sociable on Wednesday evening at their vestry, and a supper was provided by the ladies for all who desired. Admittance free; supper, twenty cents each, ice cream and oranges extra. There was a large gathering, and yet the provision was so abundant that another supper was announced for Thursday evening. The literary entertainment and the singing exercises were very fine, and afforded great satisfaction to the audience. There was also a table of fancy articles well patronized by many, who love to help a good cause.

—The annual meeting of the Baptist Society, connected with the First Baptist church in this place, (Rev. A. Dunn, pastor) was held on Monday evening, 22d inst., President D. W. Hodgkins, Esq., M. D., in the chair. Officers elected for the ensuing year were as follows: Clerk and Treasurer, R. O. Putney; Assessors and Prudential Committee, D. W. Hodgkins, M. D., P. S. Doane, Curly Lyon, George B. Haley, Haschal Underwood; Collector, Frank O. Putney. The meeting was well attended and marked for the harmonious action of its members. The encouraging state of their finances, together with increasing membership, promise much for the future. Six new members were received and others are coming.

## LEICESTER.

### Special Correspondence.

—Wednesday and Thursday we had fresh air without stint.

—Mr. Trott of Spencer has again appeared on the turf, much to the satisfaction of those who are fond of hulled corn and milk.

—The picker house of the Mannville Manufacturing Company was burned Friday morning last. The fire caught from the picker and was beyond control before the arrival of the steamer.

—Last Sabbath evening Rev. A. H. Coolidge delivered a lecture embodying many points of internal and external evidence that the New Testament writers were honest in their intention and truthful in their writings.

—Monday evening, State T. M. G. A. Secretary Bayford and Dea. Edward Whittory of Worcester were received by the L. C. A. The gospel meeting, which was held early in the evening, was succeeded by a discussion regarding the work of Christian association.

—The storm of last Friday evening did not prevent the Ladies' Charitable Society from "bringing their sewing" to the church parlor, and setting an attractive tea table. In the evening they thought the vestry was so large that it would make the small audience feel lonesome, so they gathered cozily in the parlor and enjoyed a sketch of Sir Walter Scott's life, a few extracts from his writings, and the singing of several hymns.

## STURBRIDGE.

### Special Correspondence.

—Rev. Mr. Bixbe of Holland preached in the Congregational church last Sabbath afternoon.

—Carlo May, singing master, from East Woodstock, Conn., closed his singing school last Saturday evening. He has had a very good class, and it is hoped our old choir will soon be replenished.

—By invitation, the ladies' sewing circle met with Mrs. William T. Lamb, Wednesday evening. Copenhagen is getting to be unpopular at these gatherings.

—The Fiskdale Brass Band gave a very interesting and successful entertainment last week at Otis Hall, clearing about \$175, which has relieved them from debt and some \$50 in their treasury remains.

—At the auction sale of the estate of the late Otis Warner, no one would bid \$1200 for the property and the sale of nineteen acres of pasture land stands adjourned. Only \$175 was bid for the lot. This property was valued at some \$4000 a few years since.

—Professor Jewell gave a temperance address in the Baptist church (Rev. Mr. Gannet, pastor) last Sabbath afternoon, and lectured in the Town Hall in the evening. Elder Morrill (Advent) held a preaching service in Benet Hall, in Snellville, last Sabbath, and in the evening at the same place.

—There was more than the usual variety of entertainments last Sabbath. Professor Jewell of Boston preached a temperance sermon in the Congregational church at 10½ o'clock a. m., and Rev. Mr. Noyes, from Clinton, Mass., occupied the pulpit in the Unitarian church (Rev. Clarence Fowler's), and was very much liked by the congregation, who will soon be destitute of a pastor.

## WARREN.

—Assistant Postmaster General Tyner writes that the report of Special Agent Field, who has investigated charges, will not justify the removal of Postmaster J. F. Hitchcock.

—The gross receipts thus far of the fair which has been running in the new Catholic Church for the past 10 days are upward of \$1,000.

—Messrs. Sayles, Owen & Co. have contributed \$25 toward the free reading room.

—The Knowles steam pump works have within a few days closed a \$25,000 contract for furnishing a pump for the water-works of a western city.

## OAKHAM.

—The soldiers of Oakham held their annual reunion on the evening of March 19th. Although many were denied the pleasure of attending, by the storm, yet a fair audience assembled in Memorial Hall and listened with interest to a program of select readings by Miss Clara Alden of Fairhaven. Refreshments were served by the Executive Committee, after which the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: President, S. A. Boyden; Vice Presidents, Wm. Barr and E. C. Spooner; Secretary and Treasurer, H. P. Wright; Executive Committee, C. A. Ware, H. Green, J. E. Stone; and of the citizens, A. J. Holden, Wm. S. Crawford and Page Austin were added to the Committee. A vote of thanks was given Mrs. Alden for the pleasure she had given, and at her request was very neatly responded to by Rev. A. S. Walker, of Spencer. Interesting remarks were made by Captain Crawford who served on the staff of Gen. Sheridan, Major Fairbank of the 36th, and Comrade Prof. Wright of Yale College. Singing by three little girls, Misses Angie, Fita and Mary, daughters of Comrade G. W. Stone, of "Marching through Georgia," Rally "Round the Flag, Boys," etc., added much to the entertainment, and they received a vote of thanks. A history

of Oakham in the 35th Regiment, very ably prepared, was presented by Comrade G. W. Stone of Co. H, 25th. Comrade's Orchestra furnished good music throughout the evening. The tablets upon which the names of the deceased soldiers of the town are inscribed, in Memorial Hall, were very neatly decorated by Miss Jennie Mendell, with the national colors, evergreen and laurel. The next reunion will take place on the evening of Jan. 1st, 1881, at which time "Oakham in the 36th" will be presented by Major J. B. Fairbank.

## FRENCH MATRIMONIAL AGENCIES.

A Parisian matrimonial agency wishes to establish a branch agency in Rome, to tempt speculators in the matrimonial lottery. The *Popolo Romano* contains several matrimonial advertisements. One young lady of thirty offers her hand and heart to any gentleman, no matter how old, provided he has sufficient means to support her comfortably. A gentleman of distinguished family, regular figure, and fifty years of age, desire to marry a widow or spinster, of similar years, and promising not to be any burden in a pecuniary sense, to his wife, as he has sufficient means of his own. He likes the provinces better than the capital, and loves the country more than anything. His health is excellent. What woman can refuse such a model of a husband? Another gentleman, a foreigner, and of course, of distinguished birth, is nearly sixty. He seeks an accomplished companion for the rest of his life, with money enough to pay for traveling in the summer months. In other respects he is moderate in his requirements, for he says plainly that he "will make no objection to age or deformity of any kind, provided the lady is independent and of a very affectionate disposition." A woman should, indeed, have a most affectionate heart to be ready to love a wretch of sixty, who thus proclaims his willingness to marry a cripple.

## AN ACTOR'S MOTHER.

I remember a whimsical incident occurring in a theatre, where the leading member of the company was celebrated for his magnificent physique. One night he was enacting *Virginius*, and his mother, who had never been in a theatre in all her life, happened on the occasion to be in the boxes. Fresh from her native Yorkshire village, it will be readily imagined that she was somewhat bewildered with the novelty of the scene. When her son appeared, she was amazed at the grandeur of his presence in fleshings, sandals and toga. His appearance caused a great deal of enthusiastic applause. When it had subsided, the proud mother, unable to restrain herself, and to the astonishment of all around her, said, "I'm so glad you like him. He's my son." The mother immediately became the centre of attraction, and one admirer exclaimed, "Well, Madams, you may well be proud of your son, for he looks godlike as a Roman." "Ah," sighed the poor old lady in reply, "I didn't want him to be a Roman. He would have looked splendid as a policeman."—*Times's Magazine*.

## Between two evils, choose neither.

Nature seems to exist for the excellent. The world is upheld by the veracity of good men. They make the earth wholesome. Life is sweet and tolerable in our belief in such society, and, actually or ideally, we manage to live without superiors.

A man, while opening oysters at Knauer-town, a few days ago, on forcing open the shells of an unusually large bivalve, found a fish nearly four inches long, with one continuous fin extending from the head to the tail. Otherwise the fish was formed, and resembled in many respects an ordinary brook trout. The fish showed no signs of life until placed in a pail of water, when it was resuscitated.

A nineteen-year-old young woman who recently mysteriously disappeared from her St. Louis home, where she was living in ease and comfort, has been found after a fortnight's search working out as a seamstress. She proved herself an amiable and useful member of the family she had found shelter with, formed an attachment for her mistress, and refused to return to her relatives, who resigned her to her whim.

Nelson Lockwood, aged twelve, of Cohoes, N. Y., talked impudently and defiantly to his mother one night last week and then left the home. His sister, aged nineteen, followed him into the yard and attempted to reason with him, when he seized a club, knocked her down, beat her and left her insensible, in which condition she was afterwards found. Some months ago he became enraged at his mother and stabbed her, but not seriously, because the knife was dull.

One of the features connected with the Russian railway system is that the companies are bound to maintain at each station, at their own cost, a mounted Cossack gendarme, who is armed with a Berdan and revolver, and forms part of the very powerful "railway police force" of Russia. Recently the companies have had to maintain from three to six of these gendarmes at their principal stations, and the total cost of the force, falling upon the shareholders of the Russian railway companies, now amounts to 550,000 roubles, or over £30,000 per annum.—*London Examiner*.

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Subbridge, March 29th, a daughter girl Geno.

Last Brookfield, March 19th, a son Robillard.

**UNITED.**

Spencer, April 3d, by Rev A S Walker, John to Mary E Livermore.

Brookfield, April 1, by Dwight Hyde, David Howard to Nancy I. Rawson of Sturbridge.

Warrenton, March 25th, by Rev I P Eli O A Alorson to Miss Mary Ann, both of Charlton; 29th, by the Rev David O Alderson to Sarah Bellows; 3d, H Dodge, Lewis N Rhein to Emily.

**GONE HOME.**

Spencer, April 4th, T A Harwood, extra 4 months.

Plympton, March 22d, William Robards.

Buffed, April 1st, Susie E Meserve,

Drester, April 5, Ellen C Clapp, late John Clapp, and daughter Flint, M. D., aged 87 years 11

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**ORDERS,**

Spring Styles.

**R, MASS.**

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fragrant, white and  
bananas, papaya, etc.,  
the grandville, which  
the, the alligator pear,  
the cactus grows in great  
long branches, and  
large enough for a boy  
from tree grows from  
the fruit, branching  
to extreme top of the

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or filthy mud holes.  
it was designed to  
be "Robinson  
in Indian garb".  
to the United States  
Impress Engraving  
to America—gave herproof  
to him, and in return  
it. It is a beautiful  
name to have such a  
one of such beauty.  
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It was designed  
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ification of Prof. so  
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ough about four hours  
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in great profusion.  
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on these trees only  
the idea of their beau-  
tative climate. The  
through, through  
but they are hardly  
three back in the

The bats of  
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the and drink  
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the Chicago ri-  
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of so much del-  
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such a sluggish  
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understanding  
to construct, but  
ling here to do  
were so hostile  
were some bot-  
with, but there  
filling. The gra-  
summit is reached  
ance, or 22-23  
the road is 256  
the trip in 3.12  
at 5 o'clock.

As we arrived  
little black soldiers,  
salutes attached,  
toward the build-  
wards, to protect  
to the light-  
ward and proce-  
which is at an-  
ma, three miles  
disappointed at the  
town.

At New York  
consumption, can-  
Francisco to re-  
living there. In  
side, as though he  
the Indians, but  
thus far, but had  
a litter and the  
We get aboard, find  
supper and retire  
tired from the ex-  
of the day have be-

The next morn-  
we take a look at  
home for at least  
City of Panama, an  
cent City, but we li-  
and everything look-  
The ship left her  
this morning. In  
leaving the sick man  
at sea. I saw him  
sore, dead, and the  
drunk he was to be  
heavily weighted w-  
drawn closely around  
placed upon a plank  
flag. The flag on the  
must and at 12 o'clock  
stopped. The passen-  
gangway on the  
restor, going on  
The ship was  
When he reads, "W-  
to the deep," the pl-  
body shoots into the  
sight of in an instant  
There were many  
the passengers, altho-  
the ship was to be  
They had learned to  
San Francisco, wait-  
coming.

Today we have se-  
and leaving above  
purpose playing. At  
7.10, which is the  
the equator on the  
I can assure you I  
I care to get, altho-  
hired directly under  
singers are divesting  
much clothing as is pos-  
up appearances. More

**SPRING,**

**PAKING**

**STYING**

**WORKS**

the natives are made by  
for or more parts in the  
shining the rock with the  
a palm. Some are made  
those, I expect, are the B.  
ception I saw them engaged  
be mortar and pestle, such  
the Indians used at grinding  
of state, and winnowing  
ing in a pan. At the stopping  
the road they bring out  
beans, boiled eggs, milk and  
passengers, and they are  
e, too.  
tows the general direction of  
er, crossing it many times,  
expensive iron bridge. It  
away of a furnace iron  
place that was the cause  
to be in starting on this  
as almost impossible that  
stress as this is now could  
to do much damage, but  
circumstances of danger: one  
of shed water it catches  
of water on either side, and  
perhaps most damaging,  
of its waters and that of  
er easter.  
of the road was a great  
it was so difficult  
because there was not  
then, and the natives  
to the enterprise. There  
less morasses to contend  
was very little cutting or  
les are not heavy, as the  
about one-half the dis-  
amiles, and at that point  
it is about the sea. Made  
ours, arriving at Panama  
at the depot there were  
ers with big guns and  
stationed at intervals  
ing; as I learned after-  
the traveler while pass-  
ing. As we hurried on  
very early on to the ship,  
r in the harbor of Pan-  
stant. Were very much  
being able to visit this  
young man, sick with  
e it is hard to go to San  
his mother and brother  
seemed, on the other  
could not live to get to  
has stood the journey  
be brought across on  
ship on the same way.  
our quarters, get our  
very early, thoroughly  
element of the pleasures  
ought us.  
ing, Tuesday, March 2d,  
the ship that is to be our  
teen days. She is the  
st as large as the Ques-  
e very large state rooms  
is very comfortable.  
anchorage at 4 o'clock  
one half hour after  
died, and, as is the  
ed at 10 o'clock, noon,  
aid out upon the lower  
sailors preparing the  
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th iron and the duck  
d him. The body is  
and covered with the  
the ship is raised at half  
the engines are  
gers assemble at the  
side and an English  
rd, reads the service.  
commend his boy's  
the ship is raised and  
the water and is lost  
tearful eyes among  
tough the man was a  
very one on board.  
he had a mother at  
dying and wailing his  
on whales spouting  
the surface, and the  
5 o'clock are in lat.  
rest point we reach  
is quite as near as  
I can tell it is no  
the sun. The per-  
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sible and still keep  
nson.  
J. W. TEMPLE.















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Y. M. C. A. Meeting in Bank Block every Monday evening, 8 B. BUTLER, Pres't.

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL (R. C.)—REV. F. D. BICA, Pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 12:30 p. m. Prayers at 6 p. m. Services Wednesdays and Fridays, 7:30 P. M.

—The ice men will soon be around.

—Green to be out in the rain—the grass.

—The thermometer was 70° yesterday.

—The farmers were busy on Wednesday.

—Captain Daniel Green has returned from Florida.

—The late mud is now bothering us in the shape of dust.

—Wells Bros. are painting D. A. Drury's extension.

—Be careful about throwing matches down in the woods.

—See the letter on the first page from Representative Walker of Worcester.

—W. F. Conins & Co. are headquarters for all kinds of fancy and staple groceries.

—Geo. P. Ladd of this town was on the committee on hallials at the convention yesterday.

—Elder M. A. Potter will preach in the Y. M. C. A. Rooms next Wednesday evening. All are invited.

—For novelties in neck wear go to Packard's. They have just received a large lot of scarfs and ties.

—St. Mary's Parish has purchased five acres of land near their Rectory from Wm. C. Lawson for \$400.

—A new plank walk is to be laid on Pleasant street. The planks are delivered and work will commence soon.

—E. E. Stone has bought a \$3000 wood lot of James Howland in Brookfield, and will commence cutting it at once.

—The Lumbar has arrived for Bush & Grout's new bottoming shop and with the fine weather the work will soon be finished.

—Mr. Weatherbee calls attention to its large stock of Spring medicines, especially to Beech's Rheumatic cure, and Boyd's electric battery.

—E. D. Kenely's is the best place for all kinds of wagon repairing of any place in this section, also for horse shoeing and carriage work.

—E. R. Lyman & Son have made a good impression in town and we would ask our readers to call at the Massicot and make their acquaintance.

—About \$1000 worth of concrete is to be laid on the town. The new sidewalk on Grove street is to be laid by John O'Gara, who did some good work last season.

—Great auction sale of crockery and glassware, at the store of W. F. Conins & Co., Monday evening, April 19, at 7 o'clock.

W. F. CONINS & CO.

—John M. Newton has bought the farm stock and milk route of Joel Howe, and will continue the business. Mr. Newton is a straightforward man and will prosper.

—S. M. Sargeant will arrive in town on his annual visit with his select flavoring extracts, "Chemical Blue," etc., Tuesday, April 20. All may expect a call as usual.

—There will be a Union Temperance Convention at the Sunday Schools at G. A. R. Hall, Sunday evening next at 6 o'clock. All are requested to bring Gospe's hymns.

No. 2.

—The next Baptist sociable and supper will take place next Wednesday evening. These sociables are under the management of the ladies and will be patronized, as they deserve to be.

—13-15-14.—W. F. Conins & Co. have the freshest assortment of groceries of all kinds. Prices are with the lowest cash prices of the town. Try us and you will find this no puzzle.—17

—Mrs. J. M. Hill, whose advertisement appears in today's issue, has opened dress-making rooms at Mrs. Charles Thayer's residence, 120 North Main street. The ladies will make a note of this.

—John Penabaz (better known as John "Pannabaz") has opened a fruit and confectionery store in the east end of W. C. Watson's block, on Mechanic street. Also cigars, tobacco and pipes.

—Two head of cattle fed by William Conins of Paxton and slaughtered by A. A. Dennis, weighing when dressed 1800 lb. and the weight of six eight-month pigs fed by the same party was one ton.

—Dr. O. S. Chapman leaves next week for Kansas City. He lived and practiced there for ten years previous to his removal East, which was made necessary on account of severe attacks of malaria. He will sing there under the title of "The summer soldier." His climate agrees with him this time he will move there permanently.

The town is at peace. The crimson powder has fallen on Wednesday and the men have all gone to work. We hope that every other trouble of this kind will end as peacefully and be conducted as gentlemanly.

—An item saying that Spencer claims 7000 inhabitants is going the rounds of our exchanges. Some people claim 8000, but we shall know by July 4th, probably. We judge our people by the quality not the quantity.

—C. N. Prosty is putting on a large addition to his barn, and residing the whole of it. The foundations for the large barn will all be being put in. Altogether there is quite a large army of workmen on the premises.

—Rev. A. S. Walker having preached, Sunday before last, by request, from the text "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself," will preach next Sunday morning from the text, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart."

—Messrs. Craig & Bents call attention to the fact that the following names in their advertisement, to the Glens Falls Insurance Company, which, in addition to regular insurance, issues policies on live stock killed by fire or lightning on any part of the farm.

—Guy & Brothers have completed the changes in their store. It is finished inside and outside, on the same style as the new store in New York ten stores, and is now one of the neatest and prettiest stores in the county. They have just added a shoe finding department.

—The lecture given by Col. Russell H. Conwell on Tuesday evening, under the auspices of Towlitts Tribe, Imp'd O. R. M., was very poorly attended, the Tribe having about \$18 in receipts. The lecture was of a high order, and we could have listened to the lecturer all night.

—The Spencer railroad corporation at their meeting Monday evening elected these officers: Directors, David Prosty, Erastus Jones, Isaac L. Prosty, Richard Sugden, James Capen, Dexter Ballard, J. W. Temple, Abraham Capen and Charles N. Prosty; auditors, Frank E. D. Mott, M. D. Harr and Chester T. Linley.

—Mrs. S. A. Whitney would inform the inhabitants of Spencer and vicinity that she has taken the millinery store formerly occupied by Mrs. A. L. Hale, Main street, where she will open on Thursday, April 10, with a new and desirable stock of millinery goods at bottom prices. Having had years of experience in this line and vicinity, she can guarantee satisfaction in all cases. 25-28

—Union No. 2 have been called out twice this week to extinguish fires in the woods near Station Agent Potter's at South Spencer. It is very possible that both of the fires were set by smokers carelessly throwing down matches, as they were a great many. The damage was done, though the fire was unaccompanied near Mr. Cotte's house.

—Charles E. Prosty, lately of Stone's millinery of Spencer and Worcester states that he has purchased Wheeler's Express Route, and will continue the business. Mr. Prosty is well and familiarly known, and is very anxious to sincerely meet assurance that all business entrusted to him will be faithfully and promptly attended to. Order boxes at Sibley's News Room and at the Post Office.

—A county convention of the W. C. T. Union will meet in Spencer, Wednesday, the 21st, at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, at 11 o'clock a. m. The morning will be devoted to the reading of the Bible readings by Mrs. Hunt of Boston. Afternoon reports from the various unions present, etc. Evening, a lecture will be given in the Town Hall by Mrs. M. H. Hunt of Boston. The public are cordially invited to be present.

—William Blanchette was interred last Monday and was followed by his grave by over 250 members of the St. Jean Baptiste Society. He was a very honored member. He was a native of St. Hughes, in the Province of Quebec, Canada, but had been in Spencer a number of years and was very useful in society here. His widow drew \$254 from the St. John's treasury as a benefit, a result which she felt was a great consolation to her benevolent society so faithful to the late.

—The Young Men's Catholic League have outgrown their present quarters in Marsh's Block, and have leased the large hall in Watson's new block, opposite the depot. They will open it on May 1st by a grand fair, to be held for the benefit of the League. The League will be delighted to publish as soon as we receive them. They will also publish a paper or journal of the fair, which will be filled with good reading matter and will contain the business cards of any of our merchants who may choose to help the cause.

—Only about thirty persons were at the Republican caucus on Wednesday evening, and was elected its chairman. Dr. C. I. Kingbury was elected secretary. The following delegates were nominated in open caucus, each being required to state his preferences before the vote was cast: State—George P. Lester, Jr.; Congress—Lester R. Prosty; all for Edmonds, District—Dr. Kingbury, J. G. Avery, William Courtneafne, F. M. Prosty; all for Edmonds.

What is the Town doing to get  
There are not a score, a hundred, or officer  
for a week.

—New Dress Gowns, Ladies' Jackets,  
Dolmans and materials for sale at Com-  
mings & Co., 607 Broadway.

—J. D. Tait has lately received a new  
inventory of Blanks, Grounds, Satins and  
Gift Paper Hangings.

—We saw a load of apples being carried  
to the Big Ship to day on two Baras. It  
took three men to carry it.

—The pulpit of the M. E. Church will  
be occupied next Sunday by the Evangelist  
Rev. F. Keyes of Woburn.

—Comins and Ames report a fine trade  
on Carpets. They show a few assortments  
and are selling at less than city prices.

—Representative Bigelow has presented  
to the State Library 84 volumes consist-  
ing of Agricultural Reports of the different  
States.

—See Miss Spaulding's advertisement  
in another column, in which she announces  
her Millinery opening to take place next  
Wednesday and Thursday.

—If you will smoke, call at Boyle's on  
Mechanic street, and see how much he has  
reduced his prices on cigars and tobacco.  
You will be well understood.

—Go to A. B. Bacon's for your Fertilizers.  
He has the agency for Bowker's  
Fertilizers and the celebrated Stockbridge  
Manures, also ground plaster. Prices as  
low as the lowest.

—Miss Nellie Cuth has been elected  
Librarian for the ensuing year. The Trustees  
are at work on the much needed new  
catalogue, which probably be ready by  
the first of May.

—Dr. Tait, a relative of J. D. Tait of  
this town and a native of Scotland, was  
in town over Sunday. Dr. Tait is a sur-  
geon on the Allan Line of steamers, and  
has travelled extensively.

—Postmaster Stone has lost a very fine  
cow, worth nearly \$100. She was about  
he best looking cow we ever saw. She  
shed of milk fever. This is the second  
year she has broken down.

—See the advertisement of the American  
Miner Mining Co. in another column.  
The names of Edl. J. Whittemore as treas-  
urer, and his and that of LARRY WATSON as  
directors, are a sufficient guarantee for  
he stock as a safe and profitable invest-  
ment.

—James G. Rogers, R. A., preached at  
the Congregational Church Sunday morn-  
ing, and in the evening gave an informal  
talk, stirring the consciences of science  
with religion, comparing the scientific  
theories with the Word of God as found  
in the 1st Chapter of Genesis, which was  
much appreciated by all present.

—Court news are very meagre this  
week, still the material for a proper basis  
upon which to found a riot and a murder  
or two at least but fortunately confined to  
one horse—that was captured by Officer  
Horsey at Ezra LaPlant's saloon, on  
Mechanic street this morning. Three  
quarters of a vile smelling fowl as one  
would care to irritate his internal arrange-  
ments with and a gallon of lager is added  
to the inventory of poisons to be sent to  
the State Agency.

—A company of 90 or 60 gathered at the  
house of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Crawford  
last night to celebrate and gave them a  
genuine surprise party, the occasion be-  
ing the 25th anniversary of their marriage.  
During the evening the worthy couple  
were presented with a handsome silver  
cup service, as a token of the respect and  
esteem of those making the gift. Rev. A.  
P. French, President of the church, pre-  
sented Mr. Crawford presented in fit-  
ting terms, and Rev. A. S. Walker offered  
prayer. During the evening refreshments  
and ice cream were served in abundance,  
and, having spent the evening in social  
conversation, the company dispersed at  
an early hour, being so present at the  
golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Crawford.

**REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.**

The real estate transactions for the week  
ending Wednesday, April 7, are as fol-  
lows, the first number being the price of the por-  
tion sold, the other the purchase money.

Allen, E. W.—R. B. Dresser et al.,  
Barre, \$5000  
Adams, E. N.—M. J. Clark, Leicester, 175  
Barnes, Geo.—J. A. Turk, Oxford, 50  
De Land, L. P.—E. S. Kendrick, North  
Brookfield, 750  
Crawford, J. E.—T. H. Palmer, Paxton, 750  
Gilbert, J. E.—T. H. Palmer, Barre, 140  
Fontaine, Marc—J. Ellsworth, Springfield, 50  
Gardner, John—L. A. Green, Canton, 25  
Hill, Fred—J. E. Kendrick, North  
Brookfield, 325  
Howard, Abner—E. C. Howland, 4000  
Higginson, George, by adms.—W. Fleming,  
Salem, 510  
Kimball, A. C.—E. S. Bigelow, Rutland, 1000  
Kimball, C. T.—L. P. De Land, North  
Brookfield, 1000  
Matthews, John—W. H. Matthews, 800  
March, Andrews—N. Norris, Charlton, 15,000  
Murphy, G. W.—P. Murray, North  
Brookfield, 1300  
Murray, C. A.—A. Swamy, Worcester, 100  
Mye, S. D.—E. D. Goodwin, Worcester, 150  
Rice, W. F.—H. D. Leighton, Worcester, 150  
Roy, W. F.—H. D. Leighton, Worcester, 2500  
Spencer, J. J.—F. A. Spooner, South-  
borough, 10  
Spooner, Eli—M. T. Fairbanks, Ox-  
ford, 50  
Stoughton, Richard—D. Guild, Worces-  
ter, 10,300  
Wilson, E. T.—E. S. Wilson, Worcester, 2000  
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Wilson, E. T.—E. S. Wilson, Worcester, 2000

One of our readers are aware of the business articles that have been made in the business relations of New-England and Australian colonies. Here in Springfield, one of our manufacturers goes for shipment to that country have been made to a considerable extent, with a steady increase in orders, and in Worcester, Lowell, Concord and Boston, the demand from Australia for all varieties of goods is very large and growing rapidly. This is due to the fact that, if not antipathy to the centennial exhibit at Philadelphia. The colonies there were represented by clear-headed business men, who, not content with an examination of the articles on exhibition, made a thorough and exhaustive visit to all the leading manufacturers in the Connecticut valley, which has resulted in the increased demand here referred to.

On the first of October, there will be opened at Melbourne a world's fair which will offer to manufacturers an opportunity to secure the trade already gained, and to open up new markets in the Australian colonies, but also with China, Japan and other Eastern nations, which will be much more largely represented by purchasers at Melbourne than in Philadelphia. The exhibition buildings are now completed, and every facility is afforded for the examination of all who are engaged in manufactures, the great importance of this new opening for business. The Australians, as a people, resemble us more in character than they do to the English. Their tastes are rapidly becoming Americanized, and to-day their agricultural implements, sewing machines, domestic tools, fire-arms, carriages and harness, organs, and housekeeping wares are nearly all supplied by the United States as well as Japan, a large order for paper has been received quite lately by one our mills, and should prices rise reasonable, there will be a large demand for our paper. As the trade in fire-arms is quite likely to be of the greatest importance, and the prospect of the reorganization of the Chinese and Japanese armies would seem to make it advisable to have a complete display of all the manufactures at the Melbourne exhibition.

To facilitate the sending of goods from this country, special arrangements have been made for a reduction in the rates of freight. No duties are charged, and Messrs. Henry W. Peabody & Co. of Boston, are prepared to attend not only to the shipping and exportation of goods from New England, but to their agents at Melbourne, to have all articles deposited in the building, there will be properly cared for by the American commissioner and his assistants. Peabody & Co. will also attend to the reshipment to this country of all goods exported from New England, and stated that the United States government will supply a vessel for that purpose. Preparations are already made in Melbourne for a very complete catalogue of the exhibit, of which at least 20,000 copies will be published as the first edition. All orders for exportation from New England enjoy two summers in one year, we should suggest the pleasure of a trip to the Melbourne exhibition with the prospect of being made very profitable as well.—[New England Homestead, February 14.]

A GHOST CAN SNEEZE.

At a convivial gathering, after the theatre, Mr. Barney Macaulay related to a party of appreciative young men many amusing stories of his experience on the stage.

"I need to be in tragedy," said he, "to be loved and admired. I was in *Macbeth's Hamlet*. We were in Cincinnati on a gorgeous stage, and before a tremendous audience. As I stood," said he, dropping into the attitude and sepulchral tones of the *Ghost*, "and was saying, 'My hour is almost at hand, when to thee I supplicate and torment,' my breast shook like a bell." "I was seized with a desire to sneeze; I was counted to be a thousand menaces gathering upon my nose. Now, if there is anything a ghost can't do, it is sneeze. My position was awful. To sneeze would be to ruin me, once and forever. I never went through such torture before," my friends shout "He hee!" "And did you sneeze?" some one asked.

"No; I was like a soldier, but the menaces I made completely paralyzed Booth, and the scene came near being a failure. He afterward told me he thought I was going mad, and sover his life he experienced no emotion so keen as that." Goodness, every day you may swear want to sneeze when to sneeze is ruin," and from the tragedy of the situation he fell into the comedy of the "Droopy Chisel of Jarvis Section."

Persian veiling of black net, edged with Persian colors and designs or with Persianian beads, is to be introduced.

Grass and Garden Seeds,

See Seed, Beans, etc., from to name and Circulars, for particulars, apply to JAMES, BROWN & COMPANY, BOSTON, MASS.

**SPRING,**

Now that the business depression is past, today we are in the midst of a rapid recovery equalled for years. Consequently, a large advance in prices, and there is a prospect of a still higher.

I have prepared myself for the situation of the season, so that I am enabled to offer my friends a much larger assortment of goods, which I shall offer at terms as low as possible.

My stock of

**Staple and Domestic Goods**

is now complete. Under this head I refer to PRINTS, CHEVIOT AND CAMBRIC, and every stock of

**Turkey Red, Brown and White Goods**

also CRASHES and TOWELS. The prices are called to my new

**SILK FR**

which for Style, Quality and Price are

**PLAIN BLACK**

of good assortment of COLORED LINENS, and other DRESS TRIMMING.

**15 Dozen Ladies' B**

all regular make, which I shall offer at low prices at popular prices.

**IN BOOTS AND**

hope to be able to cater as successfully as formerly. I shall have the

**AND CALF GOODS** which gave such satisfaction, together with a good assortment of

**EN'S SHOES.** I have just opened a

**GENTS' GOODS FOR SPRING**

In the Latest

**WALL PAPERS A**

have now on hand a good assortment of

**J. D. TAYLOR**

**BANK, BLOCK, SP**

**GRAND O**

—AT—

**PACKARD'S**

**CASH**

**Bank Block,**

—O—O—

The Largest and Finest

**Men's & Boys' S**

**PANTS,**

AND

**FURNISHING**

Ever in Stock

—O—O—

Having bought at Early Prices, I sell at lowest rates and we

**GUARANTEE**

Our prices to average a half cent less than can be afforded in credit elsewhere.

**New Styles of S**

Examine our NEW STYLES. Often buying Suits in lots of 100. Three Stores we can sell as low

**White and Fa**

Neck Wear, Hosiery and Socks, Cuffs, Umbrellas, &c., we can

**TRUE**

At Lowest Prices. Sole Agents, C. H. White Shirts, unlike any

**Packard's Cash**

1880

is among the things of  
revival of trade which has  
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low as the lowest.

**Little Dry-Goods**  
to my new line of SPRING  
RIC SHIRTINGS. Ex

**White Table Damask**  
e attention of the Ladies  
stock of

**FLINGES,**  
are not excelled. Have a line

**BLACK SATINS.**  
GLASSINGS, BUTTONS  
S. Lately received

**Calbriggan Hose**  
at 25c per pair. Hosiery

**AND SHOES**  
ly to my trade the pre  
same line of GENTS' B  
general satisfaction last  
of WOMEN'S AND CHILD  
large invoice of  
AND SUMMER WEAR,  
Styles.

**AND BORDER**  
of desirable Spring Styles

**MITT,**  
**SPENCER, MASS**  
**OPENING !**

**HARD'S**  
**STORE**  
**Spencer.**

Best Stock of  
**Spring Suits,**  
**HATS**  
**AND GOODS**  
ore.

ices we can afford to  
**WINTER**  
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**Spring Suits,**  
**BOYS' SUITS.**  
\$50 and 100 for our  
as small dealers buy.  
**Money Shirts,**  
Handkerchiefs, Collars,  
urnish at City Prices.  
**WKS**  
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ny others.  
**Store, Spencer.**

UNITED.

In North Brookfield April 14, at the house of the bride's mother, Mr. Everett Johnson to Miss Mabel Graves.

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**GONE HOME.**

In Noblebo county, Kansas, April 5, of pneumonia, Oulinda, wife of Dexter Baldwin, formerly of Spencer.

In Charlton, April 1, Franklin Henry, aged 53 years.

In Oakham, April 14, Alice Morse, aged 26 years.

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## Spring Oversacks and Ulsters

In addition  
to a very full line of  
**BUSINESS AND DRESS SUITS,**  
we have placed on our Cons-  
ignees a First Assortment of SPRING OVER-  
SACKS, from the well known house of MACUL-  
LAH & CO., Boston; all of the  
Garments manufactured by this firm  
will be found up to the  
standard of Custom  
work.

## Macaular & Son, 372 and 374 Main St., WORCESTER.

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LINCOLN STREET, SPENCER.  
**INSURANCE.**

CONN. FIRE INS. CO..... Hartford,  
"OLD" WORCESTER FURNISH'G..... Worcester,  
FIRST NATIONAL..... New York,  
MERCHANTS & MARINE'S DUPLY..... New York,  
GLENS FALLS INS. CO..... Glens Falls, N. Y.,  
FITCHBURGH MUT..... Fitchburg,  
HOME INS. CO..... NEW YORK  
Insurance effected to any amount at reason-  
able rates in the best of English and American  
Companies. Orders by mail will receive our  
prompt attention  
Geo. A. CRAIG, Wm. H. BEMIS.

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# FURNITURE !

**WE HAVE ON HAND IN OUR  
WAREHOUSE**

- 45 Chamber Sets,
- 40 Marble Top Tables,
- 50 Parlor Suites and Lounges,
- 25 Patent Rocking and Easy Chairs,
- 170 Mirrors,
- 700 Cases and Wood Seat Chairs,
- Also a large assortment of Spring Beds, Wire Mattresses, Hair and Common Mattresses, Camp Chairs, Extension Tables, Curtain Fixtures, Feathers, &c., &c.

**LOOK AT THESE PRICES :**

|                                              |                      |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Martle-Top, Walnut Chamber Set, .....        | \$40 00              |
| Painted Chamber Set, 17 50 to 40 00          |                      |
| Bed Lounges, .....                           | 7 00 to 20 00        |
| Parlor Suites, .....                         | from \$30 00 Upwards |
| Good Hair-Top Mattresses, .....              | 2 00 to 3 00         |
| Wood Seat Chairs, .....                      | 40 "                 |
| Cane " " " " " "                             | 60 "                 |
| Large Wood Rocking Chairs, .....             | 1 20                 |
| Large Cane Seat and Back " " " "             | " 2 00               |
| Rocker, .....                                | " 2 00               |
| 4 Drawer Bureau, .....                       | 3 50                 |
| Good Spring Bed, 3 Rows of Springs, .....    | 2 00                 |
| Folding Rocking Chairs, Car-pet Seats, ..... | 1 25                 |
| Best Black Walnut Extension Table, .....     | per foot, 1 00       |

*Furniture Repaired and Upholstered.*

Hair Mattresses made over, Picture Framing, &c.

## Baby Carriages.

In Many Styles and at the Lowest Prices.

We have the Goods and sell them as we advertise. Goods warranted as represented.

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We have a large stock of Cloth Covered and Wood Burial Cases, Berbs, Habits, &c., &c. We are prepared to attend to all branches of this business at reasonable terms.

**ALL GOODS DELIVERED.**

## T. YOUNG & SON SPENCER, MASS.

Maple Street, Opposite Town Hall.

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## HORSE BOOKS.

We have new Horse Books for sale. Will clear out old horse books cheap. Single prices 25 cents. SUN OFFICE

Take pleasure in announcing to the community that we have received an entire

# Spring and Summer

Which for VARIETY, QUALITY AND PRICES, we have surpassed by any dealer in New England. By us, having ordered the same early in our own trade.

To all who intend to purchase Clothing for the coming season, we extend an invitation to our styles. Our prices we will guarantee to be the lowest in Worcester. We have the largest class house in the city, and our facilities for showing our goods are quite often less than in any other establishment.

## We Guarantee a Saving of at least 25% on all Goods Purchased

With courteous attention to our customers, good fitting garments well made at the lowest possible cash prices, we hope to merit the patronage of this vicinity.

If you come and see us, mention our name in THE SPENCER ST. for your

# LOUIS FRIEDMAN

417 Main Street  
**THE MODERN**  
**STILL AHEAD**  
**PETIT**

The attention of the Citizens of Worcester to the fact that the MODEL RANGE of Peckham is as its name implies, the smoothness of casting, completeness of all that could be desired and stands in Baking, Broiling and all culinary uses, the large number sold in this town is a proof of their superiority. We are Agents for the same, and also for

## THE STANLEY

A First-Class cheap Range, and a number of good Second Hand Stoves together with a full assortment of House-Furnishing Goods generally. Iron and Wood Pumps.

Parties desiring Hamlin's Patent Stoves, will be supplied without sending out for the agency for Spencer and surrounding towns in wells of any depth at our hand repairs for all kinds of Crockery.

Jobbing of all kinds promptly attended. Respectfully,

# WEINBERG BROS.

HAVE JUST OPENED  
**NEW STYLES.**

## SPRING DRESS TRIMMING.

|                                     |            |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Black Silk and Chiffon Fringe 3-1-2 | worth 50c. |
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Fancy Colored Silk and Chiffon Fringe all Shades, 50c. each, never before sold less than 1.00.

Latest Novelties in Dress Buttons, Cords, Beads, Gimps and Tassels.

## KID GLOVES.

Good Kid gloves 50 cents per pair.  
 Extra Quality Kids, 75 cents per pair.  
 The Best Three-Button Kids ever offered in the city for 1.00.  
 Best makes Kid Gloves in Street and Opera House, with 3, 4 and 5 Buttons.  
 The Patent Foster Laced Kid Gloves. Every Lady should have a pair.

# Weinberg Brothers,

357 MAIN ST., WORCESTER.  
**WANTED.**  
 TWO GOOD NEGRO WOMEN, to work in a Spencer Laundry.  
 W. C. GREEN. 25

AND BOYS'

# PIERS,

inhabitants of Spencer and vintage new stock of

## Summer Clothing

AND STYLE, cannot be sur-  
passed, many of which are controlled  
in the fall and confined to our  
clothing for Men, Youth or Boys,  
attention to call and examine our  
to be the least expense of any first-  
class for buying are such that we  
can we could manufacture them,  
least 15 per cent. on all  
used of us.

customers and honest representation,  
durable goods and the  
to receive a share of public  
that you saw our advertisement  
benefit.

### ANDY & CO.,

St. Worcester. 23-17

## MODEL

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NOTES BY THE WAY.—No 3.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 23, 1890.


Thirty-one days ago we left New York  
for this city, and of that time twenty-one  
days have been passed in the "City of  
Panama," on the Pacific side. The whole  
time has passed very pleasantly and profit-  
ably to us, but I must say I am disgusted  
at what I have seen of the great Pacific  
Mail Steamship Company, and I know  
there are few, if any, of the passengers who  
do not share these feelings with me.  
Perhaps we were unfortunate in meeting  
with two of the poorest ships of the line,  
the "Crescent City" and "City of Pan-  
ama"; still it is a fact that these two  
ships are a part of the equipment of this  
line and the public must use them—if they  
patronize it.

There is no reason why the ships in the  
service of this line should not be as power-  
ful and staunch as any in the ocean ser-  
vice. They go as heavily loaded and en-  
counter as a rough weather as European  
ships, and are more than twice the  
length of time at sea. The tonnage of  
these two ships is about one-third that of  
most European steamers, and the rate of  
speed only two-thirds. I would not be  
surprised if this company should stop  
some fine morning and find that some en-  
terprising line and equipped it with the  
commodious, comfortable and fifteen-knot  
English steamers. Such an enterprise  
would cause the Pacific Mail Steamship  
Company to give more attention to the  
interests of the public and less to some of  
its stockholders. So much by way of di-  
gression.

Wednesday, March 3, while crossing  
the Gulf of Dulce, one of the propellers  
broke with a heavy thud, which was felt  
perceptibly. She kept on her way to the  
port of Punta Arenas, where she landed  
up to take it. After examining the  
propeller it was thought best to put on a  
new blade before putting to sea again. It  
proved to be a long and tedious job, and  
we lay in this port four days and a half.  
The sun was scorching hot and unless we  
could keep the shade it was very uncom-  
fortable.

The process for getting at the propeller  
was to unload the cargo from the stow-  
er of the ship and load forward. Took on  
about 5000 bags of coffee here, which con-  
stituted the loading forward. There is  
about 400,000 bags of coffee yearly ex-  
ported from this port, which is the product  
of the State of Costa Rica. We had a good  
opportunity here to learn the manners  
and customs of these people, as we saw a  
great deal of them around the ship and in  
the town. They seem to be industrious,

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that are so primitive in their way of doing  
their work, that to us they are shiftless.  
They are a revolutionary people among  
themselves; still, as they are employed  
over Sunday I went ashore to witness  
one. They fight the birds in their nat-  
ural haunts, and while they are very care-  
ful, for if they offend one it means the  
whole.

The town is laid out in squares, the  
buildings being mostly one story and very  
carefully constructed. They have a market  
place for the sale of their products,  
excepting coffee, and it is a very unimpeach-  
able. Their meats and provisions ex-  
cepted for sale are perfectly filthy. On  
Sunday it is their usual custom to assemble  
on the cockpit for cock fights. As we were  
there over Sunday I went ashore to witness  
one. They fight the birds in their nat-  
ural haunts, and while they are very care-  
ful, for if they offend one it means the  
whole.

The next stopping place was Libertad,  
where, as the captain could not take on an-  
other office, this is San Salvador, and he  
he only seaport town in the State. The  
State is noted for its volcanic conditions  
and about one month ago 150 shocks were  
felt in that day. In sight is the volcano of  
San Jacinto, 9775 feet in height, and throwing  
out clouds of steam every fifteen minutes.  
The earth's crust has every indication of  
being very thin along the coast.

Before night we drop anchor at San Jose  
de Guatemala, the seaport town of Guate-  
mala, but do not go ashore, as one is  
obliged to become a citizen upon landing.  
To do this would cost the sum of \$4.  
This was really the freshest looking port  
we had seen on the coast thus far.

Crossed the Gulf of Tehuantepec this  
night (Thursday) and came out of it with-  
out a shaking up, which was unusual.  
The mountain range along this coast is  
grand. We find the sea tortoise numerous  
in these waters, and it is amusing to see  
them gullies upon their backs for a  
rest and ride a long distance. The tortoise  
does not seem to object to being made use  
of in this way.

Acapulco was the next inland place  
and is a seaport town on the Mexican  
coast. It has a splendid harbor, com-  
pletely landlocked and sufficient to float  
a great number of vessels. The capital

were thoroughly. The people here  
 were reasonable in appearance and  
 their manners. They have many of  
 the stores and buildings are all  
 constructed than farther along down-  
 coast. Their buildings are neat and  
 and their school buildings would be  
 credit to many of our New England  
 schools. Music is one of the branches  
 of art, as we saw an exercise written  
 on the blackboard in one of the  
 schools. The Central American States the  
 duport imports are very heavy, and the  
 time is true in regard to Mexico, for  
 Mexico, earned goods that we buy  
 for cents per can are sold here for \$1.75  
 for 25 cents per lb.; flour, \$30 per  
 ton. We came back to the ship, boats were  
 starting for the burning ground of the  
 Pacific Mail Steamship Company, with  
 body of one of the steers passengers  
 died the day before. He came aboard  
 and had contracted the fever  
 there.  
 We went on board the British war ship  
 which was that lying in the harbor.  
 were heartily welcomed, and winced  
 the officers. She is a magnificent  
 vessel of a war vessel, of 600 tons,  
 carrying 15 guns and named by 500 men,  
 sold.  
 5 o'clock our ship weighed anchor  
 and started on her way to Frisco, this  
 being the last stopping place. From this  
 we looked forward to the crossing  
 of the Gulf of California as being the only  
 really disturbing element for a few  
 days, and we made our entrance upon  
 it soon on Monday, 16th. The next evening  
 at 8 o'clock had rounded Cape St.  
 Lucas, which took on a calm sea, but  
 the waves were a source of relief, as we have  
 been in passing out of the numerous gulf  
 of this coast. They are in the habit of  
 running up rough seas, as the captain ex-  
 presses it, and it is unusual not to get well  
 shaken up in some of them. The sea is  
 striking this peninsula of California be-  
 cause of the sand dunes and barren moun-  
 tains, as, some of them reaching a height of  
 100 feet. The alluvial follows in the  
 wake of the ship from here and occasion-  
 ally the penguin. The former is a very  
 tiny and graceful bird, and when flying  
 I measure four feet from the wing  
 to the tip of the tail. They are  
 as we pass through the San Blas Bay a  
 very low level prevails, wh'ed' the  
 a gale at 1 o'clock a.m., on Friday, 19th,  
 at noon today have made but 184  
 miles in twenty-four hours. Retire at  
 night, hoping for better results on the  
 morrow, as that would give us but two  
 or three nights on board the ship's feet,  
 potatoes, butter and other necessities were  
 being sent on.  
 While meditating upon this fact about 5  
 o'clock on the morning of the 20th, a shock  
 as felt as though the vessel had struck a  
 rock, but remembering the sensation ex-  
 perience in a similar shock, some days  
 ago, I exclaimed, another earthquake.  
 The captain and engineer burying  
 and very soon learned that it was the  
 second of one. From this point the rum-  
 ble of the ship became very slow, and the  
 motion of the unevenly balanced  
 vessel was very eddies. The captain  
 as now obliged to hug the shore more  
 closely, and in doing so we obtained a  
 better view of the towns and mountains,  
 at now had become more attractive.  
 The boundary between Upper and Lower  
 California had now been reached and the  
 San Bernardino mountains, 8000 feet high,  
 and capped with snow, were seen in the  
 distance. They presented a beautiful ap-  
 pearance as the sunlight reflected upon  
 them, and the contrast with the fields of  
 green and orange groves below was char-  
 acteristic. San Diego, twelve miles from the  
 coast, and Santa Barbara, 100 miles further  
 on, are known as inviolable retreats, as the  
 climate remains the same during the year,  
 and flowers bloom every month. Eight  
 miles from San Diego, the bay is almost  
 landlocked, which empty into the sea and cover  
 the water to a great extent, impregnating  
 the air for a great distance. Boating of  
 the kind occurred from this point and at  
 1 o'clock on the morning of the 23d (Tues-  
 day) we came to the golden gate. The  
 magnificent bay of San Francisco, with  
 San Francisco, with abrupt rocks on either side,  
 and guarded by fortifications on the right  
 and in the distance.  
 Were very soon in the bay and after  
 being boarded by the health officer, came  
 to anchor at 10 o'clock. The bay is  
 and given us no breakfast this morning,  
 we waited impatiently for the custom  
 house to open. As we lay in the bay,  
 the ship being done, we heaved to the  
 anchor and then to the breakfast table in  
 a double quick.  
 J. W. TRIPLE.  
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 of the new book, "The History of the  
 Worcester, Mass., from 1600 to 1880,"  
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**An Old Boat.**

I passed a boat in-day on the shores,  
That will be launched on the sea no more.  
Worn and battered, the straight keel bent,  
The ribs like a ruined rampart rent;  
Left alone with no covering,  
To the wind and the steady sea, the waves thing?  
It was steady once, when the shipwright's hands  
Laid each plank as the master planned.  
And it danced for joy on the curling wave,  
When first the sea's broad breast it claved.  
And it felt the pulse of the well-timed stroke,  
That made the boat-pole's of useful oak.  
Oh! to have known the beauty of the sea,  
Of fishes, bright with night-long toll;  
And often in Summer days it knew  
The laugh of a pleasure-seeking crew;  
Or hunched by night on the blinding waves,  
It has rescued a life from the sea's dark grave.  
It is useless now, as it lies on the beach,  
To the waves that will bring it to naught;  
And none of all it has served in stress  
Remember it now, in its loneliness.

## A Robbery Foiled.

"'Good-by, sweetheart!'"

The words rang in Lizzie Layton's ears long after the little row-bow, containing her lover, had danced out of sight behind the headland; for they left with her an unusual feeling of absence.

A cold, bluish grey; a clear, pale sky; a heap of yellow sand, and a road winding away among the pines to a singular gray-stone cottage.

As soon as she had waved farewell to the pleasant face and stalwart young figure of Ben Layton, the girl turned toward home—the gray-stone house.

The petite figure, in its trim dress of dark blue flannel, gave a picturesque effect to the landscape. But Lizzie had little thought of that. An unusual feeling of discontent and restless staid over her. The walk home seemed long and hot and hazy.

Her lover's visit was ended; her job, her father was away; her mother was sick, and the reaction of a week of unusual excitement and activity had come upon her.

The short mile-walk to the cottage was near its termination, when a covered cart came along from a cross-road into the path, ahead of her.

The two men within did not look back to see her coming, and she was forced to walk behind the vehicle—soon, to her alarm, listening to their conversation.

"'Very sorry, I fancy,'" said one.

"'Pah! nothing else,'" said the other, pluck enough to her. "If you're only as bad as I do, you would be glad of the chance."

"'Are you sure the money's there?'"

"'I'm sure the captain hasn't banked it for he hasn't been to town since he sold the horse. The money would be in the stable chest, keeping considerable sums of money in the house. There isn't much risk, but was the money there then?'"

"'The captain is away. There is nobody there but women, I think.'"

"'Nobody but his wife and daughter?'"

You can't be afraid of them? They're the kind!'"

"'No.'"

Lizzie's cheeks were burning with excitement. Her heart beat tumultuously under the trim blue saccap.

"'She might be willing to hear more, but the horse had been whipped into a trot, and the grinding of the wheels in the sand made it impossible to hear more.

But the child's face was no longer apathetic and sad. The men's words had conveyed to her a terrible alarm. Of what nature she did not say, but she knew that a hundred dollars her father had received from a pair of steers, two week before? It was true that it was in the house, that the captain (her father) was away, and she and her mother were tired.

"'She might be at home to-night,'" thought Lizzie, anxiously. "I can tell him all this, and he will take precautions. He has often said he is never afraid of robbery with a good revolver in the house."

The carriage rolled past the stone cottage and out of sight. Lizzie stood on the steps a moment watching it and composing herself. She did not want her mother to see how she trembled. Mrs. Layton was very nervous. Lizzie wished she had seen the men; but she recollected instantly that she should certainly know their voices. One was guttural; the other of a rather surly tone.

It was a pity they had not seen her there. They might then fear that she had overheard them, and refrain from any attempt at the robbery.

"'But father will be here,'" repeated Lizzie.

Still he had not come when the tall clock behind the kitchen door struck eight, and it was quite dark outside the window, through which Lizzie had anxiously looked for three hours.

She had that a white apron over her blue dress, and pressed up her hair.

"'We will have our, Lizzie,'" you can keep the tea hot for father,'" Mrs. Layton had said, and partook sparingly of the tea and toast.

For her sake, Lizzie refrained from conversation, and pressed up her hair, and looked at the clock, thinking it would have been a sweet relief.

Attending the invalid and putting the house to order for the night, she connected over all the circumstances of the situation.

With the exception of a few summer-house, there was no place in that time of the year; there was no habitation within half a mile of them. There was no likelihood of

her vision from among their sorrowful faces that night. What if her father did not come, and she and her mother must pass the night alone there?

"But it's early yet; only half-past eight," said Lizzie.

"The thought of a knock at the front door suddenly filled her with a panic of fear.

"Go to the door, Lizzie. It is probably your uncle, driven down to see father, and get the news over to us—concurry."

"The thought that it was, Lizzie gathered courage to go to the door. No, it was not her uncle, but a strange man standing upon the step—a thick-set, yellow-browed man, with small, cunning eyes. His manner was quite civil, however. He took off his hat.

"Is Captain Layton at home?"

"The fellow's guttural tone! Lizzie turned deadly pale.

"He is not," she said, and apologetically shut the door.

For a moment she stood in the little square hall, with the lamp in her hand, shaking like an aspen leaf.

"What is it, Lizzie? No? Your uncle?" called her mother from the sitting-room.

"No, mother, a stranger," faltered Lizzie, who stood rooted to the spot, afraid to exhibit her pale face and shaking hands.

"We can't take any strangers in to-night, Lizzie. Your father may not come, and there is a hundred dollars in the house."

"Oh, foolish mother!" thought the girl, for she had been unconsciously listening for the man's retreating footsteps, and she had not heard them.

She believed that he had retired, but a little way from the door, and was looking out from the window into the dining-room. Her mother's raised voice must have reached his ear, and he was now able to take a survey of her feebleness, and of the little room where the captain's desk containing the money was so conspicuous.

Stealing down the lamp in the little dark entry, she flew noiselessly up stairs, and leaned from a window left open to air the chamber.

Yes, in the dark, the short, thick-set figure of the man was just turning away from the door. Lizzie caught up a long, dark stick which lay on the floor, and rushed downstairs. On turning the corner of the house, she saw him leisurely walking down the road.

Glothing her little hand tight upon the shawl in which she had wrapped herself, Lizzie stole on after him in the shadow of the wall, and followed him noiselessly down the road. He needed to go but a little way before he joined his companion, who was sitting upon a fallen tree on the other side of the road. The carriage had been driven into a gap in the road.

"Well," he said, starting up.

"Mamma," replied the other, in a low tone, and they continued to talk in still lower voices.

"There is no time to be lost," thought Lizzie.

She glided noiselessly back. As she closed the door, she looked at the front door, she heard her mother quarrelsome shouting again. She entered the comfortable little sitting-room, warm and light, all breathless.

"Where have you been, Lizzie? What makes you so pale?"

"Running up stairs makes me a little dizzy," replied Lizzie, holding by a chair, for she felt giddy and swimming around.

Then she forced herself to sit down, and clenched her hands quiet upon her lap.

"Mother, don't you think father is coming to-night?"

"S'posin' he don't, you needn't look so sober, Lizzie. I guess we are safe enough. I suppose the old home has fallen lame. Father isn't the best of drivers. Safe as a brick."

Lizzie thought her mother must hear her heart beating, but apparently she did not. She had taken off her cap, and was smoothing her thin, soft hair for the night.

"Oh, I think he must come before long."

The clock struck nine.

Lizzie went to her mother's bed-room and looked up the door. The robbers were down the road. Suddenly a thought arose into her mind. They could not know when the captain did come.

She slipped into the outer room, assuming a bright and cheerful air.

"I'm going to fix up something to look like dear papa, anyway, mother. It won't seem so lonesome."

For a moment she dropped the curtain. Then, bringing her father's great pilot-coat, and a scarf and hat from a closet, she hastily closed the door, and slipped on her shoes. She then quipped some of the captain's up to the table. The back came toward the window; the head seemed to be bent forward, looking over a newspaper which was spread open.

Mrs. Layton gave a low laugh.

"You're going to look like mother. I don't want to look up the house just yet. I think it's a little lonesome. It will be as easy as can be to think that this is father. Don't it look like him at the back?"

Mrs. Layton said yes, and allowed herself to be undressed.

She slipped the shawl off the sleeve to a little more natural position, put a glass half full of sweet cider beside the newspaper, and satty put up the curtain again. Then she sat down before the fire with a book.

Every nerve of every nerve was stretched to the utmost tension, every sense on the alert; and she sat there, with her feet on the low rocking-chair, and turned her pages regularly. She heard her mother's low,

...proudly breathing, and knew that a  
...fully asleep.

The clock struck ten.

Fretty soon Lizzie's strained ears heard  
...the door open, and a faint light  
...they were made, they were no plainer  
...terribly plain to her. It seemed to her  
...the crackling gravel must awake her mother,  
...at the regular breathing still continued,  
...he lifted her head, and smilingly addressed  
...the bogus captain:

"Don't read any more of the shipping  
...news, father; just listen to this pretty  
...story," and she began to read aloud.

She read half a page of the book in a  
...dear, animated voice; then, suddenly  
...laying down the volume, and saying: "The  
...the captain, who had been a sailor, and  
...swords, took a pitcher from a closet, and fill-  
...ing, in her passage, a high-backed rock-  
...chair beside the pillow figure, to prevent a  
...more prolonged and close observation of it,  
...passed out of the room.

She did not go to the cellar, but to the  
...room.

She came softly to the window. The  
...latitude of the house was in entire darkness;  
...the light streaming from the interior shone  
...mainly upon the forms of the two men,  
...silently revealing them to her penetrating  
...eyes, as they stood about half a foot from  
...the window. But they had turned from the  
...alley.

"I tell you it's no use, Sampson," one  
...as saying: "The old fellow is plucky, and  
...keeps a revolver in his bed-room."

Then the game's up."

They returned slowly away, and were  
...soon gone. Lizzie's nose had succeeded,

But she watched until after midnight,  
...then retired, satisfied that no further at-  
...tempt would be made to enter the house;  
...and he lay thankfully down beside her mother,  
...and slumbered singly until morning.

When the first rays of the sun came  
...the captain rolled into the yard. The family had  
...lost sight of him, and the pillow figure, still in-  
...ert, greeted his astonished gaze. But  
...his amazement was redoubled when Liz-  
...explained how she had saved the money.

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AROUND THE WORLD.

The "Victoria," a Spanish vessel, was the  
...first ship to accomplish the circuit of the  
...globe. Five ships with a complement of  
...two hundred and thirty men, set out upon  
...an expedition at the commencement of the  
...sixteenth century from the port of San Sal-  
...vador, in the Gulf of Mexico, and were  
...on the 6th of September, 1522, after an ab-  
...sence of three years and fourteen days,  
...singing eighteen men of the whole force.

The commander of the Victoria was Sebast-  
...ian del Conco, who received high honors  
...in his country. The first English circum-  
...navigator, Captain Cook, was made by Sir  
/>...James Drake, who returned September  
...1, 1680, after an absence of two years  
...and ten months. His ship was the "Golden  
...Hind."

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A FRIGHTENED UNDERTAKER.

A sexton in Gloucester, Mass., was sum-  
...moned to prepare for burial an aged man  
...in whom he was well acquainted. Arriv-  
...ing at the house he was requested to go  
...into the bedroom where the body was  
...lying. Up he went, and while remov-  
...ing his coat he was dumfounded to see the  
...opposed dead man rise in bed and in a low  
...voice of voice articulate: "Hello, John, how  
...are you? Shake hands." The sexton was  
...most frozen with horror, but in a moment  
...of the fitted case was made by his  
...own hands. "I am not to make a new kind of gruel,"  
...he sick man assented; the gruel was made  
...and carried up, and the affair passed off.  
...the patient lived until the next day, and  
...then the sexton was again summoned there  
...no reconciliation.

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JOURNALISM ON WHEELS.

An editor in one of the North Georgia  
...papers owns a profitable printing office.  
...The editor is a first-class business man,  
...and has his home in his town. Stopping  
...any neighborhood where the farmers are  
...disposed to furnish him with work, and as  
...as he gets his shop in good running  
...order, he sets up his old Ben Franklin hand-  
...sign, buys a gallon or two of syrup, a few  
...hundreds of the fitted case, and in a few  
...minutes, with a little paper, and in the few  
...words of the *Thunderbolt of Freedom* makes its  
...appearance, claiming a large circulation and  
...offering superior inducements to advertisers.

Exchange.

Mr. Melmoth says: Trouble and perplexity  
...is to pry; and pry drives away  
...complexity and trouble."

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A STRANGE PROCEEDING.

Considerable excitement has been aroused  
...at Strasburg by the appearance of a stran-  
...ger, who makes his appearance at nightfall  
...in the streets of Strasburg, and, without  
...his double-edged ponies, and as soon as  
...perceives an unprotected female strikes  
...on the right breast with his weapon,  
...inflicting a slight wound of from half to  
...three-quarters of an inch deep. He has re-  
...sented in striking this woman, upon the  
...claiming taking to flight before he is strik-  
...ed sufficiently recovered from their terror  
...to raise an alarm. The imperial police are  
...their efforts have made search for him. A  
...reward is now offered by the Governor  
...the seizure of the bravo.

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...which we occupy, but in the grade of our  
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**NO. 27**

at Worcester  
Tuesday.

The convention was the fairest examination of the Republican members of the Legislature since the rights of the people were absolutely at stake. The party had a fair hearing before the people and interest and well as the results.

I think Edmunds had customer for his services.

visiting some of the friends of the party in conversation with the memory of one of our best men, who said he would pay him off before took down John Knox, which hall, and hung up the Scotchman. The Scotchman asked what had longer consider of a place here," "You have hung out." "You could said the Scotch situation very many man could subject, that was

district Republican delegates to say 4 at Washburn to hope our dele- gation of the pos- sibility it is sup- posed that they are elected by trickery or treachery.

for this year of a new party than the old party was for- mance in the future states makes this so.

portion of the State Garden, N. Y., and causing a loss of \$100 on the building, in the garden.

number reported was 71; 29 or dying, and 150 were

life for anybody to E. Sanford as a public any possible mischief Republican.

Journal says: It is in that Senator Ed- ward's delegates to the delegates in- Edmunds are heavy and to turn over.

be doubtful about authors of our tariff policy meant to place on the ground in the United States.

happened that pulp far the most im- portant manufacture of paper weekly press of the country and by name.

Under a Treasury Secretary this verbal notice of free admission of manufacturers of that to impose an exor- bitant body of paper- is of course shifted to newspaper pub- lishers and the burden falls on publishers outside the country.

consequently, be- cause that a handful of rich. The most of these monopolists Garfield. Were his ill withdrawn.

the pulp to the free list, accomplished in his opposition com- plete are secure. Can we continue his sup- port and oppressive tax revenue to the Govern- ment are very desir- able of knowledge.

of Germany and enjoying greatly in them. They occupied in a castle near everywhere, and now apparently revealed in etiquette.



for a joint Senator for the counties of Francisco and San Mateo, has created a healthier feeling here, as the majority is against fraud, which was also a majority against Kearney, Kallcho & Co., was so decided that the bulldozing of these black-

med to these passes, but we made  
urney in safety. It was romantic  
extreme, fording creeks and wind-  
narrow way along the mountain  
with the yawning gulf below hun-  
of feet. Still it is as safe as any

time, and prevents disease by  
the blood pure, stomach regular,  
and liver active, is the greatest  
ever conferred upon man. Hop  
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**Strengthen You.**  
Suffering from any indis-  
position, as is often the case,  
**Relieve You.**  
Working on the farm, at the  
city, that your system needs  
relaxing, without inter-  
ference.

**What You Need.**  
Your system is feeble, your  
digestion is weak, your  
blood is poor, your  
nerves are over-  
taxed, your  
system is  
out of  
balance,  
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body is  
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**Building operations are:**

The Big Shop paid out \$13,000 in specie last Saturday.

Call at Boyle's for the greatest variety of smokers' materials in town.

E. H. Howland commenced making brick yesterday at his new yard.

Another house is going up on the land near Temple and Chestnut streets.

Olé Bull plays in Worcester and Miss Thursday sang on Tuesday evening.

A new house is struck out on the lot next to the old school building.

Edwin A. Hill has erected a new sign over the entrance of a store in Hillville.

It's on the 8th page. The gem puzzle, solved by W. F. Comins & Co. Look for it.

Mr. Norrmandin has got the lumber delivered for his new hotel on Chestnut street.

Barnes and Horne are doing a heavy business this spring and will soon have their mill in full blast.

Job printing can be had cheaper now than ever before, both the price of color and labor is advancing.

Mr. Temple's letters are appreciated by our readers. Another (see p. 4) will come out on our second this week.

Messrs. Bush & Groat's new bottomshop is being pushed, and the framework is nearly ready for going up.

W. F. Comins & Co. are carrying a grand variety stock of groceries, and their prices are as low as the lowest.

Irae Prouty & Co. are to build their brick storehouse this summer, but erections have not yet commenced.

The Spencer Old Fellowship celebrate its anniversary on Old Fellowship, by giving a socialable next Monday evening.

New Spring Sales and Delmans, late in Parasols, Buttons, Fringes and ornaments, at A. J. Ward's, Capen Block.

You can tell whether W. F. Comins & Co.'s solution of the Gem Puzzle is or is not, only by calling at their store.

Albert C. Worthington has been appointed agent for Worcester county for the sale of Sherman's compound hair soap, all good goods.

Warren J. Livermore has been threatened by a very severe attack of pneumonia and we are glad to state he is now in a way for recovery.

Advertising does no good—but a little advertisement of a horse book on one of outside pages has sold us nearly 30 copies in a few weeks.

Frank D. Barton, brother of Dr. C. P. Barton, is succeeding admirably at his trade in San Francisco. He was formerly in charge of F. Sibley's jewelry store.

Rev. F. F. Sibley's Association of Congregational ministers, meeting quarterly at the Massachusetts office of Worcester company was not as large as usual.

Mr. Whitney, of the Capen Block grocery store, has a new advertisement in this issue. Mr. Whitney is making a impression here. Call upon her.

W. F. Pierce started out a building mess floor, near his residence on Chestnut street, and went no further yet, although it is one of the best locations in town.

Cheekard's is the place to buy clothing. They have a larger stock now than ever, and having bought early before advance in material, they will sell less.

One of our readers says that John N. Whitney's residence and grounds are kept in better shape than any other in the city has the finest grass lawn in the city.

By LAMB.—This article, so difficult to obtain and yet so desirable, can always be found at the Boston Branch. Unpublished larid, is tried out from the only.

Our exchange is delighted with its telegraphic exchange, and this is a great thing in time and boot leather. Any with a little enterprise can find a opening for an exchange here, in some towns or our acquaintance would like for a public reading room. Why? Spencer? Plenty of money for location of the children here, but many more are left to the care of the city.

G. A. R. Ladies Sewing Circle will meet at Grand Army Hall, on Wednesday morning of next week. The regular

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bordered ribbon. Also, a very efflorescent bonnet, the front of Italian lace strung with a crown of jessellote colored satin and a row of pauties matching in shade, with fringe of lilies of the valley on the back with ties of Languede lace. Another was a satin band in cottage shades, hair with black velvet, an Alsatian bow with much red ribbon in front with velvet catrich plumes falling from sides of veil at Napoleon lace. A fancy straw trimmed with buttercup, or Cuban yellow, was also striking. A table of children's hats attracted much attention, besides which beautiful display of real flowers added very much to the pleasure of the patronesses.

The Hyers Sisters' Combination will present a new version of Uncle Tom's Cabin in Town Hall next Friday evening. They are now under the auspices of the Educational Lyceum Bureau, which always guarantees an excellent performance. The Worcester Spy says in speaking of this company of the recent visit to that city: "Uncle Tom's Cabin, none of its popularity as it grows older, substantial proof of which was furnished by two of the largest audiences ever gathered in Mechanics Hall Saturday afternoon and evening, when it was produced by the Ideal Uncle Tom's Cabin Combination. The afternoon performance drew a large audience, and the attendance was larger than at any other matinee ever given in the city. In the evening the interest was fully as great and the applause, laughter and sympathy with which the play was received indicated that the company was giving excellent results." The Worcester Spy is well selected for the piece. Miss Adah Hyers, a pleasing Eliza Harris, Sam Lucas an effective Uncle Tom, and Lottie Burke as Captain Eva. The other members of the cast have been well selected, and include J. A. Smith, who first played St. Clair over five years ago. The songs included in the production were all carefully selected, being sung, and added greatly to the success of the entertainment. The Hyers Sisters have always been popular here, and Saturday's pleasing performances increased their popularity.

VICTIMIZED.

A Certain Man Went Down from Jerusalem to Jericho and Fell Among Thieves."

George Bomis, 20, started last week for Kansas to visit his son, and while on his way fell among thieves, the particulars of which will be found in the following account written by one of the boys of the New York Sun, and dated Syracuse, April 14: "A bold robbery was committed on a New York Central Railroad train, near Port Jervis. On the mail train going west was former named George Bomis, who lives near Boston, and who was on his way to see his father, who had died, and settled there. Soon after the train left New York, a large man, apparently drunks, entered to conversation with him, and told him they were in the Texas cattle trade. Before the train reached Port Byron one of the men pulled out one of him and groped up his pockets and snatched some money. Bomis a game fellow had been taught in New York Monday, which was none other than one-card monte. They made a play, and he lost \$10 he could not pick out the joker. Mr. Bomis said he had never done a wager in his life, but he knew instinctively that he could pick out the card, so he finally said he would take the bet. Holding his hand in his pocket, he pulled a lot of bills containing \$400. In an instant one of the sharpers seized the money, and followed by the other thief, ran on the platform of the car. This train moving at the rate of thirty miles an hour, and with a charge of Bomis and another on their feet, apparently injured, waited on the train arrived at Port Byron the portlies started in pursuit of the thieves, captured them after a desperate struggle.

The thieves drew their pistols, and Bomis shot if they were molested. Bomis was wounded in the chest and heavily loaded with chains. Bomis was taken by the railroad authorities, and will stand as a witness. Both he and the thieves were taken to Rochester to-night. Superintendent Burrows' private confession was that the thieves were released. Bomis' family deny the truthfulness of above account. In letters received from him he makes no such statements as above. In the first place he took no amount of money with him, only enough to pay his necessary expenses, and he has no relatives in New York to leave captured. And, in short, mistake must have been made by persons acting in giving account.

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 My stock of  
**Staple and Domestic**  
 is complete. Under this heading, PRINTS, CHEVIOT AND CASHMERE, my stock of  
**Turkey Red, Red and Blue**  
 also CRASHES and TOWELS. I have called to my  
**SILK F**  
 Which for Style, Quality and Price  
**PLAIN BLA**  
 A good assortment of COLORED other DRESS TRIMMINGS  
**15 Dozen Ladies'**  
 Full regular make, which I shall sell at grades at popular prices.  
**IN BOOTS**  
 I hope to be able to cater as successfully as formerly. I shall have AND CALF GOODS which gave me a mer, with a good assortment of MEN'S SHOES. I have just opened  
**GENTS' GOODS FOR SPRING**  
 In the Latest  
**WALL PAPERS**  
 Have now on hand a good assortment  
**J. D. TAYLOR**  
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**TRUNKS**  
 At Lowest Prices. Sole Agents  
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The attention of the Ladies is  
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**FRINGES,**

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In Burlington, Vt., April 28, by Rev. Thomas Lynch, Y. G. Thomeas Doyle of Spencer to Ellen Shinnott of Burlington.

**GONE HOME.**

In Spencer, April 30, Charles Greeneo, aged 57 years.

In Oakham, April 13, Nancy Foster, widow of the late James Foster, aged 84 years.

In Brookfield, April 7th, Chester Burleigh, son of A. C. and C. B. Clark, aged months and 11 days.

**Spring Oversacks  
and Ulsters**

In addition  
to a very full line of  
**BUSINESS AND DRESS  
SUITS,** we have placed on our  
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Garments Manufactured by this firm  
will be found up to the  
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170 Mirrors,  
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Large Wood Rooking Chairs, ..... 1 20  
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Folding Rooking Chairs, Carpet Seats, ..... 1 25  
Best Black Walnut Extension Table, ..... per foot, 1 00

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The attention of the Citizens is called to the fact that the MODEL RANGE of Peckham is as its name implies, a model of smoothness of casting, completeness of design, and standard in all that could be desired and stands in Baking, Broiling and all culinary uses the large number sold in this town is a positive proof of their superiority.

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A First-Class cheap Range, and a number of good Second Hand Stoves together with a full assortment of House-Furnishing Goods generally.

Parties desiring Hamlin's Patent Iron and Wood Pumps, can be supplied without sending out for them by the agency for Spencer and surrounding towns in wells of any depth at a very low price.

Robbers of all kinds of Crochets, and

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| Black Silk and Chenille Fringe 27 1/2 | worth 30 |
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inhabitants of Spencer and vicinity new stock of  
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| <b>9</b><br>Pounds of Dried Ap-<br>ple for \$1.       | <b>10</b><br>Pounds of Fruit<br>for \$1.   |
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 Making, Tailoring, Satisfaction guaranteed.  
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For the Spring of 1890.  
Our Eighteenth Annual Sale will open on 10th of April. Orders received and samples sent at once.  
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Opposite Trinity Church. Trees, plants, shrubs, perennials, etc., in very low prices. Also, Pears, Cherries and Peach Trees. Straw Plugs in large quantities of Sharpley, Boyden, Downing, Monarch, etc. The trees, shrubs, very low and of the best quality. Lots of heavy trees for immediate bearing, as well as those for growing. A few early buds of the stock is particularly desired. A catalogue with a general price list will be profitable.  
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**EMPLOYMENT-LOCAL**  
The following is a list of the names of the persons who have been employed by the city of Worcester, Mass., during the year 1889.  
\$177 Year and expense to Agents.  
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"PUNY COLD DAY."

Some time ago a poorly dressed, seedy looking person, about fifty years old, entered the police office at Detroit and proceeded to warm his hands over one of the registers. He made no inquiries about mails, and after he had been loafing around for two hours policeman got his eyes on him and asked:

"Well, old man, have you any necessities here?"

"Well, no," said he.

"Any work to do?"

"No, I kinder thought I'd lay this winter."

"Your friends here?"

"No."

"I think you are a vagrant." continued the officer, as he took another look.

"Alleebe I am!" sighed the old fellow.

"Well, I'll go along."

The officer escorted him to the station house and then proceeded to search his pockets. Each one paid out a wad of money, making a total \$1600.

"Why didn't you tell us you had this money?" demanded the policeman.

"Why didn't you ask me?"

"Didn't I say I took you for a grant, and you didn't deny it, either?"

"Well, I didn't know anything about your city laws," quietly replied the old man.

"I've got two more daughters, and I come to buy each 'em a \$800 piano for New Year's if it's any of your law's I'll get the piano for home."

"O.d., don't want no fuss with nobody."

"Well, you might have saved yourself all this trouble," said the officer as he escorted him to the street.

"Don't mention it."

"If I didn't see nothing about your act, it's all right, and you needn't be me. I'm always willing to oblige anybody who can appreciate it. You could day, isn't it?"

"How much are these good yard?" said a gentleman in a dry store the other day, as he picked up and examined a piece of ruffled cloth.

"Good gracious!" cried the clerk, "that isn't for sale! That's what of a lady's train!" She's just up in the elevator."

A boy was sent by his mother to saw some stove wood out of railroad ties. Going out-doors shortly thereafter she found the youth sitting on saw-horse with head down. The father asked her youthful son why he kept at work. The boy replied in clear mortar, I find it hard, very to sever old ties.

Terribly destructive forest fires were sweeping through Ocean, Montauk, Cumberland and Atlantic counties, burning hundreds of square miles of timber and vine forests, threatening villages, burning houses and telegraph poles, destroying large numbers of cattle, and other birds have been suffocated by the smoke, which is stifling fire around the burned district. Some fires have been started by locomotives and others by incendiaries. At Forked River, Manchester, Tom's Cedar Creek and other places the people have been fighting to save their property by setting back fires. At Rehoboth 250 acres of valuable woodland at Newbold estate has been burned. Other alarming proportions are also taking place in the Pine and Monroe co. Pa.

Dr. J. H. Hero, formerly of the Park institution at Westboro, a three years proprietor of the T. Baths on Summer street, Worcester, says many of our Spanish people have received treatment), in making and a vegetable syrup for Coughs, Cold Throats, Sore Throats, Hoarseness etc., which is probably the best now in use. Thousands of bottles have been sold in the village of Westboro and Westboro this season now offers for sale in Spencer, try one bottle. See sales in the Worcester frontiers, giving testimonials also be found.

**SPRING, 1880.**

**CARROLL PARKS**

**WORCESTER, MASS.**

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